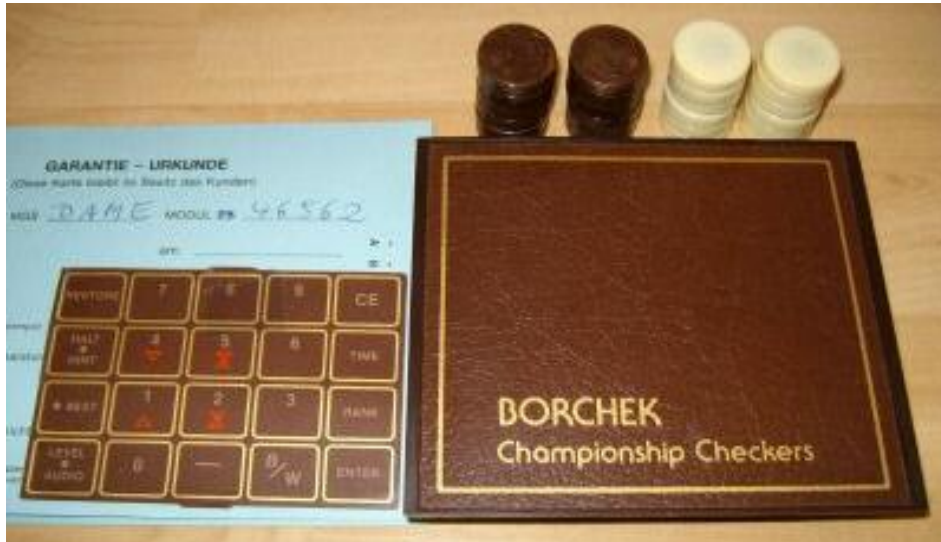


05-1981 [K-1001] Applied Concepts - Borchek (championship checkers module)

Is it 'Borchek' or 'Borcheck'? Of course it is a combination of Boris and checkers, and one is inclined to think that Applied Concepts made a mistake in naming their new module, because in a later advertisement by Sandy Electronic they suddenly talk about 'Borcheck'!



Borchek Dame Modul mit Tastaturfolie, Dame Steine und Garantieurkunde

In 1981 this module was released for the MGS (Modular Game System) and for the slightly improved GGM (Great Game Machine). This checkers program with 7 levels of play was also available for the Sargon ARB.

Was the chess robot Boris HANDroid operational with the Borchek edition module?

Boris HANDroid (prototype) was also designed to be able to move checkers! But whether this robot actually played checkers will always remain a question. Perhaps during the Nürnberger Spielwarenmesse in 1981? Other rumours indicate that the Handroid could only display the notation via the LCD, but that seems somewhat unlikely to me. There was also talk that the checkers were modified in such a way that they could easily be moved with the robot arm.



Borchek computer checkers module

Sandy Encore Chess

SCHACHCOMPUTER

für Club- und Turnierspieler – Die Superspielstarken von SANDY ELECTRONIC (DM Testsieger 1980) haben sich selbst übertroffen mit folgenden Neuheiten, ab sofort lieferbar:

SANDY ENCORE NUR SCHACHCOMPUTER	(austauschbares Universalmodul)	1750 ELO	698.–
MGS III MULTISPIELCOMPUTER	für QC Modultechnik (dieser Computer ist der einzige, der z. B. Super-Schachtechnik mit Verwendung von bis zu 3 Modulen in einem Spiel ermöglicht)		749.–
SANDY MASTER CHESS QC MODUL		1750 ELO	349.–
GRÜNFELD QC MODUL	Eröffnungsstrategie (SOFORTANTWORT – KEINE BEDENKZEIT – ca. 3000 Züge, Varianten bis zu ca. 42 Züge tief gespeichert)		298.–
MONITOR MODUL	Schachvariante für 2 Mitspieler, die blind gegeneinander spielen		198.–
MODULE zu MGS III und MGS 2,5:		Zubehör für MGS und ENCORE Geräte:	
LAS VEGAS 17 + 4 , für 1 – 2 Spieler, tolle Effekte	148.–	Tasche stabil m. Umhängeriemern f. Computer + 4 Module	68.–
BORCHECK DAME nahezu unschlagbar	298.–	Akkusatz f. die Reise, bis zu 6 Std. Betriebsdauer	108.–
ODIN Reversi Superstrategie	298.–	12 V Adapter für Auto/Camping/Boot (a. f. Diplomat)	28.–
DIPLOMAT II MINI-REISESCHACHCOMPUTER			198.–
	ist der stärkste in seiner Klasse. Denkt bis zu 8 Züge voraus, Batterie-Akku-Netzbetrieb. Lehrgerät, Memory Steckschach uva. sehr zuverlässig.		

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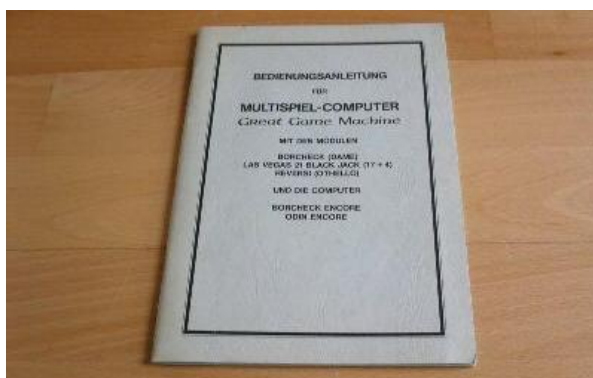
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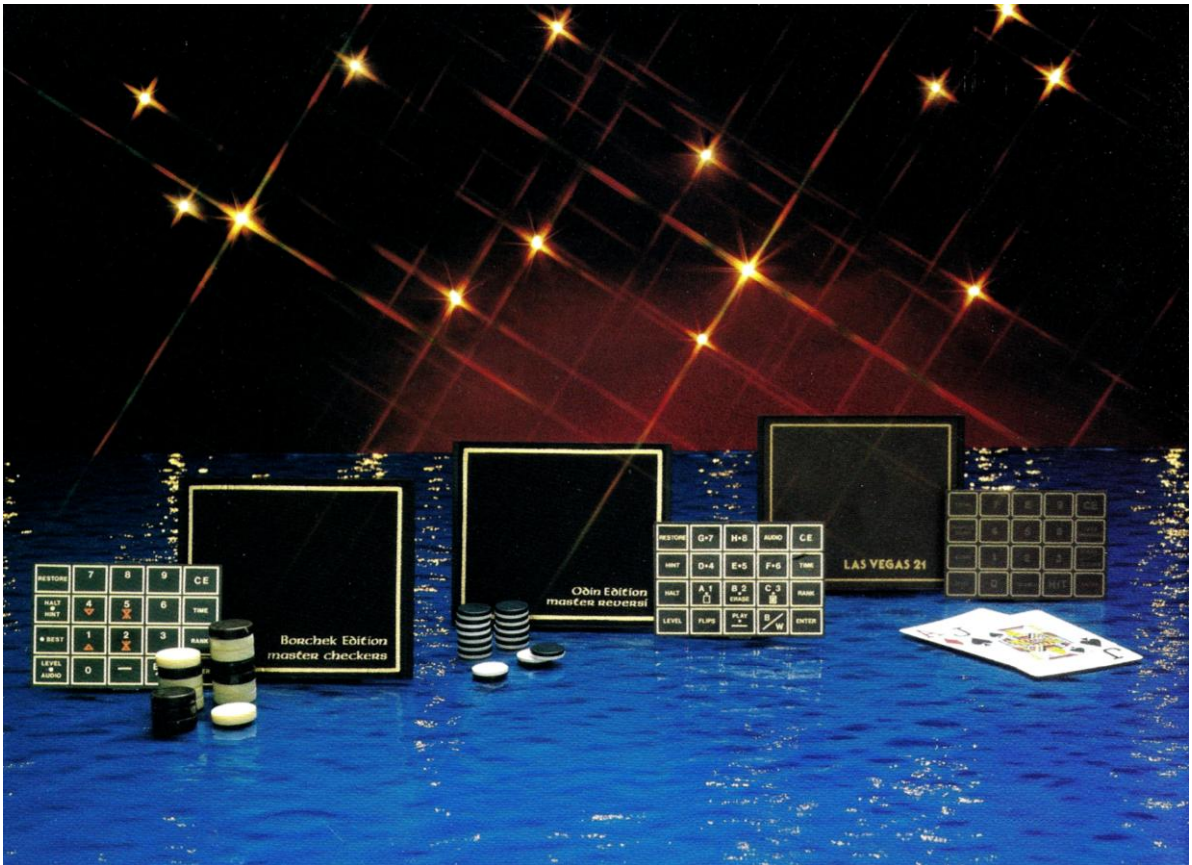
Borcheck: nahezu unschlagbar...

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Anleitung für MGS

Die Firma Chafitz ~ Applied Concepts hat neben diversen Schachmodulen auch weitere Strategiespiele für das MGS herausgebracht. Das Dame Modul Borcheck Championship Checkers war eines davon und ist heute eine Rarität. Es wird einfach in den Modulschacht eingesetzt und mit den entsprechenden Damesteinen aufgebaut. Die Bedienung erfolgt über Tastatur, analog zu den diversen Schachmodulen von Applied Concepts. Gedruckt in dem für Sandy Electronics typischen pergamentähnlichem dicken Papier. Beschrieben sind die Modulen: Borcheck (Dame), Las Vegas 21 Black Jack (17+4), Reversi (Othello) und die Computer Borcheck Encore und Odin Encore. Die Anleitung ist komplett in deutsch und knapp 50 Seiten stark.



ADDITIONAL CARTRIDGES

Machine throughout the game, but receive only information about their own moves—never their opponent's. With the Monitor Edition, Kriegspiel lovers finally have an ever-ready fair and impartial referee.

BORCHEK EDITION Master Checkers

Borchek is the strongest game of checkers on the market today. A patient teacher—a formidable opponent.

The Borchek Edition plays checkers at seven levels of strength and is programmed with many different opening strategies. Borchek, like all Great Game Machine cartridges, allows for handicapping, special board setups for problem solving, gives hints as to best moves, restores the game to a player-chosen previous move if so instructed and gives the player messages about the game in progress.

Monitor Edition—KC-1

Game cartridge, keyboard overlay, operation manual.

Borchek Edition—BC-1

Game cartridge, magnetic checker pieces, keyboard overlay, operation manual.

ODIN EDITION Master Reversi

The Odin Edition plays the popular, modern version of Reversi, the game that has captured the imagination of young and old alike in recent years. Odin is, like other Great Game Machine cartridges, the most powerful of its kind available on the market today. Odin has eight levels of play, with thousands of strategies. Odin continuously verifies moves made by the player and if the player so chooses, a tournament timer ensures that the proper number of moves is within the allotted time. The Odin Edition. The most powerfully addictive game on the market today.

Odin Edition—OC-1

Game cartridge, game pieces, keyboard overlay, operation manual.

LAS VEGAS 21 EDITION Master Blackjack

The Las Vegas 21 Master Blackjack cartridge turns The Great Game Machine into the world's most realistic computer blackjack game. Designed to simulate casino conditions, Las Vegas 21 shuffles one to four decks of cards as the player chooses, just like a Las Vegas dealer. One or two players challenge the dealer and are allowed to "bet" any amount from one dollar to \$500. As cards are dealt, each hand is shown on the Game Computer. And the player can have the cards shuffled at any point in the deck. All of these features, combined with a dealer simulated shuffling program, bring more realism to the game than ever before. Las Vegas 21 is perfect for the experienced player who is testing new "systems" and the novice who just enjoys playing the game. Las Vegas 21—you can bet on it.

Las Vegas 21—LV-1

Game cartridge, keyboard overlay, operation manual.

Applied Concepts Additional Cartridges - 1981

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Borchek Edition (BC-1) Master Checkers Cartridge

The strongest game of checkers on the market today! Strategy at its best! Checkers at its finest!
You won't believe how much fun it is!

Features Include:

- **Position Lead-ins**—Allows checkers three move convention to be easily set up. Just enter the moves for each side followed by pressing B/W button. Timer is not started until game actually begins.
- **Multiple Jump Display**—When outputting or expecting multiple jump moves, the program displays or requests all intermediate moves to be entered to resolve any possible ambiguity.
- **BORCHEK Thinks on Opponent's Time**—To further maximize playing strength, **BORCHEK** behaves as a human and begins analyzing his next best move while awaiting opponent response.
- **Game Related Messages**—**BORCHEK** will send you messages related to the game in progress.
- **Restore Control**—Most flexible of all control functions designed for players of all strength levels. Striking this key will "erase" up to the previous ten moves for both sides, starting at the last move and sequencing, on command, back up to the 10th previous move. Not only a must for remedying your blunders, but it provides the flexibility to evaluate varying response strategies from any board position.
- **Tournament Timer**—Total elapsed time used by each player, plus the time either player is taking for individual moves, is displayed on command.
- **Maximum Computer Strength Control**—When powered-up **BORCHEK** will always produce varied play by randomly selecting from among several good moves so he is unpredictable and never plays the same game twice. Depressing "BEST" key he will always select the single "Best" move response.
- **Audio ON/OFF**—A variety of tones are generated to indicate various mode functions. Combinations of frequencies and series of tones will indicate: keyboard entry, illegal move, end of compute mode, restore, message pending. Audio function may be turned on or off.
- **Exclusive Board Display and Position Verification**—A function key allows you to access and display the board permitting verification of piece locations.
- **Position Programming**—Programming keys permit player to quickly set up any board position or modify an existing board position. Designed for practicing game strategies.
- **Handicapping**—Particularly suited for beginners. Any number of pieces may be selected to be spotted (removed) for handicapping.
- **Problem Solving**—By using position programmer any checkers problem may be set up quickly and easily for analysis or problem solving. At the highest level of play, the program can predict a win up to nine moves ahead.
- **Move Monitor**—Total number of moves in game continually displayed.
- **Opening Book Library**—**BORCHEK** is preprogrammed with a variety of offensive and defensive responses to popular book openings.
- **Battery Operated Portable Use**—Optional rechargeable battery pack provides up to 6 hours of continuous play on full charge.
- **Position Storage Memory**—A game may be interrupted in either A/C or battery operation and position storage memory will hold all pieces in proper board position for game resumption at a later time. Storage times: A/C mode, indefinite. Battery mode, 24 hours.
- **Multiple Playing Levels**—Player may select one of seven computer strength levels, playing strength controllable from basic teaching or instructional play to an unprecedented playing strength in which the computer is capable of evaluating more than 10 moves ahead.
- **Halt/Hint Control**—Dual function key permits player to halt **BORCHEK'S** computing analysis at any time, displaying his best move at that point in his search. Allows the player complete control over thinking time. Hint mode used when it is player's move. Addressing this key, **BORCHEK** will instantly display player's best possible move at that time.
- **Changing Sides**—Player may select to play black or white or even change sides at any time game is in progress.
- **Instructional Mode Features**—Combining hint, restore, handicapping function, plus other exclusive function controls, **BORCHEK** becomes the perfect checkers teacher. He will suggest moves for the novice, as well as permit experienced players to experiment with various responses. **BORCHEK** is the only checkers computer with this exclusive combination of features.

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