# The Alpaca Operating System for Z-80 based computers Draft 0.8

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## Overview

#### 1.1 This Document

This document describes and implements ALPACA. ALPACA is a multitasking operating system designed for Pac-Man<sup>1</sup> and Pengo<sup>2</sup> arcade hardware.

This document contains the all-original source code (Z-80 ASM) to build the core operating system, as well as a few example tasks. The asm file generated by this document (alpaca.asm) is commented as well so this document is not needed to understand what is going on in that file.<sup>3</sup> This document can be used alone or as the reference for the generated .asm file.

Pengo is included as well for the explanations since the basic hardware is identical to Pac-Man, albeit with its control registers and layout of the hardware differing slightly. In fact, Pengo hardware is a superset of Pac-Man hardware. Anything that runs on Pac hardware should run on Pengo. Pengo adds some other hardware, like the ability to switch graphics banks, as well as some extra ram, but those details are outside of the scope of this document.

About the only main differences is that the sound and color PROMS are layed out differently. This will result in colors being "off", or the sound not sounding right.

It should also be noted that all of the graphics used in the graphics roms are completely original to avoid copyright issues with NAMCO, SEGA, or whomever currently holds the copyrights for the original program and graphics code.

 $<sup>^{1}\</sup>mathrm{Pac}\text{-Man}$  is copyright and trademark NAMCO.

 $<sup>^2\</sup>mathrm{Pengo}$  is copyright and trademark SEGA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>I know that this goes against the reason for using noweb, but this is meant to be used as a learning device for others, and I feel that having fully documented asm is important for this purpose.

#### 1.2 Hardware Limitations

The hardware has some distinct and extreme limitations. The most important of these limitations are:

- 1 Kb (1024 bytes) of RAM
- 16 Kb (16384 bytes) of ROM (Pac-Man hardware)
- background of 8x8 tiled characters, four colors each (1 Kb)
- 6 floating sprites (16x16 pixels, four colors) (1 Kb)

Ms. Pac-Man adds another 8Kb (8192 bytes) of non-contiguous ROM.

Pengo hardware doubles the RAM to 2 Kb, and has 36 Kb of contiguous ROM, making for a much more flexible system. Due to the fact that we're writing this for Pac hardware primarilly, we will not exploit these advantages within the kernel of this OS. If we write this for the smaller of the two, then it will work on both.

#### 1.3 Project Goals

The goals of Alpaca are to provide task management, messaging, basic semaphores, simple ram management and a graphical user interface for a few tasks concurrently running on the arcade machine computer. The number of runnable tasks will be fixed. This all comes together to form a fully pre-emptive multitasking operating system can be built on such a tight hardware platform.

I fully realize that there are other multitasking OS's for the Z80 architecture. I know that this is not the first, but I highly doubt any other package is as fully documented as this one.

The design of the architecture is detailed in §2.

The footprint of the OS Kernel is designed to be very small to allow for user code and data to be as large as possible.

Being that the OS is currently in development, I'm shooting for no more than 1Kb (1024 bytes) of space to be used by the kernel, library functions and data, allowing for 15Kb (15360 bytes) of program space for applications and games to be implemented. I'm also trying to keep the number of sprites and tiles used down to a minimum as well for similar reasons. The OS uses upper and lowercase character sprites, but this can always be reduced down to just one or the other to gain back 26 character positions.

# System Architecture

This chapter explains how the kernel and memory of the system are arranged.

#### 2.1 Hardware Architecture

First of all, we'll start with how the hardware is arranged. If you look at figure 2.1, you will see the memory map for Pac-Man based games on the left, and Pengo on the right. Pengo is only really shown as reference since it was mentioned earlier in this doc. All of the design described here will focus on Pac-Man hardware.

In a nutshell, there is some ROM on the system, shown in green. There also are some control registers which allow the program to get input from the user (joystick, coin switches, etc) which are shown in blue. This group also contains things like a flag to flip the screen, as well as the watchdog timer.

The watchdog timer is a device that resets the system completely unless it has been cleared within 16 screen refreshes. This is made for when a game might get into some unpredicted behavior where it might crash or hang. When the game gets to that state, it will reboot itself using this mechanism. We will essentially disable it by clearing it within the interrupt routine which happens once every screen referesh.

#### 2.2 RAM Allocation

There are three groups of RAM, shown in pink in figure 2.1. These are the screen color and character RAM, as well as User RAM. The screen color and character RAM are for drawing things on the screen. The hardware has a character-based background, where you put the character to draw in the character RAM and the color to draw it in the color RAM.

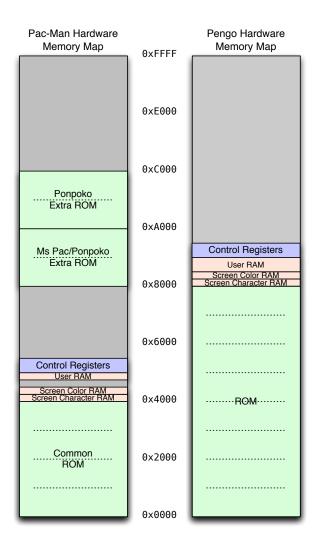


Figure 2.1: Hardware memory map

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The other RAM is the User Ram, which is general purpose, for whatever the program/programmer wants to use it for. The exception is the uppermost 16 bytes, which is used to draw floating sprites on the screen.

Figure 2.2 shows just the User Ram on the system. This shows how ALPACA uses the ram. It is broken up into 6 sections. This diagram assumes that there are four tasks concurrently running. More about those in §8.

The sections shown are: (from top to bottom)

- Sprite Ram (16 bytes)
- Task 0 Stack (192 bytes)
- Task 1 Stack (192 bytes)
- Task 2 Stack (192 bytes)
- Task 3 Stack (192 bytes)
- Semaphores (16 bytes)
- Message Queue (64 bytes)
- Kernel and Task Globals (160 bytes)

#### 2.2.1 Sprite Ram

This is a section of RAM that is used by the sprite video hardware. This is where the positions, colors, sprite numbers and flags are placed by the software to have the video hardware draw the sprites on the screen.

#### 2.2.2 Task Stacks

Each task will have its own stack pointer and stack. Figure 2.2 shows four task stacks in the system for up to four tasks running. If we had more ram or a disk for virtual memory, we could probably increase this to be virtually unlimited, but for now, we'll stick to four.

When each task is enabled by the task switcher<sup>1</sup> it needs to be within its own stack frame. Each task thinks that only itself is running. There are some rudimentary communications methods by which one task can talk to another, and that is via the Message Queue, which is discussed next. Other than the Message Queue, the task has no idea if there is one other task, or thirty other tasks running on the system.

 $<sup>^1 \</sup>mathrm{See}~\S 8$  for more information.

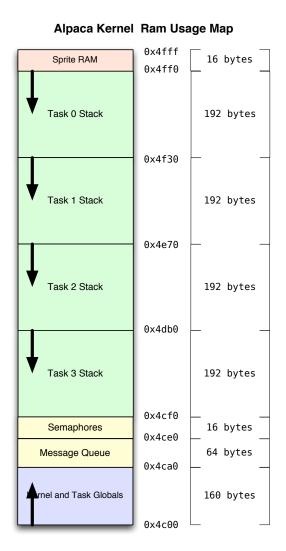


Figure 2.2: Kernel RAM memory map

#### 2.2.3 Semaphores

This is the ram where the kernel will keep track of the state of all of the semaphores that are in use in the system. More about those in §5.

#### 2.2.4 Message Queue

The message queue is a small amount of memory (256 bytes) that contains rudimentary messages (TBD) that allow for a task to communicate with the kernel or with other tasks.

More details about the message queue can be found in §6.

#### 2.2.5 Kernel and Task Globals

This section of memory contains all of the variables used by the kernel itself as well as all of the tasks themselves. Since there is no memory protection at all all of this has to be cooridinated such that multiple tasks are prevented from assuming control of RAM that another task or the kernel is using. Obviously, this cannot be enforced, so it is the obligation of the task to "play nice" with the other tasks, and stay within its own sandbox.

The memory allocation routines are discussed in §7.

# System Initialization

This chapter describes what the system does as it starts up, and how it initializes all of the hardware and software modules.

- 1. Hardware Initialization zero all ram
- 2. Splash Screen Display
- 3. Initialize Tasks
- 4. Start Runtime

```
(.start implementation 13a) = .start:
⟨start hardware init 13b⟩
⟨start initialize tasks 17b⟩
⟨start enable interrupts 15b⟩
⟨start splash screen 16⟩
This code is used in chunk 102.
```

#### 3.1 Hardware Initialization

This gets called immediately from the RST 00 call, as defined in §4, which basically is simply a jp to here at memory location 0x0000, which is where execution starts when the processor is turned on.

Okay, so the first thing that happens is that we head over to the .startup block, where lots of things will be setup.

```
13b \langle start\ hardware\ init\ 13b \rangle \equiv disable processor interrupts This definition is continued in chunks 14 and 15a. This code is used in chunk 13a.
```

We setup the "initial" stack pointer because this will change around once we get into starting up the multiple threads later.

14a  $\langle start\ hardware\ init\ 13b \rangle + \equiv$ 

```
ld sp, #(stack) ; setup the initial stack pointer
```

This code is used in chunk 13a.

Interrupt mode 1 sends all interrupts through vector 0x0038, which is what we will use for the IRQ timer.

14b  $\langle start\ hardware\ init\ 13b \rangle + \equiv$ 

```
im 1 ; setup interrupt mode 1
```

This code is used in chunk 13a.

For the next bit, we will use a memset function which we define in §15.

Let's clear the watchdog timer, along with all of the other special hardware. All of the control registers are within the range of 0x5000 through 0x50c0.

14c  $\langle start\ hardware\ init\ 13b \rangle + \equiv$ 

```
;; clear the special registers
ld a, #0x00 ; a = 0x00
ld hl, #(specreg) ; hl = start of special registers
ld b, #(speclen) ; b = 0xC0 bytes to zero
call memset256 ; 0x5000-0x50C0 will get 0x00
```

This code is used in chunk 13a.

Now clear the sprite registers...

14d  $\langle start\ hardware\ init\ 13b \rangle + \equiv$ 

```
;; clear sprite registers
ld a, #0x00 ; a = 0x00
ld h1, #(sprtbase) ; h1 = start of sprite registers
ld b, #(sprtlen) ; b = 0x10 16 bytes
call memset256 ; 0x4ff0-0x4fff will get 0x00
```

This code is used in chunk 13a.

Now clear the screen/video ram...

```
14e \langle start\ hardware\ init\ 13b \rangle + \equiv
```

```
;; clear the screen ram call cls ; clear the screen RAM
```

This code is used in chunk 13a.

Next, we will need to clear the user ram. This should look very similar, since it needs to do something similar. This is a one-time use thing, so we won't bother making it a callable method. (You will never need to do this once the system is running.)

Similalarly to the above, we need to clear 4 blocks of 256 bytes of ram.

15a  $\langle start\ hardware\ init\ 13b \rangle + \equiv$ 

```
;; clear user ram
ld     h1, #(ram)     ; h1 = base of RAM
ld     a, #0x03     ; a = 0
ld     b, #0x02     ; b = 2 blocks of 256 bytes to clear
call     memsetN     ; clear the blocks
```

This code is used in chunk 13a.

Once we're done with everything, we need to do some pac-specific setup for the interrupt hardware on the machine. Basically we just need to set an interrupt vector and turn on the interrupts externally.

15b  $\langle start\ enable\ interrupts\ 15b \rangle \equiv$ 

```
;; setup pac interrupts

ld a, #0xff ; fill register 'a' with 0xff

out (0x00), a ; send the 0xff to port 0x00

ld a, #0x01 ; fill register 'a' with 0x01
```

This definition is continued in chunk 15c.

This code is used in chunk 13a.

Now we just need to enable interrupts, both in the cpu and in the external mechanism.

```
|15c| \langle start\ enable\ interrupts\ 15b\rangle + \equiv \\ |1d| (irqen), a | ; enable\ the\ external\ interrupt\ mechanism.
```

This code is used in chunk 13a.

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Okay... at this point, we're ready to do something real on the machine. Everything has been set up to a state that is now known.

#### 3.2 Display Splash Screen

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We just want to display a little something while we wait for things to start up. (80 bytes code, 67 bytes data)

```
\langle start\ splash\ screen\ 16 \rangle \equiv
               ; Splash screen!
  .splash:
          call
                   guicls
          ; draw out the llama!
                   hl, #(llama1)
          ld
                                    ; top half of llama
                   bc, #0x0d09
          ld
                   a, #(LlamaC)
          ld
          call
                   putstrB
          ld
                   hl, #(llama2)
                                     ; bottom half of llama
          inc
                   С
          call
                   putstrB
          ; draw out the copyright notice and version info
                   hl, #(cprt1)
          ld
                   bc, #0x060f
          ld
          ld
                   a, #0x00
                                    ; black text
                   putstrB
          call
                                     ; top black border
          ld
                   bc, #0x0611
                   putstrB
                                     ; bottom black border
          call
          ld
                   hl, #(cprt1)
          ld
                   a, #0x14
                                     ; yellow text
          ld
                   bc, #0x0610
          call
                   putstrB
                                     ; 'Alpaca OS...'
          ld
                   hl, #(cprt2)
                   a, #0x0b
          ld
                                    ; cyan text
          ld
                   bc, #0x041e
          call
                   putstrB
                                     ; '(C) 2003...
          ld
                   hl, #(cprt3)
          ld
                   bc, #0x0200
          call
                   putstrC
                                     ; email addy
```

This code is used in chunk 13a.

```
17a
        \langle Init \ splash \ data \ 17a \rangle \equiv
          llama1:
                   .byte
                            0x02, (LlamaS+0), (LlamaS+1)
                                                                ; first row of llama
          llama2:
                   .byte
                            0x02, (LlamaS+2), (LlamaS+3)
                                                                ; second row of llama
          cprt1:
                   .byte
                            0x10
                            " Alpaca OS v0.8 "
                   .ascii
          cprt2:
                   .byte
                   .ascii
                            "/2003 Jerry Lawrence"
          cprt3:
                   .byte
                            0x18
                   .ascii "alpacaOS@umlautllama.com"
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

#### 3.3 Initialize Tasks

This is covered in /S/refsec:tasksysinit. This just serves as a hook into that section of this document.

17b  $\langle start\ initialize\ tasks\ 17b \rangle \equiv \langle Task\ System\ Initialization\ 39b \rangle$ This code is used in chunk 13a.

#### 3.4 Start Runtime

Eventually replace this with the task executor.

```
\langle start\ runtime\ 18 \rangle \equiv
18
                 ;; start runtime
                 ; set up sprite 1 as the flying llama
                 ld
                         ix, #(sprtbase)
                         a, #(LlamaFS*4)
                 ld
                 ld
                         0(ix), a
                 ld
                         a, #(3)
                                           ; decent llama color
                         1(ix), a
                 ld
                 ;; set up sprite 2 and 3
                         ix, #(sprtbase)
                 ld
                         a, #4
                 ld
                                           ; (hardcoded for now)
                 ld
                         2(ix), a
                 ld
                         4(ix), a
                         a, #(3)
                                           ;0x12
                 ld
                 ld
                         3(ix), a
                         5(ix), a
        foo:
        jp overfoo
                 ; fill the screen with a random character
                 ld
                         hl, #vidram
                 ld
                         b, #0x02
                         rand
                 call
                         #0x0f ; mask
                 and
                 add
                         #0x30 ; base character
                         {\tt memsetN}
                 call
        foo42:
                 ; draw a text string
                         hl, #(tstr)
                 ld
                 ld
                         bc, #0x0101
                         a, #0x09
                 ld
                         putstrB
                 call
                 ld
                         bc, #0x1c01
                 ld
                         a, #0x18
                 call
                         textright
                         putstrA
                 call
                 call
                         putstrC
                 ld
                         hl, #(tstr)
                 ld
                         bc, #0x0000
                 ld
                         a, #0x12
                 call
                         textcenter
```

```
call
                putstrA
        call
                {\tt putstrC}
        jp foo
tstr:
        .byte
                13
        .ascii "Hello, world!"
        ; attempt to colorize the background too.
overfoo:
        ; do a lissajous on the screen with the first sprite (arrow cursor)
        ;; X
        ld
                ix, #(spritecoords)
        ld
                bc, (timer)
        rlc
                c ; *2
       rlc
                      ; *2
                С
        call
                sine
       rrca
                #0x7f
        and
        add
                #0x40
        ld
                0(ix), a
        ;; Y
       ld
                bc, (timer)
        ;rlc
                С
                cosine
        call
       rrca
        and
                #0x7f
        add
                #0x40
        ld
                1(ix), a
jp foo
        ; do sprite two now..
        ;; X
                ix, #(spritecoords)
        ld
       ld
                bc, (timer)
       rlc
                       ; *2
                С
                sine
        call
        rrca
        and
                #0x7f
        add
                #0x40
        ld
                2(ix), a
        ;; Y
        ld
                bc, (timer)
       rlc
                c ; *2
        call
                cosine
       rrca
                #0x7f
        and
        add
                #0x40
```

ld

3(ix), a

```
; and sprite 3 while we're at it...
        ;; x
        ld
                ix, #(spritecoords)
                bc, (timer)
        ld
        ld
                d, c
        {\tt rlc}
                С
        rlc
                С
        call
                sine
        rrca
        rrca
        and
                #0x3f
        {\tt add}
                a, d
        ld
                4(ix), a
        ;; Y
        ld
                bc, (timer)
        {\tt rlc}
                c ; *2
                       ; *2
        rlc
                С
        rlc
                С
                        ; *2
        call
                sine
        rrca
        and
                #0x7f
        add
                #0x40
        ld
                5(ix), a
foo2:
        ld
                a, (0x4d00)
        add
                #6
                b, a
        ld
                a, (0x4d01)
        ld
        add
                #8
        ld
                c, a
                xy2offsB
        call
                ix, #0x4d00
        ld
        ld
                a, 2(ix)
                0(ix)
        inc
                                 ; x
        bit
                4, 0(ix)
        jр
                Z, .over
        inc
                1(ix)
                0(ix), #0x00
        ld
                4, 1(ix)
        bit
                Z, .over
        jр
                1(ix), #0x00
        ld
                                 ; y
        inc
                2(ix)
                                 ; color
.over:
```

```
push
                bc
                bc, #colram
        ld
                hl, bc
        {\tt add}
        pop
                bc
        ld
                (hl), a
jp foo
        ; try to hug a screen refresh
                bc, #1
                sleep
        call
        jр
                foo
        halt
```

Root chunk (not used in this document).

## Kernel Services and API

This chapter describes and defines the interface that tasks use to access the services of the OS kernel.

The services provided by the kernel are provided through the RST calls of the Z80 processor. There are 8 of these calls, as well as an interrupt routine that the Z80 provides. The interrupt routine is used by the task switcher, and is described in §8, however an overview of the 8 RST functions is provided next.

Each of these start 8 bytes off from the previous, so we need to be sure that we don't overwrite previous ones, as well as be sure that we start each of them at the right location. We can fill these with five nops, but instead, we'll use the .org directive on following calls. We just need to be sure that we don't use more than 8 bytes for each of these.

#### 4.1 RST 00H - Startup/Reboot

This is the startup/reboot call. This will setup the system and restart it appropriately according to the initialization routines as defined and implemented in §3. We will just call that routine from here.

The basic initialization starts off at 0x0000 in ROM. This doubles as the implementation for RST 00. So we need to be sure that we are at 0x0000. This simply jumps to the .startup routine.

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## 4.2 RST 08H - Semaphores

```
Semaphore control
```

```
23a \langle RST~08~implementation~23a \rangle \equiv .org 0x0008 .reset08: ; RST 08 - Semaphore control
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

#### 4.3 RST 10H - TBD

TBD

```
23b \langle RST~10~implementation~23b \rangle \equiv .org 0x0010 .reset10: ; RST 10 - TBD ret
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

#### 4.4 RST 18H - TBD

TBD

```
23c \langle RST~18~implementation~23c \rangle \equiv .org 0x0018 .reset18: ; RST 18 - TBD ret
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

This code is used in chunk 102.

#### 4.5 RST 20H - TBD

TBD

```
23d \langle RST~20~implementation~23d \rangle \equiv .org 0x0020 .reset20: ; RST 20 - TBD ret
```

#### 4.6 RST 28H - TBD

```
TBD
```

```
24a \langle RST~28~implementation~24a \rangle \equiv .org 0x0028 .reset28: ; RST 28 - TBD
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

#### 4.7 RST 30H - TBD

```
TBD
```

```
24b \langle RST~30~implementation~24b \rangle \equiv .org 0x0030 .reset30: ; RST 30 - TBD
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

#### 4.8 RST 38H - VBlank handler

VBLANK IRQ interrupt. This should never be called directly by a task. We will simply jump to the .isr function from here, which sits after the below NMI handler, in ROMspace.

#### 4.9 NMI handler

We're not using an NMI in this implementation, but we'll leave this here in case we want to use it in the future. This sits at 0x0066, 38 bytes from the RST 38 handler. We're basically wasting this space, but we might come back later and fill it in or just drop the NMI handler altogether. Regardless, this handler is here even though it's not used in Pac/Pengo hardware.

```
24d \langle NMI\ implementation\ 24d \rangle \equiv .org 0x0066 ,nmi: ; NMI handler retn
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

# Semaphores

This chapter describes how the semaphores are managed in ALPACA.

THESE DON'T SEEM TO WORK PROPERLY YET.

NOTE: We also should disable task switching and/or interrupts when we're locking a semaphore.

#### 5.1 RAM allocation

For now, each semaphore is a single byte. We have 16 allocated for the system, which should be more than enough for four tasks.

These are located at semabase in ram.

This code is used in chunk 102.

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```
\langle Semaphore\ RAM\ 25 \rangle \equiv
; semaphores
semabase = (ram + 0x0ce0)
semamax = (semabase + 0x0F)
```

#### 5.2 Locking a Semaphore

An attempt to lock a semaphore that is already locked will result in the task blocking until the semaphore is released.

We'll do some rudimentary range limiting on A by anding the passed-in semaphore number in the accumulator with 0x0F, since we only have 16 semaphores.

We then will load HL with the base address of the semaphore ram, then add in the above offset onto it.

Once it is released, it will re-set the semaphore, then return to the task.

 $\langle Semaphore\ lock\ implementation\ 26 \rangle \equiv$ 

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```
;; semalock - lock a semaphore
                        in
                                         which semaphore to lock
                                 a
                        out
                        mod
semalock:
            ; set aside registers
        push
                af
        push
                bc
        push
            ; set up the address
        and
                #0x0f
                                ; limit A to 0..15
        ld
                                ; c is the current semaphore number
        ld
                b, #0x00
                                 ; make sure that b=0
                                                        (bc = 0x00SS)
        ld
                hl, (semabase) ; hl = base address
        add
                hl, bc
                                ; hl = address of this semaphore
.sl2:
        bit
                1, (hl)
                NZ, .sl2
                                 ; while it's set, loop
        jr
            ; set the bit
                1, (hl)
        set
                                 ; lock the semaphore
            ; restore registers
        pop
                bс
        pop
                af
            ; return
        ret.
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

#### 5.3 Releasing a Semaphore

Releasing a semaphore is even easier than locking one.

Just like the above, we'll do some rudimentary range limiting on A by anding the passed-in semaphore number in the accumulator with 0x0F, since we only have 16 semaphores.

We then will load HL with the base address of the semaphore ram, then add in the above offset onto it.

Then we simply clear the bit.

We can eventually combine the two of these if we want, to save a few bytes. Even easier, just after the res we can jump to just after the set in the above routine... that will save 1 or 2 bytes, but increase obfuscation quite a bit, so we won't do that just yet...

 $\langle Semaphore\ release\ implementation\ 27 \rangle \equiv$ 

```
;; semarel - release a semaphore
                                        which semaphore to release
                        in
                                a
                        out
                        mod
semarel:
            ; set aside registers
        push
                af
        push
                bc
        push
                hl
            ; set up the address
                                ; limit A to 0..15
        and
                #0x0F
                                ; c is the current semaphore number
        ld
        ld
                b, #0x00
                                ; b=0
                                       (bc = 0x000S)
        ld
                hl, (semabase) ; hl = base address
                                ; hl = address of this semaphore
        add
                hl, bc
            ; clear the semaphore
                1, (hl)
                                ; clear the bit
            ; restore registers
                hl
        pop
                bc
        pop
        pop
                af
            ; return
        ret
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

# Message Queue

This chapter describes how all of the messaging in the system is handled.

#### 6.1 Message Format

This code is used in chunk 102.

**TBD** 

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### 6.2 Queue Implementation

Two pointers are maintained into the Message queue; the head and tail pointers. There is also a variable which contains the number of messages currently in the queue. These variables are global for all tasks, and thus the mechanisms for queueing and dequeueing messages into the system are provided by the kernel.

```
\langle Message\ RAM\ 28 \rangle \equiv
; messages
msgbase = (ram + 0x0ca0)
msgmax = (msgbase + 0x003f)
```

#### 6.2.1 Queueing a Message

We need a way to continue adding messages onto the queue while circulating around the ram buffer, so we will have a ram buffer that is 256 bytes large, so that we can just AND the offset with OxOOFF to determine the correct offset into the message queue.

- 1. If number of messages is greater than 256, fail.
- 2. Store the message at the RAM location that the tail pointer references
- 3. Increment the tail pointer
- 4. AND the tail pointer with 0x00FF
- 5. Add the tail pointer with the base of the message queue
- 6. increment the number of messages

#### 6.2.2 Dequeueing a Message

Similarly, we need a way to pop a message off of the queue, so a similar process is used.

- 1. If number of messages is 0, fail
- 2. Set the message at the head pointer aside
- 3. Increment the head pointer
- 4. AND the head pointer with 0x00FF
- 5. Add the head pointer with the base of the message queue
- 6. Decrement the number of messages
- 7. Return the message

# Memory Management

This chapter describes how all of the memory management (allocation and free) is performed within the system.

- 7.1 Memory Maintenance Structures
- 7.2 Memory Acquisition (malloc)
- 7.3 Memory Release (free)

# Interrupt Service Routine

This chapter describes the Interrupt Sercice Routine within the kernel. This chapter covers the basic Timer as well as the whole task switching routine.

#### 8.1 ISR Overall View

Here is the overall view of the interrupt service routine, which gets called 60 times a second, when the VBLANK happens in the video hardware:

```
31a \langle Interrupt\ Service\ Routine\ implementation\ 31a \rangle \equiv .isr: \langle Interrupt\ disable\ interrupts\ and\ save\ regs\ 31b \rangle \langle Interrupt\ clear\ the\ watchdog\ 32b \rangle \langle Interrupt\ increment\ global\ timer\ 32d \rangle \langle Interrupt\ task\ management\ 41a \rangle \langle Interrupt\ enable\ interrupts\ and\ restore\ regs\ 32a \rangle
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

We need to disable interrupts, both in the CPU was well as in the external interrupt mechanism. In the process of doing this, we will dirty up a few registers, so we might as well save them aside in here also.

```
31b \langle Interrupt \ disable \ interrupts \ and \ save \ regs \ 31b \rangle \equiv
```

This code is used in chunk 31a.

Later on, we'll need to turn interrupts back on, and restore those registers.

32a  $\langle Interrupt\ enable\ interrupts\ and\ restore\ regs\ 32a \rangle \equiv$ 

```
; restore the registers
pop
        iy
        ix
pop
        hl
pop
        de
pop
pop
        bc
ld
        a, #0x01
                        ; a = 1
        (irqen), a
                        ; enable external interrupt mechanism
pop
ei
                        ; enable processor interrupts
reti
                         ; return from interrupt routine
```

This code is used in chunk 31a.

Anyway, we've still got a 0 loaded into a from the above disabling, so we can just send that over to the watchdog as well.

Dealing with the watchdog timer in here prevents the user code (tasks) from having to deal with it at all. The original intention of the watchdog reset hardware is described in §2.1.

```
32b \langle Interrupt\ clear\ the\ watchdog\ 32b \rangle \equiv 1d (watchdog), a ; kick the dog
```

This code is used in chunk 31a.

Also, while in the interrupt routine we want to increment the global timer variable.

The timer is a value in RAM that gets updated by the IRQ/Vblank routine.

 $\langle Timer RAM 32c \rangle \equiv$ 

32c

```
; timer counter (word)
timer = (ram + 21)
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

32d  $\langle Interrupt increment global timer 32d \rangle \equiv$ 

```
ld bc, (timer) ; bc = timer
inc bc ; bc++
ld (timer), bc ; timer = bc
```

This code is used in chunk 31a.

We could try to do the timer the following way instead, which is fewer bytes of asm, but would only increment the lower byte of the timer, which we don't want. Our current timer is 16 bits, which means that it is only good for about 18 minutes before it overflowed. If we only used 8 bits, our timer would overflow after four seconds. Conversely, a 24 bit timer would last for roughly 77 hours, while a 32 bit timer would last for roughly 821 days... almost three years.

33 ⟨bad timer 33⟩≡
; timer valid for only 4 seconds:
ld hl, #(timer); hl = &timer
inc (hl); inc the lower 8 bits of the timer.
Root chunk (not used in this document).

Future changes to the OS will include an updated timer with a 16 bit "epoch counter" which will give us this 821 day uptime capability, but until then, 18 minutes is probably longer than we'll go before we crash anyway.;)

And that's the basics. Without the task switching, the above is a useful and fully functional ISR. The sections that follow will add in the task switching.

#### 8.2 Task Switching

The tasks will run in the foreground, just going about their business. These tasks will be interrupted and switched out by the Task Manager from within the Interrupt routine. This will control how much time each task gets, managing their stacks, and all of that fun stuff. Tasks can also give up their remaining time if they are done, waiting for IO or a timer to complete or what have you.

The task switcher is also the backend for the exec and kill routines, which are described in §10. That is to say that when a task is instantiated with the exec command, or a task slot is cleared with the kill command, it really only sets flags directly from those commands. All of the work of setting up the task to run in a task slot is handled here in this routine.

The task switcher will also be the backend for the sleep routine, once that is implemented correctly.

#### 8.2.1 Design

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The design described here supports up to four concurrently running tasks, selected from up to 256 tasks available in the program ROM. There can be multiple instances of the same task running.

Each of the four tasks has its own space in RAM for their own stack and local variables. Each task gets 0x00c0 or (192) bytes of ram which they can use for stack and local variables. Being that the tasks will be written in asm, this should hopefully be more than enough.

There is a variable in RAM, ramBase which points to the base of RAM for the currently running task. Tasks will need to define their local variables with reference to this value. Once a task is started, this value will not change.

```
\langle Task\ Constants\ 34 \rangle \equiv stacksize = 192 ; number of bytes per stack This definition is continued in chunk 38c. This code is used in chunk 102.
```

And here's where we'll define the stack ram itself:

```
35a \langle Task \ Stack \ RAM \ 35a \rangle \equiv
```

```
; stack regions for the four tasks
stackbottom = (stack-(stacksize*4)) ; 192 bytes (bottom of stack 3)
stack3 = (stack-(stacksize*3)) ; 192 bytes
stack2 = (stack-(stacksize*2)) ; 192 bytes
stack1 = (stack-(stacksize*1)) ; 192 bytes
stack0 = (stack-(0)) ; top of space - sprite ram
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

This leaves 0x4c00 thru 0x4cff for program/user ram.

We need to be able to access the above values from the program easily, so we'll set up a table in ROM.

```
⟨Task Switch ROM 35b⟩≡
```

35b

This code is used in chunk 102.

The way this table is used is twofold. To find the initial stack pointer for a task slot, just index into the stacklist ((task)

slot number) \* 2) bytes in. To find the value to put in ramBase, just go to
the next item in the array. (((task slot number + 1)
\* 2).

#### Task Slot Indexes

There are two bytes in RAM per slot that the kernel uses to keep track of the task running in those slots, as well as a way for the task slots to be controlled. These are the slotIdx and slotCtrl arrays.

The task slot indexes (slotId) show which task is loaded in which task slot. This is a single byte (8 bit) index into the tasklist, which we will define later.

```
35c \langle Task \ RAM \ 35c \rangle \equiv
```

```
; which task is in which slot (index into tasklist)
slotIdx = (ram + 0); 4 bytes, one per slot
slotIdx0 = (ram + 0)
slotIdx1 = (ram + 1)
slotIdx2 = (ram + 2)
slotIdx3 = (ram + 3)
```

This definition is continued in chunks 36–38.

This code is used in chunk 102.

To define these as 'open', we use the following constant:

```
36a \langle Task \ RAM \ 35c \rangle + \equiv slot0pen = 0xff
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

Here are the bytes to control each slot. By setting flags in these slots, the ISR will do different things to the slot.

```
36b \langle Task \; RAM \; 35c \rangle + \equiv ; control information for each slot (to be handled by switcher) slotCtrl = (ram + 4) ; 4 bytes, one per slot slotOCtrl = (ram + 4) slot1Ctrl = (ram + 5) slot2Ctrl = (ram + 6) slot3Ctrl = (ram + 7)
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

And here are the bits we can set for the control:

First of all, if bit 7 is set, we know that the slot is in use.

```
36c \langle Task \ RAM \ 35c \rangle + \equiv C_InUse = 7
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

If bit 4 is set, then the lower four bits are for extenstion commands. This means that if a task wants to perform these actions on the slot, it will set bit 4, and one of the lower three bits.

Bit 0 is the command to kill the task running in that slot. Bit 1 is the command to start up the task in that slot. Bit 2 is the command to relinquish the remaining time for this slot. (Force a task switch, regardless of time left for the slot.)

```
36d \langle Task \ RAM \ 35c \rangle + \equiv

C_EXTO = 4

killSlot = 0

execSlot = 1

sleepSlot = 2
```

When a task is switched out, we really only need to store the current stack pointer for that slot. That stack pointer is stored somewhere in the slotSP array. *NOTE*: the stack pointer location for the currently running slot does not contain valid data. For example, if Slot 2 is active, then slotSP2 contains invalid data.

37a  $\langle Task RAM 35c \rangle + \equiv$ 

```
; stack pointers for the four slots
slotSP = (ram + 8) ; 8 bytes, two per slot
slotSP0 = (ram + 8)
slotSP1 = (ram + 10)
slotSP2 = (ram + 12)
slotSP3 = (ram + 14)
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

When a task is running, we need a way to tell it what the base of ram for it is. A task will define its variables in ram with reference to this base pointer. The task can look at ramBase to retrieve this data pointer. For example, a task may have one word stored in (ramBase) + 0, and a byte stored in (ramBase)

+ 2. This enables tasks to have their own distinct memory blocks so that you can accurately run the same task code multiple times, without them interfering.

```
37b \langle Task RAM 35c \rangle + \equiv
```

```
; Base of ram for the currently active slot. ramBase = (ram + 16); word
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

We also have one flag which the switcher uses to keep track of the state of the slots. This is the taskFlag byte.

```
37c \qquad \langle Task \ RAM \ 35c \rangle + \equiv
```

```
; various flags about the task switcher system taskFlag = (ram + 18) ; byte
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

The lower four bits will show if a slot is in use. If this bit is set, the slot is in use.

```
37d \langle Task RAM 35c \rangle + \equiv
```

```
      slot0use
      = 0

      slot1use
      = 1

      slot2use
      = 2

      slot3use
      = 3
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

And the fun one. If the taskActive flag is set, then the task switching system is running. Clear this, and no switching will take place.

```
37e \langle Task \ RAM \ 35c \rangle + \equiv taskActive = 7
```

And of course, the switcher needs to know which slot is the currently active slot. This is contained in the taskSlot byte.

```
38a \langle Task\ RAM\ 35c \rangle + \equiv ; the currently active slot number taskSlot = (ram + 19) ; byte
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

#### 8.2.2 Task Slot Timing

Each slot will be alotted a certain amount of time. This will change for each slot based on if it is "sleeping", or based on the priority of the task. Or at least, that's how it will be in the future. For now, this will be equally distributed, and requested priorities are ignored. Also, for now, the "sleep" command is dumb, and will just loop within the specified task. Future implementations of "sleep" in the task switching system will interrupt other tasks when the sleep timer expires, to insure that correct timing is given to time-specific tasks.

The switcher will count down the number of ticks that the current slot has before it needs to switch it out. This value is simply set when a task is switched in, and decremented subsequent times through the task switching code. This slotTime value can only be up to 255, which is fine, considering that this is about four seconds. Generally, each task should only be run for about 5-10 clock ticks.

```
38b \langle Task \; RAM \; 35c \rangle + \equiv ; how many ticks does this slot have before it gets swapped out slotTime = (ram + 20) ; byte

This code is used in chunk 102.
```

For phase one, we will always use a predefined time per task. Make this larger to really show how processing switches from one task to the other. For now, making this around 4 should be plenty. (4/60ths or 1/15th of a second)

```
38c \langle Task\ Constants\ 34 \rangle + \equiv slotTicks = 4 ; number of ticks per slot to start with This code is used in chunk 102.
```

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#### 8.2.3 Task Search / Task List

Future versions of the OS might include a routine that scans through ROM to find available tasks to run them. Thiw will allow for ROMs, cartridges, or banks to be switched in while the system is live.

In the future, this will produce a 0 terminated list of pointers to the headers in RAM, but for now, we will just have this so-called tasklist in ROM.

This is just a list of the headers, terminated with a 0

```
⟨Task List 39a⟩≡
39a
                   ; list of all tasks available, null terminated
          tasklist:
                   .word t0header
                   .word t1header
                   .word t2header
                   .word t3header
                   .word 0x0000
        This code is used in chunk 102.
```

#### 8.2.4 Task System Initialization

Now the initialization. This sets it up such that the above ram locations have been initialized properly, and the task switcher in §8.2 knows that the task slot is empty.

First, we need clear the flags, to insure that all of the slots are open, and that the task switcher is disabled.

```
39b
        ⟨ Task System Initialization 39b⟩ ≡
                   ;; initialize tasks
                       ; clear flags
                                            ; a = 0
                   xor
                           a
                   ld
                           (taskFlag), a ; clear all task flags
```

This definition is continued in chunks 39 and 40.

memset256

This code is used in chunk 17b.

39c

We initialize the stack pointers. This will get replaced in the task switcher, but for now, we will initialize it in here as well. We'll just set them all to 0x0000

 $\langle Task \ System \ Initialization \ 39b \rangle + \equiv$ ; clear the dormant stack pointers (set all four to 0x0000) ; a = 0xor ld ; 8 bytes (4 one-word variables) b, #8 ld hl, #(slotSP) ; base of slot stack pointers

; clear it

call This code is used in chunk 17b.

We set all of the task slots as "open" in the slot index pointers as well. We do this by setting the indexes to the special constant, openslot, defined above.

40a  $\langle Task \ System \ Initialization \ 39b \rangle + \equiv$ 

```
; set all slots as open
ld a, #(slotOpen) ; a = openslot
ld b, #4 ; 4 bytes
ld hl, #(slotIdx) ; base of slot index bytes
call memset256
```

This code is used in chunk 17b.

Now we need to clear out all of the control bytes as well.

40b  $\langle Task \ System \ Initialization \ 39b \rangle + \equiv$ 

```
; clear control bytes
xor a ; a = 0
ld b, #4 ; 4 bytes
ld h1, #(slotCtrl); base of slot control bytes
call memset256
```

This code is used in chunk 17b.

We also need to set the taskSlot variable to something.

40c  $\langle Task \ System \ Initialization \ 39b \rangle + \equiv$ 

This code is used in chunk 17b.

Finally, enable the task switcher.

40d  $\langle Task \ System \ Initialization \ 39b \rangle + \equiv$ 

```
; enable the task switcher

ld hl, (taskFlag)
set #taskActive, (hl) ; set the flag
```

### 8.3 Task Slot Management Mechanism

This section defines the basic overall view of the task slot management routines of the Interrupt Service Routine. The various things that can happen within this framework are defined in §?? and §??.

First, we need the wrapper which checks to see if the task switching is active. We simply check the taskActive bit of the taskFlag RAM byte. If the flag was zero (Z) the bit is not set, and we need to skip over the control flag check routine and the task switching routine. to the .doneTask label.

41a  $\langle Interrupt \ task \ management \ 41a \rangle \equiv$ 

```
;; task management stuff
; check for disabled switching
ld hl, (taskFlag)
bit #taskActive, (hl) ; check to see if task switching is on
jr Z, .doneTask ; jp over if switching is disabled

\[ Interrupt check control flags 41b \]
\[ Interrupt attempt to switch to next task 43 \]
.doneTask:
```

This code is used in chunk 31a.

#### 8.3.1 Control Flag Check

Before we change active task slots, we need to check the control flags for all of the slots to see if they need to be maintained.

```
41b \langle Interrupt \ check \ control \ flags \ 41b \rangle \equiv
```

```
; check to see if any of the control flags are set
  ; loop throgh all slots
  ; check for kill
  ; check for sleep
  ; check for start
```

```
42
      \langle notes \ 42 \rangle \equiv
        GUI task should always be running (task 0)
        never kill the gui task
        for now, the gui task is just a tight loop, slot {\tt 0}
        slotMask = 0x03
        current slot (taskSlot) is always valid
        taskSlot = 0x4c??
        **go to next valid slot:
        **Start new task:
            move SP into (slotSP)[curr]
            set SP to base of slot
            push (start point of task)
            push (extra registers as 0x00)
            move SP into (slotSP)[thisslot]
            set this slot as 'in use'
            clear slot flags
            move (slotSP)[curr] into SP
        **Kill,start, relinquish
            all require a flags check loop before the main loop
             (every time in the ISR, check the flags for all slots)
             (tmp) = 0
           .loop
            check ctrl reg for changes:
                 if set to kill:
                     mark slot as not in use
                 if set to start:
                     **start new task
            inc (tmp)
            if (tmp) < 4, jp .loop
            if set to relinquish time:
            set (slottime) to 1
```

Root chunk (not used in this document).

#### 8.3.2 Task Switch Routine

First, we need to wrap the task switcher with a check to see if it is time<sup>1</sup> to switch task slots yet. We simply look at the slotTime byte to see if it is greater than 0. If it is greater than zero, then we skip over the task switching routine.

If we are still greater than zero, we skip over the task switch. Then we just reload C with the slot time, decrement it, and store it back in Ram.

We could save a few bytes, and decrement the counter before we do anything, but that would mean that the above sleep would set the time left to 1 instead of 0 which seems wrong. For the few extra bytes that it saves us, it's more intuitive to do it this way.

 $\langle Interrupt \ attempt \ to \ switch \ to \ next \ task \ 43 \rangle \equiv$ 

```
;; check to see if we need to task switch yet
        ld
                hl, #slotTime
                                         ; hl = time address
                                         ; c = current time for active slot
        ld
                c, (hl)
            ; check the current value
        xor
                                         ; a = 0
                                         ; is C >=0? ( Carry set )
        ср
                С
                C, .noSwitch
                                         ; still greater than zero?
        jр
(Interrupt switch to next task 44)
.noSwitch:
            : decrement the slot timer
        ld
                hl, #slotTime
                                          ; hl = time address
        ld
                c, (hl)
                                          ; c = current time for active slot
        dec
                                          ; current time --
        ld
                 (hl), c
                                          ; store the current time
```

This code is used in chunk 41a.

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 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$ ...wait for it...

XXX Need to break this up and document it better XXX

```
\langle \mathit{Interrupt\ switch\ to\ next\ task\ 44} \rangle {\equiv}
44
                    ;; change to next dormant task (or this one...)
        .tsNext:
                ld
                        a, (taskSlot)
                                                ; a = current task slot (a is try)
                ld
                         e, a
                                                 ; de = current slot
        .tsloop1:
                inc
                                                 ; ++try
                and
                        a, #slotMask
                                                 ; try &= 0x03
                                                 ; hl = slotCtrl base
                ld
                        hl, #(slotCtrl)
                ld
                        c, a
                        b, #0x00
                ld
                                                 ; bc = task number
                add
                        hl, bc
                                                 ; hl = control for this task
                        #C_InUse, (hl)
                bit
                                                 ; check the flag
                jr
                        NZ, .tsloop1
                                                 ; if not active, inc again
                     ; compare selected task with "current"
                                                ; A = current (again)
                ld
                        a, e
                                                 ; compare A(curr) and C(try)
                ср
                        С
                jr
                        Z, .overslot1
                                                 ; skip this next bit if we're there
        .storeTheSP:
                    ; snag the SP into IX
                ٦d
                        ix, #0x0000
                                                 ; zero ix
                add
                        ix, sp
                                                 ; ix = SP
                     ; setup HL as ram location to store SP
                        hl, #(slotSP)
                                           ; hl = base of slotSP array
                ld
                        d, #0x00
                ٦d
                                                 ; de = current slot
                rlc
                                                 ; = current slot * 2
                                                ; bc still contains the try value
                                                 ; hl = base of current slot SP
                add
                        hl, de
                push
                                                 ; de
                        ix
                        de
                pop
                    ; store the current SP
                         (hl), e
                                                 ; (hl) =
                ld
                inc
                        hl
                ld
                         (hl), d
                                                        = de
                                                                (really SP)
        .loadInTheSP:
                     ; swap in the new SP
                        d, #0
                ld
                ٦d
                                                 ; de = new slot number
                        e, c
                                                 ; = new slot number * 2
                rlc
                        е
                        hl, #(slotSP)
                                                 ; hl = base of slotSP array
                ld
                add
                        hl, de
                                                 ; hl = base of new slot SP
                     ; snag it and shove it into place
                ld
                        e, (hl)
                inc
                        hl
                ld
                        d, (hl)
                                                     = new sp
                ld
                        h, d
                                                 ; hl =
                ld
                        1, e
```

```
ld
               sp, hl
                            ; new SP!
.setupVars:
           ; set up reference variables
                                     ; a = c
       ld
               a, c
       ld
               (taskSlot), a
                                     ; taskSlot = new slot number
           ; set up ramBase
       ld
               hl, #(stackList)
                                     ; hl = base of stackList array
       ld
               e, c
                                      ; e = new slot
       inc
                                      ; e = new slot + 1
                                      ; e = (new slot + 1) * 2
       rlc
               е
                                      ; de = (new slot + 1) * 2
       ld
               d, #0
                                      ; = index of this slot + 1 word
               hl, de
       add
       ld
               c, (hl)
                                     ; bc =
               hl
       inc
       ld
               b, (hl)
                                     ; = new ramBase item
       ld
               hl, #(ramBase)
       ld
               (hl), c
                                      ; ramBase =
       inc
               hl
       ld
               (hl), b
                                               = correct value!
.overslot1:
               hl, #slotTime
       ld
                                    ; hl = time address
               hl, #slotTime ; hl = time address
(hl), #slotTicks ; reset the ticks for this task
       ld
```

# Chapter 9

# The Core Task

This chapter describes the core task. This is the task that deals with doing all of the things that the ISR doesn't have time to do, or doesn't need to do as often. For example, checking I/O.

This task will eventually be replaced with the GUI task. This task occupies task slot 0. This leaves 3 task slots to be used by user code.

### 9.1 Core Runtime Loop

foo:

This loop will be run by the OS, and will eventually contain things like timer and message distribution, as well as joystick movement-to-position as well as IO-to-click message handlers.

```
46
       \langle .coretask\ implementation\ 46 \rangle \equiv
         .coretask:
                  ; set up sprite 1 as the flying llama
                  ld
                           ix, #(sprtbase)
                  ld
                           a, #(LlamaFS*sprtMult)
                           sprtIndex(ix), a
                  ld
                           a, #(3)
                  ld
                                                      ; decent llama color
                  ld
                           sprtColor(ix), a
                  ;; set up sprite 2 and 3
                  ٦d
                           ix, #(sprtbase)
                                            ; (hardcoded for now)
                  14
                           a, #4
                  ٦d
                           2+sprtIndex(ix), a
                  ld
                           4+sprtIndex(ix), a
                  ld
                           a, #(3)
                           2+sprtColor(ix), a
                           4+sprtColor(ix), a
```

```
; do a lissajous on the screen with the first sprite (arrow cursor) % \left( \frac{1}{2}\right) =\frac{1}{2}\left( \frac{1}{2}\right) +\frac{1}{2}\left( \frac{1}{2}\right) +\frac{1}{2}
;; X
ld
                                                                                             ix, #(spritecoords)
ld
                                                                                             bc, (timer)
rlc
                                                                                             c ; *2
rlc
                                                                                             С
                                                                                                                                                                        ; *2
 call
                                                                                             sine
rrca
 and
                                                                                             #0x7f
 add
                                                                                             #0x40
ld
                                                                                             sprtIndex(ix), a
 ;; Y
ld
                                                                                             bc, (timer)
   ;rlc
   call
                                                                                             cosine
 rrca
                                                                                             #0x7f
 and
   add
                                                                                             #0x40
                                                                                             sprtColor(ix), a
ld
   ; try to hug a screen refresh
ld
                                                                                             bc, #1
   call
                                                                                             sleep
                                                                                             foo
   jр
halt
```

# Chapter 10

# Task Exec

This chapter describes how a task is started up within the ALPACA system. We also describe how a task needs to be formated within the ROMspace such that the kernel can find the tasks, run them and interact with them.

#### 10.1 Task Format Header

This is basically just a simple header that has all of the information that the OS needs to work with a task. The four byte cookie is there for the task searcher, which is not currently implemented, but will be in future versions of ALPACA.

- 4 bytes magic cookie 0xc9 0x4a 0x73 0x4c ('ret' 'J' 's' 'L') (for the searcher)
- 1 byte task format version 0x01 (version 1)
- 1 byte requested priority. This is the number of timeslices the task wants at a particular run between switching out.
- 2 bytes pointer to an pascal/asciz string for task name. The data this
  points to should consist of a byte with the string length in it, followed
  immediately by that string, null terminated.
- 2 bytes task entry point. This is just the address to the task's main routine.

## 10.2 Task Entry Point

This is the routine that the "exec" will jump to when the task is started up. This routine should not return. It should end with a halt opcode, and possibly call the kill routine to dequeue itself from the system, and open the slot.

### 10.3 Start Task (exectask)

This will take in two values. First is a value which specifies which task to run. This is used as an index into the tasklist array, defined in §8.2.3. Secondly, it takes in a value which specifies in which slot to run that task.

The name "execute" is really a misnomer. The task will not really be executed in this section, but rather, the task will be scheduled to be run in a specified task slot. This task will then be started within the task switcher routine, in §8.2.

And this is why all of the information about actually starting a task or killing a task (later on) is covered in §8.

In a nutshell, to start up a task in a slot, we set the task number into A, and the slot into D. This will set the control register for the specific slot at taskctrl[d] with the task to run. We just need to be sure that bit 7 of the task number is clear. We also need to limit the slot to [0..3].

 $\langle Exec\ start\ implementation\ 49 \rangle \equiv$ 

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```
;; execstart - starts up a new task
                         in
                                 Ε
                                         task number to start
                                 D
                                         task slot to use (0..3)
                         in
                         out
                         mod
execstart:
            ; save registers we're using
        push
                af
        push
                de
                bc
        push
                hl
        push
            ; limit E (task) to 127
                                 ; limit task number to 127
        res
                7, e
            ; limit D (slot)
        ld
                a, d
                                 ; a=d
                #0x03
                                 ; slot is 0,1,2, or 3
        and
        ٦d
                c, a
                                 ; c=a
                                 ; b=0x00, bc = 0x000S
        ld
                b, #0x00
            ; set the control value
        ld
                hl, #(taskctrl); set up the control register
                                 ; hl = base + offset
        add
                hl, bc
                                 ; taskctrl[d] = e
        ld
                 (hl), e
            ; restore the registers
                hΊ
        pop
                bc
        pop
                de
        pop
                af
            ; return
        ret.
```

## 10.4 Stop Task (kill)

We also might need a way to stop or "kill" a task. In traditional \*NIX systems, "kill" sends a signal to the program to tell it to stop running. We don't have signals (yet), so we will just implement this in the same mindset as the above. We will just signal the task switcher to remove the references to this task. Again, this does not happen in here, but rather, over in §8.2.

We basically just set the value in the appropriate

 $\langle Exec\ kill\ implementation\ 50 \rangle \equiv$ 

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```
;; execkill - kills a running task
                                 D
                                         task slot to kill
                         in
                         out
                         mod
execkill:
            ; save registers we're using
        push
                af
        push
                de
        push
                bc
        push
                hl
            ; limit D (slot) and shove it into {\tt C}
        ld
                                 ; a=d
                a, d
                #0x03
                                 ; slot is 0,1,2, or 3
        and
                                 ; c=a
        ld
                c, a
                                 ; b=0x00, bc = 0x000S
        ld
                b, #0x00
            ; set the control value
                hl, #(taskctrl); set up the control register
        ld
        add
                                ; hl = base + offset
        ld
                 (hl), #(killslot)
                                          ; taskctrl[d] = KILL!
            ; restore the registers
                hl
        pop
                bс
        pop
        pop
                de
        pop
                af
            ; return
```

## 10.5 Sleep for some time (sleep)

One thing that is very useful to have is a way for a process to wait for a specified amount of time. This is accomplished through this "sleep" command. The task puts the number of ticks to wait (60 per second) into BC then calls this routine.

Future versions might relinquish remaining clock cycles to other tasks by this communicating somehow to the task switcher, but this one just sits in a loop, waiting for the clock to be the right value.

But for this version, we will compute the timeout current time + ticks to wait, and just store it in BC while we loop.

The loop simply loads the current time into HL, then subtracts BC from it. We then compare it with a sbc, and loop if we're not there yet.

*NOTE* that this is not completely accurate. There might be 1-N more ticks between when this routine returns past when you expect it to return. This is due to the multitasking nature of /OS. Your timer might be up, but another task has the processing cycles currently. As soon as we have the cpu again, we will time out and return.

```
\langle Exec\ sleep\ implementation\ 51\rangle \equiv
           ;; sleep - wait a specified number of ticks
                            in
                                    bс
                                             number of ticks to wait
                            out
                            mod
  sleep:
               ; set side some registers
                   bc
          push
          push
                   af
          push
               ;; this is where we would set the flag for
               ;; the exec system to relinquish the rest of our time.
               ; compute the timeout into BC
          ld
                   hl, (timer)
                                    ; hl = timer
          add
                   hl, bc
                                    ; hl += ticks to wait
                                    ; bc =
          push
                                          = hl
          pop
  .slp:
               ; loop until the timeout comes
          ld
                   hl, (timer)
                                    ; hl = current time
          sbc
                   hl, bc
                                    ; set flags
                                    ; if (HL >= BC) then JP .slp2
                   M, .slp
          jр
               ; restore the registers
                   hl
          pop
                   af
          pop
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

bc return

Here's what I had originally wrote. Notice that it keeps the timeout persistant by keeping it on the stack. This required an extra pop and push for each iteration through the loop, and also required an extra push and pop wrapped around that.

The above implementation only uses the stack to move the value of hl over into bc, and that happens once per call.

 $\langle original \ sleep \ implementation \ 52 \rangle \equiv$ 

```
;; oldsleep - wait a specified number of ticks
                        in
                                bc
                                         number of ticks to wait
                        out
                        mod
oldsleep:
            ; set aside some registers
        push
                bc
        push
                af
        push
                hl
            ; compute the timeout into HL
        ld
                hl, (timer)
                                ; hl = timer
        add
                hl, bc
                                 ; hl += ticks to wait
        push
                                 ; top of stack now contains the timeout value
.slp2:
            ; loop until the timeout comes
                hl
                                 ; restore hl...
        pop
                                             ...and shove it back on the stack
                hl
        push
        ld
                bc, (timer)
                                 ; bc = current time
        sbc
                hl, bc
                                 ; set flags
        jr
                P, .slp2
                                 ; if (HL < BC) then JR .slp2
                hl
        pop
            ; restore the registers
                hl
        pop
                af
        pop
        pop
                bc
            ; return
        ret
```

Root chunk (not used in this document).

# Chapter 11

# Task 0: Pac Tiny User Interface (PTUI)

This chapter implements the GUI for the system called "PTUI". This task will be loaded into the system as task number 0.

## 11.1 Graphics

As you can see in figures 11.1 - 11.4, The GUI widgets, window ornamentations, and cursor are stored in various locations in the graphics banks. (Use the checkerboard image to identify the sprite numbers for each of the graphical elements.

The tile graphics in bank 1, figure 11.1 are pretty basic. It simply contains alphanumerics for text, as well as the widgets needed for the windows.

The sprite graphics in bank 2, figure 11.3 contain just the cursor that the joystick will be moving around for the GUI.

These banks are the same for Pac-Man and Pengo. Pengo has one other character bank, and one other sprite bank, both of which are not used for this task.



Figure 11.1: Graphics Bank 1: Tile Graphics



Figure 11.2: Bank 1 Checkerboard Image

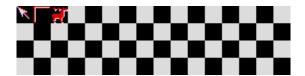


Figure 11.3: Graphics Bank 2: Sprite Graphics

This next set of blocks defines those graphical element reference numbers, as well as the colors for those elements.

```
 \begin{array}{ll} 54 & \langle \mathit{Task}\ \mathit{0}\ \mathit{constants}\ 54 \rangle \mathbf{\equiv} \\ & ; \ \mathsf{GUI}\ \mathsf{constants} \\ & \langle \mathit{GUI}\ \mathit{cursor}\ \mathit{and}\ \mathit{wallpaper}\ 55\mathrm{a} \rangle \\ & \langle \mathit{GUI}\ \mathit{flags}\ 55\mathrm{b} \rangle \\ & \langle \mathit{GUI}\ \mathit{frame}\ \mathit{and}\ \mathit{dragbar}\ 56 \rangle \\ & \langle \mathit{GUI}\ \mathit{widgets}\ 57 \rangle \\ & \langle \mathit{GUI}\ \mathit{widget}\ \mathit{types}\ 58\mathrm{a} \rangle \\ & \text{This code is used in chunk}\ 58\mathrm{b}. \end{array}
```



Figure 11.4: Bank 2 Checkerboard Image

### 11.1.1 Cursor and Wallpaper

```
\langle \mathit{GUI\ cursor\ and\ wallpaper\ 55a} \rangle \equiv
55a
              ; cursor and wallpaper
                  PcursorS
                                        0 ; sprite 0 for the cursor
                  PcursorC
                                        9 ; color 9 for the cursor
                  CrosshFS
                                      1 ; crosshair for window movement
                  CrosshC
                                   = 0x09 ; crosshair color
                  PwpS
                                   = 162 ; wallpaper sprite
                                   = 0x10 ; wallpaper color 0x13- blues
                  PwpC
                                   = 0x10 ; llama color (might be the same as PwpC above)
                  {\tt LlamaC}
                  LlamaS
                                   = 0x7b ; base of llama tile
                  LlamaFS
                                   = 2 ; llama floating sprite
                  CprtC
                                   = 0x14 ; copyright color 11
```

This code is used in chunk 54.

#### 11.1.2 Flags

#### 11.1.3 Frame and Dragbar

```
\langle \mathit{GUI} \mathit{ frame and dragbar 56} \rangle \equiv
56
            ; -- frame widgets --
                ; close
               PcloseS
                             = 128 ; close widget sprite
               PcloseCS = 1 ; close widget selected color (5)
PcloseCU = 0x1e ; close widget unselected color
                ; raise
               PraiseS
                              = 131 ; raise widget sprite
               PraiseCS
                               = 1 ; raise widget selected color (5)
               PraiseCU
                              = 0xc ; raise widget unselected color
            ; -- frame ornaments --
                                    9 ; dragbar text selected color 0x14 0xb
                PfrmTSel
               PfrmTUns
                                  1 ; dragbar text unselected color
               PfrmCSel
PfrmCUns
                              = 1 ; frame selected color
                              = 0x1e ; frame unselected color
                ; bottom corners
               PSWcornS = 138 ; southwest corner
               PSEcornS
                              = 139 ; southeast corner
                ; top corners
                              = 1 ; northwest corner 140
                PNWcornS
               PNEcornS
                                  1 ; northeast corner 141
                ; top bar
               PfN_W
                              = 129 ; top left
                                                     (145 or 129)
               PfN_N
                              = 32 ; top center (146 or 32)
                              = 130 ; top right (147 or 130)
               PfN_E
                ; left bar
               PfW_N
                              = 132 ; left top
                             = 133 ; left center
               PfW_W
               PfW_S
                              = 134 ; left bottom
                ; right bar
               PfE_N
                              = 135 ; right top
               PfE_E
                              = 136 ; right center
               PfE_S
                              = 137 ; right bottom
                ; bottom bar
               PfS_W
                              = 142 ; bottom left
               PfS_S
                              = 143 ; bottom center
               PfS_E
                              = 144 ; bottom right
```

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#### 11.1.4 Widgets

```
\langle \mathit{GUI} \; \mathit{widgets} \; 57 \rangle \equiv
57
            ; widgets
               PwC
                               = 1 ; generic widget color
                PwBGS
                               = 127 ; window background sprite
                ; button
                PwbLuS
                               = 148 ; [ button left unselected sprite
                PwbRuS
                               = 149 ; ] button right unselected sprite
                ; selected button
               PwbLsS = 150 ; [[ button left selected sprite
               PwbRsS
                               = 151 ; ]] button right selected sprite
                ; checkbox
               PwcuS
                               = 152 ; [ ] checkbox unselected sprite
               PwcsS
                               = 153 ; [X] checkbox selected sprite
                ; radio box
                               = 154 ; ( ) radio unselected sprite
                PwruS
                PwrsS
                               = 155 ; (X) radio selected sprite
                ; slider
                               = 156 ; === slider notch sprite
               PwsnS
                               = 157 ; =|= slider bar sprite
               PwsbS
                ; progress bar
                               = 158 ;
                                             progress bar open sprite
                PwpoS
                PwpfS
                               = 159 ; ### progress bar filled sprite
                ; spin
                               = 160 ; <> horizontal spin controller
                PwHsS
                PwVsS
                               = 161 ; ^v vertical spin controller
```

#### 11.1.5 Widget Type Flags

```
\langle \mathit{GUI}\ \mathit{widget}\ \mathit{types}\ 58a \rangle \equiv
58a
                  ; Widget Types (for the frame-widget table)
                                        0 ; end of the widget list
                  W_Frame
                                        1 ; window frame (needs to be first)
                   ; frame flags:
                   FF_Border
                                        1 ; use a border on the frame
                   FF_NClose
                                        2 ; no close button
                   FF_NRaise
                                        4 ; no raise button
                  W_MButton
                                        2 ; momentary button
                  W_SButton
                                        3 ; sticky button
                  W_Radio
                                        4 ; radio button (flags is the group number)
                  W_Check
                                        5 ; check button
                  W_SText
                                        6 ; static text (text is the idx of a string)
                  W_DText
                                        7 ; dynamic text (data is idx of ram)
                  W_DInt
                                        8 ; dynamic integer (data is idx in the ram)
                  W_HSlider
                                        9 ; horizontal slider
                  W_VSlider
                                       10 ; vertical slider
                  W_HSpin
                                       11 ; horizontal spin
                  W_VSpin
                                       12 ; vertical spin
```

This code is used in chunk 54.

## 11.2 Implementation

```
\langle Task \ 0 \ implementation \ 58b \rangle \equiv $;; \ Task \ 0 \ - \ PTUI $; \ constants $$ \langle Task \ 0 \ constants \ 54 \rangle $$; header $$ \langle Task \ 0 \ header \ 59a \rangle $$; routines $$ \langle Task \ 0 \ process \ routine \ 59b \rangle $$ This code is used in chunk 102.
```

#### 11.3 Header

```
\langle \mathit{Task}\ \mathit{0}\ \mathit{header}\ \mathit{59a} \rangle {\equiv}
59a
            tOheader:
                                 0xc9, 0x4a, 0x73, 0x4c ; cookie
                       .byte
                                                                 ; version
                       .byte
                                                                 ; requested timeslices
                       .byte
                                 0x04
                       .word
                                 t0name
                                                                 ; name
                       .word
                                 t0process
                                                                 ; process function
            tOname:
                       .byte
                                                                 ; strlen
                       .asciz "Task 0"
                                                                 ; name
```

This code is used in chunk 58b.

#### 11.4 Process routine

```
59b
        \langle \mathit{Task}\ \mathit{0}\ \mathit{process}\ \mathit{routine}\ 59b \rangle {\equiv}
           tOprocess:
                     ld
                              hl, #(colram)
                                                 ; base of color ram
                     ld
                              a, #0x01
                                                 ; clear the screen to 0x00
                     ld
                              b, #0x04
                                                 ; 256*4 = 1k
                     call
                              memsetN
                                                 ; do it.
           t0p2:
                     ld
                              hl, #(vidram)
                                                 ; base of video ram
                     ld
                                                 ; 'A'
                              a, #0x41
                     ld
                              b, #0x04
                                                 ; 256*4 = 1k
                     call
                              memsetN
                    ld
                              hl, #(vidram)
                                                 ; base of video ram
                                                 ; 'B'
                    ld
                              a, #0x42
                              b, #0x04
                     ld
                                                 ; 256*4 = 1k
                     call
                              memsetN
                              hl, #(vidram)
                     ld
                                                 ; base of video ram
                                                 ; 'C'
                     ld
                              a, #0x43
                              b, #0x04
                                                 ; 256*4 = 1k
                     ld
                              memsetN
                     call
                     jр
                              t0p2
                    halt
```

# Chapter 12

# Task 1: TBD Example

This chapter implements a simple task which will be loaded into the system as task number 1.

#### 12.1 Header

```
60b
       ⟨Task 1 header 60b⟩≡
         t1header:
                       0xc9, 0x4a, 0x73, 0x4c ; cookie
                 .byte
                       0x01
                                                ; version
                 .byte
                       0x04
                 .byte
                                                ; requested timeslices
                       t1name
                 .word
                 .word t1process
                                                ; process function
         t1name:
                 .byte 6
                                              ; strlen
                 .asciz "Task 1"
                                                ; name
       This code is used in chunk 60a.
```

## 12.2 Process routine

```
\langle \mathit{Task}\ \mathit{1}\ \mathit{process}\ \mathit{routine}\ \mathit{61} \rangle \equiv
61
           t1process:
                     ld
                               hl, #(colram)
                                                   ; base of color ram
                                                   ; clear the screen to blue
                     ld
                               a, #0x01
                                                   ; 256*4 = 1k
                     ld
                               b, #0x04
                     call
                               memsetN
                     ld
                               hl, #(colram)
                                                   ; base of color ram
                     ld
                               a, #0x09
                                                   ; clear the screen to red
                     ld
                               b, #0x04
                                                   ; 256*4 = 1k
                     call
                               memsetN
                     jр
                               t1process
                     halt
```

# Chapter 13

# Task 2: TBD Example

This chapter implements a simple task which will be loaded into the system as task number 2.

```
62a \langle Task\ 2\ implementation\ 62a \rangle \equiv
;; Task 2 - TBD
; header
\langle Task\ 2\ header\ 62b \rangle
; routines
\langle Task\ 2\ process\ routine\ 63 \rangle
This code is used in chunk 102.
```

#### 13.1 Header

```
62b
       ⟨Task 2 header 62b⟩≡
         t2header:
                        0xc9, 0x4a, 0x73, 0x4c ; cookie
                 .byte
                        0x01
                                                ; version
                 .byte
                        0x04
                 .byte
                                                ; requested timeslices
                        t2name
                 .word
                 .word
                        t2process
                                                ; process function
         t2name:
                 .byte
                                               ; strlen
                 .asciz "Task 2"
                                                 ; name
       This code is used in chunk 62a.
```

## 13.2 Process routine

```
\langle \mathit{Task}\ 2\ \mathit{process}\ \mathit{routine}\ 63 \rangle \equiv
63
         t2process:
                            hl, #(colram)
                                              ; base of color ram
                   ld
                   ld
                            a, #0x01
                                              ; clear the screen to 0x00
                   ld
                            b, #0x04
                                              ; 256*4 = 1k
                            memsetN
                   call
                            hl, #(vidram)
                                              ; base of video ram
                  ld
                   ld
                            a, #0x61
                                              ; 'a'
                   ld
                            b, #0x04
                                              ; 256*4 = 1k
                   call
                            memsetN
                  ld
                            hl, #(vidram)
                                              ; base of video ram
                                              ; 'b'
                            a, #0x62
                   ld
                            b, #0x04
                   ld
                                              ; 256*4 = 1k
                            memsetN
                   call
                   ld
                            hl, #(vidram)
                                              ; base of video ram
                   ld
                            a, #0x63
                                              ; 'c'
                                              ; 256*4 = 1k
                   ld
                            b, #0x04
                            memsetN
                   call
                   jр
                            t2process
                  halt
```

# Chapter 14

# Task 3: TBD Example

This chapter implements a simple task which will be loaded into the system as task number 3.

```
64a \langle Task\ 3\ implementation\ 64a \rangle \equiv
;; Task 3 - TBD
; header
\langle Task\ 3\ header\ 64b \rangle
; routines
\langle Task\ 3\ process\ routine\ 65 \rangle
This code is used in chunk 102.
```

#### 14.1 Header

```
64b
       ⟨Task 3 header 64b⟩≡
         t3header:
                        0xc9, 0x4a, 0x73, 0x4c ; cookie
                 .byte
                        0x01
                                                ; version
                 .byte
                        0x04
                 .byte
                                                ; requested timeslices
                        t3name
                 .word
                 .word
                        t3process
                                                 ; process function
         t3name:
                 .byte
                                               ; strlen
                 .asciz "Task 3"
                                                 ; name
       This code is used in chunk 64a.
```

## 14.2 Process routine

```
\langle \mathit{Task}\ \mathit{3}\ \mathit{process}\ \mathit{routine}\ \mathit{65} \rangle \equiv
65
          t3process:
                             hl, #(colram)
                                                ; base of color ram
                   ld
                   ld
                             a, #0x01
                                                ; clear the screen to 0x00
                   ld
                             b, #0x04
                                                ; 256*4 = 1k
                             memsetN
                   call
                             hl, #(vidram)
                                                ; base of video ram
                   ld
                   ld
                             a, #0x78
                                                ; 'X'
                   ld
                             b, #0x04
                                                ; 256*4 = 1k
                   call
                             memsetN
                   ld
                             hl, #(vidram)
                                                ; base of video ram
                                                ; 'Y'
                             a, #0x79
                   ld
                             b, #0x04
                   ld
                                                ; 256*4 = 1k
                             memsetN
                   call
                   ld
                             hl, #(vidram)
                                                ; base of video ram
                   ld
                             a, #0x7a
                                                ; 'Z'
                                                ; 256*4 = 1k
                   ld
                             b, #0x04
                             memsetN
                   call
                   jр
                             t3process
                   halt
```

# Chapter 15

# **Utility Functions**

This chapter describes and implements a few functions that are usable by tasks, and have some sort of utility value.

# 15.1 memset256 - set up to 256 bytes of memory to a certian byte

Here we will implement a function that sets a region of memory to a certian value. Load the value into a, the base address into h1, and the number of bytes into b. We might want to use this in task space, so we'll make it a utility function.

 $\langle Utils\ memset256\ implementation\ 66 \rangle \equiv$ 

66

```
;; memset256 - set up to 256 bytes of ram to a certain value
                             a
                                      value to poke
                               b
                                      number of bytes to set 0x00 for 256
                              hl
                                      base address of the memory location
                       mod
                               hl, bc
memset256:
                               ; *hl = 0
               (hl), a
       ٦d
                               ; hl++
       inc
               hl
               memset256
                               ; decrement b, jump to memset256 if b>0
       djnz
                               ; return
```

# 15.2 memsetN - set N blocks of memory to a certian byte

Here we will implement a function that sets a region of memory to a certian value. Load the value into a, the base address into h1, and the number of blocks of 256 bytes into b. We might want to use this in task space, so we'll make it a utility function.

67  $\langle Utils \ memsetN \ implementation \ 67 \rangle \equiv$ 

```
;; memsetN - set N blocks of ram to a certain value
                        in
                                         value to poke
                                 a
                        in
                                 b
                                         number of blocks to set
                                hl
                                         base address of the memory location
                        in
                        out
                                hl, bc
memsetN:
        push
                bc
                                 ; set aside bc
                b, #0x00
        ld
                                 ; b = 256
                                 ; set 256 bytes
        call
                memset256
        pop
                                 ; restore the outer bc
        djnz
                memsetN
                                 ; if we're not done, set another chunk.
        ret
                                 ; otherwise return
```

### 15.3 cls - clear the screen

The screen ram is two chunks of ram from 0x4000 through 0x43FF as well as 0x4400 through 0x47FF. We will clear these to black.

We'll basically nest two loops, both using the djnz. The inner loop happens in the memset function. The outer loop happens 8 times, since we need to do 256 bytes 8 times. (djnz only looks at 8 bits of register 'b'.)

```
\langle \mathit{Utils}\ \mathit{cls}\ \mathit{implementation}\ 68 \rangle \equiv
            ;; cls - clear the screen (color and video ram)
                               in
                               out
                               mod
  cls:
                                        ; set aside some registers
            push
                     hl
           push
                     af
           push
                     bc
                     hl, #(vidram)
           ld
                                        ; base of video ram
            ld
                     a, #0x00
                                        ; clear the screen to 0x00
            ld
                     b, #0x08
                                        ; need to set 256 bytes 8 times.
            call
                     memsetN
                                         ; do it.
            pop
                                        ; restore the registers
           pop
                     af
            pop
           ret
                                         ; return
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

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## 15.4 guicls - clear the screen to GUI background

Basically, this will just do a cls, but it will draw the textured background to the screen insteas of just leaving it blank. The tiles to use for this are defined in the task0 definition, in §11.1.1.

Due to the fact that we're going to be using a different value for the tile and color, we need to have distinct, seperate loops for the color ram and video ram, unfortunately.

```
69a
        \langle Utils \ guicls \ implementation \ 69a \rangle \equiv
                   ;; guicls - clear the screen to the GUI background
                                    out
                                    mod
          guicls:
                           hl
                   push
                                             ; set aside some registers
                   push
                           af
                   push
                           bc
                   ; fill the screen with the background color
                                            ; color ram
                   ld
                           hl, #(colram)
                   ld
                            a, #(PwpC)
                                             ; color
                   14
                           b, #0x04
                                             ; 4 blocks
                   call
                           memsetN
                   ; fill the screen with the background tile
                           hl, #(vidram) ; character ram
                   ld
                                             ; background tile
                   ld
                            a, #(PwpS)
                           b, #0x04
                   ld
                                             ; 4 blocks
                           memsetN
                   call
                            bc
                                             ; restore the registers
                   pop
                            af
                   pop
                   pop
                   ret
                                             ; return
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

This code is used in chunk 102.

## 15.5 rand - get a random number

This function returns a pseudorandom number in register A.

We need a byte for persistance, to get the previous Random number we gave out:

```
69b \langle Rand\ RAM\ 69b \rangle \equiv ; random assistance register (byte) randval = (ram + 23)
```

The algorithm I'm doing here is just a standard mutilating calculation like so:  $\langle calculation 70a \rangle \equiv$ 

```
new random number = current timer + sine( last random number ) + R
```

Root chunk (not used in this document).

70a

It's just something simple that we can replace with something better later. In the meantime, it should give something reasonably random, although not decently distributed throughout [0..256].

We also will include the memory refresh register, since that one is constantly changing. If our application used sound, and we're on Pac hardware, we could also add in the accumulator registers from the sound hardware as well.

We can pull out the items between .r01 and .r02 if we've determined that the R register adds nothing useful to the randomization of the system

```
70b
        \langle Utils \ rand \ implementation \ 70b \rangle \equiv
                   ;; rand - get a random number
                                    in
                   ;
                                    out
                                                      random number 0..256
                                             a
                                             flags
                                    mod
          rand:
                       ; set aside registers
                   push
                            hl
                   push
                            bc
                       ; compute a random number
                   ld
                            hl, (randval)
                                             ; hl = last random number
                   push
                                             ; bc = hl
                            bс
                   pop
                            sine
                                             ; a = sine(c)
                   call
                                             ; c = sine ( last value )
                   ld
                            c, a
           .r01:
                   ld
                            a, r
                   add
                                             ; a += sine( last value )
                            a, c
                   ld
                            c, a
                                             ; c = sine( last value ) + R
           .r02:
                            hl, bc
                                             ; rnd += sin ( last value ) + R
                   add
                            bc, (timer)
                   ld
                   add
                            hl, bc
                                             ; rnd += timer
                   ld
                            (randval), hl
                                             ; hl = computed random (rnd)
                   ld
                            a, (randval)
                                             ; a = rnd
                       ; restore registers
                            bc
                   pop
                            hl
                         return
```

### 15.6 sine - return the sine

This function returns the modified sine of the angle passed in in register C. It returns this value in register A.

To simplify this, instead of expecting rotational angle on a range of [0..360] degrees, we will instead expect the rotational angle to be on a range of 256 units per complete circle. We will also return a value from [-127..127] instead of [-1..1] since we can't work with decimal values easily. This should be good enough for most uses.

```
\langle Utils \ sine \ implementation \ 71 \rangle \equiv
71
                  ;; sine - get the sine of a
                                                      value to look up
                                    in
                                             С
                                                      sine value 0..256
                                    mod
         sine:
                       ; set aside registers
                  push
                           hl
                  push
                       ; look up the value in the sine table
                  ld
                           hl, #(.sinetab) ; hl = sinetable base
                  ld
                           b, #0x00
                                             ; b = 0
                           hl, bc
                                             ; hl += bc
                  add
                           a, (hl)
                  ld
                                             ; a = sine(c)
                       ; restore registers
                  pop
                           bc
                           hl
                  pop
                       ; return
                  ret
```

Since we're here, we might as well throw in a cosine function as well. We just add 0x7f onto the angle passed in via C, and look up that value in the sine table using the above method.

72  $\langle \mathit{Utils}\ \mathit{cosine}\ \mathit{implementation}\ 72 \rangle \equiv$ ;; cosine - get the cosine of a in С value to look up cosine value 0..256 out a f modcosine: ; set aside registers push bc ; add 180 degrees, call sine ld a, #0x3f add a, c ld c, a call sine; restore registers bc ; return

 $\label{eq:ret} \mbox{This code is used in chunk $102$.}$ 

73  $\langle Utils \ sine \ table \ 73 \rangle \equiv$  .sinetab:

```
.byte
        0x80, 0x83, 0x86, 0x89, 0x8c, 0x8f, 0x92, 0x95
.byte
        0x99, 0x9c, 0x9f, 0xa2, 0xa5, 0xa8, 0xab, 0xae
        0xb1, 0xb4, 0xb6, 0xb9, 0xbc, 0xbf, 0xc2, 0xc4
.byte
        0xc7, 0xc9, 0xcc, 0xcf, 0xd1, 0xd3, 0xd6, 0xd8
.byte
        0xda, 0xdc, 0xdf, 0xe1, 0xe3, 0xe5, 0xe7, 0xe8
.byte
        Oxea, Oxec, Oxee, Oxef, Oxf1, Oxf2, Oxf3, Oxf5
.byte
.byte
        0xf6, 0xf7, 0xf8, 0xf9, 0xfa, 0xfb, 0xfc, 0xfd
        Oxfd, Oxfe, Oxfe, Oxff, Oxff, Oxff, Oxff, Oxff
.byte
.byte
        Oxff, Oxff, Oxff, Oxff, Oxff, Oxfe, Oxfe, Oxfd
        Oxfd, Oxfc, Oxfb, Oxfb, Oxfa, Oxf9, Oxf8, Oxf7
.byte
        0xf5, 0xf4, 0xf3, 0xf1, 0xf0, 0xee, 0xed, 0xeb
.byte
        0xe9, 0xe8, 0xe6, 0xe4, 0xe2, 0xe0, 0xde, 0xdb
.byte
.byte
        0xd9, 0xd7, 0xd5, 0xd2, 0xd0, 0xcd, 0xcb, 0xc8
.byte
        0xc6, 0xc3, 0xc0, 0xbd, 0xbb, 0xb8, 0xb5, 0xb2
.byte
        Oxaf, Oxac, Oxa9, Oxa6, Oxa3, Oxa0, Ox9d, Ox9a
.byte
        0x97, 0x94, 0x91, 0x8e, 0x8b, 0x87, 0x84, 0x81
.byte
        0x7e, 0x7b, 0x78, 0x74, 0x71, 0x6e, 0x6b, 0x68
.byte
        0x65, 0x62, 0x5f, 0x5c, 0x59, 0x56, 0x53, 0x50
.byte
        0x4d, 0x4a, 0x47, 0x44, 0x42, 0x3f, 0x3c, 0x39
.byte
        0x37, 0x34, 0x32, 0x2f, 0x2d, 0x2a, 0x28, 0x26
.byte
        0x24, 0x21, 0x1f, 0x1d, 0x1b, 0x19, 0x17, 0x16
        0x14, 0x12, 0x11, 0x0f, 0x0e, 0x0c, 0x0b, 0x0a
.byte
.byte
        0x08, 0x07, 0x06, 0x05, 0x04, 0x04, 0x03, 0x02
        0x02, 0x01, 0x01, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00
.byte
        0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x01, 0x01, 0x02
.byte
        0x02, 0x03, 0x04, 0x05, 0x06, 0x07, 0x08, 0x09
.byte
.byte
        0x0a, 0x0c, 0x0d, 0x0e, 0x10, 0x11, 0x13, 0x15
.byte
        0x17, 0x18, 0x1a, 0x1c, 0x1e, 0x20, 0x23, 0x25
.byte
        0x27, 0x29, 0x2c, 0x2e, 0x30, 0x33, 0x36, 0x38
.byte
        0x3b, 0x3d, 0x40, 0x43, 0x46, 0x49, 0x4b, 0x4e
        0x51, 0x54, 0x57, 0x5a, 0x5d, 0x60, 0x63, 0x66
.byte
.byte
        0x6a, 0x6d, 0x70, 0x73, 0x76, 0x79, 0x7c, 0x7f
```

That table was generated with this perl snippet:

```
\langle sinegen.pl 74 \rangle \equiv
74
            $across = 8;
                                          # number to print horizontally
             $current = $across +1;
            print ".sinetab:";
            for ($x=0; $x < 256; $x++)
                 \frac{x}{255.0} * 6.283185307;
                 #printf "%3d %f\n",$x, 128 + 128 *(sin $rads);
                 $value = 128 + 128 *(sin $rads);
                 if ($current >= $across)
                    print "\n\t.word\t";
                    $current = 0;
                 $current ++;
                 printf "0x%02x", $value;
                 if (($x < 255) && ($current < $across))
                 {
                    printf ", ";
                 }
            }
            print "\n";
      Root chunk (not used in this document).
```

#### 15.7 textcenter - centers text to be drawn

This function modifies the coordinates in BC based on the pascal string contained in HL. It simply replaces the value in B with a value that will result in the text being centered on the screen.

 $\langle \mathit{Utils\ text center\ implementation\ 75} \rangle \equiv$ 75 ;; textcenter - adjust the x ordinate in hl pascal string x ordinate y ordinate BC -> 0xXXYY in С out b adjusted for center  ${\tt mod}$ hscrwide = 14textcenter: ; set aside registers push af ; halve the width b, (hl) ; b = length of text ld NC, .tcrr ; make sure carry is cleared jр ccf .tcrr: rr ; b = half of text length ; add on the center position ld a, #hscrwide ; a = screenwidth/2 ; a = screenwidth/2 - textlength/2 sub b ; b = that result ld b, a ; restore registers pop ; return

### 15.8 textright - right justifies text to drawn

This function modifies the coordinates in BC based on the pascal string contained in HL. It simply replaces the value in B with a value that will result in the text being right justified off of that location.

 $\langle Utils \ textright \ implementation \ 76 \rangle \equiv$ 

76

```
;; textright - adjust the x ordinate
                                      pascal string
                        in
                               hl
                                       x ordinate
                        in
                                       y ordinate BC -> 0xXXYY
                                С
                        out
                                b
                                        adjusted for right
                        mod
textright:
            ; set aside registers
       push
                af
            ; halve the width
        ld
                a, b
                                ; a = start location
                b, (hl)
        ld
                                ; b = length of text
        sub
                b
                                ; a = start loc - length
        ld
                b, a
                                ; b = new position
            ; restore registers
        pop
                af
            ; return
        ret
```

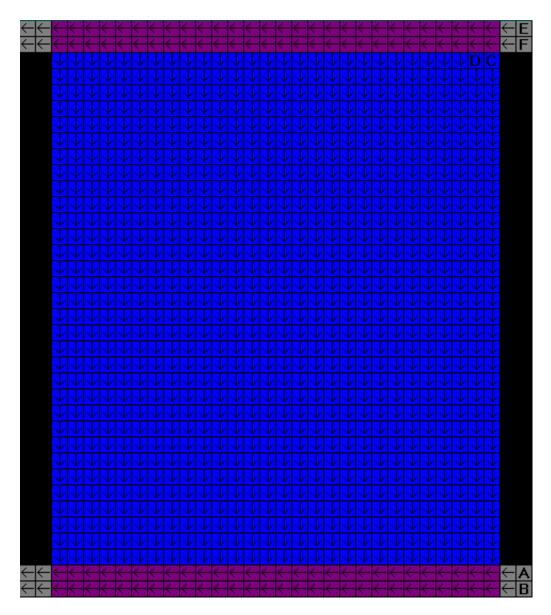


Figure 15.1: Video Screen Layout

#### 15.9 Screen Region A tools

Screen region A is the topmost two rows of characters of the screen. The characters are addressed right-to-left for the top row, then right-to-left for the second row. These are shown in figure 15.1 as the topmost two purple rows "E" and "F".

We now provide routines for converting XY for this region into offsets into the color or video ram, as well as routines for drawing out text.

# 15.9.1 xy2offsAC - convert X,Y into offsets in screen region A and C

Since regions A and C are pretty muc hthe same thing, we will use the same function for both regions. We will define the bottom two rows ("A" and "B" in figure 15.1) as rows 2 and 3, while the top two rows, "E" and "F" will be defined as rows 0 and 1.

```
78  ⟨Utils acoffs table 78⟩≡
.acoffs:
.word 0x03dd ; Region A row 'E' -> AC row 0
.word 0x03fd ; Region A row 'F' -> AC row 1
.word 0x001d ; Region C row 'A' -> AC row 2
.word 0x003d ; Region C row 'B' -> AC row 3
```

To make the decoding a little easier, we first will define this table of four offset addresses. To decode the offset from the XY position passed in via BC, we use C as the index into this table, then we just add on B to that, and return the computed value in HL.

79  $\langle \textit{Utils xy2offsAC implementation 79} \rangle \equiv$ 

```
;; xy2offAC - get the vid/color buffer offset of the X Y coordinates
                        in
                                b
                                         x ordinate
                                         y ordinate BC -> 0xXXYY
                        in
                        out
                                hl
                                         offset
                        mod
xy2offsAC:
            ; set aside registers
        push
                bc
        push
                de
        push
            ; generate the X component into DE
                d, #0x00
                                ; d = 0
        ld
                e, b
                                ; e = X
        ld
            ; get the base offset
                ix, #(.acoffs) ; ix = offset table base
        ld
            ; add in the y component. (BC)
        ld
                b, #0x00
                                ; zero B (top of BC)
                                ; y *= 2
        rlc
                С
                                ; offset += index
        add
                ix, bc
            ; retrieve that value into HL
                b, 1(ix)
        ld
                c, 0(ix)
        ld
        push
                bc
                                ; hl = acroffs[x]
        pop
            ; subtract out the {\tt X} component.
                                ; hl -= DE \quad hl = acoffs[y]-x
        sbc
                hl, de
            ; restore registers
        pop
                ix
        pop
                de
        pop
            ; return
```

#### 15.9.2 putstrA - draw a string on region A of the screen

Since regions A and C are pretty much the same thing, just with different start positions, we will have hooks in here for C to jump into.

```
\langle Utils \ putstrA \ implementation \ 80 \rangle \equiv
80
                 ;; putstrA - get the vid/color buffer offset of the X Y coordinates
                                  in
                                          hl
                                                   pointer to the string (asciz)
                                  in
                                           b
                                                   x position
                                                   y position
                                  in
                                           С
                                  in
                                           a
                                                   color
                                  out
                                  mod
         putstrA:
                     ; set aside registers
                 push
         .psChook:
                                           ; this is where putstrC joins in...
                          hl
                 push
                 push
                          de
                 push
                          ix
                 push
                          iу
                     ; compute the offsets
                                           ; set aside the string pointer
                 push
                         hl
                          xy2offsAC
                 call
                 push
                         hl
                                           ; move the offset into ix (char ram)
                 pop
                 push
                         hl
                 pop
                                           ; move the offset into iy (color ram)
                          iу
                                          ; base of video ram
                 ٦d
                          de, #(vidram)
                 add
                                           ; set IX to appropriate location in vid ram
                          ix, de
                 ٦d
                          de, #(colram)
                                          ; base of color ram
                          iy, de
                                          ; set IY to appropriate location in color ram
                     ; prep for the loop
                         hl
                 pop
                 ld
                          b, (hl)
                                           ; b is the number of bytes (pascal string)
                                           ; HL points to the text now
                 inc
                         hΊ
         .pstra1:
                      ; loop for each character
                 ld
                          c, (hl)
                                           ; c = character
                 ld
                          (ix), c
                                           ; vidram[b+offs] = character
                 ld
                          (iy), a
                                           ; colram[b+offs] = color
                      ; adjust pointers
                          hl
                                           ; inc string location
                 inc
                 dec
                          ix
                                           ; dec char ram pointer
                 dec
                          iy
                                           ; dec color ram pointer
                                           ; dec b, jump back if not done
                 djnz
                          .pstra1
                      ; restore registers
                 pop
                          iу
                          iх
                 pop
                 pop
                          de
```

```
pop hl
pop bc
; return
ret
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

#### 15.10 Screen Region C tools

Since region C is addressed similarly to region A, we will discuss that next instead of going into region B. In fact, this section leverages heavily on the previous section.

Screen region C is the bottommost two rows of characters of the screen. The characters are addressed right-to-left for the second-to-bottom row, then right-to-left for the bottom row. These are shown in figure 15.1 as the bottommost two purple rows "A" and "B".

We now provide routines for drawing out text.

#### 15.10.1 putstrC - draw a string on region C of the screen

Since regions A and C are pretty much the same thing, just with different start positions, we simply massage the input position data, and jump into the above putstrA function.

```
\langle \mathit{Utils\ putstrC\ implementation\ 81} \rangle \equiv
```

81

```
;; putstrC - get the vid/color buffer offset of the X Y coordinates
                                          pointer to the string (asciz)
                         in
                                  hl
                         in
                                          x position
                         in
                                          y position
                                          color
                                  a
                         out
                         mod
putstrC:
            ; set aside registers
        push
                 bc
                                  ; just change indexing 0,1 into 2,3
        {\tt inc}
                 С
        inc
                 .psChook
                                  ; jump back into putstrA
        jр
```

#### 15.11 Screen Region B tools

Screen Region B is the main body of the screen. It's characters are addressed from top-to-bottom for the rightmost column, then top-to-bottom for the column just to the left of that, and so on for 28 columns. These are shown in figure 15.1 as the center blue area, starting at column "C", then "D".

We now provide routines for converting XY for this region into offsets into the color or video ram, as well as routines for drawing out text.

# 15.11.1 xy2offsB - convert X,Y into offsets in screen region B

Since a lot of what we're doing involves interacting with the screen, we might as well have a method in here for converting X,Y (from the upper left) to screen offsets. The offset generated by this can be added to either the base video or color ram to determine screen locations in RAM.

Basically, you load B with the X component, and C with the Y component. You then call this utility, and the correct offset gets loaded into HL. You can then add in the base for video or color ram to draw your characters to the screen, or retrieve information from the screen.

It should be noted that the location X,Y == (0,0) is in the upper left of the screen, two character tiles from the top of the visible area of the screen, due to the existence of Region A.

 $\langle Utils \ xy2offsB \ implementation \ 82 \rangle \equiv$ 

82

```
;; xy2offsB - get the vid/color buffer offset of the X Y coordinates
                        in
                                 b
                                         x ordinate
                                         y ordinate BC -> OxXXYY
                        out
                                hΊ
                                         offset
                        mod
xy2offsB:
            ; set aside registers
        push
                af
        push
                bc
        push
        push
            ; set aside Y for later in DE
                d, #0x00
        ld
                                ; d = 0
        ٦d
                e, c
                                 ; shove Y into E
            ; get the base offset
        ld
                ix, #(.scroffs) ; ix = offset table base
            ; add in X component
                ;; XXXXJJJJJ This can probably be shortened if we
                                 drop the range check.
        ٦d
                a, b
                                 ; shove X into A
        and
                a, #0x1f
                                 ; make sure X is reasonable
```

```
rlc
                         ; x *= 2
ld
        c, a
                         ; c = offset * 2
ld
        b, #0x00
                        ; b = 0
        ix, bc
                        ; ix += bc
add
    ; retrieve that value into HL
ld
        b, 1(ix)
        c, 0(ix)
ld
        bc
push
                        ; hl = scroffs[x]
pop
    ; add in Y component
                        ; hl += DE hl = scroffs[x]+y
add
        hl, de
    ; restore registers
        ix
pop
pop
        de
pop
        bc
pop
        af
    ; return
ret.
```

This code is used in chunk 102.

This looks into the following table of screen offsets, which define where each column (left-to-right) starts in the color or video buffers. These just need to be added on to either of those buffer base addresses, then simply add in the y position.

```
\langle \mathit{Utils\ scroffs\ table\ 83} \rangle {\equiv}
83
          .scroffs:
                            0x03a0, 0x0380, 0x0360, 0x0340
                   .word
                            0x0320, 0x0300, 0x02e0, 0x02c0
                   .word
                            0x02a0, 0x0280, 0x0260, 0x0240
                   .word
                            0x0220, 0x0200, 0x01e0, 0x01c0
                   .word
                            0x01a0, 0x0180, 0x0160, 0x0140
                   .word
                            0x0120, 0x0100, 0x00e0, 0x00c0
                   .word
                            0x00a0, 0x0080, 0x0060, 0x0040
                   .word
```

That table was generated with this perl snippet:

```
\langle scroffs.pl 84 \rangle \equiv
84
             #!/usr/bin/perl
             $wide = 28;
             tall = 36;
             # screen offset = .scroffs[x] + y;
             across = 4;
             $current = $across +1;
             printf ".scroffs:";
             for (x=0; x<wide; x++)
                 if( $current >= $across)
                      print"\n\t.byte\t";
                      $current = 0;
                 }
                 $current++;
                 printf "0x\%04x", (928 - ($tall-4) * $x);
                 if( ($x < $wide) && ($current < $across))</pre>
                      printf ", ";
                  }
             }
             printf "\n";
```

Root chunk (not used in this document).

#### 15.11.2 putstrB - draw a string on region B of the screen

This is just a simple routine to draw out a pascal string to the screen within the vertical scanning region. (ie not the top two or bottom two rows of the screen, which are addressed differently.

Simply load the color into A, the X,Y position into B,C, and the pointer to the pascal string into HL.

In a single loop, it draws out the character and sets the color for the text it is drawing.

It should be noted that there are no safeguards around this, so if your text is longer than 28 characters wide, it will get truncated, and might overwrite program RAM, which is a very bad thing to do.

The code simply sets up the char and color pointers into IX and IY, and increments them by -32 for each iteration through the loop, while at the same time, it draws the correct character and color through those pointers.

```
\langle Utils \ putstrB \ implementation \ 85 \rangle \equiv
```

85

```
;; putstrB - get the vid/color buffer offset of the X Y coordinates
                                         pointer to the string (asciz)
                         in
                                 hl
                                 b
                                         x position
                         in
                                         y position
                         in
                                 C.
                                         color
                         in
                                 a
                         out
                         mod
        offsadd = -32
putstrB:
            ; set aside registers
                hl
        push
        push
                bc
        push
                de
        push
                ix
        push
                iy
        push
                hl
            ; compute the offsets
                xy2offsB
                                 ; hl = core offset
        call
        push
                hl
                                 ; move the offset into ix (char ram)
        pop
        push
                                 ; move the offset into iy (color ram)
        pop
                iy
        ٦d
                de, #(vidram)
                                 ; base of video ram
        add
                                 ; set IX to appropriate location in vid ram
                ix, de
        14
                de, #(colram)
                                 ; base of color ram
        add
                iy, de
                                 ; set IY to appropriate location in color ram
            ; prep for the loop
        gog
                hl
        ld
                b, (hl)
                                 ; b is the number of bytes (pascal string)
        inc
                hΊ
                                 ; HL points to the text now
        ٦d
                de, #offsadd
                                 ; set up the column offset
```

```
.pstrb1:
           ; loop for each character
                        ; c = character
       ld
               c, (hl)
       ld
               (ix), c
                              ; vidram[b+offs] = character
       ld
               (iy), a
                              ; colram[b+offs] = color
           ; adjust pointers
               hl
                              ; inc string location
       inc
       add
               ix, de
                              ; add in offset into char ram
       add
               iy, de
                            ; add in offset into color ram
       djnz
               .pstrb1
                              ; dec b, jump back if not done
           ; restore registers
       pop
               iy
               ix
       pop
               de
       pop
       pop
               bc
       pop
               hl
           ; return
       ret
```

Here's an older implementation, which did more stack pushing and popping. It is 54 bytes long, and uses two loops to draw the text. One to draw the text, and one to draw the color.

The previous routine is 47 bytes long, and does it all within one loop.

 $\langle Utils \ 54 \ byte \ putstr \ implementation \ 87 \rangle \equiv$ 

87

```
;; putstr - get the vid/color buffer offset of the X Y coordinates
                                        pointer to the string (asciz)
                        in
                                iy
                                        x position
                        in
                                b
                                        y position
                        in
                                С
                                         color
                        in
                                d
                        out
                        mod
        offsadd = -32
putstr:
            ; set aside registers
                hl
        push
        push
                af
        push
                bc
        push
                iy
        push
                de
            ; retrieve the offset
                xy2offsB
                                ; hl = core offset
        call
        push
                hl
                                ; store it on the stack
        pop
                hl
        push
        ld
                de, #(vidram)
                                ; base of video ram
        add
                hl, de
                                ; set HL to appropriate location in vid ram
            ; draw out the string
        ld
                de, #offsadd
                                ; setup the column offset
        ld
                b, (iy)
                                ; b is the number of bytes (pascal string)
.pstr1:
                                ; iy is now the string offset
        inc
                iу
        ld
                a, (iy)
                                ; a contains a character to draw
                (hl), a
        ld
                                ; send it to the screen
                hl, de
                                ; add in the offset to the screen
        add
                                 ; dec b, jump back if not done
        djnz
                .pstr1
            ; set the color
                                ; restore offset value
        pop
        ld
                de, #(colram)
                                ; base of color ram
        add
                hl, de
                                ; set HL to appropriate location in color ram
                de
                                 ; restore the color info
        pop
        ld
                a, d
            ; draw up the color
        pop
                iу
                                ; restore the string pointer (for length)
                                ; b is the number of bytes (pascal string)
        ld
                b, (iy)
        ld
                de, #offsadd
                                ; setup the column offset
.pstr2:
```

```
ld
        (hl), a
                        ; fill in the color
add
        hl, de
                        ; add in the offset to the screen
djnz
        .pstr2
                        ; dec b, jump back if not done
    ; restore registers
        bc
pop
        hl
pop
        af
pop
    ; return
ret
```

Root chunk (not used in this document).

#### 15.11.3 mult8 - 8 bit multiply

```
\langle mult8\ protocode\ 88 \rangle \equiv
88
                    HL=H*E
                    LD
                           L, 0
                    LD
                           D, L
                                     ; L = 0 and D = 0
                    LD
                           B, 8
          MULT:
                    ADD
                           HL, HL
                           NC, NOADD
                    JR
                    ADD
                           HL, DE
```

NOADD: DJNZ MULT

Root chunk (not used in this document).

## Chapter 16

# System Errors

This chapter describes how system errors are handled in Alpaca.

The System error routines are formatted similarly to the task routines. When the kernel finds an error during its interrupt routine, it will push the correct address for the error routine then return from the interrupt handler.

Each error routine should disable interrupts, clear the watchdog timer, and draw some kind of informative information on the screen for the user to see.

Errors are currently unimplemented.

Chapter 17

Appendix

## Appendix A

## Development Schedule

The development cycles for Alpaca have been broken down into a few phases. Each of the phases will be completed before then next one will be started.

#### A.1 Phase 1

- task startup with hardcoded entry points
- task switching with hardcoded priorites/delays
- init and process routines for tasks

#### A.2 Phase 2

- task exec with ROM Task searcher
- simple message queue (not useful)

#### A.3 Phase 3

- task switching with wait(0), requested priorities
- more advanced message queue
- shutdown routine for tasks
- perhaps allow for multiple execs of the same process (this collides with the searcher's functionality)

## Appendix B

# Hardware memory constants

This chapter lists off all of the addresses for all of the bits of hardware that we will have to deal with. This chapter includes information about Pac-Man as well as Pengo hardware.

#### **B.1** Pac-Man Configuration

```
\langle PAC\ Global\ Constants\ 92a \rangle \equiv
92a
                                        = 0x4ff0
                     stack
         This definition is continued in chunks 92–96.
         This code is used in chunk 100a.
         \langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv
92b
                     vidram
                                        = 0x4000
                     colram
                                        = 0x4400
                     ram
                                        = 0x4c00
                     dsw0
                                        = 0x5080
                                        = 0x5040
                     in1
                                        = 0x5000
                     in0
                                        = 0x5000
                     specreg
                     speclen
                                        = 0x00C0
                     sprtbase
                                        = 0x4ff0
                     sprtlen
                                        = 0x0010
         This code is used in chunk 100a.
```

The bits for player 1 joystick

93a  $\langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv$ 

```
p1_port = in0
p1_up = 0
p1_left = 1
p1_right = 2
p1_down = 3
```

This code is used in chunk 100a.

The bits for player 2 joystick

93b ⟨*PAC Global Constants* 92a⟩+≡

p2\_port = in p2\_up = 0 p2\_left = 1 p2\_right = 2 p2\_down = 3

This code is used in chunk 100a.

The bits for joystick buttons. Since Pac hardware has no fire buttons, we'll just absorb the start buttons instead.

 $\langle PENGO \ Global \ Constants \ 93c \rangle \equiv$ 

93c

p1\_bport = in1 p1\_b1 = 5 p2\_bport = in1 p1\_b1 = 6

This definition is continued in chunks 96-99.

This code is used in chunk 100b.

The bits for start buttons

93d  $\langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv$ 

This code is used in chunk 100a.

The bits for coin inputs

93e  $\langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv$ 

And the bits for cabinet, test and service switches:

```
94a \langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv
rack_port = in0
racktest = 4
svc_port = in1
service = 4
cab_port = in1
cabinet = 7
```

This code is used in chunk 100a.

#### **B.1.1** Sprite Hardware

This constants 8 pairs of two bytes:

```
• byte 1, bit 0 - Y flip
```

- byte 1, bit 1 X flip
- $\bullet$  byte 1, bits 2-7 sprite image number
- byte 2 color

When drawing the sprite, we need to multiply the sprite number to clear the XY flip bits.

```
94b \langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv sprtMult = 4
```

This code is used in chunk 100a.

And we should have offset numbers, to help out with IX and IY indexing of the sprite array.

```
94c \langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv
sprtColor = 1
sprtIndex = 0
```

This code is used in chunk 100a.

sprtXFlip defines the byte offset which contains the X flip bit. bitXFlip defines the bit number to use if using SET or RES opcodes. valXFlip defines the value to use if creating a byte to poke in.

```
Here's the base of the sprite RAM.
```

```
95a \langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv
spritebase = 0x4ff0
```

This code is used in chunk 100a.

And there are 8 sprites total:

95b  $\langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv$ nsprites = 0x08

This code is used in chunk 100a.

And for the coordinates, these are xy pairs for 8 sprites.

95c  $\langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv$ spritecoords = 0x5060

This code is used in chunk 100a.

#### B.1.2 Sound Hardware

Three voices. Voice 1:

```
95d \langle PAC\ Global\ Constants\ 92a \rangle + \equiv
v1_acc = 0x5040
v1_wave = 0x5045
```

v1\_freq = 0x5050 v1\_vol = 0x5050

This code is used in chunk 100a.

Voice 2:

95e  $\langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv$ 

This code is used in chunk 100a.

Voice 3:

95f  $\langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv$ 

v3\_acc = 0x504b v3\_wave = 0x504f v3\_freq = 0x505b v3\_vo1 = 0x505f

#### B.1.3 Enablers

96a  $\langle PAC \ Global \ Constants \ 92a \rangle + \equiv$ 

This code is used in chunk 100a.

#### B.1.4 Extras for Pac

96b ⟨Pac Global Constants 96b⟩≡

 strtlmp1
 = 0x5004

 strtlmp2
 = 0x5005

 coinlock
 = 0x5006

Root chunk (not used in this document).

#### **B.2** Pengo Configuration

96c  $\langle PENGO \ Global \ Constants \ 93c \rangle + \equiv$ stack = 0x8ff0

This code is used in chunk 100b.

96d ⟨PENGO Global Constants 93c⟩+≡

vidram = 0x8000colram = 0x8400= 0x8800ram= 0x9040dsw0 in1 = 0x9080in0 = 0x90c0= 0x9000specreg = 0x00ffspeclen = 0x8ff2sprtbase = 0x0010sprtlen

This code is used in chunk 100b.

The bits for player 1 joystick

96e ⟨PENGO Global Constants 93c⟩+≡

p1\_port = in0 p1\_up = 0 p1\_down = 1 p1\_left = 2 p1\_right = 3

```
The bits for player 2 joystick
```

97a ⟨PENGO Global Constants 93c⟩+≡

| p2_port  | = in1 |
|----------|-------|
| p2_up    | = 0   |
| p2_down  | = 1   |
| p2_left  | = 2   |
| p2_right | = 3   |

This code is used in chunk 100b.

The bits for joystick buttons

97b  $\langle PENGO\ Global\ Constants\ 93c \rangle + \equiv$ 

p1\_bport = in0 p1\_b1 = 7 p2\_bport = in1 p1\_b1 = 7

This code is used in chunk 100b.

The bits for start buttons

97c  $\langle PENGO \ Global \ Constants \ 93c \rangle + \equiv$ 

This code is used in chunk 100b.

The bits for coin inputs

97d  $\langle PENGO \ Global \ Constants \ 93c \rangle + \equiv$ 

This code is used in chunk 100b.

And the bits for service

97e ⟨PENGO Global Constants 93c⟩+≡

svc\_port = in1
service = 4

#### **B.2.1** Sprite Hardware

This constants 8 pairs of two bytes:

```
• byte 1, bit 0 - Y flip
```

- byte 1, bit 1 X flip
- byte 1, bits 2-7 sprite image number
- byte 2 color

When drawing the sprite, we need to multiply the sprite number to clear the XY flip bits.

```
98a \langle PENGO \ Global \ Constants \ 93c \rangle + \equiv sprtMult = 4
```

This code is used in chunk 100b.

And we should have offset numbers, to help out with IX and IY indexing of the sprite array.

```
98b \langle PENGO \ Global \ Constants \ 93c \rangle + \equiv
sprtColor = 1
sprtIndex = 0
```

This code is used in chunk 100b.

sprtXFlip defines the byte offset which contains the X flip bit. bitXFlip defines the bit number to use if using SET or RES opcodes. valXFlip defines the value to use if creating a byte to poke in.

This code is used in chunk 100b.

Here's the base of the sprite RAM.

```
98d \langle PENGO\ Global\ Constants\ 93c \rangle + \equiv spritebase = 0x8ff2
```

This code is used in chunk 100b.

And there are 8 sprites total:

```
98e \langle PENGO \ Global \ Constants \ 93c \rangle + \equiv
nsprites = 0x06
```

```
And for the coordinates, these are xy pairs for 8 sprites.
```

```
99a \langle PENGO \ Global \ Constants \ 93c \rangle + \equiv
spritecoords = 0x9022
```

This code is used in chunk 100b.

#### B.2.2 Sound Hardware

```
Three voices. Voice 1:
```

```
99b \langle PENGO \ Global \ Constants \ 93c \rangle + \equiv
```

```
v1_wave = 0x9005
v1_freq = 0x9011
v1_vol = 0x9015
```

This code is used in chunk 100b.

Voice 2:

99c ⟨PENGO Global Constants 93c⟩+≡

v2\_wave = 0x900a v2\_freq = 0x9016 v2\_vol = 0x901a

This code is used in chunk 100b.

Voice 3:

99d ⟨PENGO Global Constants 93c⟩+≡

v3\_wave = 0x900f v3\_freq = 0x901b v3\_vol = 0x901f

This code is used in chunk 100b.

#### B.2.3 Enablers

99e  $\langle PENGO \ Global \ Constants \ 93c \rangle + \equiv$ 

This code is used in chunk 100b.

#### B.2.4 Extras for Pengo

99f  $\langle PENGO \ Global \ Constants \ 93c \rangle + \equiv$ 

## Appendix C

## The .asm File

This is where we gather together all of the asm blocks defined above into two cohesive .asm files.

#### C.1 Pac-Man ASM

#### C.2 Pengo ASM

## C.3 Common Top

#### C.4 Common Bottom

```
102
       \langle commonbottom.asm 102 \rangle \equiv
         ; constants for the task system
         ⟨ Task Constants 34⟩
         ; RAM allocation:
         \langle Task \ RAM \ 35c \rangle
         ⟨Timer RAM 32c⟩
         \langle Rand RAM 69b \rangle
         ⟨Message RAM 28⟩
         \langle Semaphore RAM 25 \rangle
         ⟨Task Stack RAM 35a⟩
         ; area configuration
         ; we want absolute dataspace, with this area called "CODE"
         .area .CODE (ABS)
         ; RST functions
         : RST 00
         \langle RST \ 00 \ implementation \ 22 \rangle
         ; RST 08
         \langle RST \ 08 \ implementation \ 23a \rangle
         ; RST 10
         \langle RST \ 10 \ implementation \ 23b \rangle
         ; RST 18
         \langle RST \ 18 \ implementation \ 23c \rangle
         ; RST 20
         \langle RST \ 20 \ implementation \ 23d \rangle
         ; RST 28
         \langle RST \ 28 \ implementation \ 24a \rangle
         ; RST 30
         \langle RST \ 30 \ implementation \ 24b \rangle
         ; RST 38
         \langle RST \ 38 \ implementation \ 24c \rangle
```

```
; NMI
⟨NMI implementation 24d⟩
; interrupt service routine:
(Interrupt Service Routine implementation 31a)
; the core OS stuff:
    ; initialization and splash screen
⟨.start implementation 13a⟩
    ; the core task
⟨.coretask implementation 46⟩
; some helpful utility functions
; memset256
⟨Utils memset256 implementation 66⟩
; memsetN
⟨ Utils memsetN implementation 67⟩
; clear screen
\langle Utils \ cls \ implementation \ 68 \rangle
; clear screen (gui tile version)
⟨ Utils guicls implementation 69a⟩
; rand
⟨Utils rand implementation 70b⟩
; sine
\langle Utils \ sine \ implementation \ 71 \rangle
; cosine
\langle \mathit{Utils}\ \mathit{cosine}\ \mathit{implementation}\ 72 \rangle
; text justification
\langle Utils \ textcenter \ implementation \ 75 \rangle
```

```
⟨ Utils textright implementation 76⟩
; xy2offs
\langle \mathit{Utils}\ \mathit{xy2offsB}\ implementation\ 82 \rangle
\langle Utils \ xy2offsAC \ implementation \ 79 \rangle
; putstr
\langle \mathit{Utils putstrA implementation } 80 \rangle
⟨ Utils putstrB implementation 85⟩
⟨ Utils putstrC implementation 81⟩
; semaphore control
; lock semaphore
\langle Semaphore\ lock\ implementation\ 26 \rangle
; release semaphore
\langle Semaphore\ release\ implementation\ 27 \rangle
; task exec, kill, and sleep routines
\langle Exec\ start\ implementation\ 49 \rangle
\langle Exec\ kill\ implementation\ 50 \rangle
\langle Exec\ sleep\ implementation\ 51 \rangle
; The tasks
; task list -- list of all available tasks
\langle Task\ List\ 39a \rangle
; task number 0
⟨ Task 0 implementation 58b⟩
```

```
; task number 1
⟨Task 1 implementation 60a⟩
; task number 2
\langle Task \ 2 \ implementation \ 62a \rangle
; task number 3
⟨ Task 3 implementation 64a⟩
; The Data
; splash strings
(Init splash data 17a)
; Some tables for the Task Switcher
\langle Task \ Switch \ ROM \ 35b \rangle
; The sine table
⟨Utils sine table 73⟩
; The XY-offset table
\langle \mathit{Utils\ scroffs\ table\ 83} \rangle
; The Region A and C offset table
\langle Utils \ acoffs \ table \ 78 \rangle
```

## Appendix D

# **Auxiliary Data Files**

This chapter defines all of the extra files needed to convert the generated ASM as well as the auxiliary PCX image files into the ROM files that we need to generate.

The two types of files, .ROMS and .INI are needed for the external genroms and turacoCL programs, which are used to generate the ROM images.

#### D.1 genroms .ROMS files

These files are the data files used by "genroms" to produce ROM image files from the generated Intel Hex File (.IHX) by the makefile.

The basic fields are:

- start address
- rom size
- rom filename
- rom reference name

#### D.1.1 Ms. Pac-Man

106 ⟨mspacman.roms 106⟩≡

# program space
begin program

0x0000 0x1000 boot1 program\_1

0x1000 0x1000 boot2 program\_2

0x2000 0x1000 boot3 program\_3

0x3000 0x1000 boot4 program\_4

0x8000 0x1000 boot5 program\_5

```
0x9000 0x1000 boot6
                     program_6
end
# graphics bank 1
begin graphics
0x0000 0x1000 5e
                       graphics_1
# graphics bank 2
0x0000 0x1000 5f
                       graphics_2
end
# color proms
begin color
0x0000 0x0020 82s123.7f
                              palette
0x0020 0x0100 82s126.4a
                              colorlookup
end
# sound proms
begin sound
0x0000 0x0100 82s126.1m
                              sound_a
0x0100 0x0100 82s126.3m
                              sound_timing
end
```

Root chunk (not used in this document).

### D.1.2 Pac-Man

```
108
       \langle pacman.roms \ 108 \rangle {\equiv}
         # program space
         begin program
         0x0000 0x1000 pacman.6e
                                          program_1
         0x1000 0x1000 pacman.6f
                                          program_2
         0x2000 0x1000 pacman.6h
                                          program_3
         0x3000 0x1000 pacman.6j
                                          program_4
         end
         # graphics bank 1
         begin graphics
         0x0000 0x1000 pacman.5e
                                          graphics_1
         # graphics bank 2
         0x0000 0x1000 pacman.5f
                                          graphics_2
         end
         # color proms
         begin color
         0x0000 0x0020 82s123.7f
                                          palette
         0x0020 0x0100 82s126.4a
                                          colorlookup
         end
         # sound proms
         begin sound
         0x0000 0x0100 82s126.1m
                                          sound_a
         0x0100 0x0100 82s126.3m
                                          sound_timing
         end
```

### D.1.3 Pengo 2u

```
109
       \langle pengo2u.roms\ 109\rangle {\equiv}
         begin program
         0x0000 0x1000 pengo.u8
                                              program_1
         0x1000 0x1000 pengo.u7
                                              program_2
         0x2000 0x1000 pengo.u15
                                             program_3
         0x3000 0x1000 pengo.u14
                                              program_4
         0x4000 0x1000 pengo.u21
                                              program_5
         0x5000 0x1000 pengo.u20
                                              program_6
         0x6000 0x1000 pengo.u32
                                              program_7
         0x7000 0x1000 pengo.u31
                                              program_8
         end
         # graphics bank 1
         begin graphics
         0x0000 0x2000 ic92
                                         graphics_1
         # graphics bank 2
         0x0000 0x2000 ic105
                                         graphics_2
         end
         # color and palette proms proms
         begin color
         0x0000 0x0020 pr1633.078
                                         palette
         0x0020 0x0400 pr1634.088
                                         colorlookup
         end
         # sound proms
         begin sound
         0x0000 0x0100 pr1635.051
                                         sound_a
         0x0100 0x0100 pr1636.070
                                         sound_timing
         end
```

### D.2 turaco .INI file

These files are used to convert the .pcx files into graphics ROM image files by "turacoCL". The exact format of this file will not be described here since it is outside of the scope of this document.

For more detail about what is going on here, please refer to the documentation and sample .ini driver contained in the "turacoCL" package.

## D.2.1 (Ms.) Pac-Man

```
110
       \langle pacman.ini \ 110 \rangle \equiv
          [Turaco]
         FileVersion = 1.0
         DumpVersion = 2
         Author = Jerry / MAME 0.65.1 Dump
         URL = http://www.cis.rit.edu/~jerry/Software/turacoCL
          [General]
         Name = pacman
         Grouping = pacman
         Year = 1980
         Manufacturer = [Namco] (Midway license)
         CloneOf = puckman
         Description = Pac-Man (Midway)
          [Layout]
         GfxDecodes = 2
          [GraphicsRoms]
         Rom1 =
                      0
                           4096 pacman.5e
         Rom2 = 4096
                           4096 pacman.5f
          [Decode1]
         start = 0
         width = 8
         height = 8
         total = 256
         orientation = 0
         planes = 2
         planeoffsets = 0 4
         xoffsets = 56 48 40 32 24 16 8 0
         yoffsets = 64 65 66 67 0 1 2 3
         charincrement = 128
          [Decode2]
         start = 4096
         width = 16
         height = 16
```

```
total = 64
planes = 2
planeoffsets = 0 4
xoffsets = 312 304 296 288 280 272 264 256 56 48 40 32 24 16 8 0
yoffsets = 64 65 66 67 128 129 130 131 192 193 194 195 0 1 2 3
charincrement = 512
[Palette]
Palette1 = 4
                0 0 0
                         220 220 220
                                         0
                                             0
                                                90
                                                    220
                                                          0
Palette2 = 4
                0 0 0
                           0 220
                                   0
                                         0
                                            0
                                                    220 150
                                                             20
Palette3 = 4
                0 0 0
                           0
                               0 220
                                       255
                                            0
                                                0
                                                    255 255
                                                              0
                                        90 90
Palette4 = 4
                0 0 0
                         220
                               0
                                   0
                                                0
                                                    220 220 220
Palette5 = 4
                0 0 0
                         220
                               0
                                         0 220
                                                    220 220 220
                                   0
                                                0
Palette6 = 4
                0 0 0
                         150 150
                                         0 220
                                                     90 90
                                   0
                                                 0
Palette7 = 4
                0 0 0
                         220 220
                                   0
                                        90 90 220
                                                    220 220 220
Palette8
        = 4
                0
                   0
                     0
                          220
                               0
                                   0
                                        90 90
                                                 0
                                                     220 220 220
Palette9 = 4
                0
                   0 0
                           0 150 220
                                         0 220
                                                0
                                                    220 220 220
Palette10 = 4
                0
                   0 0
                           0
                               0
                                   0
                                        90 90 220
                                                    220 220 220
Palette11 = 4 255 0 0
                         255 255 255
                                         0 255
                                                0
                                                      0
                                                          0 220
Palette12 = 4
                0 0 0
                         255 255 255
                                            0
                                                0
                                                      0
                                                          0 220
                                         0
```

### D.2.2 Pengo

```
112
       \langle pengo2u.ini~112\rangle \equiv
          [General]
         Description = Pengo (set 2 not encrypted)
          [Layout]
         GfxDecodes = 4
         Orientation = 5
          [GraphicsRoms]
         Rom1 = 0 8192 ic92
         Rom2 = 8192 8192 ic105
          [Decode1]
         start = 0
         width = 8
         height = 8
         total = 256
         planes = 2
         planeoffsets = 0 4
         xoffsets = 64 65 66 67 0 1 2 3
         yoffsets = 0 8 16 24 32 40 48 56
         charincrement = 128
          [Decode2]
         start = 4096
         width = 16
         height = 16
         total = 64
         planes = 2
         planeoffsets = 0 4
         xoffsets = 64 65 66 67 128 129 130 131 192 193 194 195 0 1 2 3
         yoffsets = 0 8 16 24 32 40 48 56 256 264 272 280 288 296 304 312
         charincrement = 512
          [Decode3]
         start = 8192
         width = 8
         height = 8
         total = 256
         planes = 2
         planeoffsets = 0 4
         xoffsets = 64 65 66 67 0 1 2 3
         yoffsets = 0 8 16 24 32 40 48 56
         charincrement = 128
          [Decode4]
         start = 12288
         width = 16
```

```
height = 16
total = 64
planes = 2
planeoffsets = 0 4
xoffsets = 64 65 66 67 128 129 130 131 192 193 194 195 0 1 2 3
yoffsets = 0 8 16 24 32 40 48 56 256 264 272 280 288 296 304 312
charincrement = 512
[Palette]
Palette1 = 4
                0 0 0
                         220 220 220
                                        0
                                                   220
                                                         0
Palette2 = 4
                0 0 0
                           0 220 0
                                        0 0 90
                                                   220 150 20
Palette3 = 4
                0 0 0
                           0
                             0 220
                                      255 0
                                              0
                                                   255 255
                                                            0
```

# Appendix E

# **Building Alpaca**

This chapter explains what is necessary to build ALPACA, as well as how to do so.

## E.1 Required software

To start off with, you will need some software packages installed to build anything:

To do anything:

- gnu make (gmake)
- noweb/notangle
- unix tools: cat, cd, cp, dd, uname, zip

To build the document:

- ImageMagick tools: convert
- LaTeX / PDFLaTeX

To build the romset:

- genroms
- turaco CL
- ZCC package or asz80 and aslink

To test the romset:

• MAME or some other emulator

## E.2 Makefile targets

Once you have the correct software installed, as explained in the previous section, you should just be able to type "gmake" and have it build this document docs/alpaca-development.pdf as well as the rom image files as specified in the makefile. See below on how to specify Pac-Man or Pengo roms.

As a side effect, a well commented Z80 ASM file will be in "code/alpaca.asm" for your viewing pleasure. To make things a little easier to see, you might want to do a make listing to generate the "code/alpaca.lst" listing file.

In a nutshell, you can just type make targetname to make that specific target's files. The valid targets are:

paclisting builds: code/pacalpaca.lst listing file

pacprog builds: code/pacalpaca.asm, code/pacfinal.ihx

pacroms builds: roms/pacman/\* (graphics and code)

pacromzip builds a zip of the above roms

pactest builds the above roms, runs MAME to test them out

pengolisting builds: code/pengoalpaca.lst listing file

**pengoprog** builds: code/pengoalpaca.asm, code/pengofinal.ihx

pengoroms builds: roms/pengo2u/\* (graphics and code)

pengoromzip builds a zip of the above roms

pengotest builds the above roms, runs MAME to test them out

docs builds: doc/alpaca.pdf

dview builds: doc/alpaca.pdf, runs acroread

clean gets rid of all targets

tidy cleans the doc directory of intermediate files

all builds: doc/alpaca.pdf, code/pacalpaca.asm, code/pacalpaca.lst, code/pengoalpaca.asm, code/pengoalpaca.lst, pac and pengo rom image files into roms/

dist builds: "all", then puts it in a new directory

backup builds a .tar.gz file of the whole source tree

You may need to change the paths to the MAME program and ROM directories in the makefile if you want to run the test targets on your system.

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$ or "make" on OS X

### E.3 The Makefile

```
\langle GNUmakefile \ 116 \rangle \equiv
116
       # GNUMakefile for the Alpaca project
       #
           Scott "Jerry" Lawrence
       # It's not pretty. Sorry about that.
       # $Id: build.nw,v 1.9 2003/08/14 14:51:55 jerry Exp $
       # Targets:
                          builds: code/pacalpaca.lst listing file
       #
              paclisting
       #
              pacprog
                          builds: code/pacalpaca.asm, code/pacfinal.ihx
       #
              pacroms
                          builds: roms/pacman/pacman.* (graphics and code)
                          builds a zip of the above roms
             pacromzip
                          builds the pac-man roms, runs MAME to test them out
             pactest
                          builds: code/pacalpaca.lst listing file
              pengolisting
       #
                          builds: code/pacalpaca.asm, code/pacfinal.ihx
             pengoprog
       #
             pengoroms
                          builds: roms/pengo/pengo.* (graphics and code)
             pengoromzip
                          builds a zip of the above roms
             pengotest
                          builds the pengo roms, runs MAME to test them out
       #
       #
             docs
                          builds: doc/alpaca.pdf
                          builds: doc/alpaca.pdf, runs acroread
       #
             dview
       #
       #
              clean
                          gets rid of all targets
                          cleans the doc directory of intermediate files
              tidy
       #
             dist
                          web-ready distribution
       #
                          source distribution (everything)
             backup
       #
              all
                          builds: docs, roms, listing
       all: docs paclisting pengolisting pacroms pengoroms
       test: paclisting pactest
       HAS_NOWEB := 1
```

<sup>#</sup> program name

```
PROG
       := alpaca
VERSION := 0.7
# extra programs
GENROMS := genroms
TURACOCL := turacocl
DD
       := dd
ZIP
       := zip
TAR
       := tar --exclude=CVS --exclude=.*
BLDSYS := $(shell uname -s)
# directories
CODEDIR := code
ROMSROOT := roms
ROMSOURCE := roms/dummy
DISTDIR := $(PROG)_$(VERSION)
# backup files
THISDIR := alpaca
TARFILE := $(PROG)_$(VERSION)_src.tar
# emulator selection
# - for testing romsets
# if we want to use xmame on OS X, set EMULATOR to ForceXMame
EMULATOR := ForceXMame
# the name of the xmame executable
XMAME := xmame
# the name of the xmame executable with the debugger compiled in
XMAMED := xmamed -debug
# parameters for all Xmame versions:
MAMEPARAMS := -skip_disclaimer -skip_gameinfo
\mbox{\tt\#} and the xmame to use. (set XMAMED to XMAME for no debugger)
XMAMEUSE := $(XMAME) $(MAMEPARAMS)
\mbox{\tt\#} apps and dirs for OS X testing of Pac-Man
# osx app to use to test Pac roms
PMTAPP := /Applications/jerry/Games/MacPacMAME\ 0.58/MacPacMAME\ 0.58
# dir to copy pac roms into
PMTRD := /Applications/jerry/Games/MacPacMAME\ 0.58/ROMS/pengman
```

```
# apps and dirs for OS X testing of Pengo
# osx app to use to test Pengo roms
PGTAPP := /Applications/jerry/Games/MacMAME/MacMAME.app
# dir to copy pengo roms into
{\tt PGTRD} \quad := \ / {\tt Applications/jerry/Games/MacMAME/ROMs/pengo2u}
ifdef HAS_NOWEB
NWS := \
       nws/title.nw \
       nws/overview.nw \
       nws/arch.nw \
       nws/init.nw \
       nws/kernserv.nw \
       nws/semaphores.nw \
       nws/messages.nw \
       nws/malloc.nw \
       nws/isr.nw \
       nws/coretask.nw \
       nws/exec.nw \
       nws/task0.nw \
       nws/task1.nw \
       nws/task2.nw \
       nws/task3.nw \
       nws/utils.nw \
       nws/error.nw \
       nws/appendix.nw \
       nws/schedule.nw \
       nws/hardware.nw \
       nws/asm.nw \
       nws/auxdata.nw \
       nws/build.nw \
       nws/license.nw \
       nws/end.nw
PCX :=\
       gfx/pacscreen.pcx \
       gfx/pac_1.pcx \
       gfx/pac_1c.pcx \
       gfx/pac_2.pcx \
       gfx/pac_2c.pcx
PCXPDF := $(PCX:%.pcx=%.pdf)
endif
```

```
STYLE := doc/alpaca.sty
DOC := doc/$(PROG).pdf
docs:
       $(DOC)
dview: docs
       open $(DOC)
PACTARG := $(CODEDIR)/pacfinal.ihx
PACASMS := $(CODEDIR)/pacalpaca.asm
PENGOTARG := $(CODEDIR)/pengofinal.ihx
PENGOASMS := $(CODEDIR)/pengoalpaca.asm
DEPS :=
DATA :=
CLEAN := Release Build $(DISTDIR)
ifdef HAS_NOWEB
   CLEAN += $(PENGOTARG) $(PENGOTARG:%.ihx=%.map)
   CLEAN += $(PENGOASMS) $(PENGOASMS:%.asm=%.rel)
   CLEAN += $(PACTARG) $(PACTARG:%.ihx=%.map)
   CLEAN += $(PACASMS) $(PACASMS:%.asm=%.rel)
   CLEAN += doc/alpaca* code/*.lst
   CLEAN += roms/pacman/pacman.* pac*.zip
   CLEAN += roms/pengo2u/pengo*.* pengo*.zip
   CLEAN += roms/pengo2u/ic*
endif
TIDY := $(COMMON_OBJS) $(STYLE) \
       $(DOC: \(\).pdf = \(\).tex) $(DOC: \(\).pdf = \(\).aux) \
       $(DOC:\%.pdf=\%.log) $(DOC:\%.pdf=\%.toc) \
       $(PCXPDF) $(DOC:%.pdf=%.out)
# Pac builds
# various config
PACROMDIR := $(ROMSROOT)/pacman
PACBACKDIR := ../..
PACGENROMSFILE := $(CODEDIR)/pacman.roms
PACTURACOINI := $(CODEDIR)/pacman.ini
PACROMNAME
             := pacman
```

```
CLEAN += $(PACGENROMSFILE)
CLEAN += $(PACTURACOINI)
               $(PACTARG)
pacprog:
.PHONY: pacprog
pacroms:
               $(PACTARG) $(PACGENROMSFILE) $(PACTURACOINI)
       cd $(PACROMDIR) ;\
               $(GENROMS) $(PACBACKDIR)/$(PACGENROMSFILE)\
                          $(PACBACKDIR)/$(PACTARG)
       $(DD) if=/dev/zero of=$(PACROMDIR)/pacman.5e bs=4096 count=1
       $(DD) if=/dev/zero of=$(PACROMDIR)/pacman.5f bs=4096 count=1
       $(TURACOCL) -inf IMG -bnk 1 -rod $(PACROMDIR)\
                   -rom $(PACROMDIR) -ini $(PACTURACOINI)\
                   -dbf gfx/pac_1.pcx
       $(TURACOCL) -inf IMG -bnk 2 -rod $(PACROMDIR)\
                   -rom $(PACROMDIR) -ini $(PACTURACOINI)\
                   -dbf gfx/pac_2.pcx
.PHONY: pacroms
pacromzip:
               pacroms
       mkdir $(PACROMNAME)
       cp $(PACROMDIR)/8* $(PACROMDIR)/p* $(PACROMNAME)
       $(ZIP) -r $(PACROMNAME).zip $(PACROMNAME)
       rm -rf $(PACROMNAME)
.PHONY: pacromzip
# PAC test targets
# automagically choose the correct one..
ifeq ($(BLDSYS),Darwin)
ifeq ($(EMULATOR),ForceXMame)
pactest:
              pacroms mamepactest
else
pactest:
              pacroms osxpactest
endif
else
pactest:
               pacroms mamepactest
endif
.PHONY: pactest
osxpactest:
       cp -f $(PACROMDIR)/pacman.* $(PMTRD)
       cp -f $(PACROMDIR)/82*.* $(PMTRD)
       open -a $(PMTAPP)
```

```
.PHONY: osxpactest
mamepactest:
        $(XMAMEUSE) -rp $(ROMSROOT) pacman
.PHONY: mamepactest
# Pengo builds
renguromdir := $(ROMSROOT)/pengo2u
PENGOBACKDIR := ../
# various config
PENGOGENROMSFILE := $(CODEDIR)/pengo2u.roms
PENGOTURACOINI := $(CODEDIR)/pengo2u.ini
PENGOROMNAME
               := pengo2u
CLEAN += $(PENGOGENROMSFILE)
CLEAN += $(PENGOTURACOINI)
               $(PENGOTARG)
pengoprog:
.PHONY: pengoprog
pengoroms:
               $(PENGOTARG) $(PENGOGENROMSFILE) $(PENGOTURACOINI)
        cd $(PENGOROMDIR) ;\
               $(GENROMS) $(PENGOBACKDIR)/$(PENGOGENROMSFILE)\
               $(PENGOBACKDIR)/$(PENGOTARG)
        $(DD) if=/dev/zero of=$(PENGOROMDIR)/ic92 bs=8192 count=1
        $(DD) if=/dev/zero of=$(PENGOROMDIR)/ic105 bs=8192 count=1
        $(TURACOCL) -inf IMG -bnk 1 -rod $(PENGOROMDIR)\
                   -rom $(PENGOROMDIR) -ini $(PENGOTURACOINI)\
                   -dbf gfx/pen_1.pcx
        $(TURACOCL) -inf IMG -bnk 2 -rod $(PENGOROMDIR)\
                   -rom $(PENGOROMDIR) -ini $(PENGOTURACOINI)\
                   -dbf gfx/pen_2.pcx
        $(TURACOCL) -inf IMG -bnk 3 -rod $(PENGOROMDIR)\
                   -rom $(PENGOROMDIR) -ini $(PENGOTURACOINI)\
                   -dbf gfx/pen_3.pcx
        $(TURACOCL) -inf IMG -bnk 4 -rod $(PENGOROMDIR)\
                   -rom $(PENGOROMDIR) -ini $(PENGOTURACOINI)\
                   -dbf gfx/pen_4.pcx
.PHONY: pengoroms
pengoromzip:
               pengoroms
       mkdir $(PENGOROMNAME)
        cp $(PENGOROMDIR)/ic* $(PENGOROMDIR)/p* $(PENGOROMNAME)
        $(ZIP) -r $(PENGOROMNAME).zip $(PENGOROMNAME)
```

```
rm -rf $(PENGOROMNAME)
.PHONY: pengoromzip
# PENGO test targets
# automagically choose the correct one..
ifeq ($(BLDSYS),Darwin)
ifeq ($(EMULATOR),ForceXMame)
pengotest:
             pengoroms mamepengotest
else
pengotest:
            pengoroms osxpengotest
endif
else
pengotest:
              pengoroms mamepengotest
endif
.PHONY: pengotest
osxpengotest:
       cp -f $(PENGOROMDIR)/pengo.* $(PGTRD)
       cp -f $(PENGOROMDIR)/ic* $(PGTRD)
       cp -f $(PENGOROMDIR)/pr163*.* $(PGTRD)
       open -a $(PGTAPP)
.PHONY: osxpengotest
mamepengotest:
       $(XMAMEUSE) -rp $(ROMSROOT) pengo2u
.PHONY: mamepengotest
clean: tidy
       rm -rf $(CLEAN)
tidy:
       rm -rf $(TIDY)
dist: docs paclisting pacromzip pengolisting pengoromzip
       rm -rf $(DISTDIR)
       mkdir $(DISTDIR)
       cp $(DOC) $(DISTDIR)
       cp $(PACLSTS) $(PACASMS) $(DISTDIR)
       cp $(PACROMNAME).zip $(DISTDIR)
       cp $(PENGOLSTS) $(PENGOASMS) $(DISTDIR)
       cp $(PENGOROMNAME).zip $(DISTDIR)
backup: clean
```

```
cd ..; $(TAR) -cvf $(TARFILE) $(THISDIR)
gzip -f ../$(TARFILE)
```

#### 

```
PACRELS
             := $(PACASMS:%.asm=%.rel)
PACLSTS
             := $(PACASMS:%.asm=%.lst)
PENGORELS
             := $(PENGOASMS: %.asm=%.rel)
PENGOLSTS
             := $(PENGOASMS:%.asm=%.lst)
paclisting:
             $(PACLSTS)
pengolisting: $(PENGOLSTS)
%.lst: %.asm
       asz80 -1 $<
.SECONDARY: $(PACASMS) $(PENGOASMS)
OPTS
     := -0
$(PACTARG): $(PACRELS)
       aslink -i -m -o $(PACTARG) -b_CODE=0x0000 $(PACRELS)
$(PENGOTARG): $(PENGORELS)
       aslink -i -m -o $(PENGOTARG) -b_CODE=0x0000 $(PENGORELS)
%.rel: %.asm
       asz80 $<
%.rel: %.c
       zcc -c -v $(OPTS) -D$(ARCH) -D$(TEST) -I../include $(ADDS) $<
.SECONDARY: $(PACTARG)
.SECONDARY: $(PENGOTARG)
ifdef HAS_NOWEB
$(CODEDIR)/%.asm:
                     $(NWS)
       -@$(MKDIR_CMD)
       notangle -R$*.asm $^ | cpif $@
$(CODEDIR)/%.roms:
                     $(NWS)
       -@$(MKDIR_CMD)
       notangle -R$*.roms $^ | cpif $@
$(CODEDIR)/%.ini:
                    $(NWS)
```

```
-@$(MKDIR_CMD)
      notangle -R$*.ini $^ | cpif $@
%.pdf: %.tex
      -@$(MKDIR_CMD)
      (\
         cd $(@D); \
         oldFingerprint="ZZZ" ; \
         if [ -f *.aux ]; then \
            fingerprint="'sum $*.aux'"; \
         else \
            fingerprint="YYY" ; \
         fi; \
         while [ ! "$${oldFingerprint}" = "$${fingerprint}" ]; do \
            oldFingerprint="$${fingerprint}" ; \
            pdflatex $(<F); \</pre>
            fingerprint="'sum $(*F).aux'"; \
         done ; \
      )
$(DOC: \%.pdf = \%.tex):
                   $(PCXPDF) $(NWS)
      -@$(MKDIR_CMD)
      cat $(NWS) | noweave -delay -index | cpif $0
doc/%.sty: nws/%.sty
      -@$(MKDIR_CMD)
      cp $< $@
%.pdf: %.pcx
      convert $< $@
endif
.PHONY: all
.PHONY: docs
.PHONY: clean
.PHONY: tidy
#.SECONDARY: $(TIDY)
$(DOC): $(PCXPDF) $(STYLE)
```

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```
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125
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               Copyright (C) 2003 Scott "Jerry" Lawrence
                                  alpaca@umlautllama.com
          ;;
               This is free software; you can redistribute it and/or modify
          ;;
                it under the terms of the GNU Lesser General Public License
                as published by the Free Software Foundation; either version
          ;;
                2 of the License, or (at your option) any later version.
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          ;;
                warranty of MERCHANTABILITY or FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR
          ;;
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          ;;
                more details.
          ;;
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         ;;
                Boston, MA 02111-1307 USA
```

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