

**IBM 5280
Distributed
Data System:**

**Extends the power
of your computer**



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Computer power where it counts

The IBM 5280 Distributed Data System is a versatile, low-cost intelligent terminal that can extend the power of your central computer to both local and remote locations... distribution centers, sales offices, manufacturing centers.

Whether it's across the hall or across the country, the 5280 can help:

- Reduce data processing turnaround time
- Improve the accuracy and timeliness of data
- Speed and simplify data entry—to help you streamline paperwork and minimize costs.



Easy to install and program

The IBM 5280 is designed to be easily programmed.

IBM supplied software provides:

- Aids for quickly tailoring the system to meet individual needs
- High-level languages to help users write their own programs—and perform fast, accurate data entry
- Advanced editing functions for error detection and control
- Aids to help simplify processing, printing and communications
- Display prompts to guide operators.

Easy to learn and use

Designed to be run by the people who work for you today, the IBM 5280 requires only a few hours of operator training.

Data is entered via easy-to-use keyboard/display stations. The display prompts interaction and guides the operator during data entry.

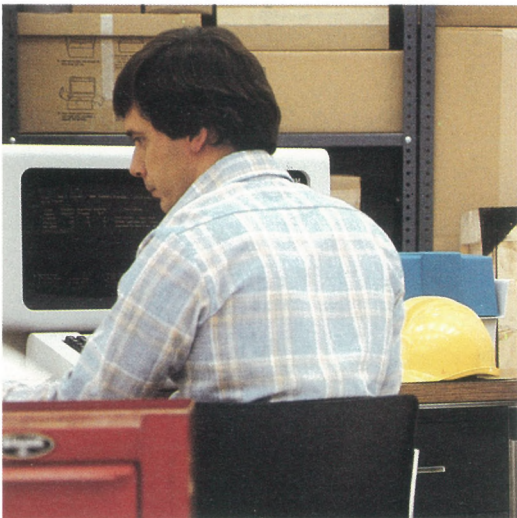
“Menu” screens allow the operator to easily select jobs. And screens can be formatted to resemble your standard operating forms for quick and efficient data entry.

Pre-programmed edits and checks can reduce the effort needed to locate and correct mistakes. Errors can be brought to the attention of the operator—by blinking the information in error, for example, or reversing the image.

Information processing at the source

The IBM 5280 helps you move data collection closer to the source, where the people who generate your information can control its accuracy.

But the 5280 is more than a data collection or data entry system. It can sort information, process information, print information or display it locally. It can transmit to your central computer or other 5280 systems throughout your organization over standard telephone lines. And, your communications costs can be kept down with the 5280 auto-answer capability which supports data transmission and receipt with a station to station telephone call.



Add up the benefits

The IBM 5280 Distributed Data System offers you and your organization:

- A range of hardware products to suit your needs—including programmable control units, data stations, plus both character and high speed line printers
- IBM-written software—such as the familiar DE/RPG and COBOL and utilities to easily implement and design a system to meet your specific needs
- A system that can support multiple work stations and multiple applications concurrently
- IBM service and support at your locations across the country.

See your IBM General Systems Division representative. Find out how the IBM 5280 Distributed Data System can extend the power of your computer to locations where data is collected and used...and at a price you can afford.





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