

# Destiny from Applied Concepts

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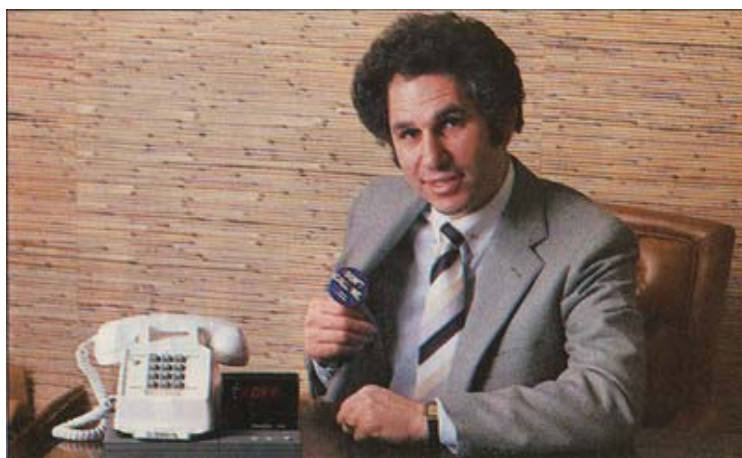
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[Steve Chafitz talks about the (pre)history of Chafitz/Applied Concepts]



Steve Chafitz, as appeared in the March 28, 1983 issue of Forbes.

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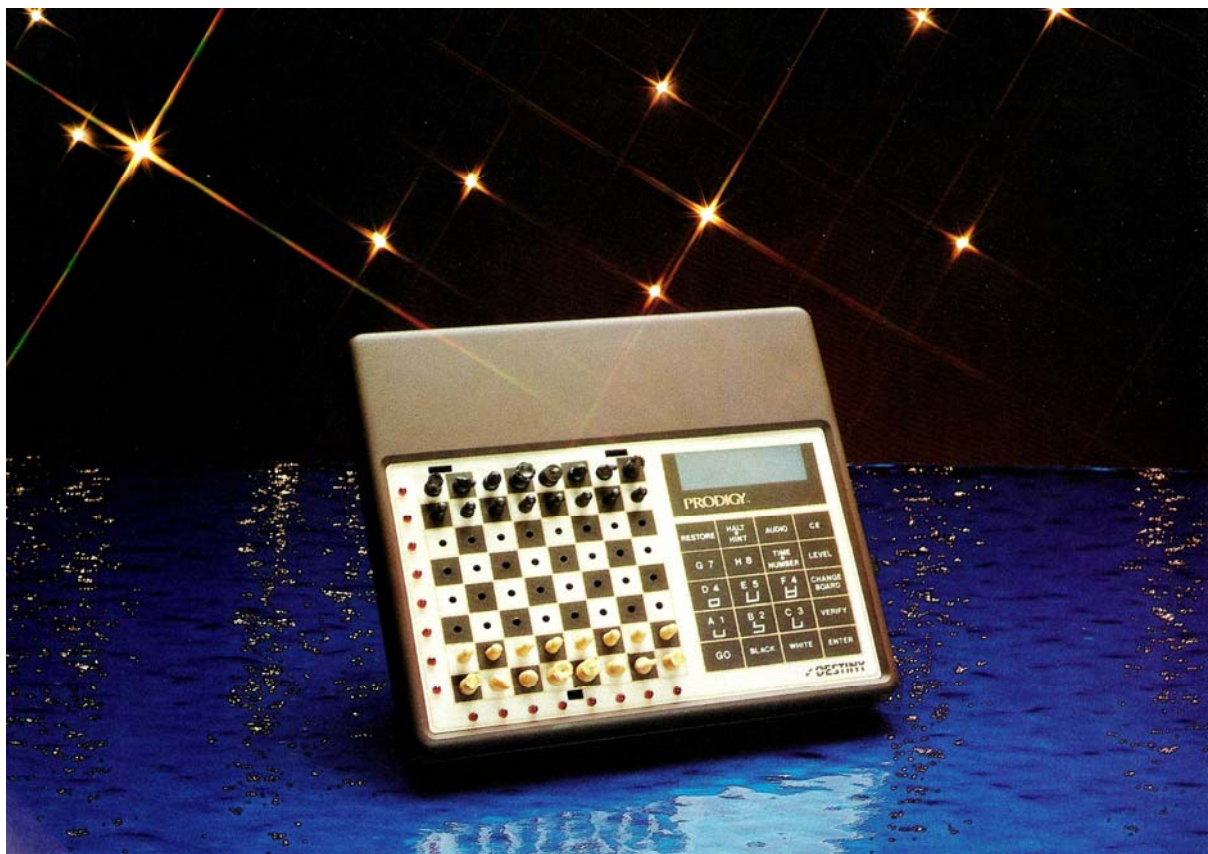


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## PRODIGY™

The newest Destiny chess computer, Prodigy, is completely sensory and is the strongest game for its price on the market today. In fact, a stronger chess game would cost well over \$300.

Prodigy has the improved Morphy program with nine levels of play, providing a truly challenging game for the most serious chess player or a casual one for the novice.

Fully portable, Prodigy is completely accommodating. While most portable games fall in two types — keyboard/display input and output, or sensor input and output — Prodigy allows for both. Moves can be made on its sensory playing board or entered on the 20-position keyboard. Prodigy has a chess clock not to be found in any

other low cost sensor unit. Its portability is ensured with optional nicad rechargeable, or alkaline batteries.

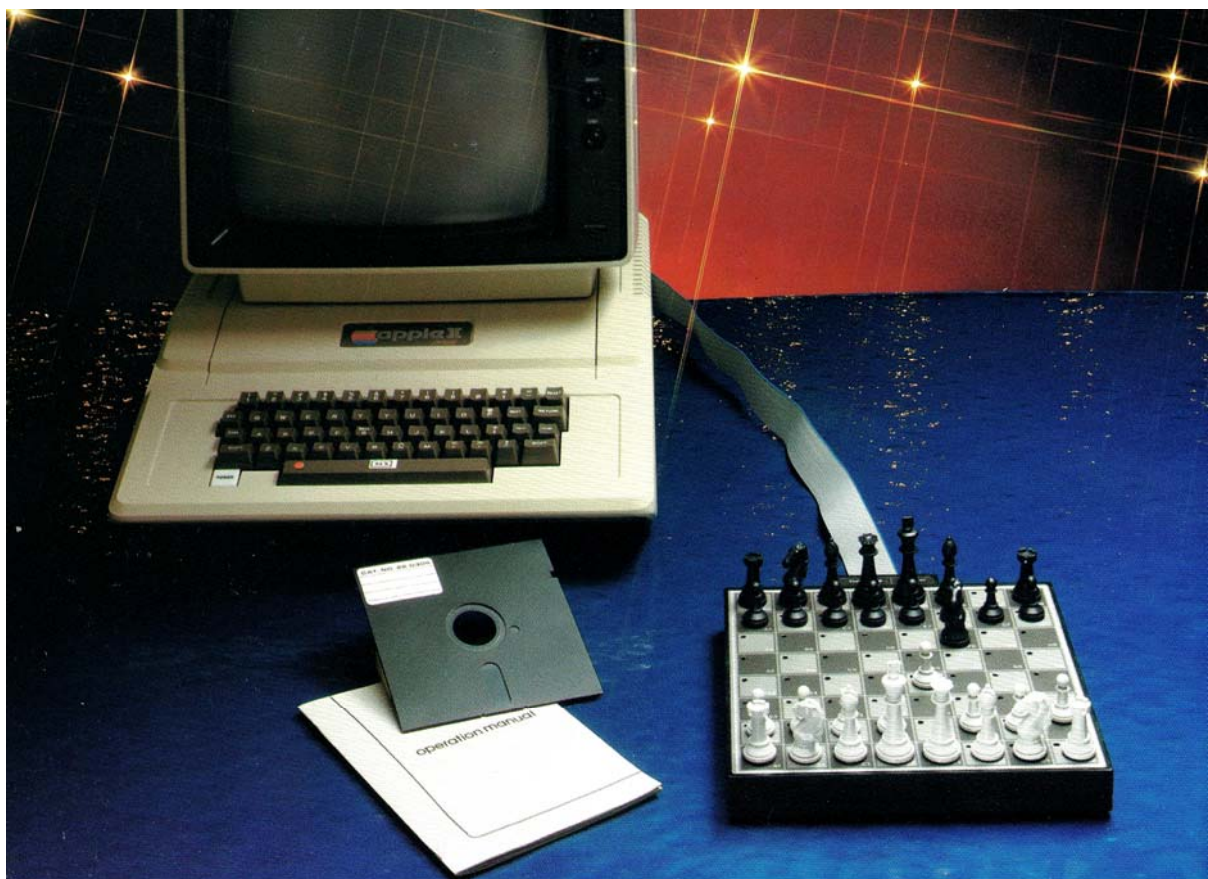
Prodigy has all of the features that made the famous Morphy program the world's standard, and like all Destiny products, Prodigy plays by the U.S.C.F. rules.

Thus, Prodigy becomes the perfect chess partner, regardless of one's level of proficiency.

Prodigy—PG-1  
Chess computer, chess pieces, operation manual.

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## THE MATE™

Now, for the first time ever, Destiny introduces a hands-on chess peripheral that connects directly to the popular Apple II personal computer.

The Mate employs the first program worthy of being used with home computers. A top, world class chess program developed by Applied Concepts, makers of the world famous Boris and Morphy programs. A program that can be upgraded on a continuing basis, ensuring that it will never become obsolete.

The responsory chessboard magnetically senses the movement of a piece on the board. Then, the computer responds with its own move, indicated by LED lights on each square

of the board while also displaying its move on the computer's screen. The player thus bypasses cumbersome keyboard operations and is better able to concentrate on the game at hand.

And for the hobbyist who wants to write his own chess program, the manual completely describes the interface software used for The Mate.

The Mate. Strategy you can put your hands on.

**The Mate—TM-1**

Sensory board, magnetic chess pieces, computer interface card, interconnecting cable, game program (cassette or diskette), operation/programming manual.

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## THE GREAT GAME MACHINE

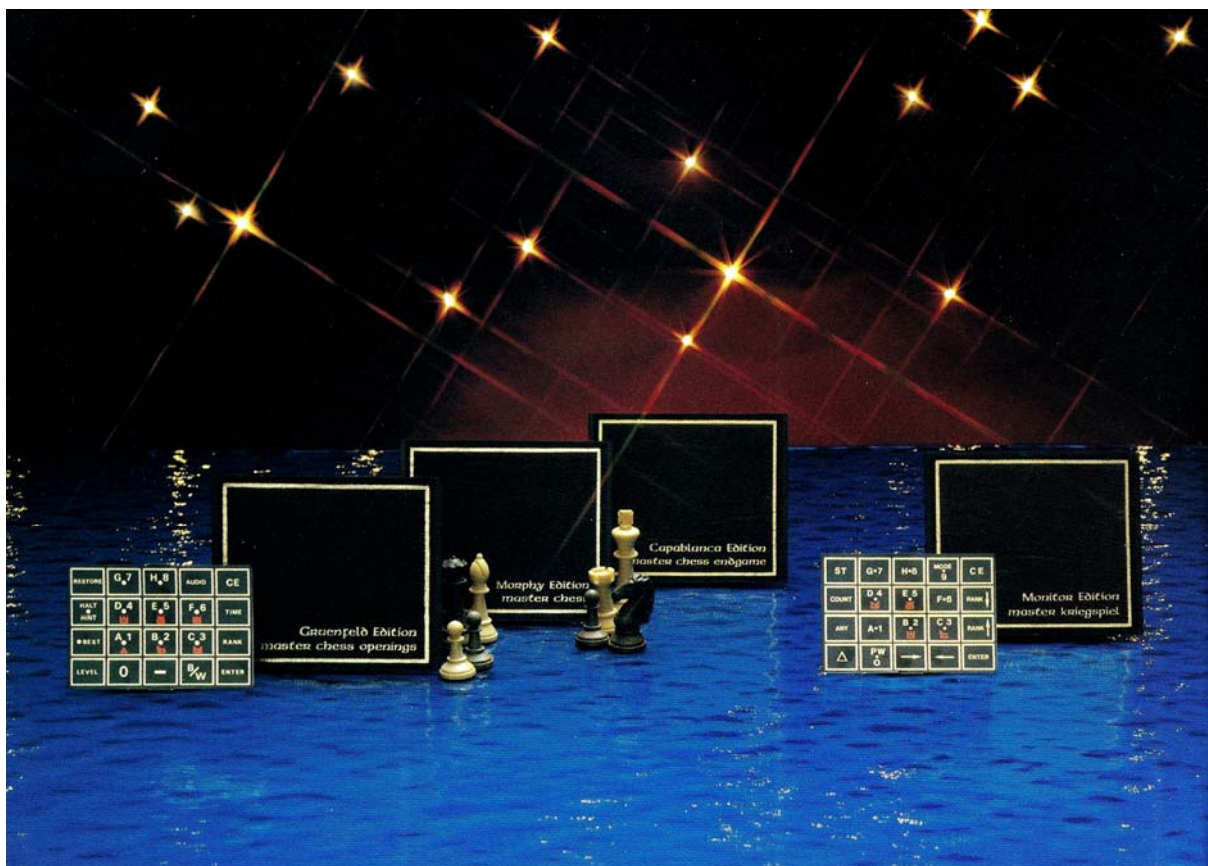
The Great Game Machine was the first and is still the world's only truly upgradable chess computer. With optional program cartridges, The Great Game Machine plays the world's toughest chess programs, along with programs for Checkers, Reversi, Kriegspiel and Blackjack. The Great Game Machine is the only high performance game computer that is completely portable. Optional rechargeable nicad batteries allow The Great Game Machine to travel anywhere.

Like all Destiny products, The Great Game Machine and its cartridges are designed to teach the player better game skills. The player can set up problems, seek advice as to best possible moves, pause, retrace moves, change sides and much more.

**Great Game Machine—GGM-1**  
Game main frame, power adapter, operation manual.

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## CHESS CARTRIDGES

### CHESS MASTER TRIO

The most innovative chess concept since the beginning of this noble game. This three-cartridge format affords the serious chess player all the intricate techniques of a complete chess game. The opening book cartridge concentrates on the many opening strategies used by the Masters; the mid-game cartridge fortifies the position while the endgame cartridge provides the finesse and skill of this colorful and exciting portion of chess. Exciting new chess cartridges compatible with The Great Game Machine are under development by Destiny Products.

#### GRUENFELD EDITION Master Chess Opening Cartridge

For serious players, the Gruenfeld Edition contains over 7,000 opening moves in its library, using and recognizing all classical moves. Gruenfeld even allows a player to control the opening line of play if desired by asking Gruenfeld to select alternative moves from its opening library. A more

**Gruenfeld Edition** — GOB-1  
Game cartridge, keyboard overlay, operation manual.

powerful electronic opening opponent simply does not exist in dedicated chess computers.

#### MORPHY EDITION Master Chess Cartridge

The Morphy Edition is the single most powerful all-around cartridge opponent available on the market today. And its mid-game play is particularly strong. Morphy offers nine selectable levels of play. Levels seven and eight are designed for tournament level play, challenging any chess master. But Morphy is perfect for the beginner as well, with its novice-oriented features. Morphy is the backbone of The Great Game Machine's worldwide reputation for fast, incredibly challenging play.

#### CAPABLANCA EDITION Master Chess Endgame Cartridge

The Capablanca Edition is the only endgame strategy cartridge on the market. Like Morphy, Capablanca has nine levels of play, however level 0 is specifically designed for solving complex endgame problems. At this level,

**Morphy Edition** — MM-1  
Game cartridge, magnetic chessmen, keyboard overlay, operation manual.

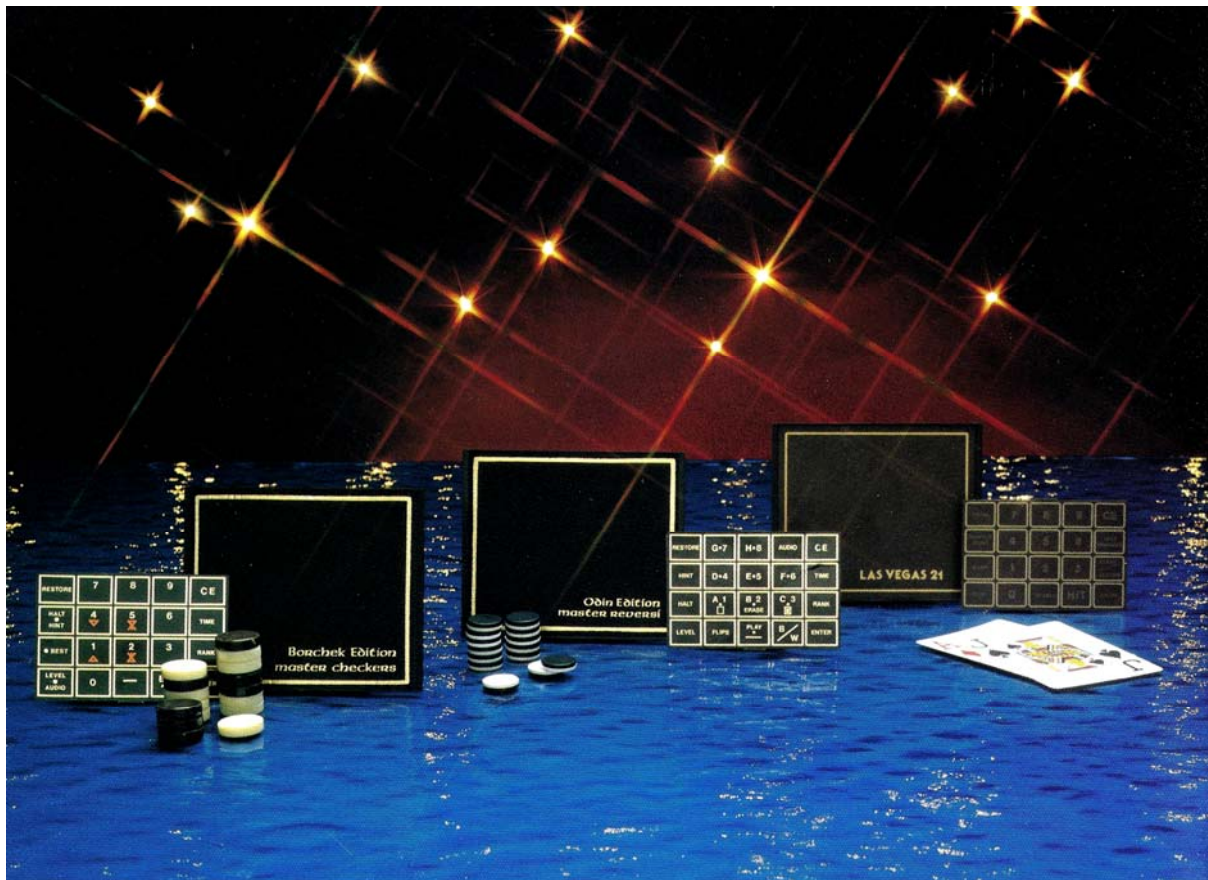
Capablanca can solve any problem through mate-in-eleven and many other problems that even the greatest chess masters have difficulty with. Indeed, Capablanca's collection of endgame strategies is unsurpassed by any computer chess game. But, like Morphy, this program allows for the less seasoned competitor, so that any player can improve game skills while enjoying competitive chess at his own level.

#### MONITOR EDITION Master Kriegspiel Cartridge

The Monitor Edition fills a need long felt by players of Kriegspiel or Blind Man's Chess. A third party is necessary to Kriegspiel as a referee, because the opponents play without seeing one another's moves. Monitor takes the place of the referee, telling the players whether or not moves are legal, when and where pieces are captured, check and mate, and pieces left on the board. The players communicate with The Great Game

**Capablanca Edition** — CEG-1  
Game cartridge, keyboard overlay, operation manual.

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## ADDITIONAL CARTRIDGES

Machine throughout the game, but receive only information about their own moves—never their opponent's. With the Monitor Edition, Kriegspiel lovers finally have an ever-ready fair and impartial referee.

### **BORCHEK EDITION Master Checkers**

Borchek is the strongest game of checkers on the market today. A patient teacher—a formidable opponent.

The Borchek Edition plays checkers at seven levels of strength and is programmed with many different opening strategies. Borchek, like all Great Game Machine cartridges, allows for handicapping, special board setups for problem solving, gives hints as to best moves, restores the game to a player-chosen previous move if so instructed and gives the player messages about the game in progress.

### **ODIN EDITION Master Reversi**

The Odin Edition plays the popular, modern version of Reversi, the game that has captured the imagination of young and old alike in recent years. Odin is, like other Great Game Machine cartridges, the most powerful of its kind available on the market today. Odin has eight levels of play, with thousands of strategies. Odin continuously verifies moves made by the player and if the player so chooses, a tournament timer ensures that the proper number of moves is within the allotted time. The Odin Edition. The most powerfully addictive game on the market today.

### **LAS VEGAS 21 EDITION Master Blackjack**

The Las Vegas 21 Master Blackjack cartridge turns The Great Game Machine into the world's most realistic computer blackjack game. Designed to simulate casino conditions, Las Vegas 21 shuffles one to four decks of cards as the player chooses, just like a Las Vegas dealer. One or two players challenge the dealer and are allowed to "bet" any amount from one dollar to \$500. As cards are dealt, each hand is shown on the Game Computer. And the player can have the cards shuffled at any point in the deck. All of these features, combined with a dealer simulated shuffling program, bring more realism to the game than ever before. Las Vegas 21 is perfect for the experienced player who is testing new "systems" and the novice who just enjoys playing the game. Las Vegas 21—you can bet on it.

#### **Monitor Edition—KC-1**

Game cartridge, keyboard overlay, operation manual.

#### **Borchek Edition—BC-1**

Game cartridge, magnetic checker pieces, keyboard overlay, operation manual.

#### **Odin Edition—OC-1**

Game cartridge, game pieces, keyboard overlay, operation manual.

#### **Las Vegas 21—LV-1**

Game cartridge, keyboard overlay, operation manual.

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## DEDICATED STRATEGY GAMES

### THE ENCORE SERIES

#### MORPHY ENCORE

The Morphy Encore features the world famous Morphy chess program with its advanced memory and tutoring features in a game of incredible challenge, yet flexible enough to accommodate the novice.

#### BORCHEK ENCORE

The Borchek Encore features the world's most powerful checker program in a single-purpose computer. All of the Borchek Edition features give the devoted checker player more challenge than even the cleverest of opponents.

#### ODIN ENCORE

The Odin Encore is the computer game for the modern variation of Reversi, the ancient game of strategy. Incorporating the Odin Edition program, recognized by experts as the most challenging produced to date, the Odin Encore is the definitive Reversi partner.

**Morphy Encore—ME-1**  
Chess computer, power adapter, felted chess pieces, operation manual.

**Borchek Encore—BE-1**  
Checker computer, checker pieces, power adapter, operation manual.

**Odin Encore—OE-1**  
Game computer, game pieces, power adapter, operation manual.

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