
Subject: Re: Microcomputer History

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Fri, 23 Sep 2022 19:06:38 GMT

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You're right that the disk drive cabinet would have been at least 250 pounds. Those multi-platter pack drives had huge transformers for the power supply and a linear motor that was 100 pounds, all by itself. And a fairly large support structure in the cabinet to support all that. So they were pretty meaty boxes.

Back in the day, I considered experimenting with using one of the linear motors from a Data General Zebra disk drive as a big subwoofer. But at 100 pounds, I just never "got around to it."
:lol:

Linear motor that positions the heads (with shipping head lock in place)

Data General 6061 Zebra Disk Drive

File Attachments

- 1) [DGC_Zebra_6061_Disk_Drive.jpg](#), downloaded 311 times
 - 2) [DGC_Zebra_Linear_Motor.jpg](#), downloaded 231 times
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