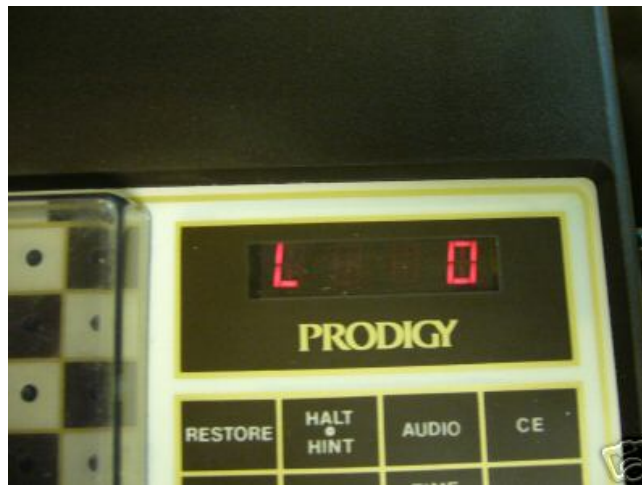


06-1983 [C-0576] Applied Concepts - **Prodigy** (second edition)

In Europa werd dit licht verbeterde model verkocht onder de naam **Destiny S**. De eerste versie (first edition) werd in 1982 verkocht onder de naam **Destiny** met de destijds vaak gebruikte toevoeging "**Mini Master**". In de USA bleef de licht verbeterde versie gewoon **Prodigy** heten. De naam **Prodigy** staat duidelijk op de behuizing onder de LCD-display te lezen, terwijl deze toevoeging ontbreekt bij de **Destiny Mini Master** of bij de verbeterde **Destiny S**. Mocht je nu een **Prodigy**, **Destiny Mini Master**, of een **Destiny S** in bezit hebben, hoe weet je dan met welke versie je te maken hebt? Daar kun je dus alleen achter komen als je beide modellen tegelijkertijd test! Computer Chess Digest Annual 1983 geeft enige uitleg.

Computer Chess Digest Annual 1983 (page 64): Applied Concepts **Prodigy**, and Novag **Super Sensor IV** are the only computers not to have a "mate finder". Instead, the Fidelity **Chess Challenger 9** and Novag **Super Sensor IV** analyze in an infinite tournament time setting, and the **Prodigy** applies a 24 hour "postal chess" time limit. (page 69): **Prodigy** is basically a **Morphy** in an attractive disguise, with an even more attractive price. Its small size and its ability to run on batteries makes it truly portable, and its program seems slightly improved (if only for speed chess) over **Morphy**, its otherwise twin brother.



Its program seems slightly improved... (level 0) if only for speed chess!

Rochade (1983) Hans-Peter Ketterling Die Challenger-Brothers und ihre Konkurrenten

Nach wie vor ist **Destiny S / Prodigy** zu haben. Das Gerät wurde inzwischen technisch verbessert und sein Preis liegt jetzt recht günstig. Er wurde um DM 100,00 auf DM 298,00 gesenkt. **Destiny S** ist eine Weiterentwicklung von **Morphy Edition Master Chess**, einer Programm, das vor zweieinhalb Jahren immerhin das stärkste programm war. Die Programmverwandtschaft erkennt man beim Versuch, Partien zu reproduzieren, was nahezu mühelos gelingt, in der Stufe 0, der Blitzstufe ist das programm von **Destiny S** jedoch Überarbeitet worden, verbraucht etwas mehr Zeit und ist etwas besser als das des Vorgängers.

Quelle: 12-1983, Rochade Nr. 233, Hans-Peter Ketterling:
Das Computerporträt II - Die Challenger-Brothers und ihre Konkurrenten.



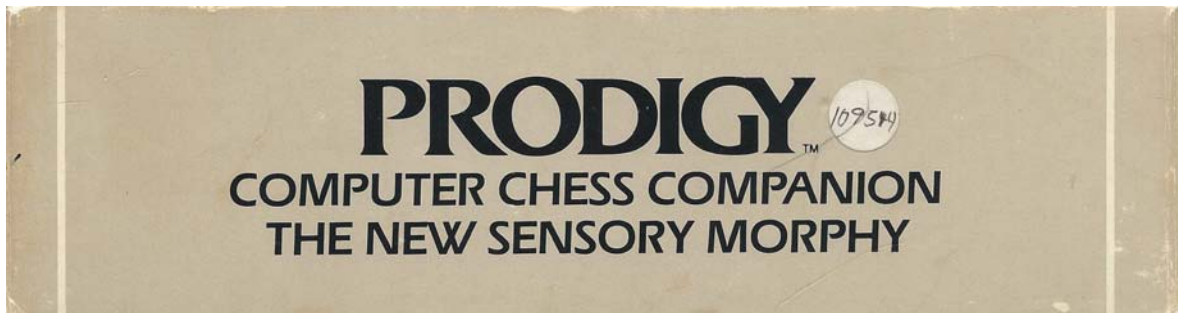
Applied Concepts Destiny Prodigy with touch control keypad



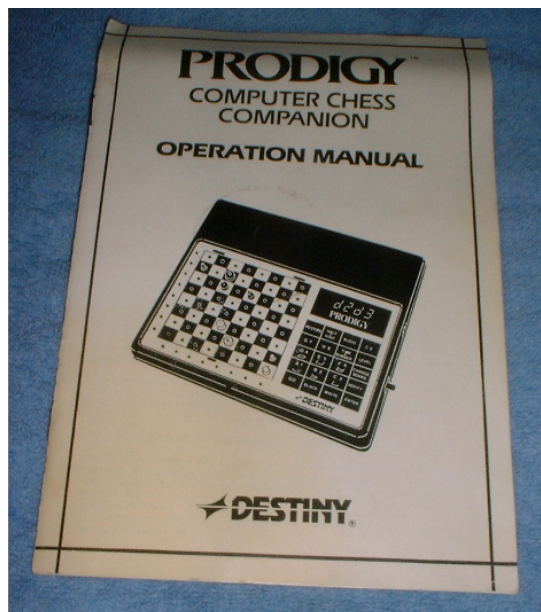
Applied Concepts Destiny Prodigy with plastic lid



Applied Concepts Destiny Prodigy back side view



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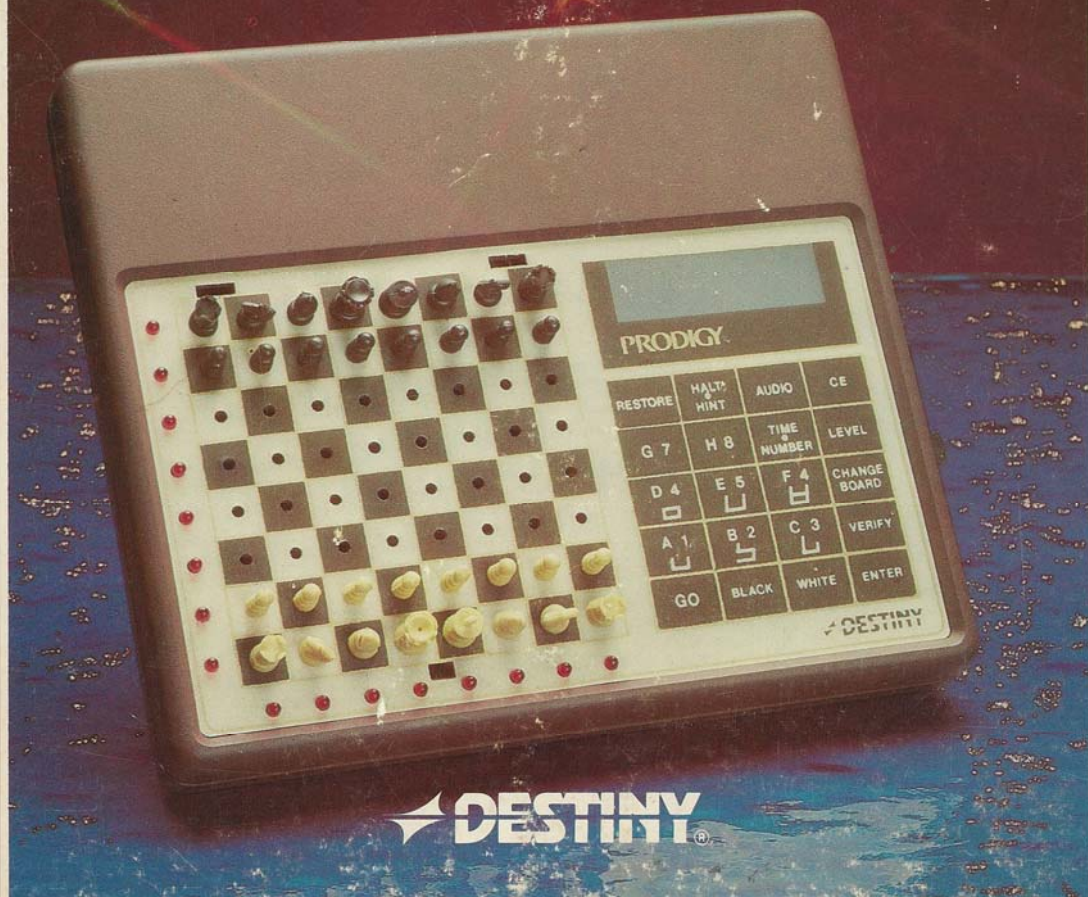
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Programmierer / Programmer

- John Aker (aus Shawnee - Kansas)

Baujahr / Release

- Erste Einführung: Juni 1983

Technische Daten / Technical specifications

- Mikroprozessor: 6502
- Taktfrequenz: 2 MHz
- Programmspeicher: 8 KB ROM
- Arbeitsspeicher: 2 KB RAM

Spielstärke / Playing strenght

- Spielstärke: (Elo/DWZ auf Turnierstufe) ca. 1480

Verwandt / Family

- Morphy Edition Master Chess
- Prodigy (first edition)
- Destiny Mini Master
- Destiny S (= Prodigy second edition)

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[Luuk Hofman plays a long game against Prodigy / Destiny (S)]

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