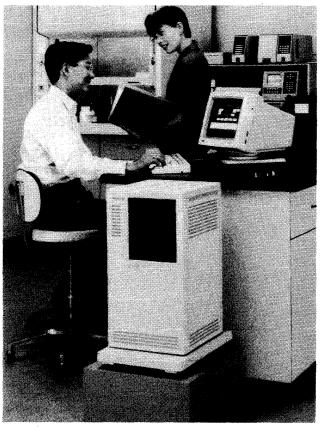
MANAGEMENT SUMMARY

UPDATE: Since we last updated this report, Digital Equipment Corporation has added new midrange models to the MicroVAX Family, along with a new thin-film Winchester storage device. In addition, new versions of the proprietary VMS and the UNIX ULTRIX-32 operating systems enhance the MicroVAXs' capability to participate in multivendor networks.

The MicroVAX Family has emerged as a critical tool in Digital's overall strategy of targeting decentralized computing environments with networked systems. While the superminis in the VAX 6200 and 8000 Series are targeted toward large corporate and governmental departments and branch offices, the MicroVAXs are aimed at smaller departments and at intradepartmental workgroups.

Digital has added nine new models to the VAX supermini line since the beginning of 1988. It is important, then, that the company demonstrate a similar commitment to improving and extending the smaller systems that complement those superminis. A case in point is the introduction



Digital Equipment Corporation's newest MicroVAX systems, 3300 (pictured above) and 3400, support dual-ported strings of Digital's new RF30 Winchester storage unit; this scheme supports Digital's push into distributed transaction processing. Specialized laboratory data collection and workstation server configurations are also available.

In its 3½-year life, the MicroVAX Family has accounted for sales of over 100,000 units and has supplanted the PDP-11 Family as Digital Equipment Corporation's strategic low-end multiuser system. Targeted toward corporate departments and workgroups, the MicroVAX systems feature full software compatibility with Digital's VAX superminis in either the proprietary VMS or the ULTRIX-32 operating environment, based on UNIX.

MODELS: MicroVAX 2000, II, 3300, 3400, 3500, and 3600. MEMORY: 1M bytes to 64M bytes. DISK CAPACITY: 42M bytes to 2.8G bytes. WORKSTATIONS: Up to 90 (48 active). PRICE: \$7,800 to \$174,600 (base configuration prices). GSA SCHEDULE: Yes.

CHARACTERISTICS

VENDOR: Digital Equipment Corporation, 146 Main Street, Maynard, Massachusetts 01754. Telephone (508) 897-5111.

CANADIAN ADDRESS: Digital Equipment of Canada, Ltd., P.O. Box 13000, 100 Herzberg Road, Kanata, Ontario K2K 2A6. Telephone (613) 592-5111.

DATA FORMAT

BASIC UNIT: 32-bit word.

INTERNAL CODE: ASCII for text-oriented data; binary for calculations.

MAIN STORAGE

Memory for the MicroVAX 2000 and II is dynamic parity MOS RAM. Main memory cycle time is 400 nanoseconds. Main memory increments are 4M and 8M bytes on the MicroVAX II; the MicroVAX 2000 comes with 4M or 6M bytes of memory.

The MicroVAX 3300 and 3400 include 4M bytes of error checking and correcting (ECC) system memory on the CPU board; memory can be expanded to 28M bytes in 8M-byte increments.

The MicroVAX 3500 and 3600 each support a total of four 8M-byte memory modules which use 256K-bit ZIP DRAM-based ECC memory or four 16M-byte modules using 1M-bit, surface mount DRAM-based ECC memory.

Like all VAX systems, the MicroVAXs provide up to 4G bytes of virtual memory space.

| DEC | MICROVAX Family |
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| CHART A | . SYSTEM COMPARISON |

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| MODEL | MicroVAX 2000 | MicroVAX II | MicroVAX 3300 | MicroVAX 3400 | MicroVAX 3500 | MicroVAX 3600 |
|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS | | | | | | |
| Date of introduction | February 1987 | May 1985 | October 1988 | October 1988 | September 1987 | September 1987 |
| Microprocessor type | MicroVAX 78032 | MicroVAX 78032 | CVAX 78034 | CVAX 78034 | CVAX 78034 | CVAX 78034 |
| Microprocessor cycle time | 200 ns | 200 ns | 100 ns | 100 ns | 90 ns | 90 ns |
| Operating system | VMS, ULTRIX-32 | VMS, | VMS, | VMS, | VMS, | VMS, |
| | | ULTRIX-32, VAXELN | ULTRIX-32, VAXELN | ULTRIX-32, VAXELN | ULTRIX-32, VAXELN | ULTRIX-32, VAXELN |
| Upgradable from | Not applicable | MicroVAX I, MicroPDP-11 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Upgradable to | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Number of serial/parallel | Up to 12 serial | Up to 49 serial | 40 serial | 40 serial | 40 serial | 40 serial |
| I/O ports | | | w/modem con- trol, 80 without | w/modern con- trol, 80 without | w/modem con- trol, 80 without | w/modem con- trol, 80 without |
| Number of expansion slots | 0 | 7 (BA23); 11 (BA123); 13 (H9642) | 5 | 11 | 21 | 21 |
| MEMORY | | | | | | |
| Minimum capacity (bytes) | 4M | 1M | 12M | 12M | 16M | 16M |
| Maximum capacity (bytes) | 6M | 16M | 28M | 28M | 64M | 64M |
| DISK STORAGE | | | 1 | | ļ | |
| Minimum capacity (bytes) | O or 42M | 71M | 150M | 300M | 280M | 622M |
| Maximum capacity (bytes) | 318M | 2.8G | 750M | 900M | 1.16G | 2.48G |
| NUMBER OF WORKSTATIONS | Up to 12 | Up to 48 | 75 (48 active) | 90 (48 active) | 64 (40-60 | 64 (40-60 |
| | | - | | | typical) | typical) |
| COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOLS | DDCMP (DECnet); | DDCMP (DECnet); | DDCMP (DECnet); | DDCMP (DECnet); | DDCMP (DECnet); | DDCMP (DECnet); |
| | Ethernet; SNA; | Ethernet; SNA; | Ethernet; SNA; | Ethernet; SNA; | Ethernet; SNA; | Ethernet; SNA; |
| | X.25; 2780/ | X.25; | X.25; 2780/ | X.25; 2780/ | X.25; 2780/ | X.25; 2780/ |
| | 3780; TCP/IP | 2780/3780; | 3780; 3271; | 3780; 3271; | 3780; 3271; | 3780; 3271; |
| | | 3271; TCP/IP; | TCP/IP; LU6.2; | TCP/IP; LU6.2; | TCP/IP; LU6.2; | TCP/IP; LU6.2; |
| | | LU6.2; X.400 | X.400 | X.400 | X.400 | X.400 |
| PURCHASE PRICE | |] | | | | |
| (Base configurations) | From \$7,800 | From \$15,383 | From \$40,950 | From \$53,950 | From \$76,900 | From \$104,300 |

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of the MicroVAX 3300 and 3400. In the narrow sense, these machines provide greater power in the middle of the MicroVAX group—an area previously covered by large configurations of the 3¹/₂-year-old MicroVAX II. The addition of the new systems—based on the CVAX CPU used in the MicroVAX 3500 and 3600—brings the more recent technology lower into the MicroVAX Family.

Actually, the new MicroVAXs' I/O capabilities are more important in the broader context than their increased processor power. The new systems deliver more than three times the disk I/O provided by the MicroVAX II and support the RF30 Integrated Storage Element (ISE), a new 150M-byte, thin-film, Winchester storage module. Up to six RF30s can be configured in a dual-host cluster to provide high data availability. This fault-resistant miniclustering capability (patterned on the VAXcluster scheme available for the VAX superminis) is important for Digital's DECtp program, the company's strategy for carving a significant niche in the distributed online transaction processing (OLTP) market. Digital targets the MicroVAXs as front ends in the OLTP network, and such systems must have continuous access to large storage facilities.

Digital, however, must figure out a way to enhance its RF series offerings for the OLTP environment; 900M bytes is not a lot of storage for two CPUs to share, especially when OLTP systems—and general-purpose supermicros, for that matter—routinely support 1G or 2G bytes of storage.

PROCESSING COMPONENTS

The MicroVAX 3300, 3400, 3500, and 3600 use the CVAX 78034 CPU chip and CVAX 78134 floating-point unit (FPU). The use of CMOS technology in the CPU and floating-point unit on the 3500 and 3600 results in a more efficient processor-board layout that enables the implementation of dual-level cache memory. The CPU chip holds 1K bytes of cache memory, and an additional 64K bytes resides on the CPU board. The CPU features a cycle time of 90 nanoseconds.

The MicroVAX 3300 and 3400 CPU complex—called the KA640—includes 4M bytes of main memory; an Ethernet controller; and an adapter for the RF30 Integrated Storage Element (ISE), the systems' primary disk storage device.

The 3300 and 3400 provide from 2.5 to 3.0 times the performance of the entry-level MicroVAX II and 2000, delivering from 2.2 to 2.7 MIPS; the 3500 and 3600 feature performance 2.6 to 4.2 times that of the MicroVAX II, for a range of 2.3 to 3.7 MIPS.

The MicroVAX II and 2000 both employ a single-board CPU centered around the MicroVAX 78032, a Digitaldesigned and -manufactured ZMOS (double-metal NMOS) chip. The 78032 features 32-bit internal and external data paths, 200-nanosecond cycle time, two-stage pipelined architecture, and instruction prefetch. The chip also includes its own 20MHz clock generator and demandpaged virtual memory management. The 78032 provides sixteen 32-bit general registers, 31 interrupt levels, and 1G bytes of physical address space. The 78032 has a TTLcompatible interface.

The MicroVAX II and 2000 CPU boards also contain the MicroVAX 78132, a chip-level floating-point unit (FPU) that handles F (single-precision), D (double-precision), and

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| MODEL | RX33 | RD32 | RD53 | RD54 | RA60 |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Туре | Diskette | Winchester | Winchester | Winchester | Removable |
| Size (inches) | 5.25 | 5.25 | 5.25 | 5.25 | 14 |
| Number of surfaces | 2 | - | | | 6 |
| Formatted capacity per drive (bytes) | 1.2M | 42M | 71M | 159M | 205M |
| Interface/controller | | ST412/506 | RQDX3 | RQDX3 | KDA50 |
| Number of drives per interface/controller | | · _ · | _ | | 4 |
| Average access time | | 48.3 ms | 38.3 ms | 38.3 ms | 50.0 ms |
| Data transfer rate | 500K bps | 5M bps | 625KB/sec | 625KB/sec | 1.98MB/sec |
| Bytes per sector/track | 512/sector | 512/sector | 512/sector | 512/sector | 512/sector |
| Purchase price | \$388 | \$1,615 | \$4,190 | \$5,500 | \$19,925 |

CHART B. DISK/DISKETTE DEVICES

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▷ COMPETITIVE POSITION

Although "proprietary operating system" has become a term of opprobrium in some quarters, Digital's VMS gives the MicroVAXs a competitive advantage. Digital continually enhances the operating and communications facilities available for VMS; a recent example is the company's introduction of DECnet/OSI and Enterprise Networking tools based on the International Organization for Standardization's Reference Model for Open Systems Interconnection (ISO/OSI). Adherence to OSI protocols ensures that VMS-based systems can work with computers in any environment that conforms to those international standards. Consequently, Digital users can create networks that integrate both proprietary and nonproprietary (e.g., UNIX) facilities.

Even though the proprietary VMS is, thus, relatively open, both the buying and the selling public tend to equate open systems with UNIX. Digital competes in that area as well, offering its Berkeley UNIX ULTRIX-32. The newest release, Version 3 (or V3, as it is colloquially called) gives the MicroVAXs enhanced credibility to compete against AT&T's 3B2 Family, NCR's Tower Series, Altos' supermicros, Unisys' U 5000 and 6000, and other UNIX supermicros. ULTRIX-32 V3 conforms to major standards, such as the X/Open and POSIX portability standards.

Even more importantly, ULTRIX-32, V3 conforms to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (formerly National Bureau of Standards) POSIX Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS), and to AT&T's System V Interface Definition (SVID). Adherence to those two standards is critical for any company interested in bidding seriously on contracts with the federal government, which mandates POSIX compatibility (which derives, ultimately, from UNIX) wherever application portability is required. The SVID conformity in ULTRIX-32, while desirable as a software portability feature, is a bit more problematic. Digital admits that the SVID conformity in ULTRIX-32 falls short of the level that would qualify Digital to bid the system for large Department of Defense (DoD) contracts, such as the AFCAC251 contract that AT&T won from the Air Force. Digital claims that the engineering effort required to bring ULTRIX-32 into full SVID compliance would not necessarily be offset by large contract income; the bidding alone can be a very expen-5

G (extended-range, double-precision) floating-point data types. The 78132 also accelerates integer multiply and divide functions.

Digital claims that, depending upon the application, the 78032 and 78132 in conjunction deliver between 70 and 110 percent of the performance of the VAX-11/780 supermini, with an average of 90 percent. (That is, 0.7 to 1.1 MIPS, with an average of 0.9 MIPS.)

In addition to the CPU and FPU, the MicroVAX II CPU board includes 1M bytes of integral main memory, memory expansion control, a console serial line unit, 64K bytes of ROM containing power-up diagnostics and a bootstrap program, and a Q-bus interface containing an 8,000-entry map for virtual-to-physical I/O address translation. Digital's older MicroVAX I can be field upgraded to the MicroVAX II. Digital's MicroPDP-11 computers, which employ the same BA23, BA123, and H9642 enclosures as the MicroVAX II, can be upgraded to that system.

On the MicroVAX 2000 system, electronics have been reduced to one board from the four boards required on the MicroVAX II.

The MicroVAXs feature a 304-instruction set, similar to but implemented differently from that used by larger VAX systems. On the MicroVAX 2000 and II systems, 175 instructions are implemented in the 78032 and 70 in the 78132; 59 instructions are emulated in software macrocode. The emulated instructions, including the 128-bit H floating-point data format and some character strings and packed decimals, are reportedly those which are most complex but least frequently used. Some of the instructions implemented in software in the MicroVAX II CPU are implemented in hardware on the MicroVAX 3000 Series CPUs, resulting in improved performance for some applications.

INPUT/OUTPUT CONTROL

I/O on the MicroVAX II, 3500, and 3600 is handled through the 22-bit extended Q-bus (also called the Q22), which provides a common communications path for the data, address, and control information passed among the CPU, memory, and device interfaces. The Q-bus provides 22-bit addressing and four interrupt levels; it also performs block-mode DMA data transfers on a bandwidth of up to 3M bytes per second.

The MicroVAX 3300 and 3400 also employ the Q-bus, but strictly for high-throughput I/O. The disk controller, which resides on the Q-bus in the other systems, is embedded in the RF30 ISE storage element, the system's primary disk drive. An Ethernet controller and an ISE adapter reside in the CPU module itself. \triangleright

DEC MicroVAX Family

| MODEL | RA70 | RA81 | RA82 | SA482 | RF30 |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Туре | Winchester | Winchester | Fixed | Fixed | Winchester |
| Size (inches) | 5.25 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 5.25 |
| Number of surfaces | _ | 7 | 7 | 28 | |
| Formatted capacity per drive (bytes) | 280M | 456M | 622M | 1.24-2.48G | 150M |
| Interface/controller | KDA50 | KDA50 | KDA50 | KDA50 | DSA |
| Number of drives per interface/controller | 2 | 4 | 4 | - | 1 per controller |
| Average access time | 27 ms | 36.3 ms | 32.3 ms | _ | 29.3 ms |
| Data transfer rate | 1.4MB/sec | 2.2MB/sec | 2.4MB/sec | 2.4MB/sec | 1.5MB/sec |
| Bytes per sector/track | 512/sector | 512/sector | 512/sector | 512/sector | |
| Purchase price | \$9.000 | From \$17,245 | From \$17,000 | From \$34,000 | From \$5,500 |
| Comments | | | | | Up to 6 drives can be configured for |
| | | | | | dual-font access |

CHART B. DISK/DISKETTE DEVICES (Continued)

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sive process. Still, we think that Digital should expend the effort to make ULTRIX-32 fully SVID compliant; by failing to do so, the company cuts itself off from full participation in a fast-growing market segment.

Nonetheless, sales of ULTRIX-based MicroVAXs could be hampered by the continuing unpleasantness over the future of UNIX between the Open Software Foundation (OSF)—in which Digital is a driving force—and AT&T's informal but powerful coalition of UNIX system, chip, and software vendors (the so-called "Archer Group"), including Unisys, NCR, Sun Microsystems, Intel, Motorola, Informix, and Unisoft. If those vendors succeed in making UNIX System V the accepted industry standard, ULTRIX-32 and OSF's UNIX implementation (based on IBM's AIX) will surely be less desirable, even though all three implementations will undoubtedly conform to the same sets of portability standards.

On the hardware side, the new MicroVAX 3300 and 3400 threaten to render the entire MicroVAX II grouping—and not just large configurations, which they admittedly replace—obsolete as general-purpose computers. The new systems double the price/performance delivered by midrange MicroVAXs. For example, if we assume a median performance of 2.5 MIPS for the 3300, a basic configuration with 12M bytes of memory and a 150M-byte storage device costs \$16,400 per MIPS; a basic MicroVAX II configuration with a 159M-byte disk and 5M bytes of memory costs \$38,000 per MIPS.

We anticipate, however, that the MicroVAX II will have prolonged usefulness as a special-purpose engine; for example, it already serves as the base for Digital's new MicroServer, which provides four times the functionality of the company's previous Ethernet terminal servers. (In that sense, the MicroVAX II will function much as the PDP-11 does; that system, still available but largely superseded by MicroVAXs for general-purpose computing, forms the core of Digital's powerful HSC family of highend disk controllers.) The MicroVAX 2000 is based on a busless architecture and has no expansion slots. It is equipped with a modified Small Computer Systems Interface (SCSI) port designed to connect TK50 tape drives; external disks are connected through an ST506 interface.

CONFIGURATION RULES

The MicroVAX 3300 and 3400 CPU complex—called the KA640—includes 4M bytes of main memory; an Ethernet controller; and an adapter for the RF30 Integrated Storage Element (ISE), the systems' primary disk storage device. The MicroVAX 3300 comes with one 150M-byte RF30 and employs a five-slot enclosure for addition of Q-bus options. The 3400, which uses the 11-slot BA213 enclosure, includes two RF30s. Addition of an expansion pedestal enclosure allows up to three RF30s to be added to the 3300 and 3400.

Using the Digital Storage System Interconnect (DSSI) and Local Area VAXcluster software (discussed in detail in the SOFTWARE section of this report), up to six RF30s can be accessed by two hosts for high data availability. If one host fails, users' requests for data access are automatically routed through the other system.

The MicroVAX 3500, available in the 27-inch BA213 pedestal enclosure, includes 16M bytes of main memory (expandable to 64M bytes); a 280M-byte RA70 disk drive or two 159M-byte RD54 disk drives; a 296M-byte TK70 cartridge tape drive; an Ethernet controller; operating system software (a 1-to-20 user VMS license or 2-to-65 user ULTRIX-32 license); a DECnet End-Node license; and, with the VMS operating system, VMS Services for MS-DOS license. Two additional RA70 disk drives or one RD54 disk drive can be configured on the MicroVAX 3500.

The MicroVAX 3600 is available in a cabinet enclosure and includes either 16M or 32M bytes of main memory, one or two 622M-byte RA82 disk drives, a 296M-byte TK70 cartridge tape drive, an Ethernet controller, operating system software (a 1-to-20 user VMS license or 2-to-65 user ULTRIX-32 license), a DECnet end node or fullfunction license, and VMS Services for MS-DOS license (with VMS operating system only). Three additional RA disks in a separate cabinet can be configured on the system.

The MicroVAX II comes in a choice of three enclosures: the BA23, a pedestal or rackmount box with 8 module slots for Q-bus options and space for two 5¼-inch mass storage devices; the BA123, a caster-mounted, floorstanding enclosure with 12 module slots for Q-bus options and space for up to three RD disk devices and one TK tape device; and a cabinet system employing a 14-slot, modified H9642 cabi-

| MODEL | VT320 | VT330 | VT340 |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| DISPLAY PARAMETERS | | | |
| Max. chars./screen | 3,168 | 3,168 | 3,168 |
| Buffer capacity | L _ | 19K characters | 19K characters |
| Screen size (lines x chars.) | 24 x 80 or 132 | 24 x 80 or 132 | 24 x 80 or 132 |
| Tilt/swivel screen | Optional | Standard | Standard |
| Symbol formation | 9 or 15 x 12 dot matrix | 10 x 20 dot matrix | 10 x 20 dot matrix |
| Character phosphor | White, green, or amber | White, green, or amber | White, green, or amber |
| Total colors/no. simult. displayed | Not applicable | 4 shades of gray | 4,096/16 |
| KEYBOARD PARAMETERS | | | |
| Style | Typewriter | Typewriter | Typewriter |
| Character/code set | ASCII, NRCS | ASCII, NRCS | ASCII, NRCS |
| Detachable | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| TERMINAL INTERFACE | RS-232-C, RS-423 | RS-232-C, RS-423, and | RS-232-C, RS-423, and |
| | | 20 mA std. | 20 mA std. |
| COMMENTS | _ | 800 x 500 pixel graphics | 800 x 500 pixel graphics |
| | | array; supports split-screen | array; supports split-screen |
| | | viewing | viewing |
| PURCHASE PRICE | \$545 | \$1,990 | \$2,935 |

CHART C. WORKSTATIONS

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Advantages and restrictions

The MicroVAX Family provides numerous advantages to both first-time and current Digital users. The compatibility provided under the VMS environment allows software to be ported among systems; for example, under VMS Version 5.0 (the latest release), a Fortran program written on a MicroVAX can be sent to a VAX 6200 or 8800 Series system that uses the Symmetrical Multiprocessor (SMP) architecture and can be executed in parallel.

The MicroVAXs offer an impressive variety of connectivity and computational clustering schemes under both VMS and ULTRIX-32. Local Area VAXcluster Phase 2 (LAVC 2), for example, gives networked MicroVAXs access over Ethernet to the larger computational and storage facilities—the latter ranging up to hundreds of gigabytes provided by the VAXclusters in which VAX superminis and HSC storage controllers can be configured. Similarly, the ULTRIX NFS Clusters scheme lets UNIX Digital systems share computational facilities, as well as data storage in excess of 75G bytes.

Although we have previously noted that the older MicroVAX II seems slated for oblivion in the foreseeable future, it nevertheless continues to provide an entry point into the VAX architecture for MicroPDP-11 users. Because the two lines of systems use the same BA23, BA123, and H9642 enclosures ("form factors," to use Digital's term), MicroPDP-11 users can perform board swaps to convert their systems to MicroVAX IIs if they find that they need extra power and direct VMS software compatibility in the same amount of space. Also, the MicroVAX II's support for O-bus and some UNIBUS peripherals (such as the RA60 and RA81 disks and the TU81-Plus tape) provides an additional boon for MicroPDP-11 or even UNIBUS PDP-11 users who want to upgrade to MicroVAX power; they can transfer their peripherals, rather than purchase new ones. Similarly, the support by some MicroVAX II configurations for the RA60 and RA81 disk drives and the TU81-Plus tape >> net (the type used for larger VAX computers) containing two BA23 chassis and providing space for two RA-class disks. A special configuration, the Compact MicroVAX II, includes integrated load and storage devices and two 8-slot BA23 backplanes for Q-bus expansion.

The MicroVAX 2000 is available in three basic configurations:

- The entry-level system includes 4M bytes of memory (upgradable to 6M bytes), an RX33 1.2M-byte, halfheight diskette drive; an RD32 42M-byte, half-height Winchester disk; a disk controller and tape interface; four serial lines; and on-board diagnostics.
- A more powerful configuration includes 4M bytes of memory (upgradable to 6M bytes); an RD53 71M-byte, full-height Winchester disk drive; a disk controller and tape interface; four serial lines; on-board diagnostics; and an expansion adapter box that houses the optional TK50 95M-byte tape drive and additional disk storage.

On the above two MicroVAX 2000 configurations, the user must select either a VMS or an ULTRIX-32 operating system license.

• The diskless MicroVAX 2000 for LAVC configurations includes 6M bytes of memory; an Ethernet interface; a disk controller and tape interface; four serial lines; onboard diagnostics; and VMS operating system, DECnet end node, and LAVC software licenses.

The MicroVAX 2000 supports 12 directly connected users and the MicroVAX II supports 48. The 3500 and 3600 support up to 64 directly connected users, although the recommended range is 40 to 60 users, depending on the application. Additional users are connected through the Ethernet interface or terminal servers. Terminal servers will theoretically support up to 8,000 users; practical limits depend on the configuration's capability of running the application load.

Also available are five *VAXserver* systems, based on MicroVAX systems but configured to function as resource servers in LAVCs or PC LANs. The current VAXserver product line includes the single-processor VAXservers 3300, 3400, 3500, and 3600, as well as the dual-CPU VAXserver 3602.

| MODEL | LA75 | LA100 | LA120 | LA210 | LN03 | LN03 Plus |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Туре | Dot matrix | Dot matrix | Dot matrix | Dot matrix | Laser | Laser |
| Speed | 32/42/125/250 cps | 40/240 cps; 80 cps opt. | 180 cps | 40/240 cps; 80 cps opt. | 8 ppm | 8 ppm |
| Paper size | 4.25 to 10 in wide | Up to 14.9 in wide | 3 to 15 in wide | 3.5 to 14.9 in wide | 8.5 x 11 in | 8.5 x 11 in |
| Character formation | 36 x 18/36 x 17/24 x 9/12 x 9 dot matrix | 33 x 18/7 x 9 dot matrix; 33 x 9 opt. | 7 x 7 dot matrix | 33 x 18/7 x 9 dot matrix; 33 x 9 opt. | 300 x 300 dpi | 300 x 300 dpi |
| Horizontal character spacing (char./inch) | 10, 12, 16.5, 17.1 or 5, 6, 8.25, 8.55 | 5, 6, 6.6, 8.25, 10, 12, 13.2, 16.5 | 5, 6, 6.6, 8.25, 10, 12, 13.2, 16.5 | Variable | Variable | Variable |
| Vertical line spacing (lines/inch) Character set | 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12 U.S. ASCII, 8 others | 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12 Courier-10 or Orator-10 std.; others opt. | 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12 94 ASCII, APL | Variable 94 ASCII; Courier, VT100 line-drawing std.; others opt. | Variable ASCII; 16 resi- dent; Courier/ Elite fonts | Variable ASCII, technical; 17 resident fonts |
| Controller/Interface | RS-423 | RS-232-C std.; 20 mA opt. | RS-232-C | RS-232-C std.; Centronics paral- lel opt. | RS-232-C | RS-232-C |
| No. of printers per controller/ interface | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Printer dimensions, in. (h x w x d) | 4.8 x 16.8 x 13.6 | 7 x 22 x 16 | 33.5 x 27.5 x 21.7 | 5.0 x 21.5 x 13.5 | 15.0 x 21.0 x 23.5 | 15.0 x 21.0 x 23.5 |
| Graphics capability | 180 x 144 dpi | 132 x 72 dpi | Not applicable | 132 x 72 dpi | Not applicable | 300 x 300 dpi |
| Purchase price | \$835 | \$2,640 | \$3,197 | \$1,675 | \$2,895 | \$3,995 |
| Comments | Built-in LA50, LA100, LA210, IBM Proprinter emulation | Keyboard send/ receive terminal | | Compatible with IBM PC/XT/AT | Prints in land- scape and por- trait modes | Provides bit- mapped, Tek- tronix 4010/4014- compatible graphics |

CHART D. PRINTERS

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drive—peripherals also employed by the VAX superminis—permits the transfer of peripherals by users who want to move up to a VAX 6200 or 8000 system.

In addition to dual-ported strings of the new RF30 storage devices, high-end MicroVAXs also permit dual porting of RA70 and RA82 disk drives. That capability allows two systems or network servers to access each of the disks, offering some data security in the event of a failure on one of the systems or networks. As we mentioned before, the increased data availability that such capabilities offer is critical in the OLTP area, which Digital now targets so intensively.

On the service end, Digital has recently introduced a warranty scheme that represents a mixed blessing for users. The minimum warranty no longer includes on-site service; instead, it constitutes a "return to Digital" scheme for parts and a one-year conformance warranty on software. This part of the program is explicitly aimed at cultivating resellers who don't want to inventory service warranties and is undoubtedly an effort to boost MicroVAX sales through indirect channels—a strategy that has worked marvelously for the PDP-11, which the MicroVAX has surpassed in annual sales.

Digital has not jettisoned on-site warranty support completely, though; the company now delivers that through three levels of support above the minimum. The second of those three—called "Standard" warranty support and expected by Digital to be the one chosen by the greatest number of users—raises basic system prices 6 to 9 percent over those charged for minimum warranty service. SimiVAXservers 3300 and 3400 each include a CPU with 4M bytes of system memory, an Ethernet controller, and an ISE adapter; a 150M-byte RF30 ISE; a 296M-byte TK70 streaming tape subsystem; 1-to-10 user VMS license; VMS File and Application Server, DECnet Full Function, and VAXcluster licenses; and documentation and diagnostics. For details on VAXservers 3500, 3600, and 3602, refer to the "DEC VAXstations" report in *Datapro Reports on Minicomputers*.

Specialized versions of the MicroVAXs—the rtVAX Series—are available for realtime applications, such as data acquisition.

INPUT/OUTPUT UNITS

Refer to Chart B for disk and diskette devices, to Chart C for workstations, and to Chart D for printers.

OTHER PERIPHERALS: The TK70 streaming cartridge tape drive comes bundled with the MicroVAX 3000 Series systems and is optional for the MicroVAX II. The 48-track TK70 employs a 5¹/₄-inch form factor and features a streaming speed of 100 ips and density of 10,000 bpi. The TK70 uses 296M-byte, ¹/₂-inch CompacTape-II tape cartridges (developed by Digital in conjunction with 3M Company) which hold the entire contents of the 280M-byte RA70 disk drive. The TK70 transfers data at 90K bytes per second and features ECC, CRC, and a read-after-write procedure to verify data.

The TK50 streaming tape drive is a 22-track, ½-inch cartridge unit that uses CompacTape cartridges; a single cartridge can back up any of the Winchester disks used on a MicroVAX II or MicroVAX 2000. This Q-bus drive, which uses a microprocessor-based controller, has a maximum storage capacity of 95M bytes and achieves read/write speed of 75 ips in streaming mode. The TK50 has a peak data transfer rate of 62.5K bytes per second (45K bytes per

| MODEL | ScriptPrinter (LNO3R) | PrintServer 40 (LPS40) | LJ250/LJ252 | LG01/LG02 | LG31 | LP29 |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Туре | Laser | Laser | | Matrix | Matrix | Band |
| Speed | 8 ppm | 40 ppm | 20-167 cps NLQ | 280/600 lpm | 300 lpm | 2,000 lpm |
| Paper size | 8.5 x 11 in | 7.5-11 in wide; 10.5-17 in long | - | 4-16 in wide; 3- 20 in long | Up to 15 in wide | — |
| Character formation | 300 x 300 dpi | Electrophoto- graphic | — | 120 x 144/60 x 72 dots/in | Dot matrix | Full |
| Horizontal character spacing (char./inch) | Variable | Variable | - | Variable | 5-16.7 | — |
| Vertical line spacing (lines/inch) | Variable | Variable | | - | | 6 and 8 |
| Character set | ASCII; 29 Post- script fonts | 29 resident typefaces | DEC technical, NCR, ISO-Latin, line drawing | Multiple | 7 or 8 bit ANSI/ISO- compatible | 64 and 96 ASCII; optimized LU ASCII; OCR-B |
| Controller/Interface | RS-232-C | _ | RS-232-C (250), parallel (252) | LP11 or RS-232-C | RS-232-C | RS-232-C |
| No. of printers per controller/ interface | 1 | | | - | | 1 |
| Printer dimensions, in. (h x w x d) | 15.0 x 21.0 x 23.5 | 40.4 x 60.0 x 28.4 | - | 38.0 x 33.5 x 22.3 | | |
| Graphics capability | 300 x 300 dpi | 300 x 300 dpi | 180 x 180 (7 colors), 90 x 90 (255 colors) | LG02 only | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Purchase price | \$5,495 | \$50,650 | \$1,695 | \$13,545/ \$16,695 | \$8,450 | \$38,500 |
| Comments | Supports Post- script page description language | Ethernet print server subsystem | LJ252 supports HP-PCL for PC applications | LG01 text printer upgradable to LG02 text/ graphics printer | Prints OCR-A/B, bar code 39, and interleaved in 2 of 5 | |

CHART D. PRINTERS (Continued)

Note: a dash (----) in a column indicates that the information is unavailable from the vendor.

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larly, separately purchased hardware and software options with such warranty coverage now carry price tags about 2 percent higher than previously. In effect, Digital now charges extra for the type of warranty service it used to include in the base prices of systems and add-on components.

USER REACTION

Datapro recently spoke to three MicroVAX II users who had responded to our 1988 U.S. Computer Users Survey.

Site One: The first user is president of an engineering consultancy in the South. He is a long-time Digital user who migrated to the MicroVAX from the PDP-11 Family to take advantage of specialized engineering software that runs only on Digital systems. His VMS-based, three-user configuration uses only 4M bytes of memory and 50M bytes of disk storage. Because the configuration is so manageable and reliable, he does his own maintenance instead of relying on Digital.

This user complains only about the unavailability of mainstream decision support software for the MicroVAX. He says that he has to buy PCs to run spreadsheets and other mainstream business packages.

Site Two: The second user is affiliated with a printing concern in the lower Midwest. The company employs a VMS-based Local Area VAXcluster featuring two MicroVAX IIs and two VAXstation 2000s. One MicroVAX supports 4M bytes of memory and 0.5G bytes of disk storage; the other uses 16M bytes of memory and 1.2G second for user data). Recording density is 6667 bpi. The TK50 also features read-after-write operation and emulation of reel-to-reel tape drive operation. The TK50 is not supported by the MicroVAX 3500 and 3600, but the TK70 tape drive supported on these systems can read tapes written on a TK50.

The TS05 nine-track streaming tape drive is supported on larger, H9642-based MicroVAX II configurations. This ¹/₂inch drive with a 40M-byte storage capacity features a 1600 bpi recording density, speeds of 25/100 ips, and a 40/160K bytes-per-second data transfer rate. One TS05 can be attached per controller. The TSV05 is a compact version of the TS05.

Additionally, the MicroVAX II, 3500, and 3600 support the TU81-Plus tape subsystem, which is also employed by Digital's VAXBI-based VAX systems and UNIBUS PDP-11 computers. The TU81-Plus is designed for applications requiring sustained input/output, such as disk backup, data archiving, data interchange, and recording of data from high-speed test equipment. This PE/GCR unit features a 256K-byte cache buffer, 1600/6250 bpi recording densities, and a streaming speed of 75 ips. A nine-track unit that employs ¹/₂-inch tape, the TU81-Plus also features a 25-ips start/stop speed and storage capacities of 145M bytes in GCR mode and 40M bytes in PE mode. Data transfer speed is 468K bytes per second.

The RRD50 Compact Disk Reader system is a read-only laser disk drive employing a compact, removable, 600Mbyte Compact Disk Read-Only Memory (CD-ROM) optical disk. The disk itself is 4.7 inches (120 mm.) in diameter. The drive's average access time is 1.5 seconds; average data transfer rate is 150K bytes per second.

The RV20 write-once optical disk drive is a 2G-byte device featuring a data transfer rate of 262K bytes per second and an access time of 212.5 milliseconds. Four RV20 controllers can be configured per MicroVAX CPU, with four transports per controller. A single cabinet can contain up to four RV20 drives (one master and three slaves).

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bytes of auxiliary storage. The workstations perform shop floor monitoring, while the MicroVAXs support accounting and office functions.

Although this user considers his hardware highly reliable, he expresses dissatisfaction with Digital's software support. He says that he has waited six months to have a third-party software package brought under Digital's support umbrella; he suspects that the paperwork required to authorize the support is still wending its way through the approval ranks.

Site Three: The third user we spoke to coordinates data processing for an engineering concern in the Middle Atlantic region. His MicroVAX II, which runs a mix of architectural, engineering, and mathematical/statistical applications, as well as general business programs such as billing and payroll, supports 12M bytes of memory, 1.25G bytes of disk storage, and 14 workstations. Because the system is nearing its memory limit, he must soon choose between migrating to a larger system, such as the MicroVAX 3500 or 3600, or configuring additional MicroVAX IIs in a Local Area VAXcluster with his present system.

No matter what growth option he chooses, he says, he will stay with Digital because the MicroVAX II performs well and he is pleased with the service he receives. Although he uses third-party software, he has not—unlike the second user—approached Digital about supporting it; he says that he is satisfied with the support he has received from the vendors of those packages.

As we went to press, the quantitative results of our 1988 Computer Users Survey had just come in. The following chart shows how the 12 MicroVAX respondents rated their systems.

MicroVAX User Ratings*

| Ease of operation | 8.6 |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Reliability of system | 8.4 |
| Reliability of peripherals | 8.3 |
| Maintenance service: | |
| Responsiveness | 8.1 |
| Effectiveness | 8.0 |
| Technical support: | |
| Troubleshooting | 7.7 |
| Education | 7.7 |
| Documentation | 7.5 |
| Vendor's software: | |
| Operating system | 8.8 |
| Compilers & assemblers | 9.0 |
| Application programs | 8.6 |
| Ease of programming | 9.1 |
| Ease of conversion | 9.0 |
| Overall satisfaction | 8.8 |
| | |

*Average based on a scale from 1 (Poor) to 10 (Excellent).

► The LCG01 color printer is an ink jet color graphics device that provides output on paper and transparencies. It provides print resolution of 154 dots per inch, a print rate of approximately two minutes per copy, and up to 216 shades. Interfaces available for the LCG01 are RS-232-C, RS-422, and 20 mA. The printer supports ReGIS, GIDIS, NA-PLPS, and BIT MAP IMAGE (color pixel format) graphics protocols.

DECtalk, single-line (DTC01) or Multiline (DTC03) speech synthesis unit, converts standard ASCII text into speech output; it employs an RS-232-C interface and features modular telephone connections that allow users to access a data base with a standard touch-tone telephone.

COMMUNICATIONS

The MicroVAX systems also participate in LAVCs as either boot or satellite members. Up to 42 MicroVAX and VAXstation Family members (satellites) are interconnected through ThinWire Ethernet to two central MicroVAXs, VAXservers, or other VAX systems acting as servers (boot nodes). The servers manage system software, applications, and a shared common file system. Satellite members share system resources.

The MicroVAX II, 3500, and 3600 support the DZQ11 and DHQ11 asynchronous interfaces; the DSV11, DPV11, and DMV11 synchronous interfaces; and the DEQNA or DELQA Ethernet interface.

The DZQ11 is a four-line asynchronous multiplexer that provides local or remote interconnection between MicroVAX II, 3500, and 3600 systems and EIA RS-232-C/CCITT V.28 and EIA RS-423-A/CCITT V.10 terminals or other systems. The DZQ11 operates at programselectable speeds up to 9600 bps full duplex with limited modem control on each line.

The DHQ11 is a Q-bus communications controller that supplies eight asynchronous communications lines and operates in either direct memory access (DMA) or programmed output mode. The DHQ11 provides RS-232-C or DEC-423 signaling to externally connected terminal devices at speeds up to 38.4K bps.

The DSV11 wide area interface—part of Digital's Enterprise Networking program to link both Digital and non-Digital environments—provides up to two lines running different applications at 64K bps each or one line at 256K bps. (See the COMMUNICATIONS subsection of the SOFTWARE section for further details on Enterprise Networking.

The DPV11 is a single-line synchronous interface that provides local or remote interconnection between MicroVAX II, 3500, and 3600 systems and other systems with EIA RS-232-C/CCITT V.28 or V.11 interfaces. The DPV11 operates at speeds up to 56K bps half or full duplex with full modem control. It is programmable for either byte-oriented protocols (DDCMP or Bisync) or bitoriented protocols (SDLC or HDLC).

The DMV11 is a microprocessor-controlled, single-line synchronous interface that provides local or remote interconnection between MicroVAX II, 3500, and 3600 systems and systems with EIA RS-232-C/CCITT V.28 or V.35 interfaces, or with EIA RS-423/-449 interfaces. The DMV11 implements the DDCMP protocol in hardware and supports DMA data transfers, DECnet point-to-point or multipoint configurations, and full modem control. It operates at speeds from 19.2K bps to 56K bps at half or full duplex. Also configurable on the MicroVAX II, 3500, and 3600 is the H4005 Ethernet Transceiver, detailed in the "DEC VAX Systems" report in Datapro Reports on Minicomputers.

Quad-height communications boards available for use on the MicroVAX 3500 and 3600 include the following:

- The CXA16 provides an RS-423-A, 16-line asynchronous interface with no modem control.
- The CXB16 provides an RS-422, 16-line asynchronous interface with no modem control.
- The CXY08 provides an RS-232-C, eight-line asynchronous interface with modem control.
- The DRQ3B is a parallel I/O interface.

In addition to baseband Ethernet connection, to which the H4005 is relevant, Digital provides an alternative Thin-Wire scheme, which provides full Ethernet capability for personal computers, workstations, and low-end systems in offices and other local work areas. ThinWire Ethernet permits connection of up to 30 stations in one 185-meter (202 yard) segment.

The ThinWire Ethernet scheme allows the MicroVAXs to be networked to Digital's MS-DOS-based VAXmate personal computer. The VAXmate includes DECnet/ ThinWire Ethernet support; through a server, this PC can store and access files on MicroVAX (and VAX) systems. (The VAXmate can participate in networks including VAXs, MicroVAXs, other VAXmates, Rainbows, and IBM PC/XT/ATs running Digital's DECnet software.)

The *ThinWire Ethernet Station Adapter (DESTA)* allows connection of a single Ethernet station to ThinWire Cabling through the DEQNA or DELQA controller. The DESTA has one 15-pin connector port that allows it to be mounted in or near the Ethernet station and a second port for connection to the ThinWire Ethernet cable. The DESTA contains Ethernet transceiver (IEEE 802.3) logic and provides transceiver functionality; it is powered from the controller.

The MicroVAX 3300 and 3400 contain built-in DESTA functionality, allowing a choice of thick- or thin-wire connection.

The DEC MicroServer—part of Digital's Enterprise Networking program (detailed in the COMMUNICATIONS subsection of SOFTWARE in this report)—for Ethernet communications incorporates MicroVAX II-based chip technology and reportedly provides up to four times the synchronous communications speed of Digital's other Ethernet communications servers. The MicroServer works with DECrouter 2000 software (also detailed in the SOFT-WARE section below).

Comprising both hardware and software, PC Integration Packages for MicroVAX II and MicroVAX 2000 include the elements users require to tie IBM PCs into DECnet networks using a MicroVAX system as a server. The PCs are full peers on the network; the MicroVAX provides transparent file and print services for the PCs. The packages support multiuser team applications such as data base, mail, videotex, accounting, and order processing. They also allow the PCs to share information with heterogeneous equipment types, such as workstations and terminals. Eligible PCs are the IBM PC Model 5150, PC XT Model 5160, and PC AT; all must have IBM DOS 3.10, one available PC option slot, 640K bytes of memory, CGA or EGA graphics option, system ROM BIOS dated 10/27/82 or later (PC only), and 130 watts minimum power supply.

The PC Integration package for the MicroVAX II includes an IBM PC Network Integration Package (including MS-Windows, keyboard, and mouse); two IBM PC Network Services packages; and a DECnet-VAX license (including VMS Services for MS-DOS license). The package for the MicroVAX 2000 includes a ThinWire Ethernet adapter, in addition to an IBM PC Network Services Package and a DECnet-VAX license with the components already cited for the MicroVAX II package.

SOFTWARE

The VMS operating system for the MicroVAX systems (formerly called MicroVMS) is the same as that which runs on the VAX superminis. Consequently, the MicroVAX computers run the same system and applications software as the larger VAX computers without recompilation or relinking, subject to the limitations of peripheral support. Unless noted, details on the software products referenced in this section are the same as those presented in the "DEC VAX Systems" report in *Datapro Reports on Minicomputers*.

OPERATING SYSTEM: The VMS operating system for the MicroVAXs (and for the VAXstations as well) is the same as that which runs on the VAX superminis. Previously, a subset of VMS—MicroVMS—was offered for the MicroVAXs and VAXstations because the microsystems could not support full-sized VMS due to limitations of system disk size and distribution media. With VMS Version 5.0 (April 1988), Digital removed those constraints. Because the operating environments are fully compatible, MicroVAXs and VAXstations can run the same system and applications software as the larger VAX computers without recompilation or relinking, subject to peripheral support limitations.

Version 5.0, the current release of VMS, includes support for Local Area VAXcluster Systems Phase II, described later in this section.

For full details on the VMS operating system, refer to the "DEC VAX Systems" report in *Datapro Reports on Mini-computers*.

ULTRIX-32 is based on Berkeley 4.2 BSD UNIX with 4.3 BSD enhancements. The most recent release, Version 3.0 (also called V3), complies with the following standards and specifications:

- IEEE 1003.1 POSIX (Portable Operating System for Computer Environments).
- National Institute for Standards and Technology (formerly National Bureau of Standards) interim POSIX Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS).
- X/Open Portability Guide XPG2 base-level specification; with available layered products, ULTRIX-32 meets X/ Open's full Common Application Environment (CAE), as well as the Open Software Foundation (OSF) Application Environment Specification Level 0. Digital expects ULTRIX-32 to comply with X/Open XPG3 when the new specifications are released; the company also supports X/Open's Branding Program, which verifies that hardware and software products conform to the standards specified by that body.
- System V Interface Definition (SVID) Release II, Volume 1.

 (For a general overview of ULTRIX-32, refer to the "DEC VAX Systems" report in *Datapro Reports on Minicomput*ers.)

Communications software available under ULTRIX-32 V3 includes the Berkeley Internet Name Domain server (BIND) from BSD 4.3, Network File System (NFS) file locking, and the LAT/TELENET Gateway. Other facilities—VMS ULTRIX Connection, ULTRIX Mail Connection V1, and DECnet-ULTRIX V3—are discussed in the COMMUNICATIONS subsection below.

ULTRIX-32 provides MicroVAX and VAX systems with the ULTRIX NFS Clusters capability, which allows up to 14 CPUs and two HSC70 storage controllers to participate in a distributed file system environment over a dual-path, 70-megabit-per-second link using Sun Microsystems Network File System (NFS) protocols. Because the two HSC70s can support a total of 64 Digital Equipment RAclass disk drives, the CPUs can share a data base of up to 76G bytes.

VAXELN, which is not so much an operating system as a development tool and specialized runtime environment, acts as a compatible subsystem to the VMS operating system for development of applications in realtime control and distributed computing environments. It consists of development utilities for creating target applications and a runtime kernel of device drivers and service code that becomes a part of each application. After development, VAXELN applications run standalone on MicroVAX target systems without the host operating system. VAXELN applications are written in an optimizing version of Pascal or C.

DATA BASE MANAGEMENT: The MicroVAXs employ the VAX data base management or information management architecture, which is arranged in layers above the operating system. For a general overview of the components of the VAX information architecture, refer to the "DEC VAX Systems" report in *Datapro Reports on Minicomputers*.

Digital's DBMS products figure prominently in *DECtp*, a largely software-based systems environment that integrates facilities for developing distributed transaction processing applications: data bases, storage systems, data interoperability products, transaction processing monitors, and support programs. These products run on most MicroVAX (including VAXstation) and VAX Systems. DECtp includes the following major software components:

- DECintact Version 1, a transaction processing (TP) monitor based on Advanced Systems Concepts, Inc.'s (ASCI) Intact product. DECintact, intended for high-volume applications requiring transaction integrity, application availability, and transaction system recovery, supports and extends Digital's Record Management Services (RMS) capabilities. It allows users to insert and retrieve records from a data base via hashed key files and can be used as a platform to develop applications that can access VAX Rdb/VMS and VAX DBMS data bases. DECintact also includes an integrated restart/recovery system for both file and queue management systems, as well as security features, such as a hierarchical system menu.
- VAX Rdb/VMS Version 3, an enhanced version of Digital's relational data base management system (RDBMS). It implements the Digital Standard Relational Interface (DSRI), which allows Rdb/VMS to access any DSRIcompliant data base, including those on remote network nodes and IBM mainframes (through a gateway). This facility integrates the VAX.
- VAX SQL Version 2, Digital's implementation of the Structured Query Language (SQL) data base facility.

VAX SQL, included in VAX Rdb/VMS Version 3, provides a user interface to products using DSRI and can retrieve information in IBM data bases in read-only mode through Digital's VIDA with IDMS/R.

- VAX CDD/Plus Common Data Dictionary Version 4, which provides a single, logical repository for data definitions (metadata) and descriptions in a distributed environment. VAX CDD/Plus allows data definitions to be managed centrally or locally and permits data to be integrated and rolled up by applications across a network. VAX CDD/Plus—compatible with previous versions of VAX CDD, works with VAX Rdb/VMS and VAX Rally software.
- VAX Rally Version 2, a fourth-generation tool for VAX Rdb/VMS data base applications. Integrated with VAX CDD/Plus, VAX Rally automatically calls on the resources of the dictionary. VAX Rally also includes a runtime option that enables users to implement distributed applications on VAX processors.
- VAX DBMS Version 4, a general-purpose, Codasylcompliant network data base management system (DBMS) designed to handle high transaction volumes for numerous, concurrent users.
- VAX Data Distributor Version 2, which allows relational data bases to be replicated across a distributed TP environment. The software can create one or more copies or subsets of an RDBMS on the same system or on remote systems. An Extraction Rollup feature enables Data Distributor to copy a selected subset of data from multiple sources and create a single target data base.
- VAX ACMS Version 3, an enhanced version of Digital's ACMS TP monitor and fourth-generation language facility. VAX ACMS Version 3 features facilities for queuing, storing, and forwarding transactions for deferred execution; the capability of integrating a variety of forms managers for online terminal entry or support for nonterminal devices; and application recovery and data integrity features.
- VAX TDMS Version 1.8, which enables TP system users to manage forms and other data presentation facilities by separating forms data from application code. With VAX TDMS, TP applications must provide only specific data; VAX TDMS provides the rest of the presentation independently.
- DEClink software, which provides access to IBM data bases. One component package, VAXlink, bridges Digital's Rdb/VMS data bases and IBM's IMS and VSAM structures so that data can be copied from IBM mainframes into distributed VMS environments. VIDA with IDMS/R, the other constituent DEClink package, allows users on a VAX system to log on to a central IBM system through an SNA gateway and use data in Cullinet IDMS/ R data bases. Using the VMS operating system's Run-Time Library, VIDA with IDMS/R translates VAX user requests to a form compatible with Cullinet software and converts IBM EBCDIC values into those from the Digital Multinational Character Set (DMCS).

LANGUAGES: Programming languages available for the MicroVAXs include Ada, APL, Basic, Bliss-32, C, Cobol, Dibol, Digital Standard Mumps (DSM), Fortran, OPS5 (for artificial intelligence applications), Pascal, PL/1, RPG II, and Lisp.

COMMUNICATIONS: Like the larger VAX systems, the MicroVAXs support the *Digital Network Architecture* (DNA), a set of protocols governing the format, control, and sequencing of message exchange for all DECnet imple-

mentations. (Further information on DNA is included in the "DEC Digital Network Architecture (DNA) and DECnet" report in *Datapro Reports on Minicomputers*. Since the publication of that report, which discusses DNA development up through Phase IV, Digital has announced DNA Phase V, which embraces even more of the standards established by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model.

In anticipation of DECnet Phase V, Digital has announced the Enterprise Networking program, geared toward integrating multivendor environments. The following are software components of the program:

- DECrouter 2000
- X25router 2000
- Enhancements to DECnet/SNA Gateway, VMS/SNA, and Data Transfer Facility (DTF) software
- VAX File Transfer and Access Management (FTAM)

Those components are discussed individually throughout this subsection.

As another part of its strategy for multivendor networking, Digital provides *Network Applications Support* products that allow common access to services on DECnet/OSI networks. Those products provide application access, business communications, and information/resource sharing services for Digital's VT Series terminals, based on VAX Systems running either VMS or UNIX, Apple Macintosh microcomputers, and MS-DOS- and OS/2-based PCs. As part of this program, Digital has made publicly available the specifications for Compound Document Architecture (CDA), an integrated scheme for creating, revising, managing, and distributing compound documents through an enterprise-wide DECnet/OSI network. The documents are interchangeable among VMS-, ULTRIX-, MS-DOS-, OS/ 2-, and Apple Macintosh-based systems.

Digital provides toolkits, documentation, and training for CDA application developers. Over time, the toolkit and documentation will become standard components of all VMS- and ULTRIX-32-based systems. The company has also published a manual of specifications for the Digital Document Interchange Format (DDIF); a technical description of CDA toolkit routines; and information on the CDA Converter, which is designed to simplify development of software converters.

The specifications for CDA define a networked environment for creating and manipulating compound documents containing "live" links to text, graphics, images, spreadsheets, charts, and tables. Live links allow automatic updating of data contained in a compound document when source information has changed. Future versions of the CDA specs will also address documents integrating voice and video.

CDA is designed to accommodate emerging international standards, including the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) Office Document Architecture/ Office Document Interchange Format (ODA/ODIF), Standard Generalized Markup Language (SGML), and Adobe Systems, Inc.'s PostScript page description language.

DECnet-VAX permits suitably configured VMS-based systems to participate as routing or end nodes in DECnet computer networks. It offers task-to-task communications, file transfer, downline system and task loading, network command terminals, and network resource-sharing capabilities through DNA protocols. The MicroVAX 2000 can function as an end node but not as a router in a DECnet network.

DECnet-ULTRIX Version 3 (V3) is a Phase IV, Ethernetbased, end-node implementation of the Digital Network Architecture (DNA). It allows communications among networked Digital systems that use DNA Phase III/IV protocols, as well as with non-Digital systems using Internet (TCP/IP) protocols. Thus, an ULTRIX-based system can serve as an Internet Gateway between DECnet/OSI and TCP/IP-based networks, allowing semitransparent, bidirectional access in a multivendor environment.

DECnet-ULTRIX also permits task-to-task communications, network virtual terminal functions, remote file transfer, mail, network-wide resource sharing, and management as defined by DNA protocols.

The VMS/ULTRIX Connection—available for the MicroVAX 3600 and larger VAX systems—provides VMS services to UNIX clients by adding TCP/IP and NFS to VMS. (For example, on larger VAX systems, it allows a VMS-based VAXcluster system to act as an NFS server to UNIX workstations; the UNIX systems can thus take advantage of VAXcluster data management features, such as volume shadowing for data preservation.)

ULTRIX Mail Connection Version 1 (V1) provides ULTRIX-based systems with access to Digital's MAILbus enterprise-wide message transfer service. This connection allows ULTRIX Mail users to exchange messages with users of Digital's ALL-IN-1 and VMS Mail; other X.400 systems; IBM PROFS and DISOSS/Personal Services; and non-Digital, UNIX mail systems.

Local Area VAXcluster (LAVC) software allows the interconnection through Ethernet of up to 42 VAXstation and MicroVAX systems. At least one system must serve as a boot node; all others can be configured as satellites. The LAVC creates a unified system, allowing all participating nodes to remain independent while equally sharing resources, such as disks, tapes, and printers, and to employ a single distributed file system that manages access of files at the record level.

A single system manager can perform all necessary management functions for all members of an LAVC from any member system. Utilities are provided to allow the manager to add, delete, and manage the client systems.

Server systems supporting large disks can be employed, permitting workstation users to access and share data and applications that cannot be stored locally. The client systems can be diskless, allowing the central server to maintain all data locally and to manage data and file backups to enhance system security and reduce individual management tasks.

LAVCs also permit integration of terminal servers, allowing users who do not require workstations to access the data and resources of the cluster transparently across Ethernet.

Version 5.0 of VMS provides support for LAVC Phase II (also called LAVC 2), in which the LAVCs can be connected over Ethernet to VAXclusters of VAX superminis and Hierarchical Storage Controllers (HSCs) linked by Digital's Computer Interconnect (CI). The workstations and supermicros thus have access to the far greater computational and storage facilities offered by the larger VAX systems. LAVC 2 creates a so-called mixed interconnect VAXcluster in which the CI- and HSC-connected VAX systems service boot and I/O requests from the computers in the LAVC.

Remote System Manager (RSM), layered on top of Digital's DECnet software, is a central management facility for distributed systems. It permits a MicroVAX II, 3500, or 3600, or a VAX running RSM server software, to perform system management functions for MicroVAX systems running RSM client software in an Ethernet LAN. The number of clients supported varies with the size, power, and storage of the server. According to Digital, the range runs from a minimum of 5 MicroVAX systems under a MicroVAX II server to a maximum of 40 VAX stations with a VAX server.

RSM supports central software installation and updating; provides a facility for the system manager to keep libraries of software required for particular applications; and supports central file backup, allowing the system manager to perform file backups over the network for multiple-client systems. Central queuing and print services are also provided.

Because RSM software is layered over DECnet, it provides a complete range of DECnet functionality, including electronic mail, file transfer, network management, and multivendor interconnect capabilities.

The MicroVAXs support Digital's Internet products, which provide interconnection of VMS-based Digital computers and Digital networks to systems built by IBM and other manufacturers. Members of the Internet group, prefixed DECnet/SNA, are Gateway; DISOSS Document Exchange Facility (DDXF); Application Programming Interface (API); Printer Emulator (PrE); and the 2780/ 3780 Protocol Emulator. The MicroVAX II, 3500, and 3600 also support two other Internet products, Advanced Program-to-Program Communications/LU6.2 Programming Interface (APPC) and the 3271 Protocol Emulator. These products are discussed in detail in the "Communications Software" section of the "DEC VAX Systems" report in Datapro Reports on Minicomputers.

DECnet/SNA Gateway-Channel Transport (CT) and Gateway-Synchronous Transport (ST) provide users of IBM's SNA with a network-to-network interface to Digital applications. Using either gateway, users can simultaneously perform large quantity processing functions, such as terminal emulation, file transfer, and mail and document exchange; they can also distributed applications between Digital and SNA systems.

DECnet/SNA Gateway-CT supports 255 concurrent sessions. The gateway uses DEC ChannelServer hardware, providing users with a direct connection from an IBM 370 channel environment to Ethernet. DECnet/SNA Gateway-ST provides up to 128 concurrent sessions and employs DEC Microserver hardware.

Also available are two other access products: *DECnet/SNA RJE Facility*, which allows a MicroVAX to function as a remote SNA batch workstation, and *DECnet/SNA* 3270 *Terminal Emulator*, which provides access to 3270 programs, principally those executing under IMS or CICS.

VMS/SNA layered software enables individual MicroVAX systems to connect directly to an IBM SNA network; it does not require a gateway or participation in a DECnet environment. With VMS/SNA, a MicroVAX system appears to the SNA network as a Physical Type 2 cluster controller. Among other functions, a Digital system can exchange documents and electronic mail messages between the VMS operating system and DISOSS and can implement distributed application programs that run between VMS and IBM systems.

Digital targets VMS/SNA toward geographically dispersed sites that require a single connection to a corporate data base; DECnet/SNA Gateway-CT and -ST are targeted toward departmental networks with heavier communication requirements. VMS/SNA complements the DECnet/SNA Gateway, supporting many of the same access routines and user interfaces; applications written for VMS/SNA can be migrated to the Gateway with no changes to software.

Using either DECnet/SNA Gateway or VMS/SNA, DECnet/SNA Data Transfer Facility (DTF) permits bidirectional file transfer and access between a Digital network and systems running IBM's MVS-family operating systems in an SNA environment. Recent enhancements to DTF extend file transfer capabilities to MS-DOS and DECnet-ULTRIX, increase support for IBM file structures, and improve security.

VAX File Transfer and Access Management (FTAM) software allows transparent file transfer and management between a DECnet/OSI-based network and any system that complies to the FTAM Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) specification. VAX FTAM protects the semantics and structure of the file data exchanged between open systems.

VMS Services for MS-DOS is a software product that allows a MicroVAX (or a larger VAX) to act as a server for a group of VAXmate PCs in a DECnet ThinWire network. The product allows resource sharing between VMS and MS-DOS and permits server-based licensing of MS-DOS applications. (Through server-based licensing, Digital licenses applications for a specific number of users on a single server; only one license per server need be purchased, rather than one license per user.)

VAX VIDA is a software component in a VAX- or MicroVAX-to-IBM interconnect system; it permits access to IBM mainframe data bases. VIDA conforms to a readonly subset of the Digital Standard Relational Interface (DSRI) architecture. Users can access IBM data through products such as DATATRIEVE, Rdb/VMS utilities and embedded Data Manipulation Language, and other layered products that use DSRI to access data. VIDA uses Digital's SNA Gateway products to communicate with software from Cullinet Software, Inc. running on the IBM mainframe. The Cullinet software accesses the data from the IBM mainframe data base and sends it across the SNA Gateway to the MicroVAX user's application software. The accessed data can also be stored in a MicroVAX data base or file.

MAILbus is a set of distributed applications software that links Digital's ALL-IN-1 users, IBM SNADS and DIS-OSS users, and users of other X.400-compliant mail systems into a global electronic messaging network. MAILbus comprises the VAX Message Router/S Gateway and VAX Message Router Version 3.0. The Message Router/S Gateway allows for transparent exchange of electronic mail messages, revisable and final form documents, and MS-DOS files between users of Digital and IBM office automation systems networks. It also provides a network server function for the interchange of electronic information between Digital's messaging service and an IBM SNADS environment.

The VAX Message Router provides store-and-forward message transfer. It consists of the Message Router Base, which contains the message transfer system, a gateway directory service, and management services; the Message Router VMSmail Gateway, which interfaces VMSmail to Message Router, supporting VMS-style addressing and converting incoming Digital DX format and WPS-Plus documents into ASCII before delivering them to the VMS user; and the Message Router Programmer's Kit, which provides a set of high-level interfacing routines for writing a user agent, gateway, or other application to run on the Message Router.

DECnet System Services (DSS) is a set of products that facilitates access to distributed information and peripherals within a network environment. DSS consists of VAX Distributed File Service (DFS), which provides MicroVAX users with transparent access to files stored on remote systems in a DECnet network; VAX Distributed Queuing Service (DQS), which allows any VMS user in a DECnet network to access any printer in the network; and VAX Distributed Name Service (DNS), which provides consistent, network-wide naming of network resources, allowing DFS and RSM users to refer to network resources using the same name from any system on the network.

DECrouter 2000, which runs on Digital's DEC MicroServer hardware, supports up to four high-speed synchronous lines and allows users to send and receive messages among 63 geographically remote areas, each having up to 1,023 system nodes.

X25router 2000 extends the capabilities of DECrouter 2000 to wide area environments. Based on the International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee (CCITT) X.25 recommendation for packet switched networks, this facility allows users on a DECnet/OSI network to share information and resources with users on other geographically remote DECnet/OSI segments.

APPLICATIONS: Applications and special-purpose products for the MicroVAX are available directly from Digital. The WPS-Plus document processing system and the ALL-IN-1 integrated office system (which incorporates WPS-Plus) are principal office automation systems. Detailed information on these products is contained in Datapro Reports on Office Automation. Detailed information on DE-Cpage, a primary tool for office publishing, can be found in Datapro Reports on Electronic Publishing.

Also available are A-to-Z software, a group of generalpurpose application and office packages, and the VTXvideotex system. Special-purpose products include DECshell, Code Management System (CMS), Application Development Environment (ADE), DECalc, and VAX GKS/ 0b (for graphics).

Two interdependent tools are the VAX Language-Sensitive Editor and the VAX Source Code Analyzer. The former is a multilanguage, multiwindow, screen-oriented editor designed for program development and maintenance. The latter product, which works in conjunction with the Language-Sensitive Editor, allows software developers to crossreference, navigate, and analyze an entire software system, rather than just individual components.

VAX-11 RSX allows MicroVAX systems to run and develop programs for the RSX-11 operating systems that run on Digital's PDP-11 minicomputers.

Digital also offers third-party application packages for VAX systems. The company's External Applications Software (EAS) Library service acquires software from third parties and makes it available through Digital's software distribution channels. Software is tested by Digital for operation, documentation, and ease of installation prior to being included in the EAS Library. Software products from the EAS Library are sold on an "as is," unsupported basis, although the author of the software may offer a separate maintenance agreement.

Digital is also involved in two types of cooperative marketing agreements with a range of software vendors. In a Cooperative Marketing Program (CMP), Digital and the independent software vendor combine forces in sales calls, trade shows, and technical demonstrations and recommend each other's products to prospective buyers. Digital has CMPs with vendors in the petroleum/geotechnical, investment management, UNIX office automation, integrated banking, funds transfer, and human resources management (payroll/personnel) application areas, among others.

System Cooperative Marketing Programs (SCMPs) are agreements through which Digital works with OEMs to market, demonstrate, and sell turnkey systems incorporating Digital hardware and the vendors' products. Digital's SCMP program encompasses manufacturing resource planning (MRP), mechanical computer-aided design (MCAD), electronic computer-aided engineering (CAE), and health care/medical information management.

The VAX Solution System Program is a combined effort between Digital and its CMPs and SCMPs to define, build, and test integrated hardware, software, communications, and service packages targeted at workgroup computing environments. Complete packages are available for artificial intelligence and management information systems development, laboratory research, manufacturing, electronics design, mechanical design and analysis, seismic modeling, publishing, sales forecasting, and PC ALL-IN-1 office automation.

Yet another program, Digital Distributed Software (DDS), allows Digital itself to sell and distribute tools from thirdparty vendors. Under this program, Digital distributes, among other products, Philon, Inc.'s Fast/Basic and Fast/ Cobol compilers; the Informix relational data base management system from Informix, Inc.; and Oracle Corporation's Oracle RDBMS.

Further details on applications software for the VAX and MicroVAX systems can be found in the *Datapro Directory* of Software and the *Datapro Directory of Microcomputer* Software.

OPERATING ENVIRONMENT

The MicroVAX 3500 pedestal enclosure (which incorporates the B213 chassis) measures 27.0 inches high by 21.0 inches wide by 17.8 inches deep (60 cm. by 53 cm. by 45 cm.). The MicroVAX 3600 H9644 cabinet (which also incorporates the B213 chassis) measures 41.6 inches high by 21.0 inches wide by 32.5 inches deep (106.8 cm. by 54 cm. by 80.0 cm.).

The MicroVAX II's BA123 enclosure measures 24.5 inches high by 13.0 inches wide by 27.5 inches deep (62.2 by 33.0 by 70.0 cm.); it is mounted on casters. The BA23 pedestal enclosure measures 24.5 by 10.4 by 28.5 inches (62.2 by 25.4 by 72.4 cm.). The modified H9642 measures 41.7 inches high by 25.7 inches wide by 36.0 inches deep (106.0 by 65.6 by 91.4 cm.). Power requirements are 120 V AC, single-phase, 60 Hz, 88 to 128 VRMS, 47 to 63 Hz. Maximum running current is 12 Amp for the BA123 and 6 Amp for the BA23; maximum power consumption is 690 watts for the BA123, 345 watts for the BA23, and 1400 watts for the H9642. MicroVAX II operating temperatures range from 59 to 90 degrees Fahrenheit (15 to 32 degrees Celsius) at 20 to 80 percent humidity, noncondensing.

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► The Compact MicroVAX II measures 32.0 inches high by 21.3 inches wide by 33.0 inches deep (81.3 by 54.1 by 83.8 cm.) and weighs 286 pounds (130 kg.). Power requirements are 110/120 V AC at 60 Hz, 240/220 V AC at 50 Hz. Maximum power consumption is 1600 watts. Operating temperatures for the Compact MicroVAX II range from 59 to 90 degrees Fahrenheit (15 to 32 degrees Celsius) at 20 to 80 percent humidity, noncondensing. Heat dissipation is 3,500 Btu/hour.

The MicroVAX 2000 entry-level, half-height configuration measures 5.5 inches high by 12.75 inches wide by 11.25 inches deep (14 by 33 by 29 cm.) and weighs 28 pounds (12.7 kg). The full-height configuration, with added expansion adapter, measures 7.0 inches high by 12.75 inches wide by 11.25 inches deep (18 by 33 by 29 cm.) and weighs 30 pounds (13.6 kg.). The full-height configuration also includes an expansion box with dimensions equal to the entry-level configuration system unit. Power requirements are 88 to 132 VRMS or 176 to 267 VRMS, 47 to 63 Hz. Maximum power consumption is under 160 watts. Maximum heat dissipation is 155 watts. Operating temperatures for the MicroVAX 2000 range from 50 to 104 degrees Fahrenheit (10 to 40 degrees Celsius) at 10 to 90 percent humidity, noncondensing, with diskette.

The MicroVAX 3400 uses the 12-slot BA213 enclosure; the MicroVAX 3300 employs the newer BA215. The BA215 measures 27.0 inches high by 13.6 inches wide by 17.8 inches deep (69 by 35 by 45 cm.).

SUPPORT SERVICES

DOCUMENTATION: With each MicroVAX II and 2000, the user must order documentation (and installation diagnostics) on TK50 tape or RX50 diskette media. Documentation for the MicroVAX 3500 and 3600 is available on TK70 tape. The documentation consists of Owner and Technical Manuals. Documentation Kits are optionally available for selected software packages; the kits include Reference Manuals, User's Guides, and other instructional materials.

TRAINING/EDUCATION: Digital maintains over 25 training centers worldwide. Courses covering both Digitalrelated and non-product-related topics are offered. A variety of instructional methods is used, including instructorled courses and self-paced instruction. Digital's Educational Services division publishes a digest listing available courses four times a year. On-site training at the customer's installation can also be provided.

WARRANTY: The MicroVAXs, as well as all peripherals, are covered by a one-year warranty with four levels of service. The minimum option—List Price Warranty features one year of "return to Digital" support for parts and one year of conformance warranty for software. Three alternative selections of System Warranty Support are offered at increasing service levels and prices, ranging from Basic support to the more extensive Standard coverage to comprehensive Optimum support. Hardware and software options purchased with a system will receive the same level of warranty that the user selects for the base system.

EDITOR'S NOTE: According to Digital, prices for systems featuring List Price Warranty remain the same. For systems featuring Standard Warranty Support, list price will increase from 6 to 9 percent for most average configurations. List prices for most hardware and software options purchased separately as add-ons have increased by 2 percent; Standard Warranty terms for those options are available. Digital's expanded warranty support program, available in the United States as of October 1988, will be available worldwide in 1989.

MAINTENANCE: Digital's Field Service organization offers both on-site and off-site support services for the MicroVAX II, 3500, and 3600. Standard on-site services include the Basic Service Agreement, the extended DECservice Agreement, and Per Call service. Off-site maintenance is available through Digital's Customer Returns Center, Product Repair Center, and Digital Servicenters, which are all equipped with parts inventories, special diagnostic systems, and repair kits. Details of Digital's service programs and software support services are provided in the SUPPORT section of the "DEC VAX Systems" report in Datapro Reports on Minicomputers.

Two types of integrated service are offered for the MicroVAX 2000. Basic System Service is offered on systems used as LAVC boot nodes or as standalone systems. Basic Node Service is offered on systems used as LAVC nodes only. Both plans provide Onsite Basic Hardware Service, Right to Use Updates, Digital Software Information Network, and Hardware and Software Telephone Support through the System Administrator. Basic System Service is slightly more expensive than Basic Node Service.

PRICING

POLICY: Digital provides the MicroVAX systems on a purchase basis, with separately priced maintenance agreements. Leasing arrangements are available through Digital's U.S. Customer Finance Group.

Digital software is licensed rather than sold. Users purchase licenses and distribution rights separately. The company provides a number of licensing options for VMS Version 5.0 software, including Clusterwide licensing. ULTRIX-32 software receive an AT&T UNIX binary license directly from Digital.

Digital offers a Volume Software Pricing program that allows users to acquire large numbers of licenses for a single product at a discount; options for a single software product run from 8-license to 160-license bundles.

Another program, VAX Software Portfolio, allows users to obtain software development and information management products for a flat fee per month per system under an annually renewable agreement. The fee is lower than a cumulative fee based on a separate charge for each product license. Individual licensing applies even to systems connected in LAVCs.

Three development portfolios are offered under this program. The base portfolio contains 29 products, including language compilers, software development tools, and information management facilities. The extended portfolio adds specialized languages, such as Ada, OPS5, Lisp, VAX Cobol Generator, and VIDA. The runtime-only portfolio available for the MicroVAX II, 3500, and 3600 comprises a runtime library for use with applications developed under Digital's ACMS, DBMS, VAX/Rdb, and other data management products.

Prices for MicroVAX hardware and related software are provided in the following list.

DEC MicroVAX Family EQUIPMENT PRICES

| | | Purchase Price (\$)* | Basic Service (Monthly) (\$) | DECserv. (Monthly) (\$) |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| MICROVAX 3000 | SYSTEMS | | | |
| _ | MicroVAX 3300 system; KA640 CPU, including 4M-byte ECC memory, Ethernet controller, and Integrated Storage Element (ISE) adapter; 8M bytes of add-on memory; RF30 150M-byte Winchester ISE; TK70 296M- byte streaming tape subsystem; 1-to-10 user VMS or 1-to-32 user UL- TRIX-32 operating system license; DECnet End Node license; documentation and diagnostics; BA215 pedestal enclosure | 40,950 | | _ |
| _ | MicroVAX 3400 system; same as MicroVAX 3300 system, but includes two RF30 ISEs and uses BA213 pedestal enclosure | 53,950 | _ | _ |
| DU-350T1-A2/A3 | MicroVAX 3500 CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 16M bytes of memory; BA213 enclosure; 280M-byte RA70 disk drive; 296M-byte TK70 tape drive; Ethernet adapter; unlimited-user ULTRIX and DECnet End Node licenses; one-year on-site hardware and software warranty | 76,900 | 568 | 676 |
| DU-350T1-AA | Same as DU-350T 1-A2/A3, but includes documentation, diagnostics, and U.S. power cord | 77,200 | 568 | 676 |
| DV-350T1-A2/A3 | Same as DU-350T1-A2/A3, but with 1-to-20 user VMS, DECnet End | 76,900 | 568 | 676 |
| DV-350T1-AA | Node, and VMS services for MS-DOS licenses Same as DU-350T1-AA, but with 1-to-20 user VMS, DECnet End Node, | 77,200 | 568 | 676 |
| DU-360T1-A2/A3 | and VMS services for MS-DOS licenses MicroVAX 3600 CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 32M bytes of memory; B213 enclosure; 622M-byte RA82 disk drive; 296M-byte TK70 tape drive; Ethernet adapter; unlimited-user ULTRIX and DECnet End Node licenses; one-year on-site hardware and software warranty | 104,300 | 582 | 693 |
| DU-360T1-AA | Same as the DU-360T1-A2/A3, but also includes documentation, diagnos- | 104,600 | 582 | 693 |
| DV-360T1-A2/A3 | tics, and U.S. power cord Same as the DU-360T1-A2/A3, but with 1-to-20 user VMS, DECnet End Node, and VMS services for MS-DOS licenses | 104,300 | 582 | 693 |
| DV-360T1-AA | Same as the DV-360T1-A2/A3, but also includes documentation, diag- | 104,600 | 582 | 693 |
| DU-360T2-A2/A3 | nostics, and U.S. power cord Same as DU-360T1-A2/A3, but also includes expanded cabinet containing | 154,300 | 781 | 930 |
| DU-360T2-AA | a second 622M-byte RA82 disk drive and TU81-Plus tape drive Same as DU-360T2-A2/A3, but also includes documentation, diagnostics, | 154,600 | 781 | 930 |
| DV-360T2-A2/A3 | and U.S. power cord Same as DU-3602-A2/A3, but with 1-to-40 user VMS, DECnet End Node, | 174,300 | 781 | 930 |
| DV-360T2-AA | and VMS services for MS-DOS licenses Same as DV-360T2-A2/A3, but also includes documentation, diagnostics, | 174,600 | 781 | 930 |
| DV-350T2-A2/A3 | and U.S. power cord MicroVAX 3500 CPU/Floating-Point Unit; BA213 enclosure; two 159M- byte RD70 disk drive; 296M-byte TK50 tape drive; 10 user VMS licenses; DECnet licenses; VMS services for MS-DOS | 63,440 | 615 | 732 |
| DV-350T2-AA | Same as DV-350T2-AA, but includes documentation, diagnostics, and power cord | 63,740 | 615 | 732 |
| DU-350T2-AA | MicroVAX 3500 CPU/Floating-Point Unit; BA213 enclosure; two 159M- byte RD54 disk drive; 296M-byte TK50 tape drive; 16 user ULTRIX licenses and DECnet End Node licenses | 61,340 | 615 | 732 |
| MICROVAX 2000 | SYSTEMS | | | |
| DH-625N1-B2 | MicroVAX 2000 CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 4M bytes of main memory; RD32 42M-byte Winchester drive; RX33 1.2M-byte diskette drive; ex- pansion adapter; and one-year hardware/software warranty | 8,050 | 156 | 186 |
| DH-625N1-BA(B3) | Same as DH-625N1-B2, but with documentation Same as DH-625N1-B2, but with 6M bytes of memory | 8,150 10,350 | 156 156 | 186 186 |
| DH-625N2-B2(B3) DH-625N2-BA | Same as DH-625N1-B2, but 6M bytes of memory and documentation | 10,450 | 156 | 186 |
| DH-625N3-A2 | MicroVAX 2000 CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 4M bytes of memory; RD53 71M-byte Winchester disk; BA40A expansion adapter; one-year hard- ware/software warranty | 7,800 | 166 | 198 |
| DH-625N3-AA(A3) | Same as DH-625N3-A2, but includes documentation | 7,900 | 166 | 198 |
| DH-625N4-A2 DH-625N4-AA(A3) | Same as DH-625N3-A2, but with 6M bytes of memory Same as DH-625N3-A2, but with 6M bytes of memory and documentation | 10,100 10,200 | 166 166 | 198 198 |
| SV-PXXGB-EK(FN) | MicroVAX 2000 CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 6M bytes of memory; ThinWire Ethernet interface; 4-user MicroVMS license; DECnet End Node and LAVC licenses; documentation | 12,980 | 146 | 167 |
| DH-625N6-A2 | Same as DH-625N4, but with 159M-byte RD54 disk drive | 12,300 | 227 | 191 |
| DH-625N6-AA(A3) DH-630Q5-H2(H3) | Same as DH-625N6-A2, but with documentation and power cord MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 16M bytes of main memory (two MS630-CA memory boards); H9642 style cabinet; TK70 296M-byte car- trides tags drive; KDA50 dirk sourcestrates; DN0, 11, 8 line multiplever | 12,400 46,700 | 227 361 | 191 430 |
| DH-630Q5-HA | tridge tape drive; KDA50 disk controller; DNQ-11 8-line multiplexer Same as DH-630Q5-H2(H3), but with documentation/diagnostics software kit | 47,000 | 361 | 430 |
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| DH-630Q6-B2(B3) DH-630Q6-BA | Same as DH-630Q5-H2(H3), but with RA82 622M-byte disk drive Same as DH-630Q6-B2(B3), but with documentation/diagnostics software kit | 67,700 68,000 | 420 420 | 500 500 |
| MICROVAX II SYS | TEM BUILDING BLOCKS (SBBs) | | | |
| 6300B-A2(A3) | MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 1M bytes of main memory; BA123 enclosure | 19,320 | 223 | 265 |
| 630QE-A2(A3) | MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 1M bytes of main memory; H9642 enclosure | 23,835 | 229 | 273 |
| 630QY-A2(A3) | MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 1M bytes of main memory; BA23 pedestal enclosure | 15,540 | 213 | 254 |
| 6300Z-A2(A3) | MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 1M bytes of main memory; BA23 rackmount enclosure | 15,383 | 213 | 254 |
| MICROVAX II SYS | TEM PACKAGES | | | |
| DH-630Q1-F2(F3) | MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 5M bytes of main memory; BA23 pedestal enclosure; RD53 71M-byte Winchester disk; DEQNA Ethernet controller | 21,550 | 282 | 336 |
| DH-630Q1-FA | Same as DH-630Q1-F2(F3), but with documentation/diagnostics software kit | 21,650 | 282 | 336 |
| DH-630Q2-F2(F3) | MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 5M bytes of main memory; RQDX3 disk controller; RD53 71M-byte Winchester disk drive; TK50 95M-byte cartridge tape drive; DZQ-11 4-line multiplexer | 23,094 | 308 | 367 |
| DH-63002-FA | Same as DH-630Q2-F2(F3), but with documentation/diagnostics software kit | 23,409 | 308 | 367 |
| DH-63002-H2(H3) DH-63002-HA | Same as DH-63002-F2(F3), but with RD54 159M-byte disk drive Same as DH-63002-H2(H3), but with documentation/diagnostics software kit | 25,025 25,350 | 396 396 | 333 333 |
| DH-630Q3-H2(H3) | MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 5M bytes of main memory (1M-byte with CPU and one MS63O-BB 4M-byte memory board); RQDX3 disk con- troller; RD53 71M-byte Winchester disk drive; TK50 95M-byte cartridge tape drive; DHQ-11 8-line multiplexer | 31,350 | 401 | 337 |
| DH-630Q3-HA | Same as DH-630Q3-H2(H3), but with documentation/diagnostics software kit | 31,650 | 337 | 401 |
| DH-630Q3-J2(J3) DH-630Q3-JA | Same as DH-63003-H2(H3), but with RD54 159M-byte disk drive Same as DH-63003-J2(J3), but with documentation/diagnostics software kit | 34,350 34,650 | 362 362 | 431 431 |
| DH-630Q4-J2(J3) | MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 9M bytes of main memory (1M-byte with CPU and one MS630-CA 8M-byte memory board); BA123 enclo- sure; two RD54 159M-byte Winchester disk drives; TK70 296M-byte cartridge tape drive; DHQ-11 8-line multiplexer | 45,550 | 435 | 518 |
| DH-630Q4-JA | Same as DH-630Q4-J2(J3), but with documentation/diagnostics software kit | 45,850 | 435 | 518 |
| DJ-630P1-BA | Diskless compute server for Local Area VAXcluster; includes MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 6M bytes of main memory, DELQA Ethernet in- terface, VMS single user, DECnet End Node, and VAXcluster licenses | 28,000 | 228 | 271 |
| DJ-630P5-BA | Full Boot Node; includes MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 16M bytes of main memory, RA81 456M-byte disk, TU81 tape drive, and MicroVMS, DECnet, and VAXcluster software licenses | 102,000 | 574 | 683 |
| COMPACT MICRO | WAX II | | | |
| SS-630Q6- J2/J3/J4/J5 | Compact MicroVAX II with 9M bytes of memory, two 159M-byte RD54 disk drives, TK50 tape drive | 54,210 | 460 | 548 |
| SS-630Q6- H2/H3/H4/H5 | Compact MicroVAX II with 5M bytes of memory, one RD53 disk drive, one TK50 tape drive | 38,560 | 357 | 425 |
| RTVAX SYSTEMS | | | | |
| _ | rtVAX 3300 system; includes BA215 pedestal or wall-mount enclosure; KA640 CPU module (includes 4M bytes of memory, Ethernet controller, and Integrated Storage Element adapter); VAXELN target license; and | 12,430 | | _ |
| — | documentation rtVAX 3400 system; same components as rtVAX 3300, except it uses BA213 enclosure | 19,930 | | |

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| VAXSERVERS | | |
| _ | VAXserver 3300 system; KA640 CPU, including 4M-byte ECC memory, Ethernet controller, and Integrated Storage Element (ISE) adapter; RF30 150M-byte Winchester ISE; TK70 296M-byte streaming tape subsystem; 1-to-10 user VMS operating system license; DECnet full-function, File and Application Server, and VAXcluster licenses; documentation and diagnos- tics: BA215 pedestal enclosure | 25,630 |
| _ | VAXserver 3400 system; same as VAXserver 3300 system, but includes two 150M-byte ISEs and uses BA213 pedestal enclosure VAXserver 3300 system | 38,630 |
| VAXLAB | | |
| LABVX-AD | VAXIab/STD; includes MicroVAX II CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 9M bytes of memory; BA123 cabinet; 71M-byte RD53 disk drive; 95M-byte TK50 tape drive; DNQ-11; 8-user MicroVMS, VAX GKS, DECnet End Node licenses and VAXIab software library | 46,784 |
| LABVX-CC | VAXIab/GPX; same as VAXIab/STD, but with VAXstation II CPU/Floating- | 42,481 |
| LABVX-EA | Point Unit; QDSS graphics module; 19-inch monitor VAXIab/2000; includes VAXstation 2000; 4M bytes of memory; 15-in. monitor; 71M-byte RD53 disk drive; Ethernet controller; single-user MicroVMS, VAX GKS, DECnet End Node licenses and VAXstation and VAXIab software | 9,225 |
| LABVX-SA | VAXIab software VAXIab/3500; includes KA650 CPU/Floating-Point Unit; 16M bytes of memory; BA213 cabinet; 280M-byte RA70 disk drive; 296M-byte TK70 tape drive; QDSS graphics module; 19-inch monitor; Ethernet controller and software (same as VAXIab/2000) | 64,550 |
| VAXLAB REALTIM | E OPTIONS | |
| ADV11-DA AAV11-DA AXV11-C | 50KHz, DMA 16-channel, 12-bit resolution analog-to-digital converter 300KHz, DMA 2-channel, 12-bit resolution digital-to-analog converter 25KHz, 16-channel, analog-to-digital converter with 2-channel digital-to-an- alog; 12 bits | 2,200 2,200 1,428 |
| KWV11-C DRV11-J DRV11-WA | Programmable realtime clock, 16-bit counter, two Schmitt triggers 64-bit user-configurable parallel digital interface DMA 16-bit input/output parallel digital interface | 940 540 1,040 |
| MEMORY | | |
| MS630-BA MS630-BB MS630-CA MS630-CF MS650-AA MS650-AF | 2M-byte memory increment 4M-byte memory increment 8M-byte parity memory increment MV11 expansion memory for BA21X 8M-byte ECC memory for MV3XXX (BA23) 8M-byte ECC memory for MV3XXX (BA21X) | 1,575 1,968 3,583 3,583 6,000 6,000 |
| MASS STORAGE | | |
| _ | RF30 150M-byte, 5.25-inch Winchester Integrated Storage Element (ISE) Standard expansion cabinet (27 in by 14 in by 18 in) with two 150M-byte RF30 ISEs; 120/240 VAC at 50/60 Hz | 5,500 11,900 |
| RQDX3-AA/BA | RQDX3 controller for RD53 disk; for BA23(AA), BA123(BA), or BA2XX enclosure; cables and distribution panel (for Model BA) included | 2,142 |
| RQDX3-M | Q-bus controller without cables; for use when replacing existing RQDX2 controllers (cables can be reused) | 2,090 |
| RODXE-AA | Dual-height disk drive bus extender for use with RQDX2 or RQDX3 control- ler in a BA23 enclosure and for external disk | 263 |
| RODXE-FA | Dual-height disk drive bus extender for use with RQDX2 or RQDX3 control- ler and disk in a BA23-CC expander enclosure | 263 |
| RX33-A RX50A-AA/BA | 1.2M-byte diskette drive RX50 800K-byte dual diskette drive with cables for BA23(AA) or BA123(BA) enclosure | 388 1,050 |
| RX50-AA RX50-D | RX50 800K-byte dual diskette drive RX50 800K-byte dual diskette drive mounted in desktop enclosure with | 1,050 1,890 |
| RX50-R | I/O cable RX50 800K-byte dual diskette drive for mounting in 19-inch standard equipment rack | 1,890 |
| RD32-A RD53-A | 42M-byte Winchester disk drive RD53 71M-byte, 5¼-in. Winchester disk drive | 1,615 4,190 |
| RD53A-AA/BA/SA | RD53 7 IM-byte drive with cables for BA23(AA), BA123(BA) or BA213 enclosure | 4,190 |

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| | | Purchase Price (\$)* | Service (Monthly) (\$) | DECserv. (Monthly) (\$) |
| | DDE2 71M buts drive mounted is dealtern englasure with 1/0 enblas | 4 950 | | |
| RD53-DA/DB RD53-EA | RD53 71M-byte drive mounted in desktop enclosure with I/O cables 71M-byte Winchester disk drive for MicroVAX 2000 | 4,850 4,190 | 38 | 45 |
| RD53-FA/F3 | 71M-byte Winchester disk in expansion box for MicroVAX 2000 | | 38 | 45 |
| RD53-RA/RB | RD53 71M-byte drive in 19-inch standard equipment rack; requires H9302 enclosure | 5,570 4,850 | 38 38 | 45 45 |
| RD54-DA/DB/RA/RB | RD54 159M-byte Winchester disk drive | 5,500 | 63 | 75 |
| KDA50-QA | Q-bus controller for RA series disk drives | 6,825 | 50 | 60 |
| RA60-AF | RA60 205M-byte, 14-in. removable disk; requires 6-ft. cable | 19,925 | 105 | 125 |
| RQA60-AA | RA60 205M-byte removable disk drive with KDA50 controller | 26,670 | 155 | 185 |
| RA60-CA | RA60 205M-byte removable disk drive in H9642 cabinet | 23,060 | 105 | 125 |
| RQA60-CA | RA60-CA with KDA50 controller; for H9642 | 29,295 | 155 | 185 |
| RA70E-SA/SF RA81-HA/HD | 280M-byte RA70 disk drive for MicroVAX 3500 and 3600 RA81 456M-byte, 14-in. rack-mountable Winchester disk drive; requires cable, controller, and cabinet | 9,000 17,245 | 45 95 | 45 113 |
| RA81-EA/EE | Three RA81 456M-byte disk drives mounted in H9642 cabinet; requires KDA50 controller | 55,125 | 284 | 338 |
| RQA81-AA | RA81 456M-byte rack-mountable disk drive with KDA50 controller; re- quires cabinet | 17,640 | 95 | 113 |
| RA82-EA/ED | Three 622M-byte disk drives mounted in H9642 cabinet | 51,000 | 177 | 211 |
| RA82-AA/AD | 622M-byte rack-mountable disk drive | 17,000 | 59 | 70 |
| RA82-CA/CD | One 622M-byte disk drive mounted in H9642 cabinet | 17,000 | 59 | 70 |
| RA82-DA/DD | Two 622M-byte disk drives mounted in H9642 cabinet | 34,000 | 118 | 140 |
| SA482-AA/AD | 2.48G-byte (four-drive) Storage Array | 66,000 | 236 | 281 |
| SA482-LA/LD | 1.86G-byte (three-drive) Storage Array | 51,000 | 177 | 211 |
| SA482-HA/HD | 1.24G-byte (two-drive) Storage Array | 34,000 | 118 | 140 |
| KDA50-QA OPTICAL DISK | Controller for SA482 | 6,825 | 50 | 60 |
| RRD50-QA | 600M-byte Compact Disk Read-Only Memory (CD-ROM) disk drive with | 1,325 | 28 | 33 |
| RRD50-QC | MicroVAX II and VAXstation controller CD-ROM drive with Q-bus control kit | 1,325 | 28 | 33 |
| RRD50-A2 | 600M-byte CD-ROM add-on disk drive; requires RRD50-QA or QC | 1,050 | 24 | 29 |
| RRD50-EA | 600M-byte CD-ROM disk drive with controller for IBM PC-compatible products | 1,325 | 28 | 33 |
| rrd50-eb rqv20-pa/pd | 600M-byte CD-ROM disk drive with controller for VAXmate 2G-byte WORM optical disk drive; master drive with MicroVAX II KLESI, cabinet, and cabling | 1,160 35,000 | 24 200 | 29 238 |
| RSV20-PA/PD | Same as RQV20-PA/PD, but with BA213 KLESI | 35,000 | 200 | 238 |
| RQV20-A | Add-in RV20 master drive with MicroVAX II KLESI and cabling | 30,000 | 200 | 238 |
| RSV20-A | Same as RQV20-A, but with BA213 KLESI | 30,000 | 200 | 238 |
| RV20-B | RV2O slave drive with cabling | 25,000 | 170 | 202 |
| MAGNETIC TAPE | | | | |
| TK50E-SA | TK50 tape drive for BA2XX enclosure | 3,749 | 22 | 26 |
| TQK50-AA | TK50 controller with cables for BA23 enclosure | 1,155 | | 10 |
| TQK50-AB | Q22 controller for TK50-D/R in BA23 enclosure | 1,155 | 8 | 10 |
| TQK50-BA | TK50 controller with cables for BA123 enclosure | 1,045 | 8 | 10 |
| TQK50-BB | Q22 controller for TK50-D/R in BA123 enclosure | 1,155 | 8 | 10 |
| TK50-AA | TK50 95M-byte cartridge streaming tape drive | 3,087 | 22 | 26 |
| TK50-DA/DB | TK50 desktop tape drive | 3,749 | 22 | 26 |
| TK50-RA/RB | TK50 rackmount tape drive | 3,749 | 22 | 26 |
| TK50Z-FA/F3 | TK50 in expansion box for MicroVAX 2000 296M-byte TK70 tape drive for BA23/BA123 on BA2XX box | 4,956 | 30 30 | 36 36 |
| TK70E-AA/SA BA40A-AA | Expansion Adapter for MicroVAX 2000 | 5,880 1,200 | NA | NA |
| TSV05-SA/SB | Q-bus TS05 magnetic tape system with hardware for rackmounting, con- trol module, cables, and top-access cover | 10,800 | 89 | 106 |
| TU81E-DA(DD) | TU81-Plus 1600/6250 bpi PE/GCR tape drive | 30,098 | 140 | 167 |
| PRINTERS | | | | |
| LA210-AA | LA210 40/80/240 cps dot matrix printer | 1,675 | 28 | 33 |
| LA21X-BT | Bidirectional tractor for LA210 | 257 | NA | NA |
| LA21X-SF | Single-tray sheet feeder for LA210 | 105 | NA | NA |
| LA75X-SF | Single-tray sheet feeder for LA75 | 394 | NC | NC |
| LA75-CA | 32/42/125/250 cps dot matrix tabletop printer | 835 | 8 | 10 |
| LG31-A2 | 300 lpm dot matrix line printer | 8,450 | 85 | 101 |
| LJ250/252-CA LCG01-AA | 20-167 cps color dot matrix tabletop printer Ink jet color printer with graphics processor and RS-232-C serial interface | 1,695 17,490 | 11 125 | 13 1 49 |
| LG01-BA | interface) Q-bus text printer; requires cabinet kit | 13,545 | 127 | 151 |
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| | | Purchase Price (\$)* | Basic Service (Monthly) (\$) | DECserv. (Monthly) (\$) |
| LG02-BA | Q-bus text and graphics printer; requires cabinet kit | 16,695 | 127 | 151 |
| LG01-UG | Upgrade kit to convert LG01 text printer to LG02 text and graphics printer | 3,850 | NA | NA |
| LN03-AA | LNO3 8-ppm laser printer; includes two toner cartridges, organic photo re- ceptor cartridge, AC power cord, toner collection bottle, 250 sheets of letter-size paper, and documentation | 2,895 | 49 | 58 |
| LN03S-AA | LN03 Plus 8-ppm desktop graphics laser printer; includes 1M-byte RAM, Modern Gothic typeface, two toner cartridges, organic photoreceptor car- tridge, AC power cord, toner collection bottle, 250 sheets of letter-size paper, and documentation | 3,995 | 56 | 67 |
| LN03S-UA | Graphics board to upgrade LN03 to LN03 Plus | 1,095 | 7 | 8 |
| LPS40-AA | Print Server 40, 40-ppm Ethernet printer with power cord | 50,650 | 475 | 565 |
| LN03R-AA | PostScript version of LN03-AA | 5,495 | 56 | 67 |
| LN03R-UA | LN035 to LN03R conversion kit | 2,795 | 18 | 21 |
| LP29-SA/S3 | 2000 lpm band printer with LPV11-SA controller, 9.5-m data cable, and powered paper stacker; for BA213 enclosures only | 38,500 | 400 | 476 |
| WORKSTATIO | NS/TERMINALS | | | |
| VT320-AA | White text terminal with standard keyboard | 545 | 3 | 4 |
| VT320-BA | Green text terminal with standard keyboard | 545 | 3 | 4 |
| VT320-CA | Amber text terminal with standard keyboard | 545 | 3 | 4 |
| VT320-DA | White text terminal with word processing keyboard | 545 | 3 | 4 |
| VT320-FA | Amber text terminal with word processing keyboard | 545 | 3 | 4 |
| VT330-AA | White graphics terminal with standard keyboard | 1,990 | 19 | 23 |
| VT330-BA | Green graphics terminal with standard keyboard Amber graphics terminal with standard keyboard | 1,990 1,990 | 19 19 | 23 23 |
| VT330-CA VT330-DA | White graphics terminal with word processing keyboard | 1,990 | 19 | 23 |
| VT330-EA | Green graphics terminal with word processing keyboard | 1,990 | 19 | 23 |
| VT330-FA | Amber graphics terminal with word processing keyboard | 1,990 | 19 | 23 |
| VT340-AA | Color graphics terminal with standard keyboard | 2,935 | 26 | 31 |
| VT340-DA | Color graphics terminal with word processing keyboard | 2,935 | 26 | 31 |
| VT3XX-CA | VT320 tilt/swivel base | 20 | NA | NA |
| VSXXX-AA | Mouse for VT330 and 340 | 195 | NC | NC |
| VSXXX-AB | Graphics tablet for VT330 and 340 | 1,095 | 8 | 10 |
| LA 100-BA | LA100 40/80/240 cps keyboard send/receive printing terminal with key- board, numeric keypad, tractors, cable, ribbon cartridge, package of paper, and Courier-10/Orator-10 fonts | 2,640 | 27 | 32 |
| LA100-CA | LA 100 with keyboard, tractors, cable, ribbon cartridge, package of paper, Courier-10/Orator-10 fonts, and multiple-font option | 2,750 | 27 | 32 |
| LA120-DA | LA120 180 cps keyboard send/receive terminal for use with 1-to-6 part forms | 3,197 | 34 | 40 |
| VOICE SYNTHE | ESIS MODULE | | | |
| DTC01-AA | Single-line DECtalk text-to-speech unit; includes cables | 4,200 | 22 | 26 |
| DTC03-AA | Multiline DECtalk 8-channel text-to-speech unit; cables not included | 27,200 | 250 | 298 |
| DTC03-SL | Dual-line DECtalk 2-channel text-to-speech unit; cables not included | 8,000 | 100 | 119 |
| DTC03-AM | Add-on single-channel board for dual-line DECtalk; requires power and mechanical mounting (user supplied) | 3,400 | 32 | 38 |
| COMMUNICAT | IONS/NETWORKING | | | |
| DHQ11-M | DHQ11 eight-line asynchronous Q-bus communications controller | 1,675 | 15 | 18 |
| DZQ11-M | DZQ11 four-line asynchronous multiplexer; requires cable | 930 | 11 | 13 |
| DPV11-M | DPV11 single-line synchronous interface; requires cable | 826 | 14 | 17 |
| DHT32-AA | 8-line asynchronous interface for MicroVAX 2000 | 1,714 | | |
| DST32-AA | 1-line synchronous interface for MicroVAX 2000 | 1,530 | | |
| DPV11-SA | Single-line synchronous interface for 3500/3600 | 969 | 14 | 17 |
| DMV11-M | DMV11 single-line synchronous interface; requires cable | 2,550 | 41 | 49 |
| DMV11-N H4005 | Integral modem interface Ethernet/IEEE 802.3 transceiver | 2,160 225 | 41 4 | 49 5 |
| DESTA-AA | ThinWire Ethernet station adapter | 289 | 4 | 5 |
| DSRVB-AA | 8-line DECserver 200 | 3,806 | 27 | 44 |
| DSRVS-AD | 128-line DECserver 500 | 15,250 | 165 | 196 |
| DELQA-M | DELQA Ethernet-to-Q-bus high-performance synchronous communications controller; requires cable | 2,500 | 15 | 18 |
| DELUA-M | Ethernet/IEEE 802.3 to Unibus single-line interface | 4,354 | 33 | 39 |
| DESVA-AA | Ethernet to MicroVAX 2000 synchronous communications controller | 1,313 | 12 | 14 |
| DEPCA-AA | Ethernet/IEEE 802.3 to PC bus synchronous communications controller | 677 | 8 15 | 10 |
| CXA16-AA CXB16-AA | 16-line asynchronous interface RS-423-A for 3500/3600 16-line asynchronous interface RS-422 for 3500/3600 | 2,725 2,725 | 15 | 18 18 |
| CXY08-AA | 8-line asynchronous interface RS-232-C for 3500/3600 | 1,885 | 15 | 18 |
| DFA01-AA | 2-line asynchronous interface with integral modems for 3500/3600 | 1,650 | 19 | 23 |
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SOFTWARE PRICES

| | | License Fee (\$)* |
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| OPERATING SYST | rem in the second se | |
| QL-001AB-B2 | VMS (11-20 user) upgrade license for 3500/3600 | _ |
| QL-001AB-B3 | VMS (21-40 user) upgrade license for 3500/3600 | 20,000 |
| QL-001AB-B4 | VMS (41-n user) upgrade license for 3500/3600 | 20,000 |
| QL-001AN-BB QL-001AN-BE | VMS (single user) license for MicroVAX II VMS (1-8 user) license for MicroVAX II | 2,100 6,300 |
| QL-001AN-BF | VMS (1-16 user) license for MicroVAX II | 13,650 |
| QL-001AN-BZ | VMS (1-n user) license for MicroVAX II | 18,900 |
| QL-001AP-BD | VMS (1-4 user) license for MicroVAX 2000 | 3,150 |
| QL-001AP-BE | VMS (1-8 user) license for MicroVAX 2000 | 6,300 |
| QL-001AP-BF | VMS (1-16 user) license for MicroVAX 2000 | 13,650 |
| QL-001AP-BZ | VMS (1-n user) license for MicroVAX 2000 | 18,000 |
| COMMUNICATIO | NS | |
| QL-D04AN-AA | DECnet End Node license for MicroVAX II | 1,649 |
| QL-D04AP-AA | DECnet End Node license for MicroVAX 2000 | 819 |
| QL-D05AN-AA | DECnet full license for MicroVAX 2000 | 4,127 |
| QL-D05AP-AA QL-D09AN-AA | DECnet full license for MicroVAX II DECnet End Node to full license upgrade for MicroVAX II | 2,069 2,982 |
| QL-D09AP-AA | DECnet End Node to full license upgrade for MicroVAX 10 | 1,491 |
| QL-363AN-AA | DECnet/SNA 3270 for MicroVAX II | 2,048 |
| QL-363AP-AA | DECnet/SNA 3270 for MicroVAX 2000 | 1,029 |
| QL-455AN-AA | DECnet/SNA Application Programming Interface (API) for MicroVAX II | 1,638 |
| QL-455AP-AA | DECnet/SNA Application Programming Interface (API) for MicroVAX 2000 | 819 |
| QL-022AN-AA | DECnet/SNA Advanced Program-to-Program Communications (APPC) for MicroVAX II | 1,890 |
| QL-022AP-AA QL-454AN-AA | DECnet/SNA Application Programming Interface (API) for MicroVAX 2000 DECnet/SNA 3270 Terminal Emulator (TE) for MicroVAX II | 945 882 |
| QL-454AP-AA | DECnet/SNA 3270 Terminal Emulator (TE) for MicroVAX 2000 | 441 |
| QL-453AN-AA | DECnet/SNA RJE for MicroVAX II | 882 |
| QL-453AP-AA | DECnet/SNA RJE for MicroVAX 2000 | 441 |
| QL-452AN-AA | DECnet/SNA Gateway Management for MicroVAX II | 378 |
| QL-452AP-AA | DECnet/SNA Gateway Management for MicroVAX 2000 | 189 |
| QL-042AN-AA | DECnet/SNA DISOSS Document Exchange Facility (DDXF) for MicroVAX II | 1,323 |
| QL-044AN-AA QL-042AP-AA | DECnet/SNA Printer Emulator (PrE) for MicroVAX II DECnet/SNA Gateway Management for MicroVAX 2000 | 882 662 |
| QL-042AP-AA QL-044AP-AA | DECnet/SNA Gateway Management for MicroVAX 2000 | 441 |
| QL-111AN-AA | DECnet/SNA 2780/3780 Protocol Emulator for MicroVAX II | 3,833 |
| QL-B12AP-AA | DECnet/SNA VAX VIDA for MicroVAX 2000 | 5,513 |
| QL-362AN-AA | VMS/SNA for MicroVAX II | 2,625 |
| QL-B12AN-AA | VAX VIDA for MicroVAX II | 11,025 |
| Q3-ZCEAP-AA | Local Area VAXcluster for MicroVAX 2000 | 683 |
| QZ-ZCEAN-AA QL-022AB-AA | Local Area VAXcluster for MicroVAX II | 1,995 5,670 |
| QL-042AB-AA | DECnet/SNA (API) for 3500/3600 DECnet/SNA Gateway Management for 3500/3600 | 3,969 |
| QL-044AB-AA | DECnet/SNA PRE for 3500/3600 | 2,646 |
| QL-111AB-AA | DECnet/SNA 2780/3780 Protocol Emulation for 3500/3600 | 11,508 |
| QL-452AB-AA | DECnet/SNA Gateway Management for 3500/3600 | 1,080 |
| QL-453AB-AA | DECnet/SNA RJE for 3500/3600 | 2,646 |
| QL-454AB-AA | DECnet/SNA 3270 Emulation for 3500/3600 | 2,646 |
| QL-363AB-AA | DECnet/SNA 3270 Emulation for 3500/3600 | 6,143 |
| QL-455AB-AA QL-362AB-AA | DECnet/SNA API for 3500/3600 VMS/SNA for 3500/3600 | 4,914 7,500 |
| QL-B12AB-AA | VAX VIDA for 3500/3600 | 31,500 |
| QL-D04AB-AA | DECnet End Node for 3500/3600 | 4,935 |
| QL-D05AB-AA | DECnet Full License for 3500/3600 | 12,390 |
| QL-D09AB-AA | DECnet End Node to Full License Upgrade for 3500/3600 | 8,946 |
| DATA BASE MAN | AGEMENT | |
| QL-898AN-AA | Datatrieve for MicroVAX II | 5,156 |
| QL-898AP-AA | Datatrieve for MicroVAX 2000 | 2,583 |
| QL-897AN-AA | Common Data Dictionary (CDD) for MicroVAX II | 1,438 |
| QL-897AP-AA | Common Data Dictionary (CDD) for MicroVAX 2000 | 714 |
| QL-D07AN-AA | Rdb/ELN Development License for MicroVAX II Rdb/ELN Development License for MicroVAX 2000 | 4,725 |

QL-D07AN-AARdb/ELN Development License for MicroVAX IIQL-D07AP-AARdb/ELN Development License for MicroVAX 2000QL-358AP-AARdb/MicroVMS Run Time Option (RTO) for MicroVAX 2000QL-358AN-AARdb/MicroVMS Run Time Option (RTO) for MicroVAX IIQL-07AB-AARdb/ELN Development License for 3500/3600QL-358AB-AARdb/ELN Development License for 3500/3600QL-358AB-AARdb/MicroVMS (RTO) for 3500/3600QL-898AB-AACommon Data Dictionary for 3500/3600QL-898AB-AADatatrieve for 3500/3600

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| | | |
| QL-018AN-AA | Dibol for MicroVAX II | 2,615 |
| QL-018AP-AA | Dibol for MicroVAX 2000 | 1,312 |
| QL-130AN-AA QL-130AP-AA | DSM (Digital Standard Mumps) for MicroVAX II DSM (Digital Standard Mumpa) for MicroVAX 2000 | 5,670 |
| QL-100AN-AA | DSM (Digital Standard Mumps) for MicroVAX 2000 Fortran for MicroVAX II | 2,835 3,255 |
| QL-100AP-AA | Fortran for MicroVAX 2000 | 1,628 |
| QL-917AN-AA | Lisp for MicroVAX II | 5,040 |
| QL-917AP-AA | Lisp for MicroVAX 2000 | 2,520 |
| QL-126AN-AA QL-126AP-AA | Pascal for MicroVAX II Pascal for MicroVAX 2000 | 2,982 |
| QL-114AN-AA | PL/1 for MicroVAX II | 1,491 5,019 |
| QL-114AP-AA | PL/1 for MicroVAX 2000 | 2,510 |
| QL-056AN-AA | Ada for MicroVAX II | 15,687 |
| QL-056AP-AA | Ada for MicroVAX 2000 | 7,844 |
| QL-020AN-AA QL-020AP-AA | APL for MicroVAX II APL for MicroVAX 2000 | 5,019 |
| QL-095AN-AA | Basic for MicroVAX II | 2,501 3,339 |
| QL-095AP-AA | Basic for MicroVAX 2000 | 1,670 |
| QL-106AN-AA | Bliss-32 for MicroVAX II | 3,643 |
| QL-106AP-AA | Bliss-32 for MicroVAX 2000 | 1,799 |
| QL-015AN-AA QL-015AP-AA | C for MicroVAX II C for MicroVAX 2000 | 2,982 1,501 |
| QL-099AN-AA | Cobol for MicroVAX II | 5,019 |
| QL-099AP-AA | Cobol for MicroVAX 2000 | 2,510 |
| QL-913AN-AA | OPS5 for MicroVAX II | 3,150 |
| QL-913AP-AA | OPS5 for MicroVAX 2000 | 2,363 |
| QL-015AB-AA QL-018AB-AA | C for 3500/3600 Dibol for 3500/3600 | 8,510 7,470 |
| QL-020AB-AA | APL for 3500/3600 | 14,350 |
| QL-056AB-AA | Ada for 3500/3600 | 44,820 |
| QL-095AB-AA | Basic for 3500/3600 | 9,540 |
| QL-099AB-AA QL-100AB-AA | Cobol for 3500/3600 | 14,350 |
| QL-106AB-AA | Fortran for 3500/3600 Bliss for 3500/3600 | 9,310 10,400 |
| QL-114AB-AA | PL/1 for 3500/3600 | 14,350 |
| QL-126AB-AA | Pascal for 3500/3600 | 8,510 |
| QL-130AB-AA | DSM for 3500/3600 | 16,200 |
| QL-913AB-AA QL-917AB-AA | OPS5 for 3500/3600 Lisp for 3500/3600 | 9,000 |
| QL-917AB-AA | | 14,400 |
| UTILITIES AND TO | OLS | |
| QL-425AN-AA | Application Development Environment (ADE) for MicroVAX II | 1,701 |
| QL-425AP-AA | Application Development Environment (ADE) for MicroVAX 11 | 851 |
| QL-310AN-AA | DECalc for MicroVAX II | 1,502 |
| QL-310AP-AA | DECalc for MicroVAX 2000 | 1,071 |
| QL-360AN-AA QL-360AP-AA | DECgraph for MicroVAX II DECgraph for MicroVAX 2000 | 1,575 |
| QL-361AN-AA | DECSlide for MicroVAX 1 | 788 1,575 |
| QL-361AP-AA | DECslide for MicroVAX 2000 | 788 |
| QL-038AN-AA | DECtype for MicroVAX II | 1,260 |
| QL-038AP-AA | DECtype for MicroVAX 2000 | 630 |
| QL-007AN-AA QL-007AP-AA | DEC/CMS (Code Management System) for MicroVAX II DEC/CMS (Code Management System) for MicroVAX 2000 | 5,465 2,730 |
| QL-143AN-AA | DECshell for MicroVAX II | 2,993 |
| QL-143AP-AA | DECshell for MicroVAX 2000 | 1,501 |
| QL-810AN-AA | GKS/Ob for MicroVAX II | 3,780 |
| QL-810AP-AA QL-706AN-AA | GKS/Ob for MicroVAX 2000 TDMS for MicroVAX II | 1,890 2,604 |
| QL-706AP-AA | TDMS for MicroVAX 10 | 1,302 |
| QL-375AN-AA | VAXELN Toolkit for MicroVAX II | 4,221 |
| QL-375AP-AA | VAXELN Toolkit for MicroVAX 2000 | 2,100 |
| QL-382AN-AA | VAX-11 RSX for MicroVAX II | 2,520 |
| QL-382AP-AA QL-007AB-AA | VAX-11 RSX for MicroVAX 2000 DEC/CMS for 3500/3600 | 1,260 15,620 |
| QL-038AB-AA | DECtype for 3500/3600 | 3,600 |
| QL-143AB-AA | DECshell for 3500/3600 | 8,550 |
| QL-310AB-AA | DECalc for 3500/3600 | 6,120 |
| QL-360AB-AA QL-361AB-AA | DECgraph for 3500/3600 | 4,500 |
| QL-375AB-AA | DECslide for 3500/3600 VAXELN for 3500/3600 | 4,500 12,000 |
| QL-382AB-AA | VAX RSX for 3500/3600 | 7,200 |
| QL-425AB-AA | ADE for 3500/3600 | 4,860 |
| QL-706AB-AA | TDMS for 3500/3600 | 7,430 |
| QL-810AB-AA | GKS/Ob for 3500/3600 | 10,800 |

NA—Not applicable. NC—No charge.

*Effective October 1988, prices for software add-ons purchased separately are priced 2 percent higher than shown.