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Object name: Rockwell Anita 202/SR calculator

Vintage: c.1974

Synopsis: Early basic scientific calculator with green fluorescent display. S/N: 250264.

**Description:**

The Bell Punch Company launched the world's first all-electronic desktop calculators, ANITA Mk VII and Mk VIII, simultaneously in Oct-1961. The design of these had begun in 1956 by Bell Punch Co., then in Dec-1957 Lamson Industries acquired a controlling interest in Control Systems Ltd., the parent company of Bell Punch. In 1960/61 Control Systems merged 2 other subsidiaries to form Sumlock-Comptometer Ltd., and finally, in 1966 Lamson Industries set up Sumlock Anita Electronics Ltd. to take over the manufacturing of all their mechanical and electronic calculators. In 1973 Lamson Industries sold Sumlock Anita Electronics (manufacturing) and Sumlock Comptometer (sales and service) to Rockwell International. Rockwell and Anita models were then manufactured at the Portsmouth factory. The Rockwell Anita 202/SR was introduced shortly afterwards in 1974.

The Anita 202/SR ran on 6v (4 x AA) batteries, and was 82 mm x 155 mm x 45 mm (3.25" x 6.1" x 1.75") in size. It had a display of eight green fluorescent digits, and had a basic set of useful scientific functions in degrees or radians. An "F" key was used to select the scientific functions. It was made in Mexico, mainly with American components, for Sumlock Anita Ltd., Uxbridge, England.

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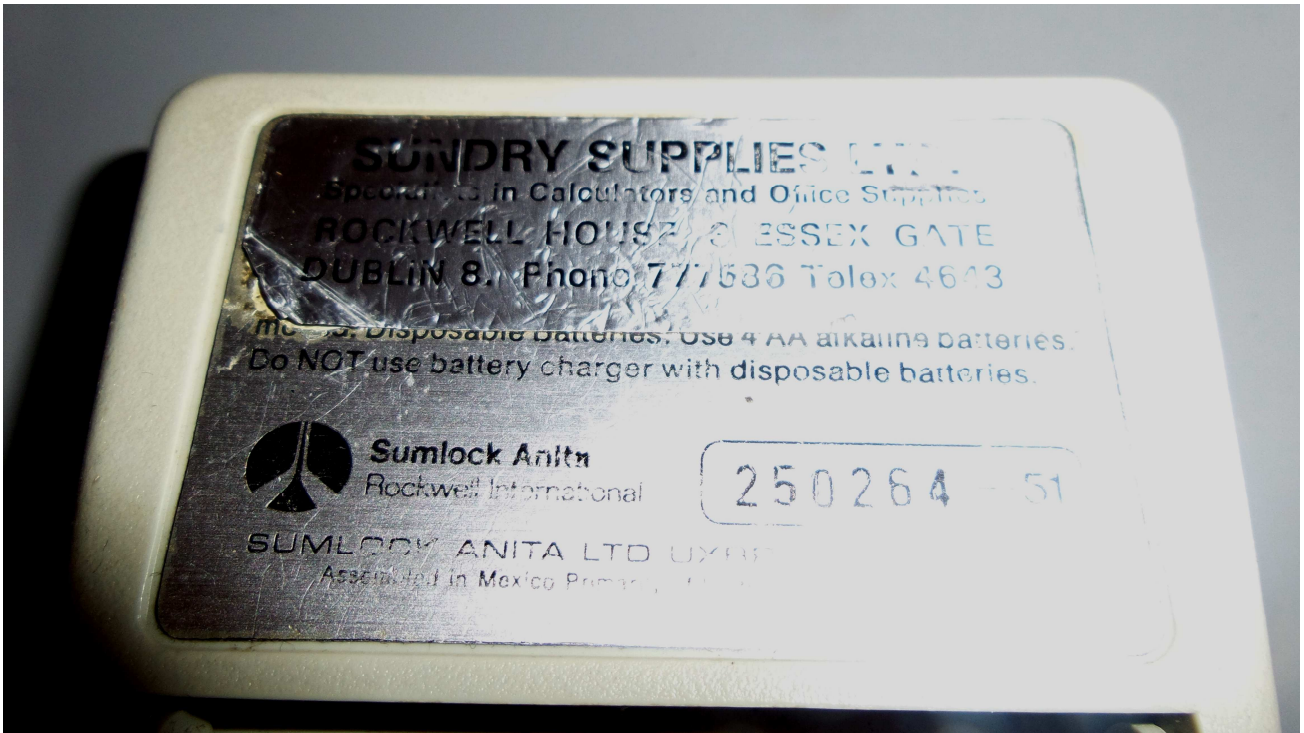
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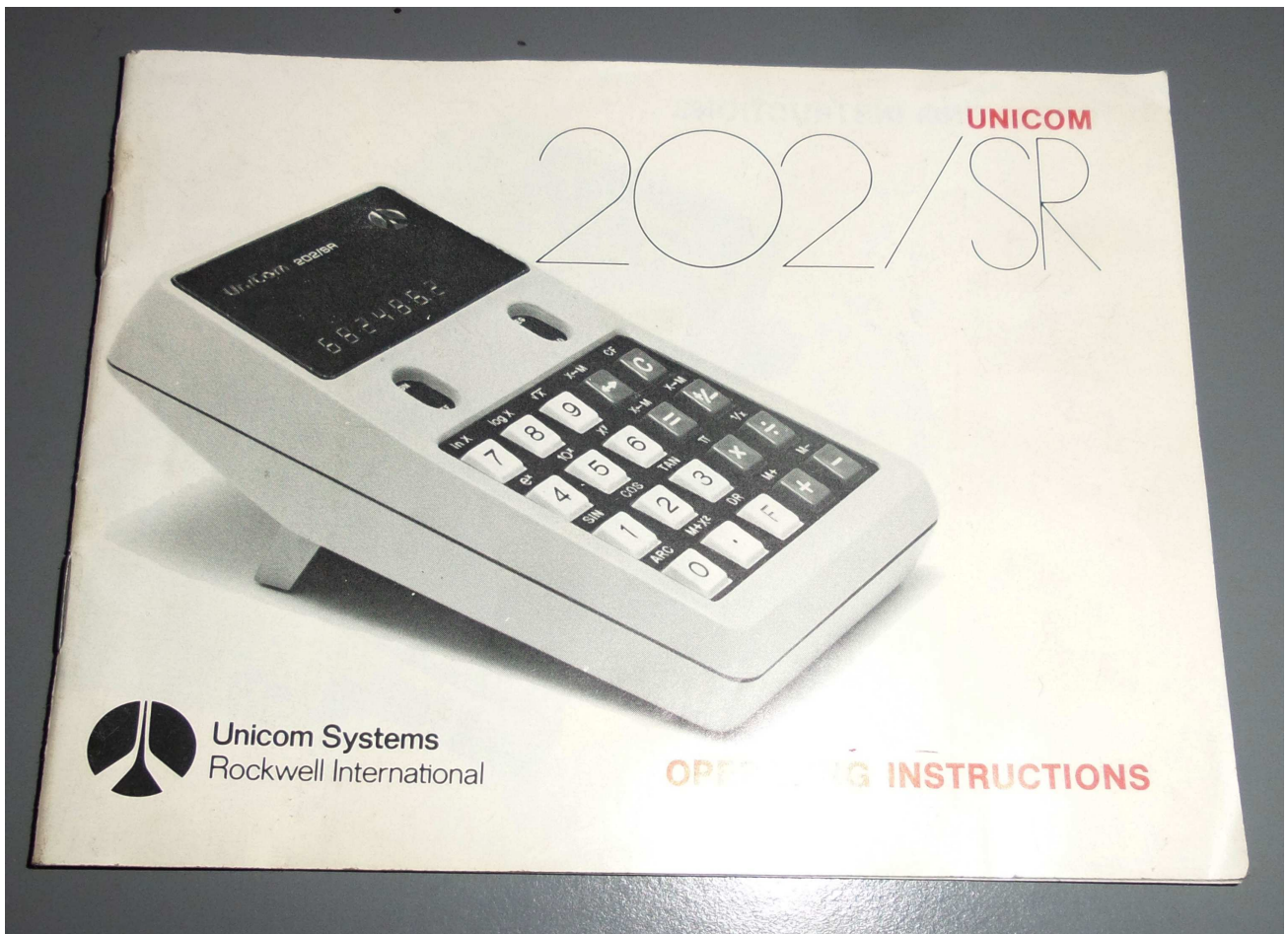
Figure 1: Anita 202/SR scientific calculator, front view



*Figure 2: Anita 202/SR scientific calculator, rear view  
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*Figure 3: Anita 202/SR scientific calculator, carrying case*



*Figure 4: Anita 202/SR scientific calculator, instruction manual*