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Comment:
I am a collector of ancient/obsolete computer hardware. Often, the software for
this hardware is very difficult to find, since magnetic media degrades over time,
and few people have backups. The copyright holders of the software, which sometimes
was written 20-30 years ago, can therefore be very difficult to find. They
obviously no longer make any money from the sale of this ancient software. If such
"orphaned" sofware was made available in some form, it would greatly help in
preserving these works, and the hardware which is used to run them.