

Hardware Specification for the  
Atari STBook Computer System

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THE SCOPE OF THIS DOCUMENT is limited to a hardware definition of the Atari STBook Computer System. This document does not provide a description of STBook component parts, peripheral devices, and system software. For more information, please refer to the texts listed at the end of this document.

## 1. Introduction

The hardware architecture of the Atari STBook Computer System consists of a main system, a graphics subsystem, and several device subsystems. The STBook is based on the 16-bit data / 24-bit address MC68HC000 microprocessor unit running at 8 MHz and is Atari STe compatible (except as described below). The major features of the Atari STBook Computer System include:

### MAIN SYSTEM

- o 16-bit data / 24-bit address microprocessor unit
- o 512 Kbyte system ROM
- o 1 or 4 Mbyte RAM, battery-backed
- o programmable memory controller
- o external direct memory access
- o IDE interface for internal Hard drive
- o 6 voice sound generator/synthesizer
- o battery-backed Real-Time Clock
- o Hardware Bit Blitter

### GRAPHICS SUBSYSTEM

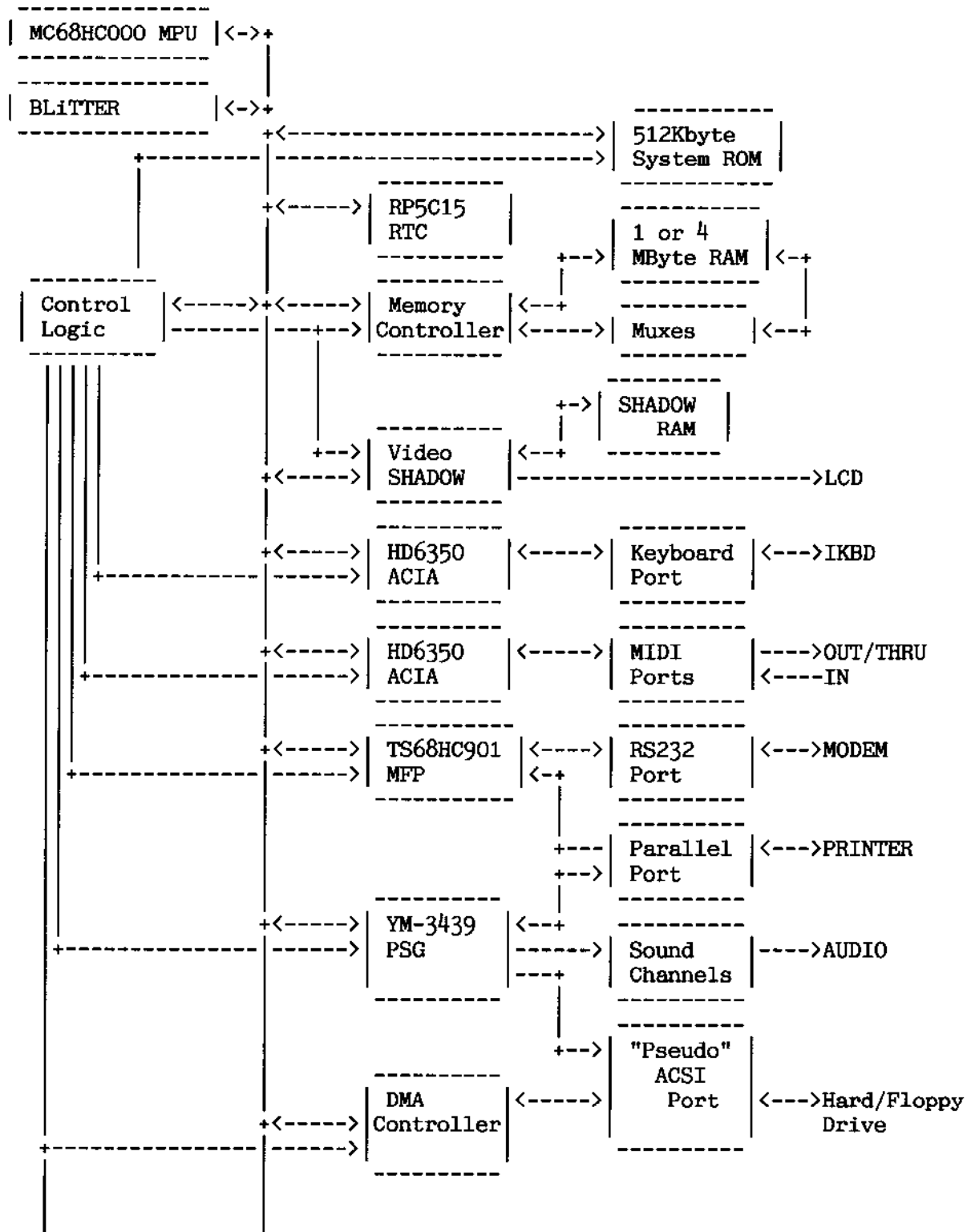
- o 640x400 LCD, 0.27mm Dot Pitch LCD panel

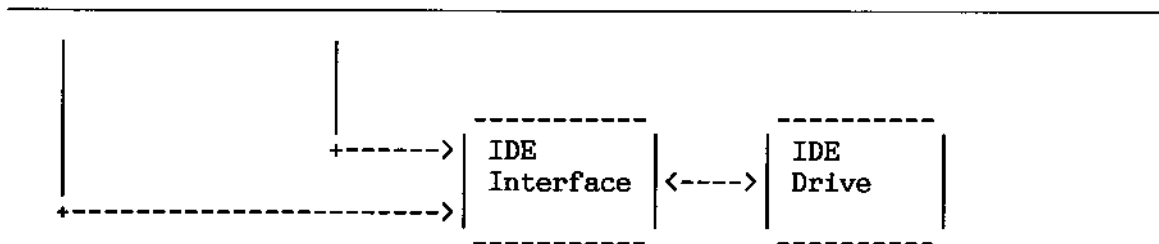
### DEVICE SUBSYSTEMS

- o intelligent keyboard with "Joypad" mouse substitute
- o parallel interface
- o serial interface
- o musical instrument digital interface
- o External DMA/Hard disk/Floppy disk interface

The following is a simplified hardware system block diagram of the Atari STBook Computer System:

## ATARI STBook COMPUTER SYSTEM







## 2. Main System

The main system includes the microprocessor unit, main memory, programmable memory controller, IDE drive interface, sound synthesizer, and real time clock.

### 2.1. Microprocessor Unit

The STBook computer system is based on an 8 MHz MC68HC000 16 bit data/24 bit address microprocessor unit (with an internal 32 bit architecture). Some features of the MC68HC000 are: eight 32 bit data registers, nine 32 bit address registers, a 16 Mbyte direct addressing range, 14 addressing modes, memory mapped I/O, five data types, and a 56 instruction set. The MPU is directly supported by an TS68HC901 Multi Function Peripheral providing general purpose interrupt control and timers, among other things.

### 2.2. Main Memory

#### 2.2.1. Memory Configuration

The STBook is unlike other ST computers, in that its memory is not reconfigurable. It MUST be configured as if there were two banks of 2Mbyte each, even if there is actually only 1Mbyte in the system. This is mostly due the the high integration with the video sub-system, and the use of the video system to perform refresh of the Pseudo-static memory used.

#### 2.2.2. Refresh Control

The Pseudo-Static RAM (PS RAM) used in the STBook can be refreshed in two ways. The address lines to the memory are arranged such that the video accesses in Monochrome mode will fully cycle the memory. Thus, generally, no explicit action is needed.

But, as these accesses represent about 300mW of power consumption, it is desirable to allow them to be stopped to reduce power. If this is done (see the *Graphics Subsystem* section), there is a refresh control system which may be enabled to maintain refresh of the RAMs. This is done using the "Auto" and "Self" refresh modes of the PS RAMs. This does, however, have the side effect of slowing the system clock by an average of ~0.5%. (Actually, it does it by "halving" the system clock speed for 2 full cycles about every 64 cycles, worst case). It is therefore not generally needed while the Video system is running, as it is (A) redundant and (B) slows the system.

To maintain refresh of the PS RAMs while reducing power, the following sequences should be used:

Stopping the video System:

- o first ENABLE the REFRESH MACHINE
- o then disable the Video System

Re-starting the Video system:

- o first ENABLE the Video System
- o ensure that video is fully running

- o then DISABLE the REFRESH MACHINE

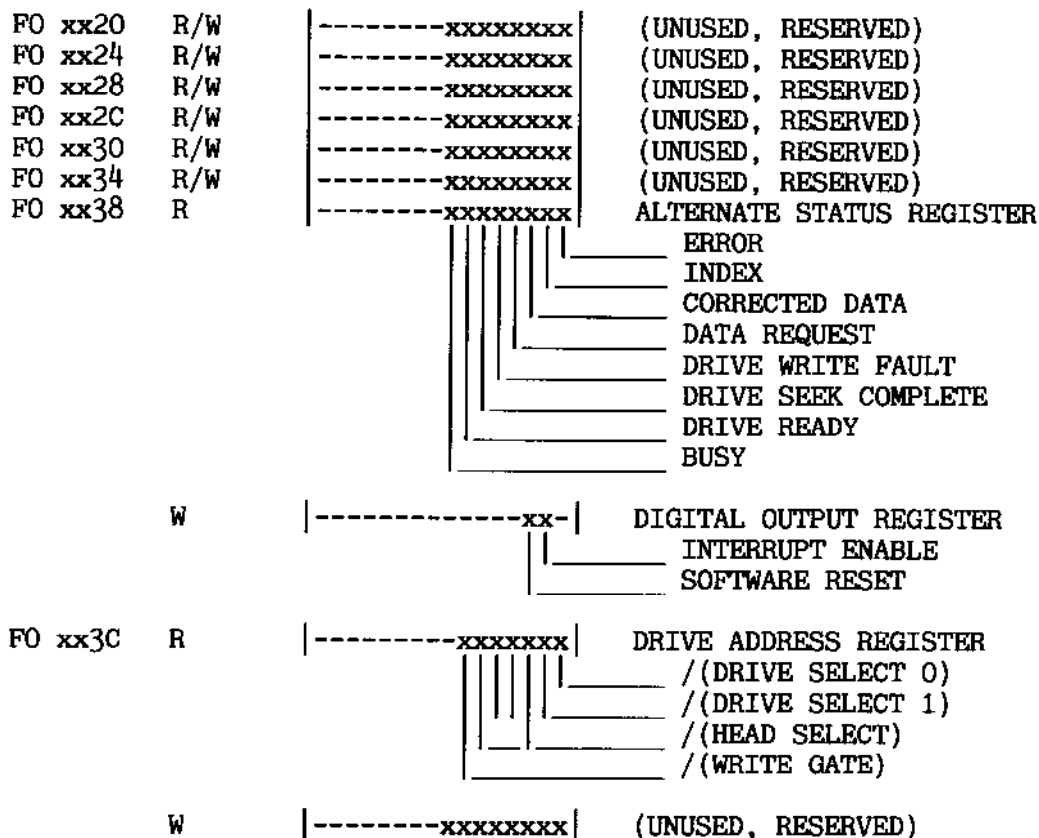
The "Refresh Machine" is controlled by bit 4 in the LCD Control register.

### 2.3. IDE Drive Interface

The Atari STBook uses an internal IDE-type hard disk drive; it is driven in what is called "AT" mode, and all accesses to control registers and data are through direct-mapped I/O. To increase performance, the registers are mapped such that the "BLITTER" (described below) can be used to transfer the data to/from the drive. Only the register map shall be shown here; for a working description of hardware and software, see separately "ATARI IDE-DRIVE INTERFACE SPECIFICATION."

#### IDE DRIVE INTERFACE REGISTERS

Address	Read/W	Active bits	Name
FO xx00	R/W	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	DATA REGISTER
FO xx04	R	-----xx-x-xx-	ERROR REGISTER
			BBK Bad Block Detected
			UNC Uncorrectable Data Error
			IDNF ID field Not Found
			ABRT Command Aborted
			TKO Track 0 not found
	W	-----xxxxxxxx	WRITE PRECOMP REGISTER
FO xx08	R/W	-----xxxxxxxx	SECTOR COUNT
FO xx0C	R/W	-----xxxxxxxx	SECTOR NUMBER
FO xx10	R/W	-----xxxxxxxx	CYLINDER LOW
FO xx14	R/W	-----xxxxxxxx	CYLINDER HIGH
FO xx18	R/W	-----x01xxxxxx	SDH REGISTER
			Head Select Number
			Drive Select ("0" = Master, "1"=Slave)
			(Reserved)
FO xx1C	R	-----xxxxxxxx	STATUS REGISTER
			ERROR
			INDEX
			CORRECTED DATA
			DATA REQUEST
			DRIVE WRITE FAULT
			DRIVE SEEK COMPLETE
			DRIVE READY
			BUSY
	W	-----xxxxxxxx	COMMAND REGISTER



#### 2.4. Sound Synthesizer

The YM-2149 Programmable Sound Generator produces music synthesis, sound effects, and audio feedback (eg alarms and key clicks). With an applied clock input of 2 MHz, the PSG is capable of providing a frequency response range between 30 Hz (audible) and 125 KHz (post-audible). The generator places a minimal amount of processing burden on the main system (which acts as the sequencer) and has the ability to perform using three independent voice channels. The three sound channel outputs are mixed, along with Audio In, and sent to an internal speaker.

The sound generator's internal registers are accessed via the PSG Register Select Register (write only, reset: registers all zeros). The tone generator registers control a basic square wave while the noise generator register controls a frequency modulated square wave of pseudo random pulse width. Tones and noise can be mixed over individual channels by using the mixer control register. The amplitude registers allow the specification of a fixed amplitude or of a variable amplitude when used with the envelope generator. The envelope generator registers permit the entry of a skewed attack-decay-sustain-release envelope in the form of a continue-attack-alternate-hold envelope.

### 2.5. Real Time Clock

The STBook system includes a Ricoh RP5C15 Real Time Clock chip. This provides time of day (down to one second resolution) and date. The RTC is provided with a 32.768 kHz oscillator that is independent of all other system clocks.

The chip is accessed through 32 4-bit registers accessed in two banks. Bank 0 allows reading and setting each digit of the date and time, and also allows access to test and control registers. Bank 1 allows setting the digits of an alarm function, and controlling the mode of operation of the clock chip.

### 2.6. Configuration Switch Register

The STBook implements an 8-bit configuration switch register to indicate the presence or absence of options. Depending on printed circuit board layout, the register may be implemented using an 8-bit DIP switch, solder pads, or double "row of stakes" jumpers. A bit will read as a "1" if the circuit is open. As of this writing, the following bits have been assigned meanings:

Configuration Bits		
Bit		Meaning
7	0 =>	No DMA sound hardware is installed.
	1 =>	DMA Sound hardware is available.
6	0 =>	High speed (16 MHz) 1772 Floppy Disk controller is installed.
	1 =>	Only low speed (8 MHz) 1772 Floppy Disk controller is installed.
5-0		Undefined, reserved.

### 3. Graphics Subsystem

The basic components of the graphics subsystem are video display memory, video controller, LCD Controller, and a Bit-level Transfer controller,

#### 3.1. Video Display Memory

Video display memory is configured as 1 logical plane in one 32 Kbyte (actually 0x7d00) physical plane starting at any 256 byte half page boundary (in RAM only). The starting address of display memory is placed in the Video Base Address Register (read/write, reset: all zeros) which is then loaded into the Video Address Counter Register (read only, reset: all zeros) and incremented.

The STBook possesses only one of the three ST modes of video configuration: 640 x 400 resolution with 1 plane. The mode is set through the Shift Mode Register (read/write, reset: all zeros). An inverter is provided for inverse video, controlled by bit 0 of palette color 0 (normal video is black 0, white 1). In monochrome mode the border color is always black.

#### 3.2. Video Controller

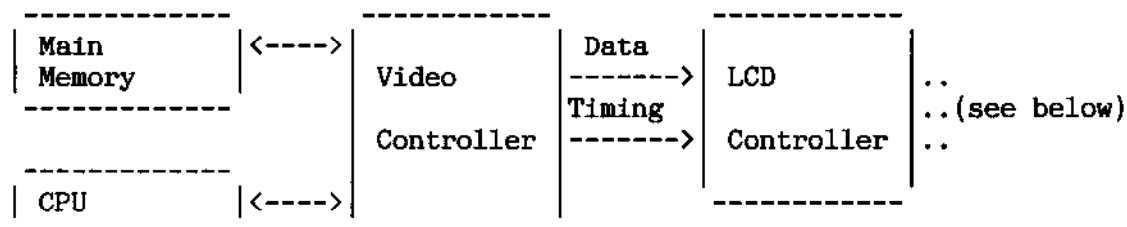
The video controller (a sub-section of the MCU) controls the timing and memory transfers of the video system, including V/H Blank/Sync (which, in this LCD system, are relevant only as timing information).

The general flow of the video controller is as follows: Bitmap data is taken from main memory one word at a time and presented to the LCD Controller, along with synchronization information (i.e. DisplayEnable). It also presents enough data such that Horizontal Scrolling can be performed. The accesses to main memory are interleaved with the CPU accesses, such that the CPU can operate at virtually fully speed.

There is (intentionally) no source of External Sync in the STBook; if it is selected, then the video controller will stop passing data from main memory to the LCD controller. The LCD controller is independent enough to maintain the LCD image without these updates; see below

The following is a block diagram of the video controller:

----- Video Controller Block Diagram -----



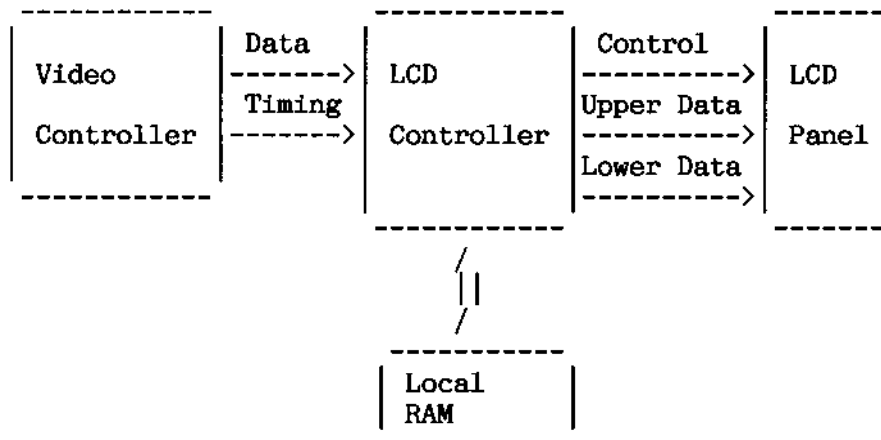
### 3.3. LCD Controller

The LCD Controller acts as a buffer and multiplexer between the Video Controller and the LCD Panel. One reason this is necessary is that the LCD Panel is implemented (like most large-scale panels) as an upper and lower panel, driven in parallel. As such, it is scanned/loaded from Upper Left to Center Right, AND Center Left to Lower Right, simultaneously. As the Video controller transfers data corresponding to Upper Left to Lower Right, the LCD Controller must buffer the data so that it can be presented properly to the LCD Panel. It maintains a Local Static RAM to accomplish this.

The timing of the transfer from main memory and transfer to LCD Panel are independent. If the transfers from main memory stop (if, for example, External Sync is selected), the LCD Controller will continue to send data from its local RAM to the LCD Panel, maintaining the image. This feature is what allows us to stop video transfers (to save power) invisibly to the user. Video "updates" need only be performed when the image changes.

The following is a block diagram of the LCD Controller:

----- LCD Controller Block Diagram -----



### 3.4. Bit-Block Transfers

The Atari STBook Bit-Block Transfer Processor (BLITTER) is a hardware implementation of the bit-block transfer (BitBlt aka blit) algorithm. BitBlt can be simply described as a procedure that moves bit-aligned data from a source location to a destination location through a given logic operation. The BitBlt primitive can be used to perform such operations as:

- o Area seed filling
- o Rotation by recursive subdivision
- o Slice and smear magnification
- o Brush line drawing using Bresenham DDA
- o Text transformations eg bold, italic, outline
- o Text scrolling
- o Window updating
- o Pattern filling

And general memory-to-memory block copying.

There are sixteen logic combination rules associated with the merging of source and destination data. Note that this set contains all possible combinations between source and destination. The following table contains the valid BitBlt combination rules:

#### LOGIC OPERATIONS

OP	COMBINATION RULE
0	all zeros
1	source AND destination
2	source AND NOT destination
3	source
4	NOT source AND destination
5	destination
6	source XOR destination
7	source OR destination
8	NOT source AND NOT destination
9	NOT source XOR destination
A	NOT destination
B	source OR NOT destination
C	NOT source
D	NOT source OR destination
E	NOT source OR NOT destination
F	all ones

Adjustments to block extents and several other transfer parameters are determined prior to the invocation of the actual block transfer. These adjustments and parameters include clipping, skew, end masks, and overlap.

Clipping. The source and destination block extents are adjusted to conform with a specified clipping rectangle. Since both source and destination blocks are of equal dimension, the destination block extent is clipped to the extent of the source block (or vice versa). Note that the block transfer need not be performed if the resultant extent is zero.

Skew. The source-to-destination horizontal bit skew is calculated.

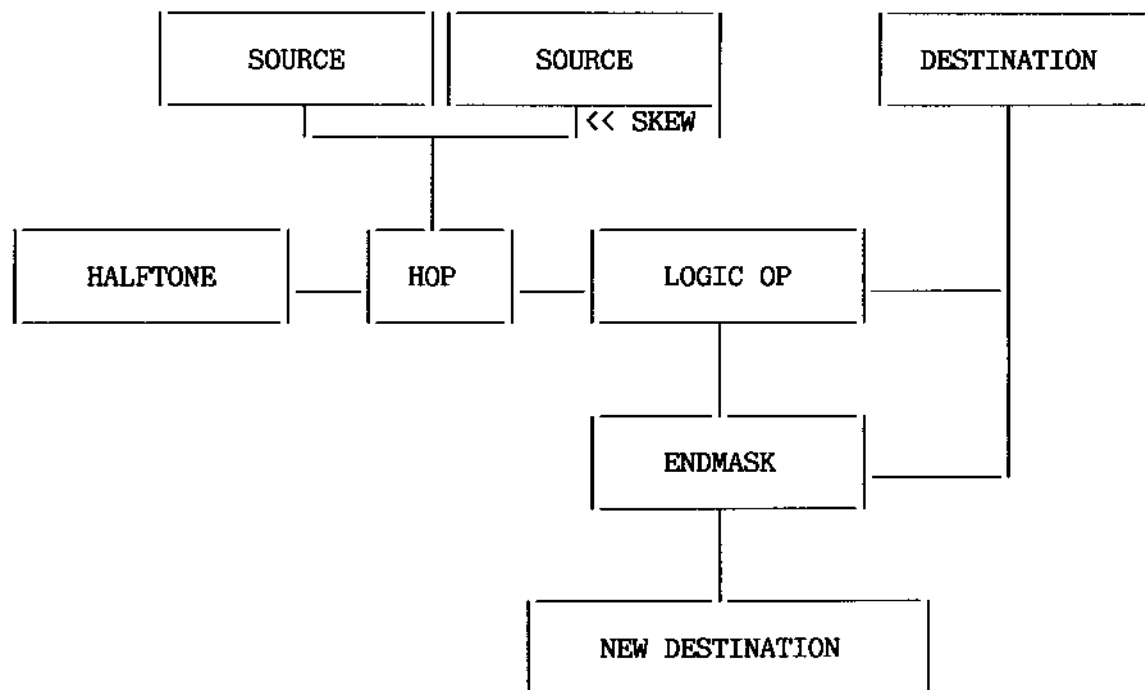
End Masks. The left and right partial word masks are determined. The masks are merged if the destination is one word in width.

Overlap. The block locations are checked for possible overlap in order to avoid the destruction of source data before it is transferred.

In non-overlapping transfers the source block scanning direction is inconsequential and can by default be from upper left to lower right. In overlapping transfers the source scanning direction is also from upper left to lower right if the source-to-destination transfer direction is up and/or to the left (ie source address is greater than or equal to destination address). However, if the overlapping source-to-destination transfer direction is down and/or to the right (ie source address is less than destination address), then the source data is scanned from lower right to upper left.

After the transfer parameters are determined the bit-block transfer operation can be invoked, transferring source to destination through the logic operation:

#### BIT-BLOCK TRANSFER





#### 4. External Interfaces

The STBook supports five device subsystems: an intelligent keyboard, parallel interface, RS232 interface, MIDI interface and DMA interface ("Pseudo-ACSI"). Included with each device interface description is a port pin assignment chart with the STBook and programmable signals justified left [pins that are not connected are not shown]. The connector type on the STBook is shown above each pin list with an "S" designating a female socket and a "P" designating a male plug.

##### 4.1. Intelligent Keyboard

The STBook has a socket to allow use an ST/Mega compatible keyboard. The Atari Intelligent Keyboard (ikbd) transmits encoded make/break key scan codes (with two key rollover), mouse/trackball data, joystick data, and time of day. The ikbd receives commands as well, with bidirectional communication controlled on the STBook side by an HD6350 Asynchronous Communications Interface Adapter supplied with transmit and receive clock inputs of 500 KHz. The data transfer rate is a constant 7812.5 bits/sec which can be generated by setting the ACIA Counter Divide Select to divide by 64. All ikbd functions such as key scanning, mouse tracking, command parsing, etc. are performed by a 1 MHz HD6301V1 8 bit Microcomputer Unit, in the keyboard.

##### 4.2. Parallel Interface

The STBook parallel interface supports Centronics STROBE from the YM-2149 PSG for data synchronization and Centronics BUSY to the TS68HC901 MFP (ACKNLG is not supported) for handshaking. Eight bits of read/write data are handled through I/O Port B on the PSG at a typical data transfer rate of 4000 bytes/second.

#### ----- Parallel Port Pin Assignments -----

STBook	DB 25S	
	----	----
PSG I/O A	1	---- Centronics STROBE ----->
PSG I/O B	2	<--- Data 0 ----->
PSG I/O B	3	<--- Data 1 ----->
PSG I/O B	4	<--- Data 2 ----->
PSG I/O B	5	<--- Data 3 ----->
PSG I/O B	6	<--- Data 4 ----->
PSG I/O B	7	<--- Data 5 ----->
PSG I/O B	8	<--- Data 6 ----->
PSG I/O B	9	<--- Data 7 ----->
MFP	11	<--- Centronics BUSY -----
	18-25	---- Ground -----
	----	----

#### Signal Characteristics

pin 1	TTL levels, active low.
pins 2-9	TTL levels.

pin 11

TTL levels, active high,  
1 Kohm pullup resistor to +5 VDC.

#### 4.3. RS232 Interface

The STBook RS232 interface provides voltage level synchronous or asynchronous serial communication. Five EIA RS232C handshake control signals are supported: Request To Send and Data Terminal Ready are transmitted through the YM-2149 PSG I/O Port A while Clear To Send, Data Carrier Detect, and Ring Indicator are received through the MK68901 MFP. The MFP USART transmit and receive clock inputs are controlled by the Baud Rate Generator MFP Timer D which is supplied with 2.4576 MHz and can support asynchronous data transfer rates from 50 to 19200 baud. One byte transmit and receive data buffers are managed by the MFP USART, which provides monitoring of buffer conditions and communication errors.

#### ----- RS232 Port Pin Assignments -----

STBook	DB 9P	
	1	<--- Data Carrier Detect -----
MFP	2	<--- Received Data -----
MFP	3	----- Transmitted Data ----->
PSG I/O A	4	----- Data Terminal Ready ----->
	5	----- Protective Ground -----
	6	-----
PSG I/O A	7	----- Request To Send ----->
MFP	8	<--- Clear To Send -----
MFP	9	<--- Ring Indicator -----

#### Signal Characteristics

pins 1-5,7-9

RS232C levels.

#### 4.4. MIDI Interface

The STBook MIDI interface provides current loop asynchronous serial communication controlled by an HD6350 ACIA supplied with transmit and receive clock inputs of 500 KHz. The data transfer rate is a constant 31.25 Kbaud which can be generated by setting the ACIA Counter Divide Select to divide by 16. The MIDI specification calls for serial data to consist of eight data bits preceded by a start bit and followed by one stop bit.

## ----- MIDI Port Pin Assignments -----

MIDI OUT/THRU		
STBook		Circular Mini-DIN 5S
	-----	
MIDI IN	1	---- THRU Transmit Data ----->
	2	---- Shield Ground -----
	3	<--- THRU Loop Return -----
MIDI ACIA	4	---- OUT Transmit Data ----->
	5	<--- OUT Loop Return -----
	-----	

MIDI IN		
STBook		Circular Mini-DIN 5S
	-----	
MIDI ACIA	4	<--- IN Receive Data -----
	5	---- IN Loop Return ----->
	-----	

## Signal Characteristics

current loop                      5 ma, zero is current on.

4.5. DMA Interface (*Pseudo-ACSI*)

The DMA interface on the STBook, while incorporating more signals than the Atari standard ACSI interface, is not intended to expand the existing definition of ACSI. The extra signals are, rather, added to allow the Floppy Disk controller chip (WD 1772) to be located external to the STBook; hence, the name *Pseudo-ACSI*. These include the "adapter voltage", which is just the power coming in from an external AC adapter, allowing the external floppy to be AC powered when the STBook is. Note that this means conversion from Pseudo-ACSI to ACSI is merely a cable which connects the ACSI signals to the appropriate points on the Pseudo-ACSI port; no active electronics are required.

The new signals are, in no particular order: AVLTG, FDINT, D1SEL, DOSEL, SOSEL, FDRQ, /FDCS, FDD\_DENSE\_SEL. The first is, as mentioned before, the voltage from the AC adapter; the last is the only truly "new" signal. It was added so that an external floppy drive can use either normal or high density floppy disks, by changing the "CLK" signal into the WD 1772. By definition, FDD\_DENSE\_SEL "low" indicates use of an 8MHz clock into the 1772 (low density), and FDD\_DENSE\_SEL "high" indicates use of a 16MHz clock (high density).

The other signals are simply those that were purely internal to previous STe designs: /FDCS is the chip select for the 1772; FDRQ is the data-request from the 1772; FDINT is the interrupt-request from the 1772. DOSEL selects the drive chosen to be the equivalent to the previously "internal" or "A" drive; D1SEL selects the drive chosen to be the equivalent to the previously "external" or "B" drive. SOSEL selects the

active side for whichever drive is selected.

----- Pseudo-ACSI Port Pin Assignments -----

STBook	micro-D 28S	(ACSI equiv)
AVLTG	1 --- adapter Voltage ----->	
AVLTG	2 --- adapter Voltage ----->	
AVLTG	3 --- adapter Voltage ----->	
FDD_DENSE_SEL	4 ----->	
/RESET	5 ----->	12
/HDINT	6 <-----	10
FDINT	7 <-----	
D1SEL	8 ----->	
DOSEL	9 ----->	
SOSEL	10 ----->	
/HDRQ	11 <-----	19
/HDCS	12 ----->	9
FDRQ	13 <-----	
/FDCS	14 ----->	
CR/W	15 ----->	18
/ACK	16 <-----	14
CA2	17 ----->	
CA1	18 ----->	16
CD7	19 <-----	8
CD6	20 <-----	7
CD5	21 <-----	6
CD4	22 <-----	5
CD3	23 <-----	4
CD2	24 <-----	3
CD1	25 <-----	2
CDO	26 <-----	1
GND	27 ---- Ground ----->	17, 15, 13, 11
GND	28 ---- Ground ----->	17, 15, 13, 11

## 5. Components

The standard configurations of the Atari STBook main system, graphics subsystem, music subsystem, and device subsystems are made up of the following major hardware components:

Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o 8 MHz MC68HC000 Microprocessor Unit</li><li>o TS68HC901 Multi Function Peripheral</li><li>o 256 Kbyte System ROM</li><li>o 1 or 4 Mbyte RAM</li><li>o Memory Controller Chip</li><li>o Control Logic Chip</li><li>o BLITTER Chip</li></ul>
Graphics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o 32 Kbyte Display Memory (from main RAM)</li><li>o LCD SHADOW Controller Chip</li><li>o 640x400 0.27mm pitch LCD panel</li></ul>
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o YM-2149 Programmable Sound Generator</li></ul>
Device	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Atari Intelligent Keyboard (ikbd) connector</li><li>o 2 HD6350 Asynchronous Communications Interface Adapters</li></ul>

## 6. Expansion

The Atari STBook can be expanded externally using the 120-pin expansion bus, which is new to the STPad and STBook machines. It essentially allows direct access to the 68HC000 address and data buses, and bus control signals to allow appropriate response. There are also the XROM3 and XROM4 signals to allow for conversion to the previous "ROM Cartridge" format without the need for active electronics (i.e. a 120-pin expansion to 40-pin ROM cartridge convertor would consist of two connectors and a PCB).

The following signals are all direct from the 68HC000, and need no special description:

o A1-A23	Address Lines
o D0-D15	Data Lines
o LDS-/UDS-	Lower/Upper Data Strobes
o R/W	Read/Write Control
o AS-	Address Strobe
o FC0-FC2	Function Code 0-2
o VPA-	Valid Peripheral Address
o E	"E" clock
o RESET-	Reset signal

Two signals are also direct from the 68HC000, but require a bit more operational detail:

o DTACK-	Data Transfer Acknowledge
o BERR-	Bus Error

The "Glue" chip uses DTACK- to acknowledge memory spaces it controls; it "Bus Errors" on other spaces (or "illegal" access to valid spaces) by not generating DTACK-. Other circuitry in the "Glue" chip times the length of the AS- signal; if it is longer than 1uS, than a BERR- is generated. What this means is that a device on the 120-pin expansion bus can be logically located in address spaces that the "Glue" chip considers "illegal;" all that is necessary is to generate a DTACK- early enough so that AS- does not extend to 1uS.

Two signals are simply the outputs generated by the Glue chip for particular memory spaces, specifically those for the ROM cartridge space. Because the Glue assumes these are ROMs, only reads of this space are acknowledge or selected.

- o ROM3-
- o ROM4-

Use of the Bus Grant system is possible, with some limitations. While the Bus Request and Bus Grant Acknowledge are direct connections to the 68HC000, the Bus Grant signal is an output from the Glue chip. This means that the Glue chip (which includes the Blitter and DMA control) has priority for the gaining control of the Bus; Bus Grant is passed through only if no request is pending internal to the Glue.

- o BR-                      Bus Request
- o BGACK-                  Bus Grant Acknowledge
- o MCUBG-                  Bus Grant, out from the Glue chip.

Some interrupt control is also possible, at two separate priority levels. One is a level 3 interrupt, for which an input into the Glue chip priority encoder is provided. For this level, it is the responsibility of the external circuit to respond to the interrupt acknowledge cycle, and to provide a method to clear the interrupt request. Both Auto-Vector and Vectored interrupts are possible.

The external circuitry can also share the Level 6 interrupt with the 68HC901 MFP internal to the STPad and STBook. The external interrupt source can have either higher or (preferably) lower priority than the internal MFP. All of this is accomplished three signals: MFPINT-, MFPIEI-, MFPIEO-. The first is a open-collector driven, wire-OR signal, indicating a level 6 interrupt. The next two establish the relative priority of the two interrupt sources. MFPIEI- (MFP Interrupt Enable In) signals the MFP that no higher priority device is requesting the interrupt service (active LOW, internal pull-down). MFPIEO- signals that the MFP has no pending interrupts, and that MFPIEI- is active; i.e. no higher priority interrupt is pending. Thus, a multi-level structure can be obtained. Because many internal functions depend on the level 6 interrupts of the MFP, we recommend that external devices install themselves at a lower level, but do not require it.

The relevant signals for interrupt control are:

- o EINT3-
- o MFPIEI-
- o MFPIEO-
- o MFPINT-
- o IPLO-, IPL1-, IPL2-
- o IACK-

To help in synchronization of external circuits (particularly when the Refresh Machine described above is running), a small number of clock signals are provided. They are:

- o CLK16            main 16MHz clock
- o CLK8            above clock /2; CPU clock
- o KHZ500           above clock /16

Finally, some power signals are provided to allow external devices to draw some power from the VCC supply of the STPad or STBook. Because of internal demands and limits, we recommend that external devices draw no more than 400ma from this port. To help distribute the power evenly, and to help maintain clean logic levels, there are 10 VCC signals, and 30 GROUND signals. 10 of the GROUND signals are located at the ends of the connector, opposite the VCC signals; the other 20 are distributed as every 5th pair of signals accross the connector. This should aid in both maintaining a clean ground, and reducing EMI.

The Expansion cartridge slot has the following pin assignments:

## ----- Expansion Port Pin Assignments -----

STBook

micro-D 120S

1	-- VCC	GND --	61
2	-- VCC	GND --	62
3	-- VCC	GND --	63
4	-- VCC	GND --	64
5	-- VCC	GND --	65
6	-- D0	D1 --	66
7	-- D2	D3 --	67
8	-- D4	D5 --	68
9	-- D6	D7 --	69
10	-- GND -----	GND --	70
11	-- D8	D9 --	71
12	-- D10	D11 --	72
13	-- D12	D13 --	73
14	-- D14	D15 --	74
15	-- GND -----	GND --	75
16	-- NC	A1 --	76
17	-- A2	A3 --	77
18	-- A4	A5 --	78
19	-- A6	A7 --	79
20	-- GND -----	GND --	80
21	-- A8	A9 --	81
22	-- A10	A11 --	82
23	-- A12	A13 --	83
24	-- A14	A15 --	84
25	-- GND -----	GND --	85
26	-- A16	A17 --	86
27	-- A18	A19 --	87
28	-- A20	A21 --	88
29	-- A22	A23 --	89
30	-- GND -----	GND --	90
31	-- NC	NC --	91
32	-- NC	NC --	92
33	-- /BR	/MCUBG --	93
34	-- /BGACK	NC --	94
35	-- GND -----	GND --	95
36	-- FCO	FC1 --	96
37	-- FC2	/AS --	97
38	-- R/W	/LDS --	98
39	-- /UDS	/DTACK --	99
40	-- GND -----	GND --	100
41	-- /RESET	/VPA --	101
42	-- /IPL0	/IPL1 --	102
43	-- /IPL2	/IACK --	103
44	-- NC	/BERR --	104
45	-- GND -----	GND --	105
46	-- /MFPINT	/MFPIEI --	106
47	-- /EINT3	/MFPIEO --	107
48	-- NC	NC --	108



49	-- /ROM3	/ROM4 --	109
50	-- GND	----- GND --	110
51	-- NC	NC --	111
52	-- NC	NC --	112
53	-- CLK16	CLK8 --	113
54	-- KHZ500	E --	114
55	-- GND	----- GND --	115
56	-- VCC	GND --	116
57	-- VCC	GND --	117
58	-- VCC	GND --	118
59	-- VCC	GND --	119
60	-- VCC	GND --	120

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### 7. *Memory Map*

The first 2 Kbyte of STBook memory is reserved for the exception vector table and supervisor stack. This area along with I/O space is protected for supervisor references only. Accessing supervisor protected areas while in the user state will result in a bus error. A 4 word portion of ROM is shadowed at the start of RAM for the reset stack pointer and program counter. Writing to this area or any ROM location will also result in a bus error. The following is a map of STBook memory:

## ----- STBook Memory Map -----

00 0000 00 0004	ROM ROM	Reset: Supervisor Stack Pointer Reset: Program Counter
.		
00 0008   0f ffff	RAM	1 Mbyte RAM
.		
10 0008   1f ffff	RAM	1 Mbyte Shadow of 1st 1 Mbyte (in 1 MByte machine), or 2nd MByte
.		
20 0008   3f ffff	RAM	3rd & 4th Mbyte, in 4 MByte machine
.		
D4 0000   D7 ffff	ROM	256K system extension ROM
.		
E0 0000 E0 0004 E0 0008   E7 ffff	ROM ROM ROM	Reset: Supervisor Stack Pointer Reset: Program Counter  512K Base system ROM
.		
E8 0000   EB ffff	ROM	256K system extension ROM
.		
F0 xxxx	IDE Interface	IDE Drive Interface
.		

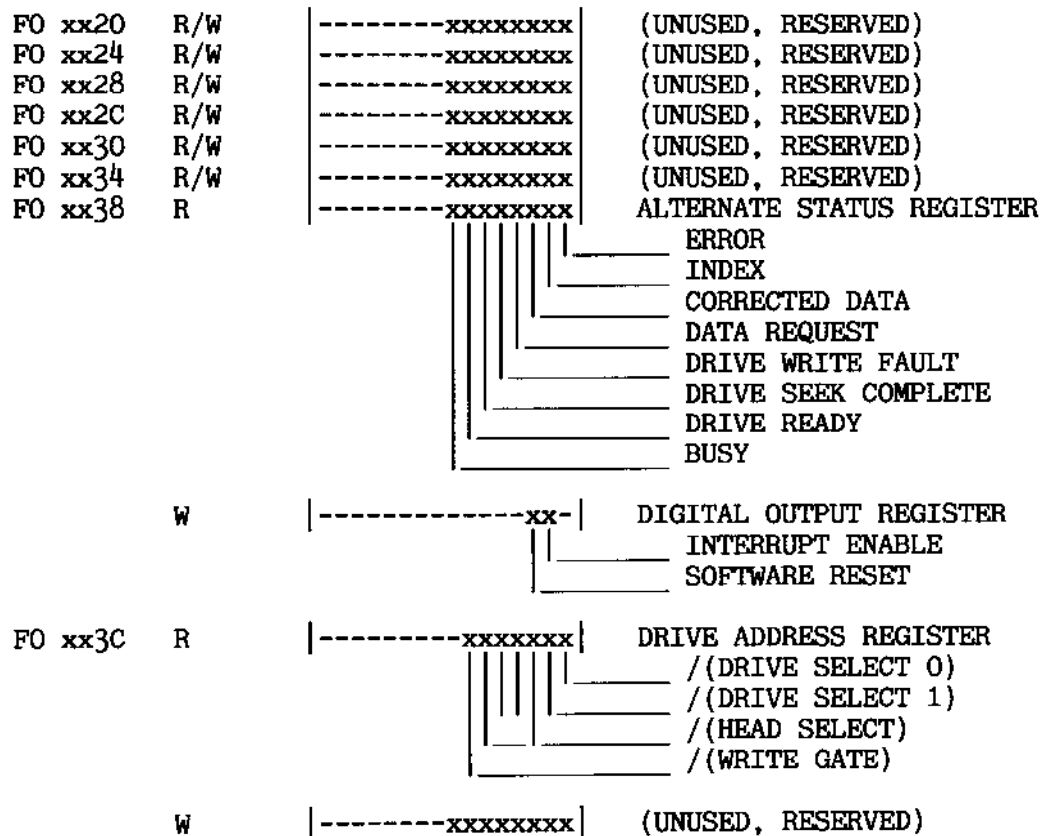
FA xxxx	ROM	ROM Cartridge (128K total)
FB xxxx	ROM	
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FF 8000	I/O	Configuration Registers
FF 8200	I/O	Display Registers
FF 8400	I/O	Reserved
FF 8600	I/O	DMA/Disk Registers
FF 8800	I/O	Sound Registers
FF 8A00	I/O	BLITTER Registers
.		
FF FA00	I/O	MC68xxx Registers
FF FC00	I/O	MC68xx Registers

## 8. I/O Map

The STBook I/O space ranges from FF 0000 to FF FFFF, with MC68HC000 and MC6800 peripheral internal registers starting at FF FA00 and FF FC00 respectively. Accessing reserved I/O addresses may result in a bus error. Bit values for various read and/or write registers are labeled as active One/Zero (always mask out unused field bits). The following is a map of STBook I/O space:

## IDE DRIVE INTERFACE REGISTERS

Address	Read/W	Active bits	Name
FO xx00	R/W	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	DATA REGISTER
FO xx04	R	-----xx-x-xx-	ERROR REGISTER
			BBK Bad Block Detected
			UNC Uncorrectable Data Error
			IDNF ID field Not Found
			ABRT Command Aborted
			TKO Track 0 not found
	W	-----xxxxxxxx	WRITE PRECOMP REGISTER
FO xx08	R/W	-----xxxxxxxx	SECTOR COUNT
FO xx0C	R/W	-----xxxxxxxx	SECTOR NUMBER
FO xx10	R/W	-----xxxxxxxx	CYLINDER LOW
FO xx14	R/W	-----xxxxxxxx	CYLINDER HIGH
FO xx18	R/W	-----x01xxxxxx	SDH REGISTER
			Head Select Number
			Drive Select ("0" = Master, "1"=Slave)
			(Reserved)
FO xx1C	R	-----xxxxxxxx	STATUS REGISTER
			ERROR
			INDEX
			CORRECTED DATA
			DATA REQUEST
			DRIVE WRITE FAULT
			DRIVE SEEK COMPLETE
			DRIVE READY
			BUSY
	W	-----xxxxxxxx	COMMAND REGISTER



## CONFIGURATION

FF 8001	R/W	----xxxx	Memory Configuration
		-----	Bank0      Bank1 (4 MBytes)
		0000	Reserved
		0001	Reserved
		0010	Reserved
		0011	Reserved
		0100	Reserved
		0101	Reserved
		0110	Reserved
		0111	Reserved
		1000	Reserved
		1001	Reserved
		1010	2 Mbyte      2 Mbyte
		1011	Reserved
		11xx	Reserved
			[ SEE STBook MEMORY SECTION ]

## DISPLAY

FF 8200	R/W	-----	xxxxxxxx	Video Base High
FF 8202	R/W	-----	xxxxxxxx	Video Base Low
FF 8204	R/W	-----	--xxxxxx	Video Address Counter High
FF 8206	R/W	-----	xxxxxxxx	Video Address Counter Mid
FF 8208	R/W	-----	xxxxxxx-	Video Address Counter Low
FF 820A	R/W		-----xx	Sync Mode
				External/_Internal Sync
			-----	50 Hz/_60 Hz Field Rate
FF 820C	R/W	-----	xxxxxxx-	Video Base (Low Byte)
FF 820E	R/W	-----	xxxxxxxx	Offset to next Line (Words)
FF 8240	R/W	-----x		Palette Color 0/0 (Border)
			-----	Inverted/_Normal Monochrome
FF 8260	R/W		-----xx	Shift Mode
			00	Reserved
			01	Reserved
			10	640 x 400, 1 Plane
			11	Reserved
				[SEE STBook VIDEO SECTION]
FF 8264	R/W	----xxxx		Horizontal Bit-Wise Scroll
FF 827E	W		xxxxxxxx	LCD Control
				Shadow Chip OFF
				*SHFT output (Unused in STBook)
				POWER_OFF output
				(Turns off main VCC when HIGH)
				*LAMP output
				(turns off LCD Bias when HIGH)
				REFRESH_MACHINE output
				(turns on refresh controller)
				RS-232_OFF output
				(turns off +/- 10V generator)
				(Unused in STBook)
				MTR_POWER_ON
				(turns on IDE drive motor supply)

*RESERVED*

FF 8400	-----	Reserved
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*DMA/Disk*

FF 8600	-----	Reserved
FF 8602	-----	Reserved
FF 8604	R/W  -----xxxxxxxx	Disk Controller (Word Access)
FF 8606	R  -----xxx	DMA Status (Word Access)
		----- _Error Status ----- _Sector Count Zero Status ----- _Data Request Inactive Status
FF 8606	W  -----xxxxxxxx-	DMA Mode Control (Word Access)
		----- A0 ----- A1 ----- HDC/_FDC Register Select ----- Sector Count Register Select ----- 0 Reserved ----- Disable/_Enable DMA ----- FDC/_HDC ----- Write/_Read
FF 8609	R/W  xxxxxxxx	DMA Base and Counter High
FF 860B	R/W  xxxxxxxx	DMA Base and Counter Mid
FF 860D	R/W  xxxxxxxx	DMA Base and Counter Low



*Sound*

FF 8800 R

|xxxxxxxx| PSG Read Data  
 ||||| I/O Port B  
 ----- Parallel Interface Data

FF 8800 W

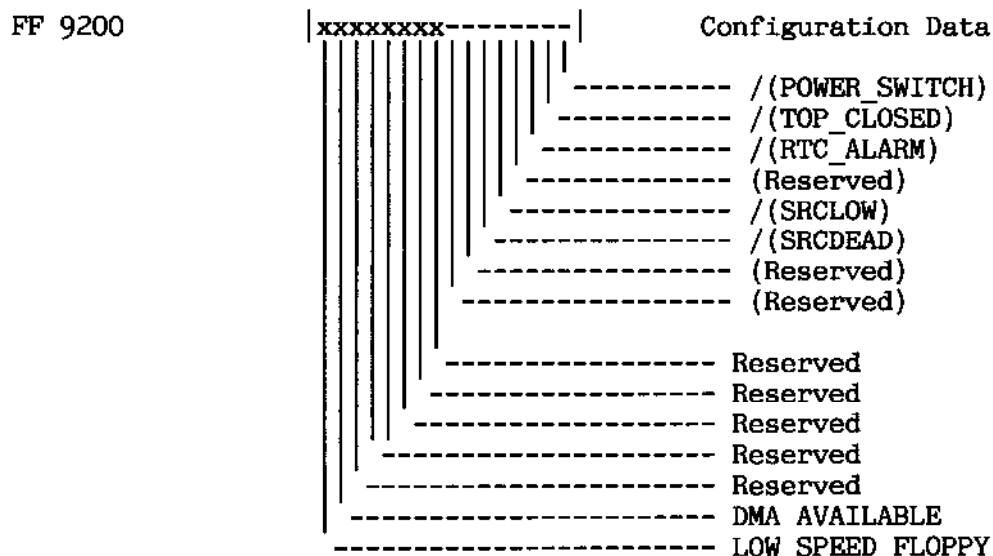
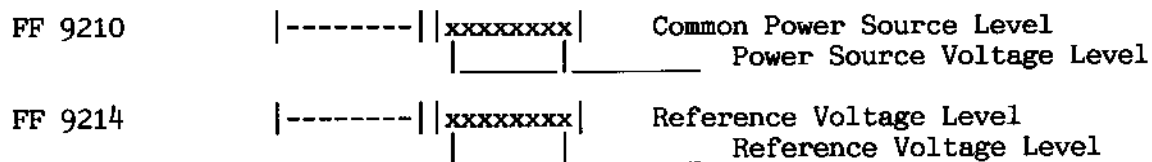
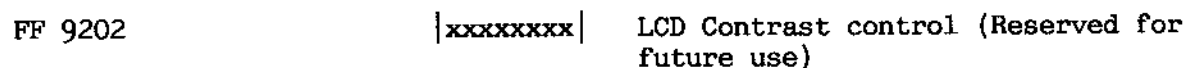
|xxxxxxxx| PSG Register Select  
 |||  
 ----- Register Number  
 0000 Channel A Fine Tune  
 0001 Channel A Coarse Tune  
 0010 Channel B Fine Tune  
 0011 Channel B Coarse Tune  
 0100 Channel C Fine Tune  
 0101 Channel C Coarse Tune  
 0110 Noise Generator Control  
 0111 Mixer Control - I/O Enable  
 1000 Channel A Amplitude  
 1001 Channel B Amplitude  
 1010 Channel C Amplitude  
 1011 Envelope Period Fine Tune  
 1100 Envelope Period Coarse Tune  
 1101 I/O Port A (Output Only)  
 1111 I/O Port B

FF 8802 W

|xxxxxxxx| PSG Write Data  
 ||||| I/O Port A  
 ----- Floppy Side0/\_Side1 Select  
 ----- Floppy \_Drive0 Select  
 ----- Floppy \_Drive1 Select  
 ----- RS232 Request To Send  
 ----- RS232 Data Terminal Ready  
 ----- Centronics \_STROBE  
 ----- IDERESET  
 (Resets IDE drive interface;  
 "wire-ORed" with system RESET  
 into the interface)  
 ----- FDD\_DENSE\_SEL  
 (selects High density [16MHZ  
 clock] external Floppy)  
 ||||| I/O Port B  
 ----- Parallel Interface Data

*BLITTER*

FF 8A00	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Halftone RAM
FF 8A02	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	
FF 8A04	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	
	: : :	
FF 8A1E	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	
FF 8A20	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx-	Source X Increment
FF 8A22	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx-	Source Y Increment
FF 8A24	-----xxxxxxxx	Source Address
FF 8A26	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx-	
FF 8A28	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Endmask 1
FF 8A2A	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Endmask 2
FF 8A2C	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Endmask 3
FF 8A2E	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx-	Destination X Increment
FF 8A30	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx-	Destination Y Increment
FF 8A32	-----xxxxxxxx	Destination Address
FF 8A34	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx-	
FF 8A36	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	X Count
FF 8A38	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Y Count
FF 8A3A	-----xx	HOP
FF 8A3B	-----xxxx	OP
FF 8A3C	xxx-xxxx	
		Line Number
		Smudge
		Hog
		Busy
FF 8A3D	xx--xxxx	
		Skew
		NFSR
		FXSR

*Configuration Switches/Inputs**Power Level Monitors**Contrast*

## MC68xxx

FF FA01	xxxxxxxx	MFP General Purpose I/O
FF FA03	xxxxxxxx	MFP Active Edge
FF FA05	xxxxxxxx	MFP Data Direction
FF FA07	xxxxxxxx	MFP Interrupt Enable A
FF FA09	xxxxxxxx	MFP Interrupt Enable B
FF FA0B	xxxxxxxx	MFP Interrupt Pending A
FF FA0D	xxxxxxxx	MFP Interrupt Pending B
FF FA0F	xxxxxxxx	MFP Interrupt In-Service A
FF FA11	xxxxxxxx	MFP Interrupt In-Service B
FF FA13	xxxxxxxx	MFP Interrupt Mask A
FF FA15	xxxxxxxx	MFP Interrupt Mask B
FF FA17	xxxxxxxx	MFP Vector
FF FA19	xxxxxxxx	MFP Timer A Control
FF FA1B	xxxxxxxx	MFP Timer B Control
FF FA1D	xxxxxxxx	MFP Timers C and D Control
FF FA1F	xxxxxxxx	MFP Timer A Data
FF FA21	xxxxxxxx	MFP Timer B Data
FF FA23	xxxxxxxx	MFP Timer C Data
FF FA25	xxxxxxxx	MFP Timer D Data
FF FA27	xxxxxxxx	MFP Sync Character
FF FA29	xxxxxxxx	MFP USART Control
FF FA2B	xxxxxxxx	MFP Receiver Status
FF FA2D	xxxxxxxx	MFP Transmitter Status
FF FA2F	xxxxxxxx	MFP USART Data

## MC68xx

FF FC00	xxxxxxxx	Keyboard ACIA Control
FF FC02	xxxxxxxx	Keyboard ACIA Data
FF FC04	xxxxxxxx	MIDI ACIA Control
FF FC06	xxxxxxxx	MIDI ACIA Data
FF FC20	----xxxx	Real Time Clock Seconds
FF FC20	----xxxx	Tens of Seconds
FF FC20	----xxxx	Minutes
FF FC20	----xxxx	Tens of Minutes
FF FC20	----xxxx	Hours
FF FC20	----xxxx	Tens of Hours
FF FC20	----xxxx	Day of Week
FF FC20	----xxxx	Days
FF FC20	----xxxx	Tens of Days
FF FC20	----xxxx	Months
FF FC20	----xxxx	Tens of Month
FF FC20	----xxxx	Years
FF FC20	----xxxx	Tens of Years
FF FC20	----xxxx	Mode
FF FC20	----xxxx	Test
FF FC20	----xxxx	Reset

### 9. Interrupt Table

The following tables list the STBook interrupt and signal priority assignments:

#### ----- MC68HC000 Interrupt Autovector -----

Level	Definition
7 (HIGHEST)	POWER FAIL (NMI)
6	TS68HC901 MFP
5	A/D Convertor Done
4	Vertical Sync (mid blanking)
3	
2	Horizontal Sync (mid blanking)
1 (LOWEST)	

#### ----- TS68HC901 Interrupt Control -----

Priority	Definition	
15 (HIGHEST)	POWER_ALARMS	I7
14	RS232 Ring Indicator	I6
13	System Clock / BUSY	TA
12	RS232 Receive Buffer Full	
11	RS232 Receive Error	
10	RS232 Transmit Buffer Empty	
9	RS232 Transmit Error	
8	Horizontal Blanking Counter	TB
7	Disk Drive Controller	I5
6	Keyboard and MIDI	I4
5	Timer C	TC
4	RS232 Baud Rate Generator	TD
3	GPU Operation Done	I3
2	RS232 Clear To Send	I2
1	RS232 Data Carrier Detect	I1
0 (LOWEST)	Centronics BUSY	I0

NOTE: the HD6350 ACIA Interrupt Request status bit must be tested to differentiate between keyboard and MIDI interrupts.

## 10. Power Supply

### 10.1. Power Supply Specifications

An internal DC power supply provides power to the main system board and LCD. All power levels are regulated for over-voltage and over-current protection. The following are minimal power supply specifications:

VCC:

Input 8 to 20V

Output 5V +/-1%, 1A maximum steady-state; peaks to 3A

MTR:

Input 8 to 20V

Output 5V +/-1%, 1A maximum steady-state; peaks to 3A

LCD BIAS:

Input 8 to 20V

Output -12 to -17V (User adjustable), 50mA.

### 10.2. STBook Power Controls

The STBook incorporates a number of new sub-systems to allow tight control of the power usage of the machine. The operating system uses all of these to extend battery life of the machine; these functions will also be directly available to developers, so that they may customize the functions for any particular application. The various functions/topics are grouped as follows:

- Multiple Main Power Sources
- Multiple Regulated Power Outputs
- Software Control of the various Power Outputs
- Hardware Source Level Detectors/Interrupts
- User Input and Control Signals
- Power Source Level Direct Read
- Referenced Registers

#### 10.2.1. Multiple Main Power Sources

The STBook can get its main power from various internal/external sources. These sources include: replaceable battery pack (either NiCad or Alkaline), external AC adapter/charger, and internal rechargeable Lithium cells. The first two are designed to run the machine in normal operation, and when "off" (i.e. only retaining the RAM contents and the Real-Time Clock, referred to here as "back-up"); the last is only for back-up. The Battery Pack and AC Adapter supply power to a common point to feed to the various regulators; this point is henceforth referred to as the "Common Power Source."

##### 10.2.1.1. Battery Pack

The battery packs available are an eight-cell Nicad pack, or a 7-cell Alkaline pack. The Nicad pack can be charged from the AC adapter/charger while in the unit, and while the machine is in operation. A full charge should operate the machine for 5 to 10 hours, and should retain the RAM and Real-Time Clock for approximately 100 days; a

new Alkaline pack, somewhat less.

#### 10.2.1.2. AC Adapter/Charger

The supplied AC Adapter charger has input circuitry that automatically adjusts for 120/220V, 50/60Hz AC inputs, and both a Power and Recharge output. It is capable of fully recharging the NiCad cells in under two hours, while the machine is in use. It uses a "Delta-V Peak Detect" control circuit on the recharging output, to allow for the quick charge of the cells without overcharging them.

#### 10.2.1.3. Lithium Cells

Under normal conditions, the small amount of power needed to retain the data in the RAM and to run the Real-Time Clock is derived from Common Power Source. If, for some reason, there is no power available from this source, power for the Back-up system is derived from the internal Lithium cells, which can maintain the RAM and RTC integrity for approximately 40 hours. The Back-up system also takes power from the Lithium cells when the Battery pack is being changed. When the Common Power Source is available, it recharges the Lithium cells.

#### 10.2.2. Multiple Regulated Power Outputs

The STBook has various regulated power sources built in, all of which derive their power from the Common Power Source. These are:

- VCC (main 5V logic supply)
- MTR (5V supply for Hard Disk Motor)
- LCD BIAS (-15V generator for LCD contrast/bias)
- VBAK (3V backup for RAM and Real-Time Clock)
- Lithium Recharge

##### 10.2.2.1. VCC

The main 5V logic supply comes from a switching regulator built-in to the STBook. It converts from the voltage level at the Common Power Source (AC adaptor, NiCad, or Alkaline) to the +5V needed for the logic. It is capable of supplying up to 1A @ 5V out with an input voltage as low as 8V. It includes current limiting on the input such that no more than 1.5A @ 5V is available at any input voltage, and short-circuit current is limited to 3A. The VCC regulator can be started by either the momentary-ON switch, or by the Real-Time Clock Alarm output. To stay on, the POWERGOOD level-detect circuit must be active before the turn-on signal is released. If at any time the POWERGOOD signal fails, the VCC supply turns itself off.

##### 10.2.2.2. MTR

The Hard Disk motor has a separate +5V supply, which also derives power from the Common Power Source. It is capable of supplying 1A @ 5V steady-state, and short peaks up to 3A. It does not have the level-detect circuitry that the VCC supply does; it is turned on/off by a software-controlled signal MTR\_PWR\_ON.



#### 10.2.2.3. LCD BIAS

The LCD requires a bias voltage at a level between -12 and -16V. A third switching regulator creates this voltage, also from the Common Power Source. It has a user control (CONTRAST) that sets the actual voltage level. It can supply up to 50mA @ -16V. It is current-limited on its input stage to provide no more than 100mA. It also does not have the level-detect circuitry of the VCC supply, and is turned on/off by a software-controlled switch /220N.

#### 10.2.2.4. VBAK

When the main VCC supply is off, the RAM and Real-Time Clock can be supplied a 3V data-retaining voltage from the VBAK regulator. It is a Linear (not switching) regulator, and derives power from either the Common Power Source, or from internal Lithium cells. If the voltage level of the Common Power Source is insufficient (for example, when the Battery pack is removed for replacement), then it derives power from the built-in rechargeable Lithium cells. It is the only load on these cells.

#### 10.2.2.5. Lithium Charge

The lithium cells are constantly trickle-charged (when necessary) from the Common Power Source. The circuit is a Voltage-level Trickle charge circuit.

#### 10.2.3. Hardware Level Detectors/Interrupts

To make battery level detection and warnings as automatic as possible, various fixed-voltage-level detectors are included. These are, specifically: SOURCE LOW (/SRCLOW); SOURCE DEAD (/SRCDEAD); and POWER-GOOD. There is also a two-color LED which is driven off these signals, to allow a visual indication of the power levels/warnings.

##### 10.2.3.1. SOURCE LOW

SOURCE LOW is set to signal when the "common source" voltage level drops below 8.8V. It is wire-ORed with the real-time clock alarm and the "Power On" switch into the MFP Input7, which is normally configured to generate an interrupt when the signal goes low. /SRCLOW, /RTC\_ALARM, and /POWERON can all be read separately via the Configuration/Signal register; it is the only mechanism provided to distinguish the source of the interrupt.

##### 10.2.3.2. SOURCE DEAD

SOURCE DEAD is set to signal when the "common source" voltage level drops below 7.2V. It generates a Level 7 (NMI) Interrupt when the signal transitions from high-to-low; the interrupt request is cleared and re-enabled upon vector fetch. This signal can also be read directly through the Configuration/Signal register.

#### 10.2.3.3. POWERGOOD

POWERGOOD is purely a hardware-level "safety-valve", and cannot be read or controlled by software. It is set to trigger when the regulated VCC (+5V) signal drops to below 4.55V. If this occurs, /RESET is asserted and the hardware is signalled to turn the system off. If this occurs, the VCC, MOTOR, and LCD power convertors are all disabled, and the system automatically switches to low-voltage backup for the RAM and Real-Time Clock. The logic behind this "brute-force" approach is that system integrity cannot be guaranteed at VCC's below 4.55V, and protection of the RAMDISK (if present) is considered to be of highest priority.

#### 10.2.3.4.

##### *Power LED*

Power LED The Power LED is a two-color LED (Green and Red) which visually indicates the source level state of the machine. The Green segment is lit when POWERGOOD is active and /SRCDEAD is not; the Red segment is lit when /SRCLOW is active. Thus, the LED has four states:

OFF	when the STBook is turned off
GREEN	when the STBook is on and the Common Power Source is above 8.8V (i.e. power level is good)
YELLOW	when the STBook is on and the Common Power Source is between 8.8V and 7.2V (i.e. power level is low)
RED	When the STBook is on and the Common Power Source is below 7.2V (i.e. power is about to expire). This last will rarely be actually seen, as it signals the operating system to do an emergency shutdown, which should take only a few milliseconds.

#### 10.2.4. Software Control of Power Sources

Most of the power systems are under software control so that the operating system can keep power use as efficient as possible. These controls can also be used by applications to customize power usage for particular situations. While the exact registers and bits involved will be described later in this document, the system includes the ability to:

- Turn off the main VCC supply
- Turn on/off the Hard Disk motor supply
- Turn on/off the LCD Bias supply
- Turn on/off the RS-232 +/-9V generator
- Program the Real-Time Clock to turn on the main VCC supply.

##### 10.2.4.1. Main VCC

The main VCC supply is controlled, in part, by a signal that, on a low-to-high transition of POWEROFF, turns it off. Since VCC drives all of the logic in the system, this also results in the Hard Disk and LCD Bias supplies being turned off, as well. It is recommended, however,

that at least the LCD Bias be turned off before the main VCC is.

#### 10.2.4.2. *Hard Disk Motor Supply*

The Motor supply is controlled directly by a signal `MTR_PWR_ON`, which must be high for the motor supply to be on. This signal is directly controlled by software. The intent of this control is two-fold: to disable the switching regulator when it is known that the disk-drive motor is not spinning, and to disable the motor when an attempt to spin-up the motor results in the power source level dropping too far.

#### 10.2.4.3. *LCD Bias*

The LCD Bias supply is also controlled directly by software, in this case by the signal `/220N` (the significance of this particular name is purely archaic). The intent of this control is, as previous, two-fold: to sequence the voltages into the LCD circuitry properly, and to allow the system to save a bit of power when the system is not in use, by blanking the screen.

#### 10.2.4.4. *RS232 Drive*

The RS232 drive level is not actually a separate power supply; rather, it is a pair of voltages generated by the RS232 interface IC. This generation can be disabled by software when it is known that the serial port is not in use, saving a small amount of power.

#### 10.2.4.5. *Real-Time Clock Alarm*

The VCC supply can also be turned on by the Real-Time Clock Alarm, which is set under software control. Thus, it can be used to schedule operations for a later time/date, and the system can be turned off until that time.

#### 10.2.5. *User Input Signals and Controls*

The user controls and influences the power state of the STBook through a variety of controls and switches. Some of the controls have different functions, depending on the current state of the STBook. The switches/controls are:

- Power switch
- Reset
- "Top Closed"
- Contrast

##### 10.2.5.1. *Power Switch*

The Power switch is a momentary, push-button switch, located on the lower part of the Top half of the STBook, at the lower left of the LCD screen. When the STBook is turned "off" (only the RAM and Real-Time Clock powered), it is used to turn the system on. Since the signal it generates is "wire-ORed" with the VCC `POWERGOOD` signal, one or the other must be present for the system to remain on. To the user, this means holding the Power Switch until the power LED turns either green or yellow, which indicates that VCC has reached it's proper level; yellow

indicates that the system is on, but the source level is low.

Pushing the Power Switch when the STBook is already on sends a signal to the software, indicating that the user wishes the system to be turned off. If the function is enabled, the software will take a "snapshot" of the hardware state at that time and save it in the RAM. Since all of the RAM contents are retained by the VBAK supply when the system is off, the "snapshot" can be used when the system is turned back on to return the system to exactly the state it was in when the system was turned off, even to the extent of returning to the application that was running at the time.

#### 10.2.5.2. *RESET*

The reset signal is not, of course, really a power control; it is mentioned here for completeness. Its function is to reset the hardware and software state of the machine. It is also located at the lower left of the LCD display area, to the right of the Power Switch. It is deliberately recessed, so that it is unlikely to be pressed accidentally.

#### 10.2.5.3. *Top Closed*

The Top Closed switch is also not directly a power control; it is located between the Power Switch and the Reset Switch. The STBook housing is molded such that this switch is pressed when the top of the STBook is closed; this then generates a signal to the software, which can, for example, initiate the same power-down as the Power Switch. It also is used when the Real-Time Clock alarms turn on the system; the STBook then knows the top is closed, and that spinning-up the Hard drive would be inappropriate.

#### 10.2.5.4. *Contrast*

The Contrast control is a potentiometer which allows the user to adjust the LCD Bias voltage level. Changing this level affects the LCD contrast; thus the user can set it to an appropriate level.

#### 10.2.6. *Power Source Level Direct Read*

The current level of the Common Power Source can be read directly from an 8-bit A/D built into the STBook. It is designed such that each LSB change corresponds to 1/10V (100mV). Because of inaccuracies in the circuitry used, the built-in 2.5V reference level is converted at the same time as the Common Source level, and nominally converts to 1/2 full scale (i.e. 128 LSB's). This reference can then be used to scale the Power Source value; this is valid since the inaccuracies are only in the voltage ramp used to measure the levels; the scaling of the Common Source is done by 1% parts, and the reference is un-scaled. The level is read 2000 times/sec, and runs continuously while the VCC source is on.

#### 10.2.7. *Referenced Registers*

This is a list of the specific registers and bits used to control all of the power system functions.

Address	Bit Positions	Register Name -- Bit Name
FF 827E	-----   x-xxxxxx	LCD Control
		Shadow Chip OFF
		/(SHIFTER OFF)
		POWEROFF
		/220N
		RS-232_OFF
		(Unused in STBook)
		MTR_PWR_ON
FF 9200	xxxxxxxx   xxxxxxxx	Configuration/Signals
		/(POWER_SWITCH)
		/(TOP_CLOSED)
		/(RTC_ALARM)
		/(TOP_CLOSED)
		/(SRCLOW)
		/(SRCDEAD)
		Reserved
		Reserved
		Reserved
		Reserved
		Reserved
		Reserved
		Reserved
		DMA Available
		Low Speed Floppy
FF 9210	-----   xxxxxxxx	Common Power Source Level
	_____	Power Source Voltage Level
FF 9214	-----   xxxxxxxx	Reference Voltage Level
	_____	Reference Voltage Level

*Appendix A -- References*

## General

A Hitchhiker's Guide to the BIOS

Digital Research GEM Software Documentation

## Main System

Motorola MC68HC000 16-Bit Microprocessor User's Manual, Fourth Edition

SGS-Thomson TS68HC901 Multi Function Peripheral Data Sheet

## Graphics Subsystem

Adele Goldberg and David Robson, 'Smalltalk-80: The Language and Its Implementation', Addison-Wesley, Reading Massachusetts, 1983, Chapter 18.

## Music Subsystem

General Instrument AY-3-8910 Programmable Sound Generator Data Sheet

MIDI Musical Instrument Digital Interface Specification 1.0

## Device Subsystems

Atari Intelligent Keyboard (ikbd) Protocol and Specification

Hitachi HD6350 Asynchronous Communications Interface Adapter Data Sheet

Centronics Parallel Interface Specification

Electronic Industries Association RS232C Standard

Western Digital WD1770/1772 Floppy Disk Controller Data Sheet

Specification of the Atari Computer System Interface (ACSI)

Specification of the Atari Hard Disk Interface (AHDI)

*Appendix B -- Notes*

## General

851125A An address error occurs when a word instruction is used on a byte address.

## Main System

841017B The DMA Base Address and Counter Register must be loaded in low, mid, high order.

## Graphics Subsystem

841017C None.

## Music Subsystem

841017D The YM-2149 PSG I/O space and registers should be set up as critical regions in software.

## Device Subsystems

841017F Poll or service the Disk Drive Controller interrupt on the MK68901 MFP General Purpose I/O Register to detect the completion of a WD1772 FDC command. Do not poll the FDC Busy or DMA Sector Count Zero status bits.

841017G Select the Sector Count Register before testing the DMA Status Register Error bit.

841017H Do not set the 30 ms Settling Delay bit on WD1772 FDC type 2 and 3 command executions.

841017I A force interrupt should be issued after a few seconds (ie time out) on all commands sent to the WD1772 FDC.

841017J Wait until the WD1772 FDC Motor On status is low before deselecting a floppy drive.

841017K A floppy disk drive configuration table should be maintained in software to accommodate a diverse selection of 3.5 inch floppy disk drives. Two floppy disk drives currently under evaluation have the following characteristics:

- o 500 Kbyte unformatted, 80 cylinders, one head, 3 ms stepping rate.
- o 1 Mbyte unformatted, 80 cylinders, two heads, 3 ms stepping rate.

