



AMPERGO

Improve both your program's readability and its execution speed by using labels in your GOTO and GOSUB statements. This handy ampersand utility is all you need for the task.

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One of the most severe limitations of Applesoft is its lack of label support. In Pascal and most other programming languages, subroutines can be called by name, for example, CALL PRINTPAGE. In most versions of BASIC, including Applesoft, the corresponding statement would be something like GOSUB 63241.

The obvious advantage of using names rather than line numbers in subroutine calls is that they make programs considerably easier to read. This is especially pertinent to longer programs, since short programs usually do not need many GOSUB statements. When you are working on a long program, say five to ten pages, the only way to maintain control is to modularize the program. Such programs will, therefore, contain many subroutines that handle user input, errors, disk access, etc. A randomly chosen line from a large program may then very well read:

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3540 GOSUB 230 : GOSUB 300
      : GOSUB 41530
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which stands for get user input, format it and write it to disk.

Lines like this are not a problem when the program is being developed, but if it is updated a month after completion, there is a good chance that the programmer will have forgotten what GOSUB 41530 does and will have to search through the listing. Of course, this trap can be avoided by inserting REM statements behind every GOTO/GOSUB statement. Unfortunately, although this method is theoretically sound, few people apply it in practice, as it is tedious and time-consuming.

A more logical solution is to work with labels rather than line numbers. The function of the subroutine can then be summarized in the label name. For example, the statement GOSUB USER INPUT clearly indicates the subroutine's function.

Strangely enough, Applesoft allows names in the CALL statement (you can specify CALL DISKIO if the variable DISKIO is initialized to the proper value), but not in the far more common GOSUB and GOTO statements. It's hard to guess why labels are not supported by BASIC, for the implementation is rather simple and requires only moderate overhead.

Now you can work with labels in Applesoft; the program AMPERGO (Listing 1) can handle GOSUB, GOTO, ON-GOTO/GOSUB and LIST statements with label references. To use AMPERGO in your program, simply BRUN AMPERGO and follow the syntax rules described below.

Syntax of the Statements Supported by AMPERGO

& GOSUB and & GOTO

The GOSUB statement may be specified in three different forms:

- & GOSUB line number
- & GOSUB label
- & GOSUB (expression)

The & statement transfers control to the AMPERGO routine. All keywords and text behind the ampersand (&) up to the next colon (:), or end of line symbol are analyzed and subsequently processed by AMPERGO.

The first statement above, & GOSUB line number, is identical to the normal Applesoft GOSUB statement and is only included in AMPERGO for completeness.

The second statement, & GOSUB label, is the most important; execution of this statement transfers control to the line that contains the label statement that matches the label specified behind the GOSUB keyword. The label statement has the following format:

& > label

This statement must be the *first* statement of a program line — in other words, the statement must immediately follow the line number.

An example of an & GOSUB application is presented in AMPERGO.DEMO1 (Listing 2). The & GOSUB statement and the & > label statement may be followed by other statements on the same line, provided a colon is used as separator (see lines 270 and 310). Note also that the & > label statement has no effect on program execution; Applesoft simply skips the statement just as it skips a DATA statement (see line 230).

A label must satisfy two conditions. The first and most important condition is that the first character of a label must be a letter. If the label consists of more than one character, the second character must be either a letter, a digit, or a blank. Hence, the first two characters of a label must satisfy the same conditions as the name of a real variable in Applesoft. There are no restrictions on the remaining characters. For instance, labels such as PP?, PRODUCT# and GOLA(10) are correct, but the labels P%, #PRODUCTS and A(10) are incorrect.

Unfortunately, Applesoft sometimes converts parts of labels that satisfy the above conditions to tokens. This happens if Applesoft recognizes a keyword in the label. This would be the case, for instance, if you used the label FRE. Although FRE is syntactically correct, AMPERGO will not accept it as a label since FRE is tokenized to a one-byte value (upon input of the line containing FRE), and this value does not correspond to a letter. A similar problem arises if you use the label GATE, in which Applesoft recognizes the keyword AT. In this case, the second and third characters of the label will be converted to a token.

You can avoid problems of this kind by enclosing in quotation marks any labels that contain a keyword that starts in the first or second position. Thus the line,

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50 & GOSUB "FREE SPACE"
      : GOSUB "GATE"
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and the corresponding label instructions,

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200 & > "FREE SPACE" : . . .
300 & > "GATE" : . . .
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are correct. Note that "quoting" a label is also necessary if you want to use blanks in the label. For example, GOSUB P A R I T Y will be parsed by Applesoft as GOSUB PARITY. If you quote the label (i.e., & GOSUB "P A R I T Y"), all blanks will be kept in position and none will be removed.

The second condition a label must satisfy is that it may not contain commas. Although commas are not allowed, no explicit check is performed because the comma is used as a label separator in the & ON-GOTO/GOSUB statement. If a comma is included in a label, the part of the label behind the comma will be ignored. So if you specify:

& GOSUB MAR,JO

AMPERGO will search for the label statement & > MAR rather than for & > MAR,JO.

By the way, the name you use for a label does not influence any Applesoft variables with the same name. For example, the values of the variables EVA, EVA% and EVA\$ will not be affected by execution of the statement & GOSUB EVA.

The third form of the & GOSUB statement is & GOSUB (expression). The expression may be either a numerical or a string expression and must be enclosed in parentheses. If the result of the evaluation is numerical, AMPERGO will interpret it as a line number and execute a GOSUB to this line number. Hence,

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10 A=100 : & GOSUB (A)
```

will execute the subroutine at line 100. Thus, the statements at line 10 above have the same effect as the Applesoft GOSUB 100 statement.

On the other hand, if the expression evaluates to a string, this string will be interpreted as a label. So, if you specify:

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100 A$ = "KEES" : & GOSUB (A$)
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a GOSUB will be done to the line starting with:

& > KEES

Note that the quotation marks in A\$ = "KEES" serve only as terminators in the assignment and are not a part of the label.

The label that results from evaluation of a string expression must also satisfy the two conditions mentioned above: the first two characters must form a syntactically correct name of a real variable and the label may contain no commas.

One application of the indirect GOSUB statement is to use it instead of the Applesoft ON-GOSUB statement. A common situation is, for example,

1. Display menu
2. Get user choice in the variable A
3. ON A GOSUB 1000,2000,3000,4000,5000

The ON-GOSUB statement can be replaced with & GOSUB (1000*A), which will save some memory and speed up execution. The indirect GOSUB statement is extremely handy in some applications. However, I am not particularly enthusiastic about this construction, since things can go terribly wrong if you renumber a program containing such statements.

Since the syntax of & GOTO is identical to that of & GOSUB, it need not be discussed separately here.

& ON-GOTO/GOSUB

AMPERGO also supports the Applesoft equivalent of the ON-GOTO/GOSUB statement. In the AMPERGO statement & ON-GOTO/GOSUB, you may use line numbers, labels or expressions. Line 110 below is a correct & ON-GOSUB statement.

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100 A$ = "JANJAAP" : A=200
      : A%=300
110 & ON K GOSUB (A$) , JANJAAP ,
      (A) , 400 , (A%)
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If K=1 or 2, the subroutine starting with the label statement & > JANJAAP will be executed; if K=3, the subroutine at line 200 will be executed; if K=4, the subroutine at line 400 will be executed; and if K=5, the subroutine at line 300 will be executed. If K>5, control will pass to the statement following the & ON-GOSUB statement (similar to the Applesoft ON-GOSUB).

When used with labels, AMPERGO's & ON-GOTO/GOSUB statement offers an attractive alternative to the Applesoft ON-GOTO/GOSUB statement, since just a quick glance is needed to determine which subroutines are invoked by its execution. This is illustrated by the following statement:

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100 & ON CHOICE GOSUB DISPLAY ,
      EDIT , ADD , "TRANSFORM" ,
      "SAVE"
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& LIST

The final option of AMPERGO is the & LIST statement. Let me first explain how LIST fits into the GOSUB, GOTO, ON-GOTO/GOSUB pattern. When I had substituted & GOTO/GOSUB and & ON-GOTO/GOSUB statements in some large programs, everything worked as expected and the listings were much easier to read. However, on editing these programs, I soon discovered that something was still wrong. Though the labeled subroutines made it easier to follow the flow of program execution, the lack of line numbers made it difficult to actually find the labeled routines for editing.

The search for subroutines took so much time that I decided to add the & LIST option to AMPERGO. The & LIST option lists lines containing label statements, so that you can easily find the location of particular subroutines. As with & GOSUB and & GOTO, you must specify either a line number, a label or a quoted expression behind & LIST.

For example, if you specify & LIST MARJO the line containing the label statement & > MARJO will be displayed (if present). If you want to list more than one line, the final character of the & LIST statement must be a comma, for example & LIST MARJO,.

Note that & LIST does not support multiple arguments, so the statement:

& LIST label1,label2

will list only the line containing the label statement & > label1.

Benefits and Drawbacks of AMPERGO

Let us consider some of the advantages and disadvantages of using the AMPERGO routines instead of their Applesoft equivalents. An obvious disadvantage is that — apart from the overhead of AMPERGO itself (451 bytes) — a program containing & GOSUB/GOTO statements will usually occupy more memory. Assuming the average length of a label is 8 characters, there is a fixed overhead of 11 characters for the label statement:

$(8 + 1 (&) + 1 (>) + 1 (:))$

Seven additional bytes may be needed (but not always) for the label-pointer, for a total of 18 bytes of overhead per subroutine. If the average length of a line number is 3, there is a net overhead of $8 + 1 (&) - 3 = 6$ bytes per & GOTO/GOSUB statement. Overall, this implies that working with & GOTO/GOSUB statements increases program length by a maximum of:

$18 * \text{number of subroutines} + 6 * \text{number of & GOTO/GOSUB statements}$

This demonstrates that, especially in large programs, it is not advisable to use & GOTO/GOSUB statements indiscriminately at every GOTO/GOSUB. My own strategy is to avoid long jumps (i.e., 10 GOTO 63200) and use the normal Applesoft GOTO for short jumps. For all subroutine calls, I use the & GOSUB label or the & ON-GOSUB label1,label2,... construction. In my experience, the time gain realized when editing or updating these more readable programs amply compensates for the reduction in "free memory" caused by the overhead of AMPERGO and the & GOSUB/GOTO statements.

As to the benefits of AMPERGO, apart from improved readability, AMPERGO provides faster program execution. The reason for this phenomenon is that, for each label,

a pointer to the line containing the corresponding label statement is stored in the program's variable space.

The first time an & GOTO/GOSUB statement is encountered, AMPERGO searches the program for the line with the matching label. If the line is found, the program sets a pointer in the variable space to the start of the line. The next time the & GOSUB label statement is executed, AMPERGO will detect that the variable space contains a pointer associated with the label following the & GOSUB statement. AMPERGO will then check whether this label is identical to the label specified in the label statement on the line referenced by the pointer. If so, the GOSUB statement is executed immediately; if not, the program is again searched for the matching label.

The pointers generated by AMPERGO are stored in a way that is completely transparent to the user; that is, the user cannot access the pointers and they will not be affected by any Applesoft actions. Still, the pointers are stored in the normal BASIC variable space, which you can also use simultaneously for program variables. This is possible because Applesoft uses only three of the five bytes allocated for storage of the string descriptor. The remaining two bytes are not used by Applesoft and provide us with the room needed to store a two-byte pointer.

This is how it works. If AMPERGO encounters a label (or an expression that evaluates to a label) following an & GOSUB statement, the label is interpreted as the name of a string variable. AMPERGO then orders Applesoft to search the variable space for a string variable with this name. (If it is not present, Applesoft will create one.) Next, bytes 4 and 5 of the string descriptor storage area are checked to see if these are zero; if so, AMPERGO concludes that the specified label has not yet been referenced. AMPERGO then searches the program for the corresponding label statement and stores the pointer to the line containing this label statement in bytes 4 and 5 of the string variable.

On the other hand, if bytes 4 and 5 of the string variable are not zero, & GOLA retrieves the label-pointer from these bytes and checks to see if the line referenced by the label-pointer contains a label (statement) that matches the label specified in the & GOSUB statement. If the labels are identical, control is transferred to the statement following the label statement; if not, the program searches for the label once again.

Note that the fact that label-pointers are stored in normal string variables implies that not every label requires seven bytes in the variable space for the label-pointer. For example, in AMPERGO.DEMO1 the label DIGIT and the string variable DIG\$ are used. Since the first two characters of DIGIT and DIG\$ are the same, the label-pointer can be

stored in the storage area of DIG\$ and thus requires no extra room.

It is worth stressing that unnecessary label searches may occur if you use two (or more) labels in which the first two characters are identical. The reason for this is that in Applesoft only the first two characters of a variable name are significant. So, if you use the labels TEST1 and TEST2, the string variable TES will alternately be used to store the pointers to the corresponding label statements.

See, for example, AMPERGO.DEMO2 (Listing 3). If line 110 is executed, AMPERGO will search for the label TEST2 and subsequently store the pointer to line 120 (where TEST2 is located) in the string variable TES. Upon execution of line 120, AMPERGO will detect that the string variable that corresponds to the label TEST1 (i.e., TES) contains a pointer. However, this pointer does not point to the right label statement (i.e., the pointer points to line 120), so the program is searched for the label TEST1 and the pointer to line 110 (in which TEST1 occurs) is stored in TES. When line 110 is executed, the same thing happens again, and so on.

Although execution will not give rise to any errors (since AMPERGO checks labels before control is transferred), you will get the most out of AMPERGO if you make sure that the first two label characters differ. When in doubt, check whether execution of a particular & GOSUB/GOTO label statement forces a search through the program (rather than an immediate transfer of control) by PEEKing location 255. If AMPERGO searches the program for a particular label, location 255 is set to 255 (SFF); if not, location 255 is set to zero.

As the program output of AMPERGO.DEMO 2 will show, each time an & GOTO statement is executed, the program searches for one of the labels, TEST1 or TEST2. This problem has been eliminated in AMPERGO.DEMO3 (Listing 4). Note that the only difference between the two programs is that the label TEST2 has been replaced by the label TTEST2 (line 120). When you run the program, the value 255 will be output twice, indicating that AMPERGO performed two searches through the program. This is correct, for the program contains two different labels. The rest of the output values will be zero, which signals that AMPERGO has jumped directly to the correct line(s).

Now for the happy conclusion! It is no longer necessary to position the most frequently used subroutines near the start of your program (or just below the caller). This has been the rule in Applesoft to get a reasonable execution time for large programs, since

Applesoft starts its search for line numbers specified in GOTO/GOSUB statements at the beginning of your program. Another reason to position frequently called subroutines near the beginning of the program was that, for instance, evaluation of GOSUB 100 takes less time than GOSUB 50000, as more digits must be processed in the latter case.

With AMPERGO, it doesn't matter where subroutines are positioned in the program. As long as the first two characters of your labels are unique, the program will be searched one time only for each label, after which the label-pointer will be used.

However, execution speed of AMPERGO statements will depend on the number of active variables. If there are many variables, the search for a particular label-variable will, on the average, last longer. Fortunately, the number of variables in a large program is usually much smaller than the number of program lines. A program consisting of 500 program lines will usually have considerably less variables, say 100. (The number of arrays is not relevant.)

I tested AMPERGO on a program of this size. The time required to execute an 8-character GOSUB label statement varied — depending on the position of the label-variable in the variable space — between 1.7 milliseconds (if the label-variable was the first variable referenced in the program) and 5 milliseconds (if the label-variable was the last (101st) variable referenced).

The execution time of the original Applesoft GOSUB statement depends on the number of lines Applesoft encounters before it finds the line for which it is searching. In this case, execution time does not depend on the number of variables. If the number of lines between the GOSUB statement and the target line equals 30, execution time of a GOSUB statement is about 3 milliseconds. If the number of lines equals 100, execution time increases to 7 milliseconds, and if the number of lines equals 250 or 500, the execution times are 15 milliseconds and 29 milliseconds, respectively.

Roughly speaking, these figures indicate that for execution speed there is a break-even point between & GOSUB and the Applesoft GOSUB if the distance between the source and destination is about 20-30 lines. If the distance increases, AMPERGO's execution time remains constant, but Applesoft's execution time increases linearly with the distance. If you want to see the difference between Applesoft and AMPERGO execution speed, load your largest Applesoft program and note the number of the last line of the program. Next, enter the following lines (here we assume that the largest line number is 29999):

LISTING 1: AMPERGO

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0 FOR I=1 TO 500 :GOSUB 30000
  :NEXT :STOP
1 FOR I=1 TO 500: & GOSUB LABEL
  :NEXT :STOP
30000 PRINT "A" ; :RETURN
30001 & LABEL: PRINT "A" ;
  :RETURN
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Type RUN 0 and RUN 1. You can evaluate the respective performances of Applesoft and AMPERGO by watching the speed at which the characters are printed on the screen.

Use of the AMPERGO statements provides still another advantage that may not be readily apparent. AMPERGO lets you write position independent BASIC subroutines. For example, when you overlay the last part of a main program with a new module, this module will usually use routines from the part of the main program that is not overlaid. You will get into trouble if you change the line numbers in the first part (the main program), for this implies that you have to change all corresponding line number references in all your modules.

A similar problem arises if you work with a library of BASIC subroutines. When you change line numbers in one or more of the library routines, all the other routines — and possibly some main programs too — have to be checked to see if the line number references are still correct. Depending on the number of library routines and their internal structure, this may be a lot of work.

Using label references eliminates all of these problems, for no matter where your routines are positioned in the program, AMPERGO will find them.

Error Messages

AMPERGO can return three error messages. These and their most probable causes are outlined in Table 1.

The Machine Language Program

Entering the Program

To use AMPERGO, simply enter the program shown in Listing 1. If you have an assembler, use it to enter the source code and assemble. If you do not have an assembler, the hex code may be entered directly in the Monitor as described in "A Welcome to New Nibble Readers" in the beginning of this issue. You may then save the program on disk with the command:

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BSAVE AMPERGO, A$9400, L$1C3
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The program can be installed with the BRUN command. This command loads AMPERGO and executes an initialization routine that sets HIMEM to \$9000 and installs the & vector. Note that the string pointers are also reset to the value of HIMEM, so if you want to install AMPERGO from within an Applesoft program, insert the BRUN command as the first line. AMPERGO makes extensive use of Applesoft routines; it assumes that these are in ROM or in the Language Card.

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Table 1: Errors When Using AMPERGO

Syntax Error

- No ampersand (&) or "greater than" (>) symbols were specified in an AMPERGO statement.
- The first two characters of a label do not form a legal Applesoft name of a real variable.
- The label contains a keyword that starts in the first or second position (insert quotation marks around the label).

Illegal Quantity Error

- The length of the label equals zero (i.e., & GOTO (A\$), where A\$ is empty).
- The expression evaluates to a negative number (i.e., & GOTO (-1)).

Undefined Statement Error

- No "matching" label was found. Check your program for the presence of the corresponding label statement and see if the labels are identical.
- No > symbol was specified in the label statement.

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1  *
2  * AMPERGO
3  * BY CORNELIS BONGERS
4  * COPYRIGHT (C) 1984
5  * BY MICROSPARC, INC.
6  * CONCORD, MA 01742
7  *
8  * MERLIN ASSEMBLER
9  *
10 *
11 * SYNTAX : & GOSUB LABEL/(EXPRESSION)
12 *      : & ON A GOSUB LABEL/(EXPRESSION)
13 *      : & LIST LABEL/(EXPRESSION)
14 *
15 *      ORG $9400
16 *
17 * ZERO PAGE ADDRESSES
18 *
19 TEMP1 = $06 ; POINTER TO LABEL
20 VALTYP = $11 ; TYPE EXPRESSION
21 LINNUM = $50 ; LINE NO FROM LINGET
22 TTTTAB = $67 ; POINTER TO START OF PROGRAM
23 FRETOP = $6F ; BOTTOM OF STRINGPOOL
24 MEMSIZ = $73 ; HIMEM
25 CURLIN = $75 ; CURRENT LINE NUMBER
26 DESCPTX = $A0 ; POINTER TO DESCRIPTOR
27 SIGN = $A2 ; SIGN MFP ACCU
28 LOWTR = $9B ; SEARCH POINTER
29 TXTPTR = $B8 ; TEXT POINTER
30 TEMP5 = $FA ; TEMPORARY
31 TEMP7 = $FE ; LIST FLAG
32 *
33 * TOKENS
34 *
35 GOTOT = 171
36 GOSUBT = 176
37 ONT = 180
38 LISTT = 188
39 GRIT = 207 ;> TOKEN
40 AMPT = 175 ;& TOKEN
41 *
42 * APPLESOFT ROUTINES
43 *
44 CHARGET = $B1 ; GET NEXT CHARACTER
45 CHARGOT = $B7 ; GET CURRENT CHAR
46 DATA = $D995 ; DATA HANDLER
47 NEWSTT = $D'D2 ; RESTART APPLESOFT
48 GOTO = $D93E ; GOTO HANDLER
49 PARCHK = $DEB2 ; EVALUATE EXPR AND CHECK ()
50 CHKSTACK = $D3D6 ; CHECK STACK
51 GETADR = $E752 ; CONVERT FAC TO INTEGER
52 PTRGET = $DFE3 ; EVALUATE NAME
53 FREFAC = $E600 ; FREE TEMP DESCRIPTOR
54 GETBYT = $E6F8 ; CONVERT ASCII'S TO INTEGER
55 ADDON = $D998 ; TXTPTR=TXTPTR+Y
56 LISTP1 = $D6DA ; 1 TH PART LIST HANDLER
57 LISTP2 = $D6DA ; 2 TH PART LIST HANDLER
58 SYNT = $DEC9 ; SYNTAX ERROR
59 UNDEFS = $D97C ; UNDEFINED STATEMENT
60 ILLQ = $E199 ; ILLEGAL QUANTITY ERROR
61 *
62 * & VECTOR, INPUT BUFFER
63 *
64 BJP = $3F5 ;& VECTOR
65 IBUFF = $2FC ; INPUT BUFFER (LAST PART)
66 *
67 * INITIALIZATION
68 *
69 BEGIN LDA #BEGIN ; SET HIMEM
70 STA MEMSIZ ; AND BOTTOM OF STRINGPOOL
71 STA FRETOP ; LEAVE SPACE FOR PRODOS BUFFERS
72 LDA #>BEGIN-$400
73 STA MEMSIZ+1
74 STA FRETOP+1
75 LDA #START ; SET & VECTOR
76 STA BJP+1
77 LDA #>START
78 STA BJP+2
79 RTS
80 *
81 * MAIN PROGRAM
82 *
83 START LDX #500
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9419: 86 FE 83 STX TEMP7 ;CLEAR LIST FLAG
941B: C9 B4 84 CMP #0NT ;ON TOKEN ?
941D: D0 17 85 BNE LISS ;BRANCH IF NOT
941F: 20 B1 00 86 JSR CHARGET ;ADVANCE TEXTPOINTER
9422: 20 F8 E6 87 JSR GETBYT ;CONVERT ON VAR TO INTEGER
9425: A8 88 TAY ;SAVE TOKEN BEHIND VAR IN Y
9426: C6 A1 89 TRNXTL DEC DESCPT+1 ;COUNT !
9428: F0 17 90 BEQ EXGOTSUB ;EXECUTE GOTO/GOSUB IF CNTR=0
942A: 20 B1 00 91 CCSEARCH JSR CHARGET ;SEARCH FOR NEXT COMMA
942D: F0 06 92 BEQ NOFIND ;RTS IF NO CORRESP. LABEL
942F: C9 2C 93 CMP # ;COMMA ?
9431: D0 F7 94 BNE CCSEARCH ;CONTINUE SEARCH IF NOT
9433: F0 F1 95 BEQ TRNXTL ;TRY NEXT ONE
9435: 60 96 NOFIND RTS ;BACK TO BASIC
9436: C9 BC 97 LISS CMP #LISST ;LIST TOKEN ?
9438: F0 16 98 BEQ LISST ;BRANCH IF SO
943A: C9 CF 99 CMP #GRIT ;'GREATER THAN' TOKEN ?
943C: D0 04 100 BNE GOT ;TRY GOTO IF NOT
943E: 4C 95 D9 101 JMP DATA ;PROCESS AS DATA STATEMENT
9441: 98 102 EXGOTSUB TYA ;GET TOKEN FROM Y-REG
9442: C9 AB 103 GOT CMP #GOTOT ;GOTO TOKEN ?
9444: F0 5F 104 BEQ GOTOH ;BRANCH IF SO
9446: C9 B0 105 CMP #GOSUBT ;GOSUB TOKEN ?
9448: F0 12 106 BEQ GOSUBH ;BRANCH IF SO
944A: 20 B7 00 107 GETA JSR CHARGOT ;FOR FUTURE AMPERSOFT EXT
944D: 4C C9 DE 108 JMP SYNT ;SYNTAX ERROR (CONNECT)
9450: A0 01 109 LISTH LDY #S01 ;
9452: B1 B8 110 LDA (TXTPTR),Y ;CHECK ON EOL/EOS
9454: F0 F4 111 BEQ GETA ;SYNTAX ERROR IF EDL
9456: C9 3A 112 CMP # ;
9458: F0 F0 113 BEQ GETA ;OR EOS
945A: C6 FE 114 DEC TEMP7 ;SET LIST FLAG
945C: A9 03 115 LDA #S03 ;
945E: 20 D6 D3 116 GOSUBH JSR CHKSTACK ;CHECK ON STACK OVERFLOW
9461: A5 B9 117 LDA TXTPTR+1 ;
9463: 48 118 PHA ;
9464: A5 B8 119 LDA TXTPTR ;PUSH STACKPOINTER
9466: 48 120 PHA ;
9467: A5 76 121 LDA CURLIN+1 ;PUSH CURRENT LINE NUMBER
9469: 48 122 PHA ;
946A: A5 75 123 LDA CURLIN ;
946C: 48 124 PHA ;
946D: A9 B0 125 LDA #GOSUBT ;
946F: 48 126 PHA ;PUSH GOSUB TOKEN
9470: 20 A5 94 127 JSR GOTOH ;EXECUTE A GOTO
9473: 24 FE 128 BIT TEMP7 ;LIST FLAG ON ?
9475: 30 03 129 BMT LISTH2 ;BRANCH IF SO
9477: 4C D2 D7 130 JMP NEWSTT ;JMP TO BASIC (NO RTS)
947A: 68 131 LISTH2 PLA ;PULL GOSUB TOKEN
947B: 68 132 STA ;
947C: 85 75 133 PLA CURLIN ;RESTORE CURRENT LINE NUMBER
947E: 68 134 STA ;
947F: 85 76 135 PLA CURLIN+1 ;
9481: 68 136 PLA ;
9482: 85 B8 137 STA TXTPTR ;RESTORE TEXTPOINTER
9484: 68 138 PLA ;
9485: 85 B9 139 STA TXTPTR+1 ;
9487: 68 140 PLA ;PULL EXSTMNT'S RETURN ADDRESS
9488: 68 141 PLA ;
9489: 20 95 D9 142 JSR DATA ;SET TXTPTR TO END INSTRUCTION
948C: A5 B8 143 LDA TXTPTR ;
948E: D0 02 144 BNE NODDEC ;TXTPTR=TXTPTR-1
9490: C6 B9 145 DEC TXTPTR+1 ;
9492: C6 B8 146 NODDEC DEC TXTPTR ;
9494: 20 B7 00 147 JSR CHARGOT ;GET LAST CHAR
9497: A8 148 TAY ;SAVE IT
9498: 20 B1 00 149 JSR CHARGET ;RESTORE TEXTPOINTER
949B: C0 2C 150 CPY # ;COMMA ?
949D: F0 03 151 BEQ LISTALL ;BRANCH IF SO
949F: 4C DA D6 152 JMP LISTP2 ;LIST LINE
94A2: 4C DA D6 153 LISTALL JMP LISTP1 ;LIST FROM CURRENT LINE
94A5: 20 B1 00 154 GOTOH JSR CHARGET ;GET CHAR BEHIND GOTO/GOSUB
94A8: A2 00 155 LDX #S00 ;
94AA: 86 FF 156 STX TEMP7+1 ;SET SEARCH INDICATOR
94AC: B0 03 157 BCS NODIG ;BRANCH IF NO DIGIT
94AE: 4C 3E D9 158 JMP GOTO ;EXECUTE APPLESOFT'S GOTO
94B1: C9 28 159 NODIG CMP # ( ;PARENTHESIS ?
94B3: D0 2D 160 BNE NOIND ;BRANCH IF NOT
94B5: 20 B2 DE 161 JSR NOIND ;EVALUATE EXPRESSION
94B8: 24 11 162 BIT VALTYP ;STRING EXPRESSION ?
94BA: 30 13 163 BMT STRING ;BRANCH IF SO
94BC: 24 A2 164 BIT SIGN ;RESULT MUST BE POSITIVE
94BE: 30 09 165 BMT ILL ;ERROR IF NOT
94C0: 20 52 E7 166 JSR GETADR ;CONVERT FAC TO INTEGER
94C3: 4C 41 D9 167 JMP GOTO+3 ;EXECUTE APPLESOFT'S GOTO
94C6: 4C C9 DE 168 SYN JMP SYNT ;SYNTAX ERROR
94C9: 4C 99 E1 169 ILL JMP ILLQ ;ILLEGAL QUANTITY ERROR
94CC: 4C 7C D9 170 UNDEF JMP UNDEF ;UNDEFINED STATEMENT
94CF: 20 00 E6 171 STRING JSR FREFAC ;FRE TEMP DESCRIPTOR
94D2: A0 02 172 LDY #S02 ;
94D4: B1 A0 173 STXTP LDA (DESCPTR),Y ;SET TEXTPOINTER TO START
94D6: 99 B7 00 174 STA TXTPTR-1,Y ;OF LABEL
94D9: 88 175 DEY ;
94DA: D0 F8 176 BNE STXTP ;
94DC: B1 A0 177 LDA (DESCPTR),Y ;GET LENGTH
94DE: F0 E9 178 BEQ ILL ;MUST BE <> 0
94E0: AA 179 TAX ;
94E1: E8 180 INX ;
94E2: 86 FA 181 NOIND STX TEMP5 ;SAVE LENGTH+1
94E4: A5 B8 182 LDA TXTPTR ;SAVE TEXTPOINTER IN TEMP1
94E6: 85 06 183 STA TEMP1 ;
94E8: A5 B9 184 LDA TXTPTR+1 ;
94EA: 85 07 185 STA TEMP1+1 ;
94EC: A0 04 186 LDY #S04 ;
94EE: B9 BE 95 187 DATAMO LDA DATAS-1,Y ;INIT LABEL VARIABLE
94F1: 99 FB 02 188 STA Ibuff-1,Y ;
94F4: 88 189 DEY ;
94F5: D0 F7 190 BNE DATAMO ;
94F7: CA 191 DECXX DEX ;COUNT # OF CHARS
94F8: F0 20 192 BEQ ADDDOL ;BRANCH IF END OF LABEL
94FA: B1 B8 193 LDA (TXTPTR),Y ;GET NEXT CHAR
94FC: F0 1C 194 BEQ ADDDOL ;EOL/EOS SYMB IS TERMINATOR
94FE: C9 3A 195 CMP # ;
9500: F0 18 196 BEQ ADDDOL ;
9502: C9 22 197 CMP # ;QUOTE ?
9504: D0 08 198 BNE NOSKIP ;BRANCH IF NOT
9506: E6 B8 199 INC TXTPTR ;ADVANCE TEXTPOINTER
9508: D0 ED 200 BNE DECXX ;
950A: E6 B9 201 INC TXTPTR+1 ;

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950C: D0 E9 202 BNE DECXX ;ALWAYS
950E: C9 2C 203 NOSKIP CMP # ;COMMA IS SEPARATOR
9510: F0 08 204 BEQ ADDDOL ;
9512: 99 FC 02 205 9512: 99 FC 02 205 STA Ibuff,Y ;SAVE FIRST 2 CHARACTERS
9515: C8 206 INY ;OF LABEL IN INPUT BUFFER
9516: C0 02 207 CPY #S02 ;
9518: D0 DD 208 BNE DECXX ;
951A: A9 FC 209 ADDDOL LDA #<IBUFF ;
951C: 85 B8 210 STA TXTPTR ;SET TXTPTR TO INPUT BUFFER
951E: A9 02 211 LDA #>IBUFF ;
9520: 85 B9 212 STA TXTPTR+1 ;
9522: 20 E3 DF 213 JSR PTRGET ;SEARCH LABEL VARIABLE
9525: 85 A0 214 STA DESCPT ;SAVE POINTER TO DESC
9527: 84 A1 215 STY DESCPT+1 ;
9529: A5 B8 216 LDA TXTPTR ;CHECK TEXTPOINTER
952B: C9 FF 217 CMP #<IBUFF+3 ;
952D: D0 97 218 BNE SYN ;SYNTAX ERROR IF ILLEGAL LABEL
952F: A0 04 219 LDY #S04 ;
9531: B1 A0 220 LDA (DESCPTR),Y ;PNTR TO GOTO/GOSUB PRESENT ?
9533: F0 0E 221 BEQ LABELINI ;BRANCH IF NOT
9535: 85 9C 222 STA LOWTR+1 ;COPY POINTER IN LOWTR
9537: 88 223 DEY ;
9538: B1 A0 224 LDA (DESCPTR),Y ;
953A: 85 9B 225 STA LOWTR ;
953C: 20 81 95 226 JSR CIMPARE ;COMPARE LABELS
953F: A0 02 227 LDY #S02 ;PREPARE FOR UPDATE
9541: B0 13 228 BCS UPDATE ;BRANCH IF MATCH
9543: 20 64 95 229 LABELINI JSR SEARCH ;SEARCH PROGRAM FOR LABEL
9546: 90 84 230 BCC UNDEF ;UNDEFINED STMT IF NOT FOUND
9548: C6 FF 231 DEC TEMP7+1 ;SET SEARCH INDICATOR TO $FF
954A: A0 04 232 LDY #S04 ;
954C: A5 9C 233 LDA LOWTR+1 ;
954E: 91 A0 234 STA (DESCPTR),Y ;SAVE POINTER TO START LINE
9550: 88 235 DEY ;IN VARIABLE SPACE
9551: A5 9B 236 LDA LOWTR ;
9553: 91 A0 237 STA (DESCPTR),Y ;
9555: 88 238 DEY ;
9556: B1 9B 239 UPDATE LDA (LOWTR),Y ;INSTALL NEW LINE NO
9558: 85 75 240 STA CURLIN ;
955A: 85 50 241 STA LINNUM ;SAVE IN LINNUM TOO FOR LIST
955C: C8 242 INY ;
955D: B1 9B 243 LDA (LOWTR),Y ;
955F: 85 76 244 STA CURLIN+1 ;
9561: 85 51 245 STA LINNUM+1 ;
9563: 60 246 RTS ;BACK TO CALLER
247
* SEARCH : FIND MATCHING & > LABEL LINE
* EXIT WITH CC IF NO MATCH, ELSE CS
248
9564: A6 67 251 SEARCH LDX TXTTAB ;GET PNTR TO START PROGRAM
9566: A5 68 252 LDA TXTTAB+1 ;
9568: A0 01 253 LDY #S01 ;
956A: 86 9B 254 CNTSR1 STX LOWTR ;UPDATE SEARCH POINTER
956C: 85 9C 255 STA LOWTR+1 ;
956E: B1 9B 256 LDA (LOWTR),Y ;END OF PROGRAM ?
9570: F0 42 257 BEQ MISMATCH ;EXIT WITH CC IF SO
9572: 20 81 95 258 JSR CIMPARE ;COMPARE LABELS
9575: B0 47 259 BCS MATCH ;BRANCH IF EQUAL
9577: A0 00 260 LDY #S00 ;
9579: B1 9B 261 LDA (LOWTR),Y ;
957B: AA 262 TAX ;
957C: C8 263 INY ;GET POINTER TO NEXT LINE
957D: B1 9B 264 LDA (LOWTR),Y ;
957F: D0 E9 265 BNE CNTSR1 ;ALWAYS
266
* COMPARE : CHECK ON & > AND COMPARE LABEL BEHIND
* & GOTO/GOSUB WITH LABEL BEHIND & > UPDATE
* TXTPTR TO END OF & > STATEMENT IF MATCH.
* EXIT WITH CC IF NO MATCH, ELSE CS
267
9581: A0 04 272 CIMPARE LDY #S04 ;LOWTR POINTS TO START LINE
9583: B1 9B 273 LDA (LOWTR),Y ;LOWTR POINTS TO START LINE
9585: C9 AF 274 CMP #AMPT ;& TOKEN ?
9587: D0 2B 275 BNE MISMATCH ;BRANCH IF NOT
9589: C8 276 INY ;
958A: B1 9B 277 LDA (LOWTR),Y ;
958C: C9 CF 278 CMP #GRIT ;'GREATER THAN' TOKEN ?
958E: D0 24 279 BNE MISMATCH ;BRANCH IF NOT
9590: A5 9B 280 LDA LOWTR ;NOW COMPARE LABELS
9592: 69 05 281 ADC #S05 ;CARRY IS SET
9594: 85 B8 282 STA TXTPTR ;INIT TXTPTR TO LOWTR+6
9596: A5 9C 283 LDA LOWTR+1 ;
9598: 69 00 284 STA #S00 ;
959A: 85 B9 285 STA TXTPTR+1 ;
959C: A6 FA 286 LDX TEMP5 ;GET LENGTH OF LABEL
959E: A0 FF 287 LDY #SFF ;
95A0: C8 288 CMPNXT INY ;
95A1: CA 289 DEX ;
95A2: F0 12 290 BEQ ADD ;READY IF AT END OF LABEL
95A4: B1 06 291 LDA (TEMP1),Y ;GET CHAR OF LABEL
95A6: F0 0E 292 BEQ ADD ;BRANCH IF EOL
95A8: C9 3A 293 CMP # ;COLON ?
95AA: F0 0A 294 BEQ ADD ;BRANCH IF EOS
95AC: C9 2C 295 CMP # ;COMMA ?
95AE: F0 06 296 BEQ ADD ;END REACHED IF SO
95B0: D1 B8 297 CMP (TXTPTR),Y ;COMPARE WITH CURRENT LABEL
95B2: F0 EC 298 BEQ CMPNXT ;CONT COMPARISON IF MATCH
95B4: 18 299 MISMATCH CLC ;INDICATE FAILED SEARCH
95B5: 60 300 RTS ;
95B6: 20 98 D9 301 ADD JSR ADDON ;UPDATE TEXTPOINTER
95B8: 20 B7 00 302 JSR CHARGOT ;MUST POINT TO : OR 0
95BC: D0 F6 303 BNE MISMATCH ;ELSE NO MATCH
95BE: 60 304 MATCH RTS ;RTS WITH CARRY SET
305
95BF: 20 20 24 306 DATAS ASC ' $' ;
95C2: 00 307 DFB 000 ;
308
* END OF PROGRAM
309
--End assembly--
451 bytes
Errors: 0

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KEY PERFECT 4.0

RUN ON
AMPERGO

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CODE      ADDR# - ADDR#  
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  242B    9400 - 944F  
  26A8    9450 - 949F  
  26E1    94A0 - 94EF  
  2853    94F0 - 953F  
  235F    9540 - 958F  
  17C6    9590 - 95C2  
PROGRAM CHECK IS : 01C3
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CHECK CODE 3.0

ON: AMPERGO
TYPE: B

LENGTH: 01C3
CHECKSUM: 3F

LISTING 2: AMPERGO.DEMO1

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10 REM *****  
20 REM * AMPERGO.DEMO1 *  
30 REM * BY CORNELIS BONGERS *  
40 REM * COPYRIGHT (C) 1984 *  
50 REM * BY MICROSPARC, INC. *  
60 REM * CONCORD, MA 01742 *  
70 REM *****  
80 PRINT CHR$(4)"BRUN AMPERGO"  
90 REM  
100 REM MAIN PROGRAM (ADD TWO DIGITS)  
110 REM  
120 & GOSUB INIT  
130 & GOSUB USER INPUT :FDIG = DIG  
140 & GOSUB USER INPUT  
150 PRINT : PRINT "THE SUM OF " ;  
160 PRINT FDIG;" AND " ;DIG;" IS " ;FDIG + DIG  
170 END  
180 REM  
190 REM USER INPUT  
200 REM  
210 & > USER INPUT  
220 PRINT : PRINT "ENTER A DIGIT " ;  
230 & > DIGIT: GET DIG$  
240 CALL CLREOS  
250 & GOSUB CHECK  
260 IF NOT ER THEN PRINT DIG$: RETURN  
270 & GOSUB "ERROR": & GOTO DIGIT  
280 REM  
290 REM CHECK INPUT  
300 REM  
310 & > CHECK:ER = 0  
320 LET DIG = VAL (DIG$): IF (DIG) THEN RETURN
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330 IF DIG$ < > "0" THEN ER = 1  
340 IF DIG$ = CHR$(3) THEN STOP  
350 RETURN  
360 REM  
370 REM INITIALIZE  
380 REM  
390 & > INIT: TEXT : HOME  
400 LET CLREOS = - 958: RETURN  
410 REM  
420 REM ERROR HANDLER  
430 REM  
440 & > "ERROR"  
450 LET HPO = POS (0) + 1:VPO = PEEK (37) +  
1  
460 HTAB 10: VTAB 24: INVERSE  
470 PRINT "NOT A DIGIT, REENTER";  
480 HTAB HPO: VTAB VPO: NORMAL  
490 RETURN
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LISTING 3: AMPERGO.DEMO2

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10 REM *****  
20 REM * AMPERGO.DEMO2 *  
30 REM * BY CORNELIS BONGERS *  
40 REM * COPYRIGHT (C) 1984 *  
50 REM * BY MICROSPARC, INC *  
60 REM * CONCORD, MA. 01742 *  
70 REM *****  
80 PRINT CHR$(4)"BRUN AMPERGO"  
90 REM THIS PROGRAM FORCES CONTINUOUS LABEL  
SEARCHING  
100 & GOTO TEST1: REM INIT LOC 255 TO 255  
110 & > TEST1: PRINT PEEK (255): & GOTO  
TEST2  
120 & > TEST2: PRINT PEEK (255): & GOTO  
TEST1
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LISTING 4: AMPERGO.DEMO3

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10 REM *****  
20 REM * AMPERGO.DEMO3 *  
30 REM * BY CORNELIS BONGERS *  
40 REM * COPYRIGHT (C) 1984 *  
50 REM * BY MICROSPARC, INC *  
60 REM * CONCORD, MA. 01742 *  
70 REM *****  
80 PRINT CHR$(4)"BRUN AMPERGO"  
90 REM THIS PROGRAM USES THE LABEL-POINTERS  
100 & GOTO TEST1: REM INIT LOC 255 TO 255  
110 & > TEST1: PRINT PEEK (255): & GOTO  
TTEST2  
120 & > TTEST2: PRINT PEEK (255): & GOTO  
TEST1
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