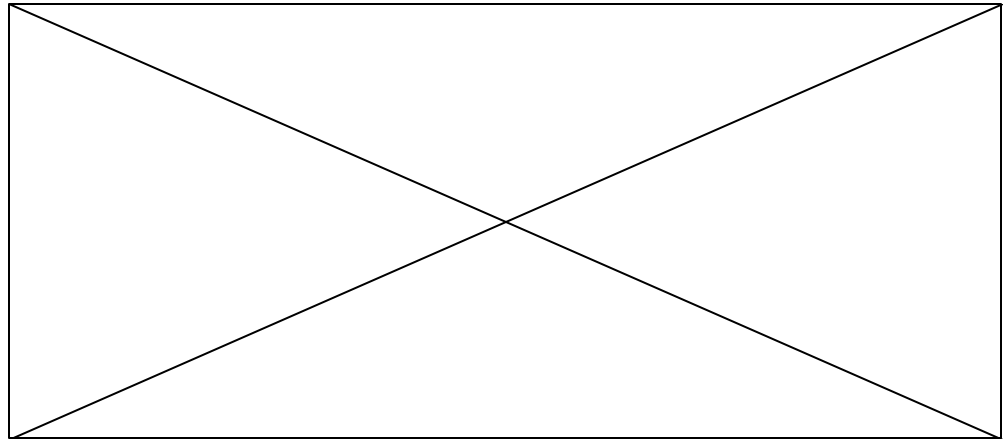




# Interactive Sound Workstation

## Cable Diagram



### Products and Vendors

Computers  
 Apple Macintosh Plus  
 with hard disk drive  
 Apple Macintosh SE  
 with internal hard disk  
 Apple Macintosh II  
 with internal hard disk

Peripherals  
 Apple CDSC Drive

Software  
 HyperCard, Apple Computer, Inc.  
 ResCopy (part of the  
 Videodisc Toolkit), APDA<sup>§</sup>

Sound Source  
 Authentic Sound Effects  
 (Volumes 1-3),  
 Elektra/Asylum Records

Sound Digitizers  
 MacRecorder, Farallon  
 Computing, Inc.  
 Impulse Audio Digitizer,  
 Authorware, Inc.

Powered Speakers  
 Bose Roommate Powered  
 Speaker System  
 Sony SRS 55 (has volume control)

Vendors  
 Apple Computer, Inc.  
 20525 Mariani Avenue  
 Cupertino, CA 95014  
 (408) 996-1010

Apple Programmers and  
 Developers Association (APDA)  
 20525 Mariani Avenue,  
 MS33G  
 Cupertino, CA 95014  
 800-282-2732  
 Authorware, Inc.  
 8500 Normandale Lake Blvd.  
 Minneapolis, MN 55437  
 (612) 921-8555

Bose Corporation  
 The Mountain  
 Framingham, MA 01701  
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Elektra/Asylum Records  
 9229 Sunset Blvd.  
 Los Angeles, CA 90069  
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Farallon Computing, Inc.  
 2150 Kittredge St.  
 Berkeley, CA 94704  
 (415) 849-2331

Sony Corporation of America  
 Sony Drive,  
 MS3-17A  
 Park Ridge, NJ 07656  
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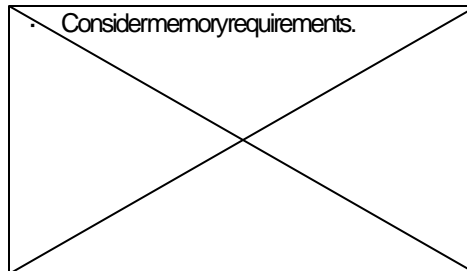
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Design Considerations

- Define the sound contents of your stack.
  - Determine the importance of sound effects, music, and voice to your presentation.  
If sound will not be of primary importance, determine exactly what the stack's other contents will be (text, graphics, animation, scripting, and so on) and whether these will allow enough disk space for sound.

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- Install sounds into your stack.
    - If you are digitizing a sound, use the sound editing software to save the sound into your stack as a resource.
    - The ResCopy stack will delete, rename, renumber, and play sounds that are installed in a stack.
    - If you want a sound to be accessed by all of the stacks on a hard disk or a floppy disk, install the sound into the Home stack of that disk and start HyperCard from the Home stack. However, if you will be distributing your stack, install all the sounds you will need directly into your stack.



*Memory requirements for 20 seconds of digitized sound*

- Consider memory requirements.
  - If your stack will be used primarily on a Macintosh computer with 1 megabyte of RAM, limit the size of each sound to less than 100K.
  - If your sound is too large to play in one piece, use the sound editing software to break the sound into segments of six to eight seconds. Play these segments at intervals that allow them to be rendered as one continuous sound.
  - Lowering the sampling rate (from 22 KHz to 11 KHz, for example) will allow you to record longer sounds in the same memory space. However, the sound quality is diminished as the sampling rate is lowered.

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- Test the sounds.
    - Because there are processing speed differences between the Macintosh SE and the

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Workstation Components

- Macintosh Plus, Macintosh SE, or Macintosh II computer
- Sound digitizing hardware, software, and cables
- HyperCard
- ResCopy (from Videodisc Toolkit)
- Sound sources: Compact audiodisc, cassette, record, HyperCard stacks, live sounds
- Audiopatch cable to connect audio source to sound digitizer
- Powered speaker(s)
- Optional: Apple CD SC or hard disk drive for library of sounds; MIDI equipment

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## Equipment Descriptions

### Computer

An Apple® Macintosh® Plus, Macintosh SE, or Macintosh II computer can serve as the basis for this workstation. However, keep in mind that working with sound may require more than 1 megabyte of RAM. (The Macintosh Plus and the Macintosh SE can have 1, 2.5, or 4 megabytes of RAM. The Macintosh II can have 1, 2, 4, 5, or 8 megabytes of RAM.)

### Sound digitizing hardware and software

The sound digitizing hardware converts sound from analog to digital signals, and then inputs these digital signals into the Macintosh computer. The sound digitizing software gives you the ability to view, edit, and store sounds.

### Software

*HyperCard*—Use HyperCard to create scripts to control and display your presentation.

*ResCopy*—Use ResCopy (comes with Videodisc Toolkit software) to copy sounds and other resources from one stack to another.

### Sound sources

These may include an Apple CDSC<sup>s</sup> drive, a sound library (with record, compact audio disc, or computer software), a compact disc player, a cassette player, a record player, or a microphone.

### Powered speaker(s)

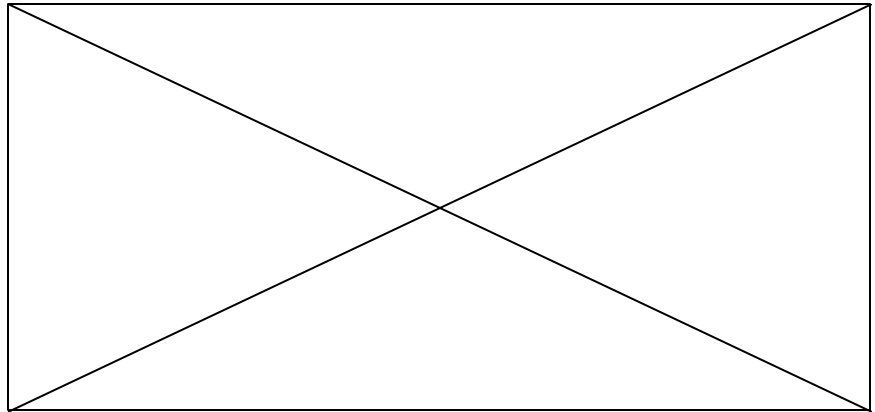
At least one powered speaker is recommended for better sound clarity and high volume. Look for speakers that can be attached to portable stereo equipment (including devices such as a Sony Walkman), and that have volume control.

### Hard disk drive

Because digitized sounds consume large amounts of disk space, a hard disk drive is recommended for storing your sound library. This can be an internal or external Apple hard disk with 20, 40, or 80 megabytes of storage.

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## Configuration



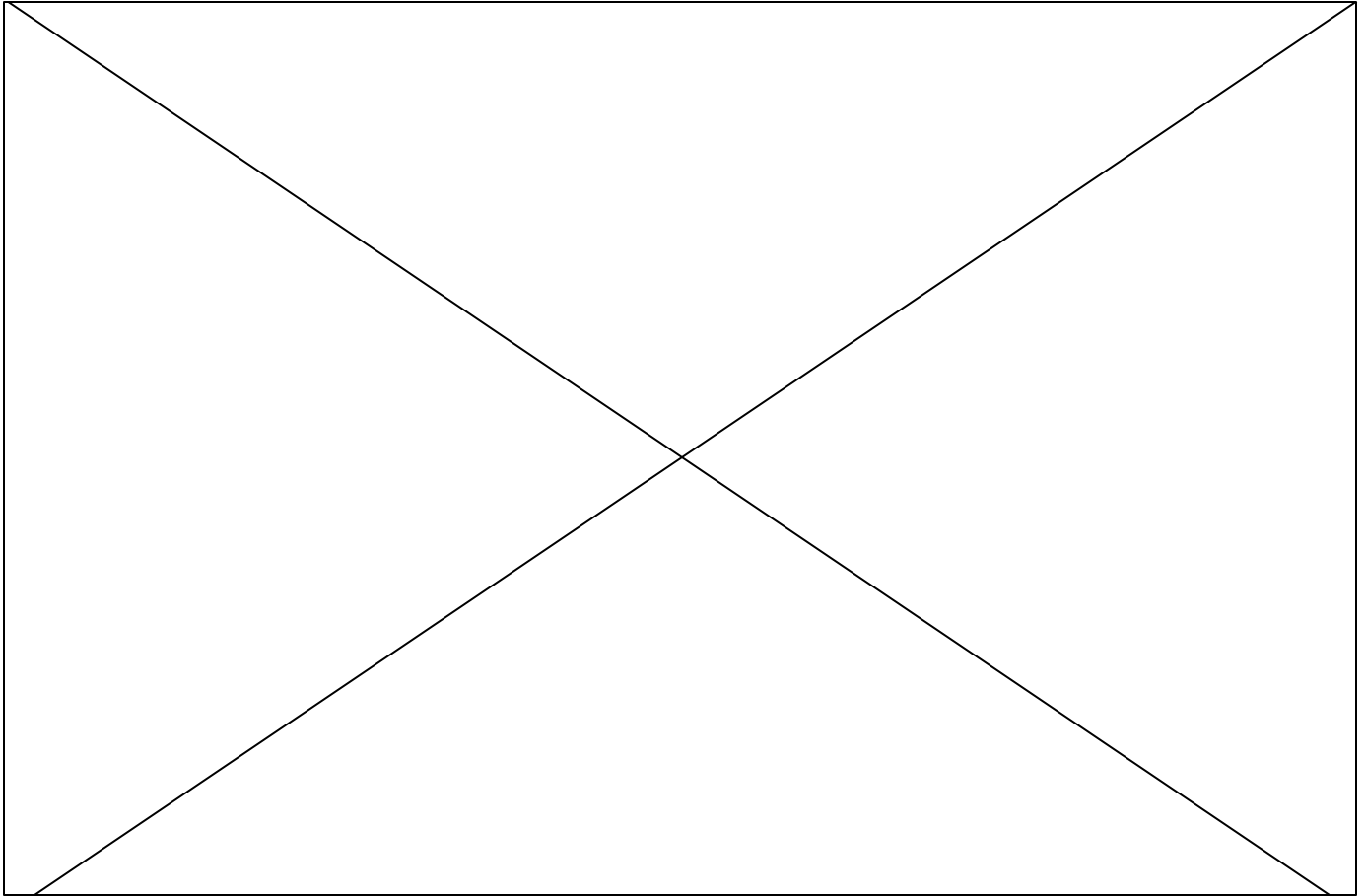
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## Process

1. Determine the purpose and objectives of your HyperCard stack.
2. Design and create the HyperCard stack.
3. Identify sounds for your HyperCard stack. Sounds can be located in other stacks, stored on cassettes, records, or compact audio discs, or recorded live.
4. Obtain sounds and install them into your HyperCard stack.
  - a. If you don't find the sound you need in a HyperCard stack, you will have to digitize it. First, open the sound digitizing application. If the sound is live, digitize it through the digitizer.

If the sound is on a cassette, record, or compact disc, connect the player to the sound digitizing device that is connected to your Macintosh computer. Now digitize the sound, and save it as a resource in your destination stack.

- b. If you need a sound that is in a HyperCard stack, you will have to copy it. Open the ResCopy stack (located in the Videodisc Toolkit) or a sound digitizing application. Copy the sound from its source stack to your destination stack.
5. Create buttons and scripts in your HyperCard stack so that you can play the sounds.
  6. Test all the sounds in your stack.



## Applications

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The Interactive Sound Workstation integrates sound into a multimedia project. It lets you create HyperCard® stacks that have high-quality digitized sound effects, voice, and music.

You can compose original sound and store it in a stack. Or you can modify and install existing music, sound effects, and/or voice recordings. The result is a HyperCard presentation with synchronized music and narration.

Sound heightens the audience's interest in a presentation by providing a more realistic experience of the subject matter. Sound also helps to highlight and reinforce key concepts.