

# Using Palm OS<sup>®</sup> Emulator

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# About This **Document**

*Using Palm OS® Emulator* provides you with conceptual, guidance and reference information on how you can use Palm OS Emulator to test your Palm OS applications.

#### Who Should Read This Book

If you are a Palm OS application developer, whether you are writing your first Palm OS application or you are an experienced Palm OS application developer, then this book is for you. Palm OS Emulator is a valuable tool for testing and debugging Palm OS applications.

In most cases, you will need to download ROM images for Palm OS Emulator from the Palm OS Developer Program's Resource Pavilion. As a result, you should join the Palm OS Developer Program. For more information, see "Loading ROM Images" on page 8.

#### What This Book Contains

This book starts with a general overview of Palm OS Emulator, and continues with detailed procedural and reference information that describes how to use Emulator to test your Palm OS applications. It contains the following chapters:

- Chapter 1, "Understanding Palm OS Emulator Concepts," on page 1 provides a conceptual overview of Palm OS Emulator.
- Chapter 2, "Installing Palm OS Emulator," on page 5 describes what you need to do to get Palm OS Emulator installed and ready to use on your desktop computer.
- Chapter 3, "Running Palm OS Emulator," on page 15 describes how to customize and use emulation sessions.

- Chapter 4, "Palm OS Emulator User Interface Summary," on page 41 provides a reference for Emulator's command menus and keyboard input functions.
- Chapter 5, "Testing Applications Using Palm OS Emulator," on page 51 describes how to use Palm OS Emulator to test and debug programs you have written for Palm OS.
- Chapter 6, "Palm OS Emulator Error Handling," on page 75 provides details about Emulator's error handling and reporting features.
- Chapter 7, "Palm OS Emulator Advanced Topics," on page 91 describes how to use Emulator skin files, how to create a demonstration version of your application, and discusses how you can send commands to Emulator.
- <u>Chapter 8</u>, "<u>Host Control API Reference</u>," on page 103 describes the host control API, which provides functions that an emulated application can use to call into Palm OS Emulator for certain services.
- Chapter 9, "Debugger Protocol Reference," on page 169 describes the API for sending commands and responses between a debugging host, such as Palm Debugger, and a debugging target, which can be a Palm Powered<sup>™</sup> handheld ROM or an emulator program such as Palm OS Emulator.
- Palm OS Emulator monitors applications for direct structure accesses. Appendix A, "Structure Access Notifications," on page 199 lists the conditions for when Emulator does not notify you of structure accesses.
- Emulator also monitors any application use of Palm OS system traps. Appendix B, "Unsupported Traps," on page 207 lists the traps that will not be supported in future Palm OS releases.

#### Palm OS SDK Documentation

The following documents, which are part of the Palm OS Software Development Kit documentation set, will also be useful when you are developing and testing Palm OS applications.

Document	Description
Palm OS Programmer's API Reference	An API reference document that contains descriptions of all Palm OS function calls and important data structures.
Palm OS Programmer's Companion, vol. I and Palm OS Programmer's Companion, vol. II, Communications	A guide to application programming for the Palm OS. These volumes contain conceptual and "how-to" information that complements <i>Palm OS Programmer's API Reference</i> .
Palm OS Programming Development Tools Guide	A guide to the tools that can be used to develop, test, and debug Palm OS applications: Palm Simulator, Palm Debugger, Palm Reporter, console window, and resource overlay tools.
Constructor for Palm OS	A guide describing how to use Constructor for Palm OS to build graphical user interfaces for Palm OS applications.
Palm File Format Specification	Data layout specifications of installable files (PRC), databases (PDB), and webclipping applications (PQA).

# **Additional Resources**

Documentation

PalmSource publishes its latest versions of this and other documents for Palm OS developers at

http://www.palmos.com/dev/support/docs/

Training

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http://www.palmos.com/dev/training

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The Knowledge Base is a fast, web-based database of technical information. Search for frequently asked questions

(FAQs), sample code, white papers, and the development documentation at

http://www.palmos.com/dev/support/kb/

#### What's New for Palm OS Emulator 3.5

- Support for Palm m125, Palm m130, Palm515, and Palm i705.
- Support for HandEra TRGpro and HandEra 330.
- Allow access to UI data structures in support of PalmOSGlue. See <u>Appendix A</u>, "<u>Structure Access</u> Notifications," on page 199 for more information.

### What's New for Palm OS Emulator 3.4

- Common, cross-platform dialog boxes.
- Support for multiple file selection in the Install Application dialog box.
- New preferences for control skin appearance.
- Detection of direct structure access.
- Detection of memory leaks.
- Detection of Overlay Manager errors.
- Enhanced support for processing when errors and warnings occur.
- Gremlin minimization function, including new Palm OS event files.
- Host Control API functions HostDbgClearDataBreak, HostDbgSetDataBreak, HostImportFileWithID, and HostSessionSave.

# Understanding Palm **OS Emulator Concepts**

This chapter describes Palm OS® Emulator and provides overview information on how you can use it to test and debug programs you have written for Palm OS.

This edition covers Palm OS Emulator 3.5.

**Note:** Palm OS Emulator has previously been referred to as POSE or Poser. The name Palm OS Emulator is used throughout this book and in new versions of other PalmSource documentation. In this book, Emulator is sometimes used as an abbreviated form of Palm OS Emulator.

- "About Palm OS Emulator" on page 1
- "Feature Overview" on page 2
- "Getting Help with Palm OS Emulator" on page 4

#### About Palm OS Emulator

Palm OS Emulator is a hardware emulator program for the Palm Powered<sup>™</sup> platform, which means that it emulates the Palm hardware in software, providing you with the ability to test and debug Palm OS software on a Macintosh, Unix, or Windows-based desktop computer.

When you run a Palm OS application with Palm OS Emulator on your desktop computer, Palm OS Emulator fetches instructions, updates the handheld screen display, works with special registers, and handles interrupts in exactly the same manner as does the processor inside of Palm Powered handhelds. The difference is that Palm OS Emulator executes these instructions in software on your desktop computer.

#### **Feature Overview**

Palm OS Emulator displays an on-screen image that looks exactly like a Palm Powered handheld, as shown in <u>Figure 1.1</u>.



Figure 1.1 Palm OS Emulator display

You can select which type of Palm Powered handheld you want to emulate. You can also specify whether you want Palm OS Emulator to display the screen in double size, which continues to provide an accurate representation and makes the Palm screen easier to view.

You can use the mouse on your desktop computer just as you use the stylus on a Palm Powered handheld. You can even use the Graffiti® 2 power writing software with Palm OS Emulator and your mouse. And Palm OS Emulator includes additional keyboard shortcuts that you can use on your desktop computer.

You can use Palm OS Emulator to perform some debugging of your applications, and you can use Emulator with external debug tools to perform extensive debugging of your applications. When you connect Emulator with Palm Debugger, you can debug in exactly the same manner as debugging with your application running on an

actual hardware handheld. For more information about Palm Debugger, see Palm OS Programming Development Tools Guide.

#### Standard Handheld Features

Palm OS Emulator accurately emulates Palm Powered hardware, and includes the following features:

- an exact replica of the Palm Powered handheld display, including the input area and its surrounding icons
- emulation of the Palm stylus with the desktop computer pointing device (mouse)
- emulation of the Palm Powered handheld hardware buttons, including:
  - power on/off button
  - application buttons
  - up and down buttons
  - reset button
  - HotSync® button
- ability to zoom the display for enhanced readability and presentation
- screen backlighting
- communications port emulation for modem communications and synchronizing

#### **Extended Emulation Features**

Palm OS Emulator also provides the following capabilities on your desktop computer that extend the standard Palm Powered handheld interface.

- ability to enter text with the desktop computer
- configurable memory size, up to 16 MB

#### **Debugging Features**

Palm OS Emulator provides a large number of debugging features that help you to detect coding problems and unsafe application operations. Palm OS Emulator includes the following debugging features and capabilities:

- use of an automated test facility called Gremlins, which repeatedly generates random events
- support for external debuggers, including Palm Debugger, the Metrowerks CodeWarrior debugger, and gdb
- monitoring of application actions, including various memory access and memory block activities
- logging of application activities, including events handled, functions called, and CPU opcodes executed by the application
- profiling of application performance

### **Getting Help with Palm OS Emulator**

Palm OS Emulator is constantly evolving, and PalmSource is always interested in hearing your comments and suggestions.

PalmSource provides a forum (emulator-forum@news.palmos.com) for questions and comments about Palm OS Emulator. To subscribe to the forum, see:

http://www.palmos.com/dev/support/forums/

You can get the latest information about Palm OS Emulator in the PalmSource developer zone on the Internet:

http://www.palmos.com/dev/

Note: The source code for Palm OS Emulator is available at:

http://www.palmos.com/dev/tools/emulator/

You can create your own emulator by modifying this source code.

# Installing Palm OS **Emulator**

This chapter describes what you need to do to get Palm OS® Emulator installed and ready to use on your desktop machine.

- "Prerequisites" on page 5
- "Downloading Palm OS Emulator" on page 6
- "Versions of Palm OS Emulator" on page 7
- "<u>Loading ROM Images</u>" on page 8
- "Using a ROM Image in Palm OS Emulator" on page 12

### **Prerequisites**

This section describes the software you need to use Palm OS Emulator.

#### Palm OS Emulator Runtime Requirements

Palm OS Emulator requires one of the following runtime environments:

- A 32-bit Windows platform: either Windows 95, Windows 98, Windows NT, Windows ME, Windows 2000, or Windows XP. Emulator is a multi-threaded 32-bit program. It does not run on Windows 3.1, even with Win32s installed.
- MacOS 8.6 or later with Carbon 1.2.5 or later
- Unix: some versions, including Linux

#### **Using ROM Images**

To run Palm OS Emulator, you need to transfer a ROM image to it. The ROM image contains all of the code used for a specific version of the Palm OS. You can obtain ROM images for different Palm OS versions from the Palm OS Resource Pavilion, or you can tell Palm OS Emulator to download the ROM from a handheld that has been placed in the handheld cradle and connected to the desktop computer. For more information about transferring a ROM image to Palm OS Emulator, see "Loading ROM Images" on page 8.

When you download ROM images from the Palm OS Resource Pavilion, you can also obtain debug ROM images. Debug ROM images contain additional error checking and reporting functions that can help you debug Palm OS applications.

For more information about testing and debugging applications with Palm OS Emulator, see "<u>Testing Applications Using Palm OS Emulator</u>" on page 51.

### **Downloading Palm OS Emulator**

The most recent released version of Palm OS Emulator for Macintosh, Windows, and Unix is always posted on the Internet in the PalmSource developer zone:

#### http://www.palmos.com/dev

Follow the links from the developer zone main page to the Emulator page to retrieve the released version of Emulator. If you want to test-drive the version of Palm OS Emulator that is currently under development, follow links from the developer zone page to the Emulator seed page.

The Palm OS Emulator package that you download includes the files shown in Table 2.1.

**Note:** For the Unix version of Palm OS Emulator, the source code is provided rather than the executables listed in the table below.

Table 2.1 Files Included in the Palm OS Emulator Package

File name	Description
• Emulator.exe (Windows)	Main Palm OS Emulator executable
<ul><li>Palm OS Emulator (Macintosh)</li></ul>	
• Emulator_Profile.exe (Windows)	Palm OS Emulator with added profiling facilities
<ul> <li>Palm OS Emulator - Profile (Macintosh)</li> </ul>	
Docs (directory)	Palm OS Emulator documents, including:
	<ul> <li>_ReadMe.txt, which describes the files in the Docs directory</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>_News.txt, which describes changes in the most recent version</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>_OldNews.txt, which describes previous version changes</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>_Building.txt, which describes how to build Emulator executables</li> </ul>
• ROM Transfer.prc (Windows, Macintosh)	Palm OS application used to transfer the ROM image from your handheld to your
• ROM_Transfer.prc (Unix)	desktop.
HostControl.h	C/C++ header file declaring functions that can be used to control Palm OS Emulator. For more information about the Host Control API, see Chapter 8, "Host Control API Reference."

### **Versions of Palm OS Emulator**

Each released version of Palm OS Emulator has a version number that uses the following scheme:

<majorVers>.<minorVers>

Each field has the following semantics:

majorVers The major version number.
minorVers The minor version number.

#### **Profile Versions**

Palm OS Emulator includes a profile version, which has the word profile appended to the program name. The profile version adds the ability to perform selective profiling of your program's execution, and to save the results to a file.

The code required to add profiling capability slows down your application, even when you are not using profiling. That means that you are better off using the non-profiling version of Palm OS Emulator if you don't expect to use the profiling capabilities.

For more information about profiling with Palm OS Emulator, see "Profiling Your Code" on page 72.

### **Loading ROM Images**

Because Palm OS Emulator emulates the Palm Powered<sup>™</sup> hardware, all components of the hardware must be present. This includes a ROM image file, which is not shipped with the Emulator. There are two ways to obtain a ROM image:

- download a ROM image from the Palm OS Resource Pavilion
- transfer a ROM image from a handheld

# Downloading a ROM Image Obtained from PalmSource

To download a debug ROM image from PalmSource, see:

http://www.palmos.com/dev

The ROM image files are found in the Resource Pavilion.

The Resource Pavilion is an area for developers who have registered as members of the Palm OS Developer Program. You can find instructions for joining the Palm OS Developer Program at the developer site.

#### Transferring a ROM Image from a Handheld

To transfer a ROM image from a handheld, follow these steps:

- 1. Install the Palm OS application named ROM Transfer.prc on your handheld. You can use the Install program in the Palm Desktop organizer software and then synchronize with the handheld to install this program.
- 2. Place the handheld in the HotSync® cradle that is connected to your desktop computer.
- 3. Follow the steps in the appropriate section below.

#### Transferring a ROM File in Windows

This section describes how to transfer a ROM image from a handheld on a Windows-based desktop computer. Before proceeding, you must have the ROM Transfer.prc program installed on the handheld, as described in the previous section.

If you are running the program for the first time, Palm OS Emulator presents the Startup dialog box shown in Figure 2.1. Click **Download** to begin the transfer of a ROM image from a handheld.

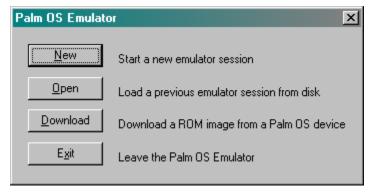


Figure 2.1 Palm OS Emulator Startup Dialog Box

If you are not running Palm OS Emulator for the first time, it usually restarts the session that you most recently ran, as described in "Palm OS Emulator Start Up" on page 21.

To transfer a new ROM image for Palm OS Emulator to use, you can right-click on the Palm OS Emulator display (the Palm Powered handheld image) and select **Transfer ROM**.

Palm OS Emulator opens a Transfer ROM dialog box that will guide you through the process.

#### Transferring a ROM File on a Macintosh

This section describes how to transfer a ROM image from a handheld on a Macintosh desktop computer. Before proceeding, you must have the ROM Transfer.prc program installed on the handheld, as described in the previous section.

If you are running the program for the first time, Palm OS Emulator presents the dialog box shown in <u>Figure 2.2</u>.

Figure 2.2 Running Palm OS Emulator for the First Time on a Macintosh System



You can dismiss this dialog box and choose **Transfer ROM** from the File menu.

If you are not running Palm OS Emulator for the first time, it usually restarts the session that you most recently ran. To transfer a new ROM image for Palm OS Emulator to use, select **Transfer ROM** from the File menu.

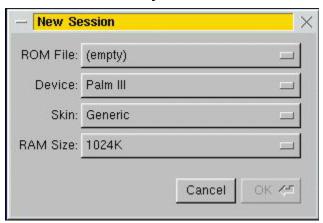
Palm OS Emulator opens a Transfer ROM dialog box that will guide you through the process.

#### Transferring a ROM File on a Unix System

This section describes how to transfer a ROM image from a handheld on a Unix-based desktop computer. Before proceeding, you must have the ROM Transfer.prc program installed on the handheld, as described in the previous section.

When running the program on a Unix system, Palm OS Emulator presents the dialog box shown in Figure 2.3.

Running Palm OS Emulator for the First Time on a Figure 2.3 **Unix System** 



You can dismiss this dialog box and choose **Transfer ROM** from the File menu to begin the transfer of a ROM image from a handheld.

If you are not running Palm OS Emulator for the first time, it usually restarts the session that you most recently ran. To transfer a new ROM image for Palm OS Emulator to use, select **Transfer ROM** from the File menu.

Palm OS Emulator opens a Transfer ROM dialog box that will guide you through the process.

#### Transferring a ROM Image over a USB Connection

Palm OS Emulator supports transferring ROM images over a USB connection. To use a USB connection, Palm OS Emulator needs the USB driver support provided by the Palm Desktop software.

On Windows, you need to have Palm Desktop 4.0.1 or later installed to get the USB driver. You must make the library for the USB driver (the file USBPort.dll) available to Emulator. Either copy this file from the Palm Desktop software's directory to the Emulator directory, or move it into the Windows system directory.

On Macintosh, you need to have Palm Desktop 2.6.3 or later installed to get the USB driver.

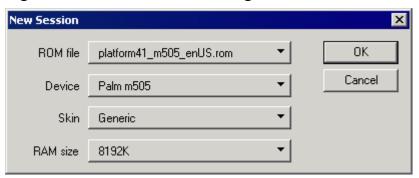
# Using a ROM Image in Palm OS Emulator

Once you have transferred a ROM image to disk, you need to create a new session that is based on the image. To initiate the new session, you select **New** from the popup menu. <u>Table 2.2</u> shows the first step in creating a new session for each transfer method.

Table 2.2 Initiating a New Session after Transferring a ROM **Image** 

Method Used to Initiate ROM Transfer	New Session Method
Clicked <b>Download</b> initial dialog box in Windows	Click <b>New</b> in the dialog box.
Selected <b>Transfer ROM</b> in Windows	Select either <b>New</b> or <b>Close</b> from the File menu.
Selected <b>Transfer ROM</b> on a Macintosh	Select <b>New</b> from the File menu.
Selected <b>Transfer ROM</b> on Unix	Select <b>New</b> from the File menu.

After you initiate the session, Palm OS Emulator presents the new session dialog box, which is described in "Configuring a New <u>Session</u>" on page 24. The Windows version of this dialog box is shown in <u>Figure 2.4</u>.



**New Session Dialog Box** Figure 2.4

After you select your parameters and click **OK**, Palm OS Emulator begins an emulation session.

#### **Dragging and Dropping a ROM Image**

You can use drag and drop to start a new Emulator session in either of two ways:

- Drag and drop a ROM image file onto the Emulator screen to start a new session.
- Drag and drop a ROM image file onto the Emulator executable or shortcut (alias) to start the Palm OS Emulator program.

You can also drag and drop other file types, as described in "Dragging and Dropping Files" on page 26.

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# **Running Palm OS Emulator**

This chapter describes how to use emulation sessions and how to customize the emulation sessions.

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## Starting Palm OS Emulator

Run Palm OS Emulator just like you would any other program. When Palm OS Emulator starts up, it displays an image of a handheld, as shown in <u>Figure 1.1</u> on page 2.

#### **Command Line Options**

If you are running Palm OS Emulator on a Windows-based desktop computer or on a Unix system, you can supply the session parameters as command-line parameters. For example:

```
Emulator -psf C:\Data\Session1.psf
```

<u>Table 3.1</u> shows the options that you can specify on the Windows command line. You can also change most of these options by

starting a new session with the **New** menu, as described in "Configuring a New Session" on page 24.

Note that the command line option specifications are not case sensitive.

**Table 3.1 Palm OS Emulator Command Line Options** 

Option syntax	Parameter values	Description
-d <key>=<value></value></key>	A preference file property and its associated value, as specified in the preference	Changes preferences that are stored in the preferences file.
	file.	This option is a synonym for the -preference option. For more information, see "Preferences Files" on page 31.
-horde <num></num>	A Gremlin number	The number of the Gremlin to run after the session is created or loaded.
		Note that this is equivalent to supplying the same Gremlin number for the horde_first and horde_last options.
-horde_first <num></num>	A Gremlin number	The first Gremlin to run in a horde.
-horde_last <num></num>	A Gremlin number	The last Gremlin to run in a horde.

**Table 3.1 Palm OS Emulator Command Line** Options (continued)

Option syntax	Parameter values	Description
-horde_apps <app name list&gt;</app 	A comma-separated list of applications.	The list of applications to which the Gremlin horde is allowed to switch. The default is no restrictions.
		To specify a list of excluded applications, use a hyphen character before a list of application names. <b>Example:</b> "-Prefs, HotSync"
-horde_save_dir <path></path>	A path name	The name of the directory in which to save session and log files.
		The default log location is the directory in which the Palm OS Emulator application is stored.
-horde_save_freq <num></num>	An event count	The Gremlin snapshot frequency.
		The default value is to not save snapshots.
-horde_depth_max <num></num>	An event count	The maximum number of Gremlin events to generate for each Gremlin.
		The default value is no upper limit.

**Table 3.1 Palm OS Emulator Command Line Options** (continued)

Parameter values	Description	
An event count	The number of Gremlin events to generate before switching to another Gremlin in the horde.	
	The default is to use the same value as specified for the horde_depth_max option.	
None	Emulator will exit after completing the Gremlin horde.	
A preference file property and its associated value, as specified in the preference	This option changes preferences that are stored in the preferences file. For	
file.	more information, see "Preferences Files" on page 31.	
Any valid PSF file name	The emulator session file to load upon start-up. You can also load a session file with the <b>Open</b> menu.	
Any valid ROM file name	The name of the ROM file to use.	
One of the following kilobyte size values:	The amount of RAM to emulate during the session.	
·		
512K 1024K 2048K 4096K 8192K		
	An event count  None  A preference file property and its associated value, as specified in the preference file.  Any valid PSF file name  Any valid ROM file name  One of the following kilobyte size values:  128K 256K 512K 1024K 2048K 4096K	

**Table 3.1 Palm OS Emulator Command Line Options** (continued)

Option syntax	Parameter values	Description
Option syntax -device <type></type>	Parameter values  One of the following handheld type values: Pilot, Pilot1000, Pilot5000, PalmPilot, PalmPilotPersonal, PalmPilotPersonal, PalmIII, PalmIIIc, PalmIII, PalmIIIc, PalmIII, PalmIIIx, PalmVI, PalmVI, PalmVI, PalmVI, PalmVI, PalmVI, PalmVI, PalmVI, PalmVI, PalmVII, PalmVIIEZ, PalmVIIx, PalmM100, m100, PalmM105, m105, PalmM125, m125, PalmM130, m130, PalmM500, m500, PalmM505, m505, PalmM515, m515, PalmI705, i705, Symbol1500, Symbol1700, Symbol1740, TRGpro,	<ul> <li>Description</li> <li>The handheld type to emulate during the session.</li> <li>Pilot1000 and Pilot5000 are synonyms for Pilot.</li> <li>PalmPilotPersonal and PalmPilotProfess ional are synonyms for PalmPilot.</li> <li>The following handhelds are not supported: Palm IIIse, Symbol handhelds other than those listed, Handspring handhelds other than those listed, all Acer handhelds, all Sony handhelds, all</li> </ul>
	Symboll/40, TRGpro, HandEra330, Visor, VisorPlatinum, VisorPrism, VisorEdge	nandheids, all Samsung handhelds, all Kyocera handhelds, and all Qualcomm handhelds.
<pre>-load_apps <file list="" name=""></file></pre>	A list of valid file names, separated by commas	A list of PRC files or other files to load into the session after starting up.

**Table 3.1 Palm OS Emulator Command Line Options** (continued)

Option syntax	Parameter values	Description
-log_save_dir <path></path>	A path name	The name of the directory in which to save the standard log file.
		The default log location is the directory in which the Palm OS Emulator application is stored.
-minimize <pevfilename></pevfilename>	The name of a Palm OS event file (PEV).	The Palm OS event file contains an event set you want to minimize. When you invoke Emulator with this command line option, Emulator goes though the event minimization process, writes the output files, and exits. See "Minimizing Gremlin Events" on page 65 for more information.
-quit_on_exit	None	If the -run_app option was specified, this option indicates that Palm OS Emulator should quit after that application terminates.
-run_app <app name&gt;</app 	Application name	The name of an application to run in the session after starting up. You must specify the name of the application, not the name of the application's file.

Table 3.1 Palm OS Emulator Command Line Options (continued)

Option syntax	Parameter values	Description
-silkscreen <type> or -skin <type></type></type>	The name of a skin. The skin names are defined by the handheld-specific SKIN files. For most handhelds, these skin names are available:  Generic  Standard-English Standard-Japanese	The skin types to emulate during the session. For more information about skins, see "Changing Emulator's Appearance" on page 28.

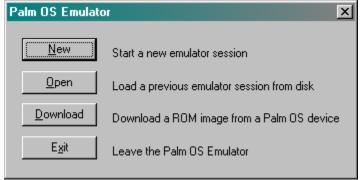
### Palm OS Emulator Start Up

The most common scenario for starting Palm OS Emulator is without any command line parameters. In this case, Emulator restarts with saved information from the previous session.

When Palm OS Emulator starts execution, it determines its configuration by sequencing through the following rules:

1. If the CAPS LOCK key is on, the Startup dialog box is always displayed. The Startup dialog box is shown in Figure 3.1.

Figure 3.1 **Palm OS Emulator Startup Dialog Box** 



The dialog box shown in Figure 3.1 is displayed when NOTE: you are running Palm OS Emulator on a Windows-based computer.

If you are using a Macintosh computer, the new session dialog box shown in Figure 2.2 on page 10 is displayed.

If you are using a Unix system, the new session dialog box shown in Figure 2.3 on page 11 is displayed.

- 2. If you are using Windows or Unix with command line options specified:
  - If the CAPS LOCK key is not on, Palm OS Emulator scans the command line for options. If an error is encountered on the command line, Palm OS Emulator displays an error message and then presents the Startup dialog box.
  - If a session (PSF) file was specified on the command line, Palm OS Emulator attempts to load the file. If the file cannot be loaded, Palm OS Emulator displays an error message and then presents the Startup dialog box.
  - If any other options are specified on the command line, Palm OS Emulator attempts to start a new session with those values. If any of the four values is missing, Palm OS Emulator displays the session configuration dialog box, as shown in Figure 3.2.

If any of the command line options are not valid, or if the user cancels the dialog box, Palm OS Emulator displays an error message and then presents the Startup dialog box.

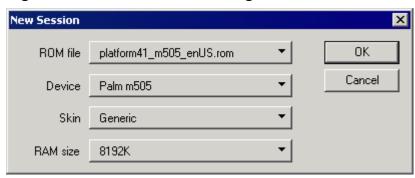


Figure 3.2 **New Session Dialog Box** 

- 3. If no command line options are specified, Palm OS Emulator attempts to reopen the session file from the most recent session, if one was saved. If the file cannot be opened, Palm OS Emulator displays an error message, and then presents the Startup dialog box.
- 4. Palm OS Emulator attempts to create a new session based on the setting most recently specified by the user. If an error occurs, Palm OS Emulator displays an error message, and then presents the Startup dialog box.

**NOTE:** When it starts up, Palm OS Emulator looks for the most recently saved PSF file:

- On Windows and Unix, Emulator uses the full path name of that file.
- On Macintosh, Emulator uses aliases to locate the file.

If Emulator cannot find that file, it looks for the file name in the directory in which the Palm OS Emulator executable is located.

## **Using Emulation Sessions**

Palm OS Emulator uses the concept of an emulation session, which is a testing or debugging session for a combination of the following items:

- the handheld type to emulate
- the amount of RAM to emulate
- the ROM file to use for the emulation

You can start new emulation sessions during a single run of Palm OS Emulator. You can also save the current state of a session and restore it in a later session. This session describes these features of Palm OS Emulator.

### **Configuring a New Session**

You can start a new session in Palm OS Emulator by choosing **New** from the Palm OS Emulator menu. If you are already running an emulation session, Palm OS Emulator will optionally ask if you want to save the session in a Palm OS Emulator session (PSF) file before starting the new session. You set this option in your preferences.

Figure 3.3 shows the New Session dialog box, which Palm OS Emulator displays when you choose **New** from the menu.

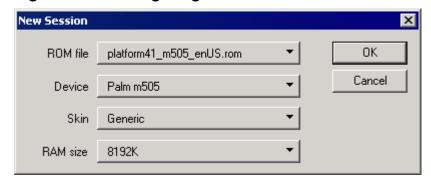


Figure 3.3 Configuring a New Session

You need to make the following choices in this dialog box:

- Select the ROM file on your desktop computer that you want to use for the session. You can click on the arrow and select Other... to navigate to the file. For more information about ROM files, see "Loading ROM Images" on page 8.
- Select the Palm Powered handheld that you want to emulate in the session. Only those handhelds that apply to the

selected ROM will be shown in the list. The list may include the following choices:

- Pilot	- PalmPilot	- Palm III
- Palm IIIc	- Palm IIIe	- Palm IIIx
- Palm V	- Palm Vx	- Palm VII
- Palm VII (EZ)	- Palm VIIx	- Palm m100
- Palm m105	- Palm m125	- Palm m130
- Palm m100	- Palm m105	- Palm m125
- Palm m500	- Palm m505	- Palm m515
- Palm i705	- Symbol 1500	- Symbol 1700
- Symbol1740	- TRGpro	- HandEra 330
- Visor	- Visor Platinum	- Visor Prism

- Visor Edge
  - Select the skin that you want displayed on the emulation screen.

Note that the skin is simply a graphic; it does not change the ROM or the handheld being emulated. The skin simply changes the appearance of the Emulator window.

The skin choices available are dependent on the handheld selection. When you select a handheld, Emulator reads through the available SKIN files for the skin names that support the selected handheld.

Alternative skins, such as the Japanese skin, are only available for certain handheld types. The **Generic** choice is always available, even when alternatives are not available. For additional information, see the section "Changing Emulator's Appearance" on page 28.

Select the amount of memory that you want emulated. Note that Emulator filters out the sizes that are invalid for the handheld you have chosen to emulate. Depending on the

handheld you are emulating, you can choose from the following RAM sizes:

- 128 KB
- 256 KB
- 512 KB
- 1024 KB
- 2048 KB
- 4096 KB
- 8192 KB
- 16,384 KB

Note that 1 MB (1024 KB) is most often the right amount of RAM to emulate. Using 1 MB of RAM tells you if your application will work properly across the majority of hardware handhelds available.

After you click **OK**, Palm OS Emulator begins an emulation session.

## The Difference between the New Menu Item and the Open Menu Item

Both **New** and **Open** can be used to initiate an emulator session. However, the **Open** menu item is used to open an existing session file (PSF file) that has been saved from a previous emulator session. The **Open** menu item does not allow you to change the ROM file or handheld being emulated.

### **Dragging and Dropping Files**

You can drag and drop the following file type categories onto the Palm OS Emulator LCD screen:

- PRC, PDB, and PQA files
- ROM files
- PSF files

When dragging and dropping files, observe the following rules:

• You can drag and drop only one ROM file at a time.

- You can drag and drop only one PSF file at a time.
- You can drag and drop any number of PRC, PDB, and PQA files.

**NOTE:** Drag and drop is not currently supported for the Unix version of Palm OS Emulator.

### Saving and Restoring Session State

You can save the current state of a Palm OS Emulator session to a session file for subsequent restoration. Palm OS Emulator saves a session to a session file. The Emulator uses Save and Save As in the standard manner, with one addition: you can automate what happens when closing a session by changing the Save options.

### Saving the Screen

You can save the current screen to a bitmap file by selecting the **Save Screen** menu item, which saves the contents of the emulated Palm Powered handheld screen.

A Palm OS Emulator Screen Shot Figure 3.4



Palm OS Emulator saves screen images on Windows-based systems as BMP bitmap images, saves screen images on MacOS-based systems as SimpleText image files, and saves screen images on Unixbased systems as PPM files.

## **Changing Emulator's Appearance**

You can change the appearance of Palm OS Emulator by choosing **Settings>Skins**. This displays the Skins dialog box, which is shown in Figure 3.5.

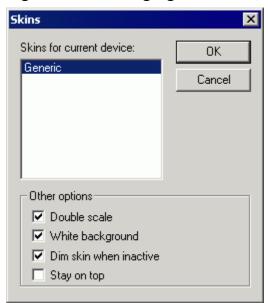


Figure 3.5 Changing Palm OS Emulator Appearance

The Skins dialog box lists the skins that are available for the handheld that is being emulated.

Emulator comes with a built-in **Generic** skin, which is sufficient for testing your application. Note that the skin is simply a graphic. Selecting a skin changes the appearance of the Emulator window, but it does not change the ROM or the handheld being emulated.

You can download additional skins from:

http://www.palmos.com/dev/tools/emulator/

For more information about using skin files, see "<u>Using Emulator</u> Skin Files" on page 91.

### Other Options on the Skins Dialog Box

In addition to selecting a skin, use the Skins dialog box to change these appearance options:

- Select **Double scale** to display the emulated handheld in double size; deselect it to display the emulated handheld in actual size.
- Select White background to display the emulated handheld LCD background color in white on your monitor. If you are emulating a handheld that has a green LCD, deselect White background to display the emulated LCD background color in green.
- Select **Dim skin when inactive** to cause the Emulator window to be dimmed when another window is the active window. This can be useful in combination with the **Stay on** top option.
- Select **Stay on top** to cause the Emulator window to stay on top of other windows even when Emulator is not the active window. This can be useful when you need to switch to other windows, such as a debugger window.

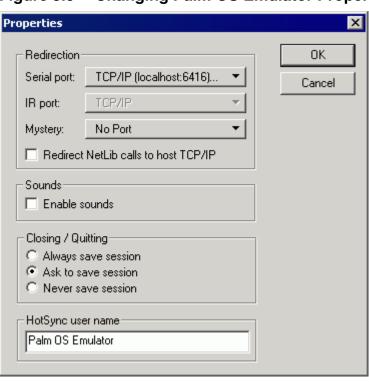
NOTE: The Stay on top option is supported only on Windows.

## **Modifying the Runtime Environment**

This section describes how you can modify the Palm OS Emulator runtime environment, including changing the properties and installing applications in the emulator session.

### **Palm OS Emulator Properties**

Use the Properties dialog box to modify characteristics of your Palm OS Emulator sessions. To display this dialog box, choose **Properties** on Windows or **Preferences** on Macintosh or Unix. The Properties dialog box is shown in <u>Figure 3.6</u>.



**Changing Palm OS Emulator Properties** Figure 3.6

Table 3.2 describes the options available in the properties dialog box.

**Table 3.2 Palm OS Emulator properties** 

Option	Description	
Serial port	Specifies which serial port Palm OS Emulator uses to emulate serial communications on the handheld.	
IR port	Specifies which port Palm OS Emulator uses to emulate infrared communications on the handheld.	
	NOTE: This function is not currently supported.	
Mystery	Reserved for future use. Not used for current handhelds.	

Table 3.2 Palm OS Emulator properties (continued)

Option	Description
Enable sounds	Specifies whether Palm OS Emulator should enable emulation of handheld sounds.
Closing / Quitting	Selects what action Palm OS Emulator takes when you close a session or quit the program.
HotSync user name	Selects the user account name for synchronizing from Palm OS Emulator with the desktop computer HotSync® application.

#### **Preferences Files**

Your properties are stored in a preferences file on your computer. Each property is stored as a text string that you can view with a text editor. Emulator first looks for the preferences file in the folder containing the Emulator executable. Otherwise, the location of your preferences file depends on the type of computer that you are using, as shown in Table 3.3.

Table 3.3 Palm OS Emulator Preference File Locations

Platform	File name	File location
Macintosh	Palm OS Emulator Prefs	In the Preferences folder.
Windows	Palm OS Emulator.ini	In the Windows System directory.
Unix	.poserrc	In your home directory.

## **Installing Applications**

Palm OS Emulator provides the following ways to install applications into an Emulator session:

• Drag and drop an application (PRC), database (PDB), or Palm Query Application (PQA) file directly onto the Emulator window. See "Dragging and Dropping Files" on page 26 for more information.

- Use the Install menu item from the Emulator pop-up menu. See "Using the Install Menu" on page 32 for more information.
- Use the autoload facility to create a directory of applications that are automatically installed into the Emulator session. See "Using the Autoload Facility" on page 32 for more information.

### Using the Install Menu

Use **Install** to load applications or databases directly into the current Palm OS Emulator session.

- For Windows and Unix, right-click on the Palm OS Emulator screen display and choose Install Application/Database
- On a Macintosh system, select **Install Application/Database** from the File menu

**Install** displays an open file dialog box in which you can choose the applications (PRC), databases (PDB), or Palm Query Application (PQA) files that you want installed.

Palm OS Emulator immediately loads the selected files into emulated RAM. If Palm OS Emulator finds another application or database with the same creator ID, that application or database is deleted before the new version is loaded.

**IMPORTANT:** If you install an application while the Palm OS Launcher is running, the Launcher does not update its data structures, and thus does not reflect the fact that a database has been added or modified. Use Install while an application is running in the emulated session. A simple method to use is to switch to the Calculator application when using the Install menu item.

### Using the Autoload Facility

Palm OS Emulator provides an autoload facility, which allows you to specify installable files that should be automatically installed into the emulation session when you start Emulator. Here's how you can use the autoload facility:

- Create a directory named autoload in the same directory as the Emulator executable file.
- Place the files in the autoload directory that you want to have automatically installed. You can place application files (PRC), database files (PDB), and Palm Query Application (PQA) files in the autoload directory.

When Emulator starts, it will automatically install all of the files that it finds in the Autoload directory.

**NOTE:** On Windows and Unix, the -load\_apps command line option causes Emulator to ignore the Autoload directory. The files listed with the -load\_apps command line option are automatically installed rather than the files in the Autoload directory.

### Using the Autorun Facility

Similar to using the Autoload facility, you can automatically load and run applications by creating an autorun directory. Place the applications you want automatically run in the autorun directory.

To have applications automatically run and quit, you create a directory with the name autorunandquit.

## Using Serial Communication

Palm OS Emulator supports emulation of the Palm Powered handheld serial port connection. It does so by mapping Palm OS serial port operations to a communications port on the desktop computer. To select which port the Emulator uses, use **Properties** (on Macintosh and Unix computers, this is **Preferences**), as described in "Palm OS Emulator Properties" on page 29.

When emulated software accesses the processor serial port hardware registers, Palm OS Emulator performs the appropriate actions on the specified serial port on the desktop computer. This means that serial read and write operations work as follows:

- when outgoing data is written to the UART's tx register, the Emulator redirects that data to the desktop computer's serial port.
- when the emulated software attempts to read data from the UART's rx register, the Emulator reads data from the desktop computer's serial port and places the data into that register.

## Using the HotSync Application

You can perform a HotSync operation from your emulated session in one of two ways:

- If you are using a Windows-based computer, you can use the Network HotSync option, which greatly simplifies your communications efforts. This method is described in the "Performing a Network Hotsvnc Operation with Palm OS Emulator on Windows" section below.
- Alternatively, you can use a null-modem cable to connect two serial ports together and perform a HotSync operation. This method is described in "Performing a HotSync Operation with a Null Modem Cable" on page 36.

### Performing a Network Hotsync Operation with Palm OS Emulator on Windows

You do not need to be connected to a network to perform a Network HotSync operation with Palm OS Emulator. This method can be used with Emulator and a single Windows computer. However, other configurations are possible.

In general, you need these two:

- a Windows computer running HotSync Manager
- a computer running Emulator that can access the computer running HotSync Manager.

The computer running Emulator can be the same Windows computer that is running HotSync Manager, or it can be a second computer (either Windows, Macintosh, or Unix). If you are using a

single Windows computer, you don't need to be connected to a network. However, if you are using a second computer, you will need the actual IP address of the Windows computer running HotSync Manager for step 4 below.

Here is the complete process for performing a Network HotSync operation:

- 1. Ensure that you have the Network HotSync application on your emulated handheld:
  - If you are emulating a handheld that did not come with Network HotSync pre-installed (for example, a Palm III or Palm m100 handheld), you must first download and install the Network HotSync application on the emulated handheld. You can get the Network HotSync files from:
    - http://www.palm.com/support/downloads/ netsync.html
  - If you are emulating a handheld running Palm OS version 3.1 or later, then you may already have the Network HotSync application installed on the emulated handheld.
- Configure the HotSync settings on your Windows computer:
  - Right-click (use mouse button two) on the HotSync icon in the system tray.
  - In the pop-up menu, select Network to enable Network HotSync. (A checkmark will appear next to the **Network** menu item if it is already enabled.)
- 3. Configure Palm OS Emulator to Redirect NetLib Calls to TCP/ĬP:
  - Right-click (use mouse button two) on Emulator.
  - In the pop-up menu, select Settings>Properties...
  - In the Properties dialog box, click the Redirect NetLib Calls to TCP/IP checkbox. Click OK to save the changed properties.
- 4. Configure the HotSync settings on the emulated handheld:
  - From the handheld's application launcher, tap the HotSync application to open it.
  - Tap Menu to display the HotSync application's menu.
  - Select Options>Modem Sync Prefs...

- In the Modem Sync Preferences dialog box, tap the Network button. Tap the OK button to save the changed preferences.
- Tap Menu to display the HotSync application's menu again.
- Select Options>LANSync Prefs...
- In the LANSync Preferences dialog box, tap the LANSync button. Tap the OK button to save the changed preferences.
- Tap Menu to display the HotSync application's menu again.
- Select Options>Primary PC Setup...
- In the Primary PC Setup dialog box, enter the Primary PC Address (the middle entry field):
  - If you are running Emulator and HotSync manager on the same Windows computer, enter 127.0.0.1
  - If you are running Emulator on a second computer, then enter the actual IP address of the Windows computer running the Network HotSync operation.
  - Tap the **OK** button to save the changed preferences.
- In the HotSync application, tap Modem. Next, tap the Select Service button under the Modem Sync icon.
- In the Preferences dialog box, tap the Tap to enter phone field. In the Phone Setup dialog box, enter 00 in the Phone # entry field. Then tap the OK button. Then tap the Done button.
- To start the HotSync operation, tap the HotSync icon in the center of the HotSync dialog box.

## Performing a HotSync Operation with a Null Modem Cable

You can perform a HotSync operation by connecting the serial port that the HotSync application uses to communicate with the handheld to another serial port that Palm OS Emulator uses. You connect these ports together with a null modem cable, such as a LapLink cable.

For example, if your HotSync application uses the COM1 port, follow these steps:

- 1. Select **Properties** (**Preferences** on a Macintosh or Unix) and specify the COM2 port for Palm OS Emulator.
- 2. Connect COM1 and COM2 together with a null modem cable.
- 3. Select **HotSync** from the Palm OS Emulator menu.

The HotSync application synchronizes with Palm OS Emulator just as it does with an actual hardware handheld.

**TIP:** The desktop HotSync application is CPU-intensive, which is not generally an issue; however, when you are using the HotSync application with Palm OS Emulator, the two programs are sharing the same CPU, which can dramatically slow the synchronization down.

A handy trick to deal with this problem is to click on the Palm OS Emulator window after the HotSync process starts. This brings the Emulator back into the foreground and allows it to use more CPU time, which improves the speed of the overall process.

If your desktop computer has two ports and you use a serial mouse on one of them, you can temporarily disable the mouse, perform a synchronization, and re-enable the mouse. Follow these steps:

- 1. Disable your mouse.
- Restart Windows.
- 3. Connect the serial ports together with a null modem cable.
- 4. Start Palm OS Emulator.
- 5. Press SHIFT-F10 to display the menu, then H to begin the HotSync operation.
- 6. After the HotSync operation completes, re-enable your mouse.
- Restart Windows again.

**TIP:** When you first perform a HotSync operation with Palm OS Emulator, the HotSync application asks you to select a user name. It is a good idea to create a new user account, with a different name, for use with the Emulator.

## **Emulating Expansion Memory**

Palm OS 4.0 includes the Expansion Manager, which manages plugin memory cards, and the Virtual File System manager, which supports the management of files on memory cards.

Palm OS Emulator can emulate these cards, which the Expansion Manager will recognize and mount in the same way it would mount an actual hardware expansion card. The Virtual File System Manager will then read from and write to the host operating system using the mount information associated with the emulated card. The host operating manipulation is performed using the many file-related host control functions available. (See "Host Control API Reference" on page 103 for more information on the host control API.)

PalmSource provides an implementation of a file system, called HostFS, that works in conjunction with Emulator's Host Control API to mount a local directory on the desktop as a volume or card. You can download the HostFS application from the Palm OS Emulator web page.

**NOTE:** Because Expansion Manager was added in Palm OS 4.0, the HostFs.prc application needs to be installed in an Emulator session running a ROM file for Palm OS 4.0 or later. (See "Using ROM Images" on page 5 for more information on using ROM images with Emulator.)

Once you have installed <code>HostFS.prc</code> in an Emulator session running at least a Palm OS 4.0 ROM, you are ready to emulate expansion memory. To specify mount information for card emulation, use the HostFS Options dialog box shown in <a href="Figure 3.7">Figure 3.7</a>.

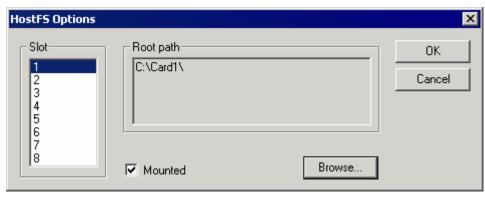


Figure 3.7 Palm OS Emulator HostFS Options Dialog Box

The HostFS Options dialog box supports the mounting of up to eight emulated cards. For each card, you can specify a directory in the host file system that will serve as the root for the card as managed by the Virtual File System Manager. You can also specify whether a particular card is actually mounted.

You can change the HostFS options settings while an emulation session is running. Changes regarding whether a card is mounted or not take place immediately; the Palm OS is notified that the card has been added or removed. Changes regarding the root path take effect only when the card is mounted.

## **Emulating a Handheld Reset**

Palm OS Emulator can perform any of the standard handheld reset functions. To perform a reset, select **Reset...** to open the Reset dialog box, as shown in <u>Figure 3.8</u> on page 40.

Reset Reset Type: Reset Soft reset This is the same as inserting a pin in the reset hole on a device. It performs a standard reset. Cancel Hard reset This is the same as a Soft Reset while holding down the Power key. It erases the storage heap. This is the same as a Soft Reset while holding down Debug reset the Page Down key. It causes the ROM to execute a DbgBreak early in the boot sequence. Extensions No extensions. This is the same as a Soft Reset while holding down. the Page Up key. It skips the loading of extensions, patches, and certain libraries, as well as inhibiting the sending of sysAppLaunchCmdSystemReset to applications.

Figure 3.8 **Reset Dialog Box** 

This dialog box is also available when you click Reset in an error message dialog box (see Figure 6.1 on page 76 for an example of an error message dialog box).

# Palm OS Emulator **User Interface Summary**

This chapter provides a description of the user interface for Palm OS Emulator, including descriptions of the menus and keyboard usage.

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- "<u>Using the Menus</u>" on page 41
- "<u>Using the Hardware Buttons</u>" on page 46
- "Entering Data" on page 47
- "<u>Using Control Keys</u>" on page 48

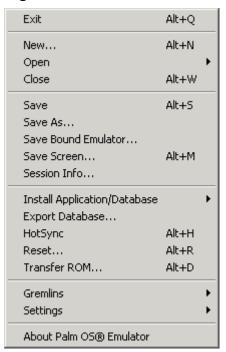
## **Palm OS Emulator Display**

The Palm OS Emulator display looks very much like a real Palm Powered<sup>™</sup> handheld. You can use your mouse to perform actions that you perform with the stylus on handhelds, and you can use the menus to access Palm OS Emulator functionality.

## **Using the Menus**

You can also access features that are specific to Palm OS Emulator by choosing menu items:

 If you are using Windows, right-click on the Palm OS Emulator screen display to access the menu items, or press SHIFT-F10. The Palm OS Emulator menu displays, as shown in Figure 4.1.



**Windows Version of the Palm OS Emulator Menus** Figure 4.1

**NOTE:** Note that the Windows shortcut keys use ALT rather than CTRL because CTRL combinations are already used to enter other Emulator commands. See "Using Control Keys" on page 48 for more information.

• If you are using a Macintosh, you can either select menu items from the menu bar or use CTRL-click to display the pop-up contextual menu. The Macintosh pop-up menu is shown in Figure 4.2.



Figure 4.2 **Macintosh Version of the Palm OS Emulator** Menus

The Macintosh version is only slightly different when compared to the Windows version: The Macintosh version uses Quit instead of Exit.

• If you are using Unix, use SHIFT-F10 to display the pop-up menu. Palm OS Emulator provides a pop-up menu similar to the Macintosh version.

Table 4.1 provides a brief description of the Palm OS Emulator menu items.

**Table 4.1 The Palm OS Emulator Menu Items** 

Command	Description
Exit	Exits Palm OS Emulator. Palm OS Emulator prompts you to save the session to an emulator PSF file before exiting.
New	Displays the New Session dialog box. The New Session dialog box lets you select the session's ROM file, handheld, skin, and RAM size. Because only one session can be active, this command also closes the current emulation session.

Table 4.1 The Palm OS Emulator Menu Items (continued)

Command	Description
Open	Displays the open file dialog box for opening a saved emulator session file. Because only one session can be active, this command also closes the current emulation session.
	Note that the <b>Open</b> menu is for opening saved session files (PSF files), not for opening ROM files. To change the ROM file for your emulator session, you need to use the <b>New</b> menu.
Close	Closes and optionally saves the current emulator session.
Save	Saves the current emulator session to an emulator PSF file.
Save As	Saves the current emulator session to an emulator PSF file.
Save Bound Emulator	Saves the current emulator session as an executable, which can be used for demonstration purposes. For more information, see "Creating Demonstration Versions of Palm OS Emulator" on page 99. This description includes important information about the legal use of a bound emulation session.
Save Screen	Saves the current screen image as a bitmap file.
	<b>TIP:</b> Save Screen is a very convenient means of capturing screen images for documentation of Palm OS applications.
Session Info	Opens the Session Info dialog, displaying information about the handheld name, RAM size, and ROM being emulated, and about the current Emulator PSF file, if you are currently using a PSF file.
Install Application/ Database	Lets you install an application into the emulator session, in the same way that a user would install it on the handheld with the Palm Install tool. For more information, see "Installing Applications" on page 31.

Table 4.1 The Palm OS Emulator Menu Items (continued)

Command	Description
Export Database	Exports a database to your desktop computer as a PDB or PQA file, or exports an application to your desktop computer as a PRC file.
HotSync	Lets you synchronize the emulator session environment with the desktop computer. See " <u>Using the HotSync Application</u> " on page 34 for more information about the cabling requirements and other considerations for this menu item.
Reset	Resets the current emulation session. For more information see "Emulating a Handheld Reset" on page 39.
Transfer ROM	Lets you download a ROM image from a handheld, and save the ROM image to disk. You can then initiate a new session based on that ROM image. For more information, see "Transferring a ROM Image from a Handheld" on page 9.
Gremlins>New	Create a new Gremlin horde and start running it. For more information about Gremlins, see " <u>Using Gremlins to Automate Testing</u> " on page 59.
Gremlins>Step	Step a Gremlin, after stopping.
Gremlins>Resume	Resume running of the Gremlin.
Gremlins>Stop	Stop running the Gremlin.
Gremlins>Replay	Resumes running of Gremlins from data that was previously saved in a Palm event file (PEV). For more information, see "Replaying Gremlin Events" on page 65.
Gremlins>Minimize	Takes Gremlin events stored in a Palm event file (PEV) and identifies the minimal set of events required to produce a crash. For more information, see "Minimizing Gremlin Events" on page 65.
Profiling>Start	Start profiling your application. This option is only available with the profiling version of Emulator. For more information, see "Profiling Your Code" on page 72.

Table 4.1 The Palm OS Emulator Menu Items (continued)

Command	Description
Profiling>Stop	Stop profiling your application. This option is only available with the profiling version of Emulator. For more information, see "Profiling Your Code" on page 72.
Profiling>Dump	Save the profiling information to a file. This option is only available with the profiling version of Emulator. For more information, see "Profiling Your Code" on page 72.
Settings>Properties	Opens the properties dialog box, as described in "Palm OS Emulator Properties" on page 29.
Settings>Logging	Opens the logging options dialog box, as described in "Logging Options" on page 55.
Settings>Debugging	Opens the debug options dialog box, as described in "Debug Options" on page 51.
Settings>Error Handling	Opens the error handling options dialog box, as described in "Detecting an Error Condition" on page 76.
Settings>Tracing	Opens the tracing options dialog box, as described in "Tracing Your Code" on page 71.
Settings>Skins	Opens the skins dialog box, as described in "Changing Emulator's Appearance" on page 28.
Settings>HostFS	Opens the HostFS options dialog box, as described in "Emulating Expansion Memory" on page 38.
Settings>Breakpoints	Opens the breakpoints dialog box, as described in "Setting Breakpoints" on page 66.

## **Using the Hardware Buttons**

Palm OS Emulator emulates each of the hardware buttons on Palm Powered handhelds. You can click on a button to activate it, and you can press and hold down a button just as you would on a handheld. As an example, you can click the on/off button to turn a handheld off and on. Depending on the handheld you are emulating, you can also press and hold the on/off button to turn the backlighting off and on.

Palm OS Emulator also lets you activate the hardware buttons with keyboard equivalents, as shown in <u>Table 4.2</u>.

Table 4.2 Keyboard equivalents for the hardware buttons

Button	Keyboard equivalent
On/Off	Esc
Application Button 1 (usually Palm Date Book)	F1
Application Button 2 (usually Palm Address Book)	F2
Application Button 3 (usually Palm To Do List)	F3
Application Button 4 (usually Palm Memo Pad or Note Pad)	F4
Up	Page Up
Down	Page Down

## **Entering Data**

Palm OS Emulator lets you use your desktop computer pointing device to tap and to draw Graffiti<sup>®</sup> 2 characters, just as you do with the stylus on the handheld.

Emulator also lets you enter text from the desktop computer keyboard. For example, you can type the text for a note by tapping in the note text entry area and then using the keyboard.

In addition, Emulator supports copying text to and from the desktop computer's clipboard.

#### Copying text from a desktop computer to Emulator:

- Copy the text to the desktop computer's clipboard (for example, on Windows, use CTRL-C).
- Switch to the Emulator window.

- In the Emulator window, open an application that has an active field that can accept text data. Click on the active field.
- Use CTRL-C, then type the letter P. CTRL-C causes Emulator to enter the command stroke character ("/"), and the letter P enters the Paste command.

#### Copying text from Emulator to a desktop computer:

- In the Emulator window, open an application that has an active field containing text data. Click on the active field.
- Use CTRL-C, then type the letter C. CTRL-C causes Emulator to enter the command stroke character ( " / "), and the letter C enters the Copy command.
- Switch to the desktop computer application where you want to paste the text data.
- Paste the text into the desktop computer application (for example, on Windows, use CTRL-V).

## **Using Control Keys**

Palm OS Emulator also supports a set of control keys that you can use for input. These keys, which are shown in <u>Table 4.3</u>, are the same control keys that you can use with the Palm OS Simulator program.

Table 4.3 Palm OS Emulator Control Keys

Control key combination	Description
CTRL+A	Displays the menu
CTRL+B	Low battery warning
CTRL+C	Command character
CTRL+D	Confirmation character
CTRL+E	Displays the application launcher
CTRL+F	Displays the onscreen keyboard
CTRL+M	Enters a linefeed character
CTRL+N	Jumps to the next field

### Palm OS Emulator User Interface Summary

Using Control Keys

Table 4.3 Palm OS Emulator Control Keys (continued)

Control key combination	Description
CTRL+P	Jumps to the previous field
CTRL+S	Automatic off character
CTRL+T	Sets or unsets hard contrasts
CTRL+U	Turns backlighting on or off

## **Testing Applications Using Palm OS Emulator**

This chapter describes how you can use Palm OS<sup>®</sup> Emulator to test and debug programs you have written for Palm OS.

- "<u>Testing Software</u>" on page 51
- "Using Gremlins to Automate Testing" on page 59
- "Setting Breakpoints" on page 66
- "<u>Debugging with External Debug Tools</u>" on page 68
- "Tracing Your Code" on page 71
- "<u>Profiling Your Code</u>" on page 72

## **Testing Software**

Testing software is probably the most common use of Palm OS Emulator. This section provides a quick summary of the steps to load and test an application.

### **Debug Options**

Palm OS Emulator monitors the actions of your application while it is emulating the operation of the handheld. When your application performs an action that does not strictly conform to Palm OS's programming guidelines, the Emulator displays a dialog box that explains what is happening.

The debugging options dialog box, which is shown in <u>Figure 5.1</u>, lets you enable or disable the monitoring activities applied to your application. Use **Debug Options** to display this dialog box.

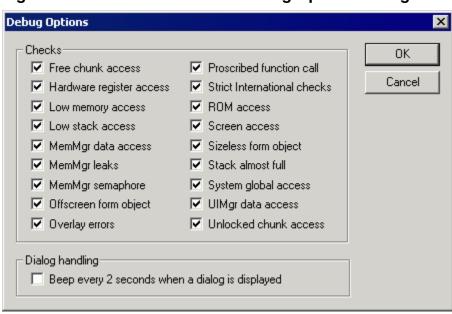


Figure 5.1 **Palm OS Emulator Debug Options Dialog Box** 

<u>Table 5.1</u> describes each of the debugging options.

**Table 5.1 Emulator Debugging Options** 

Option	Description
Free chunk access	Monitors access to free memory chunks.
	No process should ever access the contents of a chunk that has been deallocated by the MemChunkFree, MemPtrFree, or MemHandleFree functions.
Hardware register access	Monitors accesses to hardware registers by applications.
	For example, Emulator monitors memory ranges reserved for external LCD controllers, USB controllers, and Programmable Logic Devices (PLD).
Low memory access	Monitors low-memory access by applications.
	Low-memory access means an attempt to read from or write to a memory location in the range $0 \times 0000$ to $0 \times 00$ FF.

**Table 5.1 Emulator Debugging Options (continued)** 

Option	Description
Low stack access	Monitors access to the range of memory below the stack pointer.
MemMgr data access	Monitors access to Memory Manager data structures, which is restricted to only the Memory Manager.
	Memory Manager data structures are the heap headers, master pointer tables, memory chunk headers, and memory chunk trailers.
	Emulator allows no access to data structures for which there are PalmOSGlue accessor routine defined.
MemMgr leaks	Detects memory leaks. Emulator checks for memory leaks on SysAppExit.
	If Emulator discovers any memory leaks, it writes information about the leaks to a log file, including memory location, memory contents, and a stack crawl of the context that allocated the leaked block of memory.
	It is a good idea to set your compiler's switch to embed debug symbols in your code so that you can easily interpret the stack crawl. With CodeWarrior, you should set the option Generate MacsBugs Debug Symbols. With GCC, you should use the Palm OS specific GCC option -mdebug-labels. With MacsBugs, you will get each function's name in the text section immediately after the function's code.

**Table 5.1 Emulator Debugging Options (continued)** 

Option	Description
MemMgr semaphore	Monitors how long the Memory Manager semaphore has been acquired for write access using the MemSemaphoreReserve and MemSemaphoreRelease functions.
	Your applications should not be calling these functions; however, if you must call them, you should not hold the semaphore for longer than 10 milliseconds.
Offscreen form object	Checks for any use of offscreen form objects.
Overlay errors	This option controls a facility of Overlay Manager in the debug version of the ROM files. When this option is enabled, the omftrShowErrorsFlag bit of the omftrCreator feature is set to true. As a result, Overlay Manager reports the name of a database that it cannot validate and the reason why it did not validate.
Proscribed function call	Monitors calls to any of the functions on the proscribed function list. See <u>Appendix B</u> , " <u>Unsupported Traps</u> ," on page 207 for a list of functions.
Strict International checks	Checks for multibyte character display routines.
ROM access	Monitors ROM access by applications.
Screen access	Monitors LCD screen buffer access by applications.
	LCD screen buffer access is defined as reading from or writing to the memory range indicated by the LCD-related hardware registers.
Sizeless form object	Checks for any use of sizeless form objects (objects whose height or width is zero).

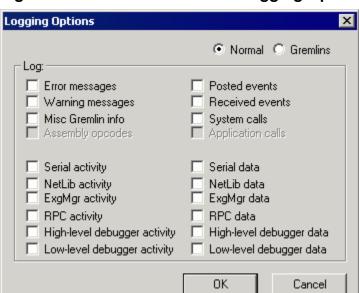
**Table 5.1 Emulator Debugging Options (continued)** 

Option	Description	
Stack almost full	Ensures that the stack pointer has not dipped below the space allocated for it by the kernel.	
	When this option is enabled, Palm OS Emulator warns you when the application stack is getting close to full.	
	Note that you are always notified of a stack overflow, even if this option is disabled.	
System global access	Monitors access to system global variables by applications.	
	System global variable access is defined as reading from or writing to a memory location in the range from $0 \times 0100$ to the end of the trap dispatch table.	
UIMgr data access	Checks for any access of User Interface Manager data structures.	
Unlocked chunk access	Monitors read access to uninitialized portions of memory chunks that have been allocated by the MemHandleNew function.	
	Warns about the case where you use a stale pointer from when a moveable chunk is locked and unlocked. Also catches cases of misusing a pointer to one chunk to access a subsequent chunk.	
Beep every 2 seconds when a dialog is displayed	Causes Emulator to beep every two seconds while a message dialog box is displayed. Emulator will stop beeping after one minute.	

## **Logging Options**

Palm OS Emulator also logs various actions taken by your application to help you debug and performance tune your code. The logged information is automatically written to a text file that is saved in the same directory as the Emulator executable.

You can control the logging activity with the logging options dialog box, which is shown in Figure 5.2. Use Logging Options to display this dialog box.



**Palm OS Emulator Logging Options Dialog Box** Figure 5.2

The logging options dialog box features radio buttons to indicate logging during normal operations (Normal), and logging while a Gremlin is running (**Gremlins**). Both offer the same options, which are described in Table 5.2

**Table 5.2 Emulator Logging Options** 

Option	Description
Error messages	Logs error messages that are generally fatal (messages where the <b>Continue</b> button is disabled in the dialog box containing the error message).
	<b>Examples:</b> Address errors, divide-by-zero errors, calls to SysFatalAlert.
Warning messages	Logs any message that is displayed in a dialog box that can be dismissed by tapping the <b>Continue</b> button.
	<b>Examples:</b> Low memory access, direct screen access, hardware register access.
Misc Gremlin info	Logs information about Gremlins that is mostly useful for debugging the Gremlins themselves.
Assembly opcodes	Logs assembly-level trace information, including registers, the program counter, opcodes, and related information.
	This option is not yet implemented.
Posted events	Logs events that have entered into the system by way of calls to the EvtAddEventToQueue, EvtAddUniqueEventToQueue, EvtEnqueuePenPoint, and EvtEnqueueKey functions.
Received events	Logs events returned by calls to the EvtGetEvent, EvtGetPen, and EvtGetSysEvent functions.
System calls	Logs calls to Palm OS functions.
Application calls	Logs calls to functions in your application.
	This option is not yet implemented.

**Table 5.2 Emulator Logging Options (continued)** 

Option	Description
Serial activity	Logs changes in serial port settings, and the opening and closing of the serial port.
NetLib activity	Logs calls to NetLib functions, including parameter and return values.
ExgMgr activity	Logs calls to ExgMgr functions.
RPC activity	Logs remote procedure calls.
High-level debugger activity	Logs messages received back from an external debugger, and the messages sent back to the debugger.
Low-level debugger activity	Traces the low-level mechanisms that receive raw data from external debuggers and send data back to external debuggers.
Serial data	Logs data sent and received over the serial port. Data is logged as it is being transferred over the host serial port
	Incoming data follows this path:
	1. Serial port
	2. Emulated hardware registers
	3. Palm OS
	4. Palm OS application
	Palm OS Emulator logs the serial port data.
	Outgoing data follows this path:
	1. Palm OS application
	2. Palm OS
	3. Emulated hardware registers
	4. Serial port
	Again, Palm OS Emulator logs the serial port data.

Table 5.2 Emulator Logging Options (continued)

Option	Description
NetLib data	Logs data sent and received via NetLib calls.
ExgMgr data	Logs data sent and received via ExgMgr calls.
RPC data	Logs data sent and received via remote procedure calls.
High-level debugger data	Logs details of the messages sent to and received from an external debugger.
Low-level debugger data	Logs the raw data being sent to and received from an external debugger.

# Using Gremlins to Automate Testing

You can use Gremlins to automate testing of an application. A **Gremlin** generates a series of user input events that test your application's capabilities. You can have a Gremlin generate a specified number of events, or to loop forever, which lets you set up a Gremlin and allow it to run overnight to thoroughly test your application.

A **Gremlin horde** is a range of Gremlins that you want Palm OS Emulator to run. The Emulator generates a stream of events for each Gremlin and then moves onto the next Gremlin. The Emulator cycles through the Gremlins until the maximum number of events have been generated for the horde.

Palm OS Emulator generates a stream of events for each Gremlin in the horde until one of the following conditions occurs:

- An error such as a hardware exception or illegal memory access is generated.
- The maximum number of events for a single Gremlin have been generated.
- The maximum number of events for the horde have been generated.
- You stop the horde by choosing **Stop** or **Step** from the Emulator menu or from the Gremlin Status dialog box.

If a Gremlin generates an error, it is halted and Palm OS Emulator does not include it when cycling through the horde again.

#### **Gremlin Characteristics**

Each Gremlin has the following characteristics:

- It generates a unique, random sequence of stylus and key input events to step through the user interface possibilities of an application.
- It has a unique "seed" value between 0 and 999
- It generates the same sequence of random events whenever it is run.
- It runs with a specific application or applications.
- It displays a report immediately when an error occurs.

## **Gremlin Horde Settings**

For each Gremlin horde, you specify the following:

- The number of the first Gremlin to run. This must be a value between 0 and 999.
- The number of the last Gremlin to run. This must be a value between 0 and 999.
- The switching depth of the Gremlin horde. This is the number of events to run for each Gremlin before switching to another Gremlin. After this many events have been generated for the Gremlin, it is suspended, and the next Gremlin in the horde starts running.
- The maximum number of events for each gremlin in the horde. The Emulator stops running each Gremlin after it posts this many events, or after it terminates with an error.
- The first application the Gremlins are to run.
- The set of applications the Gremlins are to run. You can select a single application, a group of applications, or all applications.

 Whether warnings and errors are displayed as message dialogs or as messages written to a log file. See "Logging while Gremlins Are Running" on page 64 for more information.

When Palm OS Emulator runs a Gremlin horde, it actually maintains a separate stream for each Gremlin in the horde. When it starts a horde, the Emulator first saves the complete state of the emulation to a session (PSF) file. Then, the Emulator:

- Starts the first Gremlin. When the Gremlin has posted a number of events equal to the specified switching depth, the Emulator saves its state to a new file and suspends the Gremlin.
- Reloads the original session state.
- Starts the second Gremlin and run it until it posts that number of events, at which time its state is saved to another file, and the Gremlin is suspended.
- Runs each Gremlin in the horde, until each has been suspended or terminated:
  - A Gremlin is terminated when an error occurs while the Gremlin is posting events.
  - A Gremlin is suspended when it has posted a number of events equal to the switching depth for the horde.
- Returns to the first suspended Gremlin in the horde, reloads its state from the saved file, and resumes its execution as if nothing else had happened in the meantime.
- Continues cycling through the Gremlins in the horde until each Gremlin has finished. A Gremlin finishes when either of these conditions occurs:
  - the Gremlin has terminated due to an error
  - the Gremlin has posted a total number of events equal to the maximum specified for the horde.

#### **Running a Gremlin Horde**

Select **Gremlins>New...** to start a Gremlin. The New Gremlin Horde dialog box displays, as shown in <u>Figure 5.3</u>. Use this dialog box to specify the characteristics of the Gremlin horde that you want to run.

**TIP:** If you wish to run a single Gremlin, simply set the Gremlin Start Number and Gremlin End Number fields to the same value.

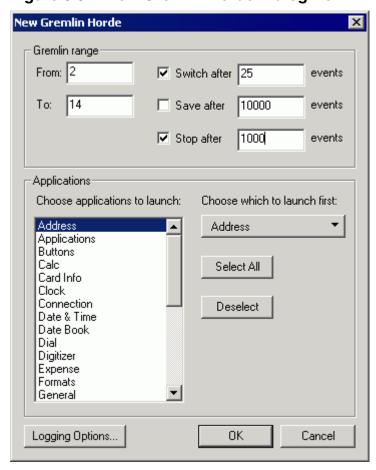


Figure 5.3 **New Gremlin Horde Dialog Box** 

When Palm OS Emulator runs the example shown in Figure 5.3, the horde will operate as follows:

- The Emulator will only run the Address application when generating key and stylus events for this horde.
- The Emulator will use a seed value of 2 for the first Gremlin in the horde and a seed value of 14 for the last Gremlin in the horde. It also runs all intervening Gremlins: numbers 3 through 13.

- The Emulator will generate 25 events for each Gremlin before switching to the next Gremlin in the horde.
- The Emulator will cycle through the Gremlins in the horde until a total of 1000 events have been generated for each Gremlin. Thus, a total of 13,000 events will be generated.

This means that the Emulator will generate the following sequence of Gremlin events:

- 1. Gremlin #2 runs and receives twenty-five events, after which Gremlin 2 is suspended.
- 2. Gremlin #3 runs and receives twenty-five events, after which Gremlin #3 is suspended.
- 3. Similarly, each Gremlin (#4 through #14) runs and receives twenty-five events, after which it is suspended.
- The Emulator loops back to Gremlin #2 and runs it, sending it twenty-five events before again suspending it.
- 5. Gremlin #3 runs again, receives twenty-five events, and suspends.
- This looping through the Gremlins and sending each events until the switch depth (25) is reached continues until the maximum number of horde events (1000) have been generated.
- 7. All activity for the Gremlin horde completes.

**NOTE:** If an error occurs while a specific Gremlin is running, Palm OS Emulator halts that Gremlin rather than suspending it. This means that the Gremlin is not run when the Emulator next iterates through the horde.

## Stepping and Stopping Gremlins

After the horde starts running, Palm OS Emulator displays the Gremlin control dialog box, which is shown in Figure 5.4. You can use the commands in this dialog box to stop, resume, and singlestep a Gremlin. You can also use the **Gremlins** menu to perform these actions.

Figure 5.4 The Gremlin Control Dialog Box



## **Gremlin Snapshots**

When you start a new Gremlin horde, you can specify that you want Palm OS Emulator to take a snapshot on a regular basis. You specify a frequency value, as shown in <u>Figure 5.3</u> on page 62, and the Emulator saves a session file each time that many Gremlins have run. Each snapshot is a PSF file that captures the current state of the emulation. You can open the snapshot in the Emulator as a new session and begin debugging from that state.

## Logging while Gremlins Are Running

Palm OS Emulator lets you specify separate logging options to use while Gremlins are running. Figure 5.5 shows the Gremlin logging options dialog box. Each of the options is described in "Logging Options" on page 55.

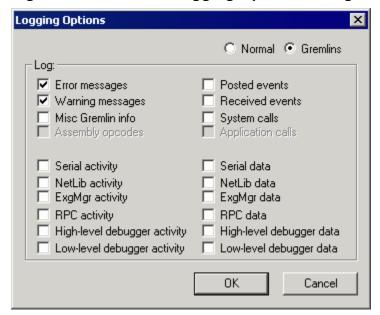


Figure 5.5 **Gremlin Logging Options Dialog Box** 

## **Using Gremlin Events**

When Gremlins are running, all generated events are saved to a Palm event file (PEV file). This event file contains a snapshot of the initial session state and a list of all of the events that Gremlins generated.

#### Replaying Gremlin Events

To replay the events stored in a Palm event file, use **Gremlins>Replay...** to select the PEV file. Replaying events from a Palm event file is similar to running the same Gremlin on the same application over again; however, with the replay function, Emulator is reading the events from a file rather than generating the same random events to post to the application.

#### Minimizing Gremlin Events

Palm OS Emulator provides an event minimization function that takes events stored in a Palm event file (PEV) and identifies the minimal set of events required to produce a crash.

To use the Gremlin minimization function, use **Gremlins>Minimize...** to select the PEV file. Emulator will open the Palm events file, and replay the events in it. The minimization function will go through an iterative process of removing ranges of events to see if the resulting subset of events still produces a crash.

If a crash still occurs with the subset of events, then those events are removed, and another range of events is similarly tested. If a crash does not occur, then the removed events are put back and the iterative process continues.

The end result is a minimal set of events that produces a crash. (The crash may not be exactly the same crash caused by the full set of events.) This minimized set of events is saved to a new Palm event file, which you can use with the **Gremlins>Replay...** function. The minimized set of events is also translated into a sequence of English instructions that you can use for debugging. This sequence list is written to a text in the same directory as the Palm events file.

# **Setting Breakpoints**

You can set breakpoints in your code with the Emulator. When Palm OS Emulator encounters a breakpoint that you have set, it halts and takes one of the following actions:

- If you are running the Emulator connected to a debugger, the Emulator sends a message to the debugger, informing it that the breakpoint was hit. The debugger then handles that command as it sees fit.
- If the Emulator is not connected to a debugger, the Emulator displays an error message.

To set a breakpoint, select **Breakpoints** from the **Settings** menu. The Breakpoints dialog box is displayed, as shown in <u>Figure 5.6</u>.

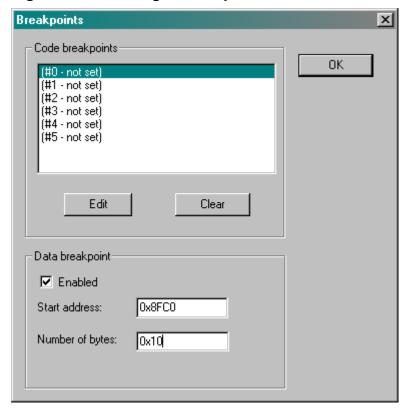


Figure 5.6 Setting a Breakpoint

## **Setting the Data Breakpoint**

You can set exactly one data breakpoint. While your program is executing, the Emulator watches the specified address range; if it is written to, the Emulator generates a break. You can specify both the address and number of bytes in either hexadecimal (0x) or decimal.

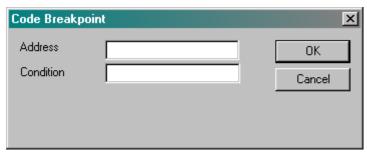
## **Setting Conditional Breakpoints**

You can set up to six independent conditional breakpoints. The Emulator generates a break for a conditional breakpoint when both of the following are true:

- the program counter reaches the specifies address
- the specified condition is true

To set one of these breakpoints, select the breakpoint number in the list at the top of the dialog box, and click **Edit**. This displays the Code Breakpoint dialog box, which is shown in Figure 5.7.

Setting a code breakpoint Figure 5.7



To set the breakpoint, specify an address and the break condition. You can specify the address in hexadecimal (0x) or decimal.

The condition that you specify must have the following format: <register> <condition> <constant>

register One of the registers: A0, A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6,

A7, D0, D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, or D7.

condition One of the following operators: ==, !=, <, >, <=,

or >=.

A decimal or hexadecimal constant value. constant

IMPORTANT: All comparisons are unsigned.

# **Debugging with External Debug Tools**

Palm OS Emulator provides an interface that external debugger applications can use to debug an application. For example, Metrowerks has developed a plug-in module that you can use to debug an application that Palm OS Emulator is running, in exactly the same manner as you would debug an application running on the handheld. This plug-in module is shipped with the latest version of CodeWarrior for Palm OS.

## Connecting Emulator with Palm Debugger

You can use Palm Debugger with Palm OS Emulator to perform extensive debugging of your applications. To use Palm Debugger with the Emulator, follow these steps:

- 1. Start Palm Debugger and Palm OS Emulator programs.
- 2. In the Palm Debugger Communications menu, select **Emulator**. This establishes the emulator program as the "device" with which Palm Debugger is communicating.
- 3. In the debugging window, type the att command.

You can now send commands from Palm Debugger to Palm OS Emulator.

# Connecting Emulator with the GDB Debugger

You can use the gdb debugger with Palm OS Emulator to debug your applications. To use the gdb debugger with an emulator session, follow these steps:

- 1. When you build your application, both compile and link with the -g option (that is, using "gcc -g ..."). When you compile using the -g option, the compiler generates the necessary symbol information. When you link using the -g option, the linker forces the inclusion of a debug runtime routine that installs a breakpoint in PilotMain.
- 2. Start Palm OS Emulator, and install your application in the emulator session.
- 3. Start the gdb debugger, loading your application's symbol table (for example, using "gdb myApp"). Note that the file to be loaded is the myApp file created by the gcc linker, not the myApp.prc created by buildprc.
- 4. In the gdb debugger, enter "target pilot localhost: 2000". The gdb debugger will respond with a message indicating that remote debugging is starting.
- 5. Start your application on Palm OS Emulator.
- 6. Wait for the gdb debugger to see the initial breakpoint and prompt you, then start debugging.

## Connecting the Emulator with External **Debuggers**

Palm OS Emulator can communicate with external debuggers using the methods shown in Table 5.3.

**Table 5.3 Palm OS Emulator Connections** 

Connection type	Platforms
TCP	All
PPC Toolbox	Macintosh
Memory-mapped files	Windows

**NOTE:** Currently, Palm Debugger uses TCP only when running on Windows. The CodeWarrior plug-in uses TCP if you select Use sockets in the debugger preference panel.

However, although you can configure the TCP port that Palm OS Emulator uses, you cannot configure which TCP port that either Palm Debugger or the CodeWarrior plug-in uses.

If you are communicating with a debugger using TCP, you can configure which socket port the debugger connects to by editing the value of the DebuggerSocketPort preference setting in your preferences file. You can disable the TCP connection by setting the value of the DebuggerSocketPort preference to 0.

**NOTE:** In some versions of Palm OS Emulator, you may notice that an unwanted PPP dial-up starts whenever you begin a new emulation session. You can disable this behavior by disabling the use of TCP for communications, which you do by setting the DebuggerSocketPort preference to 0.

# **Tracing Your Code**

At times, regular debug tools can be disruptive to program execution or can require specific knowledge of where a bug is located. Tracing can be a less disruptive method for showing how a program is executing. Tracing functions write out information at the time the tracing functions are executed.

To use tracing in your code, you need to do the following:

- Install Palm Reporter.
  - Palm Reporter is a trace utility that can be used with Emulator. As an application runs on Palm OS Emulator, it can send information in real time to Reporter. This information can help pinpoint problems that might be hard to identify when executing code step-by-step or when specifying breakpoints.
- Add trace calls to your application. The tracing functions are listed in <u>Table 8.16</u> on page 167.
- Next, you need to specify where you want the tracing information to appear. Emulator's tracing options dialog box, which is shown in <u>Figure 5.8</u>, lets you specify the target for application trace information. Use **Settings>Tracing...** to display this dialog box.

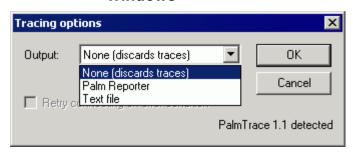
Figure 5.8 Tracing Options Dialog Box without PalmTrace



If you do not have Palm Reporter's PalmTrace.dll file on your system, then the default setting discards the tracing information.

When you have the PalmTrace.dll installed on Windows, then you will see a tracing options dialog box that looks like <u>Figure 5.9</u>.

Figure 5.9 Tracing Options Dialog Box with PalmTrace.dll on Windows



With PalmTrace.dll installed on Windows, you can set your tracing target to be either Palm Reporter or a text file.

When you have PalmTrace library installed on Macintosh, then you have an additional tracing target: you can set the tracing target to be either Palm Reporter, a text file, or the DCON console.

**NOTE:** Tracing is not available on Unix.

## **Using Reporter to View Realtime Traces**

To view the realtime traces, simply run Reporter at the same time as you run your application on Palm OS Emulator. For more information about using Palm Reporter, see *Palm OS Programming Development Tools Guide*.

# **Profiling Your Code**

One of the features of Palm OS Emulator that is most useful for developers is the ability to profile your application while it is running, and to save the resulting data to a file that you can examine.

When the Emulator profiles your application, it monitors and generates statistics about where your code is spending its time, which enables you to focus your optimization efforts in the most productive manner.

**NOTE:** In order to use the profiling features, you must be using a version of Palm OS Emulator with profiling enabled.

On Windows and Macintosh, this means that you must be using the executable with "profile" in its name. See Table 2.1 on page 7 for more information.

On Unix, this means that you must build the executable with the configure switch "--enable-palm-profile". (See the \_Building.txt file mentioned in Table 2.1.)

You can start a profiling session by choosing **Profiling Start**. While profiling is active, Palm OS Emulator monitors which application and system functions are executed, and the amount of time executing each. The Emulator collects the timing information until you select **Profiling Stop**.

You can then save the profiling information to a file by selecting **Profiling Dump**. The information is saved to file in two different formats. Both of these files are stored in the directory in which the Emulator executable is located:

File name	Description
Profile Results_ <number>.txt</number>	A text version of the profiling results. <number> is a four-digit number incremented each time the profiling results are saved.</number>
Profile Results_ <number>.mwp</number>	A Metrowerks Profiler version of the results. <number> is a four-digit number incremented each time the profiling results are saved.</number>
	The MWP file can be used with the MW Profiler application bundled with CodeWarrior Pro. The MW Profiler is only available on Macintosh computers.
	The MWP file can also be used with other analysis tools. These tools are listed on the Emulator web page ( <a href="http://www.palmos.com/dev/tools/emulator/">http://www.palmos.com/dev/tools/emulator/</a> ).

You do not have to prepare your code in any special way for Palm OS Emulator to profile it, because the Emulator can determine when functions are entered and exited on its own. And the Emulator performs its profiling calculations between cycles, thus the timing information is quite accurate.

It is a good idea to set your compiler's switch to embed debug symbols in your code so that you can easily interpret the profiling results. With CodeWarrior, you should set the option Generate MacsBugs Debug Symbols. With GCC, you should use the Palm OS specific GCC option -mdebug-labels. With MacsBugs, you will get each function's name in the text section immediately after the function's code.

# Palm OS Emulator **Error Handling**

This chapter describes the error handling and reporting features of the Palm OS Emulator program, including the following information:

- which conditions are detected
- what the Emulator does upon detecting an error condition
- the message displayed for each error condition
- the options available to the user when an error condition occurs

This chapter has the following sections:

- "About Errors and Warnings" on page 75
- "<u>Detecting an Error Condition</u>" on page 76
- "Error Condition Types" on page 78
- "Error Messages" on page 79

# **About Errors and Warnings**

Errors and warnings are very similar. Both are considered *error* conditions, and both can trigger error messages. The only difference between errors and warnings is that an error is generally fatal; in the message dialog box for an error, the **Continue** button is disabled. For example, addressing errors, divide-by-zero calculations, or calls to SysFatalAlert are considered errors.

A warning is generally not fatal; in the message dialog box for a warning, the **Continue** button is enabled. For example, low memory accesses, direct screen accesses, and hardware register accesses are generally considered warnings. Since a warning is not fatal, Emulator provides a Debug Options dialog box where you can tell

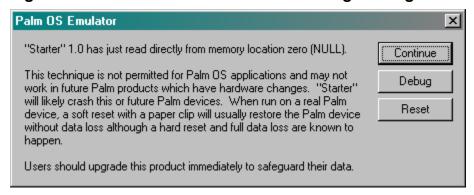
Emulator which conditions you are interested in checking. See "Debug Options" on page 51 for more information.

# **Detecting an Error Condition**

By default, when Palm OS Emulator detects an error condition, it generates error message text and displays the error dialog box. If you click **Debug** in the error dialog box, Emulator attempts to connect to an external debugger such as Palm Debugger or CodeWarrior Debugger; if successful, Emulator then stops emulating opcodes until the external debugger sends a command specifying that it can resume emulation.

If Emulator cannot connect to a debugger, it presents the error text to the user in a dialog box like the one shown in Figure 6.1.

Figure 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Message Dialog Box



**TIP:** You can copy the text of the error message to your desktop computer's clipboard:

On Windows, use CTRL-C.

On Macintosh, use CMD-C.

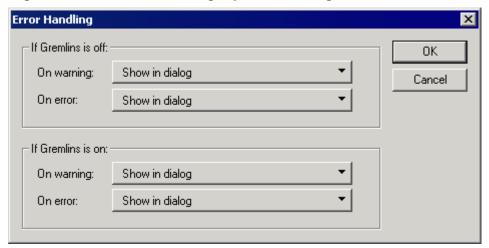
On Unix, use the mouse to select the text.

In the error message dialog box, you can click one of the three buttons:

Button	Description
Continue	Continues emulation, if possible.
Debug	Enters the external debugger, if one is running.
Reset	Performs a reset on the emulated handheld ROM. You can select a soft reset, a hard reset or a debug reset.

You can change this default behavior with the Error Handling options dialog box. Select Settings>Error Handling... to open the Error Handling options dialog box, which is shown in Figure 6.2 on page 77.

**Error Handling Options Dialog Box** Figure 6.2



#### For When Gremlins Are Not Running

- For warnings, you can choose:
  - To have warnings reported in message dialog boxes.
  - To have warnings ignored and have execution continue.

- For errors, you can choose:
  - To have errors reported in message dialog boxes.
  - To have errors cause Emulator to automatically quit.

#### For When Gremlins Are Running

- For warnings, you can choose:
  - To have warnings reported in message dialog boxes.
  - To have warnings ignored and have execution continue with the current Gremlin.
  - To have execution automatically switch to the next Gremlin.
- For errors, you can choose:
  - To have errors reported in message dialog boxes.
  - To have errors cause Emulator to automatically quit.
  - To have execution automatically switch to the next Gremlin.

# **Error Condition Types**

Palm OS Emulator detects condition types:

- A processor exception involves the CPU pushing the current program counter and processor state onto the stack, and then branching through a low-memory vector.
- A memory access exception involves access to a memory location that the application is not supposed to access.
- An application error message is a message displayed when software running on the handheld calls a system function such as ErrDisplayFileLineMsg or SysFatalAlert.

Palm OS Emulator uses four levels of accessibility when checking memory accesses:

- Applications have the least access to memory. An application is generally software running in RAM on the handheld.
- The system has more access to memory than do applications. The system is any software running in ROM on the handheld.

- The memory manager has the most access to memory. The memory manager is any function operating within the context of a memory manager call, which means any function that runs while a memory manager function is still active.
- Some sections of memory cannot be accessed by any software.

# **Error Messages**

<u>Table 6.1</u> shows Palm OS Emulator error messages. Note that you can prevent some of these messages by disabling the relevant debugging option, as described in "Debug Options" on page 51.

**Table 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Messages** 

Error type	Message example
Bus error	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, causing a bus error. A "bus error" means that the application accessed a memory location that is not in RAM or ROM, nor corresponds to a memory- mapped hardware register.</location></access-type></application></pre>
Address error	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, causing an address error. An "address error" means that the application accessed a 2 or 4-byte value at an odd (i.e., not even) memory address.</location></access-type></application></pre>
Illegal instruction	<pre><application> just executed an illegal or unknown machine language instruction. The opcode executed was <instruction>.</instruction></application></pre>
Divide by zero	<application> just divided an integer by zero.</application>
CHK instruction	<pre><application> just executed a CHK machine language instruction that failed. Invoking this instruction is not supported in Palm OS applications.</application></pre>

Table 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Messages (continued)

Error type	Message example
TRAPV instruction	<pre><application> just executed a TRAPV machine language instruction that failed. Invoking this instruction is not supported in Palm OS applications.</application></pre>
Privilege violation	<pre><application> just executed opcode <instruction>, a privileged machine language instruction. A "privileged machine language instruction" is one reserved for use by the operating system. Invoking such instructions is not supported in Palm OS applications.</instruction></application></pre>
Trace	<pre><application> just executed an instruction with the CPU's "trace" mode enabled. Normally, this mode is enabled by a debugger for the purpose of single- stepping through an application. However, no debugger is currently connected to handle trace mode.</application></pre>
Trap (A or F)	<pre><application> just executed an illegal or unknown machine language instruction. The opcode executed was <instruction>.</instruction></application></pre>
Trap number	<pre><application> just executed a "TRAP #<number>" machine language instruction. Invoking such instructions is not supported in Palm OS applications.</number></application></pre>
Trap #0	<pre><application> just executed a "TRAP #0" machine language instruction. This instruction is often used by debuggers to set breakpoints. However, no debugger is currently connected to handle the breakpoint.</application></pre>

Table 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Messages (continued)

Error type	Message example
Trap #8	<pre><application> just executed a "TRAP #8" machine language instruction. This instruction is generated when calling the DbgBreak function as a method for breaking into an external debugger. However, no debugger is currently connected.</application></pre>
Storage heap access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in the storage heap. In order to protect the integrity of the user's data, such direct access is not allowed. Instead, applications should use special Palm OS functions for this purpose.</location></access-type></application></pre>
Draw window error	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>. This access usually indicates that the application is calling a Window Manager function without first establishing a valid DrawWindow.</location></access-type></application></pre>
Illegal global variable access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>. This access usually means that the application accessed a global variable after PilotMain was called with a launch code that does not support globals. The last launch code sent to the application was "<launch-code>".</launch-code></location></access-type></application></pre>
Mac OS floating point error	<pre><application> just performed a floating point operation using a calling sequence specific to the Mac OS. This indicates that the application was compiled with the incorrect Floating Point option in the development environment that created it.</application></pre>
Stack overflow error	<pre><application> has overflowed the stack. The functions currently using the stack are: <stack-crawl>.</stack-crawl></application></pre>

Table 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Messages (continued)

Error type	Message example
Unimplemented trap	<pre><application> called Palm OS routine #<trap-number> (<trap-name>). This routine does not exist in this version of the Palm OS.</trap-name></trap-number></application></pre>
Shared library error	<pre><application> called a function in a shared library using a reference number of <number>. This reference number does not correspond to any currently installed library and is invalid.</number></application></pre>
Corrupted dynamic heap	During a regular checkup, Palm OS Emulator determined that the dynamic heap chunk with header address <location> got corrupted. <corruption-type>.</corruption-type></location>
Program counter error	<pre><application> just changed the emulated program counter to <location>. This address is invalid because <reason>. The program counter was changed when <when>.</when></reason></location></application></pre>
Low-memory access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in low memory. "Low memory" is defined as the first 256 bytes of memory. It should not be directly accessed by applications under any circumstances.</location></access-type></application></pre>
System variable access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in the Palm OS global variables. "Palm OS global variables" are memory locations reserved for the private use of the Palm OS. They should not be directly accessed by applications under any circumstances.</location></access-type></application></pre>

Table 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Messages (continued)

Error type	Message example
LCD screen buffer access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in screen memory. "Screen memory" is the area of RAM containing the pixels appearing on the LCD display. It should not be directly accessed by applications under any circumstances. Instead, they should use the Window Manager functions for altering the contents of the display.</location></access-type></application></pre>
Memory-mapped hardware register access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in the memory-mapped hardware registers. "Memory-mapped hardware registers" are memory locations that control the operation of your handheld device's hardware. They should not be directly accessed by applications under any circumstances.</location></access-type></application></pre>
ROM access	<application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in the ROM. Such an access has no effect, and usually indicates an error in the application.</location></access-type></application>

Table 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Messages (continued)

Error type	Message example
Memory Manager data structure access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in Memory Manager data structures. These data structures include things like the headers preceding each block in a heap, as well as the heap header itself. Such an access usually means that an application allocated a buffer (possibly with MemPtrNew) that wasn't large enough for its purpose. When the application then tries to write data to the buffer, it writes off the end of the buffer, accessing the start of the buffer following it in memory.</location></access-type></application></pre>
Memory Semaphore timeout	The Memory Manager semaphore has been held for longer than 1 minute. PalmSource recommends that applications not acquire the Memory Manager semaphore at all, but that if they do, they should not hold the semaphore any longer than that.
Unallocated memory access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in an unallocated chunk of memory. An "unallocated chunk of memory" is a chunk of memory that has not been reserved for use by the application through calling MemPtrNew or MemHandleNew. It should not be accessed by applications under any circumstances. Such an access usually means that an application is accessing a chunk that used to be allocated to the application but has since been returned with MemPtrFree or MemHandleFree.</location></access-type></application></pre>

Table 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Messages (continued)

Error type	Message example	
Unlocked memory access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in an unlocked chunk of memory. An "unlocked chunk of memory" is one that has been allocated with MemHandleNew but that has not been locked with MemHandleLock. Such an access usually means that an application allocated a buffer with MemHandleNew, locked it with MemHandleLock, unlocked it with MemHandleUnlock, and then used the pointer that was returned by MemHandleLock.</location></access-type></application></pre>	
Unused stack access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in the unused portion of the stack. The stack range is <stack-low> - <stack-high>, and the stack pointer is <stack-pointer>. The "stack" is the area of RAM used to contain function parameters and local variables. The used portion of the stack is indicated by the stack pointer. Applications may access the area of the stack above the stack pointer, but not below it.</stack-pointer></stack-high></stack-low></location></access-type></application></pre>	
Stack almost full	<pre><application> is close to overflowing the stack. The functions currently using the stack are: <stack-crawl>.</stack-crawl></application></pre>	

Table 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Messages (continued)

Error type	Message example
Sizeless object use	Form object ID # <object-id> (left = <left>, top = <top>, right = <right>, bottom = <bottom>) from <application> has a height or width of zero. Applications should hide objects by calling FrmHideObject instead of setting their dimensions to zero. Another way to get this error message is to call FrmCopyTitle or FrmCopyLabel to change a title or label to a string larger than what was specified in the form resource. Doing this often corrupts other objects on the form.</application></bottom></right></top></left></object-id>
Offscreen object use	Form object ID # <object-id> (left = <left>, top = <top>, right = <right>, bottom = <bottom>) from <application> is completely offscreen. Applications should hide objects by calling FrmHideObject instead of placing them completely offscreen. Another way to get this error message is to call FrmCopyTitle or FrmCopyLabel to change a title or label to a string larger than what was specified in the form resource. Doing this often corrupts other objects on the form.</application></bottom></right></top></left></object-id>
Form access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in the "<field>" field of the form starting at <form>. The data at this memory location is owned by the Form Manager. Applications should not access the data directly. Instead, they should make the appropriate Form Manager calls.</form></field></location></access-type></application></pre>

Table 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Messages (continued)

Error type	Message example
Form object list access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in the "<field>" field of the form object list entry with index #<index>, which belongs to the form starting at <form>. The data at this memory location is owned by the Form Manager. Applications should not access the data directly. Instead, they should make the appropriate Form Manager calls.</form></index></field></location></access-type></application></pre>
Form object access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in the "<field>" field of the <type> starting at <object>, which belongs to the form starting at <form>. The data at this memory location is owned by the Form Manager. Applications should not access the data directly. Instead, they should make the appropriate Form Manager calls.</form></object></type></field></location></access-type></application></pre>
Window access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in the "<field>" field of the window starting at <window>. The data at this memory location is owned by the Window Manager. Applications should not access the data directly. Instead, they should make the appropriate Window Manager calls.</window></field></location></access-type></application></pre>
Bitmap access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in the "<field>" field of the bitmap starting at <bitmap>. The data at this memory location is owned by the Palm OS. Applications should not access the data directly. Instead, they should make the appropriate Palm OS calls.</bitmap></field></location></access-type></application></pre>

Table 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Messages (continued)

Error type	Message example			
Proscribed function call	<pre><application> just called Palm OS routine "<function-name>". Applications should not call this function because <reason>.</reason></function-name></application></pre>			
Memory location access	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, changing it from <old-value> to <new-value>.</new-value></old-value></location></access-type></application></pre>			
Memory location breakpoint	<pre><application> just <access-type> memory location <location>, which is in the range from <watch-start> to <watch-end> specified in the Breakpoint dialog box.</watch-end></watch-start></location></access-type></application></pre>			
Memory leaks	Found <number> memory leaks for <application>. Information concerning the leaks can be found in the log file.</application></number>			
SysFatalAlert call	<pre><application> called SysFatalAlert with the message: "<message>".</message></application></pre>			
DbgMessage call	<pre><application> called DbgMessage with the message: "<message>".</message></application></pre>			
Invalid ROM checksum	The ROM you've chosen has an invalid checksum.  The most common reason for an invalid checksum has been from the use of utility programs that modify the contents of the ROM without also updating its internal checksum.  PalmSource, Inc. does not support the use of this ROM. Use it with caution.			

Table 6.1 Palm OS Emulator Error Messages (continued)

Error type	Message example
ROM with incorrect device emulation	Unable to determine an appropriate device to emulate for this ROM file. PalmSource, Inc. does not support the use of this ROM. Use it with caution, as the operation of a ROM with an incorrect device emulation will certainly cause the ROM to crash, and may crash the Palm OS Emulator.
Unsupported device ROM	This ROM is for a device not supported by this version of the emulator. PalmSource, Inc. does not support the use of this ROM.
Missing skin files	Palm OS Emulator needs "skin" files in order to correctly display the hardware devices it emulates. The Emulator looks for these skins in a directory called "Skins". However, that directory was not found. Previous versions of the Emulator would look for any directory starting with the word "Skins" and search that directory for skin files. With the current Emulator, the directory must be named exactly "Skins". If you don't have any skin files at all, you can download them from the Emulator download Web page: <a href="http://www.palmos.com/dev/tech/tools/emulator">http://www.palmos.com/dev/tech/tools/emulator</a> Follow the instructions included with that archive for installing the files.

# Palm OS Emulator **Advanced Topics**

This chapter contains descriptions of the following topics:

- "<u>Using Emulator Skin Files</u>" on page 91
- "Creating Demonstration Versions of Palm OS Emulator" on page 99
- "Sending Commands to Palm OS Emulator" on page 100

# **Using Emulator Skin Files**

Palm OS Emulator uses skin files to present the image of a handheld. Note that the skin is simply a graphic; it does not change the ROM or the handheld being emulated. The skin simply changes the appearance of the Emulator window.

The skin choices available are dependent on the handheld selection. When you select a handheld, Emulator reads through the available SKIN files for the skin names that support the selected handheld.

Palm OS Emulator comes with a built-in **Generic** skin. This skin is suitable for doing your own application testing and debugging.

However, there are times when you want Emulator to look more like a specific handheld, such as when you are using Emulator to demonstrate your application for others. This section describes how to use additional skins that are available, and how to modify or create your own skins.

#### **How Skin Files Work**

When Emulator starts an emulation session, it looks for a Skins directory:

- On Windows and Macintosh systems, Emulator looks for the Skins directory in the same directory as the Emulator executable file.
- On Unix, Emulator looks in the \$POSER\_DIR, \$HOME, /usr/ local/share/pose, and /usr/share/pose directories, stopping at the first one that has a directory called Skins or skins.

If Emulator cannot find a Skins directory, Emulator will display a warning message at startup. However, this warning message is only displayed once, so you will not have to be bothered by the message if you are not interested in using skin files.

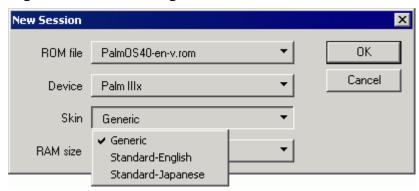
When Emulator has found the Skins directory, then Emulator searches that directory and all subdirectories for SKIN files (files with filetype skin, that is, \* . skin).

## Installing Additional Skin Files

This section describes how to use existing skin files.

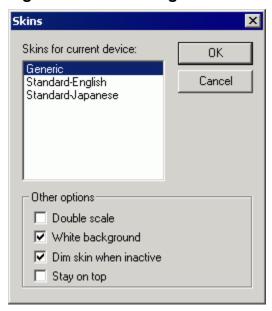
- 1. Download additional skins from:
  - <u>http://www.palmos.com/dev/tools/emulator/</u>
  - Archived skin file packages are available for Windows, Macintosh, and Unix.
- 2. Unarchive the skin file package you just downloaded.
- 3. Create a Skins directory, as described in the section "How Skin Files Work" on page 92.
- 4. Place the skin files (the unarchived contents of the downloaded package) into your Skins directory.
- 5. Start Palm OS Emulator. Emulator is now able to use the skins you have installed.

You can select the additional skins from either the New Session dialog box (<u>Figure 7.1</u>) or the Skins dialog box (<u>Figure 7.2</u>).



**Choosing a Skin in the New Session Dialog Box** Figure 7.1

Figure 7.2 Choosing a Skin in the Skins Dialog Box



# **Modifying or Creating Skin Files**

PalmSource, Inc. provides skin files for most existing Palm Powered<sup>™</sup> handhelds. However, it is fairly easy to modify or create your own skin file if you need to.

Skins are defined by a pair of files: an image file and a SKIN file that describes the image file. The image file is a graphic; currently, only JPEG format is supported.

The associated SKIN file is a text file that describes the image. The text file is made up of a series of lines, each line defining an attribute of the image. Each definition is of the form:

```
<attribute>=<value>
```

This is similar to the way INI files are stored on Windows, and how the emulator saves its own preferences.

#### Conditions for Skin File Entries

The following conditions apply for the definitions in SKIN files:

- The attribute is case-sensitive. For example, "Name" and "name" are not equivalent.
- There can be only one definition of each attribute. For example, if the skin can be used with multiple handhelds, specify both handhelds on the same "Devices" definition. This definition is correct:

```
Devices = Pilot1000, Pilot5000
```

However, this definition is not correct:

```
Devices = Pilot1000
Devices = Pilot5000
```

- White space is optional, both around the equal sign and in the specification of the value. For example, "color=1,2,3" is the same as "color = 1, 2, 3".
- The file can include comments, which are ignored when the file is parsed. Comments appear on their own lines, and start with "#" or ';'.
- Invalid files are detected and silently ignored. There is currently no error reporting when invalid values are encountered. Your only indication that something is wrong is that your skin won't show up in the Skins menu or dialog box.

#### Specifying Attributes in Skin Files

This list defines the attributes that you can use in skin files, and a describes how to specify the attribute's values.

Name

This is the name of the skin. The value is what appears in the Skin menu in the New Session dialog box and in the Skins dialog box.

#### **Example:**

Name = Keith's Cool Skin

File1x This is the name of the single-scale image file.

#### Example:

File1x = MySkin1.jpg

This is the name of the double-scale image file.

#### Example:

File2x = MySkin2.jpg

**Note:** Two image files must be specified: one for single-scale and one for double-scale.

Image files are expected to be in the same directory as the SKIN file, though a relative path may be specified. Both image files must exist and be specified.

#### Macintosh relative-path format example:

File1x = :Small Images:MySkin.jpg File2x = :Large Images:MySkin.jpg

#### Windows relative-path format example:

File1x = Small Images\MySkin.jpg File2x = Large Images\MySkin.jpg

#### BackgroundColor

File2x

This field defines the normal color used when displaying the LCD area of Emulator's display. The value is specified as an RGB set of values. The three components are provided as hexadecimal or decimal values in the range from 0 to 255, separated by commas.

#### Example:

BackgroundColor = 0x7B, 0x8C, 0x5A

HighlightColor

This field define the backlighting color used when displaying the LCD area of Emulator's display. (That is, the color used for when the user turns on backlighting by holding down the power button.)

The value is specified as an RGB set of values. The three components are provided as hexadecimal or decimal values in the range from 0 to 255, separated by commas.

#### **Example:**

HighlightColor = 132, 240, 220

**Devices** 

Provides the list of handhelds with which this skin can be used. One or more handhelds can be provided, separated by commas. The current list of valid handhelds is:

Pilot, Pilot1000, Pilot5000, PalmPilot, PalmPilotPersonal,
PalmPilotProfessional, PalmIII,
PalmIIIc, PalmIIIe, PalmIIIx, PalmV,
PalmVx, PalmVII, PalmVIIEZ, PalmVIIx,
PalmM100, m100, PalmM105, m105,
PalmM125, m125, PalmM130, m130,
PalmM500, m500, PalmM505, m505,
PalmM515, m515, PalmI705, i705,
Symbol1500, Symbol1700, Symbol1740,
TRGpro, HandEra330, Visor,
VisorPlatinum, VisorPrism, VisorEdge

#### **Examples:**

Devices = Pilot1000, Pilot5000

Devices = PalmIIIc

Element#

A class of attributes that describes the layout of the image. There is one attribute for each item in the image that can be clicked on. There are also attributes for the LCD and touchscreen areas. The value for each attribute is a list of 5 items: the name of the element and its coordinates on the screen. The current set of valid element names is:

> PowerButton - The hardware on/off button.

UpButton - The hardware scroll up button.

DownButton - The hardware scroll down button.

App1Button - The first application button (usually the Date Book application button).

App2Button - The second application button (usually the Address Book application button).

App3Button - The third application button (usually the To Do List application button).

App4Button - The fourth application button (usually the Memo Pad application button).

CradleButton - The HotSync® operation button.

Antenna - The trigger for raising the antenna.

ContrastButton - The hardware dial for setting screen contrast.

Touchscreen - The full screen area, including the input area.

LCD - The application screen area, excluding the input area.

# Symbol-specific Values:

TriggerLeft

TriggerCenter TriggerRight UpButtonLeft UpButtonRight DownButtonLeft DownButtonRight

All elements except for Touchscreen and LCD are optional.

The coordinates of each element are provided by specifying the left coordinate, the top coordinate, the element width, and the element height. Only single-scale coordinates can be provided; double-scale coordinates are derived from these. Coordinate values can be specified in hexadecimal or decimal.

Each attribute name must start with the text "Element", and must be suffixed with characters that make it unique from all the other element-related attributes.

<u>Listing 7.1</u> shows an example of a skin file.

#### Listing 7.1 Example of a Skin File

```
# This is a skin file for the Palm OS Emulator. See the ReadMe.txt
# file in this directory for a description of its contents.
                     = Standard-English
Name
File1x
                    = Palm_III_16.jpg
                     = Palm_III_32.jpg
File2x
BackgroundColor
                   = 0x7B, 0x8C, 0x5A
HighlightColor
                    = 0x64, 0xF0, 0xDC
Devices
                     = PalmIII
                                            x y w h
                                            ____ ____
                     = PowerButton,
                                           10, 295, 16, 24
Element1
                                          110, 292, 20, 21
Element2
                     = UpButton,
                     = DownButton,
Element3
                                          110, 313, 20, 21
                     = App1Button,
                                           37, 295, 23, 25
Element4
```

Element5	= App2Button,	76,	297,	23,	25
Element6	= App3Button,	141,	297,	23,	25
Element7	= App4Button,	180,	294,	23,	25
Element11	= Touchscreen,	39,	44,	160,	220
Element12	= LCD,	39,	44,	160,	160

# Creating Demonstration Versions of Palm OS **Emulator**

If you are running Palm OS Emulator on Windows NT or on Windows 2000, you can create an executable that binds the Emulator program with a ROM image and optionally a RAM image. The bound program can then be used for demonstrations, training, and kiosk systems.

To save a demonstration version of the Emulator session, you can right-click on the Palm OS Emulator display (the Palm Powered handheld image) and select Save Bound Emulator...

**NOTE:** You cannot create a bound emulation session on Macintosh or on Windows 98. You must be running Windows NT or Windows 2000 to create a bound emulation session.

# **Bound Emulation Session Limitations**

Because bound emulation sessions are intended to be used as demonstration versions, bound emulation sessions are different from regular Emulator session:

- All options in the Logging options dialog box are turned off.
- All options in the Debug options dialog box are turned off.
- You cannot load a saved emulation session (PSF file) into a bound emulation session.
- The menu items are limited to the ones displayed in <u>Figure</u> <u>7.3</u>.

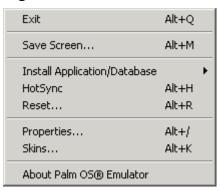


Figure 7.3 **Bound Emulator Menu Items** 

**IMPORTANT:** Because the bound emulation session contains a ROM image, you are restricted by your Palm OS Developer Program agreement from redistributing it. The Web Clipping ROM images are especially restricted because they contain strong encryption features.

For more information, review the Palm OS Developer Program's Prototype License and Confidentiality Agreement.

# Sending Commands to Palm OS Emulator

You can use RPC packets to send commands to Palm OS Emulator. You can invoke any function in the Palm OS dispatch table, including the Host Control functions, which are described in Chapter 8, "Host Control API Reference."

The RPC packets use the same format as do packets that are sent to the debugger interface, which is described in Chapter 9, "Debugger Protocol Reference."

You use the socket defined by the RPCSocketPort preference to make RPC calls to Palm OS Emulator. When you send a packet to the emulator, you must set the dest field of the packet header to the value defined here:

#define slkSocketRPC (slkSocketFirstDynamic+10)

**NOTE:** You can disable the RPC command facility by setting the value of the RPCSocketPort preference to 0.

You can send four kinds of command packets to the emulator:

- ReadMem
- WriteMem
- RPC
- RPC2

The first three packet types are described in <u>Chapter 9</u>, "<u>Debugger</u> <u>Protocol Reference</u>." The fourth packet type, RPC2, is an extension of the RPC packet format that allows support for a wider range of operations.

#### **RPC2 Packet Format**

```
#define sysPktRPC2Cmd
                        0x20
#define sysPktRPC2Rsp
                        0xA0
struct SysPktRPCParamInfo
   UInt8 byRef;
UInt8 size;
   UInt16 data[1];
};
struct SysPktRPC2Type
   _sysPktBodyCommon;
   UInt16 trapWord;
                 resultD0;
resultA0;
   UInt32
   UInt32
                    resultException;
   UInt16
                    DRegMask;
   UInt8
                    ARegMask;
   UInt8
   UInt32
                    Regs[1];
   UInt16
                     numParams;
   SysPktRPCParamType param[1];
```

Almost all of the RPC2 packet format is the same as the RPC format that is described in Chapter 9, "Debugger Protocol Reference." The RPC2 packet includes the following additional fields:

resultException

Stores the exception ID if a function call failed due to a hardware exception. Otherwise, the

value of this field is 0.

A bitmask indicating which D registers need to DRegMask

be set to make this call.

ARegMask A bitmask indicating which A registers need to

be set to make this call.

Regs[1] A variable-length array containing the values

to be stored in the registers that need to be set.

Only the registers that are being changed need to be supplied. Most of the time, DRegMask and ARegMask are set to zero and this field is

not included in the packet.

If more than one register needs to be set, then the register values should appear in the following order: D0, D1, ..., D6, D7, A0, A1, ..., A6, A7. Again, only values for the registers specified in DRegMask and ARegMask need to

be provided.

# **Host Control API** Reference

This chapter describes the host control API. The following topics are covered in this chapter:

- "About the Host Control API" Conceptual information about the host control API.
- "Constants" on page 104 A list of the constants that can be used with the host control functions.
- "<u>Data Types</u>" on page 109 A list of the data types that can be used with the host control functions.
- "Functions" on page 115 A list of all host control functions, sorted alphabetically.
- "Reference Summary" on page 159 A summary of all host control functions, sorted by category.

# About the Host Control API

You can use the host control API to call emulator-defined functions while your application is running under the Palm OS® Emulator. For example, you can make function calls to start and stop profiling in the emulator.

Host control functions are defined in the HostControl.h header file. These functions are invoked by executing a trap/selector combination that is defined for use by the emulator and other foreign host environments. Palm OS Emulator catches the calls intended for it that are made to this selector.

**IMPORTANT:** This chapter describes the version of the host control API that shipped with Palm OS Emulator 3.5. If you are using a different version, the features in your version might be different than the features described here.

# **Constants**

This section lists the constants that you use with the host control API.

#### **Host Error Constants**

Several of the host control API functions return a HostErrType value.

```
enum
hostErrNone = 0,
hostErrBase = hostErrorClass,
hostErrUnknownGestaltSelector,
hostErrDiskError,
hostErrOutOfMemory,
hostErrMemReadOutOfRange,
hostErrMemWriteOutOfRange,
hostErrMemInvalidPtr,
hostErrInvalidParameter,
hostErrTimeout,
hostErrInvalidDeviceType,
hostErrInvalidRAMSize,
hostErrFileNotFound,
hostErrRPCCall,
hostErrSessionRunning,
hostErrSessionNotRunning,
hostErrNoSignalWaiters,
hostErrSessionNotPaused,
hostErrPermissions,
hostErrFileNameTooLong,
hostErrNotADirectory,
```

hostErrTooManyFiles, hostErrFileTooBig, hostErrReadOnlyFS, hostErrIsDirectory, hostErrExists, hostErrOpNotAvailable, hostErrDirNotEmpty, hostErrDiskFull, hostErrUnknownError };

No error. hostErrNone

An administrative value for the HostError hostErrBase

class. This value is not returned to

applications.

hostErrUnknownGestaltSelector

The specified Gestalt selector value is not valid.

hostErrDiskError

A disk error occurred. The standard C library error code EIO is mapped to this error constant.

hostErrOutOfMemory

There is not enough memory to complete the request. The standard C library error code ENOMEM is mapped to this error constant.

hostErrMemReadOutOfRange

An out of range error occurred during a memory read.

hostErrMemWriteOutOfRange

An out of range error occurred during a memory write.

hostErrMemInvalidPtr

The pointer is not valid.

hostErrInvalidParameter

A parameter to a function is not valid. The standard C library error codes EBADF, EFAULT and EINVAL are mapped to this error constant. hostErrTimeout

A timeout occurred.

hostErrInvalidDeviceType

The specified handheld type is not valid.

hostErrInvalidRAMSize

The specified RAM size value is not valid.

hostErrFileNotFound

The specified file could not be found. The standard C library error code ENOENT is mapped to this error constant.

hostErrRPCCall

A function that must be called remotely was called by an application. These functions include: HostSessionCreate, HostSessionOpen, HostSessionClose, HostSessionQuit, HostSignalWait, and HostSignalResume.

hostErrSessionRunning

A session is already running and one of the following functions was called:

HostSessionCreate, HostSessionOpen, or HostSessionQuit.

hostErrSessionNotRunning

No session is running and the HostSessionClose function was called.

hostErrNoSignalWaiters

The HostSendSignal function was called, but there are no external scripts waiting for a signal.

hostErrSessionNotPaused

The HostSignalResume function was called, but the session has not been paused by a call to HostSendSignal.

hostErrPermissions

The standard C library error code EACCES and EPERM are mapped to this error constant.

hostErrFileNameTooLong

The standard C library error code ENAMETOOLONG is mapped to this error constant.

hostErrNotADirectory

The standard C library error code ENOTDIR is mapped to this error constant.

hostErrTooManyFiles

The standard C library error code EMFILE and ENFILE are mapped to this error constant.

hostErrFileTooBig

The standard C library error code EFBIG is mapped to this error constant.

hostErrReadOnlyFS

The standard C library error code EROFS is mapped to this error constant.

hostErrIsDirectory

The standard C library error code EISDIR is mapped to this error constant.

hostErrExists

The standard C library error code EEXIST is mapped to this error constant.

hostErrOpNotAvailable

The standard C library error codes ENOSYS and ENODEV are mapped to this error constant.

hostErrDirNotEmpty

The standard C library error code ENOTEMPTY is mapped to this error constant.

hostErrDiskFull

The standard C library error code ENOSPC is mapped to this error constant.

hostErrUnknownError

The standard C library error code values that are not mapped to any of the above error constants are mapped to this error constant.

#### **Host Function Selector Constants**

You can use the host function selector constants with the <u>HostIsSelectorImplemented</u> function to determine if a certain function is implemented on your debugging host. Each constant is the name of a function, with the Host portion replaced by HostSelector.

For a complete list of the constants available, see the HostControl.h header file.

#### **Host ID Constants**

The **HostGetHostID** function uses a Host ID value to specify the debugging host type.

```
enum
{
  hostIDPalmOS,
  hostIDPalmOSEmulator,
  hostIDPalmOSSimulator
};
```

A Palm Powered<sup>™</sup> hardware handheld. hostIDPalmOS

hostIDPalmOSEmulator

The Palm OS Emulator application.

hostIDPalmOSSimulator

Returned for both Palm OS Simulator and the Macintosh Palm Simulator application.

### **Host Platform Constants**

The <u>HostGetHostPlatform</u> function uses a HostPlatform value to specify operating system hosting the emulation.

```
enum
{
  hostPlatformPalmOS,
  hostPlatformWindows,
  hostPlatformMacintosh,
  hostPlatformUnix
};
```

```
hostPlatformPalmOS
```

The Palm OS platform.

hostPlatformWindows

The Windows operating system platform.

hostPlatformMacintosh

The Mac OS platform.

hostPlatformUnix

The Unix operating system platform.

# **Host Signal Constants**

This section describes the host signal values, which you can use with the HostSendSignal.

```
enum
 hostSignalReserved,
 hostSignalIdle,
  hostSignalQuit
};
```

hostSignalReserved

System-defined signals start here.

hostSignalIdle

Palm OS Emulator is about to go into an idle state.

hostSignalQuit

Palm OS Emulator is about to quit.

# **Data Types**

This section describes the data types that you use with the host control API.

# **HostBoolType**

The host control API defines HostBoolType for use as a Boolean value.

```
typedef long HostBoolType;
```

# **HostClockType**

The host control API defines HostClockType as a platformindependent representation of the standard C library clock\_t type.

typedef long HostClockType;

# **HostDirEntType**

The host control API defines HostDirEntType as a return value for the HostReadDir function. The contents are platform-specific, usually a simple null-terminated file name.

```
struct HostDirEntType
{
          d_name[HOST_NAME_MAX + 1];
  char
};
typedef struct HostDirEntType HostDirEntType;
```

# **HostDIRType**

The host control API defines HostDIRType for use in directoryrelated functions. It is returned by HostOpenDir and used by HostReadDir and HostCloseDir. It represents an open directory whose contents can be read.

```
struct HostDIRType
          _field;
  long
};
typedef struct HostDIRType HostDIRType;
```

# **HostFILEType**

The host control API defines HostFILEType for the standard C library functions that take FILE\* parameters. It is returned by HostFOpen and used by other host control functions. It represents an open file whose contents can be manipulated.

```
typedef struct HostFILEType
  long _field;
} HostFILEType;
```

# **HostGremlinInfoType**

The host control API defines the HostGremlinInfoType structure type to store information about a horde of gremlins.

```
typedef struct HostGremlinInfoType
  long fFirstGremlin;
  long fLastGremlin;
  long fSaveFrequency;
  long fSwitchDepth;
  long fMaxDepth;
  char fAppNames[200];
};
typedef struct HostGremlinInfoType
HostGremlinInfoType;
```

#### HostGremlinInfo Fields

fFirstGremlin	The number of the first gremlin to run.
fLastGremlin	The number of the last gremlin to run.
fSaveFrequency	The gremlin snapshot frequency.
fSwitchDepth	The number of gremlin events to generate before switching to another gremlin.
fMaxDepth	The maximum number of gremlin events to generate for each gremlin.

fAppNames

A comma-separated string containing a list of application names among which the gremlin horde is allowed to switch.

If this string is empty, all applications are available for use with the gremlins.

If this string begins with a dash ('-'), the applications named in the string are excluded, rather than included in the list of available applications.

# **HostIDType**

The host control API defines HostIDType for use as an identifier value.

typedef long HostIDType;

# **HostPlatformType**

The host control API defines HostPlatformType for use as a platform identifier value.

typedef long HostPlatformType;

# **HostSignalType**

The host control API defines HostSignalType for use in signal functions.

typedef long HostSignalType;

# **HostSizeType**

The host control API defines HostSizeType as a platformindependent version of the standard C library size\_t type.

typedef long HostSizeType;

### **HostStatType**

The host control API defines <code>HostStatType</code> for status information about files.

```
struct HostStatType
        unsigned long
                        st_dev_;
        unsigned long
                        st_ino_;
        unsigned long
                        st_mode_;
        unsigned long
                        st_nlink_;
        unsigned long
                        st_uid_;
        unsigned long
                        st_gid_;
        unsigned long
                        st_rdev_;
        HostTimeType
                        st_atime_;
       HostTimeType
                        st_mtime_;
       HostTimeType
                        st_ctime_;
        unsigned long
                        st_size_;
        unsigned long
                        st_blksize_;
        unsigned long
                        st_blocks_;
        unsigned long
                        st_flags_;
};
typedef struct HostStatType HostStatType;
```

#### **HostStatType Fields**

st_dev_	Drive number of the disk containing the file (the same as st_rdev_) .
st_ino_	Number of the information node for the file (Unix-specific information).
st_mode_	Bit mask for file-mode information. The _S_IFDIR bit indicates if this is a directory; the _S_IFREG bit indicates an ordinary file or handheld. User read/write bits are set according to the file's permission mode; user execute bits are set according to the filename extension.
st_nlink_	Always returns 1 on non-NTFS file systems.
st_uid_	Numeric identifier of the user who owns the file (Unix-specific information).
st_gid_	Numeric identifier of the group who owns the file (Unix-specific information).

st_rdev_	Drive number of the disk containing the file (the same as st_dev_).
st_atime_	Time of the last access of the file.
st_mtime_	Time of the last modification of the file.
st_ctime_	Time of the creation of the file.
st_size_	Size of the file in bytes.
st_blksize_	Block size for the file.
st_blocks_	Number of blocks.
st flags	File flags.

# **HostTimeType**

The host control API defines HostTimeType as a platform-independent version of the standard C library time\_t type.

```
typedef long HostTimeType;
```

# **HostTmType**

The host control API defines HostTmType for use in time functions.

```
struct HostTmType
{
  long
          tm_sec_;
  long tm_min_;
long tm_hour_;
  long
          tm_mday_;
  long
         tm_mon_;
  long
          tm_year_;
  long
          tm_wday_;
  long
          tm_yday_;
  long
         tm_isdst_;
};
typedef struct HostTmType HostTmType;
```

### **HostTmType Fields**

```
tm_sec_ Seconds after the minute: range from 0 to 59.
tm_min_ Minutes after the hour: range from 0 to 59.
```

```
Hours since midnight: range from 0 to 23.
tm_hour_
                   Day of the month: range from 1 to 31.
tm_mday_
                   Months since January: range from 0 to 11.
tm_mon_
                   Years since 1900.
tm_year_
                   Days since Sunday: range from 0 to 6.
tm_wday_
                   Days since January 1: range from 0 to 365.
tm_yday_
                   Daylight savings time flag.
tm_isdst_
```

# **HostUTimeType**

The host control API defines HostUTimeTypefor use in time functions.

```
struct HostUTimeType
 HostTimeType crtime_;
 HostTimeType actime ;
 HostTimeType modtime_;
};
typedef struct HostUTimeType HostUTimeType;
```

#### HostUTimeType Fields

```
Creation time.
crtime
actime
                  Access time.
                  Modification time.
modtime_
```

# **Functions**

This section describes the host control API functions.

**NOTE:** For host control API functions that return pointers to character strings (that is, functions that return type char \*), the returned value is valid only until the next call to a function that returns a pointer to a character string. If you need ongoing access to a character string, you should make a copy of the string before making the subsequent host control function call.

### **HostAscTime**

**Purpose** Returns a character string representation of the time encoded in

time.

Prototype char\* HostAscTime(const HostTmType\* time);

**Parameters** time The time structure.

**Result** The time as a character string.

**HostClock** 

**Purpose** Returns an elapsed time.

Prototype HostClock(void);

**Parameters** None.

**Result** The elapsed time in terms of the operating system's clock function

(usually the number clock ticks that have elapsed since the start of

the process), or -1 if the function call was not successful.

**HostCloseDir** 

**Purpose** Closes a directory.

Prototype long HostCloseDir(HostDIRType\* directory);

**Parameters** directory The directory to be closed.

**Result** Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

### **HostCTime**

**Purpose** Converts the calendar time in \*timeofday to a text representation.

Prototype char\* HostCTime(const HostTimeType\* timeofday)

The calendar time. **Parameters** timeofday

Result The calendar time as a time string.

# **HostDbgClearDataBreak**

**Purpose** Clears all data breakpoints that have been set by the

HostDbgSetDataBreak function.

Prototype HostErr HostDbgClearDataBreak (void)

**Parameters** None.

> Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

> > not.



# **HostDbgSetDataBreak**

**Purpose** Sets a breakpoint for Emulator to enter an external debugger or to

display a message if the bytes starting at the address (addr) and continuing for the given number of bytes (size) are accessed in any way (either written to or read from). This function provides the same function as the data breakpoint section of the Breakpoints dialog box (as described in "Setting Breakpoints" on page 66).

Prototype HostErr HostDbgSetDataBreak (UInt32 addr, UInt32

size)

**Parameters** addr The starting address for the range of bytes to be

monitored for access.

size The number of bytes, starting from the address

addr, that will be monitored for access.

**Result** Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

#### **HostErrNo**

**Purpose** 

Returns the value of errno, the standard C library variable that reflects the result of many standard C library functions. You can call this function after calling one of the Host Control functions that wraps the standard C library.

**IMPORTANT:** The HostErrNo function is only applicable to functions that wrap standard C library functions that affect errno. It is not applicable to all Host Control functions.

Prototype long HostErrNo(void);

**Parameters** None.

**Result** The error number.

**HostExportFile** 

**Purpose** Copies a database from the handheld to the desktop computer.

**Prototype** HostErr HostExportFile(const char\* fileName,

long cardNum, const char\* dbName);

**Parameters** fileName The file name to use on the desktop computer.

cardNum The number of the card on the handheld on

which the database is contained.

dbName The name of the handheld database.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

**HostFClose** 

**Purpose** Closes a file on the desktop computer.

**Prototype** long HostFClose(HostFILE\* f);

**Parameters** The file to close.

> Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

> > not.

**HostFEOF** 

**Purpose** Determines if the specified file is at its end.

Prototype long HostFEOF(HostFILE\* f);

**Parameters** The file to test.

> Returns 0 if the specified file is at its end, and a non-zero value Result

> > otherwise.

**HostFError** 

**Purpose** Retrieves the error code from the most recent operation on the

specified file.

**Prototype** long HostFError(HostFILE\* f);

**Parameters** The file. f

> Result The error code from the most recent operation on the specified file.

> > Returns 0 if no errors have occurred on the file.

### **HostFFlush**

**Purpose** Flushes the buffer for the specified file.

**Prototype** long HostFFlush(HostFILE\* f);

**Parameters** The file to flush. f

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

**HostFGetC** 

**Purpose** Retrieves the character at the current position in the specified file.

**Prototype** long HostFGetC(HostFILE\* f);

**Parameters** f The file.

> Result The character, or EOF to indicate an error.

> > **HostFGetPos**

**Purpose** Retrieves the current position in the specified file.

long HostFGetPos(HostFILE\* f, long\* posn); **Prototype** 

**Parameters** The file.

> Upon successful return, the current position in posn

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

### **HostFGetS**

**Purpose** Retrieves a character string from the selected file and returns a

pointer to that string.

**Prototype** char\* HostFGetS(char\* s, long n, HostFILE\* f);

A pointer to the string buffer to be filled with **Parameters** S

characters from the file.

The number of characters to retrieve. n

f The file.

Result The character string, or NULL to indicate an error.

**HostFOpen** 

**Purpose** Opens a file on the desktop computer.

Prototype HostFILE\* HostFOpen(const char\* name,

const char\* mode);

**Parameters** The name of the file to open. name

> mode The mode to use when opening the file.

Result The file stream pointer, or NULL to indicate an error.

**HostFPrintF** 

**Purpose** Writes a formatted string to a file.

**Prototype** long HostFPrintF(HostFILE\* f, const char\* format,

...);

**Parameters** f The file to which the string is written.

> format The format specification.

String arguments. . . .

**Result** The number of characters actually written.

**HostFPutC** 

**Purpose** Writes a character to the specified file.

Prototype long HostFPutC(long c, HostFILE\* f);

**Parameters** c The character to write.

f The file to which the character is written.

**Result** The number of characters written, or EOF to indicate an error.

**HostFPutS** 

**Purpose** Writes a string to the specified file.

Prototype long HostFPutS(const char\* s, HostFILE\* f);

**Parameters** s The string to write.

f The file to which the character is written.

**Result** A non-negative value if the operation was successful, or a negative

value to indicate failure.

**HostFRead** 

**Purpose** Reads a number of items from the file into a buffer.

Prototype long HostFRead(void\* buffer, long size,

long count, HostFILE\* f);

**Parameters** buffer The buffer into which data is read.

size The size of each item.

count The number of items to read.

The file from which to read. f

Result The number of items that were actually read.

**HostFree** 

**Purpose** Frees memory on the desktop computer.

**Prototype** void HostFree(void\* p);

**Parameters** р A pointer to the memory block to be freed.

Result None.

HostFReopen

**Purpose** Changes the file with which the stream f is associated.

> HostFReopen first closes the file that was associated with the stream, then opens the new file and associates it with the same

stream.

**Prototype** HostFILE\* HostFReopen(const char\* name,

const char\* mode, HostFILE \*f);

**Parameters** The name of the file to open. name

> mode The mode to use when opening the file.

f The file from which to read.

Result The file stream pointer, or NULL to indicate an error.

### **HostFScanF**

**Purpose** Reads formatted text from a file.

**Prototype** long HostFReopen(HostFILE\* f, const char \*fmt, ...);

**Parameters** f The file from which to read input.

> fmt A format string, as used in standard C-library

> > calls such as scanf.

The list of variables into which scanned input ...

are written.

Result The number of items that were read, or a negative value to indicate

an error.

Returns EOF if end of file was reached while scanning.

**HostFSeek** 

**Purpose** Moves the file pointer to the specified position.

long HostFSeek(HostFILE\* f, long offset, **Prototype** 

long origin);

**Parameters** The file. f

> offset The number of bytes to move from the initial

> > position, which is specified in the origin

parameter.

origin The initial position.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

#### **HostFSetPos**

**Purpose** Sets the position indicator of the file.

**Prototype** long HostFSetPos(HostFILE\* f, long posn);

**Parameters** The file. f

> The position value. posn

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

HostFTell

Purpose Retrieves the current position of the specified file.

**Prototype** long HostFTell(HostFILE\* f);

**Parameters** The file. f

> Result Returns -1 to indicate an error.

> > **HostFWrite**

Writes data to a file. Purpose

Prototype long HostFWrite(const void\* buffer, long size,

long count, HostFILE\* f);

**Parameters** The buffer that contains the data to be written. buffer

> The size of each item. size

The number of items to write. count

f The file to which the data is written.

Result The number of items actually written.

#### **HostGestalt**

**Purpose** Currently does nothing except return an "invalid selector" error. In

the future, this function will be used for queries about the runtime

environment.

**Prototype** HostErr HostGestalt(long gestSel, long\* response);

**Parameters** gestSel

response

**HostGetDirectory** 

**Purpose** Gets a directory, in support of the operating system file chooser

dialog box.

**Prototype** const char\* HostGetDirectory(const char\* prompt,

const char\* defaultDir);

**Parameters** prompt

> defaultDir The default directory to get.

Result Returns the directory as a character string.

**HostGetEnv** 

**Purpose** Retrieves the value of an environment variable.

**Prototype** char\* HostGetEnv(char\* varName);

**Parameters** varName The name of the environment variable that you

want to retrieve.

Result The string value of the named variable, or NULL if the variable

cannot be retrieved.

### **HostGetFile**

**Purpose** Gets a file, in support of the operating system file chooser dialog

box.

**Prototype** const char\* HostGetFile(const char\* prompt,

const char\* defaultFile)

**Parameters** prompt

> defaultFile The default file to get.

Result Returns the file as a character string.

#### **HostGetFileAttr**

**Purpose** Get the attribute settings of a file or directory. This function can tell

you whether the file is read-only, hidden, or a system file.

**Prototype** long HostGetFileAttr(const char\* fileOrPathName,

long\* attrFlag)

**Parameters** fileOrPathName The file name or directory path for which you

want to get the file attribute setting.

attrFlag One of the following attribute flags:

-hostFileAttrReadOnly

-hostFileAttrHidden

-hostFileAttrSystem

The file attribute flags match the EmFileAttr flags:

```
enum
  hostFileAttrReadOnly = 1,
  hostFileAttrHidden = 2,
  hostFileAttrSystem = 4
```

Result The file attribute.

#### **HostGetHostID**

**Purpose** Retrieves the ID of the debugging host. This is one of the constants

described in **Host ID Constants**. Palm OS Emulator always returns

the value hostIDPalmOSEmulator.

Prototype HostID HostGetHostID(void);

**Parameters** None.

**Result** The host ID.

**HostGetHostPlatform** 

**Purpose** Retrieves the host platform ID, which is one of the values described

in Host Platform Constants.

Prototype HostPlatform HostGetHostPlatform(void);

**Parameters** None.

**Result** The platform ID.

**HostGetHostVersion** 

**Purpose** Retrieves the version number of the debugging host.

Prototype long HostGetHostVersion(void);

Parameters None.

**Result** The version number.

**Comments** This function returns the version number in the same format that is

used by the Palm OS, which means that you can access the version

number components using the following macros from the

SystemMgr.h file:

sysGetROMVerMajor(dwROMVer) sysGetROMVerMinor(dwROMVer) sysGetROMVerFix(dwROMVer) sysGetROMVerStage(dwROMVer) sysGetROMVerBuild(dwROMVer)

## **HostGetPreference**

**Purpose** Retrieves the specified preference value.

**Prototype** HostBool HostGetPreference(const char\* prefName,

char\* prefValue);

**Parameters** prefName The name of the preference whose value you

want to retrieve.

prefValue Upon successful return, the string value of the

specified preference.

Result A Boolean value that indicates whether the preference was

successfully retrieved.

Comments Each preference is identified by name. You can view the preference

names in the Palm OS Emulator preferences file for your platform,

as shown in Table 8.1.

Table 8.1 Palm OS Emulator preferences file names and **locations** 

Platform	File name	File location
Macintosh	Palm OS Emulator Prefs	In the Preferences folder
Windows	Palm OS Emulator.ini	In the Windows System directory
Unix	.poserrc	In your home directory

See Also The HostSetPreference function.

## **HostGMTime**

**Purpose** Returns time structure representation of the time, expressed as

Universal Time Coordinated, or UTC (UTC was formerly

Greenwich Mean Time, or GMT).

**Prototype** HostTmType\* HostGMTime(const HostTimeType\* time);

**Parameters** time

> Result The time structure.

> > **HostGremlinCounter**

**Purpose** Returns the current event count of the currently running gremlin.

**Prototype** long HostGremlinCounter(void);

**Parameters** None.

> Result The event count.

Comments This return value of this function is only valid if a gremlin is

currently running.

**HostGremlinIsRunning** 

**Purpose** Determines if a gremlin is currently running.

**Prototype** HostBool HostGremlinIsRunning(void);

**Parameters** None.

> Result A Boolean value indicating whether a gremlin is currently running.

## **HostGremlinLimit**

**Purpose** Retrieves the limit value of the currently running gremlin.

Prototype long HostGremlinLimit(void);

**Parameters** None.

> Result The limit value of the currently running gremlin.

Comments This return value of this function is only valid if a gremlin is

currently running.

**HostGremlinNew** 

**Purpose** Creates a new gremlin.

Prototype HostErr HostGremlinNew(

const HostGremlinInfo\* info);

**Parameters** info A HostGremlinInfo structure with

information about the new horde of gremlins

HostGremlinNumber

**Purpose** Retrieves the number of the currently running gremlin.

Prototype long HostGremlinNumber(void);

**Parameters** None.

> Result The gremlin number of the currently running gremlin.

Comments This return value of this function is only valid if a gremlin is

currently running.

# HostImportFile

**Purpose** Copies a database from the desktop computer to the handheld, and

stores it on the specified card number. The database name on the

handheld is the name stored in the file.

**Prototype** HostErr HostImportFile(const char\* fileName,

long cardNum);

**Parameters** fileName The file on the desktop computer that contains

the database.

The card number on which the database is to be cardNum

installed. You almost always use 0 to specify

the built-in RAM.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.



# HostImportFileWithID

**Purpose** Copies a database from the desktop computer to the handheld,

> stores it on the specified card number, and returns the local ID of the installed database. The database name on the handheld is the name

stored in the file.

**Prototype** HostErr HostImportFileWithID(const char\* fileName,

long cardNum, LocalID\* newIDP);

**Parameters** fileName The file on the desktop computer that contains

the database.

cardNum The card number on which the database is to be

installed. You almost always use 0 to specify

the built-in RAM.

The local ID of the installed database. newIDP

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

HostlsCallingTrap

**Purpose** Determines if Palm OS Emulator is currently calling a trap.

**Prototype** HostBool HostIsCallingTrap(void);

**Parameters** None.

> Result TRUE if Palm OS Emulator is currently calling a trap, and FALSE if

> > not.

HostIsSelectorImplemented

**Purpose** Determines if the specified function selector is implemented on the

debugging host.

Prototype HostBool HostIsSelectorImplemented(long selector);

**Parameters** selector The function selector. This must be one of the

constants described in Host Function Selector

Constants.

Result TRUE if the specified function selector is implemented on the host,

and FALSE if not

## **HostLocalTime**

**Purpose** Returns time structure representation of the time, expressed as local

time.

**Prototype** HostTmType\* HostLocalTime(const HostTimeType\*

time);

**Parameters** time The time structure.

Result The time structure.

**HostLogFile** 

**Purpose** Returns a reference to the file that the Emulator is using to log

information. You can use this to add your own information to the

same file.

**Prototype** HostFILE\* HostLogFile(void);

**Parameters** None.

> A pointer to the log file, or NULL if not successful. Result

> > **HostMalloc**

**Purpose** Allocates a memory block on the debugging host.

**Prototype** void\* HostMalloc(long size);

**Parameters** size The number of bytes to allocate.

Result A pointer to the allocated memory block, or NULL if there is not

enough memory available.

## **HostMkDir**

**Purpose** Creates a directory.

**Prototype** long HostMkDir(const char\* directory);

**Parameters** directory The directory to create.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

**HostMkTime** 

**Purpose** Alters the parameter values to represent an equivalent encoded

local time, but with the values of all members within their normal

ranges.

Prototype HostTimeType HostMkTime(HostTmType\* time)

**Parameters** time The time structure.

Result Returns the calendar time equivalent to the encoded time, or returns

a value of -1 if the calendar time cannot be represented

**HostOpenDir** 

**Purpose** Opens a directory.

**Prototype** HostDIRType\* HostOpenDir(const char\* directory);

**Parameters** The directory to open. directory

Result Returns a directory structure.

# HostProfileCleanup

**Purpose** Releases the memory used for profiling and disables profiling.

**Prototype** HostErr HostProfileCleanup(void);

**Parameters** None.

> Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

> > not. Returns hostErrProfilingNotReady if called out of

sequence. For information on profiling sequence, see

"HostProfileInit" on page 138.

**Comments** This function is available only in the profiling version of the

emulator.

See Also The <u>HostProfileStart</u>, <u>HostProfileStop</u>, and <u>HostProfileDump</u>

functions.

HostProfileDetailFn

**Purpose** Profiles the function that contains the specified address.

**Prototype** HostErr HostProfileDetailFn(void\* addr,

HostBool logDetails);

**Parameters** addr The address in which you are interested.

> A Boolean value. If this is TRUE, profiling is logDetails

> > performed at a machine-language instruction level, which means that each opcode is treated

as its own function.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

Comments This function is available only in the profiling version of the

emulator.

See Also The <u>HostProfileInit</u>, <u>HostProfileStart</u>, <u>HostProfileStop</u>,

HostProfileDump, and HostProfileCleanup functions.

**HostProfileDump** 

**Purpose** Writes the current profiling information to the named file.

**Prototype** HostErr HostProfileDump(const char\* filename);

**Parameters** filename The name of the file to which the profile

information gets written.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

Comments This function is available only in the profiling version of the

emulator. Returns hostErrProfilingNotReady if called out of

sequence. For information on profiling sequence, see

"HostProfileInit" on page 138.

See Also The <u>HostProfileInit</u>, <u>HostProfileStart</u>, <u>HostProfileStop</u>, and

HostProfileCleanup functions.

**HostProfileGetCycles** 

**Purpose** Returns the current running CPU cycle count.

**Prototype** long HostProfileGetCycles(void)

**Parameters** None.

> Result Returns the current running CPU cycle count.

Comments This function is available only in the profiling version of the

emulator.

See Also The <u>HostProfileInit</u>, <u>HostProfileStart</u>, <u>HostProfileStop</u>,

HostProfileDump, and HostProfileCleanup functions.

## HostProfileInit

Initializes and enables profiling in the debugging host. **Purpose** 

**Prototype** HostErr HostProfileInit(long maxCalls,

long maxDepth);

**Parameters** maxCalls The maximum number of calls to profile. This

> parameter determines the size of the array used to keep track of function calls. A typical value

for maxCalls is 65536.

maxDepth The maximum profiling depth. This parameter

determines the size of the array used to keep track of function call depth. A typical value for

maxDepth is 200.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not. Returns hostErrProfilingNotReady if called out of

sequence.

Comments This function is available only in the profiling version of the emulator.

> The host control profiling functions are intended to be called in sequence:

- 1. HostProfileInit All profiling starts with the HostProfileInit function, which initializes and enables profiling.
- 2. HostProfileStart This function turns profiling on.
- 3. HostProfileStop This function turns profiling off. After calling HostProfileStop, you can either call HostProfileStart to restart profiling or call HostProfileDump, which disables profiling and writes data to a file.
- 4. HostProfileDump This function disables profiling and writes data to a file. If you need to do more profiling after calling HostProfileDump, you need to call HostProfileInit to re-enable profiling.
- HostProfileCleanup This function releases the memory used for profiling and disables profiling.

**See Also** The <u>HostProfileStart</u>, <u>HostProfileStop</u>, <u>HostProfileDump</u>, and

HostProfileCleanup functions.

**HostProfileStart** 

**Purpose** Turns profiling on.

Prototype HostErr HostProfileStart(void);

**Parameters** None.

**Result** Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not. Returns hostErrProfilingNotReady if called out of

sequence. For information on profiling sequence, see

"HostProfileInit" on page 138.

**Comments** This function is available only in the profiling version of the

emulator.

**See Also** The <u>HostProfileInit</u>, <u>HostProfileStop</u>, <u>HostProfileDump</u>, and

HostProfileCleanup functions.

**HostProfileStop** 

**Purpose** Turns profiling off.

Prototype HostErr HostProfileStop(void);

Parameters None.

**Result** Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not. Returns hostErrProfilingNotReady if called out of

sequence. For information on profiling sequence, see

"HostProfileInit" on page 138.

**Comments** This function is available only in the profiling version of the

emulator.

**See Also** The <u>HostProfileInit</u>, <u>HostProfileStop</u>, <u>HostProfileDump</u>, and

HostProfileCleanup functions.

**HostPutFile** 

**Purpose** Writes a file, in support of the operating system "Save As" dialog

box.

Prototype const char\* HostPutFile(const char\* prompt, const

char\* defaultDir, const char\* defaultName);

Parameters prompt

**defaultDir** The default directory to use.

defaultName The default file name to use.

**Result** Returns the file name as a character string.

**HostReadDir** 

**Purpose** Reads a directory.

Prototype HostDirEntType\* HostReadDir(HostDIRType\*

directory);

**Parameters** directory The directory to read.

**Result** Returns a character array for the directory.

**HostRealloc** 

**Purpose** Reallocates space for the specified memory block.

Prototype void\* HostRealloc(void\* ptr, long size);

**Parameters** ptr A pointer to a memory block that is being

resized.

The new size for the memory block. size

Result A pointer to the allocated memory block, or NULL if there is not

enough memory available.

**HostRemove** 

**Purpose** Deletes a file.

**Prototype** long HostRemove(const char\* name);

**Parameters** The name of the file to be deleted. name

Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if Result

not.

**HostRename** 

**Purpose** Renames a file.

**Prototype** long HostRemove(const char\* oldName,

const char\* newName);

**Parameters** The name of the file to be renamed. oldName

> newName The new name of the file.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

### **HostRmDir**

**Purpose** Removes a directory.

**Prototype** long HostRmDir(const char\* directory);

**Parameters** The directory to remove. directory

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

**HostSaveScreen** 

**Purpose** Saves the LCD frame buffer to the given file name.

**Prototype** HostErrType HostSaveScreen(const char\* fileName)

**Parameters** fileName The name of the file to which the current LCD

frame buffer is to be saved.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

**HostSessionClose** 

**Purpose** Closes the current emulation session.

Prototype HostErr HostSessionClose(const char\* psfFileName);

**Parameters** The name of the file to which the current psfFileName

session is to be saved.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

Comments This function is defined for external RPC clients to call; the effect of

calling it for Palm OS applications running on the emulated

handheld is undefined.

**HostSessionCreate** 

**Purpose** Creates a new emulation session.

Prototype HostErr HostSessionCreate(const char\* device,

long ramSize, const char\* romPath);

**Parameters** device The name of the handheld to emulate in the

session.

ramSize The amount of emulated RAM in the new

session.

romPath The path to the ROM file for the new session.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

Comments This function is defined for external RPC clients to call; the effect of

calling it for Palm OS applications running on the emulated

handheld is undefined.

**IMPORTANT:** This function is not implemented in the current version of Palm OS Emulator; however, it will be implemented in

the near future.

# **HostSessionOpen**

**Purpose** Opens a previously saved emulation session.

Prototype HostErr HostSessionOpen(const char\* psfFileName);

**Parameters** psfFileName The name of the file containing the saved

session that you want to open.

**Result** Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

**Comments** This function is defined for external RPC clients to call; the effect of

calling it for Palm OS applications running on the emulated

handheld is undefined.

**IMPORTANT:** This function is not implemented in the current version of Palm OS Emulator; however, it will be implemented in

the near future.

## **HostSessionQuit**

**Purpose** Asks Palm OS Emulator to quit. Returns an error if a session is

already running.

Prototype HostErr HostSessionQuit(void);

**Parameters** None.

**Result** Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

**Comments** This function is defined for external RPC clients to call; the effect of

calling it for Palm OS applications running on the emulated

handheld is undefined.

**IMPORTANT:** This function is defined for external RPC clients to call, and returns an error if you call it from within a Palm OS application.



# **HostSessionSave**

}

**Purpose** Saves a session to a file with the specified name.

**Prototype** HostBoolType HostSessionSave(const char\* saveFileName);

**Parameters** saveFileName A file name for the session that you are saving.

Result Returns false when saving a session to a file, whether or not the save attempt is successful. When the session file is reloaded, execution starts at the point where <code>HostSessionSave</code> is returning, and it then returns true.

Comments This function can be useful when you want to save a session file for later analysis. When you reload the session file later, you can break into a debugger.

```
Example
           void MyFunc (void)
              // Check to see if our application's data is internally
              // consistant. If not, save the state for later analysis.
              if (ASSERT_VALID () == false)
                if (HostSessionSave ("c:\\temp\foo.psf"))
                   DbgBreak ();
```

## **HostSetFileAttr**

**Purpose** Set the attribute settings of a file or directory. This function can set

the read-only, hidden, or system-file attribute for the file or

directory.

**Prototype** long HostSetFileAttr(const char\* fileOrPathName,

long\* attrFlag)

**Parameters** fileOrPathName The file name or directory path for which you

want to set the file attribute setting.

One of the following attribute flags: attrFlag

-hostFileAttrReadOnly

-hostFileAttrHidden

-hostFileAttrSystem

The file attribute flags match the EmFileAttr flags:

```
enum
  hostFileAttrReadOnly = 1,
  hostFileAttrHidden = 2,
  hostFileAttrSystem = 4
}
```

Result The file attribute.

# HostSetLogFileSize

**Purpose** Determines the size of the logging file that Palm OS Emulator is

using.

**Prototype** void HostSetLogFileSize(long size);

**Parameters** size The new size for the logging file, in bytes.

Result None. Comments By default, Palm OS Emulator saves the last 1 megabyte of log data

to prevent logging files from becoming enormous. You can call this

function to change the log file size.

**HostSetPreference** 

**Purpose** Sets the specified preference value.

void HostSetPreference(const char\* prefName, Prototype

const char\* prefValue);

**Parameters** prefName The name of the preference whose value you

are setting.

prefValue The new value of the preference.

Result None.

Comments Each preference is identified by name. You can view the preference

names in the Palm OS Emulator preferences file for your platform,

as shown in Table 8.1.

See Also The HostGetPreference function.

HostSignalResume

**Purpose** Restarts Palm OS Emulator after it has issued a signal.

Prototype HostErr HostSignalResume(void);

**Parameters** None.

> Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

> > not.

Comments Palm OS Emulator waits to be restarted after issuing a signal to

allow external scripts to perform operations.

#### See Also

The <u>HostSignalSend</u> and <u>HostSignalWait</u> functions.

**IMPORTANT:** This function is defined for external RPC clients to call, and returns an error if you call it from within a Palm OS application.

# **HostSignalSend**

**Purpose** 

Sends a signal to any scripts that have <u>HostSignalWait</u> calls pending.

**Prototype** 

HostErr HostSignalSend(HostSignal signalNumber);

**Parameters** 

signalNumber

The signal for which you want to wait. This can be a predefined signal or one that you have defined.

Result

Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if not.

#### Comments

Palm OS Emulator halts and waits to be restarted after sending the signal. This allows external scripts to perform operations. The external script must call the <u>HostSignalResume</u> function to restart Palm OS Emulator.

If there are not any scripts waiting for a signal, Palm OS Emulator does not halt.

The predefined signals are:

- hostSignalIdle, which Palm OS Emulator issues when it detects that it is going into an idle state.
- hostSignalQuit, which Palm OS Emulator issues when it is about to quit.

See Also

The HostSignalResume and HostSignalWait functions.

**IMPORTANT:** This function is defined for external RPC clients to call, and returns an error if you call it from within a Palm OS application.

# **HostSignalWait**

**Purpose** Waits for a signal from Palm OS Emulator, and returns the signalled

value.

**Prototype** HostErr HostSignalWait(long timeout,

HostSignal\* signalNumber);

**Parameters** The number of milliseconds to wait for the timeout

signal before timing out.

signalNumber The number of the signal that occurred.

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not. Returns the number of the signal that occurred in

signalNumber.

Comments Palm OS Emulator waits to be restarted after issuing a signal to

allow external scripts to perform operations.

The predefined signals are:

• hostSignalIdle, which Palm OS Emulator issues when it detects that it is going into an idle state.

• hostSignalQuit, which Palm OS Emulator issues when it

is about to quit.

See Also The <u>HostSignalResume</u> and <u>HostSignalSend</u> functions.

> **IMPORTANT:** This function is defined for external RPC clients to call, and returns an error if you call it from within a Palm OS application.

### **HostSlotHasCard**

**Purpose** Ask whether Emulator is emulating a Virtual File System card for a

specific slot number.

**Prototype** HostBoolType HostSlotHasCard(long slotNo)

**Parameters** slotNo The slot number. This number can be in the

range from 1 up to and including the number

returned by function HostSlotMax.

Result A Boolean value that indicates whether Emulator is emulating a

> Virtual File System card in the slot specified by slotNo. This function is provided in support of Expansion Manager emulation.

**Comments** This function may return FALSE if the user has not selected to

emulate a Virtual File System card in the given slot, or if Emulator is

emulating a different kind of card in that slot.

**HostSlotMax** 

**Purpose** Returns the number of Virtual File System cards that Emulator is

emulating.

**Prototype** long HostSlotMax(void)

**Parameters** None.

> A long value indicating the number of Virtual File System cards Result

> > Emulator is emulating. This function is provided in support of

Expansion Manager emulation.

**Comments** The functions that accept card numbers, HostSlotHasCard and

HostSlotRoot, accept numbers from 1 up to and including the

number returned by HostSlotMax.

## **HostSlotRoot**

**Purpose** Returns a string representing the root directory of the emulated slot.

const char\* HostSlotRoot(long slotNo) Prototype

**Parameters** The slot number. This number can be in the slotNo

range from 1 up to and including the number

returned by function HostSlotMax.

Result The character string representing the directory to be used as the root

for the given Virtual File System card. This function is provided in

support of Expansion Manager emulation.

Comments The string returned is in host path format. This function may return

NULL if there is no Virtual File System card mounted in the slot specified by slotNo or if the user has not selected a root directory

for that slot.

**HostStat** 

**Purpose** Returns status information about a file.

long HostStat(const char\* filename, HostStatType\* **Prototype** 

buffer);

**Parameters** filename The name of the file or directory for which you

want status information

buffer The structure that stores the status information

Result Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if

not.

### **HostStrFTime**

**Purpose** Generates formatted text, under the control of the format parameter

and the values stored in the time structure parameter.

Prototype HostSizeType HostStrFTime(char\* string,

HostSizeType size, const char\* format, const

HostTmType\* time)

**Parameters** string The formatted text

size The size of an array element in the formatted

text

format The format definition

time A time structure

**Result** Returns the number of characters generated, if the number is less

than the size parameter; otherwise, returns zero, and the values

stored in the array are indeterminate.

**HostTime** 

**Purpose** Returns the current calendar time.

Prototype HostTimeType HostTime(HostTimeType\* time);

**Parameters** time The time structure.

**Result** Returns the current calendar time if the operation is successful, and

returns -1 if not.

**HostTmpFile** 

**Purpose** Returns the temporary file used by the debugging host.

Prototype HostFILE\* HostTmpFile(void);

**Parameters** None.

> Result A pointer to the temporary file, or NULL if an error occurred.

> > **HostTmpNam**

**Purpose** Creates a unique temporary file name.

**Prototype** char\* HostTmpNam(char\* s);

**Parameters** S Either be a NULL pointer or a pointer to a

character array. The character array must be at

least L\_tmpnam characters long.

If s is not NULL, the newly created temporary

file name is stored into s.

Result A pointer to an internal static object that the calling program can

modify.

**HostTraceClose** 

**Purpose** Closes the connection to the external trace reporting tool.

**Prototype** void HostTraceClose(void);

**Parameters** None.

> Result None.

> > **HostTraceInit**

**Purpose** Initiates a connection to the external trace reporting tool.

**Prototype** void HostTraceInit(void);

**Parameters** None. **NOTE:** The tracing functions are used in conjunction with an external trace reporting tool. You can call these functions to send information to the external tool in real time.

Result None.

# **HostTraceOutputB**

**Purpose** Outputs a buffer of data, in hex dump format, to the external trace

reporting tool.

**Prototype** void HostTraceOutputB(unsigned short moduleId,

const void\* buffer,

unsigned long len/\*size\_t\*/);

**Parameters** moduleId The ID of the Palm OS subsystem from which

> this output originates. You can use this with the external tracing tool to filter traces according to

their origin.

The ID must match one of the error classes

defined in the SystemMgr.h file.

buffer A pointer to a buffer of raw data.

The number of bytes of data in the buffer. len

None. Result

# **HostTraceOutputT**

**Purpose** Outputs a text string to the external trace reporting tool.

**Prototype** void HostTraceOutputT(unsigned short moduleId,

const char\* fmt, ...);

**Parameters** moduleId The ID of the Palm OS subsystem from which this output originates. You can use this with the external tracing tool to filter traces according to their origin. The ID must match one of the error classes defined in the SystemMgr.h file. fmt A format string, as used in standard C-library calls such as printf. The format string has the following form: % flags width type

The list of variables to be formatted for output.

Table 8.2 shows the flag types that you can use in the format

Table 8.2 Trace function format specification flags

specification for the tracing output functions.

Flag	Description
_	Left-justified output.
+	Always display the sign symbol.
space	Display a space when the value is positive, rather than a '+' symbol.
#	Alternate form specifier.

<u>Table 8.3</u> shows the output types that you can use in the format specification for the tracing output functions.

Table 8.3 Trace function format specification types

Flag	Description
%	Displays the '%' character.
S	Displays a null-terminated string value.
С	Displays a character value.
ld	Displays an Int32 value.
lu	Displays a UInt32 value.
lx or lX	Displays a UInt32 value in hexadecimal.
hd	Displays an Int16 value.
hu	Displays a UInt16 value.
hx or hX	Displays an Int16 or UInt16 value i hexadecimal.

#### Result None.

# **HostTraceOutputTL**

### **Purpose**

Outputs a text string, followed by a newline, to the external trace reporting tool. This function performs the same operation as the HostTraceOutputT function, and adds the newline character.

#### Prototype

voidHostTraceOutputTL(unsigned short moduleId, const char\* fmt, ...);

#### **Parameters**

moduleId

The ID of the Palm OS subsystem from which this output originates. You can use this with the external tracing tool to filter traces according to their origin.

The ID must match one of the error classes defined in the SystemMgr.h file.

fmt A format string, as used in standard C-library

> calls such as printf. For more information about the formatting specification, see the description of the <u>HostTraceOutputT</u> function.

The list of variables to be formatted for output.

Result None.

**HostTraceOutputVT** 

**Purpose** Outputs a text string to the external trace reporting tool.

Prototype void HostTraceOutputVT(unsigned short moduleId,

const char\* fmt, va\_list vargs);

**Parameters** moduleId The ID of the Palm OS subsystem from which

> this output originates. You can use this with the external tracing tool to filter traces according to

their origin.

The ID must match one of the error classes

defined in the SystemMgr.h file.

fmt A format string, as used in standard C-library

> calls such as printf. For more information about the formatting specification, see the description of the <a href="HostTraceOutputT">HostTraceOutputT</a> function.

A structure containing the variable argument vargs

> list. This is the same kind of variable argument list used for standard C-library functions such

as vprintf.

Result None.

# **HostTraceOutputVTL**

**Purpose** Outputs a text string, followed by a newline, to the external trace

reporting tool. This function performs the same operation as the HostTraceOutputVT function, and adds the newline character.

Prototype void HostTraceOutputVTL(unsigned short moduleId,

const char\* fmt, va\_list vargs);

**Parameters** moduleId The ID of the Palm OS subsystem from which

this output originates. You can use this with the external tracing tool to filter traces according to

their origin.

The ID must match one of the error classes

defined in the SystemMgr.h file.

fmt A format string, as used in standard C-library

calls such as printf. For more information about the formatting specification, see the description of the <a href="https://example.com/html/>
HostTraceOutputT">HostTraceOutputT</a> function.

vargs A structure containing the variable argument

list. This is the same kind of variable argument list used for standard C-library functions such

as vprintf.

**Result** None.

**HostTruncate** 

**Purpose** Extends or truncates the file associated with the file handle to the

length specified by the size.

Prototype long HostTruncate(const char\* filename, long

filesize);

**Parameters** filename The name of the file.

filesize The size of the file.

Returns the value 0 if the file is successfully changed, or returns -1 if Result

there was an error.

**HostUTime** 

Sets the modification time for a file. **Purpose** 

long HostUTime (const char\* filename, **Prototype** 

HostUTimeType\* buffer);

**Parameters** filename The filename of the file.

> buffer The stored time values.

Result Returns 0 if the file-modification time was successfully changed, or

returns -1 if there was an error.

# **Reference Summary**

The tables in this section summarize the host control API functions.

## **Host Control Database Functions**

**Table 8.4 Host Control Database Functions** 

Function	Description
<u>HostExportFile</u>	Copies a database from the handheld to the desktop computer.
<u>HostImportFile</u>	Copies a database from the desktop computer to the handheld, and stores it on the specified card number. The database name on the handheld is the name stored in the file.
<u>HostImportFileWithID</u>	Copies a database from the desktop computer to the handheld, stores it on the specified card number, and returns the local ID of the installed database.
<u>HostSaveScreen</u>	Saves the LCD frame buffer to a file.

# **Host Control Directory Handler Functions**

## **Table 8.5 Host Control Directory Handler Functions**

Function	Description
HostCloseDir	Closes a directory.
<u>HostMkDir</u>	Makes a directory.
<u>HostOpenDir</u>	Opens a directory.
<u>HostReadDir</u>	Reads a directory.
<u>HostRmDir</u>	Removes a directory.

# **Host Control Environment Functions**

### **Table 8.6 Host Control Environment Functions**

Function	Description
HostGestalt	Currently does nothing except to return an "invalid selector" error.
<u>HostGetHostID</u>	Retrieves the ID of the debugging host. Palm OS Emulator always returns the value hostIDPalmOSEmulator.
<u>HostGetHostPlatform</u>	Retrieves the host platform ID.
<u>HostGetHostVersion</u>	Returns the version number of the debugging host.
<u>HostIsCallingTrap</u>	Returns a Boolean indicating whether the specified function selector is implemented on the debugging host.
<u>HostIsSelectorImplemented</u>	Returns a Boolean indicating whether the specified function selector is implemented on the debugging host.

# **Host Control File Chooser Support Functions**

## **Table 8.7 Host Control File Chooser Support Functions**

Function	Description
HostGetDirectory	Gets a directory, in support of the operating system file chooser dialog box.
<u>HostGetFile</u>	Gets a file, in support of the operating system file chooser dialog box.
<u>HostPutFile</u>	Writes a file, in support of the operating system file chooser dialog box.

## **Host Control Gremlin Functions**

## **Table 8.8 Host Control Gremlin Functions**

Function	Description
HostGremlinCounter	Returns the current count for the currently running gremlin.
<u>HostGremlinIsRunning</u>	Returns a Boolean value indicating whether a gremlin is currently running.
<u>HostGremlinLimit</u>	Returns the limit value of the currently running gremlin.
<u>HostGremlinNew</u>	Creates a new gremlin.
<u>HostGremlinNumber</u>	Returns the gremlin number of the currently running gremlin.

# **Host Control Debugging Functions**

## **Table 8.9 Host Control Debugging Functions**

Function	Description
HostDbgSetDataBreak	Sets a breakpoint for Emulator to enter an external debugger to display a message if the specified address range is accessed.
<u>HostDbgClearDataBreak</u>	Clears all data breakpoints that have been set by the HostDbgSetDataBreak function.

# **Host Control Logging Functions**

## **Table 8.10 Host Control Logging Functions**

Function	Description
<u>HostLogFile</u>	Returns a reference to the file that Palm OS Emulator is using to log information.
<u>HostSetLogFileSize</u>	Modifies the size of the logging file.

## **Host Control Preference Functions**

### **Table 8.11 Host Control Preference Functions**

Function	Description
<u>HostGetPreference</u>	Retrieves the value of a preference.
<u>HostSetPreference</u>	Sets a new value for a preference.

# **Host Control Profiling Functions**

## **Table 8.12 Host Control Profiling Functions**

Function	Description
<u>HostProfileCleanup</u>	Releases the memory used for profiling and disables profiling.
<u>HostProfileDetailFn</u>	Profiles the function that contains the specified address.
HostProfileDump	Writes the current profiling information to the named file.
<u>HostProfileGetCycles</u>	Returns the current running CPU cycle count.
HostProfileInit	Initializes and enables profiling in the debugging host.
<u>HostProfileStart</u>	Turns profiling on.
<u>HostProfileStop</u>	Turns profiling off.

## **Host Control RPC Functions**

### **Table 8.13 Host Control RPC Functions**

Function	Description
<u>HostSessionClose</u>	Closes the current emulation session
<u>HostSessionCreate</u>	Creates a new emulation session.
<u>HostSessionOpen</u>	Opens a previously saved emulation session.
<u>HostSessionQuit</u>	Asks Palm OS Emulator to quit.
<u>HostSessionSave</u>	Saves a session to a file with a specified name.
<u>HostSignalResume</u>	Resumes Palm OS Emulator after it has halted to wait for external scripts to handle a signal.
<u>HostSignalSend</u>	Sends a signal to external scripts.
<u>HostSignalWait</u>	Waits for Palm OS Emulator to send a signal.

# **Host Control Standard C Library Functions**

# **Table 8.14 Host Control Standard C Library Functions**

Function	Description
<u>HostErrNo</u>	Returns the error number from the most recent host control API operation.
<u>HostFClose</u>	Closes a file on the desktop computer. Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if not.
<u>HostFEOF</u>	Returns 0 if the specified file is at its end, and a non-zero value otherwise.
HostFError	Returns the error code from the most recent operation on the specified file. Returns 0 if no errors have occurred on the file.
<u>HostFFlush</u>	Flushes the buffer for the specified file.
<u>HostFGetC</u>	Returns the character at the current position in the specified file. Returns EOF to indicate an error.
<u>HostFGetPos</u>	Retrieves the current position in the specified file. Returns 0 if the operation was successful, and a non-zero value if not.
<u>HostFGetS</u>	Retrieves a character string from the selected file and returns a pointer to that string. Returns NULL to indicate an error.
<u>HostFOpen</u>	Opens a file on the desktop computer and returns a HostFILE pointer for that file. Returns NULL to indicate an error.
<u>HostFPrintF</u>	Writes a formatted string to a file, and returns the number of characters written.
<u>HostFPutC</u>	Writes a character to the specified file, and returns the character written. Returns EOF to indicate an error.

**Table 8.14 Host Control Standard C Library Functions** 

Function	Description
<u>HostFPutS</u>	Writes a string to the specified file, and returns a non-negative value to indicate success.
HostFRead	Reads a number of items from the file into a buffer. Returns the number of items that were actually read.
<u>HostFree</u>	Frees memory on the desktop computer.
<u>HostFReopen</u>	Associates a file stream with a different file.
<u>HostFScanF</u>	Scans a file for formatted input.
<u>HostFSeek</u>	Moves the file pointer to the specified position, and returns 0 to indicate success.
<u>HostFSetPos</u>	Sets the position indicator of the file, and returns 0 to indicate success.
<u>HostFTell</u>	Retrieves the current position of the specified file. Returns -1 to indicate an error.
<u>HostFWrite</u>	Writes data to a file, and returns the actual number of items written.
<u>HostGetEnv</u>	Retrieves the value of an environment variable.
<u>HostMalloc</u>	Allocates a memory block on the debugging host, and returns a pointer to the allocated memory. Returns NULL if there is not enough memory available.
<u>HostRealloc</u>	Reallocates space for the specified memory block.
<u>HostRemove</u>	Deletes a file.
<u>HostRename</u>	Renames a file.
<u>HostTmpFile</u>	Returns the temporary file used by the debugging host.
<u>HostTmpNam</u>	Creates a unique temporary file name.

## **Host Control Time Functions**

### **Table 8.15 Host Control Time Functions**

Function	Description
<u>HostAscTime</u>	Returns a character string representation of the time.
<u>HostClock</u>	Returns an elapsed time.
<u>HostCTime</u>	Converts calendar time to a text representation.
<u>HostGMTime</u>	Returns time structure representation of the time expressed as Universal Time Coordinated (UTC). UTC was formerly Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).
<u>HostLocalTime</u>	Returns time structure representation of the time expressed as local time.
<u>HostMkTime</u>	Alters the parameter values to represent an equivalent encoded local time, but with the values of all members within their normal ranges.
<u>HostStrFTime</u>	Generates formatted text, under the control of the format parameter and the values stored in the time structure parameter.
<u>HostTime</u>	Returns the current calendar time.
<u>HostUTime</u>	Sets the modification time for a file.

## **Host Control Tracing Functions**

### **Table 8.16 Host Control Tracing Functions**

Function	Description
<u>HostTraceClose</u>	Must be called when done logging trace information.
<u>HostTraceInit</u>	Must be called before logging any trace information.
HostTraceOutputT	Outputs text to the trace log using printf-style formatting.
<u>HostTraceOutputTL</u>	Outputs text to the trace log using printf-style formatting, and appends a newline character to the text.
<u>HostTraceOutputVT</u>	Outputs text to the trace log using vprintf-style formatting.
<u>HostTraceOutputVTL</u>	Outputs text to the trace log using vprintf-style formatting, and appends a newline character to the text.
HostTraceOutputB	Outputs a buffer of raw data to the trace log in hex dump format.

# **Debugger Protocol** Reference

This chapter describes the debugger protocol, which provides an interface between a debugging target and a debugging host. For example, the Palm Debugger and the Palm OS® Emulator use this protocol to exchange commands and information.

IMPORTANT: This chapter describes the version of the Palm OS Debugger protocol that shipped on the Metrowerks CodeWarrior for the Palm<sup>™</sup> Operating System, Version 6 CD-ROM. If you are using a different version, the features in your version might be different from the features described here.

This chapter covers the following topics:

- "About the Palm OS Debugger Protocol" on page 169
- "Constants" on page 172
- "<u>Data Structures</u>" on page 174
- "<u>Debugger Protocol Commands</u>" on page 176
- "Summary of Debugger Protocol Packets" on page 197

## About the Palm OS Debugger Protocol

The Palm OS debugger protocol allows a *debugging target*, which is usually a handheld ROM or an emulator program such as the Palm OS Emulator, to exchange information with a *debugging host*, such as the Palm Debugger or the Metrowerks debugger.

The debugger protocol involves sending packets between the host and the target. When the user of the host debugging program enters a command, the host converts that command into one or more command packets and sends each packet to the debugging target. In most cases, the target subsequently responds by sending a packet back to the host.

#### **Packets**

There are three packet types used in the debugger protocol:

- The debugging host sends *command request packets* to the debugging target.
- The debugging target sends command response packets back to the host.
- Either the host or the target can send a *message packet* to the other.

Although the typical flow of packets involves the host sending a request and the target sending back a response, although there are a some exceptions, as follows:

- The host can send some requests to the target that do not result in a response packet being returned. For example, when the host sends the Continue command packet to tell the target to continue execution, the target does not send back a response packet.
- The target can send response packets to the host without receiving a request packet. For example, whenever the debugging target encounters an exception, it sends a State response packet to the host.

### **Packet Structure**

Each packet consists of a packet header, a variable-length packet body, and a packet footer, as shown in <u>Figure 9.1</u>.

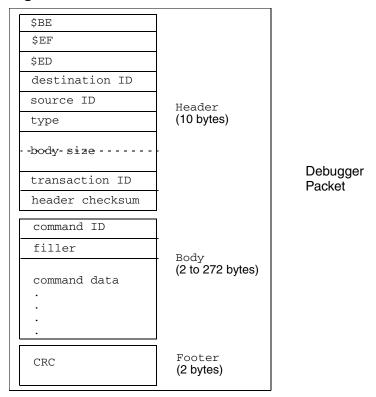


Figure 9.1 **Packet Structure** 

#### The Packet Header

The packet header starts with the 24-bit key value \$BEEFFD and includes header information and a checksum of the header itself.

### The Packet Body

The packet body contains the command byte, a filler byte, and between 0 and 270 bytes of data. See "\_SysPktBodyCommon" on page 174 for a description of the structure used to represent the two byte body header (the command and filler bytes), and see <u>Table 9.1</u> for a list of the command constants.

#### The Packet Footer

The packet footer contains a 16-bit CRC of the header and body. Note that the CRC computation does not include the footer.

#### **Packet Communications**

The communications protocol between the host and target is very simple: the host sends a request packet to the target and waits for a time-out or for a response from the target.

If a response is not detected within the time-out period, the host does not retry the request. When a response does not come back before timing out, it usually indicates that one of two things is happening:

- the debugging target is busy executing code and has not encountered an exception
- the state of the debugging target has degenerated so badly that it cannot respond

The host has the option of displaying a message to the user to inform him or her that the debugging target is not responding.

### Constants

This section describes the constants and structure types that are used with the packets for various commands.

### **Packet Constants**

```
#define sysPktMaxMemChunk256
#define sysPktMaxBodySize(sysPktMaxMemChunk+16)
#define sysPktMaxNameLen32
```

sysPktMaxMemChunk

The maximum number of bytes that can be read by the Read Memory command or written by the Write Memory command.

sysPktMaxBodySize

The maximum number of bytes in a request or response packet.

sysPktMaxNameLen

The maximum length of a function name.

#### State Constants

#define sysPktStateRspInstWords15

sysPktStateRespInstWords

The number of remote code words sent in the response packet for the State command.

### **Breakpoint Constants**

#define dbgNormalBreakpoints5

#define dbgTempBPIndexdbNormalBreakpoints

#define dbgTotalBreakpoints(dbgTempBPIndex+1)

dbgNormalBreakpoints

The number of normal breakpoints available in

the debugging target.

dbgTempBPIndex

The index in the breakpoints array of the

temporary breakpoint.

dbgTotalBreakpoints

The total number of breakpoints in the breakpoints array, including the normal breakpoints and the temporary breakpoint.

### **Command Constants**

Each command is represented by a single byte constant. The upper bit of each request command is clear, and the upper bit of each response command is set. <u>Table 9.1</u> shows the command constants.

Table 9.1 Debugger protocol command constants

Command	Request constant	Response constant
Continue	sysPktContinueCmd	N/A
<u>Find</u>	sysPktFindCmd	sysPktFindRsp
Get Breakpoints	sysPktGetBreakpointsCmd	sysPktGetBreakpointsRsp
Get Routine Name	sysPktGetRtnNameCmd	sysPktGetRtnNameRsp

Table 9.1 Debugger protocol command constants (continued)

Command	Request constant	Response constant
Get Trap Breaks	sysPktGetTrapBreaksCmd	sysPktGetTrapBreaksRsp
Get Trap Conditionals	sys Pkt Get Trap Conditionals Cmd	sys Pkt Get Trap Conditionals Rsp
Message	sysPktRemoteMsgCmd	N/A
Read Memory	sysPktReadMemCmd	sysPktReadMemRsp
Read Registers	sysPktReadRegsCmd	sysPktReadRegsRsp
<u>RPC</u>	sysPktRPCCmd	sysPktRPCRsp
Set Breakpoints	sysPktSetBreakpointsCmd	sysPktSetBreakpointsRsp
Set Trap Breaks	sysPktSetTrapBreaksCmd	sysPktSetTrapBreaksRsp
Set Trap Conditionals	sys Pkt Set Trap Conditionals Cmd	sysPktSetTrapConditionalsRsp
<u>State</u>	sysPktStateCmd	sysPktStateRsp
<u>Toggle</u> <u>Debugger</u> <u>Breaks</u>	sysPktDbgBreakToggleCmd	sysPktDbgBreakToggleRsp
Write Memory	sysPktWriteMemCmd	sysPktWriteMemRsp
Write Registers	sysPktWriteRegsCmd	sysPktWriteRegsRsp

### **Data Structures**

This section describes the data structures used with the request and response packets for the debugger protocol commands.

### \_SysPktBodyCommon

The \_SysPktBodyCommon macro defines the fields common to every request and response packet.

```
#define _sysPktBodyCommon \
    Byte command; \
    Byte _filler;
```

The 1-byte command value for the packet. command Included for alignment only. Not used. \_filler

### SysPktBodyType

The SysPktBodyType represents a command packet that is sent to or received from the debugging target.

```
typedef struct SysPktBodyType
    _SysPktBodyCommon;
    Byte data[sysPktMaxBodySize-2];
} SysPktBodyType;
```

#### **Fields**

\_SysPktBodyCommon

The command header for the packet.

data The packet data.

### SysPktRPCParamType

The SysPktRPCParamType is used to send a parameter in a remote procedure call. See the **RPC** command for more information.

```
typedef struct SysPktRPCParamInfo
    BytebyRef;
    Bytesize;
    Worddata[?];
} SysPktRPCParamType;
```

#### **Fields**

byRef Set to 1 if the parameter is passed by reference. size The number of bytes in the data array. This must be an even number.

data The parameter data.

### **BreakpointType**

The BreakpointType structure is used to represent the status of a single breakpoint on the debugging target.

```
typedef struct BreakpointType
    Ptraddr;
    Booleanenabled;
    Booleaninstalled;
} BreakpointType;
```

#### **Fields**

addr The address of the breakpoint. If this is set to 0,

the breakpoint is not in use.

enabled A Boolean value. This is TRUE if the breakpoint

is currently enabled, and FALSE if not.

installed Included for correct alignment only. Not used.

## **Debugger Protocol Commands**

This section describes each command that you can send to the debugging target, including a description of the response packet that the target sends back.

### Continue

#### **Purpose**

Tells the debugging target to continue execution.

#### **Comments**

This command usually gets sent when the user specifies the Go command. Once the debugging target continues execution, the debugger is not reentered until a breakpoint or other exception is encountered.

NOTE: The debugging target does not send a response to this command.

```
Commands
                The Continue request command is defined as follows:
                  #define sysPktContinueCmd
Request Packet
                  typedef struct SysPktContinueCmdType
                       _sysPktBodyCommon;
                      M68KresgTyperegs;
                       BooleanstepSpy;
                       DWordssAddr;
                      DWordssCount;
                       DWordssCheckSum;
                  }SysPktContinueCmdType;
```

<syspktbodycommon< td=""></syspktbodycommon<>			
	The common packet header, as described in <a href="SysPktBodyCommon">SysPktBodyCommon</a> .		
—> regs	The new values for the debugging target processor registers. The new register values are stored in sequential order: D0 to D7, followed by A0 to A6.		
—> stepSpy	A Boolean value. If this is TRUE, the debugging target continues execution until the value that starts at the specified step-spy address changes. If this is FALSE, the debugging target continue execution until a breakpoint or other exception is encountered.		
—> ssAddr	The step-spy starting address. An exception is generated when the value starting at this address, for ssCount bytes, changes on the debugging target.		
-> ssCount	The number of bytes in the "spy" value. This value must be set to 4.		
-> ssCheckSum	This value is not used.		

#### **Find**

**Purpose** Searches for data in memory on the debugging target.

Comments

Commands The Find request and response commands are defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktFindCmd0x13
#define sysPktFindRsp0x93
```

#### Request Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktFindCmdType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
    DWordfirstAddr;
    DWordlastAddr;
    WordnumBytes
    BooleancaseInsensitive;
    BytesearchData[?];
}SysPktFindCmdType;
```

#### **Fields**

-> \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in

<u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

The starting address of the memory range on —> firstAddr

the debugging target to search for the data.

The ending address of the memory range on -> lastAddr

the debugging target to search for the data.

-> numBytes The number of bytes of data in the search

string.

-> searchData The search string. The length of this array is

defined by the value of the numBytes field.

#### Response Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktFindRspType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
    DWordaddr;
    Booleanfound;
}SysPktFindRspType
```

#### **Fields**

<--- \_sysPktBodyCommon</pre>

The common packet header, as described in

SysPktBodyCommon.

The address of the data string in memory on <-- addr

the debugging target.

<- found A Boolean value. If this is TRUE, the search

> string was found on the debugging target, and the value of addr is valid. If this is FALSE, the search string was not found, and the value of

addr is not valid.

### **Get Breakpoints**

Retrieves the current breakpoint settings from the debugging target.

#### Comments

**Purpose** 

The body of the response packet contains an array with dbgTotalBreakpoints values in it, one for each possible breakpoint.

If a breakpoint is currently disabled on the debugging target, the enabled field for that breakpoint is set to 0.

If a breakpoint address is set to 0, the breakpoint is not currently in use.

The dbgTotalBreakpoints constant is described in "Breakpoint Constants" on page 173.

#### Commands

The Get Breakpoints command request and response commands are defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktGetBreakpointsCmd0x0B
#define sysPktGetBreakpointsRsp0x8B
```

#### Request Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktGetBreakpointsCmdType
  _sysPktBodyCommon;
}SysPktGetBreakpointsCmdType
```

#### **Fields**

-> \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in <u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

#### Response Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktGetBreakpointsRspType
  _sysPktBodyCommon;
  BreakpointType db[dbgTotalBreakpoints];
}SysPktGetBreakpointsRspType
```

#### **Fields**

<--- \_sysPktBodyCommon</pre>

The common packet header, as described in SysPktBodyCommon.

<-- bp An array with an entry for each of the possible

breakpoints. Each entry is of the type

BreakpointType.

#### **Get Routine Name**

#### **Purpose**

Determines the name, starting address, and ending address of the function that contains the specified address.

#### Comments

The name of each function is embedded into the code when it gets compiled. The debugging target can scan forward and backward in the code to determine the start and end addresses for each function.

#### Commands

The Get Routine Name command request and response commands are defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktGetRtnNameCmd0x04
#define sysPktGetRtnNameRsp0x84
```

#### **Request Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktRtnNameCmdType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
    void*address
}SysPktRtnNameCmdType;
```

#### **Fields**

```
-> _sysPktBodyCommon
```

The common packet header, as described in <u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

—> address

The code address whose function name you want to discover.

#### Response **Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktRtnNameRspType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
    void*address;
    void*startAddr;
    void*endAddr;
    charname[sysPktMaxNameLen];
}SysPktRtnNameRspType;
```

<--- \_sysPktBodyCommon</pre>

The common packet header, as described in

SysPktBodyCommon.

The code address whose function name was <-- address

determined. This is the same address that was

specified in the request packet.

<-- startAddr The starting address in target memory of the

function that includes the address.

<-- endAddr The ending address in target memory of the

function that includes the address. If a function

name could not be found, this is the last

address that was scanned.

The name of the function that includes the <-- name

> address. This is a null-terminated string. If a function name could not be found, this is the

null string.

### **Get Trap Breaks**

**Purpose** Retrieves the settings for the trap breaks on the debugging target.

Comments Trap breaks are used to force the debugging target to enter the debugger when a particular system trap is called.

> The body of the response packet contains an array with dbgTotalBreakpoints values in it, one for each possible trap break.

Each trap break is a single word value that contains the system trap number.

**Commands** The Get Trap Breaks request and response commands are defined as follows:

> #define sysPktGetTrapBreaksCmd0x10 #define sysPktGetTrapBreaksRsp0x90

#### **Request Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktGetTrapBreaksCmdType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
}SysPktGetTrapBreaksCmdType;
```

#### **Fields**

-> \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in <u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

#### Response **Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktGetTrapBreaksRspType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
   Word trapBP[dbgTotalTrapBreaks];
}SysPktGetTrapBreaksRspType;
```

#### **Fields**

<--- \_sysPktBodyCommon</pre>

The common packet header, as described in

<u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

An array with an entry for each of the possible <-- trapBP

trap breaks. A value of 0 indicates that the trap

break is not used.

### **Get Trap Conditionals**

#### **Purpose**

Retrieves the trap conditionals values from the debugging target.

#### Comments

Trap conditionals are used when setting A-Traps for library calls. You can set a separate conditional value for each A-Trap.

The body of the response packet contains an array with dbgTotalBreakpoints values in it, one for each possible trap break.

Each trap conditional is a value; if the value of the first word on the stack matches the conditional value when the trap is called, the debugger breaks.

#### Commands

The Get Trap Conditionals request and response commands are defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktGetTrapConditionsCmd0x14
#define sysPktGetTrapConditionsRsp0x94
```

#### Request Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktGetTrapConditionsCmdType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
}SysPktGetTrapConditionsCmdType
```

#### **Fields**

-> \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in <u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

#### Response **Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktGetTrapConditionsRspType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
   Word trapParam[dbgTotalTrapBreaks];
}SysPktGetTrapConditionsRspType
```

#### **Fields**

<--- \_sysPktBodyCommon</pre>

The common packet header, as described in

<u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

<-- trapParam An array with an entry for each of the possible

trap breaks. A value of 0 indicates that the trap

conditional is not used.

### Message

#### **Purpose**

Sends a message to display on the debugging target.

#### Comments

Application can compile debugger messages into their code by calling the DbgMessage function.

The debugging target does not send back a response packet for this command.

Commands The Message request command is defined as follows:

#define sysPktRemoteMsgCmd0x7F

#### **Request Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktRemoteMsgCmdType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
    Byte text[1];
}SysPktRemoteMsgCmdType;
```

#### **Fields**

-> \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in SysPktBodyCommon.

—> text

The message text.

### **Read Memory**

**Purpose** 

Reads memory values from the debugging target.

Comments

This command can read up to sysPktMaxMemChunk bytes of memory. The actual size of the response packet depends on the number of bytes requested in the request packet.

**Commands** 

The Read Memory command request and response commands are defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktReadMemCmd0x01
#define sysPktReadMemRsp0x81
```

#### **Request Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktReadMemCmdType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
    void*address;
    WordnumBytes;
}SysPktReadMemCmdType;
```

-> \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in

SysPktBodyCommon.

—> address The address in target memory from which to

read values.

-> numBytes The number of bytes to read from target

memory.

#### Response Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktReadMemRspType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
    //Byte data[?];
}SysPktReadMemRspType;
```

#### **Fields**

<--- \_sysPktBodyCommon</pre>

The common packet header, as described in

<u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

The returned data. The number of bytes in this <- data

field matches the numBytes value in the

request packet.

### **Read Registers**

**Purpose** Retrieves the value of each of the target processor registers.

Comments The eight data registers are stored in the response packet body

sequentially, from D0 to D7. The seven address registers are stored

in the response packet body sequentially, from A0 to A6.

**Commands** The Read Registers command request and response commands

are defined as follows:

#define sysPktReadRegsCmd0x05 #define sysPktReadRegsRsp0x85

```
Request Packet
                    typedef struct SysPktReadRegsCmdType
                         _sysPktBodyCommon;
                    }SysPktReadRegsCmdType;
                 Fields
                 -> _sysPktBodyCommon
                                   The common packet header, as described in
                                   <u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.
     Response
                    typedef struct SysPktReadRegsRspType
        Packet
                         _sysPktBodyCommon;
                         M68KRegsTypereg;
                    }SysPktReadRegsRspType;
                 Fields
                 <--- _sysPktBodyCommon</pre>
                                   The common packet header, as described in
                                   <u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.
                                   The register values in sequential order: D0 to
                 <-- reg
                                   D7, followed by A0 to A6.
                 RPC
      Purpose
                 Sends a remote procedure call to the debugging target.
   Commands
                 The RPC request and response commands are defined as follows:
                    #define sysPktRPCCmd0x0A
                    #define sysPktRPCRsp0x8A
Request Packet
                    typedef struct SysPktRPCType
```

\_sysPktBodyCommon;

WordtrapWord; DWordresultD0;

```
DWordresultD0;
    WordnumParams;
    SysPktRPCParamTypeparam[?];
}
```

-> \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in

<u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

-> trapWord The system trap to call.

The result from the D0 register. -> resultD0

-> resultA0 The result from the A0 register.

The number of RPC parameter structures in the -> numParams

param array that follows.

An array of RPC parameter structures, as -> param

> described in **SysPktRPCParamType**. Note that the parameters should appear in the reverse order of how they appear in the function declaration. For example, if you have the

following function declaration:

Err DmDeleteDatabase (UInt16

cardNo, LocalID dbID)

you should a SysPktRPCParamType record to

SysPktRPCType for dbID first and a SysPktRPCParamType record for cardNo

second.

### **Set Breakpoints**

**Purpose** Sets breakpoints on the debugging target.

Comments The body of the request packet contains an array with

> dbgTotalBreakpoints values in it, one for each possible breakpoint. If a breakpoint is currently disabled on the debugging

target, the enabled field for that breakpoint is set to 0.

The dbgTotalBreakpoints constant is described in **Breakpoint** Constants.

#### Commands

The Set Breakpoints command request and response commands are defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktSetBreakpointsCmd0x0C
#define sysPktSetBreakpointsRsp0x8C
```

#### **Request Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktSetBreakpointsCmdType
  _sysPktBodyCommon;
 BreakpointType db[dbgTotalBreakpoints];
}SysPktSetBreakpointsCmdType
```

#### **Fields**

-> \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in

<u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

An array with an entry for each of the possible —> bp

breakpoints. Each entry is of the type

BreakpointType.

#### Response **Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktSetBreakpointsRspType
 _sysPktBodyCommon;
}SysPktSetBreakpointsRspType
```

#### **Fields**

<- sysPktBodyCommon</pre>

The common packet header, as described in SysPktBodyCommon.

### **Set Trap Breaks**

#### **Purpose**

Sets breakpoints on the debugging target.

#### Comments

The body of the request packet contains an array with dbgTotalBreakpoints values in it, one for each possible trap break. If a trap break is currently disabled on the debugging target, the value of that break is set to 0.

The dbgTotalBreakpoints constant is described in **Breakpoint** Constants.

#### **Commands**

The Set Breakpoints command request and response commands are defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktSetTrapBreaksCmd0x0C
#define sysPktSetTrapBreaksRsp0x8C
```

#### Request Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktSetTrapBreakssCmdType
  _sysPktBodyCommon;
  Word trapBP[dbgTotalBreakpoints];
}SysPktSetTrapBreaksCmdType
```

#### **Fields**

-> \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in SysPktBodyCommon.

-> trapBP

An array with an entry for each of the possible trap breaks. If the value of an entry is 0, the break is not currently in use.

#### Response Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktSetTrapBreaksRspType
  _sysPktBodyCommon;
}SysPktSetTrapBreaksRspType
```

#### **Fields**

```
<--- _sysPktBodyCommon</pre>
```

The common packet header, as described in SysPktBodyCommon.

### **Set Trap Conditionals**

**Purpose** Sets the trap conditionals values for the debugging target.

#### Comments

Trap conditionals are used when setting A-Traps for library calls. You can set a separate conditional value for each A-Trap.

The body of the request packet contains an array with dbgTotalBreakpoints values in it, one for each possible trap break.

Each trap conditional is a value; if the value of the first word on the stack matches the conditional value when the trap is called, the debugger breaks.

#### **Commands**

The Set Trap Conditionals request and response commands are defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktSetTrapConditionsCmd0x15
#define sysPktSetTrapConditionsRsp0x95
```

#### **Request Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktSetTrapConditionsCmdType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
   Word trapParam[dbgTotalTrapBreaks];
}SysPktSetTrapConditionsCmdType
```

#### **Fields**

-> \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in SysPktBodyCommon.

-> trapParam

An array with an entry for each of the possible trap breaks. A value of 0 indicates that the trap conditional is not used.

#### Response **Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktSetTrapConditionsRspType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
}SysPktSetTrapConditionsRspType
```

```
<--- _sysPktBodyCommon</pre>
```

The common packet header, as described in SysPktBodyCommon.

#### State

#### **Purpose**

Sent by the host program to query the current state of the debugging target, and sent by the target whenever it encounters an exception and enters the debugger.

#### **Comments**

The debugging target sends the State response packet whenever it enters the debugger for any reason, including a breakpoint, a bus error, a single step, or any other reason.

#### **Commands**

The State request and response commands are defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktStateCmd0x00
#define sysPktStateRsp0x80
```

#### Request Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktStateCmdType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
} SysPktStateCmdType
```

#### **Fields**

```
-> _sysPktBodyCommon
```

The common packet header, as described in <u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

#### Response **Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktStateRspType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
    Booleanresetted;
    WordexceptionId;
    M68KregsTypereg;
    Wordinst[sysPktStateRspInstWords];
    BreakpointTypebp[dbgTotalBreakpoints];
```

```
void*startAddr;
    void*endAddr;
    charname[sysPktMaxNameLen];
    BytetrapTableRev;
} SysPktStateRspType;
```

<---\_sysPktBodyCommon</pre>

The common packet header, as described in

SysPktBodyCommon.

<-- resetted A Boolean value. This is TRUE if the debugging

target has just been reset.

<- exceptionId The ID of the exception that caused the</pre>

debugger to be entered.

<-- reg The register values in sequential order: D0 to

D7, followed by A0 to A6.

<- inst A buffer of the instructions starting at the

current program counter on the debugging

target.

An array with an entry for each of the possible <-- bp

breakpoints. Each entry is of the type

BreakpointType.

<-- startAddr The starting address of the function that

generated the exception.

The ending address of the function that <-- endAddr

generated the exception.

The name of the function that generated the <-- name

exception. This is a null-terminated string. If no

name can be found, this is the null string.

<— trapTableRevThe revision number of the trap table on the</p>

debugging target. You can use this to determine when the trap table cache on the host computer

is invalid.

### **Toggle Debugger Breaks**

#### **Purpose**

Enables or disables breakpoints that have been compiled into the code.

#### Comments

A breakpoint that has been compiled into the code is a special TRAP instruction that is generated when source code includes calls to the DbgBreak and DbgSrcBreak functions.

Sending this command toggles the debugging target between enabling and disabling these breakpoints.

#### **Commands**

The Toggle Debugger Breaks request and response commands are defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktDbgBreakToggleCmd0x0D
#define sysPktDbgBreakToggleRsp0x8D
```

#### Request Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktDbgBreakToggleCmdType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
}SysPktDbgBreakToggleCmdType;
```

#### **Fields**

```
->_sysPktBodyCommon
```

The common packet header, as described in SysPktBodyCommon.

#### Response Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktDbgBreakToggleRspType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
   BooleannewState
}SysPktDbgBreakToggleRspType;
```

#### **Fields**

```
<--- _sysPktBodyCommon</pre>
```

The common packet header, as described in SysPktBodyCommon.

<-- newState

A Boolean value. If this is set to TRUE, the new state has been set to enable breakpoints that were compiled into the code. If this is set to FALSE, the new state has been set to disable breakpoints that were compiled into the code.

### Write Memory

**Purpose** Writes memory values to the debugging target.

Comments This command can write up to sysPktMaxMemChunk bytes of

memory. The actual size of the request packet depends on the

number of bytes that you want to write.

**Commands** The Write Memory command request and response commands are

defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktWriteMemCmd0x02
#define sysPktWriteMemRsp0x82
```

#### **Request Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktWriteMemCmdType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
    void*address;
   WordnumBytes;
    //Bytedata[?]
}SysPktWriteMemCmdType;
```

#### **Fields**

-> \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in

<u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

--> address The address in target memory to which the

values are written.

--> numBytes The number of bytes to write.

--> data The bytes to write into target memory. The size

of this field is defined by the numBytes

parameter.

#### Response Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktWriteMemRspType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
}SysPktWriteMemRspType;
```

#### **Fields**

<-- \_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in <u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

### **Write Registers**

**Purpose** Sets the value of each of the target processor registers.

Comments The eight data registers are stored in the request packet body

sequentially, from D0 to D7. The seven address registers are stored

in the request packet body sequentially, from A0 to A6.

**Commands** The Write Registers command request and response

commands are defined as follows:

```
#define sysPktWriteRegsCmd0x06
#define sysPktWriteRegsRsp0x86
```

#### Request Packet

```
typedef struct SysPktWriteRegsCmdType
{
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
    M68KRegsTypereg;
}SysPktWriteRegsCmdType;
```

#### **Fields**

-->\_sysPktBodyCommon

The common packet header, as described in

SysPktBodyCommon.

The new register values in sequential order: D0 --> reg

to D7, followed by A0 to A6.

#### Response **Packet**

```
typedef struct SysPktWriteRegsRspType
    _sysPktBodyCommon;
}SysPktWriteRegsRspType;
```

#### **Fields**

<--- \_sysPktBodyCommon</pre>

The common packet header, as described in <u>SysPktBodyCommon</u>.

## **Summary of Debugger Protocol Packets**

Table 9.2 summarizes the command packets that you can use with the debugger protocol.

**Table 9.2 Debugger protocol command packets** 

Command	Description
Continue	Tells the debugging target to continue execution.
<u>Find</u>	Searches for data in memory on the debugging target.
Get Breakpoints	Retrieves the current breakpoint settings from the debugging target.
Get Routine Name	Determines the name, starting address, and ending address of the function that contains the specified address.
Get Trap Breaks	Retrieves the settings for the trap breaks on the debugging target.
Get Trap Conditionals	Retrieves the trap conditionals values from the debugging target.
Message	Sends a message to display on the debugging target.
Read Memory	Reads memory values from the debugging target.
Read Registers	Retrieves the value of each of the target processor registers.
RPC	Sends a remote procedure call to the debugging target.

Table 9.2 Debugger protocol command packets (continued)

Command	Description
Set Breakpoints	Sets breakpoints on the debugging target.
<u>Set Trap Breaks</u>	Sets breakpoints on the debugging target.
Set Trap Conditionals	Sets the trap conditionals values for the debugging target.
<u>State</u>	Sent by the host program to query the current state of the debugging target, and sent by the target whenever it encounters an exception and enters the debugger.
Toggle Debugger Breaks	Enables or disables breakpoints that have been compiled into the code.
Write Memory	Writes memory values to the debugging target.
Write Registers	Sets the value of each of the target processor registers.

# Structure Access **Notifications**

In general, your Palm OS<sup>®</sup> application should not directly access the fields of structures for windows, forms, and form objects. Palm OS Emulator recognizes when structure access is valid, and will notify you if your application attempts any prohibited structure access.

The PalmOSGlue library, which is described in *Palm OS Programmer's API Reference*, provides functions that you should use in your application rather than using direct structure access.

Some versions of Palm OS have implemented an accessor trap function which prevents any access of data structures. The PalmOSGlue library checks for this accessor trap by checking for the sysFtrNumAccessorTrapPresent feature:

FtrGet (sysFtrCreator, sysFtrNumAccessorTrapPresent, &value)

Palm OS Emulator allows structure access for the structures listed in <u>Table A.1</u>, given that the accessor trap is not present. The Palm OS structures listed in the table can be accessed for the conditions described in the "**Description**" column.

Table A.1 Palm OS Structure Access Notification Exceptions

Palm OS Structure	Access Allowed	Description
ControlType attr	Read	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue functions CtlGlueGetGraphics and FrmGlueGetObjectUsable
ControlType attr	Read/Write	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue functions CtlGlueNewSliderConstrol and CtlGlueSetLeftAnchor
ControlType bitmapID	Read	For graphic controls, always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue function CtlGlueGetGraphics
ControlType font	Read/Write	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue functions CtlGlueGetFont and CtlGlueSetFont
ControlType selectedbitmapID	Read	For graphic controls, always allowed, primarily for graphic controls for PalmOSGlue function CtlGlueGetGraphics
ControlType style	Read	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue function CtlGlueGetControlStyle
FieldType attr	Read/Write	Before Palm OS 3.3
FieldType lines	Read	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue function FldGlueGetLineInfo
FormBitmapType attr	Read	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue function FrmGlueGetObjectUsable

**Table A.1 Palm OS Structure Access Notification Exceptions** (continued)

	<b>-`</b>	•
Palm OS Structure	Access Allowed	Description
FormBitmapType attr	Read/Write	Before Palm OS 3.2. The function FrmHideObject changes the usable attribute automatically after Palm OS 3.2, but before Palm OS 3.2, your application needed to change the usable attribute directly.
FormGadgetType (all fields)	All Access	No restrictions. Generally, your gadget code should use the correct accessor functions like any other form object. However, in a gadget callback function, your code needs to have direct access to the gadget's structure fields. Emulator makes no distinction for whether the access in the callback function, so the structure access is not restricted. Your application should still access gadgets using the correct accessor functions whenever possible.
FormLabelType attr	Read	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue function FrmGlueGetObjectUsable
FormLabelType font	Read/Write	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue functions FrmGlueGetLabelFont and FrmGlueSetLabelFont
FormType defaultButton	Read/Write	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue functions FrmGlueGetDefaultButtonID and FrmGlueSetDefaultButtonID

**Table A.1 Palm OS Structure Access Notification Exceptions** (continued)

Palm OS Structure	Access Allowed	Description
FormType handler	Read	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue function FrmGlueGetEventHandler
FormType helpRscID	Read/Write	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue functions FrmGlueGetHelpID and FrmGlueSetHelpID
FormType menuRscID	Read	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue function FrmGlueGetMenuBarID
ListType attr	Read/Write	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue functions FrmGlueGetObjectUsable and LstGlueSetIncrementalSearch
ListType font	Read/Write	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue function LstGlueGetFont and LstGlueSetFont
ListType itemsText	Read	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue function LstGlueGetItemsText
ListType topItem	Read	Before Palm OS 4.0. For Palm OS 4.0 and later, use LstGetTopItem. For compatibility, use PalmOSGlue function LstGlueGetTopItem.
TableType attr	Read/Write	Before Palm OS 4.0. For Palm OS 4.0 and later, use TblSetSelection. For compatibility, use PalmOSGlue function TblGlueSetSelection.

**Table A.1 Palm OS Structure Access Notification Exceptions** (continued)

Palm OS Structure	Access Allowed	Description
TableType currentColumn	Read/Write	Before Palm OS 4.0. For Palm OS 4.0 and later, use TblSetSelection. For compatibility, use PalmOSGlue function TblGlueSetSelection.
TableType currentRow	Read/Write	Before Palm OS 4.0. For Palm OS 4.0 and later, use TblSetSelection. For compatibility, use PalmOSGlue function TblGlueSetSelection.
TableType numColumns	Read	Before Palm OS 4.0. For Palm OS 4.0 and later, use TblGetNumberofColumns or TblSetSelection. For compatibility, use PalmOSGlue functions TblGlueGetNumberofColumns or TblGlueSetSelection.
TableType numRows	Read	Before Palm OS 4.0. For Palm OS 4.0 and later, use TblSetSelection. For compatibility, use PalmOSGlue function TblGlueSetSelection.
TableType topRow	Read	Before Palm OS 4.0. For Palm OS 4.0 and later, use TblGetTopRow. For compatibility, use PalmOSGlue function TblGlueGetTopRow.
ScrollBarType attr	Read	Always allowed, primarily for PalmOSGlue function FrmGlueGetObjectUsable

**Table A.1 Palm OS Structure Access Notification Exceptions** (continued)

Palm OS Structure	Access	Description
	Allowed	
ScrollBarType attr	Read/Write	Before Palm OS 3.5. The functions FrmShowObject and FrmHideObject did not show and hide scrollbars before Palm OS 3.5, so your application needed to change the usable attribute directly.
WindowType bitmapP	Read	Before Palm OS 3.5. Do not directly access the memory used for the display buffer. Use the functions WinDrawBitmap or WinPaintBitmap, or use an offscreen window with WinGetBitmap and BmpGetBits.
		NOTE: This field did not exist before Palm OS 3.5. It replaced the field gDeviceP which was defined before Palm OS 3.5.
WindowType displayWidthV20	Read	Before Palm OS 2.0. Use the function WinGetDisplayExtent instead.
WindowType displayHeightV20	Read	Before Palm OS 2.0 Use the function WinGetDisplayExtent instead.

**Table A.1 Palm OS Structure Access Notification Exceptions** (continued)

Palm OS Structure	Access Allowed	Description
WindowType displayAddrV20	Read	Before Palm OS 3.5. Do not directly access the memory used for the display buffer. Use the functions WinDrawBitmap or WinPaintBitmap, or use an offscreen window with WinGetBitmap and BmpGetBits.
WindowType frameType	Read/Write	Always allowed, primarily for Palm OSGlue functions WinGlueGetFrameType and WinGlueSetFrameType

Structure Acc	Structure Access Notifications			

# **Unsupported Traps**

Palm OS Emulator will warn you if your application uses any of the unsupported traps listed in this appendix.

# **System Use Only Traps**

#### **Table B.1 System Use Only Traps**

AlmAlarmCallback	MemHandleResetLock	ScrRectangleRoutine
AlmCancelAll	MemHeapFreeByOwnerID	ScrScreenInfo
AlmDisplayAlarm	MemHeapInit	ScrSendUpdateArea
AlmEnableNotification	MemInit	SlkProcessRPC
AlmInit	MemInitHeapTable	SlkSysPktDefaultResponse
AlmTimeChange	MemKernelInit	SndInit
DmInit	MemPtrFlags	SysBatteryDialog
EvtDequeueKeyEvent	MemPtrOwner	SysColdBoot
EvtGetSysEvent	MemPtrResetLock	SysDoze
EvtInitialize	MemStoreInit	SysInit
EvtSetKeyQueuePtr	MemStoreSetInfo	SysLaunchConsole
EvtSetPenQueuePtr	PenClose	SysNewOwnerID
EvtSysInit	PenGetRawPen	SysReserved10Trap1
ExgInit	PenOpen	SysReserved31Trap1
FrmAddSpaceForObject	PenRawToScreen	SysSemaphoreSet
FtrInit	PenScreenToRaw	SysUILaunch
GrfFreeGrfInit	ScrCompressScanLine	SysWantEvent
InsPtCheckBlink	ScrCopyRectangle	TimInit
${\tt InsPtInitialize}$	ScrDeCompressScanLine	UIInitialize
MemCardFormat	ScrDrawChars	UIReset
MemHandleFlags	ScrDrawNotify	WinAddWindow
MemHandleOwner	ScrLineRoutine	WinRemoveWindow

### **Internal Use Only Traps**

#### Table B.2 Internal Use Only Traps

AttnAllowClose AttnDoEmergencySpecialEffects

AttnEffectOfEvent

AttnEnableNotification

AttnHandleEvent AttnIndicatorAllow AttnIndicatorAllowed AttnIndicatorCheckBlink AttnIndicatorGetBlinkPattern AttnIndicatorSetBlinkPattern

AttnIndicatorTicksTillNextBlink AttnInitialize BltCopyRectangle BltDrawChars BltFindIndexes BltGetPixel BltLineRoutine BltPaintPixel

BltPaintPixels BltRectangleRoutine BltRoundedRectangle

BltRoundedRectangleFill

DayHandleEvent **DbgControl** DbgSerDrvClose DbgSerDrvControl DbqSerDrvOpen DbgSerDrvReadChar DbgSerDrvStatus DbgSerDrvWriteChar

FlashInit

FntPrvGetFontList HwrBacklightV33

HwrBattery

HwrBatteryLevel

HwrCalcDynamicHeapSize

HwrCursorV33 HwrCustom

HwrGetSilkscreenID

HwrIdentifyFeatures HwrInterruptsInit HwrIRQ1Handler

HwrIRO2Handler

HwrIRQ3Handler

HwrIRO4Handler HwrIRQ5Handler

HwrIRQ6Handler

HwrLCDBaseAddrV33

HwrLCDContrastV33 HwrLCDGetDepthV33

HwrModelInitStage2

HwrModelInitStage3

HwrModelSpecificInit

HwrNVPrefGet

HwrNVPrefSet HwrSound0n

HwrTimerInit

HwrWake

KeyBootKeys

KeyHandleInterrupt

KeyInit MemHeapPtr

MemStoreSearch

OEMDispatch2

PalmPrivate3

ScrCompress

ScrDecompress

ScrGetColortable

ScrGetGrayPat

ScrPalette

ScrScreenInit

ScrScreenLock

ScrScreenUnlock

ScrUpdateScreenBitmap

SndInterruptSmfIrregardless

SndPlaySmfIrregardless

#### Table B.2 Internal Use Only Traps (continued)

HwrDebuggerEnter SndPlaySmfResourceIrregardless SysFatalAlertInit HwrDebuggerExit HwrDebugSelect SysKernelClockTick HwrDisplayDoze SysNotifyBroadcastFromInterrupt HwrDisplayDrawBootScreen SysNotifyInit SysReserved30Trap1 HwrDisplayInit HwrDisplayPalette SysReserved30Trap2 HwrDisplaySleep SysUnimplemented HwrDisplayWake TimGetAlarm HwrDockSignals TimSetAlarmUIColorInit WinGetFirstWindow HwrDockStatus WinMoveWindowAddr HwrDoze HwrFlashWrite WinPrvInitCanvas WinScreenInit HwrGetRAMMapping

### **Kernel Traps**

These traps are not implemented because 68K applications do not have access to the kernel API functions.

#### **Table B.3 Kernel Traps**

## **Obsolete Traps**

These traps are not implemented because they are obsolete Palm OS 1.0 traps (or an esoteric obsolete trap such as WiCmdV32).

#### Table B.4 Obsolete Traps

FplAdd	FplFloatToLong	FplMul
FplAToF	FplFloatToULong	FplSub
FplBase10Info	FplFToA	WiCmdV32
FplDiv	FplLongToFloat	

# **Unimplemented Traps**

These traps were never implemented in Palm OS (although they appear in CoreTraps.h), but they are listed for completeness.

#### **Table B.5 Unimplemented Traps**

WinDrawArc	WinFillPolygon
WinDrawPolygon	WinInvertArc
WinEraseArc	WinInvertPolygon
WinErasePolygon	WinPaintArc
WinFillArc	WinPaintPolygon
	WinDrawPolygon WinEraseArc WinErasePolygon

# **Unimplemented NOP Traps**

These traps should not be called by applications. Some third-party applications call these traps and it is safer to treat them as NOPs for backwards compatibility.

#### **Table B.6 Unimplemented NOP Traps**

FplFree	SerReceiveISP	TimSleep
FplInit	SrmSleep	TimWake
HwrTimerSleep	SrmWake	WinDisableWindow
HwrTimerWake	SysDisableInts	WinEnableWindow
PenSleep	SysRestoreStatus	WinInitializeWindow
PenWake	TimHandleInterrupt	

# **Unimplemented Rare Traps**

These are traps that applications would not use.

#### **Table B.7 Unimplemented Rare Traps**

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ConGetS	FlashErase	SlkSetSocketListener
ConPutS	FlashProgram	SrmOpenBackground
DayDrawDays	IntlGetRoutineAddress	SrmPrimeWakeupHandler
DayDrawDaySelector	MemGetRomNVParams	SrmReceiveWindowClose
DbgCommSettings	MemNVParams	SrmReceiveWindowOpen
DbgGetMessage	OEMDispatch	SrmSetWakeupHandler
DlkDispatchRequest	ResLoadForm	SysNotifyBroadcast
DlkStartServer	SerPrimeWakeupHandler	SysNotifyBroadcastDeferred
DmMoveOpenDBContext	SerReceiveWindowClose	SysNotifyDatabaseAdded
DmOpenDBWithLocale	SerReceiveWindowOpen	SysNotifyDatabaseRemoved
FlashCompress	SerSetWakeupHandler	SysSetTrapAddress

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