Joe Monitor Instructions

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Over View

This is a 65C02 monitor developed for my 65C02 board. It contains a 65C02, 6551(ACIA), 6522(VIA) and the usual ROM (27C256), RAM decoding etc. It can be ported onto any 65C02 based computer with some minor modifications eg: KIM-1,Apple, C64,ViC20.

After searching the net I didn't like many if not all the 6502 OS/Monitors. In my opinion I liked bits of them. So I decided to create my own. I began with little care about space, more functionality, but in the end, i was forced to keep it real tight.

My goal was for it to be a development machine/ bench top computer. Able to paste code to the terminal, compile it, dump, decode it, edit it etc. Some of this code had been inspired by many before me - the A1 Assembler by San Bergmans

https://www.sbprojects.net/whoami/index.php.

I liked the front editor but didn't come with a dissembler. It's 2 pass assembler and felt solid - but mostly written for an Apple.

With his permission i used his front end, but i ended up re-writing allot of it and certainly went over every line.

On the other hand The KRUSADER by Ken Wessen had the super-efficient disassembler that I've seen before (probably created by MOS and used by Apple) and it was tackling the additional 65C02 instructions. Didn't like the editor no offence..

The old DOS debug command is how i wanted the console to feel, in other words, mistyping something means hitting the backspace not having to retype the whole line again as many of these monitors have you do — nuts.

So this is a full 2 pass assembler, with local and global labels, directives, the lot. I've also added a 65C02 disassembler, step by step debugging aka tracing, memory dump, ascii dump, fill, delete, block move, intel hex loader.

I've tested this on a real N65C02 computer. I've also included LCD 16x2 code - again also tested on real hardware.

Its currently takes just over 3.2KB

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Monitor Prerequisites

This has been designed for the Rockwell 65C02 CPU and a terminal running ANSI screen codes, with serial 19200 baud N81

I've used RealTerm found here https://sourceforge.net/projects/realterm/ to work best.

This was programmed in Michael Kowalski min version 1.3.2

Example Code

The monitor is designed to be able to be copied & pasted from an external text application such as notepad and pasted, followed by compiling it (S key).

Copy & paste below {every between the lines}

```
AUTO
WRBYTE .EQ $FFDC
ECHO
         .EQ $FFEF
CR
         .EQ $0D
         .EQ $20
START JSR HELLO ;output to screen
         JSR COUNT
         RTS
       LDX #0
HELLO
         LDA .3,X
. 1
          BPL .2
          JSR ECHO
          INX
          BNE .1
. 2
          ORA #1000.0000
          JMP ECHO
.3
    .AT -/HELLO WORLD/
COUNT
        JSR .2
          LDX #0
. 1
          TXA
          JSR WRBYTE
          LDA #" "
          JSR ECHO
          INX
          CPX #10
          BCC .1
. 2
          LDA #CR
          JMP ECHO
```

Command AUTO (A)

AUTO linenum, increment

The command auto will auto number each line. The assembler uses line numbers to allow you to identify which line you like to delete, insert, renumber etc. Pressing **escape** on the last line will exit assembler editor.

Note: the default origin for source to is defined by the variable DEF_ORG which is \$1000 and the incremental steps are DEF_INC defaulted to 10. Also the count is set by DEF_AUTO — which is 1000

See constants.65s

```
In/Out Window
            .EQ $FFEF
.1020 ECHO
           .EQ $0D
.1030 CR
.1040 SP
           .EQ $20
.1050
.1060 ;
.1070 START JSR HELLO ;output to screen
.1080 JSR COUNT
.1090 RTS
.1100
.1120 HELLO LDX #0
.1130 .1
              LDA .3,X
              BPL .2
.1140
              JSR ECHO
.1150
              INX
.1160
              BNE .1
.1170
             ORA #1000.0000
.1180 .2
              JMP ECHO
.1190
.1200
.1210 .3
.1220 ;------
.1230
           .AT -/HELLO WORLD/
|.1240 ;-----
.1250
             JSR .2
.1260 COUNT
.1270
               LDX #0
.1280 .1
               TXA
              JSR WRBYTE
.1290
              LDA #" "
.1300
.1310
              JSR ECHO
.1320
              INX
.1330
               CPX #10
.1340
               BCC .1
               LDA #CR
.1350 .2
               JMP ECHO
.1360
```

If no operands are given auto line numbering will start from the last entered line number + current increment. Or if no line has been entered before it will start from line number 1000, with an increment of 10.

You may use *linenum* to start the auto line numbering from any specified number. You may use *increment* to change the default increment of 10.

```
AUTO Start numbering from last entered line number + increment AUTO 2000 Start numbering from 2000 with unchanged increment AUTO 4000,5 Start numbering from 4000 with 5 as increment AUTO ,10 Start numbering from last entered line number + 5 as new increment
```

Pressing ESC will cancel auto line numbering and the current unfinished line. Simply hit ESC when you're done entering your source code or when you make some typing errors which you can't correct with the back space key. Typing AUTO again will generate the same line number you have just cancelled to allow you to start from scratch with this line.

It goes without saying that you do not have to use AUTO line numbering if you just want to enter one or two lines somewhere in your program. Simply type the appropriate line number after the prompt, followed by your source text.

The value of *increment* is limited to the range of 1 to 255. Higher values are truncated to the LSB value only, which could cause some unexpected increments. An *increment* of 0 will result in an increment of 1.

Command Copy (C)

COPY source, destination, length

This command can be used to copy a part of memory to another destination. All three parameters are mandatory, you can't skip any of them.

It is possible that the destination block will eventually overwrite the source block. This means that the original block can be partially destroyed after the copy. However the copy will always be an exact copy of the original contents of the source block.

Warning! Be careful when the destination is in page 0. The COPY command uses 6 bytes there as temporary storage

Overwriting these values by random values will very likely crash your system. You should also be aware of the fact that the input buffer may partially overwrite your copied code if the destination is in the zero page.

There is absolutely no safeguard built into this command. You can make a copy anywhere in RAM, effectively destroying the data which is overwritten. This might even be your precious source text!

This command can be useful if you assembled a program with a different target address (See .TA directive). After assembling your code you can move the code to the desired destination.

Command LIST (L)

LIST begin, end

This command lists your source to the screen. If no parameters are given the entire program is listed. The *begin* and *end* parameters can be used in the usual manner to control the range to be listed.

```
LIST list entire program
LIST 1000 list only line 1000
LIST 1000, 2000 list lines 1000 until 2000
LIST 1000, list from line 1000 until the end of source
LIST ,2000 list from begin of source to line 2000
LIST D list dump the entire program
```

The ESC key aborts the listing.

The LIST command has one extra option. Typing LIST D will dump the entire program to the output without line numbers. This option can be used to transfer your source file to the PC over the RS232 connection. The resulting file on the PC can then be saved

```
×
In/Out Window
0 COMPILE ERROR(s)
.1
1010 WRBYTE .EQ $FFDC
1020 ECHO .EQ $FFEF
1030 CR .EQ $0D
            .EQ $20
1040 SP
|1060 ;------
1070 START JSR HELLO ;OUTPUT TO SCREEN
1080
                JSR COUNT
1090
                RTS
1110 ;-----
                LDX #0
1120 HELLO
1130 .1
                LDA .3,X
1140
                BPL .2
1150
                JSR ECHO
1160
                INX
                BNE .1
1170
1180 .2
                ORA #1000.0000
                JMP ECHO
1190
1210 .3
1220 ;--
1230
           .AT -/HELLO WORLD/
1240 ;------
1260 COUNT
                JSR .2
1270
                LDX #0
1280 .1
                TXA
1290
                JSR WRBYTE
1300
                LDA #" "
1310
                JSR ECHO
1320
                INX
1330
                CPX #10
1340
                BCC .1
                LDA #CR
1350 .2
1360
                JMP ECHO
```

Command Memory (Y)

Y lomem, himem

This command can be used to examine or change the memory configuration.

With no parameters this command will show you the current Lower Limit(LOMEM), Total RAM and end of source address. Your source file starts at address Lower Limit and may extend almost to address UPPER Spent(HIMEM). The end of your source file is at the same time the beginning of the symbol table which is built during pass 1 of the assembler. The symbol table will hold all your label declarations and may grow from the end of the source text all the way up to UPPER Spent.

Each global label will occupy 6 bytes in the symbol table, while each local label will occupy 2 bytes. This should give you a rough idea about the required amount of memory for the symbol table.

You can use the MEMORY (Y) command to find out what part of memory to save to file/cassette in order to store your source text. Lower Limit will be the start address and end of source will be the end address to write.

Generated code can be stored from address \$0200 up to LOMEM, unless you have set the user safe area which can be set with the zero page addresses USR OBJLO and USR OBJHI.

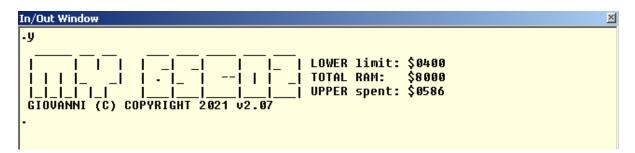
```
Y 0600.$8000 lomem,himem oF14 end of source text
```

At start up LOMEM will be set to \$0600 and HIMEM to the highest available RAM address (max \$8000). You may change LOMEM and HIMEM to your own liking, and I mean that!

Sensible values are from address \$0200 up to the last available RAM .Any other values will probably crash your computer sooner or later!

Changing LOMEM and/or HIMEM will delete your current source text!

```
Y $1000,$8000
$1000.$8000
$1000
```



Command NEW (N)

With this command you simply delete your current source text so you can start from scratch.

Command OLD (0)

If you accidentally typed the NEW command you may restore your program. This will only work if you haven't entered any new source lines after executed the NEW command!

Command Assemble Code (S)

This command effectively starts the 2 pass assembler. If no errors are found this command will inform you about the memory locations which are used to store the generated code.

If your source text contains errors the line numbers of the offending lines are listed, followed by a short description of the error which occurred. No code will be generated if errors occur during pass 1. Code generated in pass 2 will not be reliable if any errors occur during assembly.

Compiling Errors will show you will which lines have errored on.

Command Clear Sceen (z)

Clear screen via ANSI Screen codes to the terminal.

Command Help (?)

Shows help screen

Command Go (G)

G address or label

Execute the code from address or from label

Command Erase Line (E)

Erase begin, end

Use this command to delete multiple lines at a time. Be careful though, undo is not possible. Once deleted the lines are gone forever!

Both the *begin* and *end* parameters are optional. However you'll have to enter at least one parameter for safety reasons.

ERASE 2000 delete only line 2000

ERASE 2000,2300 delete lines from line 2000 to 2300

ERASE 2000, delete from line 2000 until the end of source

ERASE,2300 delete from begin of source to line 2300

Command Value (V)

VALUE expression, expression

This command can be used to view the value of labels, convert numbers from one radix to another, or even to do some simple calculations. Label values are only valid after a successful assembly run.

```
VALUE $1234

4660 +4660 $1234 %0001.0010.0011.0100

VALUE -1

65535 -1 $FFFF %1111.1111.1111.1111

VALUE $1234+135

4795 +4795 $12BB %0001.0010.1011.1011

VALUE ECHO

65519 -17 $FFEF %1111.1111.1110.1111

VALUE $1234,1234,%0101.1010

4660 +4660 $1234 %0001.0010.0011.0100

1234 +1234 $04D2 %0000.0100.1101.0010

90 +90 $005A %0101.1010
```

```
In/Out Window

.V count
4132 +4132 $1024 $0001.0000.0010.0100
.V start
4096 +4096 $1000 $0001.0000.0000.0000
.V wrbyte
65500 −36 $FFDC $1111.1111.1101.1100
.V cr
13 +13 $000D $0000.1101
.V hello
4103 +4103 $1007 $0001.0000.0000.0111
.
```

Command Ascii (I)

i address

Ascii dump address. Address with \$ is considered hex value.

```
In/Out Window
.i $1000
_: 10D2 /....
.: 10FC /..
.: 1126 /....
.: 1158 /.....
.: 117A
.: 11A4
.: 11CE
.: 11F8 /....
.: 1222 /.....
.: 124C /....
.: 1276 /
.: 12A0 /
.: 12CA /....
.: 12F4 /....
.: 131E /....
```

Command User Command (@)

@ command

The @ command allows users to extend the commands to the monitor. Changing the USERKEYDEF vector, will mean that you can then add commands to the keyboard input. Ie; @ command will jump to USERKEYDEF where the user then needs to parse the IN keyboard buffer for addition keys/commands.

For example @S would jump to USERKEYDEF {aka JMP (USERKEYDEF)} where your routine would parse the IN for S and then act accordingly if found. See routine KEYDEF for example of how current commands are parsed.

Command Renumber (R)

RENUMBER from, first, increment

From time to time you may want to renumber your source, or part of your source. Usually you want to do that to tidy up a bit, or to make room for more than a few new source lines between two other lines. For that purpose you can use the RENUMBER command.

The *from* parameter determines the line from which to start renumbering. If you omit it you will renumber your entire program.

first will be the first new line number to be used for the renumbered part of your source. If this line number is omitted the default AUTO line number will be used (1000). Finally the *increment* parameter will determine the increment of the renumbered part of your source. If it is omitted the default increment of 10 will be used. The valid range for *increment* is from 1 to 255.

You can't set *from* higher than *first*, otherwise you may get duplicate line numbers which would definitely confuse the editor.

After renumbering the next auto line number will be the last renumbered line number + increment. The new increment will also be set according to the renumbered increment.

RENUMBER 2000,3000 renumbers entire source, same as RENUMBER 0,1000,10 renumbers source from 2000 until end, increment 10 renumbers entire source, new source starts at 4000 RENUMBER 1000,2000,5 renumbers from line 2000, new line 2000, increment 5

Command Disassembler (D)

D address (or label)

This will dissemble code from start address or from label. When just press d will continue down one page.

In/O	ut Wind	low			×
.d	\$1000				
	1000	20 07 1	0 JSR	\$1007	/
	1003	20 24 1		\$1024	/ \$.
	1006	60	RTS	-	/ \$- /`
	1007	A2 00	LDX	#\$00	7
	1009	BD 19 1	0 LDA	\$1019,X	/
	100C	10 06	BPL	\$1014	/
	100E	20 EF FI	F JSR	\$FFEF	/
. :	1011	E8	INX		/.
	1012	DØ F5	BNE	\$1009	/
	1014	09 E8	ORA	#\$E8	/
	1016	4C EF FI	F JMP	\$FFEF	/L
	1019	48	PHA		/H
	101A	45 4C	EOR	\$4C	/EL
	101C	4C 4F 2		\$204F	/L0
	101F	57	CPX		/W
	1020	4F	CPX		/0
.d				_	
	1021	52 4C	EOR	(\$4C)	/RL
	1023	C4 18	CPY	\$18	/
	1025	36 A2	ROL	\$A2,X	/6.
	1027	00	BRK		/.
	1028	8A	TXA		/.
	1029	20 DC FI		\$FFDC	/ ···
	102C	A9 00	LDA	#\$00	/
	102E	20 EF FI		\$FFEF	/ ···
	1031	E8	INX		<u>'</u> .∙
	1032	EO OA	CPX	#\$0A	/···
	1034	90 F2	BCC	\$1028	/···
	1036	A9 0D	LDA	#\$0D	/
	1038	4C EF FI		\$FFEF	/L
	103B	99	BRK		/·
	103C	00	BRK		/·
	103D	00	BRK		/.
 -					

Command Mem Dump (M)

M address

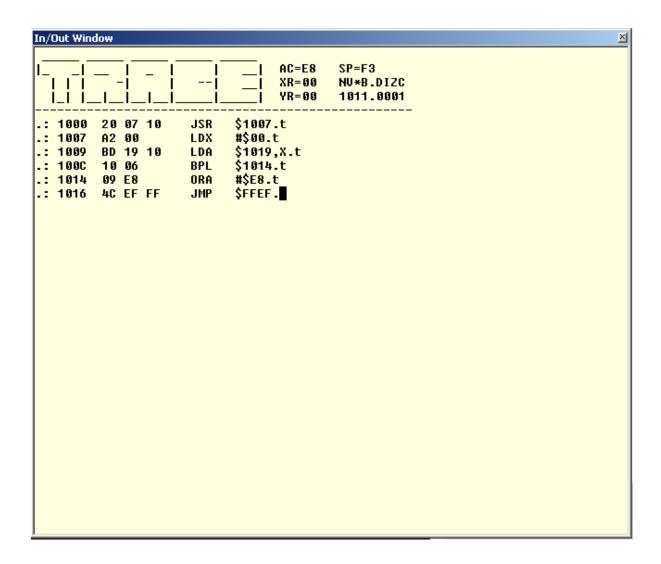
Byte and asci dump of ram. Consecutive M, will continue page through the memory.

```
In/Out Window
.m $1000
.: 1000
.: 1010
                                                                20 07 10 20
                       24 10 60 A2
                                    00 BD 19 10
                                                  10 06 20 EF
         FF E8 D0 F5
                       09 E8 4C EF
                                    FF 48 45 4C
                                                  4C 4F 20 57
.: 1020
                                                                /ORL..6... .... .
         4F 52 4C C4
                       18 36 A2 00
                                    8A 20 DC FF
                                                  A9 00 20 EF
.: 1030
         FF E8 E0 0A
                       90 F2 A9 0D
                                    4C EF FF 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
                                                                /......L...L....
.: 1040
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00
                                             00
                                                  00 00 00 00
                                                                /.................
.: 1050
         00
            00 00 00
                       00
                          00 00 00
                                    00 00 00
                                             00
                                                  00 00
                                                        00
                                                           00
                                                                /................
.: 1060
         99
            00 00 00
                       99
                          00 00 00
                                    00 00 00
                                             00
                                                  00 00 00 00
.: 1070
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
                                                                /......
.: 1080
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
.: 1090
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
.: 10AO
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
.: 10B0
.: 10C0
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
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         00
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.: 10D0
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
.: 10E0
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00 00
.: 10F0
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
.: 1100
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
.: 1110
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00 00
.: 1120
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
.: 1130
         00 00 00 00
                       00 00 00 00
                                    00 00 00 00
                                                  00 00 00 00
```

Command Trace (T)

T address

This is steps through the code one line at time. Pressing t will continue to step through each line. The flags, PC, registers show the values of the last actioned command.



Directives

Directives are often called pseudo opcodes. They are always to be found in column 2, where you would also find processor opcodes (mnemonics). A directive is a command to the assembler, for instance to generate data bytes or change the current program counter.

.AS -/string/

This directive allows you to enter an entire string as data into your program. If the first character of the operand is — sign the entire string will be in negative ASCII (128 .. 256), the way the Apple 1 likes to get its ASCII characters. If the first character is not a — sign the string will be in positive ASCII (0 .. 127).

The string of characters must be surrounded by a so called delimiter. A delimiter can be virtually any ASCII character, which should be the same at the beginning and at the end of the string. Usually the characters / \ " or ' are used as delimiters, that is if you can type \ of course. The delimiter you use may not occur in the string, otherwise you'll get an error message.

Please note that the Assembler does not allow you to use more than one operand after

.AT -/string/

This directive is almost identical to the .AS directive. The only difference is the polarity of the last generated character, which is opposite from the rest of the string. This opposite polarity can be used by the software to signal the end of the string to be printed.

```
      1000
      .AT /ABC/
      generates 41 42 C3

      1010
      .AT !123!
      generates 31 32 B3

      1020
      .AT -"ABC"
      generates C1 C2 43

      1030
      .AT -'1234567890'
      generates B1 B2 ... B3 30
```

.BS expression

This directive skips the number of bytes indicated by the *expression*. Therefore the *expression* may not contain forward referenced labels, otherwise the assembler would not know how many bytes to skip.

Skipped bytes are not altered! The only thing that happens is that the current program counter is incremented by *expression*.

You can use .BS for instance to declare RAM addresses easily (like i.e. Zero Page locations).

```
1000 .OR $0080

1010 POINTER .BS 2 A 2 BYTE POINTER

1020 COUNT .BS 1 A 1 BYTE COUNTER

1030 BUFFER .BS 10 A 10 BYTE BUFFER

1040 FLAG .BS 1 A 1 BYTE FLAG
```

You may use any value as *expression*, even quite silly values like \$FFFF, the A1-Assembler couldn't care less.

.DA expression

With this directive you can include data bytes and words into your program. You can include as many operands as you like (until the program line is full), all separated from the previous one by a comma. Any combination of word, LSB and MSB operands is possible. For byte data the *expression* must be preceded by a # or a / symbol. The # symbol will use only the LSB of the 16-bit *expression*, whereas the / symbol will use the MSB. Word data is generated with LSB first (little endian). This is the way the 6502 likes it best.

```
1000 .DA $1234 generates 2 bytes, 34 12
1010 .DA #$1234 generates 1 byte, 34
1020 .DA /$1234 generates 1 byte, 12
1030 .DA $1234,#$5678,/$9ABC multiple operands, 34 12, 78, 9A
```

.EQ expression

Normally a label will get the value of the Program Counter at the beginning of the line on which the label is assigned. This behaviour can only be changed by this directive. Column 1 must contain a global label when the second column contains the .EQ directive. You can't use the .EQ directive on local labels.

The label in column 1 gets the value which is represented by *expression*. This *expression* may not contain forward referenced labels!

```
PRBYTE .EQ $FFDC

ECHO .EQ $FFEF

CR .EQ $8D

SPACE .EQ " "

CHOUT .EQ ECHO CHOUT will get the value $FFEF
```

It doesn't matter what type of data is assigned to a label. It may be an address, a constant value, an ASCII value, or whatever. You can however only assign values to labels. This means that you cannot assign a string of characters to a label.

.OR expression

This directive sets the starting address of your program, or parts of it. It also sets the target address to the same value (See .TA directive). If this directive is omitted the default starting address will be \$1000. See DEF_ORG in Constants.65s

You can set the starting address *expression* anywhere in memory. However you can not store code just about anywhere in memory. If you haven't set a user safe area you can only generate code to the range from \$0200 (DEF_OBJLOW) to LOMEM, otherwise you'll get a memory error.

You may change the starting address of your program as often as you like. Every block of memory generated is reported by the assembler, which makes it easier for you to locate your code.

The *expression* may not contain forward referenced labels.

```
.OR $0080 ;START ZP DEFINITION
1000
1010 PNTR .BS 2
1020 CNTR .BS 1
1030 BFFR .BS 10
         .OR $0300 ;START CODE HERE
1040
1050
         NOP
        NOP
1060
         .OR $0400 ; MORE CODE HERE
1070
        NOP
1080
1090
         NOP
1100
        NOP
```

(.BS directive does not generate code)

.TA expression

You can't generate code in protected memory. Normally you can only generate code from address \$0200 until LOMEM, the rest of memory is protected.

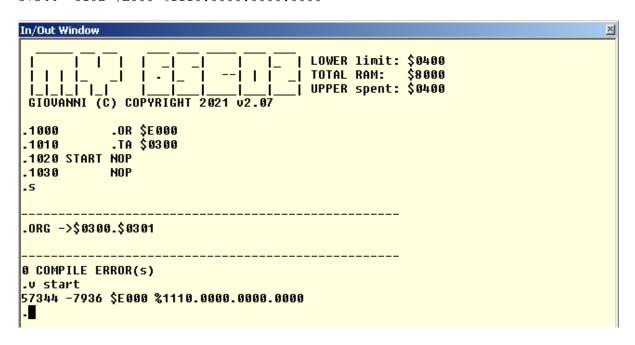
You may indicate a user safe area by setting the memory addresses USR_OBJLO and USR_OBJHI to declare another part of memory to be safe. However you're in charge there, you're the one who should be absolutely sure that it IS safe! Setting these two values doesn't automatically make the area safe, it only allows the assembler to store generated code there.

But what if you want to create a program which should run in a protected area, let's say from address \$E000? Simple, you set the .OR to \$E000, and change the target address to a safe area, e.g. \$0300 (see example below).

The assembler will generate all addresses as if it was actually using address \$E000. However the code is stored at address \$0300. Obviously this will result in a program which does not work as is. You'll have to move the program to the intended destination before it can be run.

Moving the code to its final destination can be done with the COPY (C) command, or by saving it to file and loading it at a different address.

The *expression* may not contain forward referenced labels.



The end..