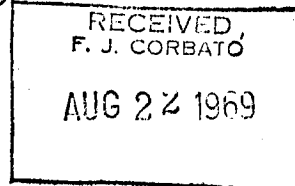


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Best regards.
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TSS/360 ACCOUNTING CHANGES

Effective Monday, August 18, 1969, TSS/360 will begin charging users according to a new rate schedule. The new schedule attempts to charge time sharing users fairly according to system resources used and the current system load. This schedule marks the end of computation center subsidies for time sharing service; total user charges are now expected to approximately equal basic 360/67 costs (\$400/hour).

Initially, the new schedule establishes task rates for four items:

1. Virtual CPU time = \$0.10/second

This represents CPU time spent in task execution; it does not include time spent in I/O activity, paging overhead, or time in which other tasks are executing. This item is largely independent of the current system load.

2. Terminal Connect time = \$15/hour

This charge applies to conversational tasks only.

3. Auxiliary pagings = \$0.30/100 pagings

This item represents internal paging between core storage and paging drums and disks. It is proportional to the system load; i.e., a given task will typically do more paging with many users logged on than with few users.

4. External paging = \$0.02/paging operation

This item represents paging to and from virtual storage data sets, and thus reflects the I/O activity of the task.

Unless otherwise specified, the above rates apply to both conversational and nonconversational tasks. The items charged for and their rates may change from time to time; users may always determine the current rate schedule, and obtain a cost breakdown of a task, by specifying the "CHARGES" option when logging off:

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