Interesting Items and Vintage Computer Ads

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Will ISA Survive?

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- By: William Wong

Diamond System's Aries PC/104 Plus

- Intel E3800 Atom Processor
- PCI Express, 4 GB
- VGA, HDMI, LVDS, LCD
- PC/104, ISA, and PCI
- 4 Serial, 3 USB, 2 ethernet, SATA



Diamond System's Venus

- Core i5/i7
- PCI, 2 mini-PCles, and OneBank Plus
- 20 Gb, HDMI, VGA, LVDS
- 4 USB 2.0, 4 USB 3.0
- 4 Serial



Build, Buy, or Both?

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ACCES I/O's mPCle-ICM232-4

- PCI Express Mini Card
- 2 RS232 up to 921.6 kbps



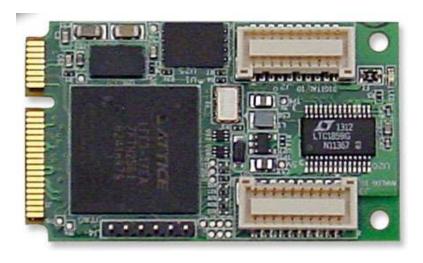
VersaLogic's Serial + GPIO

- Mini PCle card
- 4 Serial (RS232, RS422, RS485)
- 12 GP I/O



Diamond System's DS-MPE-DAQ0804

- PCIeMiniCard
- 8 16-bit analog input
- 4 16-bit analog output
- 21 I/O lines



Logic Supply – ML100G

- Rigged NUC for industrial applications \$600
- Intel i3, 2Gb, 64Gb SSD
- 4 USB 3.0, 1 ethernet
- 2 Mini display port
- 1 RS232 (optional)



Sundance Multiprocessor Technology

- PCIe/104 OneBank FPGA I/O Board
- XC7A100
- 1Gbyte DDR3, 32Mb Flash
- Xilinx Artix-7 FPGA for I/O interface
- Ethernet



ADLINK Express BD7

- 16 cores
- 10 Gb Ethernet
- 4 USB 3.0, 2 SATA, 2 Serial, 4 GPIO



Congatec's conga-SA5 SMARC

- Intel ATOM, Celeron, Pentium processors
- Up to 8 Gb
- 2 Ethernet ports
- 2 USB 3.0, 2 USB 2.0
- 1 SATA 3
- 2 I2C, 2 SPI, 4 UARTS,
- Sound, graphics support



DFI Technology's QSeven

- Intel Atom 3800 & 3900, Freescale i.MX6
- 1 8 Gb,
- Display options
- Up to 2 SATA & 1 SD



Raspberry Pi Compute Module 3

- Mounts in <u>Gumstix Pi Compute Dev Board</u> \$49
- Based on BCM2835 processor @ 1.2 Ghz
- 2X RAM (1 GB) & 10X performance
- 4 GB Flash
- \$25 & \$35



Pixevia's Core X1

- Supports Jetson TX1 and TX2
- Targets drone & real time video applications
- 4X 64bit ARM A57 2MB L2
- Maxwell 256 core GPU
- 2 USB 3, 2 USB2, 3 UART, HDMI, I²C, CAN
- 3D accelerometer, 3D Gyro, 3D compass, barometer

Nano Dimensions' Dragonfly 2020

- 3D printer generates multilayer PCBs
- No limit to number of layers
- 10 layer board takes hours to print
- Works with Gerber files



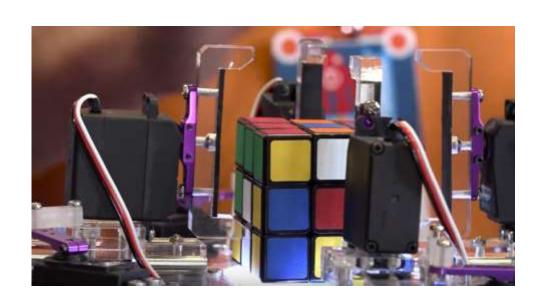
terasIC DE1-SoC Board

- Altera University Program \$175
- Altera System-on-Chip FPGA Dual core Cortex A9
- Dev Kit available
- 64 Mb SRAM, ethernet, UART, video, audio
- Buttons, switches, 7 segment, LCD, 8 12-bit
 ADC, 2 USB



Rubik's Cube

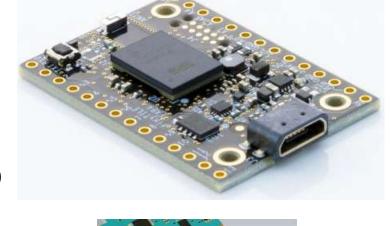
- Altera showcased Terasic's "Rubik's Cube Solving Robot"
- Massive Rubik's Cube installed on University of Michigan campus





tinyTILE - Intel Curie Based Board

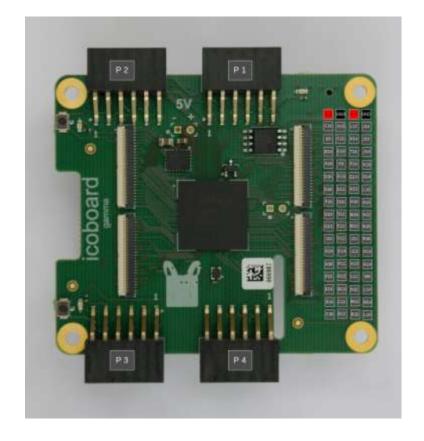
- Low power 32-bit Quark microcontroller 35
 x 26 mm \$39
- 384 Kb Flash, 80Kb SRAM
- BLE
- 6 axis accelerometer / gyro
- Arduino module \$30





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- FPGA, Memory, I/O Board for Raspberry Pi
- 16 Mb Flash, 128 Mb SRAM



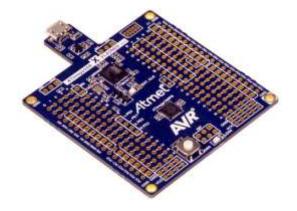
myStorm BlackIce Board

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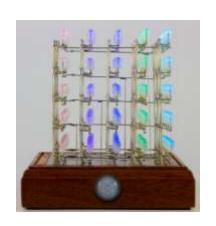
Microchip ATmega168PB Xplained Mini

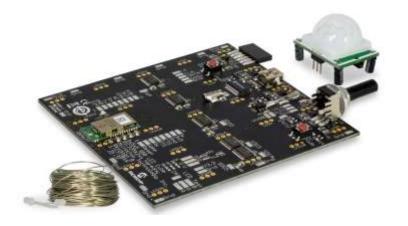
- ATmega168PB microcontroller with debugger
- Integrates with Atmel Studio
- Virtual COM port
- 16 Mhz clock, USB powered



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- Light sensor for dimming
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- UART, timer, output compare, SPI





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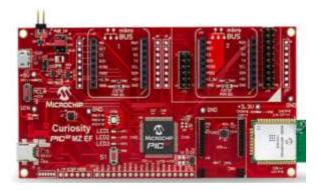
- Xeon Core i7
- 32 GB, < 8 lb
- Dual display ports
- Multiple configurations: ethernet, USB, audio
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Microchip 32-bit Curiosity Boards

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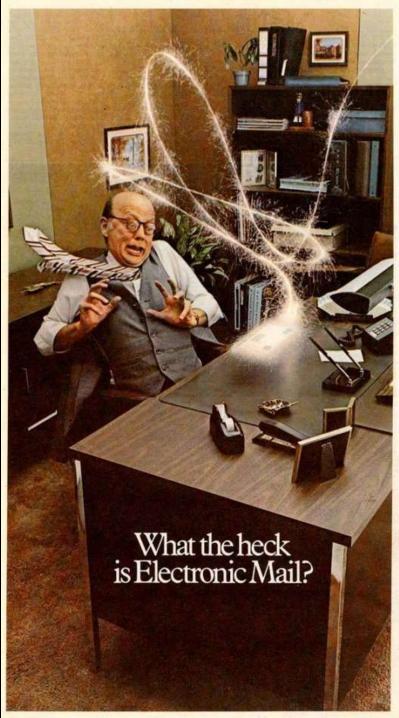
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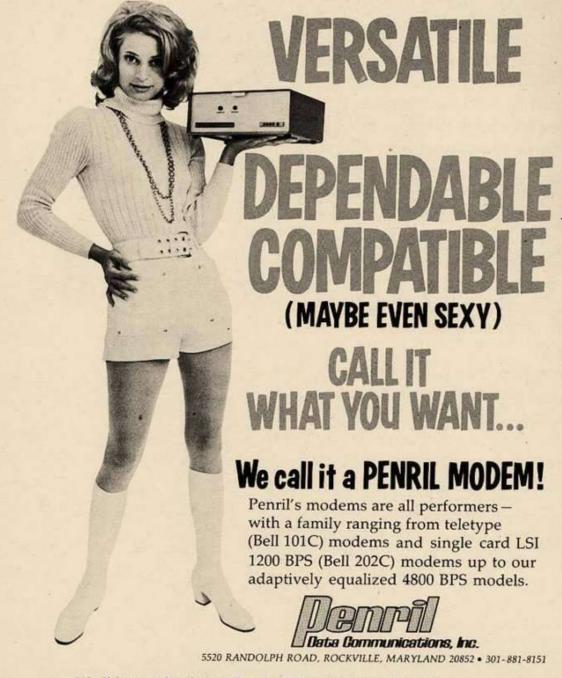
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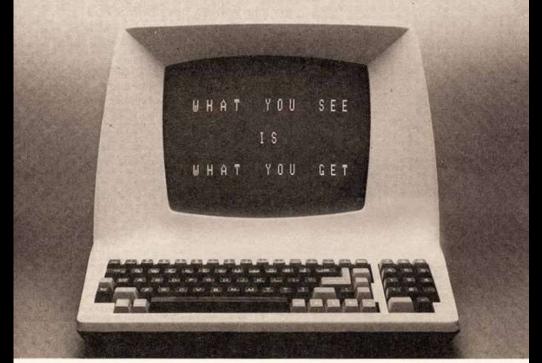
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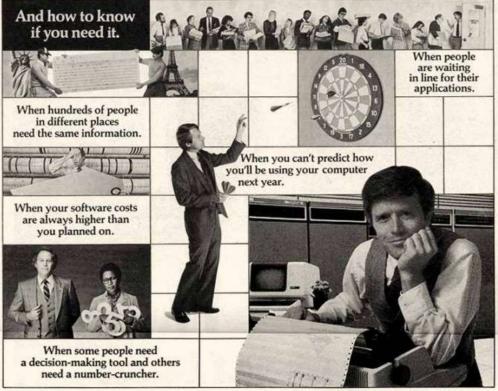
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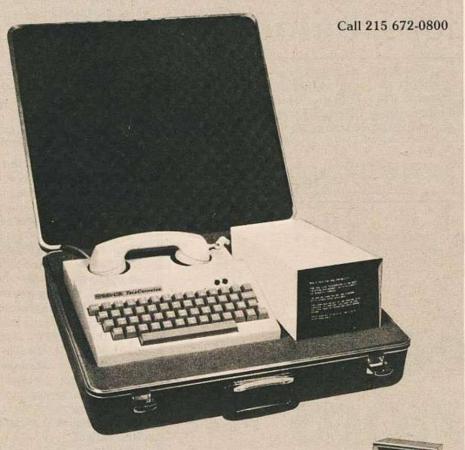
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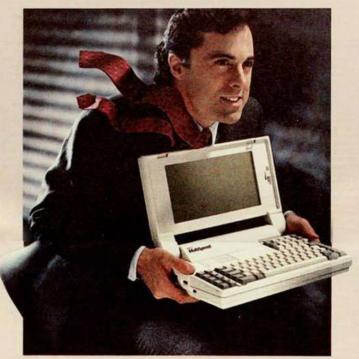
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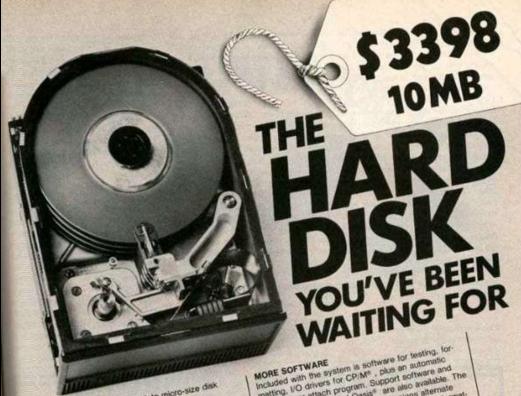
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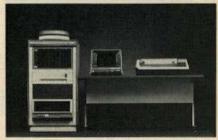
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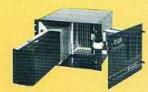
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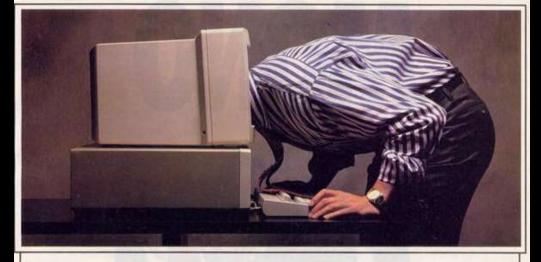
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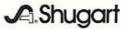
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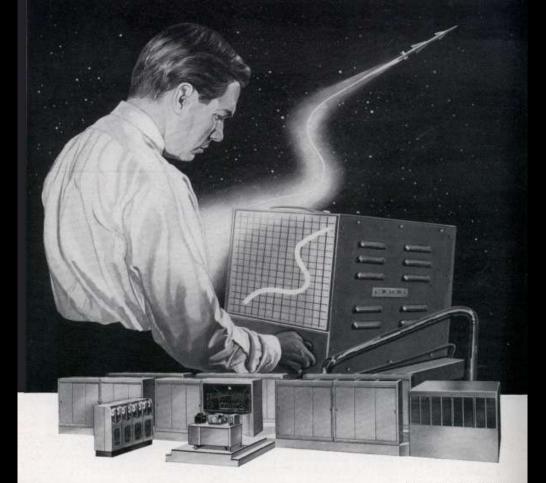
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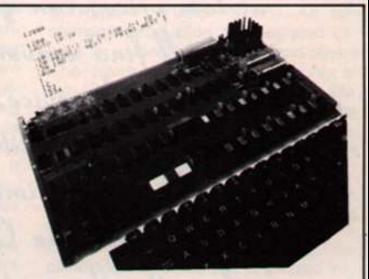
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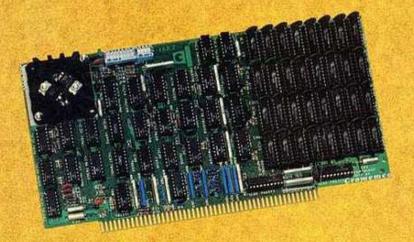
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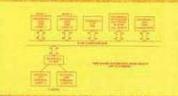
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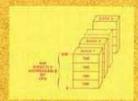


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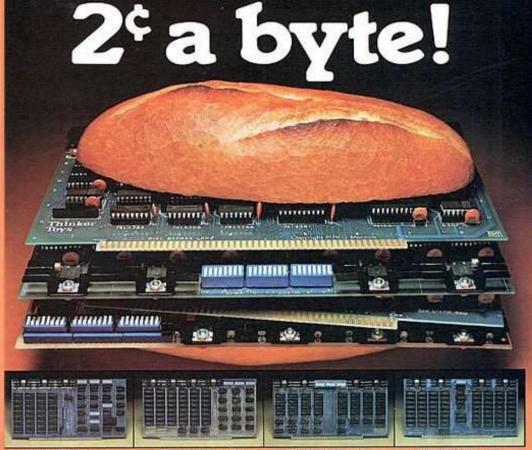
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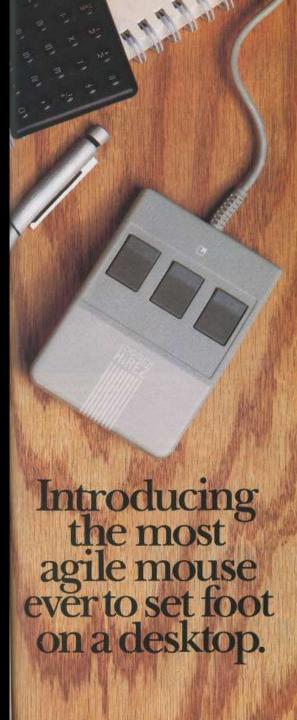
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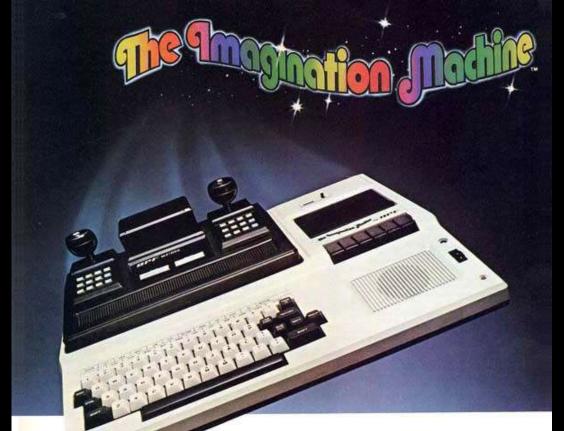
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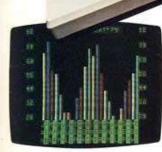
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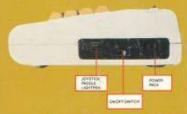


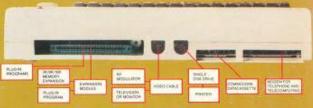
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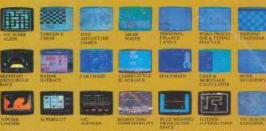






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Displayable Characters	512	256	64	256
Microprocessor	6502	6502	T1990	6809
Accessible Machine Language	YES	YES	NO	YES
Upper/Lower Case Characters	YES	YES	NO	NO:
Operates with all Peripherals (Dok., Printer and Modem)	YES	NO:	YES	YES
Full Screen Editor	YES	YES	NO	NO.
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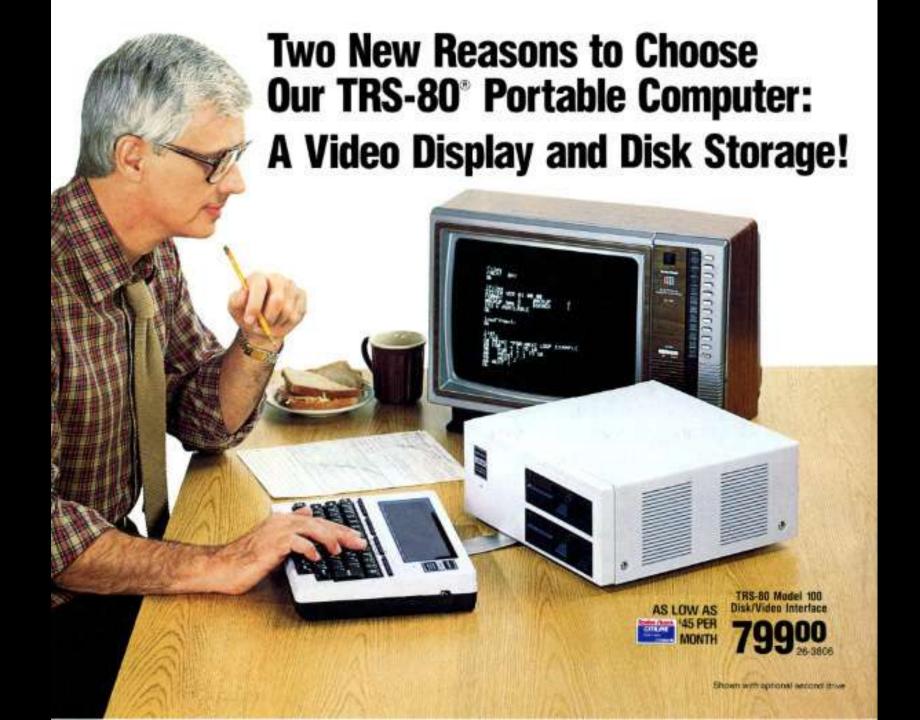
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