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## I've Built a Better Model Than the One at Data General

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(Steven J. Levine c. 1983)

I've built a better model than the one at Data General  
For databases vegetable, animal and mineral;  
My OS handles CPUs with multiplexed duality,  
My PL/1 compiler shows impressive functionality.  
My storage system's better than magnetic core polarity;  
you needn't even bother checking out a bit for parity;  
There isn't any reason to install non-static floor matting;  
My disk drive has capacity for variable formatting.

CHORUS: His disk drive has capacity for variable formatting;  
His disk drive has capacity for variable formatting;  
His disk drive has capacity for variable format-formatting.

I feel compelled to mention what I know to be a gloating point;

There's lots of space in memory for variables floating point,  
Which shows for input vegetable, animal and mineral,  
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The IBM new home computer's nothing more than germinal,  
At Prime they still have trouble with an interactive terminal;  
While Tandy's done a lousy job with operations Boolean,  
At Wang the byte capacity's too small to fit a coolie in.  
Intel's mid-year finances are something of the trouble sort;  
The Timex-Sinclair crashes when you implement a bubble sort;  
All DEC investors soon will find they haven't spent their money well,  
And need I even mention Nixdorf, Univac, or Honeywell?

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By striving to eliminate all source code that's repetitive  
I've brought my benchmark standings to results that are competitive.  
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In fact, when I've a floppy of a maximum diameter,  
When I can call a subroutine of infinite parameter,  
When I can point to registers and keep their current map around,  
And when I can prevent the need for mystifying wraparound,  
When I can update record blocks with minimum of suffering,  
And when I can afford to use a hundred K for buffering,  
When I've performed a matrix sort and tested the addition rate,  
You'll marvel at the speed of my asynchronous transmission rate.

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mission rate.

Though all my better programs that self-reference recursively  
Have only been obtained through expert spying, done subversively,  
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