

Print64.bas

The 64 column printing routine allows text to be 4 pixels wide instead of 8. It is NOT proportional printing, but this is still useful for lining things up in columns.

This routine has been adopted as an included library - so you may include it with

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#include <print64.bas>
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Usage

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printat64(y,x)
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Moves the print64 system's print cursor to row Y, column X. Note that `0 <= x <= 63` - that is the range of values for X can be up to 63. The range of values for Y is the normal 0-23.

- Note that the print64 system's cursor position is independent from that of the ZX Basic Print routine, or any other, such as the print42 system.

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printat64(STRING)
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Prints the string to the screen at the current Print64 co-ordinates. It does so in the current permanent colours.

NOTE: The ZX Spectrum's attribute system is encoded into the hardware as a 32 character grid. Print64 does its best, but changing the paper/bright/flash colour from the background is likely to look imperfect as the attribute blocks cannot line up well with the pixel blocks.

CODE

- There is a version of this code included with the compiler (though the version listed here may or may not be more recent). Code converted to ZXBasic by Britlion, based on Andrew Owen's 64 Character code <http://www.worldofspectrum.org/forums/showpost.php?p=167447&postcount=1>

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SUB printat64 (y as uByte, x as uByte)
  IF y<24 AND x<64 then
    POKE @p64coords,x
    POKE @p64coords+1,y
  ELSE
    asm
      rst      8          ; error "5 Out of screen"
      defb    4
    end asm
  END IF
END SUB

SUB print64 (characters$ as String)
ASM

; This frankencode created by Paul Fisher, Andrew Owen, Chris Born and Einar Saukas
; TODO:
; * Inverse
; * Bold (which will use a Second font)

LD L,(IX+4)
LD H,(IX+5) ; Get String address of characters$ into HL.

; Load BC with length of string, and move HL to point to first character.
  ld c, (hl)          ; 60020 78
  inc hl              ; 60021 35
  ld b, (hl)          ; 60022 70
  inc hl              ; 60023 35

; Test string length. If Zero, exit.
  ld a, c              ; 60024 121
  or b                ; 60025 176
  jp z, p64_END        ; 60026 200

examineChar:
  ld a, (hl)           ; Grab the character
  cp 128               ; too high to print?
  jr nc, nextChar      ; then we go to next.

newLine:
  cp 13                ; Is this a newline character? 60056 254 13
  jr nz, p64_isPrintable ; If not, hop to testing to see if we can print this 60058 32 13
  push hl
  push bc
  ld b,0
  ld hl, p64_coords    ; Get coords 60060 237 91 68 235
  call BLP64_NEXT_ROW  ; Go to next line. ; 60064 205 58 235
  pop bc
  pop hl

  ld (p64_coords), de  ; 60067 237 83 68 235
  jr nextChar          ; 60071 24 11

p64_isPrintable:
  cp 31                ; Bigger than 31? 60073 254 31
  jr c, nextChar       ; If not, get the next one. 60075 56 7

  push hl              ; Save position 60077 229
  push bc              ; Save Count 60078 197
  call p64_PrintChar   ; Call Print SubRoutine

  pop bc               ; Recover length count 60082 193
  pop hl               ; Recover Position 60083 225

nextChar:
  inc hl               ; Point to next character 60084 35
  dec bc               ; Count off this character 60085 11
  ld a, b              ; Did we run out? 60086 120
  or c                 ; 60087 177

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        jr nz, examineChar      ; If not, examine the next one 60088 32 193
        jp p64_END              ; Otherwise hop to END. 60090 201

p64_PrintChar:
; Arrives with A as a byte to print.
    ld hl, p64_coords
    push    hl                  ; save COL address for later
    ld      e, a                ; store character value in E
    ld      b, 0
    ld      c, (hl)             ; store current column in BC

    ; Check if character font must be rotated, self-modifying the code accordingly

    xor     c                   ; compare BIT 0 from character value and column
    rra
    ld      a, 256-(BLp64_END_LOOP-BLp64_SKIP_RLC) ; instruction DJNZ skipping rotation
    jr      nc, BLp64_NOT_RLC   ; decide based on BIT 0 comparison
    ld      a, 256-(BLp64_END_LOOP-BLp64_INIT_RLC) ; instruction DJNZ using rotation

BLp64_NOT_RLC:
    ld      (BLp64_END_LOOP - 1), a ; modify DJNZ instruction directly

; Check the half screen byte to be changed, self-modifying the code accordingly
    srl     c                   ; check BIT 0 from current column
    ld      a, %00001111       ; mask to change left half of the screen byte
    jr      nc, BLp64_SCR_LEFT ; decide based on odd or even column
    cpl
    ; mask to change right half of the screen byte

BLp64_SCR_LEFT:
    ld      (BLp64_SCR_MASK + 1), a ; modify screen mask value directly
    cpl
    ld      (BLp64_FONT_MASK + 1), a ; modify font mask value directly

; Calculate location of the first byte to be changed on screen
; The row value is a 5 bits value (0-23), here represented as %000RRrrr
; The column value is a 6 bits value (0-63), here represented as %00CCCCCc
; Formula: 0x4000 + ((row & 0x18) << 8) + ((row & 0x07) << 5) + (col >> 1)

    inc     hl                  ; now HL references ROW address
    ld      a, (hl)             ; now A = %000RRrrr
    call    0e9eh               ; now HL = %010RR000rrrr00000
    add     hl, bc               ; now HL = %010RR000rrrrCCCCC
    ex      de, hl              ; now DE = %010RR000rrrrCCCCC
    ; and e=char -> l=char

; Calculate location of the character font data in p64_charset
; Formula: p64_charset + 7 * INT ((char-32)/2) - 1

    ld      h, b                ; now HL = char (because b=0)
    srl     l                   ; now HL = INT (char/2)
    ld      c, l                ; now BC = INT (char/2)
    add     hl, hl               ; now HL = 2 * INT (char/2)
    add     hl, hl               ; now HL = 4 * INT (char/2)
    add     hl, hl               ; now HL = 8 * INT (char/2)
    sbc     hl, bc               ; now HL = 7 * INT (char/2)
    ld      bc, p64_charset - 71h
    add     hl, bc               ; now HL = p64_charset + 7 * INT (char/2) - 0x71

; Main loop to copy 8 font bytes into screen (1 blank + 7 from font data)
    xor     a                   ; first font byte is always blank
    ld      b, 8                ; execute loop 8 times

BLp64_INIT_RLC:
    rlca                        ; switch position between bits 0-3 and bits 4-7
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    rlca

BLp64_SKIP_RLC:

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; STANDARD OR INVERSE
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BLp64_INV_C:  nop                ; either 'NOP' or 'CPL' (modified)
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BLp64_FONT_MASK:
    and    %11110000            ; mask half of the font byte
    ld     c, a                  ; store half of the font byte in C
    ld     a, (de)               ; get screen byte

BLp64_SCR_MASK:
    and    %00001111            ; mask half of the screen byte
    or     c                     ; combine half screen and half font
    ld     (de), a               ; write result back to screen
    inc    d                     ; next screen location
    inc    hl                    ; next font data location
    ld     a, (hl)               ; store next font byte in A
    djnz   BLp64_INIT_RLC        ; repeat loop 8 times (this instruction gets modified)

BLp64_END_LOOP:
    ; attributes
    ld     de, (p64_coords)      ; grab coords
    and    a                     ; clear carry
    rr     e                     ; divide x by 2 to get bytes instead of nybbles
    ld     a, d                  ; Get Y coord
    sra    a                     ;
    sra    a                     ;
    sra    a                     ; Multiply by 8 60155 203 47
    add    a, 88                 ; Add to attribute base address
    ld     h, a                  ; Put high byte value for attribute into H.
    ld     a, d                  ; get y value again
    and    7                     ; set within third
    rrca                     ;
    rrca                     ;
    rrca                     ;
    add    a, e                  ; add in x value
    ld     l, a                  ; Put low byte for attribute into l
    ld     a, (23693)            ; Get permanent Colours from System Variable
    ld     (hl), a               ; Write new attribute

    pop    hl                   ; restore AT_COL address
    inc    (hl)                  ; next column
    bit    6, (hl)               ; column lower than 64?
    ret    z                     ; return if so

BLp64_NEXT_ROW:
    ld     (hl), b               ; reset AT_COL
    inc    hl                     ; store AT_ROW address in HL
    inc    (hl)                  ; next row
    ld     a, (hl)
    cp     24                     ; row lower than 23?
    ret    c                     ; return if so
    ld     (hl), b               ; reset AT_ROW
    ret                                ; done!

end asm
p64coords:
asm
p64_coords:
    defb 0; X Coordinate store
    defb 0; Y Coordinate Store

p64_charset:
    ; 60230
    DEFB 2,2,2,2,0,2,0          ; Space !
    DEFB 80,82,7,2,7,2,0        ; " #
    DEFB 37,113,66,114,20,117,32 ; $ %
    DEFB 34,84,32,96,80,96,0     ; & '
    DEFB 36,66,66,66,66,36,0     ; ( )
    DEFB 0,82,34,119,34,82,0     ; * +
    DEFB 0,0,0,7,32,32,64        ; , -
    DEFB 1,1,2,2,100,100,0       ; . /

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DEFB 34,86,82,82,82,39,0	; 0 1
DEFB 34,85,18,33,69,114,0	; 2 3
DEFB 87,84,118,17,21,18,0	; 4 5
DEFB 55,65,97,82,84,36,0	; 6 7
DEFB 34,85,37,83,85,34,0	; 8 9
DEFB 0,2,32,0,34,2,4	; : ;
DEFB 0,16,39,64,39,16,0	; < =
DEFB 2,69,33,18,32,66,0	; > ?
DEFB 98,149,183,181,133,101,0	; @ A
DEFB 98,85,100,84,85,98,0	; B C
DEFB 103,84,86,84,84,103,0	; D E
DEFB 114,69,116,71,69,66,0	; F G
DEFB 87,82,114,82,82,87,0	; H I
DEFB 53,21,22,21,85,37,0	; J K
DEFB 69,71,71,69,69,117,0	; L M
DEFB 82,85,117,117,85,82,0	; N O
DEFB 98,85,85,103,71,67,0	; P Q
DEFB 98,85,82,97,85,82,0	; R S
DEFB 117,37,37,37,37,34,0	; T U
DEFB 85,85,85,87,39,37,0	; V W
DEFB 85,85,37,82,82,82,0	; X Y
DEFB 119,20,36,36,68,119,0	; Z [
DEFB 71,65,33,33,17,23,0	; \]
DEFB 32,112,32,32,32,47,0	; ^ _
DEFB 32,86,65,99,69,115,0	; £ a
DEFB 64,66,101,84,85,98,0	; b c
DEFB 16,18,53,86,84,35,0	; d e
DEFB 32,82,69,101,67,69,2	; f g
DEFB 66,64,102,82,82,87,0	; h i
DEFB 20,4,53,22,21,85,32	; j k
DEFB 64,69,71,71,85,37,0	; l m
DEFB 0,98,85,85,85,82,0	; n o
DEFB 0,99,85,85,99,65,65	; p q
DEFB 0,99,84,66,65,70,0	; r s
DEFB 64,117,69,69,85,34,0	; t u
DEFB 0,85,85,87,39,37,0	; v w
DEFB 0,85,85,35,81,85,2	; x y
DEFB 0,113,18,38,66,113,0	; z {
DEFB 32,36,34,35,34,36,0	; {
DEFB 6,169,86,12,6,9,6	; ~ (c)

p64_END:

End Asm

End Sub

There's an example of usage here:

REM Example

DIM n,x,y as uInteger

CLS

FOR n=1 to 1000

y=rnd*23

x=rnd*62

ink rnd*8

printat64(y, x)

print64 ("ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ"(n MOD 26 TO n MOD 26))

NEXT n

END