ATN Test

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Introduction

The Commodore 64 implements a single-tasking operating system called the KERNAL – legendarily due to the designer misspelling the word in their notebooks and this getting copied verbatim into the documentation. By single-tasking OS, I mean a Hardware Interface Layer, which is all that really means. A multitasking operating system also provides a resource multiplexor; many different processes competing for the screen, RAM, hard drive, keyboard, etc etc.

As a single-tasking operating system, none of the I/O routines provided by the KERNAL are asynchrynous; they all "block" until the call is completed. In the case of Commodore programs that, for instance, play music while loading, they often use a custom fast-loader and add interrupts that will call the music in the background. Even the C64 version of the Geck/OS system – which supports multitasking – will pause whenever accessing the disk drive.

The disk drive – as well as most other peripherals not on the user port – is connected daisy-chain style via the Commodore Serial Bus. The Serial protocol allows for, at any time, one talker and one or more listeners. First, the talker advertises it has a byte to send,. The listeners all acknowledge they're ready to receive – taking as long as they want to do so. This is so that a printer could have time to empty its buffer, or a disk drive have time to flush to disk. Then, the talker acknowledges – and we're now LOCKED IN to timing critical code to transfer 8 bits. And the process begins again.

If the talker takes more than 256 microseconds to respond when the listeners are ready, then this byte is the last of the stream, following which is end of file. If the talker times out at more than 512 microseconds to respond, then the stream is assumed to be empty. A reasonable response to a device not being on the lin

Unfortunately for us, this timing setup means that it's not possible to use the Commodore Serial Bus as a non-blocking I/O system.

Except, for the ATN line.

Only the computer has control over the ATN line. Whenever it activates it - even mid byte transfer – all devices on the bus are supposed to respond within 1000 microseconds. Now, the computer is the talker, and will transfer bytes as long as the ATN line is held down. These bytes are sent as normal, with the computer indicating it has a byte to send, listeners taking as long as they please to reply OK, and the talker then sending the byte.

The question is, how will a device on the receiving end of an ATN command respond to being left on the hook for, say, several seconds. They're supposed to ignore the 256-512 microsecond "end of stream" delay indicator, since the

command end is indicated by dropping the ATN line. Glancing at the 1541 drive ROM source, it appears to me that the system will completely ignore any such delays, no matter how long.

If serial bus devices do completely ignore the delay, I believe I could implement a non-blocking asynchronous serial bus library. I could have a routine called by a regular interrupt, such as the system clock. I could transfer a few bytes, using the VIC-II scanline counter as a way to tell how long I've been transferring. Once I'm out of itme, I could send an ATN command to pause the stream. If they took too long to respond to the ATN command, I just hold them on the line and not send the byte til the next interrupt.

I want to test this, both with a disk drive on serial bus 8, and a printer on serial bus 4.

ATN Commands

There are several kinds of ATN commands which may be sent.

- \$20-\$3E: LISTEN. Commands the device numbered in the lower five bits to become a listener.
- \$3F: UNLISTEN. Commands all listeners to stop listening.
- \$40-\$5E: TALK. Commands the device numbered in the lower five bits to become a talker. Then, the computer could swap over to a listener after the ATN stream. This allows, for instance, a disk file to be TALK'ed by the 1541, and the computer to LISTEN it into it's RAM.
- \$5F: UNTALK. All talkers are commanded to shush up.
- \$60-\$7E: SECOND. Send the secondary address in the lower 5 bits. Can optionally be send after a TALK/LISTEN.
- E0-EF: CLOSE. Prefix this with a LISTEN and follow it with an UNLISTEN in the same ATN command. This will command a file associated with the secondary address in the lower 4 bits to be closed.
- F0-FF: OPEN. Prefix this with a LISTEN in the same ATN command. Associate a named file with the secondary address in the lower 4 bits. The filename is sent as part of the ATN command after the OPEN, followed by an UNLISTEN.

The Test

Let's write our own set of serial routines. Let's set-up our high level interrupt routine. It'll get called 60 times per second according to the clock interrupt set up when the C64 boots into BASIC. The first thing it does is save the current and target scanlines, so we can use the VIC-II's scanline counter to know when to wrap up our transfer.

```
\langle irq \rangle =
```

- .code
- .export MyIrq

```
.proc MyIrq
     lda VIC_SCANLINE
     sta start_line
     clc
     adc #LINES_FOR_XFER
     sta target_line
<<transfer_bytes>>
<<wrapup_irq>>
.endproc
We need to define the scanline register.
\langle\!\langle constants \rangle\!\rangle =
VIC_SCANLINE = $D012
And the number of lines we intend to use this go-round.
\langle constants \rangle +
CYCLES_PER_LINE=65; on NTSC, PAL is 63
TARGET_MICROSECONDS = 10000
LINES_FOR_XFER = TARGET_MICROSECONDS / CYCLES_PER_LINE
Plus those line variables.
\langle\!\langle variables\rangle\!\rangle\!=
     .bss
start line: .res 2
target_line: .res 2
```

The Transfer

To transfer the bytes, we need to know what bytes to transfer. We either want to read n bytes from the device, write n bytes to the device, or send an ATN command. The ATN command preempts the actual transfer, since the transfer itself might send an ATN command to pause.

```
«constants»+
READ = $FF
WRITE = $00

«variables»+

   .bss
atn_bytes: .res 1; indicates the number of bytes we want to transfer
   .export atn_bytes
atn_index: .res 1; indicates the current index into the ATN transfer
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```
.export atn_index
atn_buffer: .res MAX_ATN_BYTES ; holds the actual ATN bytes to send
    .export atn_buffer
ser_rw: .res 1 ; indicates a read or a write
    .export ser_rw
ser_bytes: .res 1; indicates the number of bytes to read/write over serial
    .export ser_bytes
ser_index: .res 1; indicates the current index into the serial transfer
    .export ser_index
    .zeropage
ser_pointer: .res 2 ; pointer to wherever we want to send/receive data
    .export ser_pointer
ser_eof: .res 1 ; flag for the end of the current transfer is also end of file
\langle constants \rangle +
MAX ATN BYTES = $FF
Now, let's transfer some bytes!
\langle transfer\_bytes \rangle =
XferLoop:
    lda atn_bytes ; check if we have any ATN command bytes we wanna send
    bne SendAtn
    lda ser_bytes ; check if we have any normal data bytes we wanna send
    bne :+
    jmp XferDone
<<read_or_write>>
    jmp XferLoop
SendAtn:
<<send_atn>>
Sending ATN's Let's get into the ATN stuff, since that's what we care about.
First, let's make sure the ATN line is actually on.
\langle send\_atn \rangle =
    bit atn_on_flag
    bmi SkipTurnOn
    jsr AtnOn
    jsr ClkOn
    jsr DataOff
    jsr Wait1kUs
    lda #$FF
    sta atn_on_flag
```

SkipTurnOn:

```
"variables" +
    .bss
atn_on_flag: .res 1
    .export atn_on_flag

Now, we grab the byte and try to send.

"send_atn" +
    ldy atn_index
    lda atn_buffer,y
    sta byte_buffer
    jsr TryWrite

"variables" +
    .bss
byte_buffer: .res 1
    .export byte_buffer
```

TryWrite returns carry set if succeeded, carry clear if failed. Failure would be due to a timeout. If we timed out, just end the transfer interrupt. We'll try to send the ATN byte again next go-round, and the ATN line will be kept on in the meantime, forcing the other devices to keep waiting for us to send it.

```
«send_atn»+
bcc XferDone
```

On the other hand, if we succeeded, increment our buffer index. If we wrote all the bytes, then end the ATN command.

```
«send_atn»+

ldx atn_index
inx
  cpx atn_bytes
beq AtnDone
  stx atn_index
  jmp XferLoop
AtnDone:
  jsr AtnOff
lda #0
  sta atn_bytes
  sta atn_index
  sta atn_index
  sta atn_on_flag
  jmp XferDone
```

Regular Serial Transfer

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Serial Writes We check if we're doing a read or a write.
\langle read\_or\_write \rangle =
    .assert READ>=$80 && WRITE<$80,error,"expect to BIT a r/w flag"
    bit ser_rw
    bmi SerRead
SerWrite:
<<ser_write>>
SerRead:
<<ser_read>>
To start our write, we must output a LISTEN ATN command to the other
device, so we can TALK to it.
\langle\!\langle ser\_write \rangle\!\rangle =
    bit ser_online_flag
    bmi WriteOnline
    lda #LISTEN
    clc
    adc ser_dev
    sta atn_buffer
    lda #SECOND
    clc
    adc ser_second
    sta atn_buffer+1
    lda #2
    sta atn_bytes
    lda #0
    sta atn_index
    lda #$FF
    sta ser_online_flag
    bne XferLoop
                                ; Always taken. This will proceed with sending the ATN LISTEN co
WriteOnline:
\langle variables \rangle +
    .bss
ser_online_flag: .res 1
    .export ser_online_flag
ser_dev: .res 1
    .export ser_dev
```

ser_second: .res 1

«constants»+
LISTEN = \$20
SECOND = \$60

.export ser_second

Once ser_online_flag is set, the target device is listening. Even if we ended the interrupt routine in the middle of sending the LISTEN command, the device kept waiting for the ATN to finish for as long as we needed, and in that case it would be listening in now on this round through the interrupt.

Let's grab that byte and try to send it!

```
«ser_write»+

ldy ser_index

lda (ser_pointer),y

sta byte_buffer

jsr TryWrite
```

As for the ATN command, TryWrite returns carry clear if there was a timeout, carry set if we succeeded.

If we timed out, then we want to send an ATN command to have the device stop listening. This ATN command will also time out, which is fine.

```
\langle \langle ser\_write \rangle \rangle +
     bcs GoodWrite
     lda #UNLISTEN
     jsr AtnOne
     jmp XferLoop
\langle subrs \rangle =
     .code
     .export AtnOne
.proc AtnOne
     sta atn_buffer
     lda #1
     sta atn_bytes
     lda #0
     sta atn_index
     rts
.endproc
\langle constants \rangle +
UNLISTEN = $3F
```

If the byte sent successfully, then we increment our index, and kill the write if needbe.

```
«ser_write»+
GoodWrite:
    ldx ser_index
    inx
    cpx ser_bytes
```

```
beq WriteDone
stx ser_index
jmp XferLoop
```

If we finished the write, then we also need to send the UNLISTEN command to indicate final transfer, in addition to clearing out the serial xfer.

```
\langle\!\langle ser\_write \rangle\!\rangle +
WriteDone:
     lda #0
     sta ser_bytes
     sta ser_index
     lda #UNLISTEN
     jsr AtnOne
     jmp XferLoop
Now, let's handle the actual TryWrite routine.
\langle subrs \rangle +
     .export TryWrite
.proc TryWrite
<<try_write>>
WriteDone:
     rts
.endproc
First, we signal we're ready to send a byte.
\langle try\_write \rangle =
     jsr ClkOff
```

Now, we wait for the readers to become available, keeping in mind if we timeout, we should exit now.

This is handled via a subroutine, that conveniently also returns the timeout condition with carry clear.

```
«try_write»+
jsr WaitWrite
bcc WriteDone
```

If this is the end-of-stream, we should delay 256 microseconds here.

```
«try_write»+
bit ser_eof
bpl NoEof
lda ser_index
cpx ser_bytes
bne NoEof
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jsr Wait256Us
NoEof:
Now, send each bit!
\langle try\_write \rangle +
    ldx #8
WriteLoop:
    jsr ClkOn
    jsr DataOff
    lsr byte_buffer
    bcc WriteZero
    jsr DataOn
WriteZero:
    jsr Wait60Us
    jsr ClkOff
    jsr Wait60Us
    dex
    bne WriteLoop
    jsr ClkOn
    jsr DataOff
    jsr Wait1kUs
And, we're done!
Serial Reads \langle ser\_read \rangle =
    brk; TODO!
Entry and Exit We want to install our IRQ handler, and make sure that
whatever IRQ handler that was there previous will still be called.
\langle\!\langle setup\_irq\rangle\!\rangle =
     .code
     .export SetupIrq
.proc SetupIrq
    php
                                ; save interrupt flag
                                ; disable interrupts
    sei
    lda IRQ_VECTOR
                                ; save the current IRQ handler
    sta old_irq
    lda IRQ_VECTOR+1
    sta old_irq+1
    lda #<MyIrq
                                ; store ours!
```

; restore interrupt flags, since they're now safe to occur

sta IRQ_VECTOR
lda #>MyIrq
sta IRQ_VECTOR

plp

```
rts
.endproc
\langle constants \rangle +
IRQ_VECTOR = $0314 ; pointer to IRQ service routine
\langle wrapup\_irq \rangle =
XferDone:
                                ; run the regular IRQ handler now that we're finished!
    jmp (old_irq)
The 6502 has a bug: if we jump indirectly via a variable, and that variable
straddles a page – the hibyte in $xxFF and the lobyte in $xy00 – then it'll jump
to the wrong address. We'll align the variable just to be safe.
\langle variables \rangle +
     .bss
     .align 2; avoid indirect jump bug
old_irq: .res 2
     .export old_irq
Low Level Routines Let's start with the easy stuff, the Wait routines. They
wait in microseconds, and the CPU clock is conveniently measured in those!
Althought, it takes 12 cycles/microseconds to get in and out of a subroutine.
\langle subrs \rangle +
     .export Wait60Us
.proc Wait60Us
    ; 6 cycles to JSR here
    ldy #9
                  ; +2 cycles=8
Loop:
    dey
                  ; +2 cyles
                  ; +3 cyles while taken, +2 when falling thru
     ; we ran the loop 9 times, the first 8 took 5 cycles, the last took 4.
    ; 8+8*5+4=52
                  ; +2 cycles=54
    nop
    rts
                  ; +6 cycles = 60
.endproc
\langle subrs \rangle +
     .export Wait256Us
.proc Wait256Us
    ; 6 cycles to JSR here
    ldy #48
                    ; +2
Loop:
    dey
                       ; +2
                       ; +3 cycles while taken, +2 when falling thru
    bne Loop
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```
; last loop thru took 4 cycles, rest took 5
    ; 8+5*(y-1)+4=250
    5*(y-1)=250-8-4
    y-1=238/5
    ; y=47.6+1
    ; y=48
    ; 8+5*47+4=247
                    ; +2 cycles=249
    nop
                    ; +6 cycles=255, which is close enough
    rts
.endproc
\langle subrs \rangle +
    .export Wait1kUs
.proc Wait1kUs
    ; 6 cycles to JSR here
    ; 1000/255=3.9
    jsr Wait256Us ; +255=261
    jsr Wait256Us
                   ; +255=516
    jsr Wait256Us ; +255=771
    ; 229 cycles remaining
    ldy #74
                   ; +2 cycles=773
Loop:
                    ; +2 cycles
    dey
                    ; +3 cycles every loop thru until last, which takes +2
    bne Loop
    ; 773+3*(y-1)+2=1000-6
    ; 3*(y-1)=1000-6-773-2
    ; y-1=219/3
    ; y=73+1
    ; 773+3*(74-1)+2=994
                    ; +6 cycles on exit
    rts
.endproc
```

The Serial Signal Routines I can never remember the Commodore serial bus signals – ATN, CLK, DATA – should be active 1 or active 0. Hence, my usage of the generic ClkOn/ClkOff style commands thruout.

Now, it's time to actually write them. I still can't remember as I write this, so I'll define a flag for which way the bits should go. That way, it's easy to change if I mix it up.

```
«constants»+
TRUE = $FF
FALSE = 0
ACTIVE_HI = FALSE
```

I'll also define the register used on the Complex Interface Adapter (CIA for

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short, haha) that I use to access these bits.
\langle\!\langle constants \rangle\!\rangle +
CIA_PORT = $DD00
And the bits themselves.
\langle\!\langle constants \rangle\!\rangle +
ATN_OUT = 1 << 3
CLK_OUT = 1 << 4
DATA_OUT = 1 << 5
CLK_IN = 1 << 6
DATA_IN = 1 << 7
Now for the macros to set/reset the bits.
\langle\!\langle macros \rangle\!\rangle =
.if ACTIVE_HI = TRUE
      .mac bit_on bitf
          lda CIA_PORT
           ora #bit
           sta CIA_PORT
      .endmac
      .mac bit_off bit
          lda CIA_PORT
          and #<~bit
           sta CIA_PORT
      .endmac
.else
      .mac bit_on bit
          lda CIA_PORT
          and \#<\simbit
           sta CIA_PORT
      .endmac
      .mac bit_off bit
           lda CIA_PORT
           ora #bit
           sta CIA_PORT
      .endmac
Now for the actual routines themselves.
\langle\!\langle subrs\rangle\!\rangle +
.code
AtnOn:
     bit_on ATN_OUT
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```
rts
AtnOff:
    bit_off ATN_OUT
    rts
ClkOn:
    bit_on CLK_OUT
    rts
ClkOff:
    bit off CLK OUT
    rts
DataOn:
    bit_on DATA_OUT
    rts
DataOff:
    bit_off DATA_OUT
.export AtnOn,AtnOff,ClkOn,ClkOff,DataOn,DataOff
```

We'll also have a set of routines for handling the input side of the port.

This routine waits for the readers to be ready, returning early if we've taken too much time. As mentioned earlier, this early exit is indicated by returning with carry clear; carry is set if we're good to transfer. Since the DATA_IN bit is in bit7 of the port, we can check it via the BIT instruction, which will place bit7 into the negative flag.

```
\langle\!\langle constants \rangle\!\rangle +
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```
WRITE_ON_DATA_LO = TRUE
```

It turned out that the .if didn't work if WaitWrite was defined as a CA65 proc (which allow for local labels), so I wrote it as a plain label with an anonymous branch target instead.

```
«subrs»+
.code
.export WaitWrite
WaitWrite:
    .assert DATA_IN = $80,error,"DATA_IN isn't in bit7"
    jsr CheckScanline
    bcc :+
    bit CIA_PORT
    .if WRITE_ON_DATA_LO = TRUE
        bmi WaitWrite
    .else
        bpl WaitWrite
    .endif
    sec ; we're good to write!
```

rts

:

Scanline Checks We use the current scanline number to figure out if we've timed out the transfer. Theoretically, we could end up *past* our target scanline, which is a problem when the scanline count wraps around pretty easily.

To handle this, we first check if target_line is less than start_line. If not, we can perform a normal range check cur_line >= start_line && cur_line < target_line. But if they are, we replace the and with an or: cur_line >= start_line || cur_line < target_line. If either check succeeds, then we haven't timed out yet.

Let's work through some test cases to check.

- If we start on line 10, and our target line is 102:
 - If we start our check still on line 10, we don't timeout since cur_line
 start_line.
 - If we check on lines 11-101, we don't timeout since cur_line < target_line and >= start_line.
 - If we check on lines 102-255, we successfully timeout, since cur_line >= start_line and not < target_line.
 - If we check on lines 0-9, we successfully timeout, since cur_line is not >= start_line. If we used an || instead of an &&, we would fail to timeout since we're still < target line.
- If we start on line 254, and our target line is rolled over to 90:
 - If we start our check still on line 254, we don't timeout since cur_line
 start_line.
 - If we check on line 255, we don't timeout, since cur_line >= start_line. If we used an && instead of an ||, we'd accidentally timeout here since cur_line is not < target_line.
 - If we check on lines 0-89, we don't timeout, since cur_line < target_line. If we used an && instead of an ||, we'd accidentally timeout here since cur_line is not >= start_line.
 - If we check on lines 90-253, we'd successfully timeout, since cur_line is not < target_line or >= start_line. "'

 $\langle subrs \rangle +$

```
; Return carry clear if we've timed out on our xfer time, carry set otherwise.
.export CheckScanline
.proc CheckScanline
   lda target_line
   cmp start_line
   bcc OrCheck
AndCheck:
   lda VIC_SCANLINE
   cmp start_line
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bcc TimeOut
     cmp target_line
     bcc TimeIn
TimeOut:
     clc
     rts
OrCheck:
     lda VIC_SCANLINE
     cmp start_line
     bcs TimeIn
     cmp target_line
     bcs TimeOut
TimeIn:
     sec
     rts
.endproc
The Test Itself
So, let's test something!
We'll use the label Start as our main entry point.
\langle\!\langle main \rangle\!\rangle =
     .export Start
.proc Start
<<init-test>>
<<run-test>>
.endproc
We'll intialize by clearing RAM, then setting up our IRQ.
\langle\!\langle init\text{-}test\rangle\!\rangle =
<<clear-bss>>
     jsr SetupIrq
\ensuremath{\textit{\ensuremath{\textit{e}}}} clear - bss \ensuremath{\textit{\ensuremath{\textit{e}}}} =
     lda #<__BSS_LOAD__</pre>
     sta ser_pointer
     lda #>__BSS_LOAD__
     sta ser_pointer+1
     ldy #0
BssLoop:
     lda ser_pointer+1
     cmp #>(_BSS_LOAD__+_BSS_SIZE__)
     bne BssClear
     lda ser_pointer
```

```
cmp #<(_BSS_LOAD__+_BSS_SIZE__)</pre>
    beq BssDone
BssClear:
                                 ; Y=0
    tya
    sta (ser_pointer),y
    inc ser_pointer
    bne BssLoop
    inc ser_pointer+1
    jmp BssLoop
BssDone:
    ldx #0
    tya
ZpLoop:
    sta (<__ZEROPAGE_LOAD__),y
    cpx #<__ZEROPAGE_SIZE__
    bne ZpLoop
     .import __BSS_LOAD__,_BSS_SIZE__,_ZEROPAGE_LOAD__,_ZEROPAGE_SIZE__
Now let's test some stuff! We'll start with the printer. Let's open it first!
\langle run-test \rangle =
    ldx #0
OpenLoop:
    lda open_msg,x
    sta atn_buffer,x
    inx
    cpx #open_msg_end-open_msg
    bne OpenLoop
    lda #0
                       ; clear index into ATN buffer
    sta atn_index
    stx atn bytes
                      ; write the length of bytes we want to send
<<wait-for-atn>>
{asm6502 #data}
                       .rodata open_msg:
                                                 .byte OPEN+4,LISTEN+0,UNLISTEN
open_msg_end:
                     .export open_msg,open_msg_end
\langle\!\langle constants \rangle\!\rangle +
OPEN = $FO
\langle wait	ext{-}for	ext{-}atn \rangle =
    lda atn_bytes
    bne :-
Next, we'll write a message.
\langle\!\langle data \rangle\!\rangle =
```

```
print_msg:
     .byte CARRIAGE_RETURN, "HELLO, WORLD", CARRIAGE_RETURN, "NICE TO MEET YOU!", CARRIAGE_RETURN
print_msg_end:
     .export print_msg, print_msg_end
\langle\!\langle constants \rangle\!\rangle +
CARRIAGE_RETURN = $OD
\langle run\text{-}test \rangle +
     lda #<print_msg</pre>
     sta ser_pointer
     lda #>print_msg
     sta ser_pointer+1
     lda #0
     sta ser_index
     lda print_msg_end-print_msg
     sta ser_bytes
Now, the message will start transferring to the printer in the background!
Let's print something to the screen in the meantime.
\langle run\text{-}test \rangle +
     jsr PrintScreen
\langle subrs \rangle +
     .export PrintScreen
.proc PrintScreen
     ldx #0
PrintLoop:
     lda print_msg,x
     beq PrintDone
     jsr CHROUT
     inx
     bne PrintLoop
PrintDone:
     rts
.endproc
\langle\!\langle constants \rangle\!\rangle +
CHROUT = \$FFD2
Finally, let's wait for the data to finish transferring to the printer and close it.
\langle run\text{-}test \rangle +
<<wait-for-ser>>
<<wait-for-atn>>
```

```
ldx #0
CloseLoop:
     lda close_msg,x
     sta atn_buffer,x
     cpx #close_msg_end-close_msg
     bne CloseLoop
     lda #0
     sta atn_index
     stx atn_bytes
\langle\!\langle data \rangle\!\rangle +
close_msg:
     .byte LISTEN+4,CLOSE+0,UNLISTEN
close_msg_end:
     .export close_msg,close_msg_end
{\it «constants»} +
CLOSE = $EO
\textit{``wait-for-ser"} =
     lda atn_bytes
     bne :-
And we'll display the message onscreen again, for good measure, while we wait!
\langle run\text{-}test \rangle +
     jsr PrintScreen
<<wait-for-atn>>
     jmp *
Building
Let's put together our whole source file.
\langle\!\langle atntest.s \rangle\!\rangle =
<<constants>>
<<macros>>
<<variables>>
<<irq>>
```

```
<<setup_irq>>
<<subrs>>
<<main>>
<<data>>
CA65 requires a linker config file.
\langle atntest.cfg \rangle =
MEMORY {
    PRG_ADDR: start = $0000, size = 2;
    RAM: start = $801, size = $97FF;
    ZEROPAGE: start = $FB, size = 4, file = "";
}
SEGMENTS {
    ZEROPAGE: load = ZEROPAGE, type = zp, define = yes;
    PRG_ADDR: load = PRG_ADDR, type = ro;
    BASIC_HEADER: load = RAM, type = ro;
    CODE: load = RAM, type = ro;
    RODATA: load = RAM, type = ro;
    DATA: load = RAM, type = rw;
    BSS: load = RAM, type = bss, define = yes, align = 2;
}
We need to insert the boot header.
\#boot.s =
    .segment "PRG_ADDR"
    .word $801
    .segment "BASIC_HEADER"
    .word null_line
    .word 10
    .byte $9E,"2061",0
null_line:
    .assert *=2061,error,"bad BASIC header"
    .import Start
    jmp Start
Let's make our Makefile:
OBJECTS = boot.o atntest.o
```

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atntest.prg atntest.ll: $(OBJECTS) atntest.cfg
   ld65 -o atntest.prg -C atntest.cfg $(OBJECTS)

%.o: %.s
   ca65 -o $@ $*.s

But, just for fun, we'll add a make target to generate a nice PDF via pandoc.

«Makefile»=
.PHONY: all clean pdf

all: atntest.pdf atntest.prg

clean:
   rm -f atntest.prg atntest.ll $(OBJECTS) atntest.pdf

pdf: atntest.pdf

atntest.pdf: atntest.md
   pandoc -o atntest.pdf --filter pandoc-annotate-codeblocks atntest.md

<<makefile>>
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Conclusion