If you have to service time-sharers while running batch.

Get one Sigma.

Most machines can’t handle both. A few fake it by treating batch like a time-sharing terminal, so it gets worked on a few milliseconds at a time.

Sigma 5 and 7 handle both, concurrently. Our new BTM software allocates core memory and time for effective batch time-sharing. But if all your 38 time-sharers aren’t time-sharing, BTM automatically takes up the slack to speed batch processing.

As a result, batch runs smoothly at central site, or from remote batch terminals. BTM even lets time-sharers have access to the batch job stream for greater computing power and flexibility.

If batch isn’t running fast enough for you, terminal users can be gracefully dismissed from the system so all available time and memory can be given to batch. Without stopping the system or dumping files just to change modes.

But just because Sigma uses half its mind for batch and half for time-sharing, don’t expect half-witted programs. There’s a long list of conversational languages and services such as SDS Basic, Fortran IV H, and Symbol, which are compatible for batch operations. Plus powerful batch processors like SDS Fortran IV, SDS Cobol 65, FMPS, SL-1, Manage and others.

This sounds like a promise of things to come. It isn’t. We’ll come to your office and demonstrate it. Now.