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A Glossary of Computer Oriented Abbreviations and Acronyms

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First compiled when I became frustrated while reading magazine articles, help wanted ads and equipment for sale brochures....all pertaining to computers....where the following Abbreviations and Acronyms were used and their meanings were either not known to me or were not immediately available. I have actually seen (or have been told about) these combinations of letters used at one time or another in magazines, newspapers, handbooks, etc. They apply to personal computers, multimedia, communications, programming, networking, etc......you name it. This glossary can never be considered complete so look over the entries and let me have your feedback. If you find errors or if you can suggest additions, they will be most welcome (See NOTE 1). If you can help, you have my thanks in advance.

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AA          Auto Answer
AAA         Authentication, Authorization and Accounting
AAB         All-to-All Broadcast
AAC         Advanced Audio Coding
AAL         Asynchronous Transfer Mode Adaption Layer
AAM         Automatic Acoustic Management
AAP         Applications Access Point [DEC]
AARP        AppleTalk Address Resolution Protocol
AAS         All-to-All Scatter
AASP        ASCII Asynchronous Support Package
AAT         Average Access Time
AATP        Authorized Academic Training Program [Microsoft]
.ABA        Address Book Archive (file name extension) [Palm]
ABAP        Advanced Business Application Programming [SAP]
ABC    *    Atanasoff-Berry Computer  (First digital
            calculating machine that used vacuum tubes)
ABEND       Abnormal End
ABI         Application Binary Interface
ABIOS       Advanced BIOS
ABIST       Automatic Built-In Self-Test [IBM]
ABLE        Adaptive Battery Life Extender +
            Agent Building and Learning Environment [IBM]
ABM         Asynchronous Balanced Mode
ABR         Available Bit Rate
ABRD        Automatic Baud Rate Detection
ABRS        Automated Book Request System [British Library]
ABS         Address Book Synchronization [IBM] + Absolute
ABT         Abort
ABTS        ASCII Block Terminal Services
AC          Autocheck + Automatic Computer + Alternating Current
ACAP        Application Configuration Access Protocol
ACC         Accumulator
ACCMAIL     Accessing the Internet Via Email
ACD         Automatic Call Distribution
ACDI        Asynchronous Communications Device Interface
ACE         Access Control Encryption/Entry +
            Adobe Certified Expert +
            Advanced Computing Environment [SCO] +
            Adverse Channel Enhancements [Microcom] +
       *    Automatic Computing Engine
ACF         Access Control Field +
            Advanced Communications Function
ACH         Automated Clearing House
ACIAS       Automated Calibration Interval Analysis System
ACIS        American Committee for Interoperable Systems
ACK         Acknowledgment
ACL         Access Control List + Asynchronous Connection-Less (link)
ACM         Association for Computing Machinery
            Audio Compression Manager [Microsoft]
ACMS        Application Control Management System
ACP         Ancillary Control Program + Auxiliary Control Process
ACPI        Advanced Configuration and Power Interface
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ACR        Allowed Cell Rate
ACROSS     Automated Cargo Release and Operations
           Service System
ACS        Access + Access Control Set + Access Control System +
         * Advanced Computer System [IBM] +
           Anti Curl System + Asynchronous Communication Server
ACSS       Audio Cascading Style Sheets
ACTLU      Active Logical Unit
ACTPU      Active Physical Unit
ACTS       Automated Computer Time Service
ACTT       Advanced Communication and Timekeeping Technology [Seiko]
ACU        Automatic Calling Unit
ACVC       Ada Compiler Validation Capacity
A/D        Analog to Digital
ADA        Automatic Data Acquisitions +
           (Programming Language named after Augusta Ada Lovelace)
ADB        Apple Desktop Bus
ADC        Adaptive Data Compression (protocol) [Hayes] +
           Add with Carry + Analog to Digital Converter
ADCCP      Advanced Data Communication Control Procedures/Protocol
ADD        Automatic Document Detection [WordPerfect]
ADF        Automatic Document Feeder +
           Automatically Defined Function
.ADF       Adapter Description File (file name extension)
ADI        AutoCad/AutoDesk Device Interface (driver)
ADIOS      Automated Download and Installation of
           Operating Systems [Queensland U.]
ADL        Address Data Latch
ADLAT      Adaptive Lattice Filter
ADLC       Adaptive Lossless Data Compression [IBM] +
           Asynchronous Data Link Control
ADMACS     Apple Document Management And Conrol System
ADMD       Administrative Management Domain [X.400]
.ADN       Add In Utility (file name extension)
           [Lotus 1-2-3] [LDC]
ADO        ActiveX Data Objects
ADP        AOLserver Dynamic Pages + Automatic Data Processing
ADPCM      Adaptive Differential Pulse Code Modulation
ADR        Address
ADS        Application Development Solutions [AT&T] +
           Application Development System +
           Automatic Distribution System
ADSC       Address Status Changed +
           Adobe Document Structuring Conventions
ADSI       Active Directory Service Interface [Microsoft] +
           Analog Display Services Interface
ADSL       (See DSL)
ADSP       AppleTalk Datastream Protocol
ADSR       Attack, Decay, Sustain, Release
ADT        Abstract Data Type + Application Data Types
ADU        Automatic Dialing Unit
AE         Above or Equal
AEB        Analog Expansion Bus [Dialogic]
AEC        Architecture, Engineering, Construction
AEM        Asynchronous Event Mechanism
.AERO      Aviation Industry (Domain Name) [Internet]
AES        Advanced Encryption Standard
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AESA       ATM End System Address
AF         Auxiliary carry Flag
AFA        Accelerated File Access
AFC        Antiferro-Magnetically Coupled (media) [IBM] +
           Automatic Font Change + Automatic Frequency Control
AFD        Automatic File Distribution
AFDW       Active Framework for Data Warehousing [Microsoft]
AFI        Authority and Format Identifier
AFII       Association for Font Information Interchange
AFIRM      Automated Fingerprint Image Reporting and Match
AFIS       Automated Fingerprint Identification System
.AFM       Adobe Font Metrics (file name extension) [Adobe Systems]
AFP        Advanced Function Presentation [IBM] +
           Advanced Function Printing +
           Appletalk Filing Protocol [Macintosh]
AFS        Andrew File System (protocols)
AFTP       Advanced/Anonymous File Transfer Protocol
AGA        Advanced Graphics Adapter
AGC        Automatic Gain Control
AGP        Accelerated/Advanced Graphics Port
AGRAS      Antiglare-Antireflective-Antistatic
AGU        Address-Generation Unit
AH         Authentication Header (protocol)
AHS        Automated Highway Systems
AI         Analog Input + Artificial Intelligence
AIA        Applications Integration Architecture [DEC]
AIC        AIXwindows Interface Composer [IBM]
AIFF       Audio Interchange File Format
AIIM       Association for Information and Image Management
AIM        AOL Instant Messenger
AIN        Advanced Intelligent Network [Bell Atlantic]
AIO        All-In-One
AIP        Application Infrastruture Provider
AIR        Architecture Implementation Review
AIS        Automated Identification System [NCIC] +
           Automated Information Systems
AISB       Association of Imaging Service Bureaus
AISP       Association of Information Systems Professionals
AIT        Advanced Intelligent Tape (drive) [Sony]
AIX        Advanced Interactive Executive [IBM]
AJAX       Asynchronous JavaScript and XML
ALAT       Advanced Load Address Table
ALC        Arithmetic and Logic Circuits +
           Automatic Level Control
ALE        Address Latch Enable +
           Application Linking and Embedding
ALGOL      Algorithmic Oriented Language (see IAL)
ALIBI      Adaptive Location of Internetworked Bases
           of Information
ALICE      Artificial Linguistic Internet Computer Entity
ALINK      Active Link [HTML]
ALIWEB     Archie Like Indexing in the Web [Internet]
ALN        Asynchronous Learning Network
ALOS       Alternate Lighting Of Surfaces
ALP        Automatic Language Processing
ALR        Advanced Logic Research, Inc.
ALT        Alternate (mode)
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ALT.        Alternate lifestyle [USENET Newsgroup Category]
ALU         Arithmetic Logic Unit
AM          Amplitude Modulation
AMA         Automatic Message Accounting
AMANDDA     Automated Messaging and Directory Assistance
AMASS       Archival Management and Storage System
AMD         Active Matrix Display + Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.
AMDD        Agile Modelling Driven Development
AMI         Alternate Mark Inversion + American Megatrends, Inc. +
            Application Messaging Interface
AMMA        Advanced Memory Management Architecture [Everex Systems]
AMPL        Algebraic/Applied Mathematical Programming Language
AMPS        Advanced Mobile Phone Service + Amplifiers
AMR         Audio Modem Riser
ANCOVA      Analysis of Covariance
ANDF        Architecture-Neutral Distribution Format
ANI         Automatic Number Identification
.ANI        Animated Cursor (file name extension) [Microsoft]
ANN         Artificial Neural Network
.ANN        Annotations (file name extension) [IBM]
ANOVA       Analysis Of Variance
ANSI        American National Standards Institute
ANX         Automotive Network Exchange [Chrysler/Ford/
            General Motors]
AO          Analog Output
AOCE        Apple Open Collaboration Environment
AO/DI       Always On/Dynamic ISDN
AODV        Ad Hoc On-Demand Distance Vector
AOE         Application Operating Environment [AT&T]
AOL         America Online
AOS         Add Or Subtract
AP          Adjunct Processor + Application Processor
A/P         Accounts Payable
APA         Adaptive Packet Assembly +
            All Points Addressable +
            Arithmetic Processing Accelerator
APAR        Authorized Program Analysis Report [IBM]
APAREN      Address Parity Enable [IBM]
APCUG       Association of PC User Groups
APDU        Application Protocol Data Units
API         Application Program Interface
APIC        Advanced Programmable Interrupt Controller (bus) [Intel]
APIPA       Automatic Private Interenet Protocol Addressing
APIS        Advanced Passenger Information System
APL       * A Programming Language (Mathematics)
APM         Advanced Power Management [IBM]
APNIC       Asia-Pacific Network Information Center [Internet]
APOP        Authenticated Post Office Protocol
.APP        Application (file name extension) [R:Base]
APPC        Advanced Program-to-Program Communications [IBM]
APPI        Advanced Peer-to-Peer Internetworking
APPLETS     Applications
APPN        Advanced Peer-to-Peer Networking [IBM]
APPS        Applications
APR         Annual Percentage Rate
APRP        Adaptive Pattern Recognition Processing
APS         Active Pixel Sensor + Advanced Photo System +
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                Advanced Printing Service [IBM] +
                Asynchronous Protocol Specification
APSE            ADA Programming Support Environment
APT             Address Pass Through +
                Advanced Parallel Technology +
                Automatically Programmed Tools
A/R             Accounts Receivable
ARA             AppleTalk Remote Access
ARAG            Antireflective-Antiglare
ARAS            Antireflective-Antistatic
ARC             Acoustic Resonance Control
.ARC            Archive (file name extension)
ARCA            Advanced RISC Computing Architecture
ARCnet          Attached Resource Computer Network
.ARJ            Compressed File (file name extension) [Jung]
ARL             Adjusted Ring Length
ARLL            Advanced Run Length Limited
ARM             Advanced RISC Machine (processor) +
                Annotated Reference Manual +
                Asynchronous Response Mode
ARMA            Association of Records Managers and Administrators
ARP             Address Resolution Protocol [Novell]
ARPANET         Advanced Research Projects Agency Network
ARPL            Adjust Requested Privilege Level
ARS             Activity Reporting System [Unisys]
ART             Adaptive Resonance Theory (algorithm)
ARTA            Apple Real Time Architecture
ARTIC           A Real-Time Interface Coprocessor [IBM]
ARTS            Asynchronous Remote Takeover Server
.ARTS           Cultural Groups (Domain Name) [Internet]
ARTT            Asynchronous Remote Takeover Terminal
ARQ             Automatic Repeat Request
ARU             Audio Response Unit
AS              Autonomous System [Internet]
ASAI            Adjunct Switch Application Interface [AT&T]
ASAP            As Soon As Possible +
                Automatic Switching And Processing
AS3AP           ANSI SQL Standard Scalable and Portable
ASB             Advanced System Buffering [Intel]
.ASC            ASCII text (file name extension)
ASCC          * Automatic Sequence Controlled Calculator [IBM]
ASCII           American Standard Code for Information Interchange
ASD             Application Structure Database [Microsoft] +
                Automatic Skip Driver [Microsoft]
ASF             Active/Advanced Streaming Format [Microsoft]
ASIC            Application-Specific Integrated Circuit
ASIT            Advanced Security and Identification Technology
ASL             Adaptive Speed Levelling
ASLM            Apple Shared Library Manager [Macintosh]
.ASM            Assembler Source Language (file name extension)
ASMP            Asymmetric Multprocessing
ASN             Abstract Syntax Notation + Autonomous System Number
ASO             Automated Systems Operations
ASP             Active Server Page [Microsoft] +
                Application/Authorized Service Provider +
                Aspect Oriented Programming +
                Association of Shareware Professionals
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.ASP      Active Server Page (file name extension)
ASPI      Advanced SCSI Programming Interface [Adaptec]
ASPS      Advanced Signal Processing System
ASR       Address Space Register + Automatic Send-Receive +
          Automatic Speech Recognition +
          Automatic System Recovery
AST       AST Research, Inc. (named from first initials of
          the founders: Albert Wong, Safi Qureshey, Thomas Yuen)
AS/U      Advanced Server for Unix
ASYNC     Asynchronous
AS/400    Application System/400 [IBM]
AT        Advanced Technology + Attention
ATA       Advanced Technology Attachment
ATAPI     Advanced Technology Attachment Packet Interface
ATC       Advanced Transfer Cache
ATDP      Attention Dial Pulse
ATDT      Attention Dial Tone
ATE       Automated Test Equipment
ATG       Advanced Technology Group
ATH       Attention Hang-Up (Modem command)
ATL       Active Template Library
ATM       Adobe Typeface Manager + Air Traffic Management +
          Asynchronous Transfer Mode + Automated Teller Machine
ATPS      AppleTalk Printing Services [Macintosh]
ATR       Automatic Terminal Recognition
ATS       Administrative Terminal System +
          Apple Terminal Services
AT&T      American Telephone and Telegraph
ATTN      Attention
ATTRIB    Attribute (also ATR)
ATX       Advanced Technology Extended [Intel]
ATZ       Attention Restore configuration profile from
          nonvolatile RAM (Modem command)
.AU       Audio (file name extension)
AUDIT     Automated Data Input Terminal
AUI       Attachment/Autonomous Unit Interface
AUP       Acceptable Use Policy [Internet]
AUTO      Automatic
AUTOEXEC  Automatic Execution
AUX       Auxiliary + (First Serial Port)
AV        Audio/Video + Audio/Visual + Authenticity Verification
AVA       Audio Visual Authoring [IBM]
AVC       Audio Visual Connection [IBM]
AVD       Alternating Voice and Data
AVG       Average
AVI       Audio Video Interleave [Microsoft]
AVL       AVL Tree (named after its founders:
          Adelson, Veiskii and Landis
AVP       Attribute-Value Pair
AVR       Automatic Voice Recognition
AVT       Applied Voice Technology
AVVID     Architecture for Voice Video & Integrated Data [Cisco]
AWE       Advanced Wave Effects [Creative Lab]
AWG       American Wire Gage
AWK       (Unix language named after its authors...
          Al Aho, Peter Weinberger and Brian Kernighan)
AWS       Advanced Workstations and Systems (group) [IBM]
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AWT        Abstract Window Toolkit [Java]
AX         Architecture Extended + Automatic Transmission
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B...

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BA          Bell Atlantic (company)
BACP        Bandwidth Allocation Control Protocol
BAK         Binary Adaptation Kit [Microsoft]
.BAK        Backup (file name extension)
BAL         Basic Assembly Language
BALUN       Balanced Unbalanced (device)
BAM         Boyan Action Module
BAPI        Business Application Programming Interface [SAP]
BARTS       Bell Atlantic Regional Timesharing
.BAS        Basic Language (file name extension)
BASH        Bourne Again Shell [Unix]
BASIC       Beginner's All-purpose Symbolic Instruction Code
BASM        Built-In Assembler
BAT         Block Address Translation
.BAT        Batch Processing (file name extension)
B2B         Business-To-Business
BBS         Bulletin Board System
B2C         Business To Consumer
BCC         Block Check Character
BCC:        Blind Carbon Copy
BCD         Binary Coded Decimal
B-CHANNEL   Bearer Channel
BCL         Base Class Libraries + Batch Command Language
BCN         Beacon
BCNF        Boyce-Codd Normal Form
BCP         Best Current Practice + Bulk Copy Program
BCPL        Basic Computer Programming Language
BCR         Byte Count Register
BCS         Bar Code Sorter
BDA         Bios Data Area
BDC         Backup Domain Controller
BDE         Borland Database Engine [Borland]
BDLS        Bidirectional Loop Switching
BDOS        Basic Disk Operating System
BDR         Bus Device Request
BDSL        (See DSL)
BE          Below or Equal
B2E         Business To Employees
BECN        Backward Explicit Congestion Notification
BEDO        Burst Extended Data Out
BEEP        Blocks Extensible Exchange Protocol
BEL         Bell
BELLCORE    Bell Communications Research
BER         Basic Encoding Rules + Bit Error Rate
BERT        Bit Error Rate Test/Tester
BF          Bad Flag
B/F         Background/Foreground
.BFC        Briefcase (file name extension) [Microsoft]
BFF         Binary File Format [IBM]
BFT         Binary File Transfer
BFTP        Batch FTP
BGA         Ball Grid Array
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BGCOLOR    Background Color [HTML]
BGE        Branch if Greater or Equal
.BGI       Borland Graphic Interface (file name extension)
BGP        Border Gateway Protocol
BGT        Branch if Greater Than
BHI        Branch if Higher
BHIS       Branch if Higher or Same
BHO        Browser Helper Object [Spybot]
BI         Binary Input
.BIB       Bibliography (file name extension)
BiDi       Bi-Directional
BIFET      Bipolar Field Effect Transistor
BIFF       Binary Interchange File Format
BIM        Beginning of Information Marker
.BIN       Binary (file name extension)
BINAC    * Binary Automatic Computer
BIND       Berkeley Internet Name Domain
BINHEX     Binary Hexadecimal
BIOS       Basic Input/Output System
BIS        Business Information System
BISDN      Broadband Integrated Services Digital Network
BIST       Built-In Self-Test
BiSYNC     (See BSYNC)
BIT        Binary Digit
BITNET     Because It's Time Network
BITNIC     Bitnet Network Information Center
BIU        Bus Interface Unit
BIW        Business Intelligence Warehouse [SAP]
BIX        Byte Information Exchange (BBS)
.BIZ       Businesses (Domain Name) [Internet]
.BK!       Backup (file name extension) [WordPerfect]
.B~K       Backup (file name extension)
BKSP       Backspace
BL         Backlit + Bit Line
BLAST      Bell Labs Layered Space Time +
           Blocked Asynchronous Transmission (protocol)
           [Communications Research Group]
.BLD       BASIC Bload Graphics (file name extension)
BLE        Branch if Less or Equal
BLER       Block Error
BLI        Business Logic Integration [Microsoft]
BLK        Block
BLMC       Buried Logic Macrocell
BLOB       Binary Large Object
BLOG       Web Log
BLOS       Branch if Lower Or Same
BMI        Branch if Minus
BMIC       BusMaster Interface Controller [Intel]
BMP        Basic Mapping Support + Basic Multilingual Plane +
           Batch Message Processing Program
.BMP       Bitmap (file name extension) [Paintbrush Format]
BNC        Bayonet Neill-Concelman (connector used with
           coaxial cable invented by Mr. Neill-Concelman) +
           British Naval Connector
BNE        Branch if Not Equal
BNF        Backus-Naur Form (also Backus-Normal Form) [developed by
           John Backus and Peter Naur]
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BNS        Backbone Network Service
BO         Binary Output
BOA        Basic Object Adapter
BOB        Break-out Box
BOC        Basic Operator Console
BOF        Beginning Of File
BOM        Basic Online Memory [IBM] + Beginning Of Message
BOND       Bandwidth On Demand
BOOTP      Bootstrap Protocol [Internet]
BOPS       Billion Operations Per Second
BORPQU     Borland Pro Quattro
BORQU      Borland Quattro
BOS        Basic Operating System
BOT        Beginning Of Table + Beginning of Tape + Robot
BP         Base Pointer
BPB        BIOS Parameter Block
BPDU       Bridge Protocol Data Unit
           Berkeley Packet Filter
BPI        Bits Per Inch
BPL        Branch If Plus + Broadband Over Power Lines
BPM        Business Process Management [Microsoft]
BPP        Bits Per Pixel
BPR        Business Process Re-engineering [Linux]
BPS        Bits Per Second + Bytes Per Second
BPSK       Binary Phase Shift Keying
BR         Bad Register
BRGC       Binary Reflected Gray Code
BRI        Basic Rate Interface + Brain Response Interface
BS         Backspace
BSAM       Basic Sequential Access Method
BSC        Base Station Controller + Binary Synchronous Communication
.BSC       Boyan Script (file name extension) [Boyan Communications]
BSCS       Bachelor of Science (Degree) in Computer Science
BSD        Berkely Software/Standard Distribution
BSF        Bit Scan Forward
BSI        British Standards Institute
BSM        Basic Storage Module [IBM]
BSP        Bulk Synchronous Parallelism
BSR        Bit Scan Reverse
BS-RAM     Burst Static RAM
BSS        Block Started by Symbol
BST        Binary Search Tree
BSY        Busy
BSYNC      Binary Synchronous Communications (protocol)
BT         Bit Test
BTAM       Basic Telecommunications Access Method [IBM]
BTB        Branch Target Buffer
BTC        Bit Test and Complement
BTI        Business Type Identifier
BTOA       Binary To ASCII
BTP        Batch Transfer Program
BTR        Bit Test and Reset
BTS        Base Transceiver Station + Bit Test and Set
BU         Branch Unit
BUBL       Bulletin Board for Libraries [Janet]
BUF        Buffer
BUS        Broadcast and Unknown Server
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BVH        Base Video Handler
BWM        Block-Write Mode
B2X        Binary To Hexadecimal [REXX]
BYTE       Binary Element String
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C...

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C          C Programming Language
.C         C source code (file name extension) [C]
CA         Certification Authority + Collision Avoidance
CAB        Compressed Application Binary [Microsoft]
.CAB       Cabinet (file name extension) [Microsoft]
CACLS      Command-Line Access Control Lists [Microsoft]
CAD        Computer Aided Design
CADD       Computer Aided Design and Drafting
CADE       Client/server Application Development Environment
CAE        Client Application Enabler + Common Applications
           Environment + Computer Aided Engineering
CAEN       Chemically Assembled Electronic Nanocomputer
CAEX       Computer Aided Exploration
CAG        Column Address Generator
CAI        Computer Aided Instruction
CAIRN      Collaborative Advanced Interagency Research Network
CAL        Calendar + Client Access License +
           Computer Aided Learning
CALS       Computer-Aided Acquisition in Logistic Support
CAM        Common Access Method + Computer Aided Manufacturing +
           Contents Addressable Memory
CAN        Cancel + Controller Area Network
CANBUS     Conroller Area Network Bus
CAP        Carrierless Amplitude and Phase-Modulation +
           Central Arbitration Point +
           Communication Application Platform +
           Competitive Access Provider +
           Computer Aided Publishing
.CAP       Capture (file name extension)
CAPD       Computing To Assist Persons With Disabilities [Johns
           Hopkins University]
CAPE       Concurrent Art-to-Product Environment
CAPS       Capitals (Upper Case Letters) +
           Cassette Programming System
CAPTCHA    Completely Automatic Public Turing Test To Tell
           Computers and Humans Apart
CAR        Committed Access Rate [Cisco]
CARL       Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries [Internet]
CART       Computer-Assisted Radar Tomography
CAS        Column Address Select/Strobe +
           Communications Application Specification +
           Computer Aided Styling
CASE       Computer Aided Software Engineering
CASL       Crosstalk Application Scripting Language [DCA]
CASS       Computer Assisted Search Service
CASSIS     Classified and Search Support Information System
CAT        Computer Adaptive Test + Computer Aided Testing +
           Computer Aided Tomography +
           Computer Aided Transcription + Concatenate
.CAT       Catalog (file name extension)
CATS       Computer Assisted Training System
CAT5E      (Cat 5e) Category 5e (cables)
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CAT SCAN   Computerized Axial Tomography Scan
CATV       Community Antenna Television (this was the original
           name for what is now known as Cable TV)
CAU        Controlled Access Unit
CAV        Constant Angular Velocity
CAVE       Computer Automatic Virtual Environment
CBC        Cipher Block Chaining
CBCR       Channel Byte Count Register
CBDS       Connectionless Broadband Data Service
CBEMA      Computer and Business Equipment
           Manufacturers Association
CBGA       Ceramic Ball Grid Array
CBI        Computer Based Instruction\Instrumentation
CBL        Computer Based Learning
.CBL       COBOL source code (file name extension)
CBMS       Computer-Based Mail System
CBN        Community Based Networks
CBR        Case Based Reasoning + Constant Bit Rate
CBT        Computer Based Training
CBW        Convert Byte to Word
CBX        Computer-Controlled Branch Exchange
CC         Cluster Controller
CC:        Carbon Copy
CCD        Charged-Coupled Device
CCFT       Cold Cathode Fluorescent Tube
CCI        Common Client Interface + Copy Control Information
CCIE       Cisco Certified Internetwork Expert [Cisco]
CCITT      Comite Consultatif International Telegraphique et
           Telephonique/ Consultative Committee for International
           Telegraph and Telephone
CCL        Connection/Cursor Control Language
CCM        Corba Component Mode
CCNA       Cisco Certified Network Associate
CCNP       Cisco Certified Network Professional
CCP        Certified Computing Professional +
           Console Command Processor
CC/PP      Composite Capabilities/Preference Profile
CCS        Common Command Set + Common Communications Services +
           Common Communications Support +
           Continuous Composite Servo + Cryptographic Checksum
.CCS       Color Calibration System (file name extension)
CCSIS      Coded Character Set ID
CCSD       Cellular Circuit-Switched Data
CCTLD      Country Code Top-Level Domain
CD         Carrier Detect + Change Directory +
           Collision Detection + Color Display + Compact Disk
C/D        Control Data
C2D        Character To Decimal [REXX]
CDA        Compound Document Architecture [DEC]
.CDA       CD Audio-Track (file name extension)
CDBT       Compact Disk-Based Training
CDC        Connected Device Configuration +
           Control Data Corporation
CD_CHRDY   Card Channel Ready [IBM]
CD-DA      Compact Disk - Digital Audio
CDDI       Copper Distributed Data Interface
CDE        Common Desktop Environment + Complex Data Entry
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CD-E        Compact Disk - Erasable
CDF         Channel Definition Format
.CDF        Comma Delimited Format (file name extension)
CDFS        Compact Disc File System [Microsoft]
CD+G        Compact Disk plus Graphics
CD-I        Compact Disk - Interactive
CDIA        Certified Document Imaging Architect
CDL         Computer Design Language
CDMA        Code Division Multiple Access
CDMF        Commercial Data Masking Facility [IBM]
CD-MO       Compact Disk - Magneto Optical
CDO         Collaboration Data Objects [Microsoft]
CDOS        Concurrent Disk Operating System
CDP       * Certificate In Data Processing (First certification
            for Computer Professionals)
CDPD        Cellular Digital Packet Data
CDR         Call Detail Record + Call Detail Recording +
            Common Data Representation
.CDR        CorelDRAW (file name extension) [Corel]
CD-R        Compact Disk - Recordable
CD-RAM      Cached RAM
CD-RDX      Compact Disk - Read Only Memory Data Exchange Standard
CDRL        Contract Data Requirements List
CD-ROM      Compact Disk - Read Only Memory
CD-ROM-XA   CD-ROM Extended Architecture
CD-RTOS     Compact Disk - Real Time Operating System
CD-RW       Compact Disk - Rewritable
CDS         Current Directory Structure
CDSA        Common Data Security Architecture
CDSL        (See DSL)
.CDT        Corel Draw Template (file name extension)
CD-V        Compact Disk - Video
CD-WO       Compact Disk - Write Once
.CDX        Compound Index (file name extension) [Fox Pro]
CD-XA       Compact Disk - Extended Architecture
CE          Cache Enable + Chip Enable + Collision Elimination +
            Consumer Elecronics + Convert Enable
CEB         Conditional End Bracket
CEC         Certified E-Commerce Consultant
CEG         Continuous Edge Graphics
CEI         Conducted Electromagnetic Interference
CELP        Card Edge Low Profile (socket) [Intel]
CEMS        Constituent Electronic Mail System
CEOP        Conditional End Of Page
CER         Canonical Encoding Rules
CERN        The European Particle Physics Laboratory (initials
            originally from Conseil Europeen pour la Recherche
            Nucleaire)
CERT        Computer Emergency Response Team
CFB         Cipher Feedback + Configurable Function Block
.CFG        Configuration (file name extension)
CFM         Code Fragment Manager [Macintosh] +
            Cubic Feet Per Minute
CFML        ColdFusion Markup Language
CFP         Call For Proposal
CFR         Computerized Facial Recognition
CFS         Caching/Common File System
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CFV       Call For Votes [Bitnet]
CG        Control Gate
CGA       Color Graphics Adapter
CGE       Common Graphics Environment
CGI       Computer Generated Images + Computer Graphics Interface
CGI-BIN   Common Gateway Interface - Binary
.CGM      Computer Graphics Metafile (file name extension) +
          Graph (file name extension) [Lotus 1-2-3] [LDC]
CGMS      Copy Generation Management System
CGS       Continuous-Grain Silicon
CHAP      Challenge-Handshake Authentication Protocol
CHAR      Character
CHAT      Conversational Hypertext Access Technology [Internet]
CHCK      Channel Check
CHCP      Change Code Page
CHDIR     Change Directory
CHFN      Change Finger [Unix]
CHGRP     Change Group
CHIPS     Clearinghouse Interbank Payments System
.CHK      CHKDSK (file name extension)
CHKDSK    Check Disk
CHMOD     Change Mode
CHOWN     Change Owner
CHP       Chapter
CHR       Character
CHRP      Common Hardware Reference Platform
CHS       Cylinder Head Sector
CHTML     Compact/Compressed HTML
CI        Component Interface
CIA       Current Instruction Address
CIAC      Computer Incident Advisory Capability
CICS/VS   Customer Information Control System/
          Virtual Storage [IBM]
CID       Charge-Injection Device +
          Configuration/Installation/Distribution
CIDR      Classless Inter-Domain Routing
CIF       Common Interchange/Intermediate Format +
          Crystallographic Information File +
          Customer Information Feed
CIFS      Common Internet File System
CIL       Common Intermediate Language [ECMA]
CIM       Common Information Model +
          CompuServe Information Manager +
          Computer Integrated Manufacturing
CIO       Chief Information Officer
CIOCS     Communication Input/Output Control System
CIP       Command Interface Port + Common Indexing Protocol
CIR       Committed Information Rate
CIRC      Circular Reference +
          Cross-Interleaved Reed-Solomon Code
CIS       Card Information Structure + Client Information System +
          CompuServe Information Service +
          Computer Information Systems + Contact Image Sensor +
          Customer Information System
CISC      Complex Instruction Set Computing
CIT       Computer-Integrated Telephony
CIVR      Computer and Interactive Voice Response
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CIW         Certified Internet Webmaster
CIX         Commercial Internet Exchange +
            Compulink Information Exchange
CJLI        Command Job Language Interpreter
CKD         Count Key Data (device)
CLAR        Channel Local Address Register
CLASS       Client Access to Systems and Services +
            Cooperative Library Agency for Systems and Services +
            Custom Local-Area Signaling Services
CLC         Clear Carry Flag
CLD         Clear Direction Flag
CLDC        Connected Limited Device Configuration
CLEC        Competitive Local Exchange Carrier
CLI         Call-Level Interface + Clear Interrupt Flag +
            Client Library Interface + Command Line Interface +
            Common Language Infrastructure/Interface
CLIB        C Library
CLID        Calling Line Identification
CLIST       Command List
CLK         Clock
CLNP        Connectionless Network Protocol
CLOS        Common Lisp Object System
CLP         Cell Loss Priority + Constraint Logic Programming
.CLP        Clipboard (file name extension) [Microsoft]
CLR         Common Language Runtime [Microsoft]
CLS         Clear Screen + Common Language Support
CLSID       Class Identifier
CLTP        Connectionless Transport Protocol
CLTS        Clear Task Switch Flag
CLTV        Constant Linear Time Velocity
CLUI        Command Line User Interface
CLUT        Color Look-Up Table
CLV         Constant Linear Velocity
CM          Centimeter + Control Mark + Corrective Maintenance
CMA         Concert Multi-thread Architecture
CMAK        Connection Manager Administration Kit [Microsoft]
CMC         Common Mail Calls + Common Messaging Calls +
            Communication Management Configuration +
            Complement Carry Flag +
            Computer-Mediated Communication [Internet]
CMD         Circuit Mode Data
.CMD        Command (file name extension)
CMF         Creative Music Format
CNIDR       Clearinghouse for Network Information and
            Discovery and Retrieval [Internet]
CMIP        Common Management Information Protocol
CMIS        Common Management Information Services/System
CML         Chemical Markup Language + Conceptual Modelling Language +
            Computer Managed Learning + Current Mode Logic
CMM         Capability Maturity Model
CMMS        Computerized Maintenance Management Software
CMMU        Cache/Memory Management Unit [Motorola]
CMOS        Coats-Mellon Operational Specification +
            Complementary Metal-Oxide Semiconductor
CMOV        Conditional Move
CMP         Compare + Computer
CMPS        Compare Word String
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CMS         Call Management Server + Code Management System +
            Compiler Monitor System + Conversation Monitor System
CMTS        Cable Modem Termination System
CMVC        Configuration Management Version Control [IBM]
CMW         Compartmented Mode Workstation
CMY         Cyan-Magenta-Yellow (color model)
CMYK        Cyan-Magenta-Yellow-Black (color model)
CNA         Certified NetWare/Network Administrator
CNAPS       Co-Processing Node Architecture for Parallel Systems
CNC         Computerized Numerical Control
CNE         Certified NetWare Engineer
.CNF        Configuration (file name extension)
CNG         Calling (tone)
CNI         Certified Novell Instructor [Novell]
CNIDR       Clearinghouse for Networked Information and
            Discovery and Retrieval [Internet]
CNN         Composite Network Node
CNR         Carrier to Noise Ratio + Communication Network Riser
CNSS        Core Nodal Switching Subsystem [Internet]
CNT         Carbon Nanotube
.CNT        Contents (file name extension)
CNV         Conventional (pertaining to Memory)
CNVT        Convert
CNX         Certified Network Expert
CO          Central Office + Command Output + Convert Out
COAST       Card On A Stick (module)
COAX        Coaxial Cable
COB         Chip-On-Board
.COB        COBOL source code (file name extension)
COBOL       Common Business-oriented Language (See HLL)
.COD        Code List (file name extension)
CODASYL *   Conference on Data System Languages (Group that
            designed COBOL)
CODE        Client-Server Open Development Environment
CODEC       Coder/Decoder + Compression/Decompression
COE         Common Operating Environment
COEM        Commercial Original Equipment Manufacturer
COFF        Common Object File Format [Unix]
COGO        Coordinate Geometry (Programming Language)
COL         Collision + Computer Oriented Language
COLD        Computer Output to Laser Disk
COLL        Collision
COM         Component Object Model [Microsoft] +
            Computer Output Microfilm
.COM        Command (file name extension) +
            Commercial Business (Domain Name) [Internet]
COM1        First serial Port (asynchronous port)
COM2        Second serial Port
COM3        Third serial Port
COM4        Fourth serial Port
COMDEX      Computer Dealers Exposition
COMET       Cornell Macintosh Terminal Emulator
COMM        Communications
COMMAT      In Morse Code (.--.-.)(dot dash dash dot dash dot),
            name of the sign to denote the Commercial At symbol "@".
            (Adopted by the ITU in December 2003)
COMP        Compare
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COMP.      Computers [USENET Newsgroup Category]
COMSAT     Communications Satellite Corporation
CON        Console (includes Keyboard and Screen)
COND       Condition
CONFIG     Configuration
CONS       Connection-Oriented Network Service
CONTONE    Continuous Tone
.COOP      Cooperatives-Business (Domain Name) [Internet]
COPICS     Communications Oriented Production Information
           and Control System [IBM]
COR        Common Object Runtime
CORBA      Common Object Request Broker Architecture
COREN      Corporation for Research and Enterprise Network
COS        Compatible Operating System +
           Customer Order Specification [Kodak/Fuji]
COSE       Combined Office Standard Environment +
           Common Open Software/Systems Environment
COSMIC     Computer Software Management and Information
           Center [NASA]
COSMOS     Computer System for Mainframe Operations
COSS       Common Object Services Specification
COTS       Commercial Off-The-Shelf (software)
CP         Copy Protected
CPA        Certified Public Accountant + Cost Per Action
CPAN       Comprehensive Perl Archive Network
CPC        Constant Point Calculation + Cost Per Click
CPCS       Check Processing Control System [IBM]
CPE        Central Processing Element +
           Customer Premises Equipment +
           Customer Provided Equipment
.CPE       Cover Page (file name extension)
CPFR       Collaborative Planning, Forecasting and Replenishment
CPG        Clock Pulse Generator
CPI        Characters Per Inch + Clock Per Instruction +
           Common Programming Interface [IBM]
.CPI       Code Page Information (file name extension) [MS-DOS]
CPI-C      Common Programming Interface for Communications [IBM]
CPIO       Copy In and Out [Unix]
CPL        Current Privilege Level
.CPL       Control Panel (file name extension)
CPLD       Complex Programmable Logic Device
CPM        Critical Path Method + Cryptography Provider Manager
CP/M       Control Program for Microcomputers [Digital Research]
CPO        Chief Privacy Officer
CPRM       Content Protection for Recordable Media
CPS        Certification Practice Statement +
           Characters Per Second + Cycles Per Second
CPT        Command Pass Through
CPU        Central Processing Unit
CPW        Commercial Processing Workload [IBM]
CR         Carriage Return
CRAM       Challenge-Response Authentication Mechanism +
           Cyberspatial Reality Advancement Movement
CRAYON     Create Your Own Newspaper
CRC        Cyclic Redundancy Check
.CRD       Cardfile (file name extension) +
           Chord (music file name extension)
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CREN        Computer Research Education Network +
            Corporation for Research and Education Networking
CRF         Cable Retransmission Facility + Cross Reference File
CRI         Color Reproduction Indices
CRISP       C Reduced Instruction Set Processor [AT&T Bell Labs]
CRL         Certificate Revocation List
CR/LF       Carriage Return/Line Feed
CRM         Customer Relationship Management
CROM        Control Read Only Memory
CRT         Cathode Ray Tube
CRTC        CRT Controller
CRUD        Create, Retrieve, Update, Delete
CS          Chip Select + Clear to Send + Code Segment
C/S         Client/Server
CSA         Calendaring and Scheduling API [IBM]
CSAR        Channel System Address Register
CSCW        Computer Supported Cooperative Work
CSD         Circuit-Switched Data +
            Computer Services Department +
            Corrective Service Diskette [IBM]
CSDS        Circuit Switched Data Service
CSE         Certified System Engineer
CSFI        Communication Subsystem For Interconnection
CSG         Constructive Solid Geometry +
            Consulting Services Group [Lotus]
CSI         Code Sequence Identification +
            Command Sequence Introducer +
            CompuServe Incorporated
CSID        Called Subscriber Identification
CSL         Computer Sensitive Language
CSLIP       Compressed Serial Line Interface Protocol [Internet]
CSM         Code Set Map (file) + Communications Services Manager +
            Control Strip Module [Macintosh]
CSMA/CA     Carrier Sense Multiple Access/with Collision Avoidance
CSMA/CD     Carrier Sense Multiple Access/with Collision Detection
CSMS        Customer Support Management System
CSN         Card-Select Number
CSNET       Computer Science Network
CSO         Central Services Organization
CSP         Certified Systems Professional +
            Chip-Scale Packaging +
            Commercial Service Provider +
            Commercial Subroutine Package +
            CompuCom Speed Protocol [CompuCom] +
            Communicating Sequential Processes +
            Cross System Product [IBM]
CSPDN       Circuit Switched Public Data Network
CSRAM       Custom Static RAM
CSS       * Continuous System Simulator (Language)
CSS         Cascading Style Sheet [Microsoft] +
            Contact Start-Stop + Content Scrambling System
CSSM        Client-Server Systems Management [IBM]
CS/SS       Card Service/Socket Service
CSTA        Computer-Supported Telephony Applications
CSU         Channel Service/Switching Unit
CSV         Circuit-Switched Voice +
            Comma-Separated Value/Variable +
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               Common Services Verbs (interface) [Microsoft]
C2T            Cable Changing Technology
C&T            Chips and Technologies
CTB            Cipher Type Byte
CTC            Channel To Channel + Counter/Timer Chip
CTCP           Client-To-Client Protocol
CTI            Computer-Telephony Integration
CTL            Complex Text Layout
CTOS           Cassette Tape Operating System +
               Computerized Tomography Operating System +
               Convergent Technologies Operating System
CTPA           Coax-to-Twisted-Pair Adapter
CTRCO      *   Calculating,Tabulating,Recording Company (The name of
               this company was changed to "International Business
               Machines" by Thomas J. Watson, Sr.)
CTRL           Control
CTS            Clear To Send + Computer Telephony Solution [IBM] +
               Customer Telephone System
CTSS       *   Compatible Time Sharing System
CUA            Common User Access [IBM]
CUB            Cursor Backward
CUD            Cursor Down
CUE            Custom Updates and Extras (card) [Egghead Software]
CUF            Cursor Forward
CUI            Character-Oriented User Interface +
               Common User Interface [IBM]
CUP            Cursor Position
CUPID          Completely Universal Processor I/O Design [AST]
.CUR           Cursor (file name extension)
CUSIP          Committee for Uniform Security Identification
               Procedures [U.S. Treasury]
CUT            Control Unit Terminal
CUTE           Clarkston University Terminal Emulator
CUU            Cursor Up
CVE            Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures [US-CERT]
CVF            Compressed Volume File
CVGA           Color Video Graphics Array
CVIA           Computer Virus Industry Association
CVS            Computer Vision Syndrome + Concurrent Versions System
CVT            Convert
CVW            CodeView for Windows
CWA            Competitive Web Analysis
CWD            Convert Word to Double Word +
               Change Working Directory [Internet]
CWIS           Campus Wide Information Service/System [Internet] +
               Community Wide Information Service/System [Internet]
C2X            Character To Hexadecimal [REXX]
CXML           Commerce Extensible Markup Language
CYL            Cylinder
CYMK           Cyan-Yellow-Magenta-Black (color model)
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D/A       Digital to Analog
DAA       Data Access Arrangement +
          Decimal Adjust for Addition
DAB       Digital Audio Broadcasting
DAC       Data Acquisition and Control + Device Access Code +
          Digital to Analog Converter +
          Dual Attachment Concentrator
DACL      Discretionary Access Control List
DACTLU    Deactive Logical Unit
DAD       Desktop Application Director [Borland]
DAE       Digital Audio Extraction
DAF       Destination Address Field
DAI       Distributed Artificial Intelligence
DAL       Data Access Language [Apple Computer] +
          Data Access Layer + Disk Access Lockout
DAM       Data Acquisition and Monitoring
DAMA      Demand Assigned Multiple Access
DAMPS     Digital AMPS
DAO       Data Access Object [Microsoft] + Disk At Once
DAP       Data/Directory Access Protocol +
          Developer Assistance Program +
          Dynamic Application Partitioning [IBM]
DAPIE     Developers Application Programming Interface Extensions
DARI      Database Application Remote Interface [IBM]
DARMS     Digital Alternate Realization of Musical Symbols
DART      Digital Audio Reconstruction Technology
DAS       Decimal Adjust for Subtraction +
          Dual-Attached Station
DASD      Direct Access Storage Device [IBM]
DAT       Digital Audio Tape + Disk Array Technology
.DAT      Data (file name extension)
DATACOM   Data Communications
DAV       Digital Audio-Video +
          Distributed Authoring and Versioning
DAVIC     Digital Audio-Visual Council
dB        Decibel
DB        Data Base + Data Buffer + Device Bay
dBA       Adjusted Decibel
.dba      Date Book Archive (file name extension) [Palm]
DBBS      Dynamic Bass Boot System
DBC       Device Bay Controller
DBCS      Delivery Bar Code Sorter + Double-Byte Character Set
.DBF      Database Format (file name extension)
DBIS      Dun & Bradstreet Information Services
.DBK      Docbook (format) (file name extension)
dBm       Decibels to a Milliwatt
DBM       Data Base Manager
DBMS      Data Base Management System
DBR       DOS Boot Record
DBS       Data Base Server +
          Direct (to home) Broadcast (satellite) System
DBV       Digital Broadcast Video
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DBWR        Database Writer [Oracle]
DB2         Database 2
DC          Data Collection + Data Communication + Data Control +
            Device Control + Direct Current
D2C         Decimal To Character [REXX]
DCA         Digital Communications Associates +
            Document Content Architecture [IBM]
DCAF        Distributed Console Access Facility [IBM]
DCAM        Digital Camera + Direct Chip Attach Module
DCB         Device Control Block + Disk Coprocessor Board [Novell]
DCC         Data Country Code + Digital Command Control +
            Digital Compact Cassette + Direct Cable/Client Connection
            + Display Combination Code
DCD         Data Carrier Detect
DCE         Data Circuit-Terminating Equipment +
            Data Communications Equipment +
            Distributed Computing Environment [OSF] +
            Distributed Computing Equipment
DCED        Distributed Computing Environment Daemon
DCF         Data Communication Facility [IBM] +
            Data Compression Facility +
            Data Count Field [IBM] +
            Design Rule for Camera File Systems +
            Driver Configuration File [Lotus]
D-CHANNEL   Data Channel
DCI         Digital Camera Images + Display Control Interface
DCL         Data Control Language + Declaration +
            DEC Command Language [DEC] +
            Device Clear + Digital Control Logic +
            Digital Command Language [Digital]
DCML        Dynamic Configuration Markup Language
DCOM        Distributed Component Object Model
DCP         Device Control Protocol +
            Digital Light Processing [TI]
DCS         Data Collection System + Data Control System +
            Desktop Color Separation + Distributed Control System
DCT         Discrete Cosine Transform
.DCT        Dictionary (file name extension)
DCU         Data-Cache Unit
DD          Day + Digital Display + Double Density
DDA         Distributed Data Access + Domain-Defined Attribute
DDB         Device Dependent Bitmap + Device Descriptor Block
DDC         Digital Data Channel [VESA] + Display Data Channel
DDCMP       Digital Data Communications Message Protocol [DEC]
DDC1        Display Data Channel One
DDCS        Distributed Database Connection Services [IBM]
DDD         Direct Distance Dialing
DDE         Direct Data Entry + Dynamic Data Exchange [Microsoft]
DDEML       Dynamic Data Exchange Manager Library [Microsoft]
DDF         Display Data Channel + Dynamic Data Formatting [IBM]
DDI         Device Driver Interface +
            Digital Document Interchange + Direct Dial In
DDK         Device Driver Kit [Microsoft Windows]
DDL         Data Definition Language + Data Description Language
DDM         Distributed Data Management
DDN         Defense Data Network
DDNS        Dynamic Domain Naming System
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DDOS       Distributed Denial Of Service
DDP        Datagram Delivery Protocol +
           Distributed Data Processing
DDR        Dynamic Document Review [Symantec]
DDR-SDRAM  Double Data Rate-SDRAM
DDS        Data Description Specification +
           Digital Dataphone Service [AT&T] + Design Data Sheet +
           Digital Data Storage + Distributed Database Services
DDX        Digital Data Exchange
DE         Device End
DEA        Data Encryption Algorithm + Disposable Email Address
DEC        Decrement + Device Clear + Digital Equipment Corporation
DECNET     Digital Equipment Corporation Networking (protocol)
DEF        Desktop Functional Equivalent [Compaq]
.DEF       Definitions + Defaults (file name extensions)
DEFRAG     Defragment
DEK        Data Encryption Key
DEL        Delete
DELSTR     Delete String [REXX]
.DEM       Demonstration (file name extension)
DEN        Directory Enabled Network +
           Document Enabled Networking [Novell-Xerox]
DEP        Data Execution Protection [Microsoft]
DER        Distinguished Encoding Rules
DES        Data Encryption Standard + Data Entry Sheet
.DES       Description (file name extension)
DET        Device Execute Trigger
DEV        Device
DF         Data Field + Default + Destination Field +
           Device Flag + Double Flag
DFC        Data Flow Control
DFD        Data Flow Diagram
DFDR       Digital Flight Data Recorder
DFM        Design For Manufacturability [IBM]
DFP        Digital Flat Panel
DFS        Distributed File System
DFSMS      Data Facility Storage Management Subsystem [IBM]
DFT        Design For Testability + Diagnostic Function Test +
           Discrete Fourier Transform +
           Distributed Function Terminal
DFU        Data File Utility
DGIS       Direct Graphics Interface Standard
DHCP       Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
DHL        Dynamic Head Loading
.DHP       Dr. Halo PIC (file name extension)
DHTML      Dynamic HTML
DI         Data In + Destination Index
DIA        Document Interchange Architecture [IBM]
DIAD       Delivery Information Acquisition Device [UPS]
DIB        Device Independent Bitmap +
           Directory Information Base +
           Dual Independent Bus [Intel]
DIBOL      DEC Business Oriented Language
.DIC       Dictionary (file name extension)
DICOM      Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine
DID        Direct Inward Dialing
DIDS       Distributed Intrusion Detection System
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DIF        Data Interchange Format
DIFFSENS   Differential Sense
DIIP       Direct Interrupt Identification Port
DILA       Direct-Drive Image Light Amplifier
DIME       Direct Internet Message Encapsulation
DIMM       Dual In-Line Memory Module
DIN        Deutsche Industrie Norm (German equivalent of EIA)
DIO        Data Input-Output
DIP        Dialup Internet Protocol [Internet] +
           Digital Imaging Processing +
           Dual In-line Package + Dual In-line Pin
DIR        Directory (file)
DIS        Distributed Interactive Simulation +
           Draft International Standard +
           Dynamic Impedance Stabilization [CompuCom]
DISA       Data Interchange Standards Association +
           Direct Inward System Access
DISP       Displacement (offset)
DIST       Digital Image Scaling Technology
DIT        Directory Information Tree
DIV        Divide
DIVE       Direct Interface Video Extension [OS/2 Warp]
DIVX       Digital Video Express
DIW        D-Inside Wire [AT&T]
DIX        Digital-Intel-Xerox (Original Ethernet Standard)
.DIZ       Description In Zip (file name extension)
DL         Download (also D/L)
DL/1       Data Manipulation Language 1 [IBM]
DLB        Dynamic Load Balancing
DLC        Data Link Control (protocol) [IBM] +
           Distributed Loop Carrier
DLCI       Data Link Connection Identifier
DLD        Display List Driver
DLE        Data Link Escape
DLL        Dynamic Link Library
DLM        Distributed Lock Manager + Dynamic Link Module
DLP        Digital Light Processing [TI]
DLPI       Data Link Provider Interface
DLR        DOS LAN Requester
DLS        Data Link Switching [IBM] + Downloadable Sounds
DLT        Digital Linear Tape
DM         Distributed Memory
DMA        Direct Memory Access/Addressing +
           Document Management Alliance
DMAC       DMA Controller
DMACS      Distributed Manufacturing Automation & Control Software
DMD        Digital Micromirror Device [TI]
DME        Direct Memory Execution +
           Distributed Management Environment
DMF        Distribution Media Format [Microsoft]
DMI        Desktop Management Interface
DML        Data Manipulation Language +
           Dialog Markup Language [W3C]
DMM        Digital Multimeter
DMMS       Dynamic Memory Management System
DMOS       Double-diffused Metal-Oxide Semiconductor
DMP        Dot Matrix Printer
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DMPC        Distributed Memory Parallel Computer
DMPP        Distributed Memory Parallel Processor
DMQS        Display Mode Query and Set [IBM]
DMS         Data Management Software + Data/Document
            Management System
DMSD        Digital Multistandard Decoding
DMSDK       Digital Media Software Development Kit [SGI]
DMSS        Distributed Mass Storage System
DMT         Digital/Discrete Multi-Tone
DMTF        Desktop Management Task Force
DMY         Day Month Year
DMZ         Demilitarized Zone
DN          Down
DNA         Deoxyribonucleic Acid
DNC         Direct Numerical Control
DNIC        Data Network Identification Code
DNIE        Digital Natural Image Engine
DNIS        Dialed Number Identification Service
DNS         Domain Naming System
DO          Data Out + Distributed Objects
DOA         Dead On Arrival
.DOC        Document + Documentation (file name extensions)
DOCSIS      Data Over Cable-Service Interface Specification
DOCSV       Data Over Circuit-Switched Voice
DOE         Distributed Objects Environment/Everywhere
DOIP        Dial Other Internet Providers [IBM]
DO-IT       Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking and
            Technology
DOLAP       Desktop OLAP
DOM         Document Object Model [W3C]
DOMF        Distributed Object Management Facility
DOS         Denial Of Service + Disk Operating System
DOSEM       DOS Emulation
.DOT        Document Template (file name extension)
DOV         Data Over Voice
DOW         Day Of Week
DP          Data Processing + Dot Pitch
DPA         Demand Protocol Architecture [3Com] +
            Document Printing Architecture
DPAM        Demand Priority Access Method
DPAREN      Data Parity Enable [IBM]
DPB         Drive Parameter Block
DPC         Direct Program Control
DPI         Distributed Protocol Interface + Dots Per Inch
DPL         Descriptor Privilege Level
DPM         Digital Panel Meter
DPMA        Data Processing Management Association
DPMI        DOS Protected Mode Interface [Microsoft]
DPMS        Digital Power Management Signaling +
            Display Power Management Support
DPO         Data Phase Optimization
DPOF        Digital Print Order Format
DPS         Document Processing System
DPSK        Differential Phase Shift Keying
DPtoTP      Display Coordinates to Tablet Coordinates
            (converting)
DQDB        Distributed Queue Dual Bus
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DQL        Data Query Language
DR         Data Received
D/R        Direct or Reverse
DRAM       Dynamic Random Access Memory
DRAW       Direct Read After Write
DR.BOND    Dial-up Router Bandwidth On Demand [NEC]
DRDA       Distributed Relational Database
           Algorithm/Architecture [IBM]
DR-DOS     Digital Research-Disk Operating System
DRDW       Direct Read During Write
DRE        Direct Recording Electronic (voting systems)
DRI        Declarative Referential Integrity +
           Digital Research Incorporated
DRM        Digital Rights/Distributed Resource Management
DRO        Data Request Output + Destructive Read-Out
DRS        Document Registration System
.DRS       Driver Resource (file name extension) [WordPerfect]
DRV        Drive
.DRV       Device Driver (file name extension) (Also see .DVR)
.DRW       Draw + Drawing (file name extensions)
DS         Data Segment + Data Send + Data Server + Double Sided
D/S        Dhrystone Per Second
DS3        Digital Signal Level 3
DSA        Digital Signature Algorithm + Directory System Agent
DSAP       Destination Service Access Point
DSD        Direct Stream Digital [Sony-Philips]
DSDD       Double Sided, Double Density (diskette)
DSE        Data Storage Equipment
DSEA       Display Station Emulation Adapter
DSECT      Dummy Control Section
DSHD       Double Sided, High Density (diskette)
DSIG       Digital Signature
DSIS       Distributed Support Information Standard
DSL        Digital Subscriber Line
              ADSL     Asymmetric DSL
              BDSL     Broadband DSL
              CDSL     Consumer DSL [Rockwell]
              FDSL     Fixed Directory Subscriber List
              HDSL     High-Bit-Rate DSL +
                       High-Data-Rate DSL
              IDSL     Integrated Services Digital Network DSL
              RDSL     Rate-Adaptive DSL
              SDSL     Single-Line DSL +
                       Symmetric DSL
              VDSL     Very-High-Bit-Rate DSL
              VADSL    Very-High-Rate Asymmetric DSL
              VDSL     Very-High-Data-Rate DSL
DSL        Dynamic Simulation Language
DSLAM      Digital Subscriber Line Access Multiplexer
DSM        Distributed Shared Memory +
           Domain-Specific Modeling
DSMA       Digital Sense Multiple Access
DSML       Directory Services Markup Language
DSN        Data Source Name + Delivery Service Notification
DSO        Dynamic Shared Object
DSOM       Distributed System Object Model
DSP        Delivery Service Partner +
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                Digital Signal Processing/Processor +
                Digital Sound Processor +
                Directory Synchronization Protocol [Lotus]
DSPT            Display Station Pass-Thru [IBM]
DSQD            Double Sided, Quad Density (diskette)
DSR             Data Set Ready + Device Status Register +
                Device Status Report
DSS             Decision Support System + Digital Signature Standard +
                Digital Spread Spectrum + Direct Station Selector
DSSA            Domain Specific Software Architecture
DSSI            Digital Standard Systems Interconnect [DEC]
DSSS            Direct-Sequencing Spread Spectrum
DSSSL           Document Style Semantics and Specifications Language
DSTN            Double Supertwisted Nematic
DSU             Data Service/Switching Unit + Digital Service Unit
DSVD            Digital Simultaneous Voice and Data
DSW             Data Status Word + Device Status Word
DSX             Digital Signals Cross-Connect
D2T2            Dye Diffusion Thermal Transfer (printing)
DTA             Disk Transfer Area
.DTA            Data (file name extension)
DTC             Desktop Conferencing
DTCP            Digital Transmission Copy Protection
                [Hitachi, Intel, Panasonic, Sony, Toshiba]
DTD             Document Type Definition
DTE             Data Terminal Equipment + Dumb Terminal Emulator
DTF             Distributed Test Facility
DTL             Dialogue Tag Language [IBM] + Diode-Transistor Logic
DTM             Digital Terrain Mapping
DTMF            Data Tone Multiple Frequency + Dual Tone Multifrequency
DTP             Desktop Publishing + Distributed Transaction Process
DTR             Data Terminal Ready + Data Transfer Rate
DTS             Digital Theatre Systems + Digital Transceiving System
                Distributed Traffic Shaping [Cisco]
DTSS            Dartmouth Time Sharing System
DTV             Desktop Video + Digital Television
DTVC            Desktop Video Conferencing
DU              Disk Usage
DUA             Directory User Agent
DUAT            Direct User Access Terminal
DUN             Dial-Up Networking [Microsoft]
DUNCE           Dial Up Network Connection Enhancement
DV              Digital Video
.DV             DESQview Script (file name extension)
DVC             Desktop Video Conferencing + Digital Video Camera +
                Dual Voice Coil
DVD             Digital Video Disk
DVD-A           Digital Video Disk-Audio
DVD-AR          Digital Video Disk-Audio Recording
DVD-R           Digital Video Disk-Recordable
DVD-RAM         Digital Versatile Disc-RAM
DVD-ROM         Digital Versatile Disc-ROM
DVD-SR          Digital Video Disk-Stream Recording
DVD-VR          Digital Video Disk-Video Recording
DVE             Digital Video Effect
DVI             Digital Video Interactive + Digital Visual Interface
.DVI            Device Independent (file name extension)
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DVM        Digital Volt Meter
DVMRP      Distance Vector Multicast Routing Protocol [Internet]
DVOF       Digital Video Over Fiber
DVR        Digital Video/Voice Recorder
.DVR       Device Driver (file name extension) (Also see .DRV)
DW         Data Warehousing
DWDM       Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexer
DWG        Drawing
DWMT       Discrete Wavelet Multitone
DWT        Discrete Wavelet Transform
D2X        Decimal To Hexadecimal [REXX]
.DXB       Drawing Interchange Binary (file name extension)
           [AutoCAD]
DXC        Data Exchange Control
DXF        Data Exchange File + Drawing Exchange Format
DXI        Data Exchange Interface
DYNSLT     Dynamic Select [IBM]
DYNSRC     Dynamic Source
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EA          Effective Address + Extended Attribute [OS/2]
EAI         Enterprise Application Integration
EAP         Extensible Authentification Protocol
EAR         Enterprise Archive + External Access Register
EARN        European Academic Research Network
EAROM       Electrically Alterable Read Only Memory
EARS        Electronic Access to Reference Services +
            Electronic Authoring and Routing System [DEC] +
            Explicit Archive and Retrieval System [Langley Research]
EATA        Enhanced AT Bus Attachment
EAX         Environmental Audio Extensions [Creative]
EB          Exabyte (1,024 petabytes)
            (One Billion Billion characters of information)
EBASIC      Extended BASIC
EBC         EISA Bus Controller
EBCT        Electron Beam Computed Tomography
EBCDIC      Extended Binary Coded Decimal Interchange Code [IBM]
EBI         Equivalent Background Input +
            Extended Background Investigation
EBNF        Extended Backus-Naur Form
EBOOK       Electronic Book
EBPP        Electric Bill Presentment and Payment
EBR         Extended Boot Record
EBS         Event-Based Sampling
EBT         Electronic Benefits Transfer
EBXM        Electronic Business XML
EC          Electronic Commerce + Error Control
ECAL        Enjoy Computing And Learn
ECAT        Electronic Card Assembly and Test [IBM]
ECB         Electronic Codebook + Event Control Block
ECC         Elliptic Curve Crypto + Error Check Code +
            Error Checking and Correction + Error Correction Code
ECD         Enhanced Color Display + Enhanced Compact Disk
ECDL        European Computer Driving Licence
ECHO        European Commission Host Organization [Internet]
ECI         External Call Interface
ECL         Emitter Coupled Logic
ECM         Electronic Control Module
ECMA        European Computer Manufacturers Association
ECN         Electronic Communications Network
ECNE        Enterprise Certified NetWare Engineer [Novell]
ECP         Enhanced/Extended Capabilities Port [Microsoft]
ECS         Enhanced Chip Set
ECTL        Electronic Communal Temporal Lobe
ECU         EISA Configuration Utility
ED          Erase Display
EDA         Electronic Design Automation +
            Embedded Document Architecture [Go Corporation]
EDB         Embedded Database
EDC         Electronic Digital Computer +
            Enhanced Data Correction +
            Error Detection and Correction
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EDDC       Extended Distance Data Cable
EDE        Encrypt-Decrypt-Encrypt
EDG        Electronic Program Guide
EDGAR      Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval
EDGE       Enhanced Data-Rates for Global Evolution
EDI        Electronic Data Interchange +
           Electronic Document Interchange [DEC]
EDIF       Electronic Design Interchange Format
EDIFACT    EDI for Administration Commerce and Transport
EDL        Edit Decision List
EDLC       Ethernet Data Link Control
EDLIN      Editor (Line Text)
EDMS       Electronic Document Management System
EDO        Extended Data Out
EDOS       Enhanced DOS for Windows
EDP        Electronic Data Processing
EDPM       Electronic Data Processing Machine
EDRAM      Enhanced/Eraseable/Extended Dynamic Random Access Memory
EDS        Electronic Data Systems (corporation)
EDSAC    * Electronic Delay Storage Automatic Calculator
EDTV       Enhanced Definition Television
.EDU       Educational Institutions (Domain Name) [Internet]
EDVAC    * Electronic Discrete Variable Automatic Computer
           (First stored-program digital computer)
EE         Extended Edition [IBM]
EEC        Extended Error Correction
EEG        Electroencephalogram
EEL        Epsilon Extension Language
EEM        Extended Memory Management
EEMAC      Electrical & Electronic Manufacturers of Canada
EEMS       Enhanced Expanded Memory Specification
EEPI       Electronic Entertainment Policy Initiative
EEPROM     Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory
EES        Escrow Encryption Standard
EFA        Extended File Attribute
EFF        Electronic Frontier Foundation
EFI        Electromechanical Frequency Interference +
           Electronics For Imaging +
           Extensible Firmware Interface
EFIGS      English, French, Italian, German, Spanish
EFL        Emitter Follower Logic
E-FORM     Electronic Form
EFS        Encrypting File System
EFTS       Electronic Funds Transfer System
EGA        Enhanced Graphics Adapter
EGP        Exterior Gateway Protocol
EGREP      Extended Global Regular Expression Print [Unix]
EHCI       Enhanced Host Controller Interface
EHLLAPI    Emulator High Level Language Application
           Programming Interface [IBM]
EIA        Electronic Industries Association
EIDE       Enhanced Integrated Drive Electronics
EIM        Electronic Image Management
EIS        Executive Information System
EISA       Extended Industry Standard Architecture
EJB        Enterprise JavaBeans
EL         Electroluminescent (display) + Erase Line
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ELAN       Emulated Local Area Network
ELC        Embedded Linking and Control
ELD        Electronic License Distribution
ELEC       Enterprise Local Exchange Carrier
ELF        Executable and Linking Format +
           Extremely Low Frequency
ELOS       Embedded-Objects Linked Across Systems
ELS        Entry Level System
EM         Electronic Mail + Emphasized + End of Medium +
           Expanded Memory
EMA        Electronic Mail Association +
           Enterprise Management/Memory Architecture
EMACS      Editing Macros [Unix]
E-MAIL     Electronic Mail
EMB        Extended Memory Block [LIM/AST]
EMBARC     Electronic Mail Broadcast to a Roaming Computer
           [Motorola]
EMC        Electromagnetic Compatibility + Enhanced Memory Chip +
           E-Mail Connection + Extended Math Coprocessor
EMCC     * Eckert-Mauchly Computer Company (World's first computer
           company, founded by Presper Eckart and John Mauchly,
           who invented and built the first UNIVAC)
EMF        Extended Metafile Format [Microsoft]
EMI        Electromagnetic Interference
.EML       Electronic Mail (file name extension)
EMM        Expanded Memory Manager
EMP        Electro-Magnetic Pulse
EMR        Electro-Magnetic Radiation +
           Enhanced Metafile Record
EMS        Electronic Mail System +
           Electronic Message Service +
           Energy Management System +
           Enhanced Messaging Service +
           Expanded Memory Specification [LIM]
EMSAPI     Extended Messaging Services Application
           Programming Interface
EMWAC      European Microsoft Windows NT Academic Centre
.ENC       Encoded (file name extension)
ENDEC      Encoder/Decoder
ENDS       Ends Segment
ENIAC    * Electronic Numerical Integrator Analyzer and
           Computer (First fully electronic digital computer)
ENQ        Enquiry
ENSS       Exterior Nodal Switching Subsystem [Internet]
EOA        End Of Address
EOB        End Of Block
EOC        End Of Conversion
EOF        End Of File + Enterprise Objects Framework
           [Next Computer]
EOI        End Of Interrupt + End Or Identify
EOJ        End Of Job
EOL        End Of Line + End Of List
EOM        End Of Message
EOR        Exclusive OR (Also XOR)
EOS        Earth Observing System [NASA] + End Of String +
           Error Correction Code on SIMM
EOSDIS     Earth Observing System Data and Information System [NASA]
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EOT          Embedded Open Type (format) [Microsoft] +
             End Of Table + End Of Tape (marker) + End Of Text +
             End Of Transmission
EP           Electrophotographic Engine
EPC          Electronic Product Code
EPIC         Explicitly Parallel Instruction Computing (chip) [Intel]
EPG          Electronic Program Guide
EPL          Effective Privilege Level
EPLD         Electrically Programmable Logic Device
EPM          Enhanced Editor for Presentation Manager [IBM] +
             Enterprise Process Management [IBM]
EPP          Enhanced Parallel Port
EPROCESS     Executive Process
EPROM        Electrically Programmable Read Only Memory +
             Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory
.EPS         Encapsulated PostScript (file name extension)
EPSF         Encapsulated PostScript Files
ERA          Extended Registry Attributes
ERAS         Electronic Routing and Approval System [Hughes Aircraft]
ERD          Emergency Repair Disk + Entity Relationship Diagram
ERIC         Educational Resources Information Center [Internet]
ERLL         Enhanced Run Length Limited
ERMA       * Electronic Recording Method, Accounting
             [General Electric]
EROM         Erasable Read Only Memory
EROS         Earth Resources Observation System
             [U.S. Geological Survey]
ERP          Effective Radiated Power +
             Enterprise Resource Planning
ERR          Error
ER/RC        Extended Result/Response Code
ERU          Emergency Recovery Utility [Microsoft]
ES           Extra Segment
ESA          Enterprise Systems Architecture [IBM] +
             European Space Agency
ESB          Enterprise Service Bus
ESC          EISA System Component + Escape
ESCD         Extended System Configuration Data
ESCM         Extended Services Communications Manager [IBM]
ESCON        Enterprise System Connection (Architecture) [IBM]
ESC/P        Epson Standard Code for Printers
ESD          Electronic Software Distribution +
             Electrostatic Discharge + Emergency Startup Disk
ESDI         Enhanced Small/System Device Interface
ESDRAM       Enhanced SDRAM
ESF          Extended Superframe
ESI          End System Identifier +
             Enhanced Serial Interface (specification) [Hayes]
ESMR         Enhanced Specialized Mobile Radio
ESN          Electronic Security/Serial Number
ESP          Emulation Sensing Processor +
             Encapsulating Security Payload (header) +
             Enhanced Serial Port [Hayes] + Enhanced Service Provider +
             Enterprise System Platcorm + Estimated Selling Price +
             Eudora Sharing Protocol [Qualcomm]
ESR          Event Service Routine
ESS          Electronic Switching System
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ESSID      Extended Service Set Identifier
ESU        Electro-Static Unit
ET         Enhancement Technology
ETACS      Extended Total Access Communication System [IBM]
ETANN      Electrically Trainable Analog Neural
           Network (chip) [Intel]
ETB        End of Transmission Block
ETC        Electronic Toll Collection +
           Enhanced Throughput Cellular (modem protocol) [AT&T]
E-TEXT     Electronic Text
ETF        Enriched Text Format
ETOM       Electron-Trapping Optical Memory
ETPL       Endorsed Tempest Products List
ETS        Econometric Time Series
ETX        End Of Text
EU         Execution Unit
.EU        European Union (Domain Name) [Internet]
EUC        End-User Computing + Extended Unix Code [IBM]
EUDC       End-User Defined Character
EUDORA     (Named after author of story:
           "Why I Live at the P.O.", Ms. Eudora Welty)
EUI        End-User Interface
EULA       End-User License Agreement
EUVL       Extreme Ultraviolet Lithography
EVDO       Evolution Data Only/Optimized
EVE        Extensible VAX Editor
EVGA       Extended Video Graphics Array +
           Extended Video Graphics Adapter
EWAN       Emulator Without A Good Name [Internet]
EWS        Employee Written Software [IBM]
ExCA       Exchangeable Card Architecture [Intel]
.EXE       Executable (file name extension)
EXE2BIN    Program used to convert an (.EXE) file to binary
           format (.COM) file
EXIF       Exchangeable Image File Format
EXM        Enterprise Messaging Exchange [Lotus]
EXP        Exponent
EXT        External
EXTRN      External Reference
E-ZINE     Electronic Magazine
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FAB         Computer-Chip Fabrication Plant
FAC         File Access Code
FAMOS       Floating Gate Avalanche MOS
FANS        Future Air Navigation System
FAP         File Access Protocol
FAPI        Family Application Program Interface
FAQ         Frequently Asked Question
FARNET      Federation of American Research Networks [Internet]
FASIC       Function and Algorithm-Specific Integrated Circuit
FAT         File Allocation Table
FAX         Facsimile
.FAX        Fax (file name extension)
FBC         Find By Content
FC/AL       Fiber Channel/Arbitrated Loop
FCB         File Control Block
FCC         Federal Communications Commission
FCC:        File Carbon Copy
FCCSET      Federal Coordinating Council for
            Science, Engineering and Technology
FC/EL       Fiber Channel/Enhanced Loop
FCI         Flux Changes per Inch
FCL         Fibre Channel Loop
FCPGA       Flip Chip Pin Grid Array [Intel]
FCR         FIFO Control Register
FCRAM       Fast-Cycle RAM
FCS         Fiber Channel Standard + Frame Check Sequence
FD          Floppy Disk + Floppy Drive + Full Duplex
FDC         Floppy Disk Controller
FDDI        Fiber Digital Device Interface +
            Fiber Distributed Data Interface
FDHD        Floppy Drive High Density
FDIR        Fault Detection, Isolation and Recovery
FDISK       Fixed Disk
FDM         Frequency Division Multiplexing
FDMA        Frequency Division Multiple Access
FDSL        (See DSL)
FDX         Full Duplex
FEC         Forward Error Correction
FECN        Forward Explicit Congestion Notification
FED         Field Emission/Emitter Display
FEFO        First-Ended, First-Out
FEP         Front End Processor
FEPI        Front End Programming Interface
FEPROM      Flash EPROM
FERAM       Ferroelectric RAM
FESDK       Far East Software Development Kit [Microsoft]
FET         Field Effect Transistor
FF          Flip-Flop + Form Feed
FFD         Full Funtion Device
FFDC        First Failure Data Capture [IBM]
FFS         Fast File System
FFST        First Failure Support Technology [IBM]
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FFT        Fast Fourier Transform + Final Form Text [IBM]
FG         Floating Gate
FGREP      Fixed Global Regular Expression Print [Unix]
FHS        Fan Heat-Sink
FHSS       Frequency-Hopping Spread Spectrum
FIA        File Integrity Assessment
FIB        Forwarding Information Base
FIF        Fractal Image Format
FIFO       First-In, First-Out
FILO       First-In, Last-Out
FINDSTR    Find Strings
FIP        File Processor Buffering
FIPS       Federal Information Processing Standard
FIR        Fast Infrared + Finite Impulse Response
.FIRM      Business or Firm (Domain Name) [Internet]
FIRST      Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams
FITS       Flexible Image Transport System
FIU        Fingerprint Identification Unit [Sony]
FIX        Federal Internet Exchange
FK         Foreign Key
FLA        Four Letter Acronym
FLC        Ferro-electric Liquid Crystal
FLD        Field
FLIR       Forward Looking Infrared (system)
FLL        FoxPro Link Library [Microsoft Fox Pro]
FLOPS      Floating Point Operations Per Second
.FLR       Folder (file name extension)
FLV        Flash Video
FM         Frequency Modulation
FMD        Fluorescent Multilayer Disk
FMRI       Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging
FMS        Forms Management System
FMT        Format
FMV        Full Motion Video
FNT        Font
FOCUS      Forum of Control Data Users
FOD        Fax On Demand
FOG        First Osborne Group
FOIP       Fax Over Internet Protocol
FOIRL      Fiber Optic Inter Repeater Link [IEEE]
FOLDOC     Free On-Line Dictionary Of Computing
FOM        Fiber Optics Modem
.FON       Font + Phone + Phone Directory (all file name
           extensions)
.FOR       Fortran source code (file name extension)
FORTH      (Programming Language)(See HLL)
FORTRAN    Formula Translator (Programming Language)(See HLL)
FOSE       Federal Office Systems Exposition
FOSI       Format Option Specification Instance
FOSSIL     Fido/Opus/Seadog Standard Interface Layer
FPC        Floating Point Calculation
FPCE       Floating-Point C Extension (specification)
FPGA       Field Programmable Gate-Array
FPLA       Field Programmable Logic-Array
FPM        Fast Page Mode
FPP        Fixed Path Protocol + Floating Point Processor
FPR        Floating-Point Register
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FPS       Favorite Picture Selection + Frames Per Second
FPT       Forced Perfect Termination
FPU       Floating Point Unit
FPX       FlashPix (format) [Kodak]
FQDN      Fully Qualified Domain Name [Internet]
FRAD      Frame Relay Access Device +
          Frame Relay Assembler/Disassembler
FRAG      Fragment + Fragmentation
FRAM      Ferroelectric Random-Access Memory
FRC       Functional Redundancy Checking
FRED      Frame Editor + Front-End to Dish
FRMR      Frame Reject
FRPI      Flux Reversals Per Inch
FRS       Family Radio Service
.FRS      WordPerfect Graphics Driver (file name extension)
FS        File Separator
FSB       Front Side Bus
FSD       File System Driver [OS/2]
FSE       Full Screen Editor
FSF       Free Software Foundation [Internet]
FSK       Frequency Shift Keying
FSN       Full Service Network
FSO       Free Space Optics
FSP       File Service Protocol
FSR       Free System Resources
FST       Flat Square Tube (monitor)
F/T       Full Time
FTAM      File Transfer, Access and Management +
          File Transfer and Access Method
FTL       Flash Transition Layer [Intel]
FTM       Flat Tension Mask [Zenith]
FTP       File Transfer Protocol [Internet]
FTPD      File Transfer Protocol Daemon
FTTB      Fiber To The Basement
FTTC      Fiber To The Curb
FTTN      Fiber To The Neighborhood
FTS       Federal Telecommunication System
FTX       Fault Tolerant Unix
FUI       File Update Information
FUNC      Function
FUS       Fast User Switching
FVT       Full Video Translation
FWTK      Firewall Toolkit
FXP       File Exchange Protocol
FYI       For Your Information
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GA          General Availability
GAAP        Generally Accepted Accounting Principles
GAC         Global Assembly Cache
GAL         Generic Array Logic
GAMS        General Algebraic Mathematical System
GAPI        Gateway Application Programming Interface
GART        Graphics Address Relocation Table
GATT        Graphics Address Translation Table
GAWD        Global Access Wireless Database
Gb          Gigabit (1,024 megabits) +
            (One Billion Bits of Information)
GB          Gigabyte (1,024 megabytes) +
            (One Billion Characters of Information)
GCC         GNU C-Compiler [Unix]
GCCD        Glass-Passivated Ceramic Chip Diode
GCR         Group Code Recording
GDA         Global Data Area + GNOME Data Access
GDB         GNU Debugger
GDDM        Graphics Data Display Manager
GDG         Generation Data Group [IBM]
GDI         Graphical Device Interface
GDLC        Generic Data Link Control [IBM]
GDP         Graphic Draw Primitive
GDT         Geometric Dimensioning and Tolerancing +
            Global Descriptor Table +
            Graphics Development Toolkit
GECOS       General Electric Comprehensive Operating System
GEIS        General Electric Information Service (company)
GEM         Graphics Environment Manager (DRI Program)
GENIE       General Electric Network for
            Information Exchange
GEO         Geostationary Earth Orbit
GEOS        Global Entity Ordering System +
GEOS        Graphic Environment Operating System [Geoworks]
GET         Get Execute Trigger
GFI         General Format Identifier + Ground-Fault Interceptor
GGP         Gateway-Gateway Protocol [Internet]
GHZ         Gigahertz
.GID        Topics (file name extension) [Microsoft]
.GIF        Graphics Interchange Format (file name extension)
GIG-E       Gigabit Ethernet
GIGO        Garbage In, Garbage Out
GII         Global Information Infrastructure
GILS        Government Information Locator Service
GIMP        GNU Image Manipulation Program
GIMPS       Great Internet Mersenne Prime Search
GINA        Graphical Identification and Authentication
GIS         Geographic Information System +
            Global Information Solutions [AT&T]
GIX         Global Internet Exchange [Internet]
GKS         Graphical Kernel System
GL          Graphics Language
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G/L         General Ledger
GLIS        Global Land Information System [US Geological Survey]
GLL         Geograpic Position-Latitude/Longitude
GLM         General Linear Models
GLOBE       Global Learning by Observations to Benefit
            the Environment [Internet]
.GLY        Glossary (file name extension) [Microsoft Word]
GMDI        Gigabit Media-Dependent Interface
GML         Generalized Markup Language
GMP         Global Mobile Professional
GMR         Giant Magneto-Resistive (read head technology)
GMRS        General Mobile Radio Service
GMS         Global Management System +
            Global Messaging Service [Novell]
GMT         Greenwich Mean Time
GND         Ground (signal/system)
GNN         Global Network Navigator
GNU         Gnu's Not Unix (operating system)
GNOME       GNU Network Object Model Environment
GOAD        GNOME Object Activation Directory
GOS         Grade Of Service
GOSIP       Government Open Systems Interconnection Profile
.GOV        Governmental (Domain Name) [Internet]
GP          Gas Plasma + General Purpose
GPF         General Protection Fault
GPI         Graphics Programming Interface
GPIB        General Purpose Information/Interface Bus
GPIO        General Purpose Input/Output
GPL         General Public License
GPR         General Purpose Register [IBM]
GPRC        Glass Passivated Rectifier Chip
GPRS        General Packet Radio Service
GPS         Global Positioning Satellite/System +
            Global Product Specification
GPSS      * General Purpose Systems Simulator (language)
GPU         Graphics Processing Unit
GRADD       Graphics Adapter Device Driver [IBM]
GRE         Generic Routing Encapsulation + Graphics Engine
GREP        Global Regular Expression Print
.GRF        Graph (file name extension)
.GRP        Group (file name extension)
GS          Group Separator
GSI         General Server Interface
GSM         Global Shared Memory +
            Global System for Mobile-Communications (network)
GSNW        Gateway Service for NetWare [Microsoft]
GSP         Generic Server Passer + Global Service Provider
GSR         Gigabit Switch Router
GSTN        General Switched Telephone Network
GTE         General Telephone Electronics (corporation)
GTF         Generalized Timing Format
GTL         Gunning Transceiver Logic
GTO         Guide To Operations [IBM]
GTP       * Geometry Theorem Prover
GTS         Generic Traffic Shaping [Cisco]
GUI         Graphical User Interface
GUID        Globally Unique Identifier +
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           Global Universal Identifier
GVT        Global Virtual Time
GW-BASIC   Gee Whiz BASIC
GWES       Graphic, Windowing and Event Subsystem
.gz        Compressed file (compressed filename extension -
           using GNU gzip compression/decompression program) [Unix]
GZIP       GNU Zip
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.H          Header (file name extension) [C]
HACMP       High Availability Cluster Multi-Processing [IBM]
HAL         Hard Array Logic + Hardware Abstraction Layer +
            House-Programmed Array Logic
HAL       * Heuristically Programmed Algorithmic (computer)
            [from 1968 movie "2001: A Space Odyssey"]
HAP         Host Access Protocol
HARP-MRI    Harmonic Phase MRI
HASP        Houston Automatic Spooling Priority (System)
HBA         Host Bus Adapter
HCL         Hardware Compatibility List
HCSS        High Capacity Storage System
HCU         Home Computer User
HD          Hard Disk + High Density
HDA         Head Disk Assembly
HDC         High Dependability Computing [Carnegie Mellon]
HDCD        High Definition Compatible Digital
HDCP        High-Bandwidth Digital Content Protection
HDD         Hard Disk Drive
HDF         Hierarchical Data Format [NCSA]
HDI         Head to Disk Interference
HDL         Hardware Description Language
HDLC        High-Level Data Link Control
HDM         Hardware Device Module
HDMI        High-Definition Multimedia Interface
HDML        Handheld Device Markup Language
HDR         Header + High Data Rate
.HDR        Header Data (file name extension)
HDSC        High Density Signal Carrier [DEC]
HDSL        (See DSL)
HDSS        Holographic Data Storage System
HDT         Host Digital Terminal
HDTV        High Definition Television
HDVD        High Definition Volumetric Display
HDW         Hardware
HDX         Half Duplex
HEOS        High Earth Orbiting Satellite
HERC        Hercules
HEX         Hexadecimal
HFC         Hybrid Fiber-Coaxial
HFS         Hierarchical File System [Macintosh]
HFT         High Function Terminal [IBM]
HGA         Hercules Graphics Adapter
HGCP        Hercules Graphics Card Plus
HGP         Human Genome Project
HH          Hour
HID         Human Interface Device
HIDS        Host-Based Intrusion Detection System
HIF         Hyper-G Interchange Format
HIFD        High-Density Floppy Disk
HIL         Human Interface Link [HP]
HIMEM       High Memory
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HIPPI      High Performance Parallel Interface
HLA        High Level Architecture
HLCO       High Low Close Open
HLL        High Level Language
HLLAPI     High Level Language Application Programming Interface
.HLP       Help (file name extension)
HLQ        High Level Qualifier
HLS        Hue, Luminance, Saturation (color model)
HLT        Halt
HMA        High Memory Area [Microsoft] +
           Hub Management Architecture
HMD        Head Mounted Display
HMI        Human-Machine Interface
HMM        Hidden Markov Model
HMMP       Hyper-Media Management Protocol
HMOS       High Density Metal Oxide Semiconductor +
           High Speed Metal Oxide Semiconductor
HMP        Host Monitoring Protocol
HOL        High Order Logic
HOLAP      Hybrid OLAP
HOTT       Hot Off The Tree (electronic newsletter)
HOV        High Occupancy Vehicle
HP         Hewlett-Packard (Company)
HPC        Handheld Personal Computer
HPCC       High Performance Computing and Communications
HPDJ       Hewlett-Packard Desk Jet
HPFS       High-Performance File System
HPG        Hewlett-Packard Graphics
HPGL       Hewlett-Packard Graphics Language
HPIB       Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus
HPLJ       Hewlett-Packard Laser Jet
HPOM       Home Page Objects Model [Microsoft]
HPPA       Hewlett-Packard Precision Architecture
HPPI       High Performance Parallel Interface
HPR        High Performance Routing [IBM]
HPSB       High Performance Serial Bus
HPTL       High Performance Technical Computing
HPUX       Hewlett-Packard Unix
HPW        High Performance Workstation [Sun]
.HQX       BinHex (file name extension) [Macintosh]
HRIS       Human Resource Information System
HRG        High Resolution Graphics
HRMS       Human Resource Management System
HRTF       Head Related Transfer Function
HS         High Speed
HSB        Hue, Saturation, Brightness (color model)
HSC        Hierarchical Storage Controller + High Speed Channel
HSDPA      High Speed Download Packet Access
HSI        Hue, Saturation, Intensity
HSM        Hierarchical Storage Management
HSP        High Speed Printer/Processor
HSSI       High Speed Serial Interface
HST        High Speed Technology [U.S. Robotics]
.HST       History + Host (file name extensions)
HSV        Hue Saturation Value
HTL        Human In The Loop
HTML       HyperText Markup Language
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HTTP       HyperText Transfer Protocol
HTTP-NG    HTTP Next Generation
HTTPS      HyperText Transfer Protocol Secure
HUD        Heads Up Display
HUT        Hopkins Ultraviolet Telescope
H/V        Horizontal/Vertical
HVD        Holographic Versatile Disc
HVP        Horizontal & Vertical Position
H/W        Hardware
HWCP       Hardware Code Page
HWD        Height-Width-Depth
HWDM       Hyperfine Wave Division Multiplexing
.HYP       Hyphenation (file name extension)
HYTELNET   Hypertext-browser for Telnet Accessible Sites
Hz         Hertz
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IA          Intel Architecture [Intel]
IAB         Internet Architecture Board
IAC         Inter-Application Communication [Macintosh]
IAD         Integrated Access Device
IAEC        International Address Element Code
IAG         Instruction Address Generation
IAK         Internet Access Kit [IBM]
IAL       * International Algorithmic Language
            (ALGOL was first called IAL)
IANA        Internet Assigned Numbers Authority
IAP         Internet Access Provider
IAS         Internet Access Server
IAT         Import Address Table
IAUP        Internet User Account Provider
IBC         Instrument Bus Computer
iBCS        Intel Binary Compatibility Specification
IBIP        Information Based Indicia Program [U.S. Postal Service]
IBL         Inbound Links [Google]
IBM         International Business Machines (Corporation)
IBM-GL      IBM Graphics Language
IC          Input Circuit + Integrated Circuit + Interrupt Controller
ICA         Intelligent Console Architecture +
            Intra-application Communications Area
ICANN       International Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers
ICAP        Internet Calendar Access Protocol [Lotus]
ICAS        Intel Communicating Applications Specifications
ICB         Internet Citizen's Band
ICCP        Institute for the Certification of
            Computing Professionals
ICD         International Code Designator
ICE         In-Circuit Emulator [Intel] +
            Integrated Computing Environment [Langley Research] +
            Internal Compiler Error
ICES        Interference-Causing Equipment Standard
ICF         Internet Connection Firewall [Microsoft]
ICI         Image Component Information + Inter-CPU Interrupts
ICL         Interface Clear
ICLID       Incoming-Call Line Identification
ICM         Image Color Matching [Kodak] + Incoming Message
.ICM        Image Color Management (file name extension)
ICMP        Internet Control Message Protocol [Novell]
.ICO        Icon (file name extension)
ICOMP       (iCOMP)Intel Comparative Microprocessor
            Performance [Intel]
ICP         Image Coprocessor + Integrated Channel Processor
ICQ         I Seek You (messaging program0
ICR         Intelligent Character Recognition
ICS         Internet Connection Sharing [Microsoft] +
            Intuitive Command Structure
ICSAPI      Internet Connection Services API
ICU         Instruction-Cache Unit +
            Intel Configuration Utility [Microsoft] +
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            ISA Configuration Utility
ID          Identification + Identifier
IDA         Integrated Digital Access + Intelligent Disk Array +
            Intelligent Drive Array
IDAPI       Integrated Database Application Programming Interface
IDC         Integrated Database/Desktop Connector +
            Internet Database Connector [Microsoft] +
            Internet Data Center
IDDE        Integrated Development & Debugging Environment [Symantec]
IDE         Imbedded Drive Electronics +
            Integrated Development Environment [Borland] +
            Integrated Device/Drive Electronics +
            Intelligent Drive Electronics +
            Interactive Design and Engineering +
            Interface Design Enhancement
IDEA        International Data Encryption Algorithm
IDEN        Integrated Data Enhanced Network
IDF         Intermediate Distribution Frame
IDI         Initial Domain Identifier
IDIV        Integer Divide
IDL         Interactive Data Language +
            Interface Definition Language
IDM         Integrated Document Management
IDMS        Integrated Data Base Management System
IDNX        Integrated Digital Network Exchange [IBM]
IDP         Integrated Data Processing
IDR         Intelligent Document Recognition
IDS         Intrusion Detection System
IDSL        (See DSL)
IDT         Interface Design Tool + Interrupt Descriptor Table
.IDX        Index (file name extension)
IE          Internet Explorer [Microsoft]
IEC         International Electrotechnical Commission
IEEE        Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
IEF         Information Engineering Facility
IEMSI       Interactive Electronic Mail Standard
            Identification
IEN         Internet Engineering Notes
IETF        Internet Engineering Task Force
IESG        Internet Engineering Steering Group
I/F         Interface
IFC         Internet Foundation Classes
IFD         Image File Directory
IFF         Interchangeable File Format [Amiga]
IFG         Incoming Fax Gateway
IFP         Instruction Fetch Pipeline
IFS         Installable/Integated File System
IFSM        Information Systems Management
IGA         Integrated Graphics Array
IGC         Integrated Graphics Controller
IGES        Initial Graphics Exchange Standard
IGFET       Insulated-Gate Field Effect Transistor
IGMP        Internet Group Management/Multicast Protocol
IGP         Interior Gateway Protocol
IGRP        Interior Gateway Routing Protocol [Cisco]
IGS         Internet Go Server
IHD         Integrated Help Desk [IBM]
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IHV        Independent Hardware Vendor
IIF        Immediate Interface
III        Interstate Identification Index [NCIC]
IIOP       Internet Inter-ORB Protocol
IIR        Immediate Impulse Response
IIS        Internet Information Server/Services [Microsoft]
IITF       Information Infrastructure Task Force
IKE        Internet Key Exchange
IKMP       Internet Key Management Protocol
IKP        Internet Keyed Payments [IBM]
ILA        Image Light Amplifier
ILE        Integrated Language Environment [IBM]
ILEC       Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier
ILP        Instruction-Level Parallelism
ILS        International Language Support
IM         Instant Messenger
IMAC       Internet Macintosh [Apple]
IMACS      Image Management and Communication System
IMAP       Interactive Mail Access Protocol +
           Internet Message Access Protocol
IMAX       Maximum Image
IMDB       In-Memory Database
IMDS       Image Data Stream (format) [IBM]
IME        Input Method Editor
IMEI       International Mobile Equipment Identifier
IMG        Image
.IMG       Image Data (file name extension)
IML        Initial Microcode Load [IBM]
IMP        Information/Interface Message Processor
IMPA       Intelligent Multi-Port Adapter [DCA]
IMPI       Interoperable Message Passing Interface
IMPP       Internet Messaging and Presence Protocol
IMR        Internet Monthly Report
IMS        Information Management System +
           Intermediate Maintenance Standards
IMSI       International Mobile Subscriber Identifier
IMSP       Internet Message Support Protocol
IMTC       International Multimedia Teleconferencing Consortium
IMTV       Interactive Multimedia Television
IMUL       Integer Multiply
IMUX       Inverse Multiplexer
IN         Input
INC        Increment
.IND       Index (file name extension)
.INF       Information (file name extension)
.INFO      Information Services (Domain Name) [Internet]
INFS       Internet Network File System
.INI       Initialize (file name extension)
INIT       Initialization + Initialize
INM        Integrated Network Management
INND       Internet News Daemon
INS        Input String + Integrated Network Server
INT        Integer + Internal + Interrupt +
.INT       International Organization (Domain name) [Internet]
INTA       Interrupt Acknowledge
INTEL      Integrated Electronics (company)
INTERNIC   (InterNIC)Internet Network Information Center
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INTO        Interrupt if Overflow occurs
I2O         Intelligent Input/Output
I/O         Input/Output
IOC         Inter-Office Channel
IOCC        Input/Output Channel Converter +
            Input/Output Controller Chip
IOCS        Input/Output Control System
IOCTL       Input/Output Control
IODE        Integrated Development and Debugging
            Environment [Symantec]
IOF         Infrared Optical Film
IOP         Input/Output Processor
IOPL        Input/Output Privilege Level
IOR         Interoperable Object Reference
IOS         Internet Operating System
IOSGA       Input/Output Support Gate Array
IP          Instruction Pointer + Intellectual Property +
            Internet Protocol
IPBF        Installed Peripheral Base Flexibility
IPC         Instructions Per Clock + Interprocess Communication
IPCMOS      Interlocked Pipeline CMOS [IBM]
IPCP        Internet Protocol Control Protocol
IPCS        Integrated PC Server
IPDC        Internet Protocol Device Control
IPDS        IBM Personal Dictation System [IBM] +
            Intelligent Printer Data Stream [IBM]
IPF         Invalid Page Format
IPFC        Information Presentation Facility Compiler [IBM]
IPI         Intelligent Peripheral Interface
IPL         Initial Program Load/Loader +
            Ion Projection Lithography
IPL       * Information Programming Language
IPM         Images Per Minute + Interpersonal Message
IPMI        Intelligent Platform Management Interface
IPNG        Internet Protocol, next generation
IPP         Integrated Performance Primitives [Intel] +
            Internet Printing Protocol
IPR         Intellectual Property Rights
IPSE        Integrated Project Support Environment
IPSEC       Internet Protocol Security
IPTC        International Press Telecommunications Council
IPX         Internetwork Packet Exchange [Novell]
IQL         Interactive Query Language
IR          Infrared
IRC         Internet Relay Chat
IRD         Integrated Receiver/Descrambler
IRDA        (IrDA)Infrared Data Association
IRDS        Information Resource Dictionary System
IRET        Interrupt Return
IRF         Intermediate Routing Function +
            Inheritance Rights Filter [Novell]
IRL         Interactive Reader Language + Inter-Repeater Link
IRLAP       Infrared Link Access Protocol
IRLED       Infrared Light Emitting Diode
IRM         Information Resource Management + Inherent Rights Mask
IRP         I/O Request Packet
IRQ         Interrupt Request
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IRQL        Interrupt Request Level
IRTF        Internet Research Task Force
IRX         Information Retrieval Experiment
IS          Information System + Interrupt Status
ISA         Industry Standard Architecture (bus) [IBM] +
            Instruction-Set Architecture
ISAKMP      Internet Security Association and Key Management Protocol
ISAM        Indexed Sequential-Access Management/Method
ISAPI       Internet Server API [Microsoft]
ISBN        International Standard Book Number
ISC         Instruction Set Computer + Inter-Systems
            Communication [IBM]
ISCSI       (iSCSI) Internet SCSI
ISD         Image Section Descriptor +
            Instructional Systems Design
ISDN        Integrated Services Digital Network
ISH         Information Super Highway
ISI         Internally Specified Index
ISIS        Integrated Systems and Information Services
ISKM        Internet Starter Kit for the Macintosh
ISL         Interactive System Language +
            Inter Switch Link [Cisco]
ISM         Integrated Services Model [IETF] +
            Internet Service Manager [Microsoft]
ISMF        Interactive Storage Management Facility
ISOC        Internet Society
ISO         International Organization for Standardization
ISP         Internet Service Provider + Interrupt Stack Pointer +
            Interrupt Status Port
ISPF        Interactive System Programming Facility
ISR         Information Storage and Retrieval +
            Interrupt Service Routine +
            Interrupt Status Register
ISRC        International Standard Recording Code
ISS         Internet Sharing Software
ISSN        International Standard Serial Number
ISV         Independent Software Vendor
IT          Information Technology
ITB         Information Technology Branch + Intermediate Text Block
ITC         International Typeface Corporation
ITE         Information Technology Equipment
ITF         Interactive Test Facility
ITIL        Information Technology Infrastructure Library
ITN         Identification Tasking and Networking
ITP         Internet Transaction Processing
ITR         Information Technology Research [NSF] +
            Input Transaction Record + Internet Talk Radio
ITSM        Information Technology Service Management
ITU         International Telecommunications Union
ITUG        International Telecommunications User Group
ITU-TIES    ITU-Telecom Information Exchange Services
ITU-TSS     ITU-Telecommunication Standards Section
ITV         Interactive Television
ITX         Intermediate Text Block
IU          Integer Unit
IUAP        Internet User Account Provider
IUS/ITB     Interchange Unit Separator/Intermediate Transmission
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IVDS        Integrated Voice and Data Systems
IVIS        Interactive Video Information System
IVL         Independent Vendor League + Intel Verification Lab
IVR         Interactive Voice Recognition/Response
IVS         Interactive Videodisk System
IVT         Interrupt Vector Table
IV&V        Independent Verification & Validation
I-WAY       Information Highway
IXC         Interexchange Carrier
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JA         Jump Address + Jump if Above
JAD        Joint Application Design/Development
JADE       Java Addition to the Default System
JAE        Jump if Above or Equal
JANET      Joint Academic Network
JAR        Java Archive (file format)
JAXM       Java API for XML Messaging
JBE        Jump if Below or Equal
JC         Jump if Carry set
JCA        Java Cryptography Architecture
JCE        Java Cryptography Extension
JCL        Job Control Language
JDBC       Java Database Connectivity
JDF        Job Description format
JDK        Java Development Kit
JDSL       Java Data Structures Library
JE         Jump if Equal
JEDEC      Joint Electronic Devices Engineering Council
JEIDA      Japanese Electronics Industry Development Association
JEPI       Joint Electronic Payment Initiative
JES        Job Entry System
JFC        Java Foundation Classes
JFET       Junction Field Effect Transistor
JFIF       JPEG File Interchange Format
JFS        Journaled File System [IBM]
JG         Jump if Greater
JGE        Jump if Greater or Equal
JIPS       JANET Internet Protocol Service
JIT        Just-In-Time (compiler)
JL         Jump if Less
JLE        Jump if Less than or Equal to
JLIP       Joint Level Interface Protocol
JMAPI      Java Management Application Program Interface
JMF        Java Media Framework [Sun]
JMI        Java Metadata Interface
JMP        Jump
JMS        Java Message Service
JMX        Java Management Extensions
JNA        Jump if Not Above
JNAE       Jump if Not Above or Equal
JNB        Jump if Not Below
JNBE       Jump if Not Below or Equal
JNG        Jump if Not Greater
JNGE       Jump if Not Greater or Equal
JNI        Java Native Interface
.JNK       Junk (file name extension)
JNLE       Jump if Not Less or Equal
JNO        Jump if No Overflow
JNP        Jump if No Parity
JNS        Jump if No Sign
JOE        Java Objects Everywhere
JOHNNIAC*  John Neumann Integrator and
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            Automatic Computer [Rand Corp.]
JOSS    * Johnniac Open Shop System [Rand Corp.]
JOVIAL    Jules' Own Version of the International
          Algorithmic Language
JPE       Jump if Parity Even
JPEG      Joint Photographic Experts Group
JPL       Jet Propulsion Laboratory
JPNF      Join-Projection Normal Form
JPO       Jump if Parity Odd
JRE       Java Runtime Environment
JS        Jump if Sign
JSP       Java Server Page
JSSE      Java Secure Socket Extension
JTAG      Joint Test Action Group [IEEE]
JTAPI     Java Telephony Application Programming Interface
JZ        Jump if Zero
JNZ       Jump if Not Zero
JSS       Java-Script Style Sheet
JUGHEAD   Jonzy's Universal Gopher Hierarchy
          Excavation and Display [Internet]
JVM       Java Virtual Machine
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K...

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K-12       Kindergarten through 12th Grade [US Education System]
KAM        Keep Alive Memory
Kb         Kilobit
KB         Keyboard + Kilobyte (1,024 bytes)
KBD        Keyboard (also KEYB)
KBD$       Keyboard [OS/2]
KBE        Knowledge Based Engineering
Kbps       Kilobits Per Second
KBps       Kilobytes Per Second
KDE        K Desktop Environment
KDT        Key Definition Table
KEFIR      Key Findings Reporter [GTE]
KEYBBE     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Belgium
KEYBBR     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Brazil
KEYBCF     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Canadian-French
KEYBCZ     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Czechoslovakia
(Czech)
KEYBDK     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Denmark
KEYBFR     Foreign language KEYBoard program - France
KEYBGR     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Germany
KEYBHU     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Hungary
KEYBIT     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Italy
KEYBLA     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Latin America
KEYBNL     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Netherlands
KEYBNO     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Norway
KEYBPL     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Poland
KEYBPO     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Portugal
KEYBSF     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Swiss-French
KEYBSG     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Swiss-German
KEYBSL     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Czechoslovakia
(Slovak)
KEYBSP     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Spain
KEYBSU     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Finland
KEYBSV     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Sweden
KEYBUK     Foreign language KEYBoard program - United Kingdom
KEYBUS     Foreign language KEYBoard program - United States
KEYBYU     Foreign language KEYBoard program - Yugoslavia
KHz        Kilohertz
KIF        Knowledge Interchange Format
KIPS       Kodak Internet Print Service [Kodak]
KIS        Knowbot Information Service [Internet]
KPI        Kernel Programming Interface
KQML       Knowledge Query and Manipulation Language
KRS        Knowledge Retrieval System
KSDS       Keyed Sequential Data Set
KSH        Korn Shell (program) [Unix]
KSPH       Keystrokes Per Hour
KSR        Keyboard Send Receive
KVM        Keyboard, Video, Mouse (switch) +
           Kilobyte Virtual Machine
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L2F        Layer Two Forwarding [Cisco]
L2TP       Layer Two Tunneling Protocol
LADDR      Layered Device Driver Architecture [Microsoft]
LALL       Longest Allowed Lobe Length
LAN        Local Area Network
LANACS     Local Area Network Asynchronous Connection Server
LANDP      LAN Distributed Platform
LANE       Local Area Network Emulation
LANG       Language
LAP        Linux Application Platform
LAPB       Link Access Procedure Balanced (protocol)
LAPD       Link Access Procedure on the D-Channel (protocol)
LAPM       Link Access Procedure for Modems
LAR        Load Access Rights
LASER      Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation
LASTport   Local Area Storage Transport (protocol) [DEC]
LAT        Local Access Terminal +
           Local Area Transport [DEC]
LATA       Local Access and Transport Area
LAVC       Local Area VAX Cluster
LAWN       Local Area Wireless Network
LB         Left Button (of 2 or 3 button Mouse)
LBA        Logical Block Addressing
LBL        Label
LBR        Librarian
.LBR       Library (file name extension)
LBT        Listen Before Talk
LBX        Local Bus Accelerator
LCA        Lotus Communications Architecture [Lotus]
LCC        Leadless Chip Carrier
LCCM       LAN Client Control Manager [IBM]
LCD        Liquid Crystal Display + Lowest Common Denominator
LCF        Low Cost Fiber
LCK        Library Construction Kit [Microsoft FoxPro]
LCOS       (LCoS) Liquid Crystal on Silicon
LCP        Link Control Protocol
LCR        Least Cost Routing + Line Control Register
LCS        Link Connection Subsystem
LCSD       Laminate Chip Signal Diode
LCU        Last Cluster Used
LDA        Logical Device Address
LDAP       Lightweight Directory Access Protocol [IBM]
LDC        Lotus Development Corporation
LDDS       Long Distance Discount Services (company)
LDM        Logical Disk Manager + Long Distance Modem
LDP        Label Distribution Protocol
LDT        Local Descriptor Table
LE         Less or Equal
LEA        Load Effective Address
LEAD       Live Early Adoption and Demonstration [W3C]
LEAF       Law Enforcement Access Field
LEC        Local Area Network Emulation Client +
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             Local Exchange Carrier
LED          Light Emitting Diode
LEL          Link, Embed and Launch-to-edit [Lotus]
LEM          Language Extension Module
LEN          Low Entry Networking
LEO          Low Earth Orbit
LEP          Light-Emitting Polymers
LES          Local Area Network Emulation Server
.LET         Letter (file name extension)
LEX          Lexicon
LF           Line Feed
L2F          Layer 2 Forwarding (protocol) [Cisco]
LFAP         Lightweight Flow Admission Protocol
LFE          Low Frequency Effects
LFI          Last File Indicator
LFM          Log File Monitor
LFN          Long File Name
LFT          Low Function Terminal [IBM]
LFU          Least Frequently Used
LGA          Leadless Grid Array
LGDT         Load Global Descriptor Table
LGPL         Lesser General Public License
LIAS         Library Information Access System
.LIB         Library (file name extension)
LIC          Line Interface Coupler [IBM]
LICS         Lotus International Character Set [LDC]
LIDT         Load Interrupt Descriptor Table
LIEP         Large Internet Exchange Packet [Novell]
LIF          Low Insertion Force
LIFO         Last In, First Out
LILO         Last In, Last Out
LIM          Lotus/Intel/Microsoft
LIMA         Lotus/Intel/Microsoft/AST
LIMDO        Light Intensity Modulation Direct Overwrite
LIMM         Light Intensity Modulation Method
LIMS         Library Information Management System
LINUX        (Operating system named after Linus Torvalds)
LIP          Large Internet Packet
LIPO         (LiPo) Lithium Polymer (battery)
LIPS         Lightweight Internet Person Schema +
             Logical Inferences Per Second
LISP         List Processing (Language)(See HLL)
LISTSERV     List Server [Internet]
LIU          LAN Interface Unit
LIW          Long Instruction Word
LLC          Logical Link Control
LLDT         Load Local Descriptor Table
LLF          Low Level Format
LMB          Left Mouse Button
LMBCS        Lotus Multi-Byte Character Set [Lotus]
LMD          Last Modification Date
LMDS         Local Multipoint Distribution Service
LMI          Link/Local Management Interface
LMOS         Leave Mail On Server
LMR          Land Mobile Radio
LMS          Lotus Messaging Switch [Lotus]
LMSW         Load Machine Status Word
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LMU        LAN Management Utilities [IBM] +
           LAN Manager for Unix
LN         Load Number + Logarithm (Natural)
LNA        Local Network Administrator
LN:DI      Lotus Notes:Document Imaging
LNK        Link
LOB        Line of Business
LOC        Lines Of Code + Loop On-Line Control
LOCIS      Library of Congress Information System
LOD        Letter Of Destruction + Level Of Detail
LODSB      Load String Byte
LOG        Logarithm (Base 10)
LOGO       (Programming Language)(See HLL)
LON        Local Operating Network
LOOPE      Loop while Equal
LOOPNE     Loop while Not Equal
LOOPNZ     Loop while Not Zero
LOOPZ      Loop while Zero
LORE       Line Oriented Editor
LPAR       Logic Programming and Automated Reasoning
LPC        Local Procedure Call
LPD        Line Printer Daemon (protocol) [Berkley]
LPDU       Logical Protocol Data Unit
LPI        Lines Per Inch
LPL        Lotus Programming Language [Lotus 1-2-3] [LDC]
LPM        Lines Per Minute
LPN        Logical Page Number
LPR        Line Printer + Line Printer Remote
LPS        Low-Power Schottky
LPT        Line Printer Terminal
LPT1       First Parallel Printer Port
LPT2       Second Parallel Printer Port
LPT3       Third Parallel Printer Port
LQ         Letter Quality
LQM        Link Quality Monitoring (protocol)
LR         Link Register
LRC        Local Register Cache +
           Longitudinal Redundancy Check
LRL        Least Recently Loaded
LRM        Language Reference Manual + Least Recently-Used Master
.LRS       Language Resource (file name extension) [WordPerfect]
LRU        Least Recently Used
LSA        LAN and SCSI Adapter [IBM] + Line Sharing Adapter +
           Local Security Authority [Microsoft]
LSAPI      License Services Application Program Interface
LSASS      Local Security Authority Subsystem Service [Microsoft]
LSB        Least Significant Bit
LSC        Least Significant Character
LSD        Least Significant Digit
LSI        Large Scale Integration
LSL        Link Support Layer + Load Segment Limit
LSP        Layered Service Provider [Spybot]
LSPR       Logistics System Program Review
LST        List
.LST       List (file name extension)
LTO        Linear Tape Open
L2TP       Layer 2 Transport/Tunneling Protocol
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LTPS      Low-Temperature Polysilicon
LTR       Left-To-Right + Letter + Load Task Register
LU        Logical Unit (Also LUN)
LUA       Logical Unit Application (interface)
LUI       Local User Input
LUIS      Library User Information Service
LUN       Logical Unit Number
LUT       Lookup Table
LV        Logical Volume [IBM]
LVDS      Low-Voltage Differential Signaling
LVM       Logical Volume Management [IBM]
LW        Lazy Write
.LYR      Lyrics (music file name extension)
LZW       Lempel-Ziv-Welch (algorithm)
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mA          Milliampere
MAC         Macintosh (Apple Macintosh Computer) +
            Mandatory/Media/Medium Access Control +
            Message Authentication Code
MAC       * Multiple Access Computers
.MAC        MacPaint (file name extension) +
            Macro (file name extension)
MACH        Multilayer Actuator Head [Epson]
MADE        Manufacturing and Automated Design Engineering
MADYMO      Mathematical Dynamic Modeling [TNO]
MAE         Merit Access Exchange + Metropolitan Area Ethernet
MAGMA       Minimal Architecture for Generalized Markup Applications
MAH         (mAh)Milliampere-Hour
MAI         Multiple Applications Interface
.MAI        Mail (file name extension)
MAJC        Microprocessor Architecture for Java Computing [Sun]
MALWARE     Malicious Software
MAN         Manual [Unix] + Metropolitan Area Network
MANIAC    * Mathematical Analyzer Numerical
            Integrator and Computer
MANPAGE     Manual Page [Unix]
MAP         Maintenance Analysis Procedures +
            Manufacturing Automation Protocol +
            Memory Allocation Map
.MAP        Linker Map (file name extension)
MAPI        Mail/Messaging Applications Programming
            Interface [Microsoft]
MAPICS      Manufacturing, Accounting and Production
            Information Control System [IBM]
MARC        Machine Readable Cataloging +
            Multi-Technology Automated Reader Card
MARVEL      Machine-Assisted Realization of the Virtual
            Electronic Library [Library of Congress]
MASM        Macro Assembler [Microsoft]
MASS        Maximum Availability and Support
            Subsystem [Parallan]
MAT         Maintenance Access Terminal
MAU         Media Access/Adapter Unit + Multistation Access Unit
MAVDM       Multiple Application VDM
MAX         Maximum
MB          Megabyte (1,024 kilobytes) +
            Middle Button (of 3 button Mouse)
MBASIC      Microsoft BASIC [Microsoft]
MBCS        Multi-Byte Character Set [IBM]
MBONE       Multicast Backbone [Internet]
MBps        Megabytes Per Second
Mbps        Megabits Per Second
MBR         Master Boot Record
MBX         Mailbox
MCA         Micro Channel Adapter/Architecture [IBM]
MCAD        Mechanical Computer Aided Design
MCB         Memory Control Block
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MCF         Meta Content Framework +
            Microsoft Connector Framework [Microsoft]
MCGA        Multicolor Graphics Array
MCH         Memory Controller Hub [Intel]
MCI         MCI Communications Corp. (name from initials of
            original company - Microwave Communications, Inc.) +
            Media Control Interface [Microsoft]
MCL         Microsoft Compatibility Labs [Microsoft]
MCM         Multi-Chip Module
MCNE        Master Certified Novell Engineer [Novell]
MC-PGA      Metallized Ceramic - Pin Grid Array
MCPS        Microsoft Certified Product Specialist [Microsoft]
MC-QFP      Metallized Ceramic - Quad Flat Pack
MCR         Modem Control Register
MCSD        Microsoft Certified Systems Developer [Microsoft]
MCSE        Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer [Microsoft]
MCU         Microcontroller Unit + Multi-Chip Unit [DEC] +
            Multipoint Control Unit
MD          Make Directory + Mini Disk [Sony] + Monochrome Display
MDA         Mail Delivery Agent + Model Drive Architecture +
            Monochrome Display Adapter + Multidimensional Analysis
MDDBMS      Multidimensional Data Base Management System
.MDF        Menu Definition File (file name extension)
MDI         Memory Display Interface +
            Multiple Document Interface
MDIC        Manchester Decoder and Interface Chip [AT&T]
MDK         Multimedia Developers Kit [Microsoft]
MDLP        Mobile Data Link Protocol
MDR         Metadata Repository + Minimum Design Requirement
MDX         Multi-Dimensional Expressions
MDY         Month Day Year
.ME         Opening Information (file name extension) (As in READ.ME)
MEB         Memory Expansion Board
MED         Minimum Expected Delay
MEG         Megabyte
MEM         Memory
MEMS        Micro-Electro-Mechanical System
.MEN        Menu (file name extension)
MERCI       Multimedia European Research Conferencing Integration
MES         Manufacturing Execution System
MESI        Modified, Exclusive, Shared and Invalid (protocol)
MET         Memory Enhancement Technology [Hewlett-Packard]
.MET        Metafile (file name extension)
MFC         Microsoft Foundation Class [Microsoft]
MFFS        Microsoft Flash File System [Microsoft]
MFI         Multifunction Interpreter
MFIOP       Multifunction I/O Processor
MFLOPS      Million Floating Point Operations Per Second
MFM         Modified Frequency Modulation
MFP         Multi-Function Peripheral/Printer/Product
MFPI        Multifunction Peripheral Interface
MFS         Macintosh File System [Macintosh] +
            Magnetic Tape Field Search + Memory File System
            Modified Filing System [Revelation Technologies]
MFT         Master File Table +
            Multiprogramming with a Fixed number of Tasks
MGA         Monochrome Graphics Adapter
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MGCP        Media Gateway Control Protocol
MGE         Modular GIS Environment
MGET        Multiple Get [Unix]
MGML        Minimal Generalized Markup Language
MGR         Manager
MHS         Message Handling Service + Message Handling System
MHz         Megahertz
MI          Management Interface
MIB         Management Information Base
MIC         Message Integrity Check
MICR        Magnetic Ink Character Recognition
MICRO       One-millionth
MICS        Macro Interpretive Commands
MID         Mobile Information Device
MIDI        Musical Instrument Digital Interface
MIDP        Mobile Information Device Profile
MIF         Management Information Format
.MIF        Management Information Files (file name extension)
MIG         Metal In Gap
MII         Microsoft/IBM/Intel
MIL         Machine Interface Layer [Go Corporation] +
.MIL        Military (Domain name) [Internet]
MIM         Map Image Metafile + Metal-Insulator-Metal (screen)
MIMD        Multiple Instruction Multiple Data Stream (processor)
MIME        Multimedia Internet Message Extensions +
            Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions
MI/MIC      Mode Indicate/Mode Indicate Common
MIMO        Multiple Input, Multiple Output
MIN         Minimum + Mobile Identification Number
MIND        Microsoft Internet Developer [Microsoft]
MINUET      Minnesota Internet Users Essential Tools [Internet]
MIPS        Million Instructions Per Second
MIR         Music Information Retrieval
MIRAM       Magnetoresistive Random Access Memory
MIS         Management Information System +
            Multimedia Information Sources [Internet]
MISC        Miscellaneous
MIX         Member Information Exchange
.MIX        Microsoft Picture It! (format)
MKDIR       Make Directory
ML          Machine Language + Meta Language
MLAPI       Multilingual Application Programming Interface
MLC         Multilayer Ceramic +
            Multilevel Cell (program) [Internet]
MLE         Multi-Line Editor
MLID        Multi-Link Interface Driver
MLM         Mailing List Manager [Internet]
MLP         Meridian Lossless Packing
MLPPP       Multilink PPP
MM          Minutes + Month
MMA         Microcomputer Managers Association
MMC         Matched Memory Cycle + Microcomputer Marketing Council +
            Microsoft Management Console [Microsoft] +
            Multi Media Card
MMCD        MultiMedia Compact Disk
MMCX        Multimedia Communication Exchange [Lucent Technologies]
MMDS        Multi-channel Multipoint Distribution Service
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MMF       Multi Mode Fiber (cable)
MMI       Man-Machine Interface
MMIS      Materials Manager Information System
MMPM      Multi Media Presentation Manager
MMS       Multimedia Messaging Service
MMU       Memory Management Unit
MMVF      Multimedia Video File [NEC]
MMX       Matrix Manipulation Extensions [Intel] +
          Multimedia Extensions
MNOS      Metal Nitride Oxide Semiconductor
MNP       Microcom Networking Protocol [Microcom]
.MNU      Menu (fine name extension)
MO        Magneto-Optical (disk drive)
MOB       Memory-Order Buffer
MOBO      Mother Board
MOD       Module + Modulus
MODEM     Modulator/Demodulator
MOHLL     Machine Oriented High Level Language
MOLAP     Multidimensional On-Line Analytical Processing
MOM       Manufacturing Operations Management +
          Message-Oriented Middleware +
          Microsoft Office/Operations Manager [Microsoft]
MONET     Multiwavelength Optical Networking
MONO      Monaural
MOO       MUD, Object Oriented [Internet]
MOP       Maintenance Operations Protocol
MOPS      Million Operations Per Second
MOS       Magneto-Optic Storage + Mean Opinion Score +
          Metal Oxide Semiconductor
MOSFET    Metal Oxide Semiconductor Field Effect Transistor
MOSPF     Multicast Open Shortest Path First
MOTD      Message Of The Day
MOV       Metal Oxide Varistor + Move
MOVS      Move String
MP        Massively Parallel (processing) + Megapixel +
          Multiple Processors
MP3       MPEG Audio Layer 3
.MPA      Memo Pad Archive (file name extension) [Palm]
MPC       Multimedia Personal Computer + Multipath Channel
MPCS      Mission Planning and Control Station (Software)
MPE       Multiple Programming Executive [HP]
MPEG      Moving Picture Experts Group
MPI       Message Passing Interface + Multiprecision Integer
MPLS      Multi Protocol Label Switching [Cisco]
MPM       Message Passing Library [IBM]
MPMD      Multiple Processor/Multiple Data
MPOA      Multi-Protocol over Asynchronous-Transfer-Mode
MPP       Massively Parallel Processing/Processors +
          Message Posting Protocol + Message Processing Program
MPQP      Multi-Protocol Quad Port [IBM]
MPR       Multipart Repeater + Multi Protocol Router [Novell]
MPS       Multiprocessor Specification
MPTN      Multi-Protocol Transport Network
MPTS      Multi-Protocol Transport Services
MPU       Microprocessor Unit
MQI       Messaging and Queuing Interface [IBM]
MR        Magneto Resistive + Modem Ready
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MRAM       Magnetic Random Access Memory
MRCF       Microsoft Realtime Compression Format
MRCI       Microsoft Realtime Compression Interface
MRI        Magnetic Resonance Imaging
MRM        Most Recently-Used Master
MRO        Multi-Region Operation
MRP        Manufacturing Resources Planning +
           Materials Requirement Planning
MRPL       Main Ring Path Length
MRS        Media Recognition System
MRT        Mean Repair Time
MRU        Maximum Receive Unit + Most Recently Used
MS         Memory System + Message Store + Microsecond +
           Microsoft Corporation + Millisecond
MSACM      Microsoft Audio Compression Manager [Microsoft]
MSAU       Multi-Station Access Unit
MSAV       Microsoft Anti Virus [Microsoft]
MSB        Most Significant Bit
MSBF       Mean Swaps Between Failures
MSC        Mobile Switching Center
MSCDEX     Microsoft Compact Disc Extensions [Microsoft]
MSCE       Microsoft Certified Software Engineer [Microsoft]
MSCHAP     Microsoft Challenge Handshake Authentication
           Protocol [Microsoft]
MSCS       Microsoft Cluster Server [Microsoft]
MSD        Mass Storage Device + Most Significant Digit +
           Microsoft System Diagnostics [Microsoft]
MSDE       Microsoft Data Engine [Microsoft1)
MSDN       Microsoft Developer Network [Microsoft]
MS-DOS     Microsoft - Disk Operating System [Microsoft]
MSDR       Multiplexed Streaming Data Request
MSDS       Microsoft Developer Support [Microsoft]
MSFR       Minimum Security Function Requirements [IBM]
MSG        Message
.MSG       Program Message (file name extension)
MSGINA     Microsoft Graphical Identification and Authentication
           [Microsoft]
MSI        Medium Scale Integration
MSIE       Microsoft Internet Explorer [Microsoft]
MSIMN      Microsoft Internet Mail and News [Microsoft]
MSL        Map Specification Library + Mirrored Server Link
MSLU       Microsoft Layer for Unicode [Microsoft]
MSMQ       Microsoft Message Queue-Server [Microsoft]
MSN        Microsoft Network [Microsoft]
MSO        Multiple Service/Systems Operator
.MSP       Microsoft Paint (file name extension) [Microsoft]
MSQL       Mini SQL
MSR        Microsoft Reserved Partition [Microsoft]
MSRP       Manufacturer Suggested Retail Price
MSS        Mass Storage System +
           Multiprotocol Switched Services [IBM]
MSTS       Microsoft Terminal Server [Microsoft]
MSW        Machine Status Word
MSXML      Microsoft XML [Microsoft]
MTA        Mail Transport Agent + Message Transfer Agent +
           Multimedia Terminal Adapter + Multiple Terminal Access
MTBB       Mean Time Between Breakdowns
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MTBF       Mean Time Between Failures
MTBJ       Mean Time Between Jams
MTF        Microsoft Tape Format [Microsoft] +
           Modulation Transfer Function
MTH        Memory Translator Hub
MTOM       Message Transformation Optimization Mechanism
MTRP       Maximum Transfer Rate Performance
MTS        Message Transfer Service/System +
           Microsoft Transaction Server [Microsoft] +
           Multichannel Television Sound
MTSO       Mobile Telephone Switching Office
MTST       Magnetic Tape Selectric Typewriter [IBM]
MTT        Multi-Transaction Timer
MTTD       Mean Time To Diagnose
MTTF       Mean Time To Failure
MTTR       Mean Time To Repair
MTU        Maximum Transfer/Transmission Unit
MUA        Mail User Agent
MUD        Multi-User Dialogue/Dimension/Domain/Dungeon [Internet]
MUG        Multiuser Game
MUL        Multiply
MULTICS    Multiplexed Information and Computing Service
MUMPS      Massachusetts General Hospital Utility
           Multi-Programming System (Programming Language)
MUSE       Multi-User Shared Environment
.MUSEUM    Museums (Domain Name) [Internet]
MUSIC      Multiparty Multimedia Session Control
MUT        Monitor Under Test
MUX        Multiplexer
mV         Millivolt
MVB        Multimedia Viewer Book
MVC        Multimedia Viewer Compiler
MVD        Multivalued Dependencies
MVDM       Multiple Virtual DOS Machines
MVGA       Monochrome Video Graphics Array
MVIP       Multi-Vendor Integration Protocol
MVP        Multimedia Video Processor
MVS        Multiple Virtual Storage
MVT        Multiprogramming with a Variable number of Tasks
MX         Mail Exchanger [Internet]
MXS        Microsoft Exchange Server [Microsoft]
MZR        Multiple Zone Recording
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NAC         Network Adapter Card
NACD        National Association of Computer Dealers
NACS        National Advisory Committee on Semiconductors
NAE         Not Above or Equal
NAK         Negative Acknowledgment
NAKA        Not Acknowledge
NAL         Novell Application Launcher [Novell]
NAM         Number Assignment Module
.NAME       Names-Individuals (Domain Name) [Internet]
NAMPS       Narrow-Band Analog Mobile Phone Service [Motorola]
NAND        Not And
NANO        One thousand-millionth
NANOMETER One billionith of a meter
NAP         Network Access Point
NAPLPS      North American Presentation Level Protocol
            Syntax (graphics)
NAS         Network Access Server + Network Application Support [DEC] +
            Network Attached Storage
NASA        National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NASDAQ      National Association of Securities Dealers
            Automatic Quotation
NASI        NetWare Asynchronous Services Interface [Novell]
NASIRC      NASA Automated Systems Internet Response Capability
NASKER      NASA Ames Kernel (benchmark)
NAT         Network Address Transformation/Translators
NAU         Network Addressable Unit
NAV         Navigator
NAVSTAR     Navigation Satellite Timing and Ranging
NAWS        Negotiate About Window Size
NBE         Not Below or Equal
NBI         Nothing But Initials
NBMA        Non-Broadcast Multi Access
NBS         Narrowband Socket + National Bureau of Standards +
            Numeric Backspace
NC          Network Computer + No Carry + Numerical Control
NCA         Network Communications Adapter +
            Network Computing Architecture [Oracle]
NCC         Network Control Center
NCD         Network Computing Device
.NCF        Netware Command File [Novell]
NCGA        National Computer Graphics Association
NCIC        National Crime Information Center
NCMT      * Numerical Control for Machine Tools
NCOS        Network Computer Operating System
NCP         NetWare Core Protocol + Not Copy Protected +
            Network Control Panel/Processor/Program/Protocol
NCR         National Cash Register (Company)
NCSA        National Center for Supercomputing Applications
NCSC        National Computer Security Center
NCSI        Network Communications Services
            Interface [Network Products Corp.]
NDB         Non-Directional Beacon
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NDDK       Network Device Development Kid [Microsoft]
NDEF       Not to be Defined
NDIS       Network Device/Driver Interface Specification
NDL        Network Data Language
NDMP       Network Data Management Protocol
NDN        Non-Delivery Notice
NDP        Numeric Data Processor
NDR        Network Data Representation
NDRO       Non-Destructive Read Out
NDS        NetWare Directory Service [Novell]
.NDX       Index (file name extension)
NEC        Nippon Electric Company
NED        NASA Extragalactic Database [NASA]
NEG        Negative + Negate
NEMA       National Electrical Manufacturers Association
NEP        Network Entry Point
NES        National Education Supercomputer
NEST       Novell Embedded Systems Technology [Novell]
.NET       Networks (Domain Name) [Internet]
NetBIOS    Network Basic Input/Output System [IBM]
NetBEUI    NetBIOS Extended User Interface [IBM]
NETMON     Network Monitor
.NEW       New Information (file name extension)
NEWS       NetWare Early Warning System [Frye Computer] +
           Network Extensible Window System
NEWS.      Current events [USENET Newsgroup Category]
NEXT       Near-End Crosstalk
NFF        No Fault Found
NFS        Network File System [Sun]
NG         No Good
NGE        Not Greater or Equal
NGI        Next-Generation Internet
NHC        National Hurricane Center
NHR        National Handwriting Recognition
NHRP       Next Hop Resolution Protocol
N/I        Non-Interlaced
NIA        Next Instruction Address
NIC        Network Information Center [Internet] +
           Network Interface Card +
           Numeric Intensive Computing
NICAD      Nickel-Cadmium
NICOLAS    Network Information Center OnLine Aid System [NASA]
NID        New Interactive Display [NEC] + Next ID
NIDS       Network Intrusion Detection System [Unisys]
NII        National Information Infrastructure
NIM        Network Installation Management [IBM]
NIMH       (NiMH) Nickel-Metal Hydride
NIO        Native Input/Output + New Input/Output
NIPS       Network I/Os Per Second
NIR        Network Information Retrieval
NIS        Network Information Service [Unix]
N-ISDN     Narrowband ISDN + National ISDN
NISO       National Information Standards Organization
NISP       Networked Information Services Project
NIST       National Institute for Standards and Technology
NITC       National Information Technology Center
NIU        Network Interface Unit
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NJE        Network Job Entry (protocol) [IBM]
NL         New Line
NLB        Network Load Balancing [Microsoft]
NLE        Not Less or Equal
NLM        NetWare Loadable Module [Netware]
NLP        Natural-Language Processing
NLQ        Near Letter Quality
NLSFUNC    National Language Support Function
NLV        National Language Version [IBM]
NMI        Non-Maskable Interrupt
NMM        NetWare Management Map [NetWare]
NMOS       Negative Channel Metal-Oxide Semiconductor
NMP        Network Management Protocol [AT&T]
NMS        Network Management System [Novell]
NN         Network Node + No News [Internet]
NNI        Network to Network Interface
NNM        Network Node Manager
NNTP       Network News Transfer Protocol [Internet]
NOC        Network Operations Center
.NOM       Individual with Personal Site (Domain Name) [Internet]
NOP        No Operation
NOPAC      Network OPAC
NOR        Not Or
NOS        Network Operating System
NPA        Network Printer Alliance + Numbering Plan Area
NPI        Network Printer Interface
NPL        Nonprocedural Language
NPN        Negative Positive Negative (bipolar transistor)
NPS        Novell Productivity Specialist [Novell]
NPT        Non-Programmable Terminal
NPTN       National Public Telecomputing Network
NPU        Natural Processing Unit
NPX        Numeric Processor Extension
NQS        Network Queuing System [Cray]
N(r)       Number Returned
NRC        National Research Council (Canada)
NREN       National Research and Education Network
NRM        Network Resource Manager + Normal Response Mode
NRZ        Not Return to Zero
NRZI       Non Return to Zero Inverted
NS         Nanosecond (one-billionth of a second) +
           National Semiconductor (as in Ns16550 UART) +
           Network Supervisor + Non Stop
NSAP       Network Service Access Point
NSAPI      Netscape Server API [Netscape]
NSA POLY   National Security Agency Polygraph
NSERC      National Sciences and Engineering Research Council
           (Canada)
NSF        National Science Foundation
NSFNET     National Science Foundation Network
NSI        NASA Science Internet
NSLOOKUP   Name Server Lookup [Unix]
NSM        Netscape Server Manager [Netscape]
NSP        Native Signal Processing [Intel] + Network Service
           Provider
NSSC       NASA Standard Spacecraft Computer
NSTC       National Science and Technology Council
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NSTL       National Software Testing Labs
NT         New Technology [Microsoft]
NT-1       Network Terminator Type 1
NTAS       NT Advanced Server [Microsoft]
NTF        No Trouble Found
NTFS       New Technology File System [Microsoft]
NTIA       National Telecommunications and
           Information Administration
NTIS       National Technical Information Service
NTLDR      New Technology Loaders [Microsoft]
NTP        Network Time Protocol
NTRAS      NT Remote Access Services [Microsoft]
NTSA       NetWare Telephony Services Architecture [Novell]
NTSC       National Television Standards Committee
NTU        Network Termination Unit
NUI        Network User Identification +
           Network User Interface +
           Notebook User Interface [Go Corporation]
NUL        Null + (dummy device) + (no device)
NUMA       Non-Uniform Memory Access
NV         No Overflow
NVM        Non-Volatile Memory
NVOD       Near-Video On Demand
NVP        Nominal Velocity of Propagation
NVRAM      Non-Volatile Random Access Memory
NVT        Network Virtual Terminal +
           Novell Virtual Terminal [Novell]
NWS        NetWare Web Server [Netware]
NYM        Anonymous
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OAB        One-to-All Broadcast
OAD        Open Architecture Driver [Bernoulli]
OAG        Official Airline Guide + Online Air Guide
OAI        Open Applications Interface
OAS        One-to-All Scatter
OBD        On Board Diagnostics
OBEX       Object Exchange [Borland]
OBJ        Object
OC         Optical Carrier
OCE        Open Collaborative Environment [Apple]
OCF        Objects Components Framework [Borland]
OCL        Object Constaint Language + Operation Control Language +
           Operator Control Language
OCR        Optical Character Recognition
OCS        On-Card Sequencer
OCSP       Online Certificate Status Protocol
OCX        OLE Custom Control
ODA        Open Document Architecture
ODAPI      Open Database Application Programming
           Interface [Borland]
ODBC       Object-Oriented Database Connectivity +
           Open Database Computing +
           Open Data Base Connectivity [Microsoft]
ODBMS      Object-Oriented Database Management System  (also
           see OODMS)
ODI        Open Datalink Interface [Novell] +
           Open Device Interconnect [NetWare]
ODIF       Open Document Interchange Format
ODL        Object Definition Language
ODM        Object Data Manager [IBM] +
           Optimized Distribution Model [Compaq]
ODMA       Open Document Management API
ODP        Open Distributed Processing
ODS        Open Data Services [Microsoft] +
           Operational Data Store
ODSI       Open Directory Service Interface [Microsoft]
ODT        Open Desktop
OEM        Original Equipment Manufacturer
OEP        Operand Execution Pipeline
OF         Overflow Flag
OFB        Output Feedback (mode)
OFDM       Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing
OFMT       Output Format for Numbers
OFS        Object File System [Microsoft] + Output Field Separator
OFX        Open Financial Exchange
OGSA       Open Grid Services Architecture
OGSI       Open Grid Services Infrastructure
OH         Off Hook
OHCI       Open Host Controller Interface
OID        Object Identifier
OIDL       Object Interface Definition Language
OIS        Office Information System
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OLAP        Online Analytical Processing
OLCP        Online Complex Processing
.OLD        Old version (file name extension)
OLE         Object Linking and Embedding [Microsoft]
OLED        Organic Light Emitting Diode
OLGA        Online Guitar Archive
OLI         Optical Line Interface [AT&T]
OLMC        Output Logic Macrocell
OLSP        Online Service Provider
OLTP        Online Transaction Processing
OM          Object Manager
OMA         Object Management Architecture [Microsoft]
OME         Open Messaging Environment (protocol)
OMF         Object Module Format [Microsoft] +
            Open Media Framework + Open Message Format
OMG         Object Management Group
OMI         Open Messaging Interface [Lotus]
OML         Object Manipulation Language
OMR         Optical Mark Recognition
ONC         Open Network Computing [Sun]
ONDS        Open Network Distribution Services [IBM]
ONE         Open Network Environment [Netscape]
ONMS        Open Network Management System
ONU         Optical Network Unit
OOAD        Object-Oriented Analysis and Design
OOB         Out Of Band
OODB        Object-Oriented Database
OODMS       Object-Oriented Database Management System (also
            see ODBMS)
OOL         Object-Oriented Language
OOOS        Object-Oriented Operating System
OOPL        Object-Oriented Programming Language
OOPS        Object Oriented Programming and Systems
OOS         Object-Oriented Systems +
            Off-line Operating Simulator
OOT         Object-Oriented Technology
OOUI        Object Oriented User Interface
OP          Operation + Optical + Output
OPAC        Online Public Access Catalog [Internet]
OPC         Open Process Control + Organic/Optical Photoconductor
OPCODE      Operational Code
OPD         Operand
OPI         Open Prepress Interface
OPM         Operations Per Minute
OPS         Open Profiling Standard + Oracle Parallel Server [Oracle]
OPT         Open Protocol Technology
.OPT        Options (file name extension)
OPUS        Octal Program Updating System
OQL         Object Query Language
ORACLE      On-Line Inquiry and Report Generator (UNIX DB program)
ORB         Object Request Broker [Microsoft]
ORDVAC    * Ordnance Variable Automatic Computer
.ORG        Non-Profit Organizations (Domain name) [Internet]
ORI         Online Retrieval Interface
.ORI        Original (file name extension)
ORL         Optical Return Loss
OROM        Optical Read-Only Memory
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ORS       Output Record Separator
OS        Operating System
OS/2      Operating System/2 [IBM]
OSA       Open Scripting/System Architecture
OSCAR     Open Source Cluster Application Resources
OSD       On Screen Display +
          Open Software Description/Distribution
OSE       Office Server Extensions [Microsoft]
OS/E      Operating System/Environment
OSF       Open Software Foundation
OSI       Open Systems Interconnection
OSM       Off-Screen Model
OSP       On-Screen Programming + Optical Storage Processor
OSPF      Open Shortest Path First
OSQL      Object Structured Query Language
OSR2      OEM Service Release 2 [Microsoft]
OSS       Open Source Software
OT        Object Technology
OTA       Operation-Triggered Architecture + Over The Air
OTDR      Optical Time Domain Reflectometer
OTF       Open Token Foundation
OTI       Object Technology International [IBM]
OTP       One-Time Programmable
OUI       Organizational Unique Identifier
OURS      Open Users Recommended Solutions
.OUT      Outlines (file name extension)
OUTS      Output String
OV        Overflow
OVAL      Object-Based Virtual Application Language [Psion] +
          Open Vulnerability Assessment Language [US-CERT]
.OVL      Program Overlay (file name extension)
.OVR      Program Overlay (file name extension)
OWL       Object/Open Windows Library [Borland]
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P3P        Platform for Privacy Preferences Project
PAB        Personal Address Book
PABX       Private Automatic Branch Exchange
PACE       Priority Access Control Enabled [3Com]
PACS       Picture Archiving and Communication System
PACS-L     Public Access Computer Systems List [Internet]
PAD        Packet Assembler/Disassembler +
           Portable Application Description
PADS       Pen Application Development System [Slate Corporation]
PAIH       Public-Access Internet Host [Internet]
PAIS       Public-Access Internet Site [Internet]
.PAK       Packed (compressed file name extension) [NoGate
           Consulting]
PAL        Paradox Applications Language [Borland] +
           Phase Alternating Line + Programmed Array Logic +
           Programming Assembly Language
.PAL       Palette (file name extension)
PALC       Plasma-Addressed Liquid Crystal (display)
PALS       Principles of the Alphabet Literacy System
PAM        Pluggable Authentication Module (library) +
           Pulse Amplitude Modulation
PAN        Personal Area Network [GTE]
PAP        Packet-level Procedure +
           Password Authentication Protocol + Picture And Picture +
           Push Access Protocol + Printer Access Protocol
PAR        Personal Animation Recorder + Parallel
PARA       Paragraph
PARC       Palo Alto Research Center [XEROX]
PA-RISC    Precision Architecture-RISC [HP]
.PAS       PASCAL source code (file name extension)
PASCAL     (Programming Language named for Blaise Pascal)
PAT        Port Address Translation
.PAT       Patch + Pattern (file name extensions)
PATA       Parallel Advanced Technology Attachment
PATN       Promotional Port Access Telephone Number
PAUSE      Perl Automatic Upload Server
PAX        Portable Archive Exchange [Unix]
PB         Petabyte (1,024 terabytes)
           (One Million Billion characters of information)
PBA        Printed Board Assembly
PBC        Plain-Text Block Chaining
PBE        Prompt By Example
PBGA       Plastic Ball Grid Array
PBR        Policy-Based Routing [Cisco]
PBX        Private Branch Exchange
PC         Personal Computer + Printed Circuit + Program Counter
PCACIAS    Personal Computer Automated Calibration Interval
           Analysis System
PCB        Printed Circuit Board + Program Control Block
PCBC       Plain/Propagating Cipher Block Chaining
PCC        Proof Carrying Code
PCD        Photo Compact Disk
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PC-DOS      Personal Computer - Disk Operating System [IBM]
PCEB        PCI to EISA Bridge [Intel]
PCI         Peripheral Component Interconnect/Interface
PCIC        PC-Card Interrupt Controller
PC-I/O      Program Controlled I/O
PCL         Printer Command Language [HP] + Process Control Language
PCM         Personal Computer Manufacturer +
            Printer Cartridge Metric [HP] +
            Pulse Code Modulation
PCMA        Paired Carrier Multiple Access
PCMC        PCI, Cache, Memory Controller [Intel]
PCMCIA      Personal Computer Memory Card International Association
PCMIM       Personal Computer Media Interface Module
PCN         Personal Computer Network
PCNFS       Personal Computer Network File System
PCO         Point of Control and Observation
PCS         Patchable Control Store +
            Personal Communication Services/System +
            Personal Conferencing Specification +
            Planning Control Sheet + Print Contrast Signal +
            Process Control Systems + Program Counter Store +
            Project Control System
PCT         Private Communications Technology +
            Program Control Table
.PCT        Picture (file name extension)
.PCX        Picture Image (file name extension)
PD          Phase-Change Dual + Public Domain
PDA         Personal Digital Assistant
.PDB        Palm Database (file name extension) +
            Program Database (file name extension)
PDC         Primary Domain Controller
PDD         Physical Device Driver + Portable Digital Document
PDF         Package Definition File + Portable Document Format +
            Portable Document File + Processor Defined Function +
            Program Development Facility
.PDF        Printer Description (file name extension)[Borland,Lotus]
PDH         Plesiosynchronous Digital Hierarchy
PDIAL       Public Dialup Internet Access List [Internet]
PDL         Page Description Language + Program Description Language
            + Program Design Language
PDM         Product Data Management
PDN         Public Data Network
PDO         Portable Distributed Objects [Next]
PDP         Parallel Data Processing + Plasma Display Panel +
            Programmable Data Processor +
            (DEC Computer System Designation, i.e. PDP-8, PDP-11)
PDS         Packet Driver Specification + Partitioned Data Set +
            Planetary Data System + Portable Document Software +
            Processor Direct Slot [Macintosh]
PDSN        Packet Data Serving Node
PDSS        Post Development and Software Support
PDT         Performance Diagnostic Tool [IBM] +
            Programmable Drive Table
PDU         Plug Distribution Unit + Protocol Data Unit
.PDX        Paradox files (file name extension) [Borland] +
            Printer Description Extension (file name extension)
PE          Parity Even + Processing Element + Protect Enable
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PEA       Pocket Ethernet Adapter
PEB       Personal Electronic Ballot
P4EE      Pentium 4 Extreme Edition [Intel]
PEL       Picture Element [IBM]
PEM       Privacy-Enhanced Mail [Internet]
PEN SDK   Pen Computing Software Development Kit
PEP       Packet Exchange Protocol +
          Packetized Ensemble Protocol [Telebit]
PERC      Power Edge RAID Controller
PERL      Practical Extraction and Report Language [Unix]
PERT      Program Evaluation and Review Technique
PES       Positioning Error Signal + Processor Enhancement Socket
          Processor Upgrade Socket
PET       Print Enhancement Technology [Compaq]
.PFB      Printer Font Binary (file name extension)
PFE       Programmer's File Editor
.PFM      Printer Font Metrics (file name extension) [Windows]
PFN       Page Frame Number
PFR       Portable Font Resource + Power-Fail Restart
PGA       Pin Grid Array + Professional Graphics Adapter [IBM]
PGC       Program Group Control [Microsoft]
PGDN      Page Down
.PGL      Graphics (file name extension) [Hewlett-Packard]
PGM       Program
PGML      Precision Graphics Markup Language
PGP       Pretty Good Privacy (name of encryption program)
.PGP      ProGram Parameter (file name extension) [AutoCAD]
PGUP      Page Up
PHF       Perfect Hash Function
PHIGS     Programmers' Hierarchical Interactive Graphics
          Standards
.PHO      Phone List (file name extension)
PHP       Personal Home Pages (original name of this programming
          language, now known as PHP Hypertext Preprocessor)
PHS       Personal Handyphone System
PI        Program Interruption
PIA       Peripheral Interface Adapter
PIC       Personal Information Carrier +
          Personal Intelligent Communicator +
          Personal Internet Communicator +
          Platform for Internet Content +
          Priority Interrupt Controller +
          Program Interrupt Controller
PICS      Platform for Internet Content Selection [W3C]
PICT      Picture
PID       Packet Identifier + Physical Interface Device +
          Process Identification Number + Product ID +
          Proportional, Integral, Derivative
PIER      Procedures for Internet/Enterprise Renumbering
PIF       Picture Interchange Format File +
          Program Information File
PII       Program Integrated Information
PILOT     Programmed Inquiry Learning Or Teaching
PilotACE* Pilot Automatic Computing Engine
PIM       Personal Information Manager +
          Primary Interface Module +
          Protocol-Independent Multicast
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PIN        Personal Identification Number +
           Process Identification Number [Unix]
PINE       Pine Is Not Elm (original usage) +
           Program for Internet News & Email (present usage)
PING       Packet Internet Groper
PIO        Parallel Input/Output + Processor Input/Output +
           Programmed Input/Output
PIP        Pattern and Information Processing +
           Picture-In-Picture + Problem Isolation Procedure +
           Programmable Interconnect Point
PIPO       Parallel In, Parallel Out
PIR        Protocol Independent Routing
PIT        Programmable Interval Timer
PIXEL      Picture Element
PJPEG      Progressive JPEG
PK         Pack + Primary Key
PKC        Public Key Cryptography
PKE        Public Key Enabled
PKI        Public Key Infrastructure
PL         Plus
.PL        Perl Language (file name extension)
PLA        Programmable Logic-Array
PLATO      Programmed Logic for Automatic Teaching Operations
PLC        Power Line Communications +
           Programmable Logic Controller
PLCC       Plastic Leadless Chip Carrier
PLD        Programmable Logic Device
PLDS       Pilot Land Data System [NASA]
PLL        Phase Locked Loop
.PLL       Prelinked Library (file name extension) [Clipper]
PL/M       Programming Language for Micros
PLMN       Public Land Mobile Network
PLS        Primary Link Station
PLSQL      Procedural Language-Extensions to SQL (Oracle)
PLU        Primary Logical Unit
PLV        Production Level Video
PL/1     * Programming Language One
PM         Presentation Manager [IBM] +
           Preventative Maintenance + Process Manager
.PM6       PagerMaker6 (file name extension) [Corel]
P-MAIL     Paper Mail
PMD        Packet Mode Data
PMMU       Paged Memory Management Unit
PMOS       Positive Channel Metal Oxide Semiconductor
PMP        Personal Media Player
PMR        Problem Management Report [IBM]
PMU        Performance Monitoring Unit
PMS        Policy Management System
PN         Processing Node
P/N:       Part Number
PNA        Programmable Network Access
PNG        Portable Network Graphics
PNNI       Private Network-to-Network Interface
PNP        Plug And Play +
           Positive Negative Positive (bipolar transistor)
PO         Parity Odd
POA        Portable Object Adapter
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POC          Point Of Contact
POC-IT       Point Of Care-Information Technology [Johns Hopkins]
POD          Piece Of Data + Plain Old Documentation [Perl] +
             Plain Old Dos + Publishing On Demand
POE          Power Open Environment
POH          Power-On Hours
POL          Problem Oriented Language
POP          Picture-Outside-Picture + Point Of Presence +
             Pop from Stack + Post Office Protocol
POP3         Post Office Protocol, Version 3
POPA         Pop All Registers
POPF         Pop Flags
POR          Power-On-Reset
POS          Packet Over Sonet + Point of Sale + Positive +
             Programmable Object Select
POSE         Palm Operating System Emulator
POSIX        Portable Operating System Interface for Unix
POST         Power-On Self Test
POSTNET      Postal Numeric Encoding Technique (bar code)
POTS         Plain Old Telephone Service + Plain Old Time-Sharing
POWER        Performance Optimization with Enhanced RISC [IBM]
PowerPC      Performance Optimization with Enhanced RISC-Performance
             Computing
PP           Parallel Port
P2P          Peer To Peer + People To People
P3P          Platform for Privacy Preferences
PPA          Pixel Processing Accelerator
.PPD         PostScript Printer Description (file name extension)
PPDS         Personal Printer Data Stream [IBM]
PPGA         Plastic Pin Grid Array
PPI          Precise Pixel Interpolation
PPM          Pages Per Minute
PPML         Personalized Print Markup Language
PPP          Point-to-Point Protocol [Internet]
PPPOE        Point-to-Point Protocol Over Ethernet
PPS          Packets Per Second + Power Personal Systems [IBM]
.PPS         PowerPoint Show (file name extension) [Microsoft]
PPTP         Point-to-Point Tunneling Protocol [Microsoft]
PQA          Palm Query Application
PQFP         Plastic Quad Flat Pack
PQO          Parallel Query Option
PRACSA       Public Remote Access Computer Standards Association
PRAM         Parallel Random-Access Machine +
             Parameter Random Access Memory
.PRC         Pilot Resource (file name extension) [Palm Pilot]
.PRD         Printer Driver (file name extension) [Microsoft]
PRE          Preformatted [HTML]
PREP         Power PC Reference Platform [IBM/Motorola]
PRF          Pulse Repetition Frequency
.PRF         Preferences (file name extension) [Grammatik IV]
.PRG         Program (file name extension)
PRI          Primary-Rate Interface
PRINTF       Print with Formatting [C Programming Language]
PRISM        Photo-Refractive Information Storage Material
.PRJ         Project (file name extension) [Borland]
PRMD         Private Management Domain [X.400]
PRML         Partial-Response Maximum-Likelihood
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.PRO       Professionals (Domain Name) [Internet] +
           Profile (file name extension)
PROC       Procedure
PROFS      Professional Office System [IBM]
PROG       Program + Programmer
PROLOG     Programming In Logic (Programming Language)(See HLL)
PROM       Programmable Read Only Memory
PRN        Printer
PRNG       Pseudo-Random Number Generation (algorithm)
.PRS       Printer (file name extension) [WordPerfect]
PRTSC      Print Screen
PS         Proportional Spacing
.PS        PostScript (file name extension)
PS/2       Programming System 2 [IBM]
PSAPI      Presentation Space Application Programming Interface
PSC        Personal Super Computer + Print Server Command +
           Product Service Center
PSDN       Packet-Switched Data Network
PSDS       Packet-Switched Data Service
PSERVER    Print Server [NetWare]
PSF        Permanent Swap File
PSID       PostScript Image Data
PSINET     (formerly Performance Systems International)
PSK        Phase Shift Keying
PSM        Platform Specific Model + Printing Systems Manager +
           Print Services Facility [IBM]
PSN        Packet Switching Network +
           Processor Serial Number
PSP        Personal Software Products (group) [IBM] +
           Program Segment Prefix
PSPDN      Packet-Switched Public Data Network
PSRAM      Pseudo-Static Random Access Memory
PSRT       PostScript Round Table [GEnie]
PSS        Process Status Structure
PSTN       Public Switched Telephone Network
PSU        Power Supply Unit
PSW        Program Status Word
.ps.Z      Compressed PostScript (file name extension) [Unix]
PT         Page Table
P/T        Part Time
PTD        Parallel Transfer Disk Drive
PTE        Page Table Entry
PTF        Problem Temporary/Trouble Fix [IBM]
PTH        Plated Through Hole
PTI        Packet Type Identifier
PTT        Postal Telephone & Telegraph
PUB        Public (directory) [Internet] + Publish
.PUB       Publication (file name extension) [Ventura]
PUN        Physical Unit Number
PUP        PARC Universal Packet (protocol)
PURL       Persistent URL
PUS        Processor Upgrade Socket
PUSHA      Push All Registers
PUSHF      Push Flags
PVC        Permanent Virtual Circuit + Polyvinyl Chloride
PVM        Parallel Virtual Machine +
           Pass-through Virtual Machine (protocol) [IBM]
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PVP        Parallel Vector Processing
PVR        Personal Video Recorder
PVS        Parallel Visualization Server
PVT        Position, Velocity, Time
PW         Password
PWB        Printed Wire Board +
           Programmer's Workbench [Microsoft]
PWD        Print Working Directory [Unix]
.PWL       Password List (file name extension)
PWM        Pulse Width Modulation
PWR        Power
PWSCS      Programmable Workstation Communication Services [IBM]
.PX        Primary Index (file name extension) [Paradox]
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Q...

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QA         Quality Assurance
QAM        Quadrature Amplitude Modulation
QBE        Query By Example
QBF        Query by Form
QBIC       Query By Image Content [IBM]
QBITS      Quantum Bits
QC         Quality Control
QD         Querty/Dvorak
QDA        Qualitative Data Analysis
QDOS       Quick and Dirty Operating System
.QDI       Quicken Dictionary (file name extension) [Intuit]
.QDT       Quicken Data (file name extension) [Intuit]
QEMM       Quarterdeck Expanded Memory Manager [Quarterdeck Corp.]
QFA        Quick File Access
QFE        Quick-Fix Engineering [Microsoft]
QFP        Quad Flat Pack
QIC        Quality Information Using Cycle Time [Hewlett-Packard] +
           Quarter-Inch Cartridge
.QIF       Quicken Import File/Interchange Format
           (file name extension)
QLLC       Qualified Logical Link Control
.QMT       Quicken Memorized List (file name extension) [Intuit]
.QNX       Quicken Indexes to Data (file name extension) [Intuit]
QOS        Quality Of Service
QPG        Quantum Phase Gate
QPSK       Quadrature Phase Shift Keying
QSAM       Queued Sequential Access Method
QTC        Quicktime Conferencing [Macintosh]
QTVR       Quicktime Virtual Reality
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RA          Remote Assistance + Return Authorization
.RA         Real Audio (file name extension)
RACF        Resource Access Control Facility
RAD         Rapid Application Development
RADAR       Radio Detection And Ranging +
            Rights, Availabilities, Distribution Analysis
            and Reporting [Disney]
RADB        Routing Arbiter Data Base
RADIUS      Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service
RADSL       Rate Adaptive Digital Subscriber Line
RAG         Row Address Generator
RAID        Redundant Arrays of Independent Disks +
            Redundant Arrays of Independent Drives +
            Redundant Arrays of Inexpensive Disks
RAIS        Redundant Arrays of Inexpensive Systems
RALU        Register Arithmetic Logic Unit
RAM         Random Access Memory
.RAM        Real Audio Metafile (file name extension)
RAMDAC      Random Access Memory Digital-to-Analog
            Converter [Sierra]
RAMP        Remote Access Maintenance Protocol [Internet]
RAN         Radio Access Network + Regional Advanced Network
RAND        Random
RAP         Rapid Application Prototyping
RARP        Reverse Address Resolution Protocol
RAS         Random Access Storage +
            Reader Admission System [British Library] +
            Reliability, Availability and Serviceability +
            Remote Access Service + Row Address Select
RASAPI      Remote Access Service Application Programming
            Interface [Microsoft]
.RAT        Rating (file name extension)
RAVE        Rendering Acceleration Virtual Engine [Apple Computer]
.RAW        Raw Data (file name extension)
RB          Right Button (of 2 or 3 button Mouse)
RBBS        Remote Bulletin Board System
RBCS        Remote Bar Code System
RBOC        Regional Bell Operating Company
.RC         Resource (file name extension)
RC1         Release Candidate 1 [Microsoft]
RCD         Redistribution Control Descriptor
RCL         Rotate Carry Left
RCP         Remote Control Panel + Remote Copy [Internet] +
            Restore Cursor Position + Rich Client Platform
RCPT        Recipient
RCR         Rotate Carry Right
RCS         Records Communications Switching System +
            Revision Control System [Unix]
RD          Receive Data + Remove Directory
R&D         Research and Development
RDA         Remote Database Access
RDB         Receive Data Buffer + Relational Database
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RDBMS      Relational Database Management System
RDCLK      Received Timing Clock
RDF        Resource Description Framework [W3C]
RDIF       Radio Frequency Indentification (tag)
RDN        Relative Distinguished Name
RDO        Remote Data Object
RDP        Reliable Datagram Protocol + Remote Desktop Protocol
RDR        Remote Data Recovery
RDRAM      Rambus DRAM
RDSL       (See DSL)
RDSR       Receiver Data Service Request
RDTO       Receive Data Transfer Offset [IBM]
RDX        Realistic Display Mixer
.REC       Recorder (file name extension) +
           Recreational or Entertainment Activities (Domain
           Name) [Internet]
REC.       Recreation [USENET Newsgroup Category]
.REF       Reference (file name extension)
REG        Register
REGAL      Rigid Epoxy Glass Acrylic Laminate
REGEDIT    Registry Editor [Microsoft]
RELSECT    Relative Sector
REM        Remark + Remote + Ring Error Monitor
REN        Rename + Ringer Equivalence Number
REP        Repeat
REPE       Repeat while Equal
REPNE      Repeat while Not Equal
REPNZ      Repeat while Not Zero
REPZ       Repeat while Zero
REQ        Request
REREG      Re-Register
RES        Remote Execution Service + Reset + Resolution
.RES       Resource (file name extension)
RET        Resolution Enhancement Technology [HP] + Return
RETR       Retrieve
REX        Relocatable Executable
REXEC      Remote Execution
REXX       Restructured Extended Executor (language) [IBM]
RF         Radio Frequency
RFC        Request For Comments [Internet]
RFD        Reduced Function Device +
           Request for Discussion [Internet]
RFI        Radio Frequency Interference + Request for Information
RFID       Radio Frequency Identification
RFP        Request for Proposal
RFQ        Request for Quotation
RFS        Remote File Sharing + Remote File System
RFT        Revisable Form Text + Rich Text Format
RFU        Reserved For Future Use
RGB        Red-Green-Blue (color model)
RI         Referential Integrity + Ring Indicate
RID        Relative Identifier
RIFF       Resource Interchange File Format [Microsoft]
RIM        Remote Installation and Maintenance [Microsoft] +
           Research In Motion (company) + Ring Indicator Monitor
RIME       RelayNet International Message Exchange
RIP        Raster Image Processor + Remote Imaging Protocol +
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            Routing Information Protocol [Novell]
RIPEM       Riordan's Internet Privacy Enhanced Mail
RIPS        Raster Image Processing System
RISC        Reduced Instruction Set Computing
RIT         Raw Input Thread [Microsoft]
RJE         Remote Job Entry
RLD         Received Line Detect
RLE         Run Length Encoded
RLL         Run Length Limited
RLN         Remote LAN Node [DCA]
RLOGIN      Remote Login
RLSD        Received Line Signal Detected
RLSI      * Ridiculously Large-Scale Integration
RM          Reset Mode
RMA         Return Material Authorization +
            Return to Manufacturer Authorization
RMB         Right Mouse Button
RMC         Raptor Management Console [Symantec]
RMDIR       Remove Directory
RMI         Remote Messaging Interface +
            Remote Method Invocation [Sun]
RMON        Remote Monitor/Monitoring
RMP         Remote Maintenance Processor [IBM]
RMS         Record Management Services + Root Mean Square
RMW         Read-Modify-Write
RN          Read News [Internet]
RNA         Remote Network Access [Microsoft]
RNC         Radio Network Controller
RND         Random
RNG         Random Number Generator
RNP         Regional Network Provider
R-O         Read Only
ROB         Reorder Buffer [Intel]
ROI         Return On Investment
ROL         Rotate Left
ROLAP       Relational On-Line Analytical Processing
ROM         Read Only Memory
ROOM        Real-Time Object-Oriented Modeling
ROP         Raster Operation + RISC Operation
ROPES       Rapid Object-Oriented Process for
            Embedded Systems
ROR         Rotate Right
ROS         Read-Only Storage [IBM]
ROSCOE      Remote Operating System Conversational Online
            Environment
ROT         Running Object Table
RPC         Remote Procedure Call
RPE         Remote Program Execution
RPG         Report Program Generator (Programming Language)
RPL         Resident Programming Language +
            Requested Privilege Level
RPM         Revolutions Per Minute
RPN         Real Page Number + Reverse Polish Notation
RPRINTER    Remote Printer [NetWare]
RPPROM      Reprogrammable PROM
RPR         Relative Performance Rating
RPT         Repeat
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RPQ        Request for Price Quotation
RQBE       Relational Query By Example [Fox Pro]
RR         Real Reality
RRP        Recommended Retail Price
RS         Radio Shack +
           Recommended Standard (as in RS-232) [EIA] +
           Record Separator + Request to Send
RSA        Rural Service Area
RSA129     (129 digit cryptographic security number named after
           its inventors: Drs. Ronald L. Rivest, Adi Shamir and
           Leonard M. Adleman)
RSAC       Recreational Software Advisory Council
RSCS       Remote Spooling Communications System
RSD        Route Server Daemon
RSH        Remote Shell
RSI        Repetitive Strain Injury (Carpal Tunnel Syndrome)
RSL        Request-and-Status Link
RSP        Required Space Character + Response
RSPX       Remote Sequenced Packet Exchange
RSS        Really Simple Syndication + Reduced Space Symbology +
           RDF Site Summary + Rich Site Summary
RST        Reset + Restart
RSTS       Resource Sharing Time Sharing [Digital]
RSVP       Resource Reservation Protocol
RSX        Realistic Sound Experience +
           Real Time Resource Sharing Executive
RT         Real Time + RISC Technology + Run Time
R/T        Receive/Transmit
RTAM       Remote Terminal Access Method
RTC        Real-Time Clock
RTCP       Real-Time Control Protocol
RTDM       Real-Time Data Migration
RTEL       Reverse Telnet [Internet]
RTF        Rich Text Format
RTI        Run Time Infrastructure
RTL        Raster Transfer Language +
           Register Transfer Language/Level +
           Resistor Transistor Logic + Right-To-Left +
           Run Time Library
RTM        Response Time Monitor + Runtime Manager [Borland]
RTMP       Routing Table Maintenance Protocol
RTN        Reuters Transaction Network
RTOS       Real-Time Operating System
RTP        Rapid Transport Protocol + Real Time Protocol +
           Real-Time Transport Protocol
RTS        Remote Takeover System + Ready/Request To Send
RTSP       Real-Time Streaming Protocol
RTTI       Runtime Type Identification/Information
RTTY       Radio Teletypewriter (Communications)
RTV        Real Time Video
RTX        Run Time Extension
RUN        Rewind/Unload [IBM]
RVA        Relative Virtual Address
RVI        Reverse Interrupt
R/W        Read/Write
RWIN       Receive Window
RWM        Read-Write Memory
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RX	Receiver
RXD	Receive Data

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SA          Selective Availability
SAA         Systems Application Architecture [IBM]
SABRE       Semi-Automatic Business Research Environment
SAC         Single Attachment Concentrator
SACD        Super Audio Compact Disk
SACL        System Access Control List
SADL        Synchronous Data Link Control [Racal-Vadic]
SAINT    *  Symbolic Automatic Integrator
SAL         Shift Arithmetic Left + Spatial Aggregation Language +
            Systen Abstraction Layer
SALT        Speech Application Language Tags
SAM         Serial Access Memory + Sequential Access Method +
            Security Accounts Manager [Microsoft] +
            Single Application Mode [Microsoft]
SAMI        Synchronized Accessible Media Interchange
SAML        Security Assertion Markup Language
SAN         Storage/System Area Network
SANE        Standard Apple Numeric Environment
SAP         Second Audio Program + Service Access Point [DEC] +
            Session Announcement Protocol +
            Service Advertising Protocol +
         *  Symbolic Assembly Program +
            Systems, Applications and Products (company) [SAP]
SAPI        Speech Application Program Interface [Microsoft]
SAR         Segmentation and Reassembly +
            Shift Arithmetic Right + Specific Absorption Rate
            Successive Approximation Register +
            Synthetic Aperature Radar
SARG        Search Argument
SARS        Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (virus)
SAS         Sales Accounting System + Serial Attached SCSI +
            Single Attached Station + Single Audio System +
            Statistical Analysis System
SASI        Shugart Associates System Interface (SCSI originated
            from SASI)
SATA        Serial Advanced Technology Attachment
SATAN       Security Administrator Tool for Analyzing Networks
.SAV        Saved (file name extension)
SAVDM       Single Application VDM
SAX         Simple API for XML
SB          Sound Blaster [Creative Labs] + Sound Board
SBA         Scene Balance Algorithms [Kodak] +
            Service Based Architecture
SBAS        Satellite Based Augmentation System
SBB         Subtract With Borrow
SBC         Single-Board Computer
SBCS        Single-Byte Character Set
SBI         Sound Blaster Instrument
.SBR        Source Browser (file name extension) [Borland]
SBS         Small Business Server +
            Smart Battery Specification [Duracell/Intel]
.SC         Script (file name extension)
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SCA        Scalable Computing Architecture [HP]
SCADA      Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition
SCAM       SCSI Configuration Automatically
SCAS       Scan String
SCB        Subsystem Control Block [IBM]
SCC        Serial Communications Controllers +
           Serial Controller Chip +
           Synchronous Channel Check [IBM]
SCCP       Simple Conference Control Protocol
SCCS       Source Code Control System
SCD        Standard Color Display
S-CDMA     Synchronous Code-Division Multiple Access
SCF        System Control Facility
SCI        Scalable Coherent Interface +
           Serial Communications Interface
SCI.       Science [USENET Newsgroup Category]
SCIL       Serial Control Interface Logic
SCLM       Software Configuration and Library Management [IBM]
SCM        Service Control Manager + ScreenCam Format [Lotus] +
           Software Configuration Management + Station Class Mark +
           Supply Chain Management
SCO        Santa Cruz Operation (Software Company) +
           Synchronous Connection-Oriented (link)
SCOPE      Simple Communications Programming Environment
           [Hayes]
SCP        Save Cursor Position + Subsystem Control Port +
           System Control Program
SCR        Silicon Controlled Rectifier
.SCR       Script (file name extension)
SCRAM      Software Configuration, Release and Management
SCRAMJET   Supersonic Combustion Ramjet (engine)
SCRN       Screen (video display)
SCRS       Scalable Cluster of RISC Systems
SCSA       Signal Computing System Architecture [Dialogic]
SCSI       Small Computer Systems Interface
SCTP       Stream Control Transmission Protocol
SD         Send Data + Super Density
SDA        Software Delivery Agent [IBM] + Software Disk Array +
           Source Data Automation + System Display Architecture
[Digital]
SDAM       Single DOS Application Mode
SDB        Symbolic Debugger [Unix]
SDD        Software Description Database [Internet] +
           Subscriber Data Document +
           System Distribution Directory
SDF        Space Delimited File + Space Delimited Format
.SDF       Standard Data Format (file name extension)
SDH        Synchronous Digital Hierarchy
SDI        Selective Dissemination of Information +
           Single Document Interface
           Software Development Interface [Mosaic]
SDK        Software Development Kit [Microsoft]
SDL        Specification and Description Language
SDLC       Synchronous Data Link Control (protocol)
SDLT       Super Digital Linear Tape
SDM        System Development Multitasking
SDMI       Secure Digital Music Initiative/Interface
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SDMMC      Secure Digital Multi Media Card
SDMS       SCSI Device Management System [NCR]
SDN        Software Defined Network [AT&T]
SDNS       Secure Data Network Service
SDR        Streaming Data Request
SDRAM      Synchronous DRAM
SD-ROM     Super Density ROM
SDS        Sysops Distribution System
SDSL       (See DSL)
SDSM       Super Digital Sound Management
SD_STB     Streaming Data Strobe [IBM]
SDTV       Standard Definition Television
SDV        Switched Digital Video [AT&T]
SDX        Storage Data Acceleration
SDXF       Structured Data Exchange Format
SEA        Standard Extended Attribute [OS/2]
.SEA       Self Extracting Archive (file name extension) [Macintosh]
SEAC     * Name of first computer to use transistors, built by
           (National Bureau of) Standards Eastern Automatic
           Calculator (Also see SWAC)
SEAL       Segmentation and Reassembly Layer (protocol) +
           Screening External Access Link [Digital-DEC]
SEC        Single Error Correction
SECAM      Sequentiel Couleur Avec Memoire
           (Sequential Color With Memory)
SECC       Single Edge Contact Cartridge
SED        Stream Editor + Stream-Oriented Editor
SEG        Segment
SEH        Structured Exception Handling
SEL        Select
SEM        Scanning Electron Microscope +
           Standard Electronic Module +
           Strategic Enterprise Management [SAP]
SEO        Search Engine Optimization
SEPP       Secure Encryption Payment Protocol
SER        Serial
SERCOS     Serial Real-Time Communications System
SERPS      Search Engine Results Page [Google]
SET        Secure Electronic Transaction +
           Softwave Engineering Technology
.SET       Driver Set (file name extension) [Lotus 1-2-3] [LDC] +
           Image Settings (file name extension) [Paradox]
SETEXT     Structure Enhanced Text [Internet]
SEU        Single Event Upset + Smallest Executable Unit
SF         Sign Flag
SFC        System File Checker
SFD        Start Frame Delimiter
SFDR       Spurious-Free Dynamic Range
SFI        Software Fault Isolation
SFN        Short File Name
SFQL       Structured Full-text Query Language
SFS        System File Server
SFT        System Fault Tolerance
SFX        Self Extracting + Sound Effect(s)
SGA        Shared Global Area
SGCP       Simple Gateway Control Protocol
SGEN       Signal Generator + System Generator
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SGDT       Store Global Descriptor Table
SGI        Silicon Graphics, Inc.
SGM        Shaded Graphics Modeling
SGML       Standard/Structured Generalized Markup Language
SGR        Set Graphics Rendition
SGRAM      Synchronous Graphics RAM
S/H        Sample and Hold
SHA        Secure Hash Algorithm [NSA]
SHAR       Shell Archive
SHED       Segmented Hypergraphic Editor
SHG        Segmented Hypergraphics
SHL        Shift Logical Left
SHOE       Simple HTML Ontology Extension
SHR        Shift Logical Right
SHTML      Server-Side Include HyperText Markup Language
S-HTTP     Secure Hypertext Transfer Protocol
SHV        Standard High-Volume
.SHW       Show (file name extension)
SI         Shift-In + Source Index + System Information +
           System Integration
SIC        Standard Industrial Code
SID        Security Identifier + Serial Input Data +
           Station Identification [AT&T] +
           Symbolic Interactive Debugger + System ID
SIDF       System Independent Data Format
SIDH       System Identification for Home Systems
SIDT       Store Interrupt Descriptor Table
SIF        Standard Input Format
SIFT       Stanford Information Filtering Tool
SIG        Special Interest Group
SIGCAT     Special Interest Group on CD-ROM Applications
           and Technology
SIM        Simulator + Subscriber Identity Module
SIMCARD    Subscriber Identity Module Card

SIMD       Single Instruction, Multiple Data-stream (processor)
SIMM       Single In-line Memory Module
SIMTEL     Simulation and Teleprocessing
SIMULA     Simulation (language)
SIO        Serial Input/Output (communications driver)
SIP        Session Initiation Protocol + Single In-line Package
SIPC       Simply Interactive Personal Computer [Microsoft]
SIPO       Serial In, Parallel Out
SIPP       Single In-line Pin Package
SIR        Serial Infrared [Hewlett-Packard]
SIRDS      Single-Image Random Dot Stereogram
SIS        Single-Image Stereogram
SISL       System Interrupt Steering Logic
SISNET     Signal In Space Through The Internet
SI/SO      Serial In/Serial Out + Shift In/Shift Out
SIT        Special Information Tones
.SIT       Stuff-It (compressed file name extension) [Macintosh]
SIU        System Interface Unit
SIV        System Integrity Verifier
SKIP       Simple Key-Management for Internet Protocols [Sun]
SKU#       Stock Keeping Unit Number
SLA        Service Level Agreement
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SLB        Static Load Balancing
SLC        Subscriber Line Concentrator
SLD        Second-Level Domain (name)
SLDT       Store Local Descriptor Table
SLED       Single Large Expensive Disk
SLI        Session Level Interface
SLIC       System Level Integration Circuit +
           System Licensed Internal Code [IBM]
SLIM       Structured Language for Internet Markup
SLIP       Serial Line Interface Protocol
SLM        Spatial Light Modulator
SLMR       Silly Little Mail Reader
SLOSH      Sea, Lake and Overland Surge from Hurricane (program)
SLOT       Scanned Laser Output Terminal
SLP        Service Location Protocol
SLR        Single Lens Reflex
SLSI       Super Large-Scale Integration
SLSS       Systems Library Subscription Service [IBM]
SLU        Secondary Logical Unit + Spoken Language Understanding
SM         Set Mode + Shared Memory
SMA        Software Migration Assistant [IBM]
SMART      Self-Monitoring Analysis and Reporting Technology
SMB        Server Message Block (protocol) [MII]
SMD        Surface Mounted Device
SMDR       Station Message Detail Recording
SMDS       Switched Multimedia/Multi-Megabit Data Service
SMF        Single Mode Fiber + System Manager Facility [Compaq]
SMI        System Management Interrupt [Intel]
SMIF       Standard Mechanical Interface
SMIL       Synchronized Multimedia Integration Language
S-MIME     Secure MIME
SMIT       System Management Interface Tool [IBM]
SMK        Software Migration Kit [Microsoft]
SML        Standard Meta Language
SMM        System Management Mode [Intel]
SMOBC      Solder Mask Over Bare Copper
SMP        Simple Management Protocol + Symbolic Manipulation
           Program + Symmetrical Multi-Processing +
           Symmetric Multiprocessor
.SMP       Sample (file name extension)
SMPC       Shared Memory Parallel Computer
SMPS       Switching Mode Power Supply
SMRAM      System Management Random Access Memory
SMS        Short Message Service [Sprint] +
           Short Messaging System +
           Storage Management Services [NetWare] +
           Storage Management Subsystem/System +
           Systems Management Server [Microsoft]
SMSW       Store Machine Status Word
SMT        Station Management (protocol) +
           Surface-Mount Technology
SMTP       Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
SMU        System Management Utility
SN         Serial Number
S/N        Signal-to-Noise (Ratio)
SNA        Systems Network Architecture [IBM]
SNAP       Sub-Network Access Protocol +
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            Sub-Network Attachment Point
SNAPI       Structured N-Dimensional Application Program
            Interface [Oracle]
SND         Sound
SNEWS       Secure News Server [Internet]
SNMP        Simple Network Management Protocol
SNOBOL      String Oriented Symbolic Language (Programming Language)
SNP         Serial Number/Password [Omen Technology]
SNR         Signal-to-Noise Ratio
SNRM        Set Normal Response Mode
SOA         Service-Oriented Architecture + Start Of Authority
SOAP        Simple Object Access Protocol
SOC         System On a Chip
SOC.        Social Issues [USENET Newsgroup Category]
SOCKS       Socket Secure (server) [Internet]
SO-DIMM     Small Outline DIMM
SOE         Standard Operating Environment
SOH         Start of Header
SOHO        Small Office/Home Office
SOI         Silicon-On-Insulator [IBM]
SOIC        Small Outline Integrated Circuit
SOJ         Small-Outline J-Lead
SOL         Simulation Oriented Language
SOM         Start of Message + System Object Model [IBM]
SONAR       Sound Navigation and Ranging
SONET       Synchronous Optical Network
SOP         Small Outline Package + Standard Operating Procedures
SOS         Silicon On Sapphire + Sophisticated Operating System +
            Standards and Open Systems
SOTA        State Of The Art
SOX         Sound Exchange
SP          Service Pack [IBM] + Stack Pointer + System Product
SPA         Secure Password Authentication [Microsoft] +
            Software Publishers Association
SPAN        Space Physics Analysis Network
SPAP        Shiva Password Authentification Protocol
SPARC       Scalable Processor Architecture +
            Sun's Palo Alto Research Center
SPC         Small Peripheral Controller + Statistical Process Control
SPCL        Spectrum Cellular Corporation
SPCS        Stored Program Controlled Switch
SPD         Serial Presence Detect
SPE         Synergistic Processing Element
SPEC        Systems Performance Evaluation Cooperative
SPF         Sender Policy Framework + Shortest Path First +
            System Programming Facility
SPGA        Staggered Pin-Grid Array
SPI         Security Parameters Index + Service Provider Interface +
            SCSI Parallel Interface + Stateful Packet Inspection
.SPI        Spool (file name extension)
SPID        Service Profile/Provider Identifier
SPIKE       Science Planning Intelligent Knowledge-Based
            Environment [STScI]
SPIRES      Stanford Public Information Retrieval System
            [Stanford University]
SPKI        Simple Public Key Infrastructure
SPL         Spooler + System Programming Language [HP]
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.SPL      Spell Checker (file name extension)
SPLD      Simple Programmable Logic Device
SPM       System Performance Monitor [IBM]
SPOOL     Simultaneous Peripheral Operations On Line
SPOT      Shared Product Object Tree [IBM] +
          Smart Personal Object Technology [Microsoft]
SPP       Sequenced Packet Protocol + Standard Printer Port
SPPS      Scalable Power Parallel System [IBM]
SPR       Special Purpose Register +
          Statistical Pattern Recognition +
          Symmetrical Phase Recording
SPREAD  * Systems Programming, Research, Engineering
          and Development [IBM]
SPS       Secure Packet Shield + Shock Protection System +
          Standby Power System
SPSS      Statistical Package for the Social Sciences
SPT       Sectors Per Track
SPX       Sequenced Packet Exchange [Novell]
SQ        Squeezed (files)
SQE       Signal Quality Error (test)
SQL/DS    Structured Query Language/Data System [IBM]
SQOS      Secure Quality Of Service
SQRT      Square Root
SR        Shift Register
SRAM      Shadow Random Access Memory +
          Static Random Access Memory
SRAPI     Speech Recognition API
SRB       Source-Route Bridge
SRC       System Resource Controller
.SRC      Source (file name extension)
SRD       Screen Reader System
SRDRAM    Self-Refreshed DRAM
SRGB      Sustained RGB (values)
SRGS      Speech Recognition Grammar Specification [W3C]
SRM       Security Reference Monitor
SRO       Sharable and Read Only
SRP       Suggested Retail Price
.SRP      Script (file name extension)
SRPI      Server-Requester Programming Interface
SRQ       Service Request
SRR       Serially Reusable Resource
SRS       Sound Retrieval System
SS        Stack Segment + Single Sided + Seconds
SS7       Signaling System 7 [Bellcore]
SSA       Serial Storage Architecture
SSAD      Structured System Analysis and Design
SSAP      Source Service Access Point
SSCP      Systems Service Control Point [IBM]
SSD       Solid State Disk
SSEC    * Selective Sequence Electronic Calculator [IBM]
SSGA      System Support Gate Array
SSH       Secure Shell (protocol)
SSI       Server Side Includes + Single System Image +
          Small Scale Integration
SSL       Secure Socket Layer
SSMA      Spread Spectrum Multiple Access
SSML      Speech Synthesis Markup Language [W3C]
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SSO       Single Sign On
SSPI      Security Service Provider Interface [Microsoft]
SSR       Secure Socket Relay
SSRP      Simple Server Redundancy Protocol [Cisco]
SST       Spread-Spectrum Technology +
          Systems Services and Technology
STA       Spanning Tree Algorithm
STAR      Self Defining Text Archival
STAX      (StAX) Streaming API for XML
STB       Strobe
STC       Set Carry Flag
STD       Set Direction Flag + Standard
STDA      StreetTalk Directory Assistance [Banyan]
STDAUX    Standard Auxilary
STDERR    Standard Error
STDIN     Standard Input
STDIO.H   Standard Input/Output Header [C Programming Language]
STDM      Statistical Time Division Multiplexer
STDOUT    Standard Output
STDPRN    Standard Printer
STEP      Standard for Exchange of Product
.STF      Structured File (file name extension) [Lotus Agenda]
STI       Set Interrupt Flag
S/TK      Sectors Per Track
STL       Standard Template Library
STM       Scanning Tunneling Microscope
STN       Super-Twist Nematic
.STORE    Businesses Offering Goods (Domain Name) [Internet]
STOS      Store String
STP       Secure Transfer Protocol + Shielded Twisted Pair (cable) +
          Signal Transfer Point +
          Synchronized Transaction Processing
STR       Store Task Register + Synchronous Transmitter Receiver
STRESS    Structural Engineering System Solver (Programming
          Language)
STRUDL    Structural Design Language (Programming Language)
STScI     Space Telescope Science Institute
STT       Secure Transaction Technology [Microsoft]
STX       Start of Text
.STY      Style (file name extension) [Ventura, Word, WordPerfect]
SUB       Subroutine + Substitute + Subtract
SUN       Sun Microsystems, Inc.
.SUP      Supplemental Dictionary (file name extension)
          [WordPerfect]
SVC       Switched Virtual Circuit
SVCD      Super Video Compact Disk
SVF       Simple Vector Format
SVG       Scalable Vector Graphics
SVGA      Super Video Graphics Array
S-VHS     Super VHS
SVM       System Virtual Machine [Microsoft] +
          System Volume Mangement
SVN       Switched Virtual Network [IBM]
SVR       Server
SVR#      System V Release Number [AT&T]
SVTC      Secure Videoteleconference
S/W       Software
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SWAC      * Mobile version of SEAC, built for deployment to White
            Sands, and named Standards Western Automatic Calculator
SWAIS       Simple Wide Area Information Server [Internet]
SWAP        Shared Wireless Access Protocol
SWIG        Simplified Wrapper and Interface Generator
SWISH       Simple Web Indexing System for Humans
SWP         Simple Web Printing
.SWP        Swap (file name extension)
SXRD        Silicon Crystal Reflective Display
.SYL        Syllabus (file name extension)
SYLK        Symbolic Link
.SYM        Symbols (file name extension)
SYMPL       Systems Programming Language
.SYN        Synonym (file name extension)
SYNC        Synchronous
SYS         System
.SYS        System Configuration (file name extension) +
            System Device Driver (file name extension)
SYSADMIN    System Administrator
SYSGEN      System Generator
SYSLOG      System Log
SYSMOD      System Modification
SYSOP       System Operator
SYSREQ      System Request
SZ          Send ZModem [Unix]
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TAB         Tape Automated Bonding
TAC         Title, Author, Copyright
TACS        Total Access Communication System
TAD         Telephone Answering Device
TAG         Technical Advisory Group
TAL         Typed Assembly Language
TALOSS      Three-Dimensional Advanced Localization
            Observation Submarine Software
TAO         Track At Once
TAP         Telelocator Alphanumeric Protocol
TAPCIS      The Access Program for the CompuServe
            Information Service
TAPI        Telephony Applications Programming Interface
.tar        Tape Archive (archived file name extension) [Unix]
.tar.Z      Compressed Archived files (file name extension) [Unix]
TAS         Telephone Access Server + Total Access System
TASM        Turbo Assembler [Borland]
TAXI        Transparent Asynchronous Transceiver/Receiver Interface
TB          Terabyte (1,024 gigabytes)
            (One Thousand Billion characters of information)
T/B         Top and Bottom
TBBS        The Bread Board System (BBS)
TBGA        Tape Ball Grid Array
.TBK        Toolbook (file name extension)
TBS         Time-Based Sampling
TBU         Tape Backup Unit
TC          Test Control + Transmission Control
TCL         Tool Command Language
TCM         Trellis-Coded Modulation
TCO         Total Cost of Ownership
TCP         Tape-Carrier Package
TCPA        Trusted Computing Platform Alliance [Intel]
TCP/IP      Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
TCT         Terminal Control Table
TD          Transmit Data
.TDA        To Do Archive (file name extension) [Palm]
TDC         Tabular Data Control
TDD         Telecommunications Device for the Deaf +
            Test Driven Development
TDtoDP      Tablet Coordinates to Display Coordinates
            (converting)
TDE         Terminal Display Editor
.TDF        Trace Definition File (file name extension) [OS/2] +
            Typeface Definition File (file name extension)
TDI         Transport Device Interface
TDM         Technical Document Management +
            Time Division Multiplexing
TDMA        Time Division Multiple Access
TDMS        Terminal Display Management System
TDP         Tag Distribution Protocol [Cisco] +
            Telelocator Data Protocol
TDSR        Transmitter Data Service Request
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TDR        Time Domain Reflectometry
TE/2       Terminal Emulator/2 [Oberon]
TEB        Thread Environment Block
TEC        Tokyo Electronics Corporation
TED        Technology, Entertainment and Design +
           Tiny Editor + Transient Electromagnetic Device
TEI        Terminal Endpoint Identifier
TELCO      Telephone Company
TEML       Turbo Editor Macro Language [Borland]
TEMP       Temporary
TER        Thermal Eclipse Reading [Sony]
TERMPWR    Terminator Power
TFDD       Text File Device Driver
TFEL       Thin-Film Electroluminescent
.TFM       Tagged Font Metric (file name extension)
TFT        Thin-Film Transistor (screens)
TFTP       Trivial File Transfer Protocol
.TGA       Taga Bitmap (file name extension)
THD        Total Harmonic Distortion
.THD       Thread (file name extension)
THINNET    Thin Ethernet
THOMAS     The (U.S.) House (of Representatives) Open Multimedia
           Access System
THOR       Tandy High-Performance Optical Recording
THR        Transmit Holding Register
.THS       Thesaurus (file name extension)
TI         Texas Instruments, Inc.
TIA        Telecommunications Industry Association +
           The Internet Adapter [Internet]
TIB        Tag Information Base
TID        Target ID
TIES       Time Independent Escape Sequence
.TIF       Tagged Image File (filename extension)
TIFF       Tagged Image File Format
TIGA       Texas Instruments Graphics Architecture
TIGER      Topologically Integrated Geographic Encoding
           and Referencing
TIIAP      Telecommunications and Information Infrastructure
           Assistance Program [NII]
TIL        Tech Info Library [Macintosh]
TIM        Technical Information Memo [Compaq]
TIMEZONES - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - GMT Offsets
                                Offsets Eastward from GMT (+)
                                Offsets Westward from GMT (-)
           AST - Atlantic Standard Time        -4:00
           AT  - Azores Time                   -2:00
           AHD - Alaska-Hawaii Daylight         :::
           AHS - Alaska-Hawaii Standard       -10:00
           BLT - Baghdad Local Time            +3:00
           BST - British Summer Time            :::
           CAT - Central Alaska Time          -10:00
           CCT - China Coast Time              +8:00
           CDT - Central Daylight Time          :::
           CET - Central European Time         +1:00
           CLT - Cairo Local Time              +2:00
           CST - Central Standard Time         -6:00
           EAD - East Australian Daylight       :::
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              EAS - East Australian Standard       +10:00
              EDT - Eastern Daylight Time            :::
              EET - Eastern European Time          +1:00
              EMT - Eastern Mediterranean          +2:00
              EST - Eastern Standard Time          -5:00
              GMT - Greenwich Mean Time            +0:00
              HST - Hawaii Standard Time          -10:00
              JST - Japanese Standard Time         +9:00
              MDT - Mountain Daylight Time           :::
              MET - Middle European Time           +1:00
              MST - Mountain Standard Time         -7:00
              MTS - Moscow Time Standard           +3:00
              MTD - Moscow Time Daylight             :::
              NT  - Nome Time                     -11:00
              NZT - New Zealand Time              +12:00
              PDT - Pacific Daylight Time            :::
              PST - Pacific Standard Time          -8:00
              PST - Pakistan Standard Time         +5:00
              WAS - West Australian Standard       +7:00
              WAT - West Africa Time               -1:00
              WED - Western Europe Daylight          :::
              WES - Western Europe Standard        +0:00
              YDT - Yukon Daylight Time              :::
              YST - Yukon Standard Time            -9:00
              IDLE- International Date Line East   +12:00
              IDLW- International Date Line West   -12:00
TIMI          Technology Independent Machine Interface [IBM]
TIMS          Text Information Management Systems
TINA          Telecommunication Information Networking Architecture
TIP           Terminal Interface Processor +
              Transaction Internet Protocol
TITOFET       Tunneling-In, Tunneling-Out Field Effect Transistor
TKIP          Temporal Key Integrity Protocol
TK/TK         Track to Track
TLA           Three-Letter Acronym
TLB           Translation Lookaside Buffer
.TLB          Table (file name extension)
TLD           Top Level Domain
TLI           Transport Layer Interface
TLS           Transport Layer Security
TLU           Table Lookup
.TLX          Telex (file name extension)
TM            Trademark
TMDS          Transition Minimized Differential Signaling
.TML          Template (file name extension)
TMP           Temporary
TMS           Traffic Management System [BA]
TN            Twisted Nematic
TNC           Terminal Node Controller
TNEF          Transport Neutral Encapsulation Format
TNO           The Netherlands Organization
TOC           Table Of Contents
TOD           Time Of Day
TOF           Tiny Open Firmware
TOP           Technical and Office Protocol
TOS           Terms Of Service
TPC           Transaction-Processing Performance Council
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TPF        Transactions Processing Facility [IBM]
TPI        Tracks Per Inch
TPL        Table Producing Language +
           Transaction Processing Language
TPM        Transactions Per Minute
TPORT      Twisted Pair Port Transceiver [AT&T]
TP-PMD     Twisted Pair-Physical Medium Dependent (cable)
TPS        Transactions Per Second +
           Transaction Processing System
TPW        Turbo Pascal for Windows
TQFP       Thin Quad Flat Pack
TQM        Total Quality Management
TR         Terminal Ready
T/R        Transmit/Receive
TRACERT    Trace Route [Microsoft]
TRADIC   * Transistorized Airborne Digital Computer
           (Name of first computer to be entirely
           transistorized)
.TRM       Terminal (file name extension)
TRN        Threaded Read News [Internet] + Token Ring Network
TRON       The Real-Time Operating System Nucleus
TS         Top Secret
TSA        Target Service Agent + Technical Support Alliance +
           Telephony Services Architecture
TSAPI      Telephony Services Application Program
           Interface [AT&T + Novell]
TSB        Termination Status Block
TSD        Type-Specific Driver
TSE        The Semware Editor
TSID       Transmitting Subscriber Identification [Microsoft]
TSN        Transition Sequence Number
TSO        Time Sharing Option
TSOP       Thin Small-Outline Package
TSP        Telephony Service Provider
TSR        Terminate and Stay Resident
TSS        Task State Segment + Time Sharing System
TS/SI      Top Secret/Sensitive Information
.TST       Test (file name extension)
TSTN       Triple Supertwisted Nematic
TSV        Tab Separated Values
TT         Typewriter Text
TTA        Transport-Triggered Architecture
TTCN       Tree and Tabular Combined Notation
.TTF       TrueType Font (file name extension)
TTL        Transistor-Transistor Logic
TTP        Thermal-Transfer Printing
TTS        Text-To-Speech + Transaction Tracking System
TTY        Teletype
TUCOWS     The Ultimate Collection of Winsock Software
TUI        Text-Based User Interface [WordPerfect]
TUMS       Table Update and Management System [Stanford University]
.TUT       Tutorial (file name extension)
TVF        Table of contents Verbosely from File [UNIX]
TVFS       Toronto Virtual File System [IBM]
TVI        Television Interference
TVOL       Television On-Line
TWAIN      Technology Without Any Interesting Name
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            (connection between application and scanner software)
TWEAKUI     Tweak User Interface
TWIP        Twenty In Point (as in 20 twips/pixel) [Microsoft]
TWX         Teletypewriter Exchange Service
TXD         Transmit Data
.TXF        Tax Exchange Format (file name extension)
TXT         Text
TXT2STF     Text To Structured File [Lotus Agenda]
TZ          Time Zone [Unix]
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U...

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UA          User Agent + User Area
UAE         Unrecoverable Application Error
UAM         User Authentication Method
UART        Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
UAS         User Application Software
UBE         Unsolicited Bulk Email
UBR         Unspecified Bit Rate
.UC2        Compressed File (file name extension) [UltraCompressor]
UCB         Universal Content Broker
UCBE        Unsolicited Commercial Bulk Email
UCE         Unsolicited Commercial Email
UCL         Universal Communications Language
UCS         Unicode Conversion Support + Universal Character Set +
            User Coordinate System
UCT         Universal Coordinated Time
UDA         Universal Data Access [Microsoft]
UDB         Universal Data Base
UDC         Universal Decimal Classification + User Defined Commands
UDD         User Data Document
UDDI        Universal Description, Discovery and Integration
UD-DVD      Ultra-Definition Digital Video Disk
UDE         Universal Data Exchange
UDEC      * Universal Digital Electronic Computer [Burroughs]
UDF         Universal Disk Format + User Defined Functions
UDG         User Defined Gateway
UDMA        Ultra Direct Memory Access
UDP         User Datagram Protocol
UDT         Uniform Data Transfer + User-Defined Type
UEMS        Unsolicited Electronic Mail Solicitation
UFS         Universal\Unix File System
UG          User Group
UHCI        Universal Host Controller Interface
UHF         Ultra-High Frequency
UHL         Universal Hypertext Link
UI          Unix International + User Interface
UIC         User Identification Code
UID         User Identifier
UIMS        User Interface Management System
UL          Underwriters Laboratories +
            Unordered List + Upload
ULA         Uncommitted Logic Array
ULB         Ultra Wideband
ULN         Universal Link Negotiation
ULS         Universal Licensing System
ULSI        Ultra Large Scale Integration
UMA         Unified Memory Architecture
UMB         Upper Memory Block [LIM/AST]
UML         Unified Modeling Language
UMS         User Mode Scheduler
UMTS        Universal Mobile Telecommunications System
UNC         Universal Naming Convention +
            Uuencoded Netnews Collator [Unix]
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UNCOL      Universal Computed Oriented Language
UNEP       Unbundled Network Platform
UNI        User-Network Interface
UNICOM     Universal Integrated Communication (System)
UNICOS     Universal Compiler FORTRAN compatible
UNII       Unlicensed National Information Infrastructure
UNIVAC     Universal Automatic Computer
UNIX       (AT&T Bell Laboratories Operating System)
UNMA       Unified Network Management Architecture
UNSPSC     Universal Standard Products and Services Classification
UP         Uniprocessor
UPC        Universal Product/Program Code + User Parameter Control
UPG        Upgrade
UPL        User Program Language
UPM        Unix Programmer's Manual +
           User Profile Management [IBM]
UPNP       (UPnP) Universal Plug and Play
UPS        United Parcel Service (company) +
           Uninterruptible Power Supply/System
URC        Uniform Resource Characteristics +
           Uniform Resource Citation
UREP       Unix RSCS Emulation Protocol (protocol)
URI        Uniform Resource Identifier
URL        Uniform Resource Locator
URN        Uniform Resource Name/Number
US         Unit Separator
USART      Universal Synchronous-Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
USB        Universal Serial Bus [Intel]
US-CERT    United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team
USENET     User's Network [Internet]
USERID     User Identification
USOC       Universal Service Ordering Code
USQ        Unsqueezed (files)
USR        US Robotics (corporation)
USRT       Universal Synchronous Receiver/Transmitter
USSA       User Supported Software Association (United Kingdom)
UT         User Terminal
UTC        Coordinated Universal Time
UTF        Unicode Transformation Format
UTI        Universal Text Interchange/Interface
UTM        Universal Transverse Mercator (grid)
UTP        Unshielded Twisted-Pair (cable)
UU         Uuencode/Uudecode
UUCP       Unix-To-Unix Copy Protocol
UUD        UUDecoding [Unix]
UUDECODE   Unix-To-Unix Decoding
UUE        UUEncoding [Unix]
UUENCODE   Unix-To-Unix Encoding
UUI        User-To-User Information [AT&T]
UUID       Universal Unique Identifier
UV         Ultraviolet
UWB        Ultra-Wide Band
UWR        Ultra Wideband Radio
UXGA       Ultra Extended Graphics Array
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V...

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VA          Virtual Address + Visual Age [IBM]
VAD         Value Added Dealer
VADD        Value Added Disk Driver
VADSL       (See DSL)
VAI         Video As Input
VAL         Value + Voice Application Language
.VAL        Validity Checks (file name extension) [Paradox]
VAM         Virtual Access Method
VAN         Value Added Network
VAP         Value Added Process
VAR         Value Added Reseller + Value Added Retailer + Variable
VAST        Variable Array Storage Technology
VAX/VMS     Virtual Address Extension/Virtual Memory System [DEC]
VB          Variable Block + Visual Basic [Microsoft]
VBA         Visual Basic for Applications [Microsoft]
VBE/AI      Vesa Bios Extension/Audio Interface
VBI         Vertical Blanking Interval
VBNS        Very High Speed Backbone Network Service [MCI + NSF]
VBR         Variable Bit Rate
VBRUN       Visual Basic Runtime
VBS         Visual Basic Script
.VBX        Visual Basic Extension (file name extension)
VCC         Virtual Channel Connection
VCD         Video Compact Disk + Virtual Communications Driver
VCI         Virtual Circuit Identifier
VCL         Visual Class/Component Library
VCM         Virtual Channel Memory
VCN         Virtual Cluster Number
VCOS        Visual Caching Operating System [AT&T]
VCPI        Virtual Control Program Interface
VCR         Video Cassette Recorder
VDD         Virtual Device Driver
VDDM        Virtual Device Driver Manager
VDE         Video Display Editor + Visual Development Environment
VDI         Virtual Device Interface
VDISK       Virtual Disk
VDM         Virtual DOS Machine [IBM]
VDMAD       Virtual Direct Memory Access Device [Microsoft]
VDS         Virtual DMA Services
VDSL        (See DSL)
VDT         Video Dial Tone + Video Display Terminal
VDU         Video Display Unit + Visual Display Unit
VEGA        Video-7 Enhanced Graphics Adapter [Video-7, Inc.]
VEMM        Virtual Expanded Memory Manager
VEMMI       Versatile Multimedia Interface
VER         Verify + Version
VERONICA    Very Easy Rodent-Oriented Net-Wide Index to
            Computer Archives [Internet]
VERR        Verify Read Access
VERW        Verify Write Access
VES         Video Encoding Standard [Oracle] +
            Virtual Execution System
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VESA        Video Electronics Standards Association
VF          Virtual Floppy
VFAT        Virtual File Allocation Table [Microsoft]
V.FC        Version.First Class (communications standard)
VFD         Vacuum Fluorescent Display
VFW         Video For Windows [Microsoft]
VGA         Video Graphics Array
VGC         Video Graphics Controller
VHDL        VHSIC Hardware Description Language
VHF         Very-High Frequency
VHS         Very High Speed + Video Home System +
            Virtual Host Storage
VHSIC       Very High Speed Integrated Circuit
VI          Visual Interactive (editor) [UNIX]
VIA         Virtual Interface Architecture [Intel]
VIE         Virtual Information Environment
VIF         Virtual Interface + Virtual Interrupt Flag
VIM         Vendor Independent Mail +
            Vendor Independent Messaging + Video Interface Module
VIO         Video Input/Output + Virtual Input/Output
VINES       Virtual Networking System [Banyan]
ViP         Visual Programming [Lotus]
VIP         Variable Information Processing +
            Video Information Provider +
            Virtual Interrupt Pending +
            Visual Interactive Parser
VIPER       Verifiable Integrated Processor for
            Enhanced Reliability
VIS         Video Information System [Tandy] +
            Viewable Image Size +
            Visual Instruction Set [Sun] +
            Voice Information System
VJ HEADER   Van Jacobsen Header (compression) [Unix]
VLA         Variable-Length Array
VLAN        Virtual Local Area Network
VL-BUS      Vesa Local-Bus [VESA]
VLD         Variable-Length Decoder
VLF         Very Low Frequency
VLINK       Visited Link [HTML]
VLIW        Very Large Instruction Word
VLM         Virtual Loadable Module
VLSI        Very Large Scale Integration
VLSIPS      Very Large Scale Immobilized Polymer Synthesis
VLT         Variable List Table
VM          Virtual Machine + Virtual Memory
VMA         Virtual Memory Address
VMB         Virtual Machine Boot
VMD         Video Motion Detection
VME         Versa Module Eurocard +
            Virtual Memory Environment
VML         Vector Markup Language [Microsoft]
VMM         Virtual Machine/Memory Manager
VMOS        Vertical MOS
VMP         Virtual Modem Protocol
VMS         Virtual Machine Storage + Virtual Memory System +
            Voice Message System
VMT         Virtual Memory Technique
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VNA        Virtual Network Architecture
VNC        Virtual Network Computing
VNOS       Visual Network Operating System
VOC        Creative Voice (format) [Sound Blaster]
VOD        Video On Demand
VOFDM      Vector Orthogonal Frequency Division
           Multiplexing [Cisco]
VOIP       Voice Over Internet Protocol
VOL        Volume
VOM        Volt-Ohm-Milliammeter
VOR        Visions Of Reality
VOS        Verbal/Virtual/Voice Operating System
VP         Virtual Path
VPD        Virtual Printer Device + Vital Product Data [IBM]
VPDN       Virtual Private Data Network
VPDS       Virtual Private Data Service [MCI]
VPE        Video Port Extensions [Microsoft] +
           Visual Programming Environment
VPL        Virtual Programming Language
VPM        Video Port Manager
VPN        Virtual Page Number + Virtual Private Network
VPS        Voice Processing System
VPSC       Vault, Process, Structure, Configuration
VPT        Virtual Print Technology [Dataproducts]
VR         Virtual Reality + Voltage Regulated/Regulator
VRAM       Video Random Access Memory
VRD        Virtual Retinal Display
VRE        Voltage Regulated Extended
VRM        Vendor Relationship Management + Voltage Regulator Module
VRML       Virtual Reality Modeling Language
           (originally named Virtual Reality Markup Language)
VROOMM     Virtual Real-time Object Oriented
           Memory Manager [Borland]
VRRP       Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol
.VRS       WordPerfect Graphics Driver (file name extension)
VRT        Voltage Regulation Technology [Intel]
VRU        Voice Response Unit
VS         Virtual Storage
VSAM       Video Surveillance and Monitoring +
           Virtual Storage Access Method
VSAT       Very Small Aperture Terminal
VSE        Virtual Storage Extended
VSF        Vertical Scanning Frequency
VSI        Virtual Socket/Switch Interface
VSIO       Virtual Serial Input Output
VSM        Virtual Shared Memory + Virtual Storage Management +
           Visual System Management [IBM]
VSN        Volume Serial Number
VSOS       Virtual Storage Operating System
VST        Virtual Studio Technology
VSTO       Visual Studio Tools [Microsoft]
VSWR       Voltage Standing Wave Ratio
VSYNC      Vertical Sync
VT         Vertical Tab
VTAM       Virtual Telecommunications Access Method [IBM]
VTNS       Virtual Telecommunications Network Service
VTS        Volume Tracking Driver
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VUI      Video User Interface
VUP      VAX Unit of Performance
VWB      Visual WorkBench [Microsoft]
VWM      Virtual Window Manager
VXA      Variable-Speed Architecture [Ecrix]
VxD      Virtual Extended Driver [Microsoft]
.VXD     Virtual Device (file name extension) [Microsoft]
VXML     Voice Extensible Markup Language
V&V      Verification and Validation
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W/        With
W3        (see WWW)
W3A       World Wide Web Applets
W3C       World Wide Web Consortium
W4        What-Works-With-What
WAAS      Wide Area Augmentation System
WABI      Windows Application Binary Interface [SunSoft]
WAE       Wireless Application Environment
WAI       Web Accessibility Initiative +
          Web Application Interface [Netscape]
WAIS      Wide Area Information Server
WAITI     Wait-For-Interrupt
WAITS     Wide Area Information Transfer System
WAN       Wide Area Network
WAP       Wireless Application Protocol
WAR       Web Archive
WARP      Web Service Aggregtion, Rely and Propogation
WATS      Wide Area Telecommunications Service
.WAV      Waveform Audio (file name extension)
WBEM      Web-Based Enterprise Management
WC        Word Count
W-CDMA    Wideband CDMA
WCS       World Coordinate System
WD-40     Water Displacement-40th Attempt
WDDX      Web Distributed Data Exchange
WDL       Windows Driver Library [Microsoft]
WDM       Wavelength Division Multiplexing +
          Windows Driver Model [Microsoft]
WDRAM     Windows Dynamic Random Access Memory
WEA       Web Enabled Application
.WEB      Entities Emphasizing the WWW (Domain Name) [Internet]
WEBDAV    Web Based Distributed Authoring and Versioning
WEBNFS    Web Network File System [Sun]
WEFT      Web Embedding Fonts Tool [Microsoft]
WELL      Whole Earth 'Lectronic Link (BBS)
WEP       Wired Equivalent Privacy +
          Wireless Encription Protocol
WFM       Wired For Management [Intel]
WFQ       Weighted Fair Queuing [Cisco]
WFW       Windows For Workgroups [Microsoft]
WGS       Work Group System
WHAM      Waveform Hold and Modify [Microsoft]
WHC       Workstation Host Connection
WIB       World wIde weB (suggested oral replacement of
          nine-syllable 'WWW' using one-syllable 'WIB'
WIFI      (Wi-Fi) Wireless Fidelity
WIM       Wireless Instant Messaging
WIMP      Windows, Icons, Menus and Pulldowns
WIN 9.X   Windows95/Windows98
WIN...CE  Windows Compact Edition [Microsoft]
WINDBG    Windows Debugger [Microsoft]
WINE      Windows Emulator
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WINForum   Wireless Information Networks Forum
WIN...MCE  Windows Media Center Edition [Microsoft]
WIN...ME   Windows Millennium Edition [Microsoft]
WINS       Windows Internet Naming Service [Microsoft]
WIN...SE   Windows Second Edition [Microsoft]
WINSOCK    Windows Open Systems Architecture [Microsoft] +
           Windows Sockets
WINWORD    Word For Windows [Microsoft]
WIN...XP   Windows The "Experience" [Microsoft]
WISE       WordPerfect Information System Environment
WISP       Wireless Internet Service Provider
WIT        Web Interactive Talk [Internet]
.WKB       Workbook (file name extension) [WordPerfect]
.WKE       Worksheet (file name extension) [Lotus 1-2-3] [LDC]
.WKQ       Spreadsheet (file name extension) [BORQU]
.WKS       Worksheet (file name extension) [Lotus 1-2-3] [LDC]
.WKZ       Compressed Spreadsheet (file name extension) [BORQU]
.WK1       Worksheet (file name extension) [Lotus 1-2-3] [LDC]
WL         Word Line
WLAN       Wireless Local Area Network
.WLG       Dr. Watson Log (file name extension)
WLL        Wireless Local Loop
.WMA       Windows Media Audio (file name extension) [Microsoft]
WMC        Workflow Management Coalition
WME        Wireless Multimedia Enhancements
.WMF       Windows Metafile Format (file name extension) [Microsoft]
WMFSDK     Windows Media Format Software Development Kit [Microsoft]
WMI        Windows Management Instrumentation [Microsoft]
WML        Wireless Markup Language
WMP        Windows Media Player [Microsoft]
WMRM       Write Many, Read Many
WMT        Windows Media Technologies [Microsoft]
.WMV       Windows Video File (file name extension) [Microsoft]
WNIC       Wide-Area Network Interface Co-Processor
WNIM       Wide-Area Network Interface Module
W/O        Without
WORM       Write Once, Read Many
WOS        Workstation Operating System
WOSA       Windows Open Services/Systems Architecture [Microsoft]
WOW        Window On Windows [Microsoft]
WP         WordPerfect + Word Processing + Write Protected
WPA        Wi-Fi/Wireless Protected Access
.WPD       Windows Printer Description (file name extension)
.WPG       WordPerfect Graphics (file name extension)
WPHD       Write-Protect Hard Disk
.WPK       Keyboard (file name extension) [WordPerfect]
WPM        Words Per Minute
.WPM       Macro (file name extension) [WordPerfect]
WPOS       Workplace Operating System
WPS        Windows Printing System [Microsoft] +
           Workplace Shell [OS2]
WPVM       Windows Parallel Virtual Machine
.WQ1       Spreadsheet (file name extension) [BORPQU]
.WQ!       Compressed Spreadsheet (file name extension) [BORPQU]
WRAM       Windows Random Access Memory
WRE        Weighted Random Early Detection [Cisco]
.WRI       Write (file name extension)
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WRK        Windows Resource Kit [Microsoft]
WS         WordStar + Workstation
WSAPI      Web Site Application Program Interface [O'Reilly]
WSDL       Web Services Definition/Description Language [IBM/Microsoft]
WSH        Windows Scripting Host [Microsoft]
WSP        Wireless Session Protocol
WSUI       Web Services User Interface
WT         Write Through
WTA        Wireless Telephony Application
WTLS       Wireless Transport Layer Security
WTM        Wired For Management
WWIS       World Wide Information System [Internet]
WWW        World-Wide Web [Internet]
WYSBYGI    What You See Before You Get It
WYSIWYG    What You See Is What You Get
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X...

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XA        Extended Architecture + Extended Attribute
XACML     Extensible Access Control Markup Language
XAPIA     X.400 Application Program Interface Association
X2B       Hexadecimal to Binary [REXX]
.XBM      X-Windows Bitmaps (file name extension) (black and white)
XBRL      Extensible Business Reporting Language
X2C       Hexadecimal to Character [REXX]
XCHG      Exchange
XCMD      External Command
XCOPY     Extended Copy
X2D       Hexadecimal to Decimal [REXX]
XDF       Extended Density Format [IBM]
XDR       Extended/External Data Representation
XFCN      External Function
XFDL      Extensible forms Description Language
XGA       Extended Graphics Array [IBM]
XHTML     Extensible HyperText Markup Language
XID       Exchange Identifier
XIOS      Extended Input/Output System
.XLA      Add-In (file name extension) [Microsoft-Excel]
XLAT      Translate
XLF       Exceptional Fortran [IBM]
XLIFF     XML Localization Interchange File Format [IBM]
.XLK      Backup (file name extension) [Microsoft-Excel]
XLL       Extensible Link Language
XLM       Excel Macro Language [Microsoft]
.XLT      Template (file name extension) [Microsoft-Excel]
XMIT      Transmit
XML       Extensible Markup Language
XMM       Extended Memory Manager [LIM/AST]
XMS       Extended Memory Specification [LIM/AST]
XNS       Xerox Network System (protocol) [Xerox]
XOFF      Transmitter Off
XON       Transmitter On
XOR       Exclusive OR (Also EOR)
XP        Extreme Performance [Compaq]
XPCOM     Cross Platform Component Object Model [Mozilla]
XPE       XP Embedded (see WIN...XP) [Microsoft]
XPRM      Xerox Print Resources Manager [Xerox]
.XPM      X-Windows Pixelmaps (file name extension) (color)
XRI       Extensible Resource Identifier
XRNS      Extensible Resource Name System
XRT       Extensions for Real-Time
XSL       Extensible Style Language
XSLT      Extensible Stylesheet Transformation
XSMD      Extended Storage Module Drive (interface)
XSSI      Extended Server Side Includes
XTAL      Crystal
XTCLK     External Transmit Clock
XUL       Extensible User-Interface Language [Netscape]
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Y...

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YAM         Yet Another Modem [Omen Technology]
YAHOO       Yet Another Hierarchically Officious Oracle [Internet]
Y2K         Year 2000
(Y/N)?      (Asks for a YES or NO decision)
YTD         Year To Date
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Z...

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.z         Packed file (file name extension - using Pack/Unpack
           program)..lower case z..[Unix]
.Z         Compressed file (file name extension - using
           Compress/Uncompress program)..upper case Z..[Unix]
ZAK        Zero Administration Kit [Microsoft]
ZAW        Zero Administration for Windows [Microsoft]
ZBR        Zone-Bit Recording [IBM]
Z-CAV      Zoned Constant Angular Velocity
ZDL        Zero Delay Lockout
ZDS        Zenith Data Systems
ZIF        Zero-Insertion Force (socket)
ZIP        Zigzag In-Line Package +
           Zone Improvement Plan (ZIPcode)
.ZIP       Compressed File (file name extension) [PKWare]
.ZOO       Compressed File (file name extension) [Dhesi]
ZPV        Zoomed Port Video [Toshiba]
ZSL        Zero Slot LAN
ZVP        Zoomed Video Port
@          At + Commercial At
(\)        Backslash
(/)        Slash
(~)        Tilde
(_)        Underscore
{ }        Braces
[ ]        Square Brackets
...        Ellipsis
*          Wildcard character (asterisk)
*.*        Star-Dot-Star (represents
           Any file name.Any file name extension)
.$$$       Temporary File (file name extension)
1GL        First Generation Language (machine language)
24/7       Twenty-Four Hours a Day, Seven Days a Week
286        80286 (microprocessor)
2GL        Second Generation Language (assembly language)
386        80386 (microprocessor)
3COM       3 Com Corporation (The 3 Coms are
           Computer, Communications and Compatibility)
3GL        Third Generation Language (programming language)
486        80486 (microprocessor)
4GL        Fourth Generation Language (descriptive language)
6DOF       Six Degrees Of Freedom
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Version 05C

Jan 2005 version = 05A	Jan 2006 version = 06A
May 2005 version = 05B	May 2006 version = 06B
Sep 2005 version = 05C	Sep 2006 version = 06C

APPENDIX A...

DOWNLOADING BABEL

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To obtain the latest version of BABEL use any of these methods:


*********************
For HTML Format ONLY
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http://www.geocities.com/ikind_babel/babel/babel.html

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For ALL Formats:  HTML, TEXT and PALM
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http://www.geocities.com/ikind_babel/index.html


NOTE for all methods:
After Jan 1, 2005 BABEL TXT, HTML, ZIP & PALM will contain Version 05A
After May 1, 2005 BABEL TXT, HTML, ZIP & PALM will contain Version 05B
After Sep 1, 2005 BABEL TXT, HTML, ZIP & PALM will contain Version 05C
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APPENDIX B...

The following examples are included to only serve as a very brief introduction to what may be found when reading email and news groups and when using IRC on the Internet.

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In email and news, "smiley faces" (emoticons), rather than words, are used to express the writer's feelings. Turn your head to the side to read them.

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        :-)     Smile           :-D     Laughing

        :-]     Smirk           :-(     Frown

        ;-)     Wink            :-X     Close-mouthed

        8-)     Wide-eyed       :-O     Open-mouthed

    also

        <jk>    Just kidding    <g>     Grin
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In email and during on-line conversations, a variety of letter groups are used to abbreviate the writer's comments, such as:

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    BRB    Be right back       IMHO    In my humble opinion

    BTW    By the way          ROFL    Rolling on the floor
                                        laughing

    FOAF   Friend of a friend  TIA     Thanks in advance
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APPENDIX C...

COUNTRY DOMAIN NAMES

At the present time there are over 200 recognized Country Domain names. Two-letter abbreviations that represent the country names are used in addresses seen on the Internet. The following names (145 confirmed) represent the country of origin from where someone has downloaded BABEL (babel.html). A full list of Country Domain Names may be found at the Internet Assigned Number Authority: www.iana.org

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.ad      Andorra
.ae      United Arab Emirates
.ag      Antigua and Barbuda
.ai      Anguilla
.al      Albania
.am      Armenia
.ar      Argentina
.at      Austria
.au      Australia
.aw      Aruba
.ba      Bosnia-Herzegovina
.be      Belgium
.bg      Bulgaria
.bh      Bahrain
.bm      Bermuda
.bn      Brunei Darussalam
.bo      Bolivia
.br      Brazil
.bs      Bahamas
.bw      Botswana
.by      Belarus
.bz      Belize
.ca      Canada
.cc      Cocos (Keeling) Islands
.ch      Switzerland
.ci      Cote D'Ivoire (Ivory Coast)
.cl      Chile
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.cn      China
.co      Colombia
.cr      Costa Rica
.cu      Cuba
.cy      Cyprus
.cz      Czech Republic
.de      Germany
.dk      Denmark
.dm      Dominica
.do      Dominican Republic
.ec      Ecuador
.ee      Estonia
.eg      Egypt
.es      Spain
.et      Ethiopia
.fi      Finland
.fj      Fiji
.fm      Micronesia
.fo      Faroe Islands
.fr      France
.gb      Great Britain
.ge      Georgia
.gi      Gibraltar
.gl      Greenland
.gp      Guadeloupe (French)
.gr      Greece
.gt      Guatemala
.gu      Guam
.gy      Guyana
.hk      Hong Kong
.hn      Honduras
.hr      Croatia
.hu      Hungary
.id      Indonesia
.ie      Ireland
.il      Israel
.in      India
.ir      Iran
.is      Iceland
.it      Italy
.jm      Jamaica
.jo      Jordan
.jp      Japan
.ke      Kenya
.kg      Kyrgyzstan
.kr      Korea (South)
.kw      Kuwait
.kz      Kazakhstan
.lb      Lebanon
.lc      Saint Lucia
.li      Liechtenstein
.lk      Sri Lanka
.lt      Lithuania
.lu      Luxembourg
.lv      Latvia
.ma      Morocco
.mc      Monaco
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.md        Moldova
.mk        Macedonia
.mn        Mongolia
.mo        Macau
.mt        Malta
.mu        Mauritius
.mv        Maldives
.mx        Mexico
.my        Malaysia
.na        Namibia
.nc        New Caledonia (French)
.nf        Norfolk Island
.ng        Nigeria
.ni        Nicaragua
.nl        Netherlands
.no        Norway
.np        Nepal
.nu        Niue
.nz        New Zealand
.om        Oman
.pa        Panama
.pe        Peru
.pf        Polynesia (French)
.pg        Papua New Guinea
.ph        Philipines
.pk        Pakistan
.pl        Poland
.pt        Portugal
.py        Paraguay
.qa        Qatar
.ro        Romania
.ru        Russian Federation
.sa        Saudi Arabia
.se        Sweden
.sg        Singapore
.si        Slovenia
.sk        Slovak Republic
.su        USSR (former)
.sv        El Salvador
.th        Thailand
.tn        Tunisia
.to        Tonga
.tr        Turkey
.tt        Trinidad and Tobago
.tw        Taiwan
.tz        Tanzania
.ug        Uganda
.uk        United Kingdom
.us        United States
.uy        Uruguay
.uz        Uzbekistan
.va        Vatican City State
.ve        Venezuela
.vi        Virgin Islands (USA)
.vn        Vietnam
.ye        Yemen
.yu        Yugoslavia
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.za      South Africa
.zm      Zambia
.zw      Zimbabwe
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NOTES

NOTE 1

SUBMITTING A NEW ENTRY....Each submitted entry is first

verified before inclusion into BABEL. Please let me know where

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to locate any entry instantly.

        For Printing, use the TEXT version. Download babeltxt.zip,

unzip it, and set your printer for sixty (60) lines per page, with

a six (6) character left hand margin, using 8-1/2" x 11" paper.

Punch holes for a loose leaf binder and keep it on your desk. Again,