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***SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS  
INSTALLATION PROCEDURE***

DESERT 1.0 can run on MS-DOS based PC using microprocessor of the 80386, 80486, or PENTIUM classes. The space required in the Hard Disk for storing the program and the examples is of 10 megabytes. The required RAM is of at least 8 megabytes. However, especially if the optimization of large basin systems is pursued, a larger availability of both disk and RAM memory is advisable.

Operating without a mouse or other pointing device is theoretically possible, but practically unproposable. In multi button mouses, only the left buttons is used.

Software required for working with DESERT is Microsoft® Windows 3.1 or above and Microsoft® Excel 4.0, 5.0, or above.

This manual, and DESERT itself, is intended for people who are acquainted with these software products and it makes often reference to them.