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COMPUTER PROGRAMME I (IBM 360/75 WATFOR) FOR AGE AND GROWTH STUDIES OF FISH

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This programme is completed in two steps. Programme A codes the data and Programme B prints the tables.

PROGRAMME A

The purpose of programme A is to pack information necessary for constructing tables in programme B. Required data on 4 fish is packed onto one card.

A. Input

- f. Source deck.
- 2. Code card which has 60 distinct one column characters from 029 key punch.
- 3. Fish data cards.

B. Output

- 1. Programme codes only following information in first 42 columns: Years, gear, gear size, length, weight, age and serial number.
- 2. Converts inches into millimeters and pounds into grams.
- 3. Assigns a symbol to each length class and weight class.
- 4. Gear aizes are coded,

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- Errors detected; lengths, weights and gear sizes outside ranges and invalid conversion factors are coded as blank and identifying information is printed out.
- Cards are punched and coded data on each fish occupies 20 card columns. At beginning of a new year, a new card is started and remainder of previous card is left blank.

PROGRAMME B

Programme B is to set up contingency tables.

A. Input

- 1. Source deck
- 2. Code cards
- 3. Fish data packed and punched by programme A.

B. Output

Prints out following information for each year and for all years combined.

- 1. Length frequency distribution for each age group.
- 2. Weight frequency distribution for each age group.
- 3. Age distribution for each gear size.
- 4. Length frequency distribution for each gear size.
- Total number of fish in each year and number of fish for which length, weight and gear size is not recorded.
- A source deck, programme listing and complete documentation may be obtained from the authors.

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