

## Psion serie 3A en 3A Chess module van Purple software

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Psion\\_Series\\_3](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Psion_Series_3)

The **Psion Series 3** range of personal digital assistants were made by Psion PLC. The four main variants are the **Psion Series 3** (1991), the **Psion Series 3a** (1993), the **Psion Series 3c** (1996), and the **Psion Series 3mx** (1998), all sized 165 × 85 × 22 mm. In addition, a Psion Series 3a variant with factory installed software for the Russian language was called a **Psion Series 3aR**, and Acorn Computers sold a rebadged version of the Psion Series 3 and 3a marketed as the **Acorn Pocket Book** and **Acorn Pocket Book II**.

The Psion Series 3 range is regarded by writer Charles Stross as an unsurpassed PDA because of its long battery life (20 to 35 hours), its stable and versatile software, and its durable hardware. About 1.5 million Psion 3s were made.

### Psion Series 3a



<b>Manufacturer</b>	Psion PLC
<b>Type</b>	PDA
<b>Retail availability</b>	1993
<b>Media</b>	Psion Solid State Disks
<b>Operating system</b>	SIBO (EPOC16)
<b>CPU</b>	NEC V30H @ 7.68 MHz
<b>Display</b>	480 × 160 monochrome LCD, 13.1 cm (5.16 in)
<b>Input</b>	QWERTY keyboard microphone stylus
<b>Camera</b>	N/A
<b>Touchpad</b>	N/A
<b>Connectivity</b>	Serial, 19200 bit/s RS-232C
<b>Power</b>	2 × AA battery

<https://chessprogramming.wikispaces.com/Psion>

## Namesakes

According to Chris Whittington **the chess software for the Psion 3a PDA** was written by Ren Wu. A further Psion Chess program for Psion Series 3 and Psion Siena PDAs was written by Johan Van Barel.



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The Psion 3a emulator also works in DOSbox so you can run the Psion and Purple Software versions of chess on this platform. I have only the latter for which the engine is credited to Oxford Softworks (Chris Whittington?).