

UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND

Computer Centre

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Date : Week ended 29 July 1971
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1. OPERATIONS

1.1 PDP-10 System

Friday 23 July End of day accounting, which could not run previous night due to file error, 1000-1014
Investigation of system failures, Batch off-line 1140-1150
System development, Batch off-line 1340-1540
System failure, software investigation, 1658-1728.

Monday 26 July Teletype controller unit off-line, 1000-1115
New Monitor set up, 1115-1120
End-of-Day accounting, which could not run on Friday, due to file error, 1120-1245
System files setup, 1245-1325.

Tuesday 27 July System development, Batch off-line, 1300-1410
Loaded emergency files after errors in line printer symbiont, 1635-1745
Monitor reloaded, due to disk write errors, 1925-1945
System failure investigation, 2030-2048
Monitor reloaded, 2050-2052.

Wednesday 28 July System development, 1250-1410 Batch only off-line.

Thursday 29 July Due to damage of accounting tape, restored accounting files to 28.7.71, ran end of day procedure again to create new tape, 1000-1025
Disk pack maintenance, 1345-1420, 1815-1845 and 1935-1945.

Schedule for forthcoming week: Maintenance 0700-0900, 2300-2400
Operations 1000-2130.

1.2 GE-225 System

Friday 23 July Console typewriter maintenance, 1014-1209
Monday 26 July Line printer maintenance, 0900-1100
Tuesday 27 July Line printer maintenance, 2300-2310

Schedule for forthcoming week: Maintenance 0700-0900, 2000-2100
Operations 0900-2000, 2100-2400

2. COMPUTER CENTRE COURSES DURING AUGUST VACATION

During the August vacation the Computer Centre will be conducting two courses.

2.1 DDT

A course on the use of the dynamic debugging technique will be held on 16 August. It will be held in Lecture Room B18 of the Engineering Building from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Prerequisites for this course include a knowledge of FORTRAN and the ability to use remote terminals on the PDP-10. The enrolment closing date is 9 August.

2.2 Statistical Packages

A course on statistical packages will be held from the 23 to the 27 August. Times will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day and the venue will be Lecture Room B18. Prerequisites require a knowledge of elementary statistical concepts. The enrolment closing date is 16 August.

2.3 Further Details

Nomination forms for these courses are obtainable from the Computer Centre. Any further details, such as fees, may also be obtained from the Centre.

3. NEW BATCH

The new version of Batch will be run on a trial basis a number of times during next week. Users will be advised of any jobs run under this new system. Users are requested to check their output carefully and report any significant discrepancies to the Centre.

The new version will be implemented as soon as possible.

4. NEW FORTRAN SYSTEM

A new FORTRAN system will be released for general use on Monday 2 August.

Full details of this new system are given in a special edition of the Newsletter, copies of which are available from the Centre.