# BasTo6809 User Manual

### Introduction

**BasTo6809** is a compiler that converts a BASIC program into 6809 Assembly Language, designed to run on the TRS-80 Color Computer. The assembly code generated by BasTo6809 is ready for use with **LWASM**, allowing you to assemble and execute machine language programs on your CoCo.

This tool is ideal for anyone looking to take their BASIC programs and convert them to a lower-level language for faster execution or to speed up development of assembly language code.

### **Version Information**

BasTo6809 Version: 4.26

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# **Usage**

BasTo6809 [options] program.bas

Where program.bas is the BASIC program you wish to convert to 6809 assembly language.

By default, the compiler will output a fully commented assembly language file (program.asm) that can be processed by <u>LWASM</u> to produce a machine code program for the Color Computer.

# **Command Line Options**

BasTo6809 provides several command-line options to customize the behaviour of the compiler:

#### -coco

Use this option if your input is a tokenized Color Computer BASIC program.

#### -ascii

Use this option for a plain text BASIC program written in ASCII format, such as a program created with a text editor or QB64.

#### -bx

Optimizes the branch lengths, affecting how efficiently LWASM assembles the program.

- -b0 (default): Some branches may be longer than necessary, resulting in larger/slower programs.
- -b1 Ensures all branches are as short as possible, producing smaller & faster programs, but will slow down the assembly process (a lot).
- -a

Makes the program autostart after it is loaded

**-V** 

Displays the version number of BasTo6809.

#### -OX

Controls the optimization level during the compilation process:

- -o0 disables optimizations (not recommended).
- -o1 enables basic optimization.
- -o2 (default) enables full optimization for the fastest and smallest possible code.

#### -pxxxx

Specifies the starting memory location for the program in hexadecimal. Useful if you need some extra space reserved for your own program. The default starting location for the compiled program is \$0E00.

Example: -p4000 sets the starting address at \$4000.

#### -SXXX

This option sets the maximum length to reserve for strings in an array. The default (and maximum) is 255 bytes. If your program uses smaller strings, setting this value can reduce the amount of RAM your program uses.

Example: -s128 reserves 128 bytes for each string.

#### -fxxxx

Where xxxx is the font name used for printing to the graphics screen (default is Arcade\_B0\_F1). Look in folder Basic\_Includes/GraphicsMode/Graphic\_Screen\_Fonts to see font names available

### -Vx

Sets the verbosity level of the compiler output.

- -v0 (default) produces no output during compilation.
- -v1 shows basic information while compiling.
- -vx x=2,3 or 4 more info is displayed while compiling

#### -k

Keeps miscellaneous files generated during the compilation process. By default, these files are deleted, leaving only the .asm file.

#### -h

Displays a help message with information on how to use BasTo6809.

# **Cool things the Compiler can do**

- You can write the program on a CoCo or on a modern computer using any text Editor
- New GMODE command allows you to choose every graphic mode the CoCo can produce, including semi graphics and if using a CoCo 3 all of the CoCo 3 graphics modes and Colour modes. Using these new screens you can use LINE (with B & BF), CIRCLE and PAINT commands.
- Can print directly to any graphic screen directly using PRINT #-3,
- Use of line numbers is optional
- You can use Labels for sections of code to jump to (case sensitive)
- Variable names can be 25 characters long (case sensitive)
- Doesn't use any ROM calls, possible to use all of the 64k of RAM on Coco 1 & 2
- The assembly language code generated is fully commented showing each BASIC line and how it is compiled. The assembly file generated can be used to help someone learn how to program in assembly language. Or allow an experienced assembly programmer to optimize the program by hand.
- Many new SDC related commands allow you to read and write directly to the SDC filesystem from your BASIC program
- A new SDC audio playback command to play RAW audio samples directly from the SD card in the CoCoSDC
- Easily add assembly code anywhere you want in your program and easily share values of variables between BASIC and your assembly code.
- Added sprite commands

- Added commands for the CoCo 3 to use scrollable playfields (backgrounds)

### **Changes to BASIC's Graphic features**

PMODE has been replaced by the GMODE command
PCLS has been replaced by the GCLS command
PCOPY has been replace with the GCOPY command
LINE command format has been changed to include a colour value and no longer uses PSET and PRESET.

The commands **PSET**, **HSET**, **PRESET**, **HRESET**, **PPOINT** or **HPOINT** are not supported. Instead they are replaced with **SET** and **POINT** commands. The compiler will use whichever graphic mode is set using the GMODE command and will SET pixels to the requested colour the user wants that matches the GMODE requested.

You can now use SET,POINT,LINE,CIRCLE & PAINT commands on every screen, even the regular text screen, using GMODE 0,1

### **GMODE ModeNumber, Graphics Page**

Selects the graphics screen and the graphics page.

ModeNumber is the graphics mode you want to use

GraphicsPage is the Page you want to show/use for your graphics commands

To see a list of ModeNumbers and the resolutions **go here**Special note the **ModeNumber** must be an actual number and cannot be a variable as the compiler needs to know exactly which graphic mode commands to be included at compile time.

# GraphicsPage can be a variable.

If you are going to use Graphic pages, the compiler needs to know how many pages to reserve in RAM (for CoCo 1 & 2 graphics). So you must have a GMODE #,MaxPages entry at the beginning of your BASIC program. Where the value of MaxPages will be an actual number and not a variable.

#### GCLS#

Colour the graphics screen # is the colour value you want the screen to be coloured

# GCOPY SourcePage, DestinationPage

Makes a copy the Source graphics page to the Destination graphics page.

SourcePage - Source graphics page

**DestinationPage** - Destination graphics page

### SET(x,y,Colour)

Sets a pixel on the screen

**x,y** - Screen location of the pixel to be drawn

Colour - Colour Number of the pixel to be drawn

### POINT(x,y)

Returns the colour value of the pixel selected

x,y - Screen location of the pixel value requested

# LINE(x0,y0)-(x1,y1),Colour[,B][F]

x0,y0 - Starting location

**x1,y1** - Ending location

Colour - Colour of the Line or Box to draw

**B** - Draw a Box

**F** - Fill the Box

# PAINT(x,y),OldColour,FillColour

Fills the old colour value with the fill colour value which must also be the border colour of the section you are painting

**x,y** - Starting location

OldColour - Colour Number

FillColour - Colour Number

# CIRCLE(x,y),Radius,Colour

Draws a circle on the screen

x,y - Origin of the circle

Radius - Size of the circle, to keep the aspect ratio close to round Some of the graphics modes use scaling so the Radius isn't always a count of actual pixel values.

Colour - Colour Number of the circle to draw

### **PALETTE** v,Colour

Sets the CoCo 3 Palette value

v -palette slot of 0 to 15

# Colour - Colour value of 0 to 63

DRAW, GET & PUT commands are not yet available

#### New commands or features added to BASIC

- IF/THEN/ELSE/ELSEIF/ENDIF
- SELECT/CASE
- WHILE/WEND
- DO/WHILE/LOOP
- DO/LOOP/UNTIL
- SDC\_PLAY Command that plays an audio sample or song directly off the SD card in the SDC Controller. See here for more info
- SDC\_PLAYORCL, SDC\_PLAYORCR, SDC\_PLAYORCS these commands are similar to SDCPLAY except the audio is sent to the Orchestra 90 or <u>COCOFLASH</u> cartridge. <u>See here for more info</u>
- SDC file access commands that allow you to Read & Write files directly on the SD card's own filesystem.
   See here for more info
- Floating Point commands (special commands to handle floating point calculations and operations. <u>See here for more info</u>
- GETJOYD Quickly get the joystick values of 0,31,63 of both joysticks both horizontally and vertically
- PRINT #-3, Print to the graphics screen created with the GMODE command. Can also be used as ?#-3,"Hello World!". The default font is ArcadeArcade\_B0\_F1, but you can select others using the compiler command -fxxxx Where xxxx is the font name used for printing to the graphics screen (default is Arcade\_B0\_F1). Look in folder Basic\_Includes/GraphicsMode/Graphic\_Screen\_Fonts to see font names available
- **PLAYFIELD #** Used to set the Scrollable playfield mode. The # given must be an actual number and not a variable.

# Max Resolution	Min Resolution	Size Multiple
1 - 256 x 7872	256 x 192	not applicable x 64
2 - 512 x 3840	512 x 192	not applicable x 192
3 - 1024 x 512	1024 x 256	not applicable x 256
4 - 2048 x 256	512 x 256	256 x not applicable
5 - 2560 x 192	512 x 192	256 x not applicable

 VIEW x,y - Command to select where in the scrollable playfield you want to see. The x & y co-ordinates are the top left corner of a viewable window of the playfield.

# SPRITE\_LOAD "SpriteName.asm", #[,f] — Load a Sprite

The SPRITE\_LOAD command loads a sprite into your program.

- "SpriteName.asm" is the name of your sprite file (must be in assembly format). Generated by the command line tool called PNGtoCCSprite
- # is the sprite number a numeric ID used to reference this sprite in your program when using actual SPRITE commands.
- **f** is the number of frames this sprite has can be left blank if the sprite has only one frame.

This command associates the loaded sprite with the given number, so you can easily manage multiple sprites in your game.

### **SPRITE Command — Control Sprites on the Screen**

The SPRITE command, along with various options, allows you to control the appearance and behaviour of sprites in your program.

#### Command Reference:

# SPRITE OFF [#]

Turns off sprite number #.

If no number is provided, all sprites are turned off.

# SPRITE LOCATE #, x, y

Moves sprite # to a new position on the screen.

**x** and **y** are the playfield coordinates.

# SPRITE SHOW #[, f]

Displays sprite # using frame f.

If the sprite is not animated (i.e. it has only one frame) use of ,f is optional.

#### **SPRITE BACKUP#**

Saves the background behind sprite #.

This allows the sprite to be cleanly erased later.

#### **SPRITE ERASE #**

Erases sprite # and restores the background previously saved with SPRITE BACK.

### SPRITE #,x,y[,f]

Draws sprite number # at x,y co-ordinates using frame f. f is optional, a value of 0 (single frame sprite) is used if not given.

**WAIT VBL** - Wait for Vertical Blank then update the sprites on screen

#### **CPUSPEED#**

The compiler will detect and run the CPU at the maximum speed it can on the hardware it is running. If you want to change the speed use this command to set the CPU speed to value x

#=1 then set the CPU in Emulation mode and set the speed at .895 Mhz #=2 then set the CPU in Emulation mode and set the speed at 1.79 Mhz #=3 then set the CPU in Emulation mode and set the speed at 2.864 MHz If # is anything else then the CPU will be set in Native mode and run at it's max speed

### **COPYBLOCKS** source, destination,#

This is a CoCo 3 specific command which copies 8k blocks to other 8k blocks very fast. Useful for double buffering CoCo 3 background screens

source - First source block to be copied from

destination - First Destination block number to be copied to

# - Number of blocks to copy

#### How to use

The compiler is called BasTo6809 and is written in BASIC specifically QB64pe (Phenix Edition). QB64pe is multi-platform so BasTo6809 can be used on a Mac, Linux or Windows machine. You'll need to compile it using QB64pe.

Once you have BasTo6809 compiled using QB64pe you'll need to have it along with a specific folder called Basic\_Includes of .asm libraries that the compiler will add (if needed) to the output.asm file it generates from the source .BAS file.

The last thing you will need to do is install <u>lwasm</u> on your computer as this is the assembler that is needed to turn the assembly output from the compiler into the final machine language program.

Once you're compiling folder is setup it's fast and easy to compile your BASIC program to machine language using the following commands:

# Using **MacOS** or **Linux**:

```
./BasTo6809 -ascii BASIC.bas
lwasm -9bl -p cd -o./ML.bin BASIC.asm > ./Assembly_Listing.txt
```

# Using **Windows**:

```
.\BasTo6809 -ascii BASIC.bas
lwasm -9bl -p cd -o./ML.bin BASIC.asm > ./Assembly_Listing.txt
```

At this point you'll have an EXECutable program called ML.bin in the folder that you can use on a real CoCo or an emulator.

# Get your system ready to compile BASIC programs for the CoCo

- 1) Install and test <u>QB64pe</u> so you're familiar with how it compiles BASIC program
- 2) Install <u>LWASM</u> on your system

Once those two programs are installed on your system and you've used QB64 to compile BasTo6809.bas,BasTo6809.1.Tokenizer.bas and BasTo6809.2.Compile.bas along with cc1sl.bas, you're ready to go.

Make sure your working directory now has the BasTo6809 executable, BasTo6809.1.Tokenizer executable, BasTo6809.2.Compile executable and the cc1sl executable program and the sub folder called "Basic\_Includes" which has .asm files and more in it.

With that all setup you're now good to go, here's an example of how to compile a basic program called HELLO.BAS from the command line:

From MacOS or Linux:

./BasTo6809 HELLO.BAS

From Windows:

.\BasTo6809.exe HELLO.BAS

If the compiler doesn't report any errors you should now have a file saved in your directory as HELLO.asm you can look through the .asm file with any text editor to see the assembly code the compiler created. It generates an assembly language file with a lot of comments.

Next step is to use LWASM to assemble the program into a CoCo executable program, something like this:

lwasm -9bl -p cd -o./HELLO.BIN HELLO.asm > ./NEW Assembly Listing.txt

This will create an output file called HELLO.BIN that you can now take and use on a real CoCo or an emulator and EXECute.

# **Optimizing**

To generate the fastest and smallest version of your program use the compiler option -b1. LWASM will take awhile to assemble so be patient, could be a minute or so and **it may seem like nothing is happening**:

#### For MacOS and Linux:

./BasTo6809 -b1 HELLO.BAS

#### For Windows:

.\BasTo6809 -b1 HELLO.BAS

The only other thing you might need to do if you have a program that is very big is use the cc1sl program. The steps for compiling a big program are:

#### For MacOS and Linux:

```
./BasTo6809 -b1 HELLO.BAS
```

```
lwasm -9bl -p cd -o./HELLO.BIN HELLO.asm > ./NEW_Assembly_Listing.txt
./cc1sl -l HELLO.BIN -oBIGFILE.BIN
```

#### For Windows:

```
.\BasTo6809 -b1 HELLO.BAS
```

```
lwasm -9bl -p cd -o./HELLO.BIN HELLO.asm > ./NEW_Assembly_Listing.txt
.\cc1sl -l HELLO.BIN -oBIGFILE.BIN
```

In this case your final program to execute on the CoCo is called BIGFILE.BIN, you can of course call it whatever you want. Remember to only use cc1sl if your file is fairly big. I remember testing it with small programs and it seemed to not work. I never did look into why at least as of yet. But it works perfect if you do have a large program.

The latest version of the compiler can be found on my <u>GitHub site</u>. For support, ask for help on the <u>CoCo Nation basic-to-6809 Discord</u> channel

# 64k programs

If your program requires more than 32k you must use the cc1sl program (CoCo 1 Super Loader). This program enables the loading of an ML program no matter where it will be loaded into RAM including where the BASIC ROM addresses are.

cclsl - CoCo 1 Super Loader v1.03 by Glen Hewlett
Usage: cclsl [-1] [-vx] FILENAME.BIN -oOUTNAME.BIN
[.scn] or [.csv]...

Turns a CoCo 1 Machine Language program into a loadable program no matter if it over writes BASIC ROM locations and more

#### Where:

-1 Will add the word LOADING at the bottom of the screen while the program loads

-vx Amount of info to display while generating the new file x can be 0, 1 or 2. Default x=0 where no info is shown

FILENAME.BIN is the name of your big CoCo 1 program, it must end with .BIN

**OUTNAME.BIN** is the name of the output file to be created otherwise it defaults to GO.BIN

- \*.scn A binary file that must end with .scn will be shown on the CoCo text screen while loading
- \*.csv A csv text file that must end with .csv will be shown on the CoCo text screen while loading
  For more info see the cclsl help.txt file

cc1sl.bas is also a QB64pe program cc1sl.bas that you must compile with QB64pe before using.

# **Supported BASIC commands**

**AUDIO ON/OFF** 

**BUTTON** 

CIRCLE

CLEAR - Only clears all the variables to zero

CLS

CASE

DATA

**DEF FN** 

DIM

DO (WHILE/UNTIL)

**ELSE** 

**ELSEIF** 

**END** 

**END IF** 

**END SELECT** 

**EVERYCASE** 

**EXEC** 

EXIT (DO,FOR,WHILE)

FOR/NEXT

**GCLS** - Colour the screen

GETJOYD - New command which allows you to quickly get the joystick values of 0,31,63 of both joysticks both horizontally and vertically Results are stored same place BASIC normally has the Joystick readings:

LEFT LEFT RIGHT RIGHT

VERT HORIZ VERT HORIZ

\$15A \$15B \$15C \$15D

**GMODE** - Set the graphics mode and graphics page

**GOSUB** 

GOTO

**GCOPY** - Copy graphics page to another graphics page

IF

**INPUT** 

LET

LINE

LOADM

LOCATE - Set the position on the graphics screen to print text from

```
LOOP (WHILE/UNTIL)
MOTOR ON/OFF
NEXT
NTSC FONTCOLOURS b,f - Only used for GMODE 160 to 165. This sets
    the background and foreground colours of the NTSC composite
    output fonts.
ON GOSUB
ON GOTO
PAINT
PALETTE v,colour
PLAY
PLAYFIELD#
POINT
POKE
PRINT - Can't do PRINT USING
READ
RESET
RESTORE
RETURN
SCREEN
SDC BIGLOADM"FILENAME.BIN",#
SDC_CLOSE(#)
SDC DELETE(A$)
SDC DIRPAGE A$,B$,x
SDC FILEINFO$(#)
SDC_GETBYTE(#)
SDC GETCURDIR()
SDC INITDIR(A$)
SDC LOADM"FILENAME.BIN",#[,Offset]
SDC MKDIR(A$)
SDC OPEN"FILENAME.EXT","X",#
SDC PLAY"FILENAME.BIN",#
SDC PLAYORCL"FILENAME.BIN",#
SDC PLAYORCR"FILENAME.BIN",#
SDC PLAYORCS"FILENAME.BIN",#
SDC PUT0 x
SDC PUT1 x
SDC SAVEM"FILENAME.BIN",#,Start,End,Exec
SDC SETDIR(A$)
SDC SETPOS(#,a,b,c,d)
```

SELECT

SET

STEP

STOP

SOUND

TAB()

TIMËR

UNTIL

VIEW x,y

WHILE/WEND

WPOKE

### **Numeric Commands it can handle**

```
ABS()
ASC()
BUTTON()
CMPGT(FP A,FP B) - Floating Point Compare if Greater Than
CMPGE(FP A,FP B) - Floating Point Compare if Greater Than or Equal
CMPEQ(FP A,FP B) - Floating Point Compare if Equal
CMPNE(FP A,FP B) - Floating Point Compare if Not Equal
CMPLE(FP A,FP B) - Floating Point Compare if Less Than or Equal
CMPLT(FP A,FP B) - Floating Point Compare if Less Than
FLOATADD(FP X,FP Y) - Floating Point ADD
FLOATATAN(FP X,FP Y) - Floating Point ATAN
FLOATCOS(FP_X,FP_Y) - Floating Point COS
FLOATDIV(FP X,FP Y) - Floating Point DIV
FLOATEXP(FP X,FP Y) - Floating Point EXP
FLOATLOG(FP X,FP Y) - Floating Point LOG
FLOATMUL(FP_X,FP_Y) - Floating Point MUL
FLOATSIN(FP X,FP Y) - Floating Point SIN
FLOATSQR(FP_X,FP_Y) - Floating Point SQR
FLOATSUB(FP X,FP Y) - Floating Point SUB
FLOATTAN(FP X,FP Y) - Floating Point TAN
FLOATTOSTR$(FP A) - Floating Point number to a string
FN()
INSTR([start],Basestring,SearchString)
INT()
JOYSTK()
LEN()
PEEK()
POINT()
RND(x) - Fast random number generator, will generate a value between
         1 and x, where x can have a max value of 255
RNDZ(x) - Fast random number generator, will generate a value between
        0 and x, where x can have a max value of 255
RNDL(x) - Large random number generator, will generate a value between
         1 and x, where x can have a max value of 32767
SGN()
STRTOFLOAT(A$) - Convert a string to a Floating Point variable
SQR()
VAL()
WPEEK()
```

# **String Commands it can handle**

CHR\$()

HEX\$()

**INKEY\$** 

LEFT\$()

MID\$()

RIGHT\$()

STR\$()

STRING\$()

# Logical operators it can handle

AND

OR

XOR

NOT

# **Math operators**

- +,-,\*,/, $^{\wedge}$ , MOD = remainder, DIVR same as / except the result is rounded to the nearest value. For compatibility it accepts \ as integer division (which is the same as /)

Command Descriptions: (work in progress)

**PALETTE** - Palette v,colour where v is the palette slot of 0 to 15 and colour is the colour value of 0 to 63

PLAYFIELD # - Used to set the Scrollable playfield mode. The # given must be an actual number and not a variable. Use the command line tool PGNtoCC3Playfield to convert a PNG to a file (or files) that can then be used with either LOADM, SDC\_LOADM or SDC\_BIGLOADM in your BASIC program to get the background playfield into memory.

### PLAYFIELD # — Scrollable Playfield Mode Selection

The PLAYFIELD # command sets the scrollable playfield mode in your BASIC program. The # must be a literal number, not a variable.

To create playfield graphics, use the command-line tool PGNtoCC3Playfield to convert a PNG into a file (or files). These can then be loaded into memory using one of the following commands in BASIC:

- LOADM
- SDC LOADM
- SDC\_BIGLOADM

Once loaded, the background playfield becomes scrollable according to the selected mode.

# Max Resolution	Min Resolution	Size Multiple
1 - 256 x 7872	256 x 192	not applicable x 64
2 - 512 x 3840	512 x 192	not applicable x 192
3 - 1024 x 1024	1024 x 256	not applicable x 256
4 - 4096 x 256	512 x 256	256 x not applicable
5 - 5120 x 192	512 x 192	256 x not applicable

**VIEW x,y** - Command to select where in the scrollable playfield you want to view. The x & y co-ordinates are the top left corner of a viewable window of the playfield.

#### **New Commands**

#### **New SDC commands:**

Besides using the new SDC\_LOADM and SDC\_SAVEM commands you can read and write to files and folders on the SD card installed in your CoCoSDC directly.

### SDC\_LOADM"FILENAME.BIN",#[,Offset]

Loads a machine language binary file into the computer from the SDC directly.

# is the file number 0 or 1

**Offset** is optional, if it's included this amount will be added to the original LOADM address.

### SDC\_SAVEM"FILENAME.BIN",#,Start,End,Exec

Saves a section of memory to the SDC directly

# is the file number 0 or 1

**Start** Address in memory to start copying from

**End** Address in memory to sop copying from

**Exec** Address where the program should start execution

Saves a section of memory to the SDC directly

# SDC\_BIGLOADM"FILENAME.BIN",#

Loads CoCo 3 Memory Blocks very fast. Useful for loading in background screens for games or other large amounts of data.

# is the file number 0 or 1

See the end of this document for the specs of this file format

# SDC OPEN"FILENAME.EXT","X",#

Opens file for Reading from or Writing to the SD card directly.

FILENAME.EXT - can be any 8 character filename with a 3 character extension

X - is either an R for Read or W for Write

# - is the file number to open. This must be either a 0 or a 1

# SDC\_CLOSE(#)

Closes the open file where # is 0 or 1

# SDC\_PUTBYTE0 x

Writes a single byte variable x to the open file 0

# SDC\_PUTBYTE1 x

Writes a single byte variable x to the open file 1

### x=SDC GETBYTE(#)

Reads a single byte from the open file number (0 or 1) and stores the value in variable x, auto increments so the next read will be the next byte in the file. Optionally use the SDC\_SETPOS() command to set the starting location in the file.

# - is the file number. This must be either a 0 or a 1

### SDC\_SETPOS(#,a,b,c,d)

Sets the position in the file to read.

# - is the file number (0 or 1)

a,b,c are the Logical sector number

(24 bit number of the 256 byte sectors)

a Most significant byte

**b** Mid significant byte

c Least significant byte

**d** The byte in the selected sector (zero based)

So if you wanted to get the byte 300 in the open file #1 you would use: **SDC\_SETPOS(1,0,0,1,43)** 

Points at the 300th byte

n=SDC\_GET(1)

n now has the value of the 300th byte, the next SDCGET(1) command will get the 301st byte and so on.

# A\$=SDC\_FILEINFO\$(#)

This will copy the 32 bytes of file info to a string variable such as A\$ the info can be useful for calculating the file size.

# is the file number either 0 or 1.

This is the layout of the bytes in the string:

1-8 File Name

9-11 Extension

12 Attr. bits: \$10=Directory, \$04=SDF Format, \$02=Hidden,

\$01=Locked

29-32 File Size in bytes (LSB first)

# x=SDC\_DELETE(A\$)

Delete a file or empty directory on the SDC

A\$ = variable with the full path to the empty directory or file you want delete.

Result in x where x is:

- 0 No Error
- 1 SDC busy too long
- 3 Path name is invalid
- 4 Miscellaneous hardware error
- 5 Target file or directory not found
- 6 Target directory is not empty

The next section are commands related to SD card directories

### x=SDC MKDIR(A\$)

Make a directory on the SDC

A\$ = variable with the full path to the directory you wish to make Result in x where x is:

- 0 No Error
- 1 SDC busy too long
- 3 Path is invalid
- 4 Miscellaneous hardware error
- 5 Parent directory not found
- 6 Name already in use

### x=SDC\_SETDIR(A\$)

Sets the directory on the SDC

**A\$** = variable with the full path to the directory you change to Result in x where x is:

- 0 No Error
- 1 SDC busy too long
- 3 Path is invalid
- 4 Miscellaneous hardware error
- 5 Target directory not found

# GET CURRENT DIRECTORY A\$=SDC GETCURDIR(0)

Retrieves information about the Current Directory for the SD card String variable A\$=Directory info string where the following bytes are:

1-8 Filename9-11 Extension12-31 Private

### x=SDC\_INITDIR(A\$)

First step to getting a directory listing. To get a directory you must first use this command to setup where and what to list on the directory.

**A\$** = variable to the full path name of the target directory. The final component of the path name should be a wildcard pattern that will be used to filter the list of returned items. Example:

A\$="MYDIR/\*.\*" - will list everything in MYDIR A\$="MYDIR/\*.TXT" - will list files ending with .TXT

Result in **x** where **x** is:

0 No Error

1 SDC busy too long

3 Path is invalid

4 Miscellaneous hardware error

5 Target directory not found

### SDC DIRPAGE A\$,B\$,x

Second step to getting a directory listing.

This command returns a 256 byte data block which is divided into 16 records of 16 bytes each. Each record describes one item. If there are not enough items to fill the entire page then unused records are filled with zeroes. You may continue to send commands for additional pages until a page containing at least one unused record is returned. Since the directory listing is 256 bytes and the max size of a string is 255 bytes. The listing is split into two string variables with 128 bytes of the directory each. The first variable **A\$** will get the the first 128 bytes and the second variable **B\$** will get the second 128 bytes of the directory listing.

Each entry is:

1-8 File Name

9-11 Extension

12 Attribute bits \$10=Directory, \$02 Hidden, \$01 Locked

13-16 Size in bytes (MSB first)

Result in x where x is:

0 No Error

1 SDC busy too long

4 Listing has not been initiated or already reached the end of a listing

### SDC commands used for audio playback

SDC\_PLAY
 Playback mono audio samples at 44.75 kHz
 Playback stereo audio samples at 22.375 kHz

**SDC\_PLAY** - Playback an audio file directly stored on the SDC output through the CoCo directly.

Usage: SDC\_PLAY"MYAUDIO.RAW", #
# is the file number 0 or 1

While the sample is playing you can press the BREAK key to stop it.

In order for you to get your audio sample in the correct format to be played back you'll need to prepare your audio samples and put them on the SD card. The format for the raw audio file that will be played is mono 8 bits unsigned. To convert any sound file or even the audio from a video file to the correct format used with the SDCPLAY command use FFMPEG and the following command:

ffmpeg -i source\_audio.mp3 -acodec pcm\_u8 -f u8 -ac 1 -ar 44750 -af aresample=44750:filter\_size=256:cutoff=1.0 MYAUDIO.RAW

**SDC\_PLAYORCL** & **SDC\_PLAYORCR** use the same audio format as the regular SDC\_PLAY command except the output is sent to the Orchestra90/ **COCOFLASH** Left or Right speaker.

If you want to stream 8 bit stereo sound from your CoCo to the COCOFLASH/Orchestra90 use the command:

SDC\_PLAYORCS"MYSAMPLE.RAW" where the sample

MYSAMPLE.RAW is stored on the SD card in your SDC Controller. It can be created with the FFMPEG command below:

ffmpeg -i source\_audio.mp3 -acodec pcm\_u8 -f u8 -ac 2 -ar 22375 -af aresample=22375:filter size=256:cutoff=1.0 MYSAMPLE.RAW

# **New Floating Point Commands**

One of the things that makes a compiler so fast is that it uses integer math. If you must use floating point math and you don't mind the slowdown in speed you can use the following commands.

```
- Floating Point ADD
FLOATADD (FP X, FP Y)
                       - Floating Point ATAN
FLOATATAN (FP Y)
FLOATCOS (FP_Y) - Floating Point COS
FLOATDIV (FP_X, FP_Y) - Floating Point DIV
                       - Floating Point EXP
FLOATEXP (FP X)
FLOATLOG (FP_X) - Floating Point LOG
FLOATMUL (FP_X, FP_Y) - Floating Point MUL
                    - Floating Point SIN
FLOATSIN (FP X)
                 - Floating Point SQR
FLOATSQR (FP Y)
FLOATSUB (FP_X, FP_Y) - Floating Point SUB
FLOATTAN (FP X) - Floating Point TAN
```

# **New Floating Point String conversion commands:**

```
FLOATTOSTR$ (FP_A) - Floating Point number to a string STRTOFLOAT (A$) - Convert a string to a Floating Point variable
```

# **New Floating Point Comparison commands:**

```
    CMPGT (FP_A, FP_B) - Floating Point Compare if Greater Than
    CMPGE (FP_A, FP_B) - Floating Point Compare if Greater Than or Equal
    CMPEQ (FP_A, FP_B) - Floating Point Compare if Equal
    CMPLE (FP_A, FP_B) - Floating Point Compare if Not Equal
    CMPLE (FP_A, FP_B) - Floating Point Compare if Less Than or Equal
    CMPLT (FP A, FP B) - Floating Point Compare if Less Than
```

In order to use floating point variables you must prefix the variable name with "**FP**\_" for example:

FP X=FLOATSQR(12.33452)

FP\_X will now equal 3.51205353

FP Var5=100.12345

FP\_X and a variable named X are different variables. X will be a signed 16 bit integer and FP\_X is a floating point number.

Variable conversions can only be done directly as a single command You cannot do FP functions assigned directly to a signed integer variable: **X=FLOATMUL** (100, 0.100912345)

You must do it in two steps, first use a floating point variable with the the math function as

FP Var5=FLOATMUL(100,0.100912345)

Results FP Var5 = 100.912345

Then copy the floating point number to the signed integer variable as **X=FP Var5** 

Now  $\overline{X}$  will equal 101 (rounding is done)

You can assign a FP number directly to a signed int as:

x=100.912345 then X will equal 101 (rounding is done)

**x=FP\_var1** then X will equal the signed integer value of the floating point variable FP\_Var1

 $C(3,6) = FP_var2$  then the array C(3,6) will equal the signed integer value of the floating point variable  $FP_var2$ 

Conversion from signed integers to FP variables can be done directly as FP Var1=X

If you want to assign an equation of signed ints to a floating point variable it must be done with the  ${\tt INT}$  () command

```
FP Var1=INT(X*32+Y/5)
```

Input values of the commands can be any of the following:

- A floating point variable such as FP\_MyFloatVariable1 as
   FP\_Var2=FLOATADD (FP\_MyFloatVariable1, FP\_Var1)
- A floating point number such as 100.352 as:

```
FP_Var2=FLOATADD(FP_Var1,100.352)
```

- A regular 16 bit signed variable, must use INT() as:

```
FP Var2=FLOATADD(FP Var1,INT(X))
```

- A regular 16 bit signed expression, must use INT() as:

```
FP_Var2=FLOATADD(INT(X*23+F),FP_Var1)
```

You can not do complicated equations with floating point math directly. You must do the equation in steps.

Example, if you wanted to do FP\_Var1=FP\_Var2\*55.234+63.56\*X You would need to do this as:

```
FP_Temp1=FLOATMUL(FP_Var2,55.234)
FP_Temp2=FLOATMUL(63.56,INT(X))
FP_Var1=FLOATADD(FP_Temp1,FP_Temp2)
```

To convert user input to a floating point number it must be in a string variable and converted to a floating point number with the command **STRTOFLOAT (A\$)** useful for converting user input into float values.

```
INPUT"ENTER A NUMBER"; N$
FP_Var1=STRTOFLOAT(N$)
```

```
To do comparisons with Floating point numbers you must use one of:

CMPGT (FP_A,FP_B) - Floating Point Compare if Greater Than

CMPGE (FP_A,FP_B) - Floating Point Compare if Greater Than or Equal

CMPEQ (FP_A,FP_B) - Floating Point Compare if Equal

CMPNE (FP_A,FP_B) - Floating Point Compare if Not Equal

CMPLE (FP_A,FP_B) - Floating Point Compare if Less Than or Equal

CMPLT (FP_A,FP_B) - Floating Point Compare if Less Than

Example:

IF CMPGT (FP_Var1,VP_Var6) THEN ?"VP_Var1 is > VP_Var6"
```

These special comparisons must be done on their own after the IF statement. Anything after the first CMPxx(,) will be ignored. If you wanted to do:

```
IF CMPGT(FP_Var1,VP_Var6) AND A=B THEN ....
You must break it down to:
IF CMPGT(FP_Var1,VP_Var6) THEN IF A=B THEN ...
Another example:
IF CMPGT(FP_Var1,VP_Var6) OR A=B THEN ....
You must break it down to:
IF CMPGT(FP_Var1,VP_Var6) THEN IF A=B THEN ... ELSE IF A=B THEN ...
```

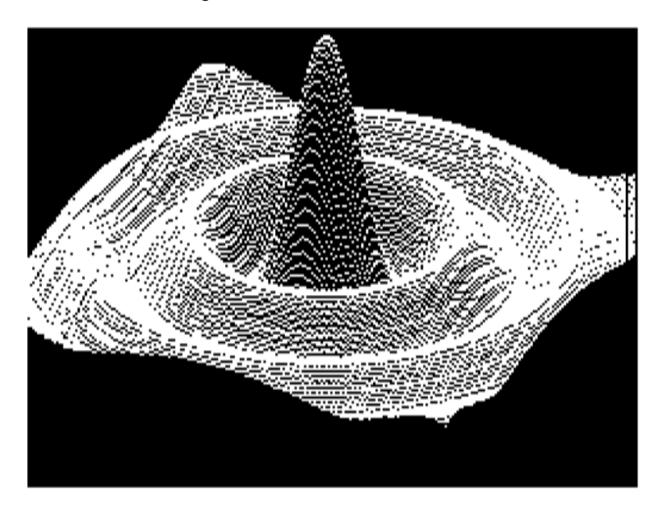
# Other Floating Point info and a real world example

Printing of floating point numbers directly will display a kind of broken scientific version of the floating point number on screen. You can use the function **FLOATTOSTR\$** (**FP\_A**) Which cleanly formats a Floating Point number to a string which you can then print on screen. Although the number is still going to display in scientific notation.

You can use the code below to show floating point numbers formatted as normal numbers. The variable V\$ can be manipulated as you want with regular string commands like MID\$ to format the string as you want for your program.

```
FP C=FLOATMUL(-234.54321,234.54321)
FP$=FLOATTOSTR$(FP C)
' Get the sign of the number
S$=LEFT$ (FP$,1)
' Get the numbers without the decimal
N\$=MID\$(FP\$,2,1)+MID\$(FP\$,4,8)
' Get the Exponent + 1
E=VAL (RIGHT$ (FP$, 3))+1
SELECT CASE E
    CASE IS <1
        V$=S$+"0."+STRING$(-E,"0")+N$
    CASE 1 TO 8
        V$=S$+LEFT$ (N$,E)+"."+RIGHT$ (N$,9-E)
        V$=S$+N$+STRING$(E-9,"0")
End Select
?"FP$=";FP$
?"V$=";V$
Output is:
FP$=-5.50105174E+04
V$=-55010.5174
```

This is a tweaked version of <u>James Diffendaffer's 3D plot program</u> that I converted from working on a CoCo 3 to work on a CoCo 1 & 2



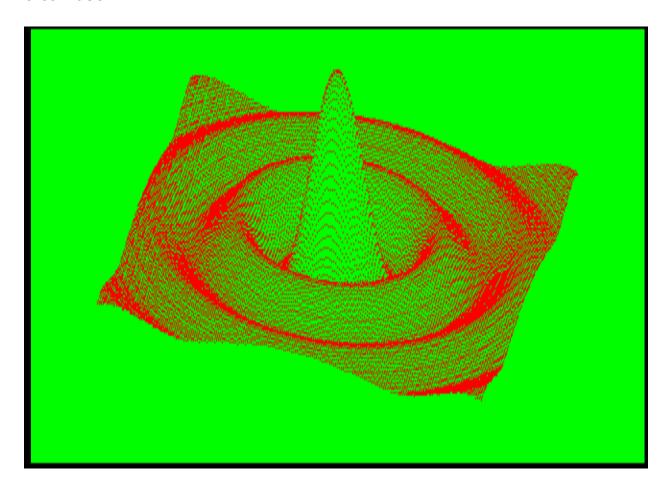
# Original program:

```
0 CX=250:CY=192:PMODE 4,1:PCLS:SCREEN 1,1
1 DIM R(250):FOR I=0 TO CX:R(I)=CY:NEXT I:GOTO 10
2 R=SQR(X*X+Y*Y)*1.5: IF R=0 THEN F=90:GOTO 4
3 F=90*SIN(R)/R
4 A=10*X+125-5*Y:B=5*Y+2.5*X+93:RETURN
10 FOR Y=10 TO -10 STEP -0.1
70 FOR X=10 TO -10 STEP -0.1
80 GOSUB 2
82 IF A<0 THEN A=0
83 IF A>255 then A=255
84 IF R(A)>B-F THEN R(A)=B-F:PSET(A,B-F)
90 NEXT X,Y
101 GOTO 101
```

Below is a version of the same program but ready to be compiled with the new floating point commands. Note that you can't use floating point numbers with the FOR NEXT commands so this is a work around.

```
0 CX=250:CY=192:GMODE 16,1:GCLS:SCREEN 1,1
1 DIM R(250):FOR I=0 TO CX:R(I)=CY:NEXT I:GOTO 10
2 'R=SOR(X*X+Y*Y)*1.5: IF R=0 THEN F=90:GOT0 4
FP_Temp1=FLOATMUL(FP_X,FP_X)
FP Temp2=FLOATMUL(FP Y,FP Y)
FP_Temp1=FLOATADD(FP_Temp1,FP_Temp2)
FP_R=FLOATSQR(FP_Temp1)
FP R=FLOATMUL(FP R,1.5)
IF CMPEQ(FP R,0) THEN FP F=90:GOTO 4
3 \text{ '}F=90*SIN(R)/R
FP Temp1=FLOATSIN(FP R)
FP Temp1=FLOATMUL(90,FP Temp1)
FP F=FLOATDIV(FP Temp1,FP R)
F=FP F
4 'A=10*X+125-5*Y:B=5*Y+2.5*X+93:RETURN
FP Temp1=FLOATMUL(10,FP X)
FP Temp2=FLOATMUL(5,FP Y)
FP A=FLOATADD(FP Temp1,125)
FP A=FLOATSUB(FP A,FP Temp2)
A=FP A
FP Temp1=FLOATMUL(5,FP Y)
FP Temp2=FLOATMUL(2.5,FP X)
FP_B=FLOATADD(FP_Temp1,FP_Temp2)
FP B=FLOATADD(FP B.93)
B=FP B
RETURN
10 FOR Y=100 TO -100 STEP -1
70 FOR X=100 TO -100 STEP -1
FP Y=FLOATDIV(INT(Y),10)
FP X=FLOATDIV(INT(X),10)
80 GOSUB 2
82 \text{ IF A} < 0 \text{ THEN A} = 0
83 IF A>255 then A=255
90 NEXT X,Y
101 GOTO 101
```

This is the same program scaled for the highest resolution screen a CoCo 3 can use.



```
0 CX=640:CY=224:GMODE 156,1:GCLS:SCREEN 1,1
1 DIM R(640):FOR I=0 TO CX:R(I)=CY:NEXT I:GOTO 10
2 'R=SQR(X*X+Y*Y)*1.5: IF R=0 THEN F=90:GOTO 4
FP_Temp1=FLOATMUL(FP_X,FP_X)
FP_Temp2=FLOATMUL(FP_Y,FP_Y)
FP_Temp1=FLOATADD(FP_Temp1,FP_Temp2)
FP_R=FLOATSQR(FP_Temp1)
FP_R=FLOATMUL(FP_R,1.5)
IF CMPEQ(FP_R,0) THEN FP_F=90:GOTO 4
3 'F=90*SIN(R)/R
FP_Temp1=FLOATSIN(FP_R)
FP_Temp1=FLOATMUL(90,FP_Temp1)
FP_F=FLOATDIV(FP_Temp1,FP_R)
F=FP_F
4 'A=10*X+125-5*Y:B=5*Y+2.5*X+93:RETURN
```

```
'A=20*X+319-5*Y:B=5.895*Y+2.5*X+111:RETURN
FP_Temp1=FLOATMUL(20,FP_X)
FP Temp2=FLOATMUL(5,FP Y)
FP_A=FLOATADD(FP_Temp1,319)
FP_A=FLOATSUB(FP_A,FP_Temp2)
A=FP A
FP Temp1=FLOATMUL(5.895,FP Y)
FP Temp2=FLOATMUL(2.5,FP X)
FP_B=FLOATADD(FP_Temp1,FP_Temp2)
FP B=FLOATADD(FP B,111)
B=FP B
RETURN
10 FOR Y=100 TO -100 STEP -1
70 FOR X=100 TO -100 STEP -1
FP_Y=FLOATDIV(INT(Y),10)
FP X=FLOATDIV(INT(X),10)
80 GOSUB 2
82 IF A<0 THEN A=0
83 IF A>639 then A=639
84 IF R(A)>B-F THEN R(\overline{A})=B-F:SET(A,B-F,1)
90 NEXT X,Y
101 GOTO 101
```

## **New Graphics commands:**

## **GMODE ModeNumber, Graphics Page**

Selects the graphics screen and the graphics page.

ModeNumber is the graphics mode you want to use

GraphicsPage is the Page you want to show/use for your graphics commands

To see a list of ModeNumbers and the resolutions **go here**\*\*Special note the **ModeNumber** must be an actual number and cannot be a variable as the compiler needs to know exactly which graphic mode commands need to be included at compile time.

### **GraphicsPage** can be a variable.

If you are going to use Graphic pages, the compiler needs to know how many pages to reserve in RAM (for CoCo 1 & 2 graphics). So you must have a GMODE #,MaxPages entry at the beginning of your BASIC program. Where the value of MaxPages will be an actual number and not a variable.

\* Special note if you are going to use GMODE 160 to 165 (the special NTSC composite 256 colour modes). When the compiler comes across the first GMODE command with the values of 160 to 165 it will automatically set the palette to the following values:

Palette 0,0 'xx000000 Palette 1,16 'xx010000 Palette 2,22 'xx100000

Palette 2,32 ' xx100000

**Palette** 3,48 ' xx110000

#### GCLS#

Colour the graphics screen # is the colour value you want the screen to be coloured

# GCOPY SourcePage, DestinationPage

Makes a copy the Source graphics page to the Destination graphics page.

SourcePage - Source graphics page

DestinationPage - Destination graphics page

### SET(x,y,Colour)

Sets a pixel on the screen

x,y - Screen location of the pixel to be drawn

Colour - Colour Number of the pixel to be drawn

## POINT(x,y)

Returns the colour value of the pixel selected

x,y - Screen location of the pixel value requested

# LINE(x0,y0)-(x1,y1),Colour[,B][F]

x0,y0 - Starting location

**x1,y1** - Ending location

Colour - Colour of the Line or Box to draw

**B** - Draw a Box

**F** - Fill the Box

## PAINT(x,y),OldColour,FillColour

Fills the old colour value with the fill colour value which must also be the border colour of the section you are painting

x,y - Starting location

OldColour - Colour Number

FillColour - Colour Number

# CIRCLE(x,y),Radius,Colour

Draws a circle on the screen

x,y - Origin of the circle

Radius - Size of the circle, to keep the aspect ratio close to round Some of the graphics modes use scaling so the Radius isn't always a count of actual pixel values.

Colour - Colour Number of the circle to draw

#### **PALETTE** v,Colour

Sets the CoCo 3 Palette value

v -palette slot of 0 to 15

Colour - Colour value of 0 to 63

DRAW, GET & PUT commands are not yet available

# CoCo 1 & 2 Graphic Modes

GMODE #	Resolution	Colours	Bytes Per Screen	Mode Name
0	32 x 16	9	512	Internal alphanumeric
1		2		•
•	32 x 16		512	External alphanumeric
2	32 x 16	9	512	Semi graphic-4
3	64 x 32	9	2048	Semi graphic-8
4	64 x 48	9	512	Semi graphic-6
5	64 x 48	9	3072	Semi graphic-12
6	64 x 64	9	2048	Semi graphic-8
7	64 x 96	9	3072	Semi graphic-12
8	64 x 192	9	6144	Semi graphic-24
9	64 x 64	4	1024	Full graphic 1-C
10	128 x 64	2	1024	Full graphic 1-R
11	128 x 64	4	2048	Full graphic 2-C
12	128 x 96	2	1536	Full graphic 2-R
13	128 x 96	4	3072	Full graphic 3-C
14	128 x 192	2	3072	Full graphic 3-R
15	128 x 192	4	6144	Full graphic 6-C
16	256 x 192	2	6144	Full graphic 6-R
17			6144	Direct memory access

# CoCo 3 Graphic Modes

GMODE#	Resolution	Colours	Bytes Per Screen
100	64 x 192	4	3200
101	64 x 200	4	3200
102	64 x 225	4	3600
103	64 x 192	16	6144
104	64 x 200	16	6400
105	64 x 225	16	7200

106	80 x 192	4	3840	
107	80 x 200	4	4000	
108	80 x 225	4	4500	
109	80 x 192	16	7680	
110	80 x 200	16	8000	
111	80 x 225	16	9000	
112	128 x 192	2	3072	
113	128 x 200	2	3200	
114	128 x 225	2	3600	
115	128 x 192	4	6144	
116	128 x 200	4	6400	
117	128 x 225	4	7200	
118	128 x 192	16	12288	
119	128 x 200	16	12800	
120	128 x 225	16	14400	
121	160 x 192*	2	3840	
*(viewable) really 128x192, * Special mode that repeats the left 4 bytes on the right side of the screen				
122	160 x 200*	2	4000	
*(viewable) really 128x192, * Special mode that repeats the left 4 bytes on the right side of the screen				
123	160 x 225*	2	4500	
*(viewable) really 128x192, * Special mode that repeats the left 4 bytes on the right side of the screen				
124	160 x 192	4	7680	
125	160 x 200	4	8000	
126	160 x 225	4	9000	
127	160 x 192	16	15360	
128	160 x 200	16	16000	
129	160 x 225	16	18000	
130	256 x 192	2	6144	

131	256 x 200	2	6400
132	256 x 225	2	7200
133	256 x 192	4	12288
134	256 x 200	4	12800
135	256 x 225	4	14400
136	256 x 192	16	24576
137	256 x 200	16	25600
138	256 x 225	16	28800
139	320 x 192	2	7680
140	320 x 200	2	8000
141	320 x 225	2	9000
142	320 x 192	4	15360
143	320 x 200	4	16000
144	320 x 225	4	18000
145	320 x 192	16	30720
146	320 x 200	16	32000
147	320 x 225	16	36000
148	512 x 192	2	12288
149	512 x 200	2	12800
150	512 x 225	2	14400
151	512 x 192	4	24576
152	512 x 200	4	25600
153	512 x 225	4	28800
154	640 x 192	2	15360
155	640 x 200	2	16000
156	640 x 225	2	18000
157	640 x 192	4	30720
158	640 x 200	4	32000
159	640 x 225	4	36000
160*	128 x 192	256	24576
161*	128 x 200	256	25600
162*	128 x 225	256	28800

163*	160 x 192	256	30720
164*	160 x 200	256	32000
165*	160 x 225	256	36000

<sup>\*</sup> These modes are NTSC composite CoCo 3 output only

#### **GET** dimension size calculation

To calculate the size of the array space for your GET/PUT buffer use the following formula:

First dimension in the array is calculated with this formula: (INT(Width in pixels/8)+3)\*8

Second dimension in the array is simply the number of rows in your sprite

For example, if you have a sprite that is 15 pixels wide and 9 rows high such as:

GET(0,0)-(14,8),Sprite1,G The calculation for the needed space is: (INT(15/8)+3)\*8 = 32

The DIM command for this array would be: DIM Sprite1(32,9)

\*\*\* If the calculated value for the first dimension of your GET buffer array is larger than 254 you will need to use these values for your array (INT(Width in pixels/8)+3) \* 4 , Height in Pixels \* 2

GET(0,0)-(255,3),Sprite1,G The calculation for the needed space is: (INT(256/8)+3)\*4 = 140, 4\*2=8

The DIM command for this array would be: DIM Sprite1(140,8)

The reason so much space is needed for the GET buffer is because the GET command preprocesses the sprite data and saves bit shifted versions in the array space that are ready to be PUT on the screen as fast as possible. This means sprites will be just as fast on a byte boundary as it is on any other pixel.

# **Limitations of the Compiler**

- Other than support for LOADM it can't handle Disk access. But you can access the CoCoSDC for many disk type functions. <u>See here for more</u> <u>info</u>
- CIRCLE command can only draw complete circles, you can't squeeze them or draw an arc

# **Error Handling**

If your program isn't compiling, a lot of the times it's because the compiler is having a hard time parsing the program. Usually making sure you have spaces between commands and variables and operators and variables.

You can sometimes figure out what is causing the problem from the error message and line number given where the compiler found the problem. If you don't use line numbers in your program then the error message won't be able to give you the correct line the error occurred.

Also looking at the end of the actual .asm file it created might help to see what the compiler is trying to parse and failed.

### Specsifications:

0 & 1

## SDC\_BIGLOADM"FILENAME.BIN",#

Loads CoCo 3 Memory Blocks very fast. Useful for loading in background screens for games or other large amounts of data. # is the file number 0 or 1

This command loads complete \$2000 byte blocks into the CoCo 3's memory. The format of this file is written in 512 byte chunks, as the SDC streaming mode reads file data 512 bytes at a time. Chunk 0 is the header/Memory Mapping Chunk:

Bytes

File version #
Version 1 is the only supported version to date

2 & 3 Is the 16 bit number of the first bank to load

x & x+1 Is the 16 bit number of the next bank to load and so on until we get a \$FFFF

If we reach a \$FFFF this signifies we've copied the last block and are done.

512 & 513 Chunk 1 - This is the actual first word of data for the first block This contains \$2000 bytes of data, the next \$2000 bytes will be the data for the 2nd bank number given in the memory mapping Chunk and will continue with \$2000 bytes of data for all the rest of the banks given in the memory map Chunk.

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