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1. DESCRIPTION

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TriPlot is an MS-DOS shareware program that generates HP-GL/2 instructions for plotting three-component data on a ternary diagram. HP-GL/2 is the new standardized version of the Hewlett-Packard Graphics Language. It is available, for example, with HP's series of LaserJet III printers and DraftMaster plotters.

The user can redirect the HP-GL/2 commands to a file for printing/plotting at a later time or for importing into a print-utility or drawing program. A data point can be represented by one of eight possible symbols drawn, in the case of a plotter, by one of eight possible pens. In addition, the user has the option of toggling the legend on and off, drawing the whole diagram or a corner of it only, displaying one of five pre-defined grid systems or none, and overlaying a program-supplied zonation scheme. Line segments and tie-lines can also be plotted.

2. DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTY

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TriPlot and its associated files are provided as is. There are no warranties expressed or implied. The author assumes no liability for any damages or losses incurred as a result of their use or misuse.

3. PACKING LIST
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The following files are provided on the master disk or in the archive file:

| File name    | Description                           |
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| README.1ST   | This file                             |
| README.W51   | WordPerfect 5.1 version of README.1ST |
| ORDER.DOC    | Order/Registration form               |
| ORDER.W51    | WordPerfect 5.1 version of ORDER.DOC  |
| REPORT.DOC   | Report form for bugs, comments, etc.  |
| REPORT.W51   | WordPerfect 5.1 version of REPORT.DOC |
| TRILOT.DOC   | Instructions for using the program    |
| TRILOT.W51   | WordPerfect 5.1 version of TRILOT.DOC |
| TRILOT.EXE   | Executable file                       |
| TRILOT.ZON   | Zonation data for program             |
| TEMPLATE.DAT | Template                              |
| TEST.DAT     | Test data file                        |

If any of these files are missing or are corrupted, please contact the author. We'll help you obtain a new copy.

4. LICENSE AND REGISTRATION  
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The TriPlot package is distributed as a shareware product. Accordingly, you are entitled to make and distribute as many copies as you wish with the following provisos:

- 1) none of the files have been altered,
- 2) all the files are included,
- 3) only a nominal fee is charged for such distribution.

Furthermore, you may evaluate this product for 30 days, free of charge. If you use TriPlot after this trial period, registration is requested as detailed in the ORDER.DOC file. Registration permits you to use TriPlot on any number of computers or a group of people to use it on a single computer. The next version of the program, without the on-screen registration notice, along with its printed documentation will be sent to you. Moreover, you will

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be entitled to free technical support and reduced prices for future upgrades.

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5. INSTALLATION

To install TriPlot, copy the distribution files to a working diskette or to a subdirectory of your hard drive. Their purposes are as follows:

- o README.1ST is the current file.
- o README.W51 is the WordPerfect 5.1 source file for the README.1ST file.
- o ORDER.DOC contains the order/registration form. Please enclose it with your remittance.
- o ORDER.W51 is the WordPerfect 5.1 source file for the ORDER.DOC file.
- o REPORT.DOC contains a form for reporting any bugs. Moreover, it can be used to forward any comments or suggestions.
- o REPORT.W51 is the WordPerfect 5.1 source file for the REPORT.DOC file.
- o TRIPLOT.EXE is the executable file. It was created with Microsoft(R)'s FORTRAN Version 5.0 compiler and its emulator library: the program will use a numeric co-processor if one is present.
- o TRIPLOT.ZON contains the definitions of the line segments that make up the two zonation schemes currently supported by TriPlot. If you use other well-established zonation schemes, send us the details and we'll incorporate them into TriPlot. Note in passing that TriPlot will create this file whenever it cannot locate it.
- o TRIPLOT.DOC is the documentation file explaining how to set up your data file and detailing the various plotting options.
- o TRIPLOT.W51 is the WordPerfect 5.1 source file for the TRIPLOT.DOC file.
- o TEMPLATE.DAT is a template for helping the user structure the data file as required by TriPlot.
- o TEST.DAT is one of the many test files that were used in TriPlot's development. It's provided as an example data file.

The .DOC files, along with the current file README.1ST, are DOS text files formatted for an impact printer with continuous-form paper. The .DAT files are pure DOS ASCII files. You can print them by using the DOS COPY

command as in the following example:

COPY README.1ST PRN

In addition, you can view these files on your screen by redirecting their contents through the DOS MORE command, e.g.,

MORE < TEST.DAT

The .W51 files have been included in order to allow WordPerfect 5.1 users to reformat the documentation for their printers.

6. STARTING TRIPLOT

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TriPlot is launched from the DOS prompt in one of two possible ways:

TRIPLOT DataFileName OutputFileName

or

TRIPLOT DataFileName OutputDevicePort

Please refer to the documentation file TRIPLOT.DOC for an explanation of the command line parameters.

## 7. BUGS, SUGGESTIONS, AND COMMENTS

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Further enhancements are dependent on your financial support, suggestions, and even your gripes. If your usage calls for new options or zonation schemes that are of general interest, supply us with as many details as possible. Remember that registered users are entitled to free technical support for any problems they may encounter with TriPlot. The file REPORT.DOC provides a form for reporting any bugs, comments, or suggestions. Before reporting a bug, make sure that you've read the documentation files carefully. Address all correspondence to:

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