System 80 Printer Interface & Cable
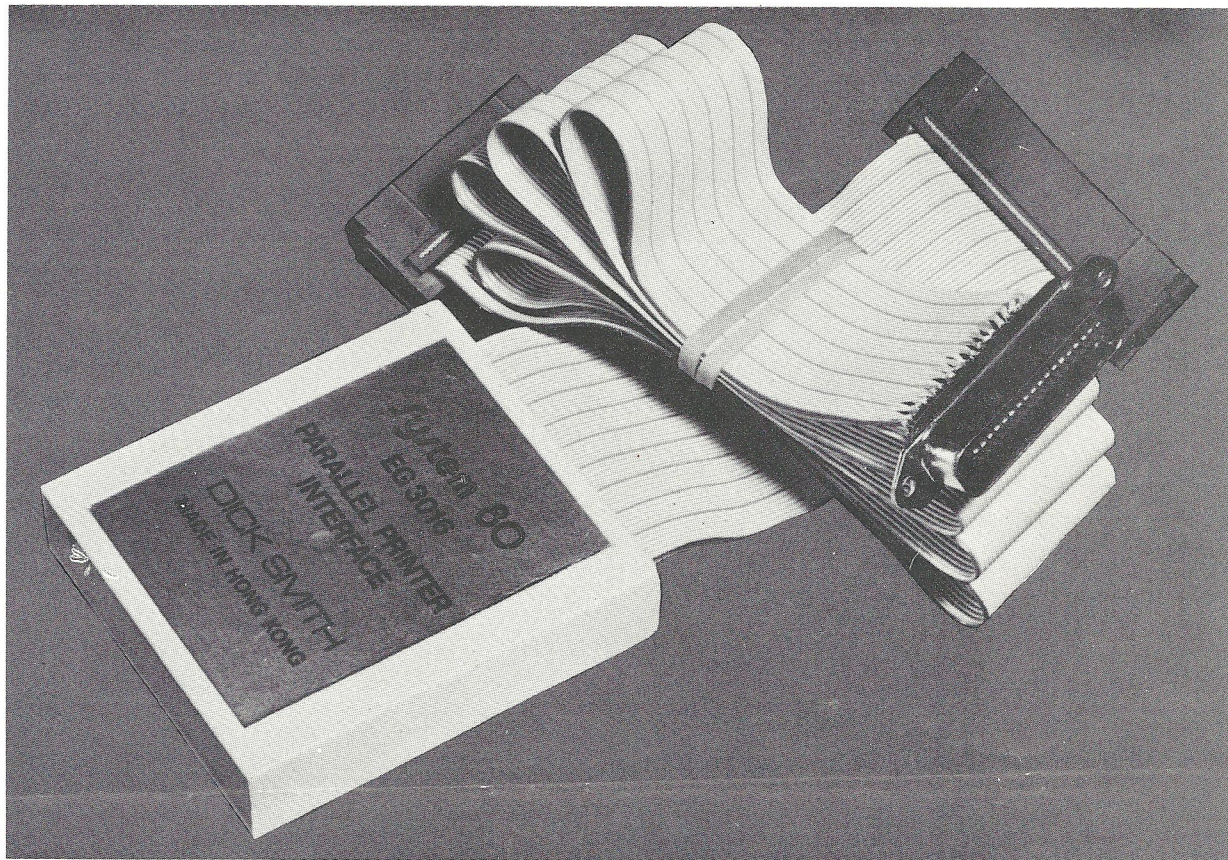
Photograph shows both the X-4012 and the X-4014

printer interface

If you need hard copy, but don't need the full facilities of the System 80's S-100 expansion unit, the X-4012 printer interface is the ideal low-cost way to connect a printer to your System 80 computer.

The X-4012 simply plugs into the System 80's rear panel expansion connector. The interface is fitted with an edge connector that accepts the X-4014 printer cable for convenient connection to Centronics-type parallel printers such as the Dick Smith X-3255 matrix printer.

The interface provides a full Centronics-type interface: it lets the computer monitor all four of the usual printer status symbols – BUSY/READY bar, PAPER OUT, UNIT SELECT AND FAULT.

Full normal printer operation is possible with the basic System 80. So BASIC programs may be listed on paper using the normal LLIST command, and data, messages etc. can be printed via the LPRINT statement.

printer cable

The X-4014 cable is designed to connect a standard Centronics-type parallel printer to the System 80 via either the X-4012 printer interface or the X-4010 S-100 Expansion Unit.

One end of the cable is fitted with a plug to suit the card edge connector on either interface. The other is terminated in the standard 57N-36 connector used for Centronics-type printers (such as the X-3255).

Cat. X-4012
$49⁵⁰
PRINTER INTERFACE
Cat. X-4014
$39⁵⁰
PRINTER CABLE

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