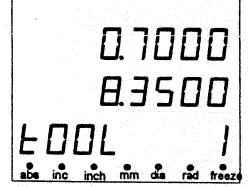
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Features and Capabilities

Bright, efficient LED display with wide viewing angle.

MEC switch on the rear panel is used for setting the Machine Error Compensation.

Internal Nonvolatile Memory maintains data when Power is turned OFF.

Indicator for display modes:

Absolute;

Incremental;

Inch;

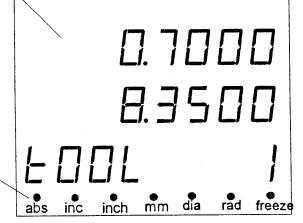
mm;

Diameter;

Radius

Freeze.

Sargon®



Power input module at rear has:

On/Off switch;

Fuse protection;

EMI filter for noise protection.

Press X, Y or Z to select an approriate axis, after numerical data has been key in, press PRESET button to preset a dimension or set the DATUM.

Enter TOOL number.

Press CLEAR at power-up while 8.8.8.8.8.8.8. is flashing to clear all memory.

Press 9 to enter SENSOR mode

Press MODE to change the oprating mode.

Press and hold MARKER while 8.8.8.8.8.8.8 is flashing to setup reference marker;
Press MARKER to search reference marker.

Press 6 to display the angle

Press FREEZE to freeze the display

Press 1 to increase the TOOL number; Press 3 to decrease the TOOL number.

If the optional RS232 interface is installed, press PRINT button at power-up while 8.8.8.8.8.8.8. is flashing to set RS232 protocol. Press PRINT button to send the display to the connecting COMPUTER and/or PRINTER.

Press to toggle incremental and incremental 2.

Preset a dimension if in an incremental mode; Set the DATUM of a workpiece if in the absolute mode.

Center a dimension-divided by 2.

Display Diameter or Radius dimension.

8 Χ mode sensor Z 4 5 6 marker 2 3 tool freeze + 0 print clear mec abs Ψ preset /rad /inc

Lathe Pro

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power-up

Abolute or incremental

Inch or milimeter

display.

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display.

to set:

Scale resolution, scale direction and Diameter enable.

Preparation For Use

Unpacking

Inspect Shipping Containers. Inspect for obvious damage that would indicate mishandling during shipment. Make note of any indicators, such as: dented corners or torn sides.

Save Packing Material. The shipping box and packing material should be opened carefully to permit reuse in case it is necessary to return any portion of the equipment.

Notify Carrier In Case of Damage. If the display or other items show any external damage, or if parts have vibrated or broken loose, the carrier should be notified within ten days of receipt of shipment.

Check Packing List. Any discrepancy between the items received and the items listed on the shipment packing list should be reported immediately to the Sargon distributor.

General installation notes



All required electrical work should be performed by a qualified electrician.

Mount the Lathe Pro a minimum of 6 inches away from any motors. The Lathe Pro may be mounted to the arm provided, or to a custom machined arm, mount, or stand.

Refer to the applicable manual for scale installation.

Typical display installation

- 1. Remove the large eye bolt located on top of the milling machine column (Index 1).
- 2. Mount the arm (Index 2) as shown.
- 3. Bolt the Lathe Pro to the mounting arm with the 5/16-18 bolt (Index 4) provided in the hardware kit.

Grounding

The AC outlet should be a three prong grounded outlet (per article 250 of the US National Electrical Code). If it is not, use a grounded adapter and verify that the adapter is grounded.

Verify that the machine is grounded. If it is not, a ground must be installed.

Install a 14 AWG stranded wire (customer provided) from the ground lug located on the back of the Lathe Pro to the machine power ground connection. If this is not possible, drill/tap at an alternate location on the machine. Secure the ground wire using star or split washers to ensure adequate connection. Use an approved anti-oxidation compound at the connection where the paint is scraped.

AC power

Do not use machine power lines for the Lathe Pro. Use a separate 120 or 240 VAC outlet. If an outlet is not available, one should be installed near the Lathe Pro mounting location.

The AC power outlet should be of the same voltage as that indicated on the identification/serial number label on the back of the Lathe Pro.

Use the power cord supplied. Do not modify the power cord in any way.

Routing scale cables

Connect and secure the scale connectors to the Lathe Pro. Using tie-wraps, secure the scale cables and dress any excess slack. Do not wrap any AC power lines with the scale cables. Maintain a minimum of 6 inch spacing from AC lines and cross at right angles.

Getting start

- 1. After installation, clear the system memory as described in Section 3.
- 2. Set the Lathe Pro scale resolutions, scale directions etc. as described in Section 4.
- 3. Once you have completed the setup and exit, the Lathe Pro will automatically switched to NORmal mode. Move the lathe axes and verify the Lathe Pro displays direction as expected. If not correct, repeat step 2.
- 4. Read the appropriate sections of this manual depending on the type of tasks to be performed and try out the various features.
- 5. To rapidly gain familiarity with your system and to get the most out of it, read this manual from cover to cover to become fully acquainted with all capabilities.

Clearing All Memory - Default Settings

Description

The entire Lathe Pro memory can be cleared as described below.

CAUTION! When the entire memory is cleared, all position data, stored points and MEC scale factors will be lost.

Clearing all memory

- 1. Set the power switch at the rear of the Lathe Pro to OFF (0) then back to ON (1). The display will flash 8.8.8.8.8.8.8.
- 2. Press and hold the **clear** button until **CLEAR ALL** is displayed.
- 3. Press the X button, CLEAR ALL will be changed to CLEAR yES.
- 4. Press the Y button, CLEARED will be displayed and the Lathe Pro will be set to defaults.

Then, the Lathe Pro displays the first setup screen, the Scale Resolution screen, refer to Section 4 to change default settings.

Default settings

Scale Resolution:

X axis 0.0002" (0.005 mm)

Z axis

0.0005" (0.01 mm)

Radius/Diameter Enabled:

X axis Yes

Z axis No

Scale Direction:

X axis Negative

Z axis Positive



Setup Screens

Setup screens description

Scale resolutions, scale directions and dia/rad enable are programmed from the Lathe Pro front panel.

Scale resolutions, scale directions and dia/rad enable are stored in the Lathe Pro's nonvolatile memory. Once set, the Lathe Pro may be powered down. When powered up later the settings will still be intact.

Entering the setup screens

Set the power switch at the rear of the Lathe Pro to OFF (0) then back to ON (1). The display will flash 8.8.8.8.8.8.8.

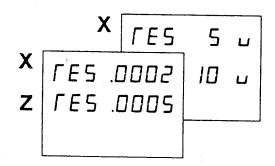
Press and hold the abs/inc button until one of the setup screens is displayed.

Note: After Clearing All Memory, the Lathe Pro will automatically enter Scale resolutions' setup screen.

Scale resolutions

	MICRO	N, mm	INCH
	10.0	0.01	0.0005
	5.0	0.005	0.0002
	2.0	0.002	0.0001
(-	1.0	0.001	0.00005
	- 0.5	0.0005	0.00002
	0.2	0.0002	0.00001
	0.1	0.0001	0.000005

Each axis on the Lathe Pro must be set to the resolution that matches the scale being used for that axis. Resolutions available on the Lathe Pro are shown to the left. The scales must be metric. When inch mode is selected, the metric scale inputs are converted by the Lathe Pro to display in inches.



Repeatedly press the **preset** button until the resolution setup screen is displayed.

Repeatedly press X or Z for the desired axis until the correct resolution is displayed.

Press the **inch/mm** button to change between inch and mm(metric) displays. In mm mode the resolutions are displayed in microns (0.001 mm).

Scale directions

The display will count up or down, depending on the direction of table movement. Scale direction can be set, in the Lathe Pro, for each axis, so that movements are properly displayed.

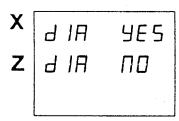
Repeatedly press the **preset** button until the scale direction setup screen is displayed.

Press the **X** or **Z** button for the desired axis to switch between positive and negative scale directions.

Diameter / radius enable

When dia/rad enable is set to **DIA YES** for an axis, as described below, the **dia/rad** button will then be active for that axis. The **dia/rad** button will not affect an axis that is set to **DIA NO**.

Radius tracks the actual scale movement. Diameter displays double this movement.



Repeatedly press the **preset** button until the **dia/rad** enable screen is displayed.

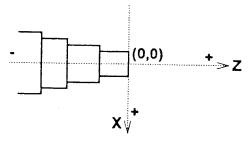
Press the X or Z for the desired axis to switch between the dia/rad function enabled (YES) and disabled (NO).

Exiting the setup screens

When scale resolutions, rad/dia enable and scale directions are correctly set, exit the setup mode by pressing any other button except the X, Z, inch/mm or preset button.

Basic Working Modes

Coordinates



The Z axis is the turning axis of the lathe.

The X axis is the cross travel axis and is perpendicular to the Z axis.

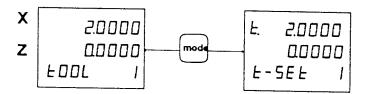
The origin (the starting position of the Z axis) is ordinarily set at the end of the work piece, but it may be set at any location along the turning axis.

Before any machining, make sure that all scale directions are consistent with the directions shown above. The direction of a scale can be reversed on the setup screen. See Section 4.

Basic modes

There are two basic modes: Normal mode and Set-Tool mode.

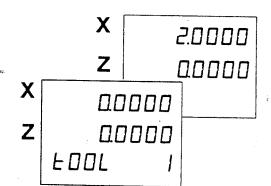
Press the **mode** button to toggle from one mode to another.



NORMAL mode

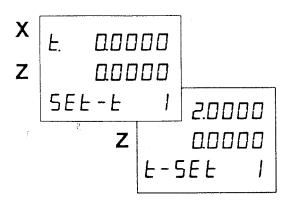
The X and Z displays show the position of the cutting tool edge.

The bottom axis displays the current tool being used. Press the **1**(+) or **3**(-) button to increase or decrease the tool number, or enter the tool number on the bottom display, provided the tool is valid, that is, the tool offsets have already been set.



If there is no valid tool or if you press the 3(-) button when the tool number is 1, the bottom display will become blank and the offset will be turned off. This means the tool offset is disabled.

Set-TOOL mode The second mode is SEt-t (Set-Tool) mode for setting tool offsets.



When a tool offsets is set, the **SEt-t** display will be changed to **t-SEt** to show that the tool has been set.

See Section 9 (page 13) for details.

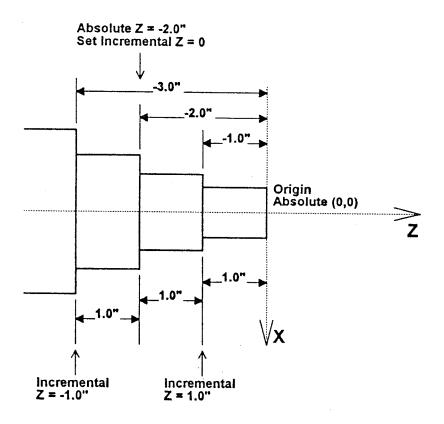
Absolute and Incremental Modes

The difference between absolute and incremental Absolute position is the distance between a fixed starting point on the work piece and another point to which the tool has been moved. Incremental position refers to distances that are not measured with reference to a fixed origin, but instead, the distance is measured between the previous point and some new point.

Absolute register and incremental register are both updated during table movement regardless of which is currently displayed.

Absolute register and incremental register of X and Z axes are otherwise independent, that is, clearing one will not affect the other.

Absolute and incremental on a sample work piece



Switching between absolute and incremental Press the **abs/inc** button to switch between absolute and incremental position displays. LEDs behind the screen indicate which mode is active.

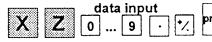
Numerical Data Entry

Keys and their functions

abs	
inc	select absolute or incremental mode;
X	Zselect X or Z axis;
clear	cancel;
+/.	change the sign of the input;
preset	preset;
င္	center line;

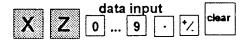
Set the datum point

absolute mode



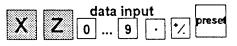
Cancel Input

All modes



Preset Incremental

incremental mode



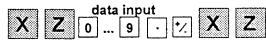
Recall Preset Incremental

incremental mode



Set Incremental

incremental mode



Clear current Incremental

incremental mode



Divid the Incremental by two

incremental mode



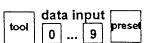
Negat the Incremental

incremental mode



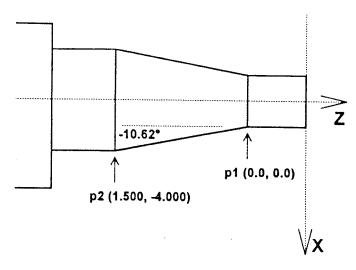
Enter TOOL number

absolute mode

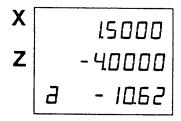


Angle Finding

Finding the taper angle



- 1. Set Lathe Pro to incremental.
- 2. Move to point 1.
- 3. Set both axes to zero.
- 4. Move to point 2.



Press the **angle** button. The taper angle of the line connecting p1 and p2 will be displayed as **a** xx.xx.

Press the +/- button to view the angle in degrees, minutes and seconds.

Press the +/- button again to return to decimal angle display.

Press the **angle** button again to exit angle display.

Tool Offsets

Description

Tool Offsets are the dimensions of a tool's cutting edge relative to a reference point, such as the cutting edge of a master tool.

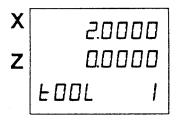
Tool offsets are applicable when more than one tool is being used.

Setting tools after power up

When the Lathe Pro is first powered up, one of the tools must be set.

If all required tools have been previously entered into the Lathe Pro, it is only necessary to set one of those tools on the NORMAL mode screen.

Once one tool has been set, the correct dimensions for other tools will be displayed as long as the tool number is changed to correspond to the new tool.



Press the 1(+) or the 3(-) button to increment or decrement the tool number, or enter the tool number on the bottom display.

On the **NORMAL** mode screen, only those tools which have been set can be selected.

Setting Z axis offset

- 1. Face the end of the work piece.
- 2. Enter the Z offset (usually zero) by pressing the **Z** button, keying in the value, and then press the **preset** button. The absolute and incremental dimensions will be set to the same value in the Lathe Pro.

Setting X axis offset

NOTE: Before entering a diameter, ensure the Lathe Pro is displaying diameter.

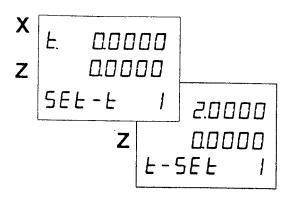
- 1. Make a trial skim cut.
- 2. Freeze the display, if necessary, so that the tool can be backed away from the work piece allowing room for measurement.
- 3. Measure the diameter of the work piece.
- 4. Enter the measured dimension by pressing the X button, keying in the value, and then press the **preset** button. The absolute and incremental dimensions will be set to the same value in the Lathe Pro.

Adding tools

Before setting a new tool, one of the existing tools must be set as described above.

If all tools are being set from scratch, then all tools should first be cleared as described below.

Press the mode button repeatedly, until SEt-t (set-tool) mode screen is displayed.



If tool offsets have been previously set for a particular tool, the *t-SEt* (tool-set) will be displayed on the bottom axis display.

Press the 1(+) or the 3(-) button to increment or decrement the tool number, or enter the tool number on the bottom display.

Set X and Z tool offsets as described previously.

Changing (overwriting) tool offsets

1. Press the **mode** button to switch to **SEt-t** mode screen.

- 2. Press the 1(+) or the 3(-) button to increment or decrement the tool number, or enter the tool number on the bottom display.
- 3. Set X and Z tool offsets as described previously.

Clearing all tools

- 1. Press the **mode** button to switch to **SEt-t** mode screen..
- 2. Press and hold the **clear** button. **CLEAR** screen will be displayed.
- 3. Press the **0** button to clear all tools. **0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.** will be momentarily displayed and all tool offsets will be cleared from the Lathe Pro's memory.

Clearing a single tool

- 1. Press the **mode** button to switch to **SEt-t** mode screen..
- 2. Select the tool number to be cleared.
- 3. Press and hold clear button. CLEAR screen will be displayed.
- 4. Press the **Z** button. The current tool will be cleared.

Machine Error Compensation (MEC)

Machine error compensation description

The lathe would have no error if its movements followed perfectly straight lines. This, however, is not the case. There will always be some finite transfer error.

Definition: Transfer Error is the difference between displacement at the linear scale and displacement at the cutting tool.

Machine error is the difference between the actual dimension of a known standard and the value displayed by a digital readout when the standard is measured using the lathe. This error will also be present in any work piece being machined on that axis.

Machine Error Compensation (MEC) multiplies incoming scale signals by a factor such that the displayed value will be correct. This factor is stored in the Gold Tracer's nonvolatile memory and is set at the factory to 1.000000.

Example: A 10.0000 inch standard is measured along one axis with a result of 9.9950 inches. MEC will re-proportion this dimension so that the correct value (10.0000 inches) is displayed. The 0.0050 inch error has been distributed over the 10.0000 inches of travel. Thus the "Machine Error" has been "Compensated" for.

$$MECFactor = \frac{10.0000}{9.9950} = 1.000500$$

Although MEC can improve lathe performance, it is not intended as a substitute for proper installation and maintenance.

Viewing MEC factors

Press and hold the • (decimal point) button to view the MEC scale factors for all axes.

$$MECFactor = \frac{True_Value}{Measured_Value}$$

Clearing MEC factor

- 1. Press the X or Z button for the appropriate axis. All but the leading zero will be blanked and the decimal point will flash for the selected axis.
- 2. Set the MEC switch (at rear of unit) to CAL, then return it to OFF.
- 3. Press and hold the (decimal point) button to verify the MEC scale factor is now 1.000000.

General MEC calibration notes

The MEC procedure is performed on one axis at a time.

For best results the Lathe Pro should be calibrated in the units (inch or mm) in which it will be used.

Absolute and incremental modes have the same calibration factor for a given axis.

Calibrating MEC

(Gauge) using a dial indick.

1. Measure a known standard (with the Lathe Pro) as described in this manual.

- 2. When the value of the known standard is displayed, press the X or Z button for that axis. All but the leading zero will be blanked and the decimal point will flash for the selected axis.
- 3. Use the numeric keypad to key in the true value (the actual known standard value).

 Do not press the **preset** button.
- 4. Set the MEC switch (at rear of unit) to CAL, then return it to OFF.
- 5. Measure the standard again to ensure the Lathe Pro is now properly calibrated.
- 6. Repeat the procedure for the other axis if required.

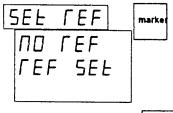
REFERENCE MARKER

Description

The Lathe Pro can remember the position of the REFERENCE Marker for each axis. In case the machine table has been moved when the power is down, this feature can relocate the correct position.

Enter the SET REF mode

Set the power switch at the rear of the Lathe Pro to OFF (0) then back to ON (1). While the display is flashing with **8.8.8.8.8.8.8.8.**, press and hold the **marker** key, the Lathe Pro enter the **SET REF** mode.



clear

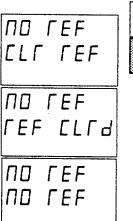
Z

The screen display with NO REF or REF SET.

The **NO REF** denotes that the REFERENCE Marker has not been set for the axis.

The **REF SET** denotes that the REFERENCE Marker has been set for the axis.

Clear the existing REF SET Marker

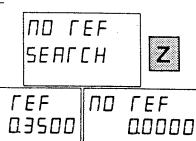


If you need reset the *REF SET* Marker, it is necessary to clear it first. To clear the existing *REF SET* Marker:

- 1. Press **Clear** key, the **REF SET** will be changed to **CLR REF**.
- 2. Press the axis' key (in this case, it is Z1) the display will flash with *REF CLRD*, then change to *NO REF*.

Searching the Reference Marker from a starting point

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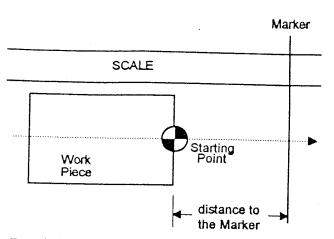
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To search a REFERENCE Marker:

- 1. Select an axis by pressing the X or Z1 key. If the Z1 axis is selected, it will flash with SEARCH, then display the absolute dimension of this starting point.
- 2. To make the relocation of the starting point easier, it is better to preset (section 7, page 11) this dimension to zero
- . Make sure that the tool movement for the selected axis is in the positive direction. Move the tool slowly. When the Marker is detected, the Lathe Pro will save the detected position immediately and flash the display with FOUND, then display the current position.





While in the SET REF mode, press the print key, the Lathe Pro will display NO DATA if there is no data; otherwise it will display REF DATA follow by the saved data. Then display current position.

Note: If the starting point's coordinate has not been reset to zero before searching, the distance to the Marker is the reminder of the saved data minus the starting point's coordinate.

Exit the SET REF mode To exit from the SET REF mode, press any number key.

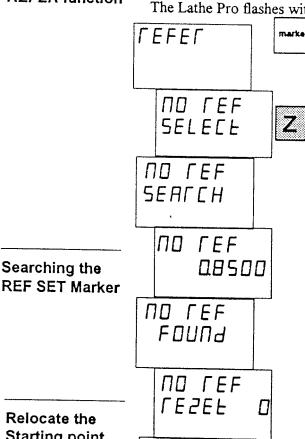
Select the REFER function

Searching the

Relocate the

Starting point

The REFER function allows you to relocate the starting position by searching the REF SET Marker. In the NORmal mode, press the marker key to select REFER function. The Lathe Pro flashes with REFER then displays NO REF or SELECT.



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The SELECT denotes that this axis' Marker data has been saved and the axis can be selected for searching.

Press the Z key to select this axis, the Lathe Pro flashes with SEARCH then display its current position in absolute mode.

You can press the **print** key to view the saved **REF SET** Marker data.

Make sure that the tool movement for the selected axis is in the positive direction. Move the table slowly. When the REF SET Marker is detected, the Lathe Pro will copy the saved data to the absolute display register immediately, then flash the display with FOUND, RESET 0, END OF F, and return to the NORmal mode.

To relocate the starting point right after the reference marker has been found, move the tool in absolute mode, once the Lathe Pro reaches the starting point coordinate, its position should also be the original starting point's position.



RS232 Functions (Option)

Description

The RS232 option consists of two serial ports designated "COMPUTER" and "PRINTER" installed on the back panel of the Lathe Pro.

RS232 is the communication medium between the Lathe Pro and the computer (and/or the printer). The communication code is ASCII.

The printer and the computer may be used independent of each other.

Information can be sent from the Lathe Pro to the printer, using the Lathe Pro keypad, whether a computer is connected or not.

If a computer is also connected, information can be sent from the Lathe Pro to the printer using the computer keyboard

Information can also be sent from the computer, using the computer keyboard, to the Lathe Pro.

Connector pin assignments

Both connectors are female DB25, their pin assignments and signals are:

Pin Number	Function
2	Tx
3	Rx
4	RTS
5	CTS
7	Signal Ground

Computer setup

A Terminal or Personal Computer can interface with the Lathe Pro through the serial port.

If run Microsoft Windows 3.x, choose Program Manager \ Accessories \ Terminal.

If run Microsoft Windows 95/98, choose Programs \ Accessories \ Hyper Terminal.

Printer setup

A serial printer can interface with the Lathe Pro provided they have the same protocol settings.

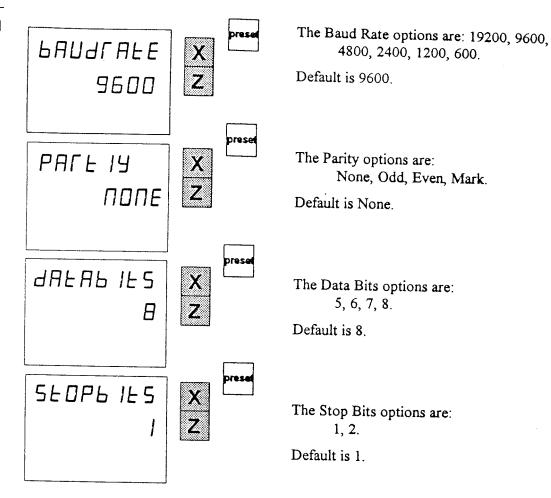
Setting RS232 protocol

RS232 protocol is programmed from the Lathe Pro front panel.

Set the power switch at the rear of the Lathe Pro to OFF (0) then back to ON (1). The display will flash 8.8.8.8.8.8.8.8.

Press and hold the **print** key until one of the setup screens is displayed.

Default protocol settings



When Baud Rate, Parity, Data Bits and Stop Bits are correctly set, they are stored in the Lathe Pro nonvolatile memory. Once set, the Lathe Pro may be powered down. When powered up at a later time the settings will still be intact.

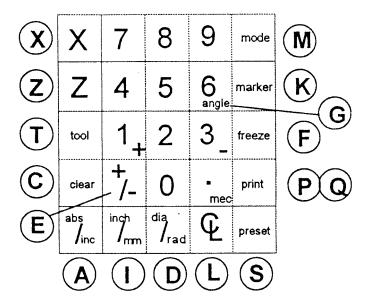
Changing protocol settings

Press the **preset** key until the desired setup screen is displayed.

Press the \boldsymbol{X} or \boldsymbol{Z} key to change a default setting.

Keyboard equivalents

Most of the Lathe Pro functions can be performed through the computer keyboard.



- Number keys (0 9 . + -) correspond to the same keys on the computer keyboard.
- · Computer keys correspond to the remaining Lathe Pro keys as shown.
- P = PRINTER ON, Q = PRINTER OFF.

Printing information

When the printer is on, information is printed as the Lathe Pro is operated. The top axis information is displayed first, followed by the middle axis, then the bottom axis. Some examples are shown below.

```
CRT ON
PRNTR ON
2.0000 -4.0000 TOOL 1
```

Information right after power on.

```
M ABSOLUTE 2.0000 -4.0000 T-SET 1
M INCREMENT 2.0000 -4.0000 TOOL 1
```

When the **M** key on the remote computer is pressed or the **mode** key on the Lathe Profront panel is pressed the display mode toggled between Normal mode and Tool mode.

```
(Example of enter 3.525 to Z then preset and enter 0. to X then preset through a remote computer keyboard: )

Z -4.0000 3.525S
2.0000 3.5250 TOOL 1

X 2.0000 0.S
0.0000 3.5250 TOOL 1
```

Dimensions are printed when a value is entered on an axis.

Press and hold the **print** key to turn the printer off. Press the **print** key to turn the printer back on. Press the **print** key to print the current screen.