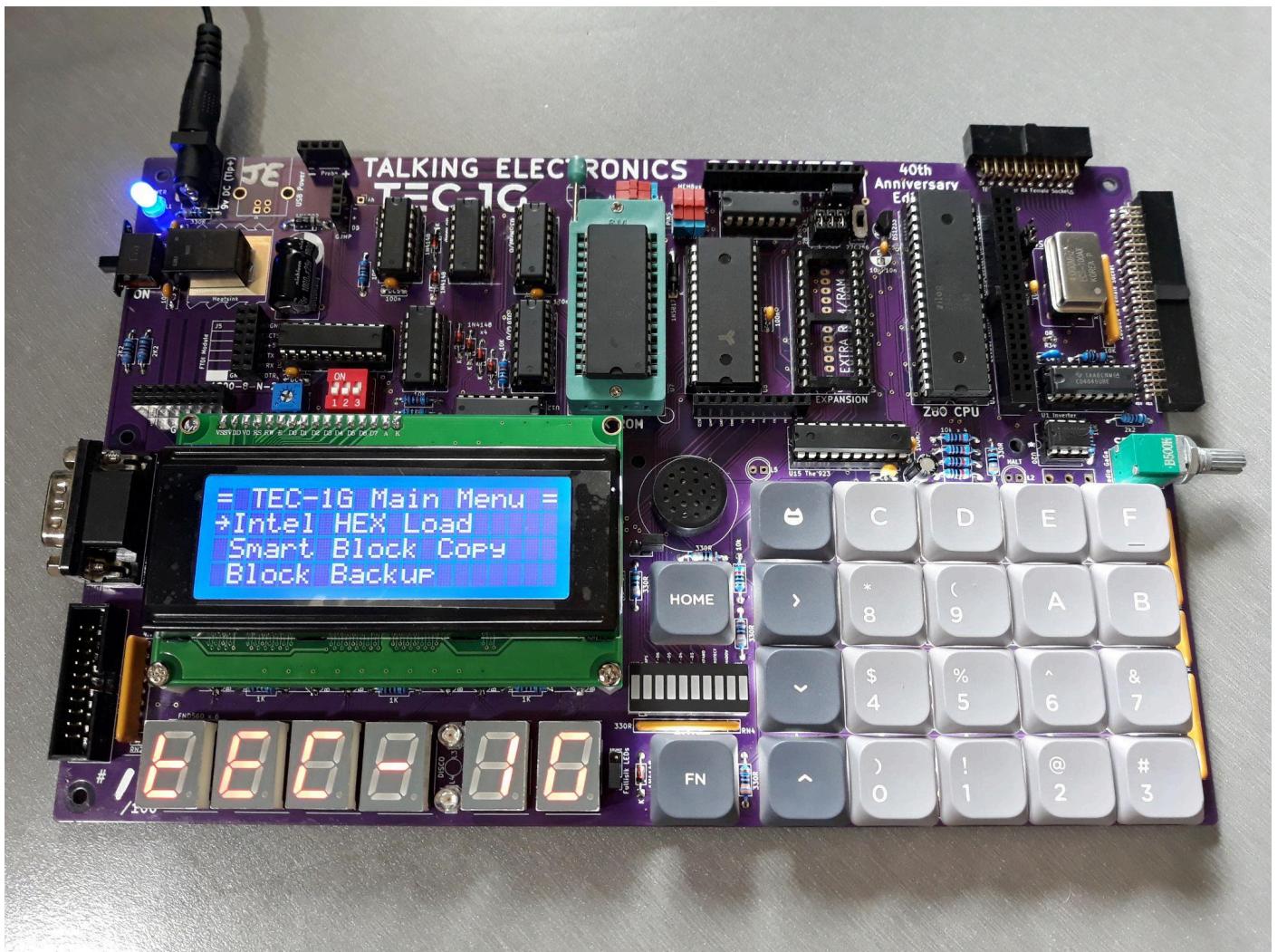


TEC-1G MON3

User Guide

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Mon3 (Talking Electronics Computer Monitor version 3) is custom-built for the TEC-1G Single Board Z80 Computer. Mon3 is the heart of the TEC-1G. It brings the hardware to life. Consider it an Operating System that provides the ability to program the TEC. The monitor is jam-packed with features, designed for beginners who are just learning to code Z80 and rich enough for the advanced software developer.

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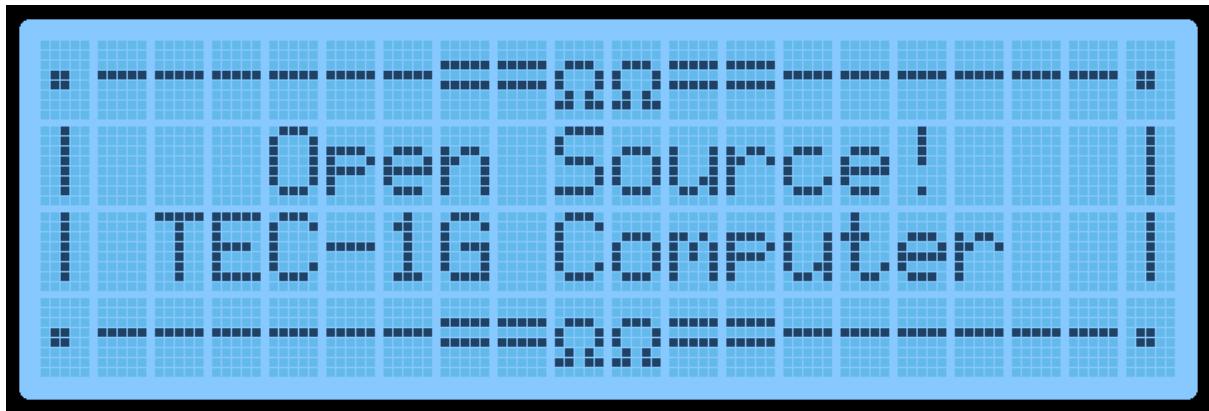
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The version of this document matches the monitor's binary file version. IE: Version 1.2 of this document is for file **MON3-1G_BC23-12.bin**. The 12 at the end of the file is the version number.

Basic Operation

With the monitor loaded into the ROM socket and all the jumpers set correctly for the ROM used. Turn the TEC on. If it loads, a welcome banner will be displayed on the LCD, and a short tune will be heard.



Cold Reset

When the TEC turns on after being powered down, a Cold Reset occurs. A Cold Reset signified with the display of the welcome banner and a short tune. A Cold Reset will configure the Monitor for first-time use after powering it on. It will default Monitor variables and configure the LCD for first use.

If the TEC isn't responding normally or something "weird" is occurring, a manual Cold Reset can be performed. Programs loaded in RAM will be retained when a manual Cold Reset is done. To do a manual Cold Reset, while pressing and releasing the **RESET** key, hold the **Fn** key down. The distinctive LCD Banner and music tone will indicate that the Cold Reset was successful. A manual Cold Reset on the HexPad will still work if the Matrix Keyboard is in use.

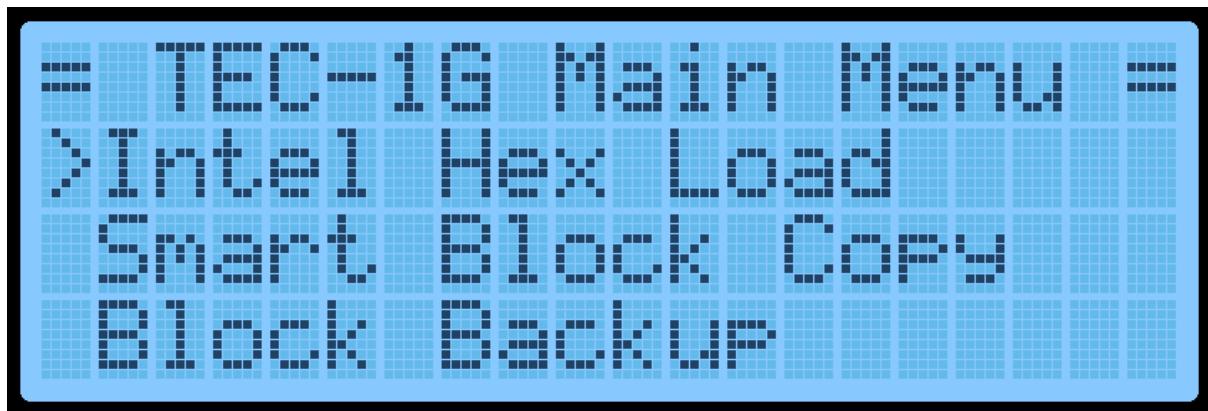
Warm Reset

A Warm Reset occurs when pressing and releasing the **RESET** key. A warm reset returns the TEC to its initial editing location on a Cold Reset. It's a quick way to go back to the start of a code block or break code execution.

Main Menu

A menu is provided on the LCD screen to help navigate some of the built-in routines within the monitor. The menu will appear on a Cold Reset.

Navigating the menu should be intuitive. Press the **Plus** or **Minus** keys to scroll down and up. Press **GO** to run the selected routine. A right-facing Arrow indicates which menu item is currently selected. Something that might not be obvious is how to exit the menu and change into Data Entry mode. This is achieved by pressing the **AD** key. Once this is known, it's hard to forget it. Menus can be nested up to 3 deep. Pressing the **AD** key will exit to the parent menu or enter Data Entry mode if at the main menu.



The current items on the menu are:

| Menu Text | Description |
|---------------------|---|
| Intel HEX Load | Receive data in Intel Hex File format via the FTDI connector |
| Drive Access | Catalog and load files from PATA or SD Card Expansion boards. Save and restore the session. |
| Smart Block Copy | Move a block of code AND update all 2-byte addresses that are within the block |
| Block Backup | Move a block of code |
| Export Z80 Assembly | Display Z80 Assembly to a Serial terminal via the FTDI connector |
| Export Raw Data | Send binary data via the FTDI connector |

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| Export Hex Dump | Display a 16-byte per line HEX dump to a Serial terminal via the FTDI connector |
| Import Binary File | Receive data in binary format via the FTDI connector |
| Music Routine | Play musical notes at a given address |
| Settings | Update monitor settings |
| Credits | Display the people who made the TEC-1G |

Intel HEX Load

Intel created a text file format that contains information on loading bytes into memory. When this routine is run, the TEC seven segments will go blank and wait for a file to be received. This is done via the FTDI connector and serial terminal. When data is transmitted, the rightmost segment will illuminate in a pattern. This indicates data is being read. Once the file has fully loaded, the letters “PASS” will display on the seven segments. This means that the load was successful. Press any key to exit. If the segments display the word “FAIL”, then there is something wrong with the file or your serial connection.

Drive Access

With a PATA drive or Micro SD card expansion boards installed, access the files on the drive and load them to the TEC. For more information refer to the Hard Drive Access section for detailed usage information.

Smart Block Copy

This clever routine shifts a program from one memory location to another and changes all absolute jumps and calls. Memory pointers are also altered if the memory pointers are within the start and end address of the program being relocated. Any reference to a location outside the start and end range is not altered.

The block copy treats Data bytes as instructions and might change data bytes. IE: `.db C3, 23, 01` could be seen as a `JP 0123` instruction.

When this routine is run, it will ask for a START, END and DESTINATION address. Type in the 16-bit address via the HEX PAD and use the **Plus** or **Minus** keys to change the selected parameter. Press **GO** to run the routine.

Here is an example of copying **4000H-4009H** to location **2000H**

| Original | After Copy |
|---------------|-------------------|
| 4000 11 09 40 | LD DE,4009 |
| 4003 E7 | RST 20 |
| 4004 FE 13 | CP 13 |
| 4006 C2 00 40 | JP NZ,4000 |
| 4009 C9 | RET |

Block Backup

This routine simply copies a data block from one address location to another. No bytes are altered during this copy routine.. This routine is useful to copy data reference tables, like music data, for the music routine.

When this routine is run, it will ask for a START, END and DESTINATION address. Type in the 16-bit address via the HEX PAD and use the **Plus** or **Minus** keys to change the selected parameter. Press **GO** to run the routine.

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Export Z80 Assembly

If the TEC is connected to a serial terminal via an FTDI to USB adaptor, code that is stored or written on the TEC can be disassembled and sent to the terminal. This is a great way to view the code that is on the TEC in a readable format and could be passed into a Z80 compiler on a PC.

When this routine is run, it will ask for a START and END address. Type in the 16-bit address via the HEX PAD and use the **Plus** or **Minus** keys to change the selected parameter. Press **GO** to run the routine.

Here is an example of its output.

```
4000 3E 3F      LD A,3F
4002 D3 01      OUT (02),A
4004 3E 04      LD A,04
4006 D3 02      OUT (02),A
4008 CF          RST 08
4009 C9          RET
```

Export Raw Data

This routine will send TEC binary data to a serial connection. It's a way to save code written on the TEC to a PC. As binary data is being sent, the data can only be properly viewed through a HEX file viewer or HEX dump routine.

When this routine is run, it will ask for a START and END address. Type in the 16-bit address via the HEX PAD and use the **Plus** or **Minus** keys to change the selected parameter. Press **GO** to run the routine.

Export Hex Dump

This routine displays binary data in a readable format to a serial terminal connected via an FTDI to USB adaptor. It will display up to 16 bytes per line.

When this routine is run, it will ask for a START and END address. Type in the 16-bit address via the HEX PAD and use the **Plus** or **Minus** keys to change the selected parameter. Press **GO** to run the routine.

Here is an example of its output.

```
C100: 31 80 08 21 00 40 CD FC C5 AF D3 05 D3 06 DB 03
C110: 47 E6 10 C2 00 80 3A 9F 08 E6 04 0E 01 B1 D3 FF
C120: 32 9D 08 78 E6 02 32 9E 08 3A 9D 08 E6 01 28 0B
C130: 21 00 C0 11 00 00 01 00 01 ED B0 21 00 40 22 86
C140: 08 22 A0 08 DB 03 0F 38 06 DB 00 E6 20 18 08 CD
```

Import Binary File

This routine will upload a binary file from a PC onto the TEC via an FTDI to USB adaptor. This is the opposite of the Export Raw Data routine and will load binary data to a given address on the TEC.

When this routine is executed, it will ask for a START and END address. This address range must match the size of the binary file being sent. Type in the 16-bit address via the HEX PAD and use the **Plus** or **Minus** keys to change the selected parameter. Press **GO** to run the routine. The TEC will wait for data to be received and will end when END-START+1 bytes are received.

Music Routine

Use this routine to play some notes to the TEC speaker. It is based on John Hardy's Mon1 routine adjusted for a 4 MHz clock speed. The routine uses similar input codes, making it suitable for existing tunes to be used.

When this routine is executed, it will ask for a START address of the music data—type in the 16-bit address via the HEX PAD. Press **GO** to run the routine.

Two octaves are playable. Here is a reference to the note code and its musical note. A Pause is represented by **00**, and any other note code that isn't listed will exit the routine.

| Note | Code | Note | Code | Note | Code | Note | Code |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| G | 01 | C# | 07 | G | 0D | C# | 13 |
| G# | 02 | D | 08 | G# | 0E | D | 14 |
| A | 03 | D# | 09 | A | 0F | D# | 15 |
| A# | 04 | E | 0A | A# | 10 | E | 16 |
| B | 05 | F | 0B | B | 11 | F | 17 |
| C | 06 | F# | 0C | C | 12 | F# | 18 |

The following page contains examples tunes that can be typed in a played

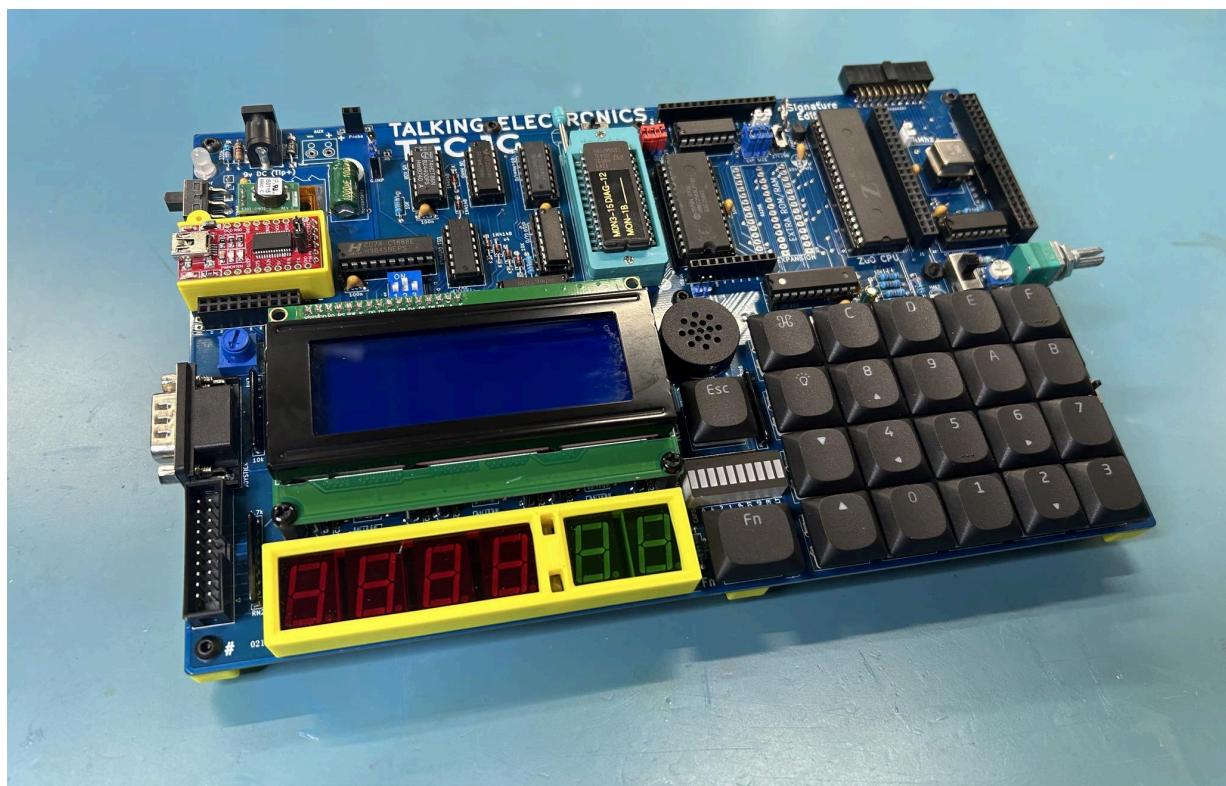
Bealach

```
06, 06, 0A, 0D, 06, 0D, 0A, 0D, 12, 16, 14, 12, 0F, 11, 12, 0F  
0D, 0D, 0D, 0A, 12, 0F, 0D, 0A, 08, 06, 08, 0A, 0F, 0A, 0D, 0F  
06, 06, 0A, 0D, 06, 0D, 0A, 0D, 12, 16, 14, 12, 0F, 11, 12, 0F  
0D, 0D, 0D, 0A, 12, 0F, 0D, 0A, 08, 06, 08, 0A, 06, 12, 00, 1F
```

Angels On High

```
0F, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0F, 12, 12, 12, 12, 10, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0F  
0F, 0F, 0D, 0D, 0F, 0F, 12, 12, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0D, 0B, 0B, 0B, 0B  
0F, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0F, 12, 12, 12, 12, 10, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0F  
0F, 0F, 0D, 0D, 0F, 0F, 12, 12, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0D, 0B, 0B, 0B, 0B  
12, 12, 12, 12, 14, 12, 10, 0F, 10, 10, 10, 10, 12, 10, 0F, 0D  
0F, 0F, 0F, 10, 0F, 0D, 0B, 0D, 0D, 0D, 06, 06, 06, 06, 06  
0B, 0B, 0D, 0D, 0F, 0F, 10, 10, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0D, 0D, 00, 00  
00, 12, 12, 12, 12, 14, 12, 10, 0F, 10, 10, 10, 10, 12, 10, 0F  
0D, 0F, 0F, 0F, 10, 0F, 0D, 0B, 0D, 0D, 0D, 06, 06, 06, 06  
06, 0B, 0B, 0D, 0D, 0F, 0F, 10, 10, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0F, 0D, 0D, 0D  
0D, 0B, 0B, 0B, 0B, 0B, 0B, 0B, 00, 00, 00, 00, 00, 00, 1F
```

TEC-1G with 3D printed stand and supports. Credit: Gerald M Eberhardt



Settings

The settings allow the user to configure the monitor. Powering off the TEC will return these settings to their default state. Some settings will be retained if an RTC Add-on board is connected with battery backup.

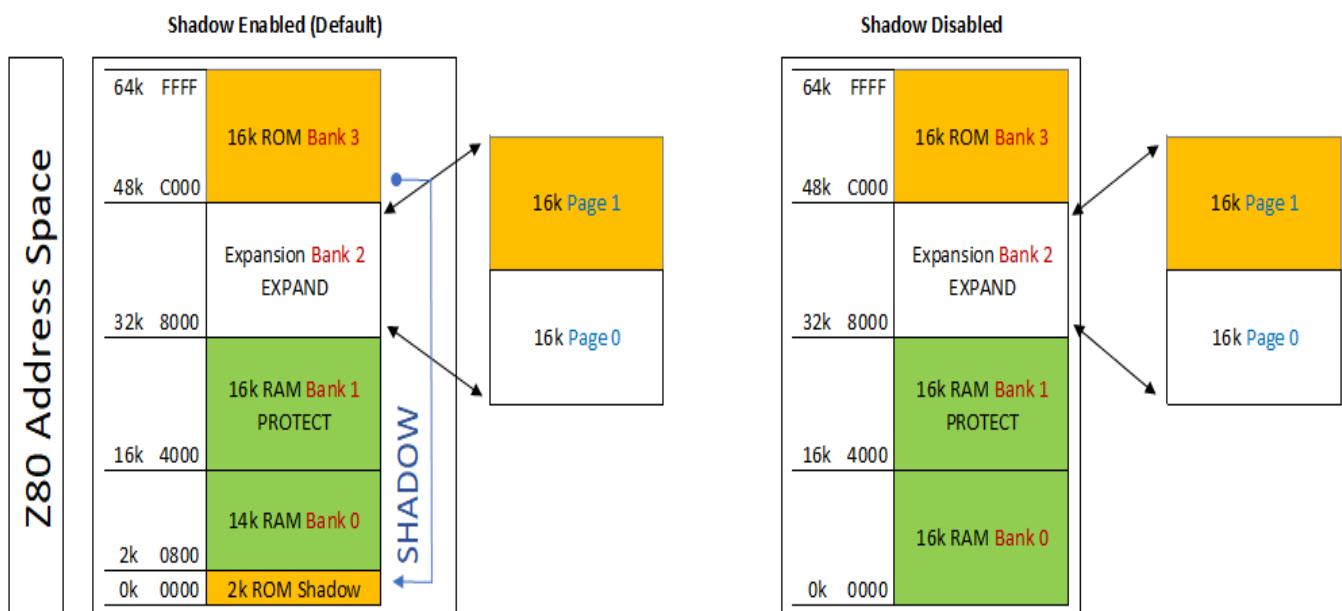
- Toggle Key Beep - Turn the keypress 'beep' indication on or off.
- Set Baud Rate - Modify the Baud rate for serial transmission.
- Toggle GLCD Term - Use the GLCD (if fitted) as a terminal
- Toggle Address Inc - Turn the automatic address increase after a byte has been keyed on or off.
- Configure RTC - Set Time/Date of RTC (if RTC Add-on is connected).
- Reset RTC & PRAM - Reset RTC for initial use and initialise NVRAM.
- Toggle EXPAND - software controlled the expansion socket to toggle between lower and upper 16Kb memory for a 32Kb ROM/RAM chip.

Credits

Display the people who developed and tested the TEC-1G

- Mark Jelic - Designer of the TEC-1G
- Brian Chiha - Mon3 Programmer 🍔
- Craig Hart - TECnical Expert
- Ian McLean - Tester and QA
- James Elphick - Tester and QA
- John Hardy & Ken Stone - The original designers

TEC-1G Memory MAP



Memory Map

The table below outlines how the full 64Kb of address space is allocated on the TEC-1G.

| Address | Contents | Type |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------|
| 0000H-00FFH | Reserved for Z80 instructions | RAM |
| 0100H-07FFH | PATA/SD Drive area or Free RAM | RAM |
| 0800H-087FH | Reserved for Hardware Stack | RAM |
| 0880H-0FFFH | Reserved for Monitor RAM | RAM |
| 1000H-3FFFH | Free RAM | RAM |
| 4000H-7FFFH | Free RAM (Protected) | RAM |
| 8000H-BFFFH | Expansion Socket | RAM/ROM |
| C000H-FFFFH | Monitor ROM | ROM |

Some things to be considered are:

- Any RAM location can be updated, but it is highly recommended not to update Monitor Reserved RAM locations. This can/will cause undesirable effects on the running of the TEC. A Cold Reset will restore the TEC to its default running state (hopefully).
- The address range between **4000H-7FFFH** is a special area that can be made READ ONLY. This is called a Protected area. Protect mode can be switched on using the configuration 3-DIP switch. If protect is enabled and code is being executed. No RAM update can be done in this range. This feature is designed to protect keyed-in code from being inadvertently erased by a rogue routine.
- The Expansion Socket on the TEC can have a 32Kb ROM or RAM inserted. Only 16Kb can be accessed at one time. To switch between high and low memory use the Expand switch on the configuration 3-DIP switch. The switch can also be overridden in software by toggling the Expand flag in the Settings menu or pressing Fn-E.
- If the monitor ROM is a legacy monitor, IE: Mon1, Mon2, JMon or BMon, The address range **0000H-07FFH** will be READ ONLY and will emulate the same addressing that is used for that particular ROM. Shadow mode will be active by default and will be indicated by an illuminated LED segment on the system latch BAR component.

Data Entry Mode

Data Entry Mode allows the user to enter Z80 Op Codes directly into the TEC. To access Data Entry Mode from the Main Menu, simply press the **AD** key. In this mode, the 4 left seven-segment displays will show the current editing address, and the 2 right segments will display the byte at that address.



Address

Data

The decimal place LED on the segments indicates which part, Address or Data, is currently enabled for direct updates. In the picture above, the dots are on the Data segments.

The initial starting address is **4000H**. This address was chosen as it's within the Protect RAM area.

Basic Operation

To update a byte at an address, simply use the **0-F** keys on the keypad. After the byte has been entered, by default when the next byte is keyed, the current editing address will automatically move to the next address location. This saves the user from pressing the **Plus** key after each byte is added. This option can be switched off in the Settings menu.

To navigate to another address, press the **Plus** or **Minus** key. Or press the **AD** key. When using the **AD** key, the decimal place dots will move to the address segments, indicating that the address field is updatable. Key a new 16-bit address using the **0-F** keys. Press the **AD** key to move back to data updating mode.

And finally, to execute code, navigate to the address where the code starts and press the **GO** key. Protect mode will be honoured if switched on. If the code ends with a **RET** instruction (**C9**), execution will cleanly exit back to the monitor. The LCD screen will display the code start address while running.

One thing to note is that while data is being entered, the decimal place LED on the data segments will change from displaying two lights to one. The one light will indicate which Nibble (half byte) has been entered. This will help know if the whole byte has been entered or not.

If a mistake is made during data entry and the byte is to be re-entered. To stop the address from automatically incrementing, press the **AD** key twice. This will reset the Nibble counter and allow a new byte to be entered.

If any key is held down, after a short period, the key will automatically repeat. This is mostly useful while holding down the Plus or Minus key to quickly move to a new address. But can also be used to populate memory with 00 or FF or anything else.

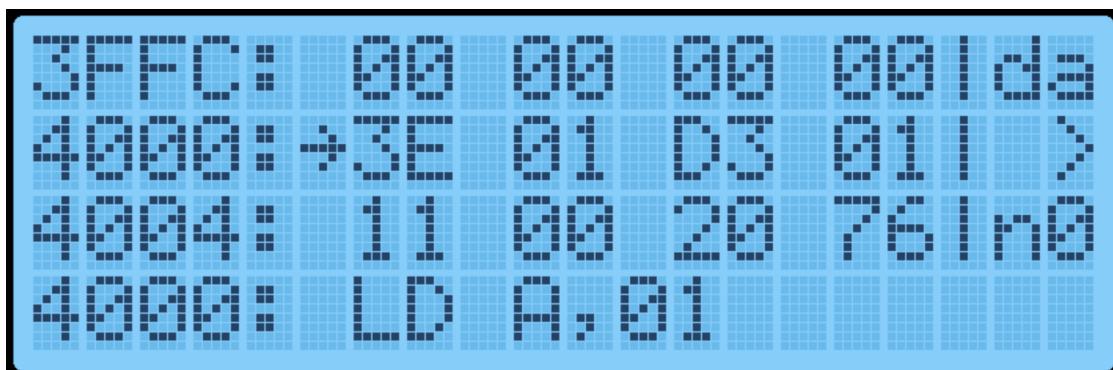
LCD Screen

In Data Entry Mode, the LCD Screen will display 12 bytes of data. 4 bytes before the current editing location and 8 bytes from the current editing location. These bytes are displayed in groups of 4 (3 lines). A right arrow indicates the byte at the current editing location.

Displayed on the right side of the screen is the current edit mode, **da**=Data, **ad**=Address, the current byte in LCD ASCII and the Nibble Counter. The picture below shows: The current address is **4000**, Data mode, “>” = **3E** in ASCII and 0 nibble count.

On the 4th line of the LCD, the Z80 Assembly of the current OP Code(s) is shown. This can be useful to see what instruction is currently being keyed.

By displaying a range of bytes on the LCD, the user can check if the correct bytes have been entered without individually moving to each address.

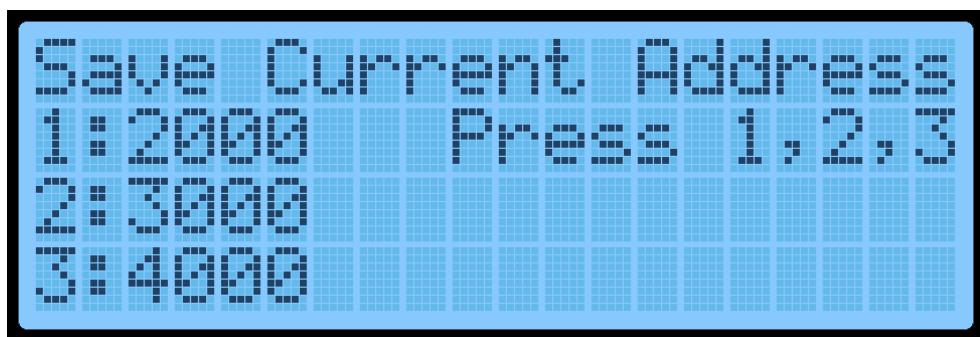


Function Keys

Various extra options can be selected via the Function Key. To use these functions, hold the **Fn** key down and press any other key.

The routines attached to the Function Key are:

- **Fn-AD** - Display the Main Menu
- **Fn-0** - Save Current Address. Press 1,2 or 3 to save the current editing address in RAM to quickly jump to this location later. Three addresses can be saved. This is useful if your code is in a location other than 4000H and the Reset button has been pressed. Press AD to exit the routine. The initial default address is 4000H.



- **Fn-1,2,3** - Quick jump to Address. This will move the monitor's current editing location to the saved address set by **Fn-0** above.
- **Fn-4** - Intel Hex Load. This is a shortcut to the Main Menu routine.
- **Fn-5** - Toggle GLCD Term. Use the GLCD as a terminal.
- **Fn-6** - Save session. Save all RAM to disk. Requires the PATA Drive or Micro SD Card Expansion boards. See Hard Drive Access for more information.
- **Fn-7** - Restore Session. Load session from disk. Requires the PATA Drive or Micro SD Card Expansion boards. See Hard Drive Access for more information.
- **Fn-8** - Fill with NOP's. Fill a selected area of memory with **NOP** instruction **00H**. Provide a from and to address and confirm by pressing 'c'.

- **Fn-A** - Restore from Backup. This is the reverse of **Fn-B** routine and defaults the To/From/Dest addresses to copy back from backup. Values can still be modified if necessary.
- **Fn-B** - Block Backup. This is a shortcut to the Main Menu routine.
- **Fn-C** - Smart Block Copy. This is a shortcut to the Main Menu routine.
- **Fn-D** - Switch between Data Entry View and Disassembly View. Disassembly View displays the next 4 Assembly instructions. To move through the instructions press the **Plus** or **Minus** keys. Data entry can still be done in this mode if desired.

```

C100: LD SP, 0880
C103: LD HL, 4000
C106: CALL C5FC
C109: XOR A

```

- **Fn-E** - Toggle the Expansion Socket Expand flag. This will switch between the upper and lower memory of the 32Kb ROM/RAM in the expansion socket.
- **Fn-F** - Catalog the Drive and list files for loading. Requires the PATA Drive or Micro SD Card Expansion boards.
- **Fn-Plus** - Insert an NOP instruction at the current editing location AND move all bytes up to max RAM by one address upwards. It will also do a Smart Block Copy to all moved bytes. This routine can add a Breakpoint (**F7**) or missing opcodes to an existing program.
- **Fn-Minus** - Delete a byte from the current editing location AND move all bytes down by one address. It will also do a Smart Block Copy to all moved bytes.
- **Fn-Reset** - Perform a Cold Reset. This will reset the TEC to its default state.

Matrix Keyboard

Mon3 will work with the TEC QWERTY or Mechanical Matrix Keyboard Add-on. The Keyboard is connected to the Keyboard Socket on the lower left of the PCB. How your Keyboard PCB is designed might affect which pins can be connected. Please view the TEC-1G Schematic for information on pin configuration.



To activate the Keyboard, The Matrix switch on the 3-DIP switch is to be turned on. This activates the Matrix Keyboard and disables the onboard Hex Keypad (except Reset). Mon3 only maps keys present on the TEC-1G to the Matrix Keyboard.

The Keyboard map to Hex Keypad is as follows:

- **AD** - Esc
- **Plus** - Right Arrow
- **0-F, Fn** - 0-F, Fn keys
- **GO** - Enter
- **Minus** - Left Arrow
- **Reset** - Reset key if connected

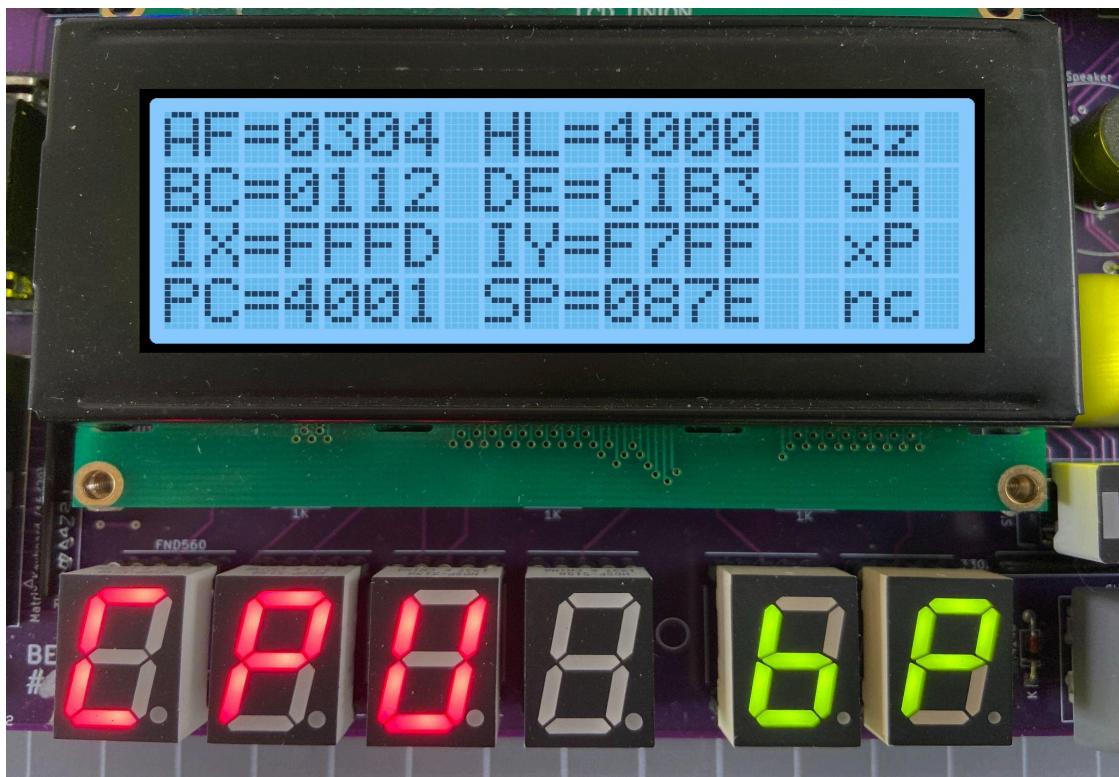
The full range of keys can be accessed and converted when developing programs via the `matrixScan` and `matrixToASCII` API routines.

Debugging Programs

Breakpoints can be inserted within a program which can help with viewing the state of the CPU registers. To break the execution of your code, insert **RST 30H** or **F7** at the current address where the break should occur.

An easy way to insert a byte into an existing program is to press **Fn-Plus**. This will insert a **NOP** instruction at the current address. Then change this byte to **F7**.

When the execution of code is interrupted with a breakpoint, the TEC will pause and display register information on the LCD screen.



The contents of the Z80 CPU registers AF, HL, BC, DE, IX, IY, the Program Counter and Stack Pointer are displayed. CPU Flags are also displayed. Flags that are set are in Capitals. To continue code execution press the **GO** key and to quit execution and return to the Monitor press the **AD** key. Finally, to remove an inserted Breakpoint press **Fn-Minus** at the address where the Breakpoint is. This will remove the breakpoint and adjust the code to its original state. **Note:** Breakpoints will be ignored if a connection is made between the + and the D5 pins on the G.IMP header. **Warning:** Do not connect the + to the - pin on the G.IMP header!!! This will short out the TEC!

Tiny Basic

Tiny Basic has been removed from Mon3 as of v1.6 but it can be loaded as a stand-alone program. See the GitHub for source files.

Tiny Basic is an easy-to-use BASIC programming language. Tiny Basic by default uses the FTDI to USB serial terminal connection. If a GLCD Add-On board is installed, the GLCD can be used as a terminal along with a Matrix Keyboard. Go to **Settings -> Toggle GLCD Term** to enable. Some additional commands have been implemented to interact with the TEC-1G hardware. Tiny Basic will use RAM address **0900H-3FFFH**

Functionality has been added to the Mon3 version to make it more useful for the TEC-1G. Here is a list of language additions.

| Syntax | Description |
|------------------|---|
| PEEK(n) | Return the contents of memory at location `n`. Value is in decimal |
| OUT p,n | Output `n` to Port `p` on the TEC |
| XOFF, XON | Turn the Serial terminal output off and on. Used if outputting to the Seven Segments |
| PRINT extensions | Placed in `PRINT` statements and preceding a number: IE: PRINT &255,%12,\$65 outputs 'FF . A' <ul style="list-style-type: none">• `&` - Output number as Hexadecimal. Works for all numbers.• `%` - Output number as an ASCII character (Print `.` for non-printable characters)• `\$` - Output number as an ASCII character (Print all characters) |
| Ctrl-D | Exits back to monitor and Ctrl-Z clears the whole line |

Here are some Tiny Basic Example programs

Display the first 22 Fibonacci Numbers

```
5 REM ** FIBONACCI SEQUENCE **
10 PRINT "FIBONACCI SEQUENCE"
20 FOR I=1 TO 22
30 GOSUB 70
40 PRINT "F", I, F
50 NEXT I
60 STOP
70 LET A=0; LET B=1
80 FOR J=1 TO I
90 LET T=A+B; LET A=B; LET B=T
100 NEXT J
110 LET F=A
120 RETURN
```

Display the Factors of a given number

```
5 REM ** FACTORS OF N **
10 INPUT "GIVE ME A NUMBER" I
20 LET C=1
30 PRINT "FACTORS OF ",#3,I,":"
40 IF I/C*C=I PRINT C
50 C=C+1
60 IF C<=I GOTO 40
70 GOTO 10
```

Output the numbers 0 to 9 on the TEC-1G Seven Segment Display

```
5 REM ** SEGMENT OUTPUT DEMO **
10 @ (0)=235; @ (1)=40; @ (2)=205; @ (3)=173; @ (4)=46
20 @ (5)=167; @ (6)=231; @ (7)=41; @ (8)=239; @ (9)=175
30 XOFF
40 OUT 1,1
50 FOR I=0 TO 9
60 OUT 2,@(I)
70 FOR J=1 TO 1000;NEXT J
80 NEXT I
90 XON
```

Print All ASCII Characters

```
10 REM ** PRINT ASCII CHARACTERS **
20 FOR I=32 TO 255
30 PRINT #1,&I+32,$32,$I+32,$32,
40 IF (I+1)/10*10=(I+1) PRINT
50 NEXT I
```

Terminal Monitor

TMON has been removed from Mon3 as of v1.5 but it can be loaded as a stand-alone program. See the GitHub for source files.

The Terminal Monitor (TMON) is a complete serial port-based monitor for the TEG-1G, designed for users who prefer to interact with the TEC-1G via a terminal.

Starting up TMON

Connect a serial terminal to the TEC-1G via the FTDI to USB connector. Then, select Terminal Monitor from the main menu by pressing GO and look at the serial terminal.

```
TMON for TEC-1G Version 1.0
MON-3 Version: 2023.11
RAM Found between 0000h and 3FFFh - 16384 bytes
1000 >
```

Using TMON

TMON is an interactive tool that works with a serial terminal e.g. PuTTY or Tera Term on a PC, or a 'real' VT100 serial terminal such as a Wyse WY-60. The TEC-1G keypad and 7-seg displays are not used once the program starts, and do not do anything (except for the testing routines documented below).

Interactions with TMON are via the serial console. The user types commands interactively and the results are displayed on the terminal.

All interactions with TMON use HEX format - so a byte is 00 to FF, etc. The "h" or "0x" is omitted for brevity.

Typically, the ADDR key exits any interactive command, or by entering "Q" from the terminal.

The above text is the default display when TMON first starts. TMON is now awaiting input and commands from the Available Commands list can be entered.

The Command Prompt

```
1000 >
```

The **1000** represents the CURRENT ADDRESS in HEX. Many commands default to their actions interacting with memory at this address. The CURRENT ADDRESS changes as with certain commands. e.g. inputting code and data, and can be set by the ADDR command. By default, TMON points to itself.

The command input editor is very simple. Invalid inputs are typically ignored and result in the user simply being returned to the command prompt. The maximum command length accepted is 40 characters, however, presently the longest valid command possible is 9 characters in length. When the user's input exceeds the maximum command length, the TEC will emit a beep tone to indicate this condition has been reached. Backspace is supported, to correct typos.

All data entered at all times is assumed to be HEX - 4 bytes for addresses, 2 bytes for data. Invalid data input is ignored.

DATA mode

When the DATA command is given, TMON switches to interactive data entry mode. This is signified by the prompt changing as follows:

```
XXXX nn :
```

XXXX continues to represent the CURRENT ADDRESS however the **nn** represents the HEX byte stored at that address, which you are presently editing.

- Enter a **HEX byte** and it will be written to memory at CADDR; CURRENT ADDR is then incremented by one.
- **ENTER** increments CURRENT ADDRESS by one and leaves the existing value as-is. This way, any bytes that don't need altering are skipped over.
- **-** decrements the CURRENT ADDRESS by one. This allows for correcting input errors by going back one address after erroneous input.
- **Q** exits data entry mode.

Invalid entries will be ignored.

The DATA entry system is very simple and will continue to be improved in future versions.

TMON Commands

| | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| HELP | ? | EXIT |
| INTEL | BEEP | BELL |
| VER | STATE | CLS |
| RAMCHK | GO [xxxx] | DUMP [xxxx] |
| ADDR [xxxx] | DATA [xxxx] | INC |
| 7SEG | SMON | HALT |
| DEBUG | KEYTEST | FILL xxxx yyyy nn |
| PRINT | | |

Parameters marked with square brackets e.g. \[xxxx\] are optional.

HELP

Displays help text

?

Display the list of commands

EXIT

Reboots the 1G back to MON3

INTEL

Calls the Intel Hex file transfer routine built into MON-3

BEEP

Beeps the 1G speaker

BELL

Sents the BELL command to the remote console

VER

Displays the version number of TMON and MON-3

STATE

Displays the state of the 1G system - SHADOW, PROTECT, EXPAND, CAPS LOCK

CLS

Sends a clear screen sequence to the remote console

RAMCHK

Runs a simple test to determine how much RAM is installed, and at what momentary address(es). Uses whichever bank EXPAND is set to, but does not alter the EXPAND state. Supports multiple discontinuous RAM blocks, if fitted.

GO xxxx

Executes code from the CURRENT ADDRESS, or from xxxx if supplied.

DUMP xxxx

DUMP the contents of 64 bytes of memory; provides HEX and ASCII outputs so memory can be examined.

DUMP pauses at completion - space repeats the command (CADDR continues to increment if auto-increment is on; otherwise the same block repeats). This allows you to quickly run through larger blocks without needing to type commands repeatedly.

Q quits and returns to the command prompt.

ADDR xxxx

Set the CURRENT ADDRESS. If no address is supplied, display the CADDR instead.

DATA xxxx

Interactively Input data into memory. Input one hex byte at a time; the value input is stored in the CADDR memory location.

Enter Q to quit input mode. See full description of DATA mode, above.

INC ON/OFF

Set auto-increment mode of CADDR. No parameter supplied = Display the current auto-increment mode. Sometimes turning auto-increment off is helpful for debugging or monitoring.

7SEG

Displays CADDR and memory byte on TEC 7-seg displays. + and - keys increment/decrement CADDR. Pressing the ADDR key exits to TMON.

SMON

Serial data stream monitor. Accepts serial input from the terminal and displays the HEX bytes received on screen. Great for debugging terminal comms and understanding control codes received from the PC (e.g. VT100 sequences). This is a crude implementation but does display the limitations of the bit-bang serial in not being able to adequately buffer incoming bytes in real time (try pressing an arrow key or a PC function key).

Enter Q (capital) to exit SMON back to TMON.

If a terminal program such as Tera Term is used to add a small delay (e.g 20ms) between bytes transmitted from the PC, SMON can accurately show VT100 control codes such as a PC arrow or function key. Without the delay, the bit-bang serial normally gets the first byte only, or perhaps the first and fourth or fifth byte, hence demonstrating the limitations of the bit-bang interface.

HALT

Executes a CPU HALT instruction - on TEC-1F, press any key to resume.

DEBUG

Calls the MON-3 debugger/breakpoint tool to examine register contents.

KEYTEST

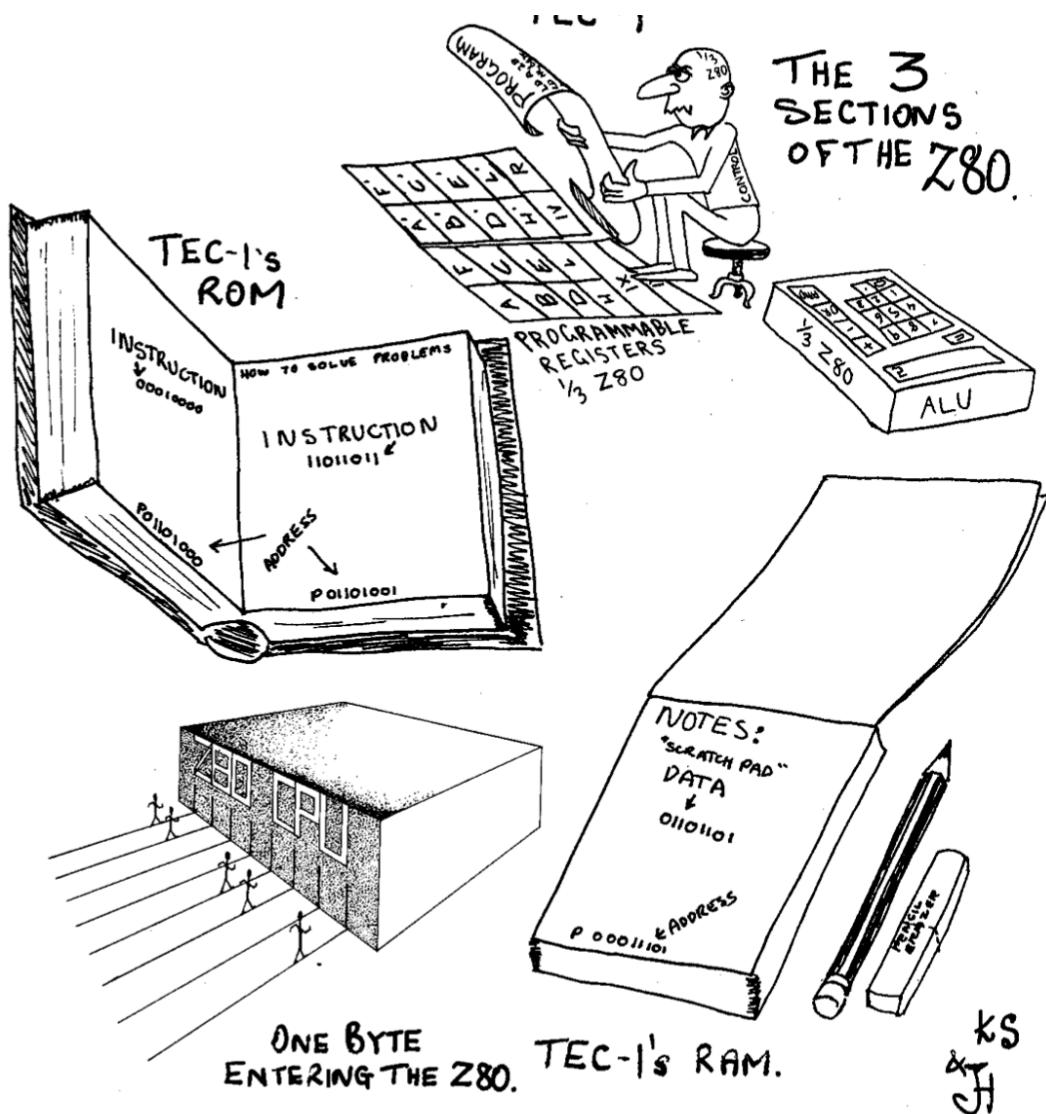
Tests the selected keyboard - the last pressed key's scancode will appear on the 7-segment displays. **Fn** is displayed with bit 5 set. Matrix keypad keys supported by MON3 (*NOT* the full matrix keyset) will be returned if MATRIX mode is enabled. Pressing the ADDR key exits to TMON.

FILL xxxx yyyy nn

Fill memory between address xxxx and yyyy with data nn. note: Fill range must be at least 2 bytes long. No checks for safety are done - use with caution, as any area of memory, including the stack, program code or data could be overwritten. This does not apply if Protect Mode is on.

PRINT your-text-here

your-text-here is echoed back to the serial terminal.



TEC Magazine Code on the TEC-1G

A great way to learn how to use the TEC-1G is to key in programs presented in the TE Magazines Issues 10 to 15. If the programs are keyed in directly, they probably won't work! This is because they usually start at addresses **0800H** or **0900H**. These addresses are reserved for Mon3. To get the code working, simply update all 2-byte address references to match the address location of the code on the 1G.

Keypad interactions are a bit more complicated. The old monitors use the register **I** and the NMI (Non-Maskable Interrupt) to trigger and save a keypad press. Mon3 uses 'Polling' instead and **RST/API** calls to do keypad reading. See the next chapter for more information on RST and API calls.

Below is a conversion table to help convert older code to work on Mon3 when a keypad press is required.

| Old Command | Mon3 Replacement | Reason |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| HALT | RST 08H | RST 08H simulates a HALT command and sets register A with the key value pressed. |
| LD A,I | LD C,10H RST 10H | A LD A,I by itself is 'polling' for a key press. Call the scanKey API routine (10H) which sets register A with the key value pressed. If LD A,I is immediately after a HALT instruction, then just use RST 08H as described above. |

Here is an example of magazine code at **0800H** with key input converted to use Mon3 at RAM address **4000H**. The code in **RED** has been modified.

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|------|----------|
| LD A,80 | 800 | 3E 80 | LD A,80H | 4000 | 3E 80 |
| OUT (2),A | 802 | D3 02 | OUT (2),A | 4002 | D3 02 |
| LD B,03 | 804 | 06 03 | LD B,03H | 4004 | 06 03 |
| LD A,B | 806 | 78 | LD A,B | 4006 | 78 |
| OUT (1),A | 807 | D3 01 | OUT (1),A | 4007 | D3 01 |
| HALT | 809 | 76 | RST 08H | 4009 | CF |
| LD A,I | 80A | ED 57 | CP 10H | 400A | FE 10 |
| CP 10 | 80C | FE 10 | JP NZ,4014H | 400C | C2 14 40 |
| JP NZ 0816 | 80E | C2 16 08 | RLC B | 400F | CB 00 |
| RLC B | 811 | CB 00 | JP 4006H | 4011 | C3 06 40 |
| JP 806 | 813 | C3 06 08 | CP 0CH | 4014 | FE 0C |
| CP C | 816 | FE 0C | JP NZ,4009H | 4016 | C2 09 40 |
| JP NZ 809 | 818 | C2 09 08 | RRC B | 4019 | CB 08 |
| RRC B | 81B | CB 08 | JP 4006H | 401B | C3 06 40 |
| JP 806 | 81D | C3 06 08 | | | |

Advanced Programming

To assist when developing Z80 programs, Mon3 contains built-in functionality that makes it easy to interface with the TEC-1G hardware.

RST (Restart) commands

RST commands on the Z80 are one-byte call commands that execute code at certain address locations defined by the Z80. The following table outlines the routines.

| Command | Op Code | Description |
|----------------|-----------|--|
| RST 00H | C7 | Software monitor reset. |
| RST 08H | CF | Key wait and press routine. This simulates a HALT command where the TEC will wait for a key to be pressed and continue execution. If a key is currently being held down, the routine will wait first until the key is released and then detect the next key. The key that has been pressed will be stored in register A. EG: RST 08H ; Wait for keypress LD B,A ; Load key to register B |
| RST 10H | D7 | API entry call. Executes a monitor routine. See the API calls section below for details. |
| RST 18H | DF | API 2 entry call. Graphical LCD routine entry. See the GLCD section below for details. |
| RST 20H | E7 | Scan Seven Segments and Keys. Multiplex the seven-segment displays and check for a key press. It can be used to display information on the seven segments and check for a key to be pressed. It must be called in a loop until a key is pressed to maintain 7-segment persistence.. Returns Zero flag set when a key is pressed and Register A with the key value. Register DE points to the seven-segment data. See the first program in the Quick Start Programs chapter for an example. Registers DE,A and B will be modified with this routine. |

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|--|
| RST 28H | EF | LCD Busy Check. To be called before sending a command to the LCD if directly communicating with the LCD. The routine will only exit when the LCD Busy flag is not set. EG: <pre>RST 28H ; Check LCD busy flag LD A,01H ; Load A with a clear screen OUT (04),A ; Send instruction to LCD</pre> |
| RST 30H | F7 | Breakpoint entry. Break code execution at the current address location. See the Debugging Programs chapter for details. |
| RST 38H | FF | Maskable interrupt handler. Jumps here with Interrupts Enabled (EI), Interrupt Mode 1 (IM 1) and when the INT pin on the CPU goes low. Mon3 will do nothing when this happens. However, a user-defined routine can be used. See the Interrupt section below on how to do this. |

Interrupts

The Z80 CPU has the ability to interrupt the execution of code, handle the interrupt and then resume code execution. This is done in software with Interrupts Enabled ([EI](#)) and Interrupt Mode 1 ([IM 1](#)) and by hardware when the INT line on the CPU goes low. Mon3 ignores interrupts, but a user-defined routine can be provided to handle the interrupt. To do this, the address of the interrupt routine is to be placed at RAM address [0892H](#).

```

ei          ; Enable interrupts
im 1        ; Interrupt mode 1
ld hl,myINT ; Interrupt routine
ld (0892H),hl ; Save address in 0892H
... continue

myINT:
    ld c,03H    ; Bell routine
    rst 10H     ; Call API
    reti        ; Exit Int routine

```

This code will sound a bell tone in the speaker when an interrupt occurs.

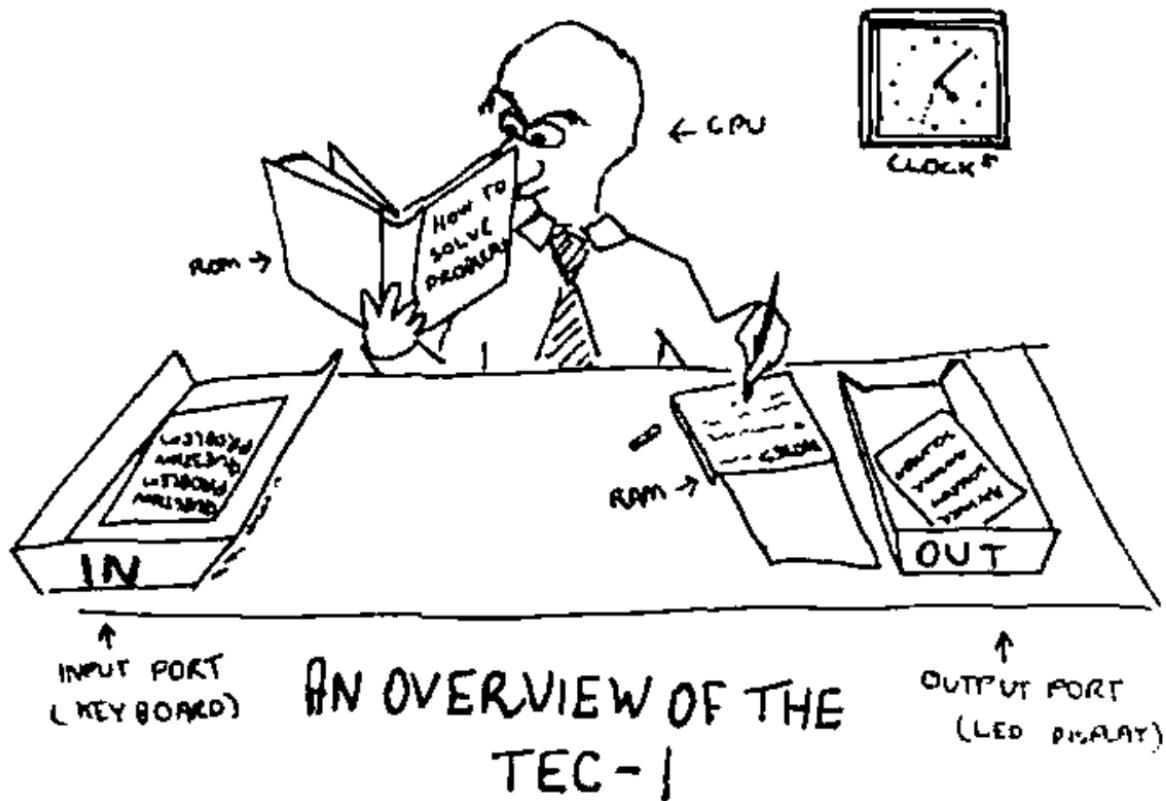
NMI (Non-Maskable Interrupts)

Non-Maskable Interrupts occur when the NMI line on the CPU goes low. These interrupts will always trigger. Mon3 ignores the NMI line, but a user-defined routine can be provided to handle the interrupt. To do this, the address of the interrupt routine is to be placed at RAM address **0894H**.

```
ld hl,myNMI      ; NMI routine
ld (0894H),hl    ; Save address in 0894H
... continue

myNMI:
    ld c,03H    ; Bell routine
    rst 10H     ; Call API
    ret       ; Exit NMI routine
```

This code will sound a bell tone in the speaker when an NMI occurs. The TEC-1G has an NMI jumper that can set NMI to trigger on a Keypad press, a HALT instruction or externally (no jumper).



Credit: Ken Stone

API (Application Programming Interface) commands.

The API on Mon3 exposes routines used by Mon3 which can be used in your own programs. No need to rewrite the world! But more importantly, it makes writing code quicker and easier with most of the complicated stuff removed.

General conventions

The register **C** holds the API Call number. All other registers except the **IX** register can be used as parameters if needed. Executing a **RST 10H** or **D7** calls the API.

General Interface

```
ld c,[API Call Number]  
rst 10H
```

Some Examples

```
        ;Produce a short Beep from the speaker  
OE 03    ld c,3      ;beep call number  
D7        rst 10H  
  
        ;Display the letter 'G' on the LCD Screen  
OE 0E    ld c,14     ;charToLCD call number  
3E 47    ld a,"G"    ;parameter  
D7        rst 10H  
  
        ;Wait for a period of time  
OE 21    ld c,33     ;timeDelay call number  
21 00 30  ld h1,3000H ;parameter  
D7        rst 10H
```

To assist with API call number references, the file `api_includes.z80`, in the GitHub repository, contains the API Call Number with its Text equivalent for use with your own code.

See <https://github.com/MarkJelic/TEC-1G/tree/main/ROMs/MON3/source>

API Call List

| Utility Calls | # | 0x |
|----------------------|----|----|
| softwareID | 0 | 0 |
| versionID | 1 | 01 |
| preInit | 2 | 02 |
| beep | 3 | 03 |
| convAToSeg | 4 | 04 |
| regAToASCII | 5 | 05 |
| ASCIItoSegment | 6 | 06 |
| stringCompare | 7 | 07 |
| HToString_ | 8 | 08 |
| AToString | 9 | 09 |
| scanSegments | 10 | 0A |
| displayError | 11 | 0B |
| checkStartEnd | 30 | 1E |

| Serial Calls | # | 0x |
|---------------------|----|----|
| serialEnable | 20 | 14 |
| serialDisable | 21 | 15 |
| txByte | 22 | 16 |
| rxByte | 23 | 17 |
| intexHexLoad | 24 | 18 |
| sendToSerial | 25 | 19 |
| receiveFromSerial | 26 | 1A |
| sendAssembly | 27 | 1B |
| sendHex | 28 | 1C |
| genDataDump | 29 | 1D |
| stringToSerial | 45 | 2D |

| System Latch Call | # | 0x |
|--------------------------|----|----|
| getCaps | 37 | 25 |
| getShadow | 38 | 26 |
| getProtect | 39 | 27 |
| getExpand | 40 | 28 |
| setCaps | 41 | 29 |
| setShadow | 42 | 2A |
| setProtect | 43 | 2B |
| setExpand | 44 | 2C |
| toggleCaps | 48 | 30 |
| Misc. Calls | # | 0x |
| timeDelay | 33 | 21 |
| RTCAPI | 46 | 2E |
| random | 49 | 31 |
| setDisStart | 50 | 32 |
| getDisNext | 51 | 33 |
| getDisassembly | 52 | 34 |
| LCDConfirm | 55 | 37 |
| getGLCDTerm | 56 | 38 |
| setGLCDTerm | 57 | 39 |
| loadFromDisk | 58 | 3A |
| openFile | 59 | 3B |
| readSector | 60 | 3C |
| writeSector | 61 | 3D |
| RGBScan | 62 | 3E |

| LCD Calls | # | 0x |
|------------------|----|----|
| LCDBusy | 12 | 0C |
| stringToLCD | 13 | 0D |
| charToLCD | 14 | 0E |
| commandToLCD | 15 | 0F |

| Input Calls | # | 0x |
|--------------------|----|----|
| scanKeys | 16 | 10 |
| scanKeysWait | 17 | 11 |
| matrixScan | 18 | 12 |
| joystickScan | 19 | 13 |
| matrixScanASCII | 53 | 35 |
| parseMatrixScan | 54 | 36 |

| Menu Calls | # | 0x |
|-------------------|----|----|
| menuDriver | 31 | 1F |
| paramDriver | 32 | 20 |
| menuPop | 47 | 2F |

| Sound Calls | # | 0x |
|--------------------|----|----|
| playNote | 34 | 22 |
| playTune | 35 | 23 |
| playTuneMenu | 36 | 24 |

API Utility Calls

softwareID #0 (00H)

Get Software ID String

- Input: nothing
- Return: HL = Pointer to SOFTWARE ASCII String
- Destroy: none

versionID #1 (01H)

Get Version Number and Version String

- Input: nothing
- Return: HL = Pointer to Release ASCII String
 - BC = Release major version number
 - DE = Release minor version number
- Destroys: none

preInit #2 (02H)

Performs a cold reset as if the TEC-1G had just been powered on. Returns to MON3 to its default state.

beep #3 (03H)

Makes a short beep tone to the TEC Speaker

- Input: nothing
- Destroys: A

convAToSeg #4 (04H)

Convert register A to Seven Segment display format

- Inputs: A = byte to convert
 - DE = address to store segment values (2 bytes)
- Destroys: BC

regAToASCII #5 (05H)

Convert register A to ASCII. IE: **2CH** -> "2C"

- Input: A = byte to convert
- Output: HL = two-byte ASCII string
- Destroys: A

ASCIItoSegment #6 (06H)

ASCII to Segment. Converts an ASCII character to Seven Segment display format

- Input: A = ASCII character
- Return: A = Segment character or 0 if out of range
- Destroys: none

stringCompare #7 (07H)

Compare two string

- Input: HL = source pointer
DE = target pointer
B = #bytes to compare (up to 256)
- Output: Zero Flag Set = compare match
- Destroys: HL, DE, A, BC

HLToString #8 (08H)

Convert HL to ASCII string. IE: **2C0FH** -> "2COF"

- Input: HL = value to convert
DE = address of string destination (4 bytes)
- Output: DE = address one after last ASCII entry
- Destroys: A

AToString #9 (09H)

Convert register A to ASCII string. IE: **2CH** -> "2C"

- Input: A = byte to convert
DE = address of string destination (2 bytes)
- Output: DE = address one after last ASCII entry
- Destroys: A

scanSegments #10 (0AH)

Multiplex the Seven Segment displays with the contents of DE. Must be called repetitively for segments to stay persistent.

- Inputs: DE = pointer to 6-byte location of segment data
- Destroys: A, B, DE = DE + 6

displayError #11 (0BH)

Display ERROR on the Seven Segments and wait for keypress

- Input: none
- Destroys: all

checkStartEnd #30 (1EH)

Check start and end address differences.

- Input: HL = address location of START value
 HL+2 = address location of END value
- Output: HL = start address
 BC = length of end-start
 Carry = set if end is less than start
- Destroys: DE

API LCD Calls

LCDBusy #12 (0CH)

LCD busy check. Checks the LCD busy flag and loops until LCD isn't busy

- Input: nothing
- Destroys: none

stringToLCD #13 (0DH)

ASCII string to LCD. Writes a string (text) to the current cursor location on the LCD

- Input: HL = ASCII string terminated with a zero byte
- Destroy: A, HL (moves to end of the list)

TEXT: .db "HELLO TEC!", 0

```
ld hl, TEXT  
ld c, 13  
rst 10h
```

charToLCD #14 (0EH)

ASCII character to LCD. Writes one character to the LCD at the current cursor location

- Input: A = ASCII character
- Destroy: none

```
ld a, "G"  
ld c, 14  
rst 10h
```

commandToLCD #15 (0FH)

Command to LCD. Sends an LCD instruction to the LCD

- Input: B = Instruction byte
- Destroy: none

```
ld b, 01 ;clear LCD  
ld c, 15  
rst 10h
```

API Input Calls

scanKeys #16 (10H)

Universal Key input detection routine. Supports HexPad and Matrix. The routine does not wait for a key press the returns immediately. Only Hexpad keys are detected if using the Matrix Keyboard.

- Return: A = key value (if the following is met)
 - zero flag set if a key is pressed
 - carry flag set if press detected of a new key
 - carry flag not set for a key pressed and held or if no key has been pressed
- Destroys: DE if using Matrix Keyboard

Key mapping returned in register A

| | | | |
|-------|---------|----------|---------------------|
| 0-F | = 00-0F | Fn-0-F | = 20-2F (Bit 5 set) |
| Plus | = 10 | Fn-Plus | = 30 |
| Minus | = 11 | Fn-Minus | = 31 |
| G0 | = 12 | Fn-G0 | = 32 |
| AD | = 13 | Fn-AD | = 33 |

scanKeysWait #17 (11H)

Generic Key input detection routine. Supports HexPad and Matrix. Waits until a key is pressed. The routine will only detect a key if all keys are released first. Only Hexpad keys are detected if using the Matrix Keyboard.

- Return: A = key value (if following are met)
- zero flag set if a key is pressed
- Destroys: DE if using Matrix Keyboard

See table above for return values in register A

joystickScan #19 (13H)

Joystick port scan routines. This routine will return a value based on the movement/button of the joystick or any combination: IE: UP+DOWN = 03H, Routine must be called repetitively.

- Input: None
- Output: A = Joystick return value between 00H-5FH (0-95)
 - 01H = Up 10H = Fire 2
 - 02H = Down 20H = Comm2 (Pin 9)
 - 04H = Left 40H = Fire 1
 - 08H = Right 80H = Fire 3
 - zero flag set if no joystick value returned
- Destroy: none

matrixScan #18 (12H)

Key scan routine for the Matrix Keyboard. This routine detects up to two key presses at the same time. Key values stored in DE. The routine must be called repetitively.

- Input: None
- Output: E = Key pressed between 00H-3FH (0-63)
D = Second key, FF=no key, 00=shift, 01=Ctrl, 02=Fn
zero flag set if a key is pressed or combination valid

Key mapping returned in register E (note: some gaps are present)

| | | | | | |
|------------|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Shift = 00 | Esc = 0C | 4 = 17 | D = 27 | O = 32 | Z = 3D |
| Ctrl = 01 | Space = 0D | 5 = 18 | E = 28 | P = 33 | \ = 3F |
| Fn = 02 | Single Qt = 0E | 6 = 19 | F = 29 | Q = 34 | |
| Up = 03 | Comma = 0F | 7 = 1A | G = 2A | R = 35 | |
| Down = 04 | Minus = 10 | 8 = 1B | H = 2B | S = 36 | |
| Left = 05 | F.Stop = 11 | 9 = 1C | I = 2C | T = 37 | |
| Right = 06 | / = 12 | ; = 1E | J = 2D | U = 38 | |
| Caps = 07 | 0 = 13 | = = 20 | K = 2E | V = 39 | |
| Del = 08 | 1 = 14 | A = 24 | L = 2F | W = 3A | |
| Tab = 09 | 2 = 15 | B = 25 | M = 30 | X = 3B | |
| Enter = 0A | 3 = 16 | C = 26 | N = 31 | Y = 3C | |

matrixScanASCII #53 (35H)

Convert the output of the matrixScan routine to ASCII. matrixScan returns values between 0 and 63 (3Fh). These represent key presses on the keyboard. This routine will convert the output of matrixScan DE, to the actual key pressed in ASCII. If the key doesn't map to an ASCII character then the matrix key value is returned.

Shift+Key will return the capital or secondary characters, Ctrl+Key will return the control code. IE: Ctrl-C will return 03 .

- Input: DE = value return from matrixScan.
E = key, D = Secondary key
- Output: A = key pressed in ASCII
- Destroy: BC, HL

Example code on using matrixScanASCII can be found in the Quick Start Programs chapter below.

parseMatrixScan #54 (36H)

Parse matrix keyboard input. This routine checks the key(s) pressed on the Matrix Keyboard and either returns the key pressed in ASCII or handles special cases. The special cases are Key Bounce/Repeat and Caps lock. This routine includes a call to **matrixScanASCII** and is designed to come directly after **matrixScan**. As this routine also scans the keyboard, it needs to be included in a Scan loop.

- Input: DE = value return from matrixScan.
 - E = key, D = Secondary key
 - Zero Flag = Set if key pressed (from matrixScan)
- Output: A = key pressed in ASCII
 - Carry Flag = Set if ASCII returned
 - Carry Flag = Not Set if special case and no ASCII returned
- Destroy: BC, HL

```
scan_loop:  
    ld c,18    ;matrixScan  
    rst 10h    ;API call  
    ld c,54    ;parseMatrixScan  
    rst 10h    ;API call  
    jr nc,scan_loop  
    ld c,22    ;txByte Send to FTDI  
    rst 10h    ;API call
```

API Serial Data Transfer Calls

serialEnable #20 (14H)

Enable BitBang serial port for serial transmit. Disco LED's glow blue to indicate ready status.

- Input: none
- Destroy: A

serialDisable #21 (15H)

Disable BitBang serial port for serial transmit. Disco LEDs turn off.

- Input: none
- Destroy: A

txByte #22 (16H)

Bit Bang FTDI USB transmit routine. Send one byte over FTDI USB serial connection. It assumes a UART connection of 4800-8-N-2.

- Input: A = byte to transmit
- Output: nothing
- Destroy: none

rxByte #23 (17H)

Bit Bang FTDI USB receive routine. Receive one byte via the FTDI USB serial connection. It assumes a UART connection of 4800-8-N-2. Note routine will wait until a bit is detected.

- Input: nothing
- Return: A = byte received
- Destroy: none

intelHexLoad #24 (18H)

Load an Intel Hex file via the FTDI USB serial connection. Displays file progress on the segments and PASS or FAIL at the end of the load. Intel Hex file format is a string of ASCII with the following parts:

| | | | | | |
|------|----------|----------------------------------|-----------------|------|----------|
| MARK | LENGTH | ADDRESS | RECORD TYPE | DATA | CHECKSUM |
| :10 | 20000021 | 0621CD7D20CD98203A00213C320021AF | <- EXAMPLE LINE | | |

MARK is a colon character, LENGTH is the number of bytes per line, ADDRESS is the 2-byte address of where the data is to be stored. RECORD TYPE is 00 for Data and 01 for EOF. DATA is the bytes to be stored. CHECKSUM is the addition of all bytes in one line.

- Input: nothing
- Output: nothing
- Destroy: HL, DE, BC, A

sendToSerial #25 (19H)

SIO Binary Dump. Transfer TEC data to a serial terminal. From address and Length of data is needed for input. Use **checkStartEnd** to get length if using From/To address.

- Input: HL = start address
DE = length in bytes of data to send
- Destroys: A, HL, DE, BC

receiveFromSerial #26 (1AH)

SIO receives binary data. Receive binary data from FTDI. From address and Length of data is needed for input. Use **checkStartEnd** to get length if using From/To address.

- Input: HL = start address
DE = length in bytes of data to receive
- Destroys: A, HL, DE, BC

sendAssembly #27 (1BH)

Send Assembly instructions to the serial port. Print out the disassembled code that is on the TEC in readable assembly language on the serial terminal. From address and Length of data is needed for input. Use **checkStartEnd** to get length if using From/To address.

- Input: HL = start address
DE = length in bytes of data to disassemble
- Destroys: A, HL, DE, BC

sendHex #28 (1CH)

Send a traditional HEX dump as text to the serial terminal. Up to 16 bytes are displayed per line. From address and Length of data is needed for input. Use **checkStartEnd** to get length if using From/To address.

- Input: HL = start address
DE = length in bytes of data to send as Hex
- Destroys: A, HL, DE, BC

genDataDump #29 (1DH)

Generate data dump in ASCII. Print the Address and then B number of bytes. This routine is a subroutine in the _sendHex routine.

- Input: B = number of bytes to display
- HL = start address of data dump
- DE = address of string destination
- Output: DE = zero terminated address one after last ASCII entry
IE: "4000: 23 34 45 56 78 9A BC DE", 0
- Destroys: A, HL (moves to next address after last byte)

stringToSerial #45 (2DH)

ASCII string to FTDI Serial Port. Writes a string (text) to the serial port

- Input: HL = ASCII string terminated with a zero byte
- Destroy: A, HL (moves to end of the list)

TEXT: .db "HELLO TEC!", 0

```
ld hl,TEXT
ld c,55
rst 10h
```

API Menu & Parameter Calls

menuDriver #31 (1FH)

Menu driver for user programs. Creates a selectable custom menu/list.

Keys: **Go** = Select menu item, **AD** = Exit Menu, **Plus/Minus** = Navigate menu. If a menu item is selected by pressing **Go**, a jump is performed to the menu routine address (see example below). If the user routine ends with a RET instruction, control will be brought back to the menu. There is no need to call the menuDriver again after the routine returns.

When an item is selected, the routine that is associated with the menu entry will be called. The selected menu item number will be stored at RAM address **0897H**. Items start from 0.

If after the RET the menu is to be removed or popped off, then call the **menuPop** routine prior to the RET. This will return control to the previous menu or enter Data Entry mode.

The menu can also be used as a selectable List. Use **menuPop** to close the list once the item has been selected. See an example below on how to do this.

- Input: HL = Pointer to Menu configuration.
- Destroys: A, HL

All strings are ZERO terminated! Except the 7 Segment Text must be ASCII of exactly 6 bytes. Menu configuration is as follows.

```
<# Menu Entries>, <7 Segment Text>, <Menu Text Title>,
[<Menu Text Label>, <Menu Routine Address>]+
    EG: .db 2                      ; Two menu items
        .db "MyGame"              ; 7 segment text (6 bytes)
        .db "Games", 0            ; Menu title
        .db "TEC Invaders", 0     ; Text and Routine
        .dw invaders
        .db "TEC Maze", 0         ; Text and routine
        .dw maze
```

paramDriver #32 (20H)

Parameter data entry driver. Creates a list of editable two-byte parameters.

Keys: **Go** = Continue, **AD** = Exit, **Plus/Minus** = Navigate, **0-F** = enter values

- Input: HL = Pointer to Parameter configuration.

Once the **Go** key is pressed, code will continue after the API call. The parameter view on the LCD will automatically be removed and the LCD will display the prior view to the parameter call. There is no need to call **menuPop** to restore the previous LCD view.

Parameter text can be no longer than 14 characters. Parameters entered will be stored in the Param RAM Address locations of two-bytes each. All strings are ZERO terminated! Except the 7 Segment Text must be ASCII of exactly 6 bytes. Parameter configuration is as follows.

```
<No. of Entries>, <7 Segment Text>, <Parameter Title  
Text>, [<Param Text Label>, <Param RAM Address>]+  
EG: .db 3 ; Three parameters  
.db "Params" ; 7 segment text (6 bytes)  
.db "= Enter Parameters =",0 ; Parameter title  
.db "Start Address:",0 ; Text and Address  
.dw RAM_LOC_1  
.db "End Address:",0 ; Text and Address  
.dw RAM_LOC_2  
.db "Dest. Address:",0 ; Text and Address  
.dw RAM_LOC_3
```

menuPop #47 (2FH)

Replace the current menu with its parent menu if any. If menus have been nested, the parent menu will become the active menu. This is the same as pressing the **AD** key but done in software. If no parent menu exists then the Monitor mode is changed to Data Entry View. Useful if using the menu as a Select List where execution of code is to be continued.

- Input: none.
- Destroys: A

Menu and Parameter Driver Example

Create a Menu with 3 items. The first item jumps to a routine which is the standard way to use the menu. The second item displays a selectable list that saves a value in RAM and returns to the menu. The last item will create a parameter entry list of four 2-byte items.

| | |
|--|--|
| <pre> MENUDRIVER .EQU 1FH ;Menu API PARAMDRIVER .EQU 20H ;Param API MENUPOP .EQU 2FH ;Menu Pop API PROGRAM1 .EQU 1000H ;Program 1 BAUD .EQU 2008H ;Baud value PARAM1 .EQU 2000H ;two bytes PARAM2 .EQU 2002H ;per param PARAM3 .EQU 2004H PARAM4 .EQU 2006H ;Create Menu OE 1F ld c,MENUDRIVER 21 00 30 ld hl,menuCFG ;config D7 rst 10H ;API call ;Code continues in menu routines ;Create Selectable List setBaud: OE 1F ld c,MENUDRIVER 21 00 30 ld hl,baudCFG ;config D7 rst 10H ;API call ;Code continues in menu routines ;Baud rate saving code baud12: 21 00 12 ld hl,1200H ;baud rate 18 0D jr saveBaud ;cont.. baud24: 21 00 24 ld hl,2400H ;baud rate 18 08 jr saveBaud ;cont.. baud48: 21 00 48 ld hl,4800H ;baud rate 18 03 jr saveBaud ;cont.. baud96: 21 00 96 ld hl,9600H ;baud rate saveBaud: 22 08 20 ld (BAUD),hl ;save baud OE 2F ld c,MENUPOP D7 rst 10H ;API call C9 ret ;Return to Main Menu </pre> | <pre> ;Create Parameter Entry createParam: OE 20 ld c,PARAMDRIVER 21 80 30 ld hl,paramCFG ;config D7 rst 10H ;API call ...Parameter code continues C9 ret ;Return to Main Menu ;Main Menu Configuration menuCFG: .db 3 ;three entries .db "-Menu-" .db "= MENU TITLE =",0 .db "Run Program",0 .dw PROGRAM1 .db "Set Baud Rate",0 .dw setBaud .db "Parameters",0 .dw createParam ;Selectable List Configuration baudCFG: .db 4 ;four entries .db "BAUDrt" .db "= Select Baud =",0 .db "1200",0 .dw baud12 .db "2400",0 .dw baud24 .db "4800",0 .dw baud48 .db "9600",0 .dw baud96 ;Parameter Entry Configuration paramCFG: .db 4 ;four entries .db "Input " .db "= PARAM TITLE =",0 .db "Start Address",0 .dw PARAM1 .db "End Address",0 .dw PARAM2 .db "Copy Address",0 .dw PARAM3 .db "Backup Address",0 .dw PARAM4 </pre> |
|--|--|

API Sound Calls

playNote #34 (22H)

Play a note. Play a note with a given frequency and wavelength

- Input: HL = frequency (01-7F)
B = wavelength (00-FF)
- Destroys: HL, BC, A

playTune #35 (23H)

Play a series of notes. To play a note use a reference between 01H and 18H.

Where 01H is the lowest frequency and 18H is the highest frequency. Use 00H for a pause and any value above 18H to exit. A single pause can be used to separate notes.

Note reference table is as follows:

| | | | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|
| G | 01H | C# | 07H | G | 0DH | C# | 13H |
| G# | 02H | D | 08H | G# | 0EH | D | 14H |
| A | 03H | D# | 09H | A | 0FH | D# | 15H |
| A# | 04H | E | 0AH | A# | 10H | E | 16H |
| B | 05H | F | 0BH | B | 11H | F | 17H |
| C | 06H | F# | 0CH | C | 12H | F# | 18H |

- Input: DE = Address of first note
- Destroy: A, B, DE, HL

playTuneMenu #36 (24H)

Play a series of notes with the _playTune routine, but the address of the first note is selected via a parameter menu.

- Input: none
- Destroy: A, B, DE, HL

API System Latch Calls

getCaps #37 (25H)

Get Caps lock state

- Input: none
- Output: A = caps lock state; 0 = off, 80H = on

getShadow #38 (26H)

Get SHADOW state

- Input: none
- Output: A = shadow state; 0 = off, 01H = on

getProtect #39 (27H)

Get PROTECT state

- Input: none
- Output: A = protect state; 0 = off, 02H = on

getExpand #40 (28H)

Get EXPAND state

- Input: none
- Output: A = expand state; 0 = off, 04H = on

setCaps #41 (29H)

Set Caps lock state

- Input: A = Desired caps lock state; 0 = off, 80H = on
- Destroy: A

setShadow #42 (2AH)

Set Shadow state

- Input: A = Desired shadow state; 0 = off, 01H = on
- Destroy: A

setProtect #43 (2BH)

Set Protect state

- Input: A = Desired protect state; 0 = off, 02H = on
- Destroy: A

setExpand #44 (2CH)

Set Expand state

- Input: A = Desired expand state; 0 = off, 04H = on
- Destroy: A

toggleCaps #48 (30H)

Toggle Caps Lock state. On/Off or vice versa

- Input: none
- Destroy: A

Miscellaneous Calls

timeDelay #33 (21H)

A 16-bit delay routine. An input delay of **2000H** is approximately 50ms.

- Input: HL = delay amount
- Destroys: none

random #49 (31H)

Random number generator. Return a random number between 00H-FFH

- Input: none
- Output: A = pseudo-random number
- Destroy: B

setDisStart #50 (32H)

Set Disassembly start address. Set the first address for disassembly output

- Input: HL = start address
- Output: none
- Destroy: none

getDisNext #51 (33H)

Get Disassembly next address. The new start address for the next output.

- Input: none
- Output: HL = start address
- Destroy: none

getDisassembly #52 (34H)

Generate Disassembly line. Must call **setDisStart** prior. Only need to call **setDisStart** once as the next address is automatically increased.

- Input: none
- Output: HL = pointer to disassembly ASCII, zero terminated
- Destroy: none

RCTAPI #46 (2EH)

Call a Real Time Clock (RTI) routine for the RTC add on board. See the RTC chapter below for details on this add-on.

- Input: B = RTC routine number
Other = Depends on the RTC routine

LCDConfirm #55 (37H)

Ask a confirmation message on the LCD before proceeding. Press 'C' to confirm or any other key to not confirm.

- Input: none
- Output: Zero Flag = set == confirmed or 'C' pressed
- Destroy: A, HL

getGLCDTerm #56 (38H)

Get GLCDTERM state. Check if using the GLCD as a Terminal

- Input: none
- Output: A = GLCD Terminal state; 0 = off, FF = on

setGLCDTerm #57 (39H)

Set GLCD Terminal state

- Input: A = Desired GLCD Terminal state; 0 = off, FF = on
- Destroy: A

loadFromDisk #58 (3AH), openFile #59 (3BH), readFile #60 (3CH), writeFile #61 (3DH)

See the Hard Drive Access section for details of these routines.

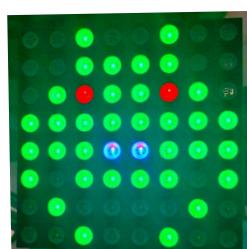
RGBScan #62 (3EH)

Multiplex the 8x8 RGB Board with 3 colours, Red, Green and Blue. Need to be called in a loop. The Row data is from top to bottom.

- Input: IY = 24 Bytes of Row Data (8 Red, 8 Green, 8 Blue)

LOOP:

```
ld iy,RGBDATA
ld c,62
rst 10h
jr LOOP
```



← This is what's displayed
with the data below

```
RGBDATA: .db 00h,00h,24h,00h,18h,00h,00h,00h      ; RED Data
          .db 24h,3Ch,5Ah,0FFh,0FFh,0BDh,42h,24h ; GREEN Data
          .db 00h,00h,00h,00h,18h,00h,00h,00h      ; BLUE Data
```

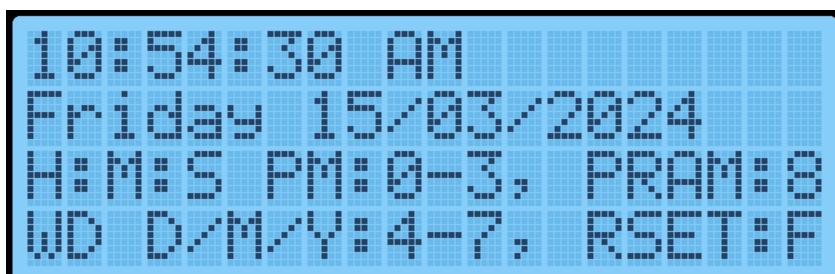
Real Time Clock (RTC) Add-On Interface

A RTC add-on board that connects to the General Purpose IO port on the TEC-1G can be interfaced with Mon3. The board uses the **DS1302** Real Time Clock chip. The RTC chip is designed to respond on port **FCH**.

The **DS1302** supports 12 and 24 hour clock modes, a 100 year calendar (2000-2099) with leap year support, and **31** bytes of general purpose nonvolatile RAM. The TEC Designers have called the NVRAM, “Parameter RAM” or PRAM.



To initially set the RTC, a convenient RTC Setup routine has been provided in the Settings item in the Main Menu. Select “**Configure RTC**”. Press the following keys to update the time/date: **0** = Hour, **1** = Minute, **2** = Second, **3** = 12/24h, **4** = Day of week, **5** = Day, **6** = Month, **7** = Year, **8** = View RTC PRAM, **F** = Reset RTC, **AD** = Exit. When viewing RTC PRAM data, **Plus** = Move Down, **Minus** = Move Up, **AD** = Exit back to RTC Setup.



Mon3 will automatically utilise the internal PRAM to retain some settings when the TEC-1G is powered down. 14 Free bytes are

available to be used by the user. The reserved Mon3 PRAM slots are:

| Slot | Reserved for |
|-------|--------------------------|
| 0-5 | Quick Jump Addresses |
| 6-11 | Start/End/Dest Addresses |
| 12-13 | Baud Rate |
| 14-15 | Addr. Inc. / Beep |
| 16-29 | User Free RAM |
| 30 | Mon3 Checksum |

When the RTC board is first used, TEC-1G settings are saved to the PRAM during power on. Manual resetting of the PRAM can also be achieved by selecting the “**Reset RTC & PRAM**” option in the Settings item in the Main Menu. This will reset the time/date and Mon3 reserved values.

RTC API Calls

The RTC API uses the standard **rst 10H** call with the addition of the **B** register to specify which RTC API function is required. This way, all RTC functions only occupy a single Mon3 API call.

General Interface

```
ld c,2EH           ; RTC API call number
ld b,[RTC Call Number]
rst 10H
```

Some Examples

```
;Get the current time
01 2E 02 ld bc,022EH      ;getTime + RTC API
D7          rst 10H
```

```
;Set the current time to 10:24:46
01 2E 03 ld bc,032EH      ;setTime + RTC API
21 00 30 ld hl,1024H      ;10 hours, 24 minutes
16 46     ld d,46H         ;46 seconds
D7          rst 10H
```

```
;Write a byte to the RTC NV Ram
01 2E 0C ld bc,0C2EH      ;writeRTCByte + RTC API
11 FF 02 ld de,02FFH      ;Save FF in position 02
D7          rst 10H
```

| RTC Routine | # | 0x |
|-------------|---|----|
| checkDS1302 | 0 | 0 |
| resetDS1302 | 1 | 01 |
| getTime | 2 | 02 |
| setTime | 3 | 03 |
| getDate | 4 | 04 |
| setDate | 5 | 05 |
| getDay | 6 | 06 |

| RTC Routine | # | 0x |
|--------------|----|----|
| setDay | 7 | 07 |
| getI224Mode | 8 | 08 |
| setI2HrMode | 9 | 09 |
| set24HrMode | 10 | 0A |
| readRTCByte | 11 | 0B |
| writeRTCByte | 12 | 0C |
| burstRTCRead | 13 | 0D |

| RTC Routine | # | 0x |
|-------------|----|----|
| BCDToBin | 14 | 0E |
| binToBCD | 15 | 0F |
| formatTime | 16 | 10 |
| formatDate | 17 | 11 |
| RTCSsetup | 18 | 12 |

checkDS1302 #0 (00H)

Check if a DS1302 is detectable, by verifying that the DS1302's registers return expected results.

- Input: none
- Output: Carry flag set = no RTC add-on board present
- Destroy: A

resetDS1302 #1 (01H)

Resets the DS1302 to a known state - clears existing Time and Calendar. Does not clear RTC RAM. Sets DS1302 to 01:00.00 AM, 01/01/2000.

- Input: none
- Destroy: none

Note: To be used **only** when the RTC requires a settings reset e.g. if it's not "ticking". Use **checkDS1302** to "reset" the DS1302 to a ready state, as part of program initialization.

getTime #2 (02H)

Get time from RTC. Time is formatted in either 12 or 24 hour mode, depending on selected mode.

- Input: none
- Output: H = hour, bit 5=am/pm flag (in 12hr mode). 1=PM
L = minute
D = second
- Destroy: A

Note that all returned registers are BCD coded, so 10:24:36 results in HL=1024h, D=36h

setTime #3 (03H)

Sets the time in the RTC chip. Time is formatted in either 12 or 24 hour mode, depending on selected mode.

- Input: H = hour, bit 5=am/pm flag (in 12hr mode). 1=PM
L = minute
D = second
- Destroy: A, E

The 12/24 hour mode flag is preserved. Note that all registers are BCD coded, so 10:24:36 is formatted as HL=1024h, D=36h

getDate #4 (04H)

Returns the present Calendar date, month, year.

- Input: none
- Output: H = date
L = month
DE = year
- Destroy: A

Note that values returned are BCD coded.

setDate #5 (05H)

Sets the Calendar to a specified date/month/year. Invalid dates may be accepted e.g. **30 February** as the **DS1302** does not validate dates as programmed; it simply rolls over at midnight.

- Input: H = date
L = month
DE = year 2000-2099, D is assumed to be 20h
- Destroy: A

Note that values returned are BCD coded.

getDay #6 (06H)

Gets the Day of the week i.e. "Monday", "Tuesday", etc. 01 = Monday, 07 = Sunday.

- Input: none
- Output: D = 01-07 (Day of week)
HL = address of zero terminated DOW string
- Destroy: A

The names of the days of the week are stored in the Mon3 ROM; HL points to the correct string for that day.

setDay #7 (07H)

Sets the Day of the week. 01 = Monday, 07 = Sunday.

- Input: D = 01-07 (Day of week)
- Output: Carry Flag set = invalid value supplied
- Destroy: A

get1224Mode #8 (08H)

Reports if the RTC is currently in 12 or 24 hour mode.

- Input: none
- Output: A = 00H (24hr), 80H (12hr), Zero flag set
- Destroy: none

set12HrMode #9 (09H)

Set RTC to 12 hour mode. That is, the hour is subsequently returned as 01-12, and an AM/PM flag.

- Input: none
- Output: Carry Flag set = already in 12 hr mode
- Destroy: A,D

set24HrMode #10 (0AH)

Set RTC to 24 hour mode (also known as Military Time). That is, the hour is subsequently returned as 00-23.

- Input: none
- Output: Carry Flag set = already in 24 hr mode
- Destroy: A,D

readRTCByte #11 (0BH)

Reads a byte from the RTC PRAM.

- Input: D = memory slot to return 0-30
- Output: A = value stored in memory
- Destroy: none

writeRTCByte #12 (0CH)

Writes a byte to the RTC PRAM.

- Input: D = memory slot to write to 0-30
E = value to store
- Destroy: A

burstRTCRead #13 (0DH)

Reads all 31 RTC PRAM bytes and fills a user-supplied buffer with that data. The user buffer should be 31 bytes long.

- Input: HL = location to write to (31 bytes)
- Output: HL = moved to address after last byte
- Destroy: A

binToBcd #14 (0EH)

Converts the value in register A from BCD encoded, to binary. i.e. "23h" becomes "23" decimal.

- Input: A = BCD Value to convert
- Output: A = Binary value of BCD
- Destroy: none

bcdToBin #15 (0FH)

Converts the value in register A from binary to BCD. i.e. "52" decimal becomes "52h".

- Input: A = Binary Value to convert
- Output: A = BCD value of Binary
- Destroy: none

formatTime #16 (10H)

Takes a time and fills a user-supplied buffer with an ASCII string formatted as human-readable text. The user-supplied buffer should be at least 12 bytes long.

Bits 7 and 5 of the hour is used to format the time, if it is a 12hr mode timestamp - AM or PM is appended accordingly.

- Input: H = hour (bit 7 = 12/24hr, 1=12hr mode)
(bit 5 = am/pm flag, 1=PM)
L = minute
D = second
IY = address of user supplied buffer
- Output: IY = moved to address after last byte
- Destroy: A

formatDate #17 (11H)

Takes a date and fills a user-supplied buffer with an ASCII string formatted as human-readable text. The user-supplied buffer should be at least 11 bytes long.

Dates are output as DD/MM/YYYY

- Input: H = Date
L = Month
DE = Year (2000 - 2099)
IY = address of user supplied buffer
- Output: IY = moved to address after last byte
- Destroy: A

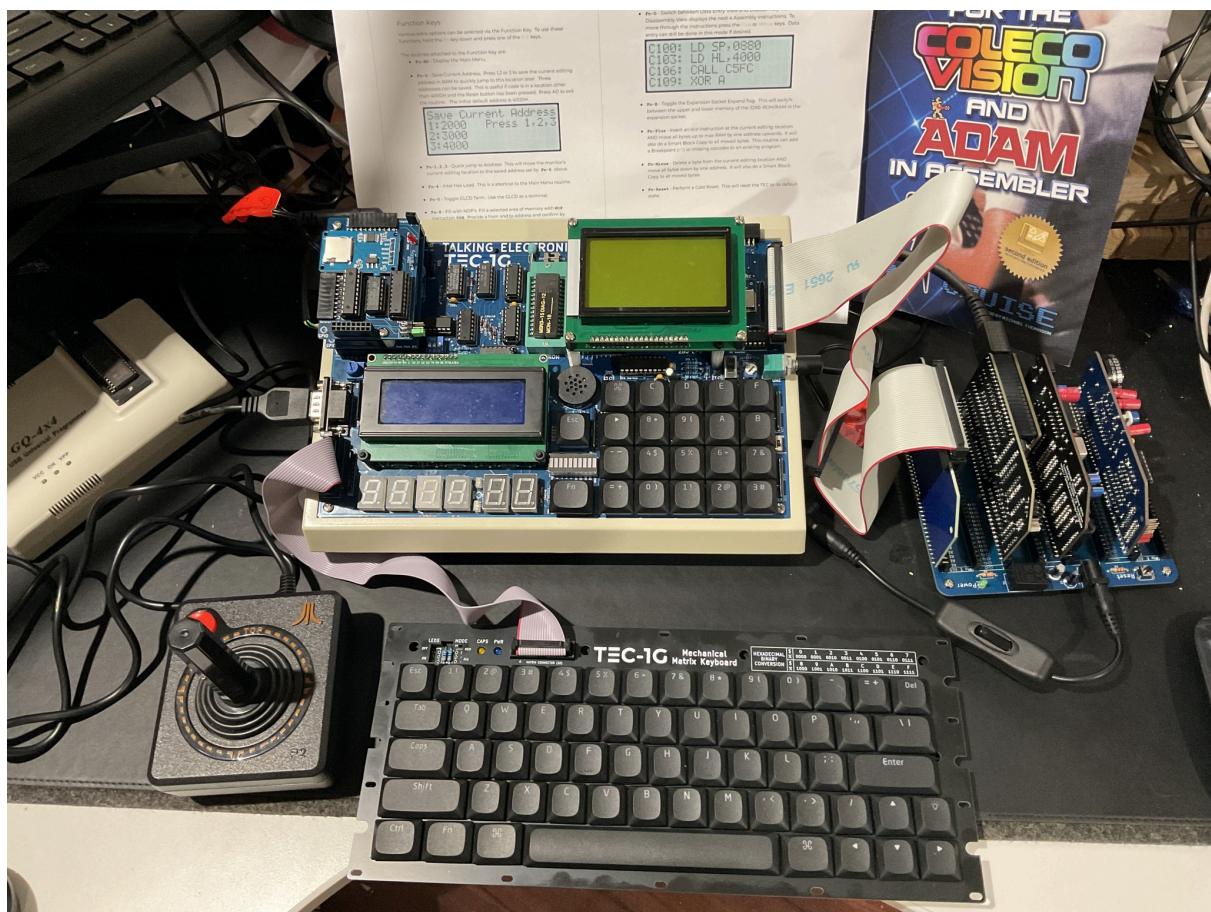
RTCSetup #18 (12H)

Standalone application that assists with configuring the RTC for initial use. The LCD displays the current RTC time and date with the instructions.

Keys: 0 = Hour, 1 = Minute, 2 = Second, 3 = 12/24h, 4 = Day of week, 5 = Day, 6 = Month, 7 = Year, 8 = View RTC PRAM, F = Reset RTC, AD = Exit.

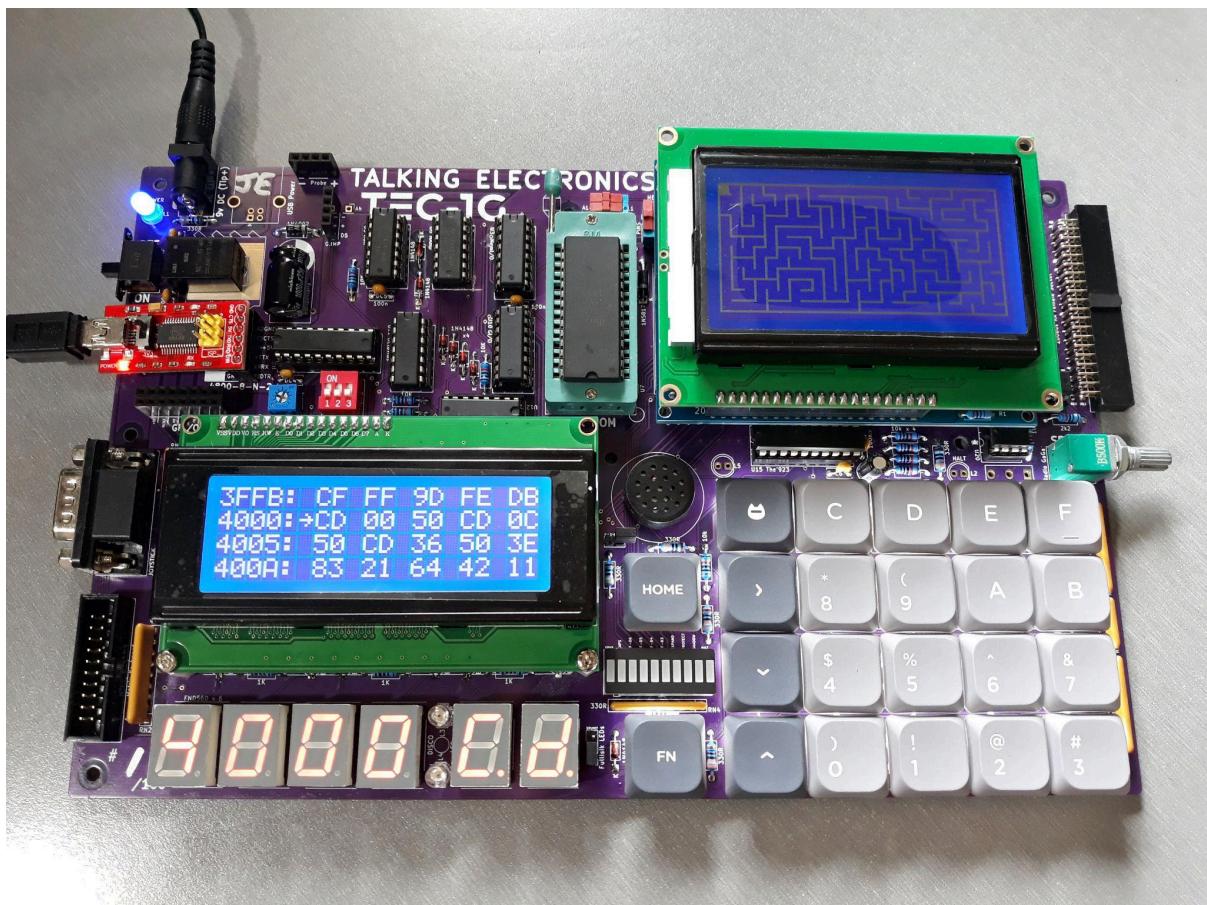
When viewing RTC RAM data, Plus = Move Down, Minus = Move Up, AD = Exit back to RTC Setup.

A TEC-1G with various add-on boards. Credit: Andrew McRae

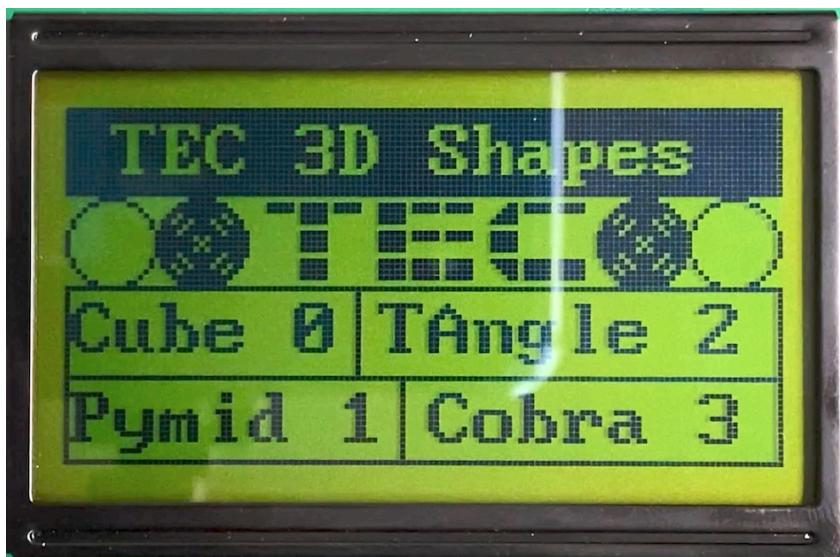


Graphical LCD Add-On Interface

Mon3 includes a Graphical LCD (GLCD) library that will work with the TEC-DECK Graphical LCD PCB Add-On. If the Graphical LCD is installed on the TEC-1G via the TEC-DECK headers, special GLCD API calls can be used to interface with the GLCD. The library is for GLCDs with the **ST7920** chip.



The GLCD library contains a variety of routines that can produce simple shapes and lines. These include text, lines, rectangles, circles and pixels.



General Conventions

The register **A** holds the API Call number. All other registers except the **IX** register can be used as parameters if needed. Executing a **RST 18H** or **DF** calls the GLCD API.

General Interface

```
ld a,[API Call Number]  
rst 18H
```

The following code will draw a box and write text to the GLCD

```
; Initialise and set to Graphics Mode  
3E 00 ld a,0 ; Initialise GLCD  
DF rst 18H  
3E 04 ld a,4 ; Graphics Mode  
DF rst 18H  
  
; Draw Box - Box Outline Example  
01 20 00 ld bc,0020H ; X0, Y0  
11 3F 7F ld de,7F3FH ; X1, Y1  
3E 06 ld a,6 ; Draw a outline box from X0,Y0 to X1,Y1  
DF rst 18H  
  
; Plot Graphics to LCD Screen (must do)  
3E 0C ld a,12 ; Plot To LCD  
DF rst 18H  
  
;Write Text to the Screen  
3E 05 ld a,5 ; Text Mode  
DF rst 18H  
0E 01 ld c,01H ; Row 1  
3E 0D ld a,13 ; Print String  
DF rst 18H  
54 45 43 2D 31 47 00 .db "TEC-1G",0
```

initLCD must be called at the start of every program. The GLCD has two modes, Text and Graphics. Both Text and Graphics can be displayed at the same time. These modes must be selected before the drawing or text routine. Also, **plotToLCD** must be called to display any graphics drawn to the screen. The above example adheres to these principles.

GLCD API Calls list

| Routine | # | 0x |
|-------------|----|----|
| initLCD | 0 | 0 |
| clearGBUF | 1 | 01 |
| clearGrLCD | 2 | 02 |
| clearTxtLCD | 3 | 03 |
| setGrMode | 4 | 04 |
| setTxtMode | 5 | 05 |
| drawBox | 6 | 06 |
| drawLine | 7 | 07 |
| drawCircle | 8 | 08 |
| drawPixel | 9 | 09 |
| fillBox | 10 | 0A |
| fillCircle | 11 | 0B |
| plotToLCD | 12 | 0C |
| printString | 13 | 0D |
| printChars | 14 | 0E |
| delayUS | 15 | 0F |
| delayMS | 16 | 10 |

| Routine | # | 0x |
|-----------------|----|----|
| setBufClear | 17 | 11 |
| setBufNoClear | 18 | 12 |
| clearPixel | 19 | 13 |
| flipPixel | 20 | 14 |
| drawGraphic | 21 | 15 |
| invGraphic | 22 | 16 |
| initTerminal | 23 | 17 |
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GLCD API Configure Calls

initLCD #0 (00H)

Initialise the LCD Screen. This routine is to be called before any other routine.

- Input: nothing
- Destroy: All

clearGBUF #1 (01H)

Clear the Graphics Buffer. The Graphics Buffer or GBUF is the internal memory area that contains pixel data for the LCD. The drawing routines write data to the GBUF. Once all pixels are set, this buffer is then plotted to the LCD with the **plotToLCD** Routine. Clearing the GBUF is a good way to ensure the pixel area is empty.

- Input: nothing
- Destroy: All

clearGrLCD #2 (02H)

Clear the Graphics LCD Screen. This routine clears the GDRAM or Graphics screen on the LCD.

- Input: nothing
- Destroy: All

clearTxtLCD #3 (03H)

Clear the Text LCD Screen. This routine clears the DDRAM or Text screen on the LCD.

- Input: nothing
- Destroy: All

setGrMode #4 (04H)

Set the LCD to Graphics Mode. This routine puts the LCD in Graphics mode (Extended Instructions). Any further instructions to the LCD will be for the graphics screen. It only needs to be called once if multiple graphics routines are used.

- Input: nothing
- Destroy: AF,DE

setTxtMode #5 (05H)

Set the LCD to Text Mode. This routine puts the LCD in Text mode (Basic Instructions). Any further instructions to the LCD will be for the text screen. It only needs to be called once if multiple text routines are used.

- Input: nothing
- Destroy: AF,DE

GLCD API Graphics Calls

drawBox #6 (06H)

Draws a single-line rectangle between two points X1, Y1 and X2, Y2.

- Input: B = X1-coordinate (0-127)
C = Y1-coordinate (0-63)
D = X2-coordinate (0-127)
E = Y2-coordinate (0-63)
- Destroy: AF, HL

```
ld bc,0020H      ;X0, Y0  
ld de,7F3FH      ;X1, Y1  
ld a,6           ;drawBox  
rst 18H
```

drawLine #7 (07H)

Draws a straight line between X1, Y1 and X2, Y2. Uses the Bresenham Line drawing algorithm. <http://members.chello.at/~easyfilter/bresenham.html>

- Input: B = X1-coordinate (0-127)
C = Y1-coordinate (0-63)
D = X2-coordinate (0-127)
E = Y2-coordinate (0-63)
- Destroy: All

```
ld bc,0010H      ;X0, Y0  
ld de,7F30H      ;X1, Y1  
ld a,7           ;drawLine  
rst 18H
```

drawCircle #8 (08H)

Draw a circle from midpoint to radius.

- Input: B = Mid-X-coordinate (0-127)
C = Mid-Y-coordinate (0-63)
E = Radius (1-63)
- Destroy: All

```
ld bc,0818H      ;Mid X, Mid Y  
ld e,08H          ;Radius  
ld a,8           ;drawCircle  
rst 18H
```

drawPixel #9 (09H)

Draws a single Pixel.

- Input: B = X-coordinate (0-127)
C = Y-coordinate (0-63)
- Destroy: AF, HL

```
ld bc,4020H      ;X,Y  
ld a,9           ;drawPixel  
rst 18H
```

fillBox #10 (0AH)

Draws a filled rectangle between X1, Y1 and X2, Y2.

- Input: B = X1-coordinate (0-127)
C = Y1-coordinate (0-63)
D = X2-coordinate (0-127)
E = Y2-coordinate (0-63)
- Destroy: AF, HL

```
ld bc,0020H      ;X0, Y0  
ld de,7F3FH      ;X1, Y1  
ld a,10          ;fillBox  
rst 18H
```

fillCircle #11 (0BH)

Draws a filled circle from a midpoint to a radius. This routine iteratively calls the **drawCircle** routine increasing the radius until it equals the register E. There might be gaps in the filled circle, but hey it looks just like what you get on a BASIC program.

- Input: B = Mid-X-coordinate (0-127)
C = Mid-Y-coordinate (0-63)
E = Radius (1-63)
- Destroy: All

```
ld bc,1018H      ;Mid X, Mid Y  
ld e,08H          ;Radius  
ld a,11          ;fillCircle  
rst 18H
```

plotToLCD #12 (0CH)

This routine draws the Graphics Buffer or GBUF to the Graphics LCD screen. It is usually called after one of the drawing routines is called. This routine must be called for any graphics to appear on the GLCD. After plotting the GBUF is cleared. Use **setBufNoClear** to retain the GBUF.

- Input: nothing
- Destroy: All

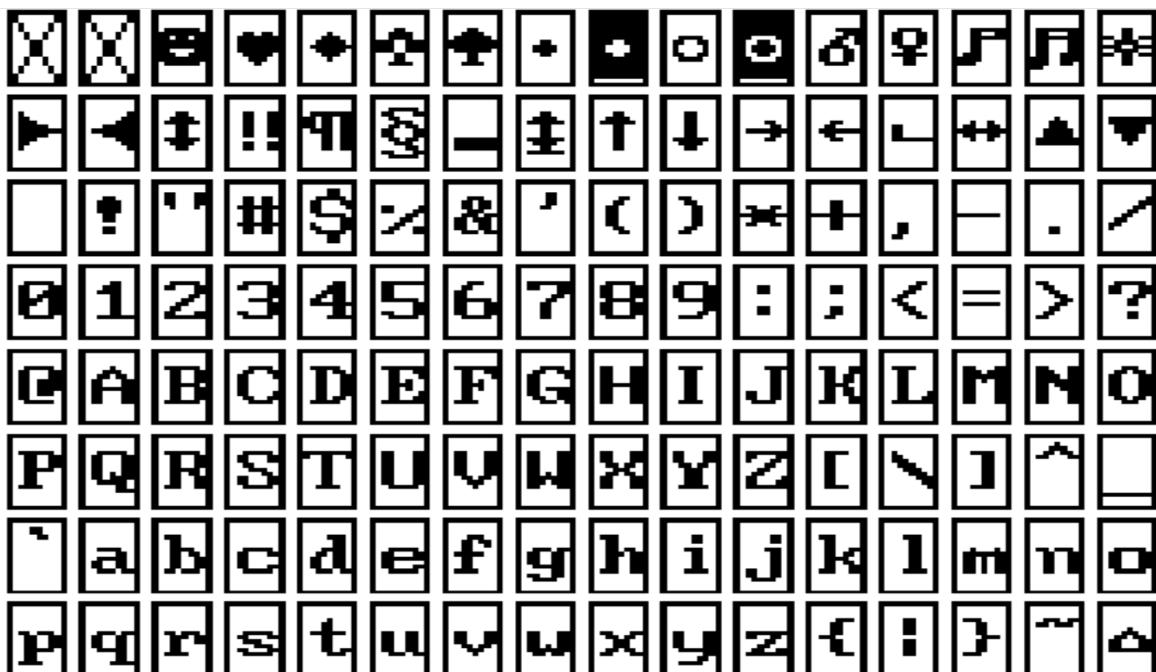
GLCD API Text Calls

printString #13 (0DH)

Prints ASCII text on a given row. There are 4 text rows on the LCD screen. The text is to be defined directly **after** the RST 18H routine and is to be terminated with a zero.

- Input: C = row number (0-3)
Text = "String" on the next line, terminate with 0
- Destroy: All

```
ld c,02H      ;Row 2
ld a,13       ;printString
rst 18H
.db 02H, " This Text ", 1BH ,00H
```



There are 128 characters that are available from 00H-7FH. Conveniently, Alphanumeric characters align with the ASCII table.

printChars #14 (0EH)

Print Characters on the screen in a given row and column. This routine is similar to the one above but character row *and* column placement can be made. Characters to be printed are to be terminated with a zero.

Even though there are 16 columns, only every second column can be written to and two characters are to be printed. IE: if one character is to be printed in column 2, then set B=0 and print " x", putting a space before the character.

- Input: B = column (0-7)
C = row (0-3)
HL = start address of text data
- Destroy: All. (HL will be at the end of the text data)

```
ld h1,TEXT_DATA
ld bc,0102H      ;Column 1, Row 2
ld a,14          ;printChars
rst 18H
...
TEXT_DATA:
.db "Hello!",0
```

GLCD API Utility Calls

delayUS #15 (0FH)

Delay loop for LCD to complete its instruction. Every time a command is sent to the LDC, it requires a small amount of time to complete that operation. IE: setting extended instruction mode. The time needed for most operations is defined in the LDC specification. It is usually around 72us. This routine is used internally, but can also be used directly. The delay time depends on how fast the CPU is running.

- Input: nothing
- Destroy: AF, DE

```
ld a,02H      ;Home instruction
out (07),a   ;send instruction to GLCD
ld a,15      ;delayUS
rst 18H
```

delayMS #16 (10H)

This is the same as the above routine, but the delay can be software controlled.

- Input: DE = delay value
- Destroy: AF,DE

```
ld a,01H      ;Clear instruction
out (07),a   ;send instruction to GLCD
ld de,0050H  ;longer delay
ld a,16       ;delayMS
rst 18H
```

setBufClear #17 (11H)

On every **plotToLCD** call, clear the graphics buffer GBUF. Calling this routine will clear the graphics buffer on every draw to the LCD. This is useful if doing animation that requires a new drawing to be displayed on every plot or frame.

- Input: none
- Destroy: AF

setBufNoClear #18 (12H)

Do not clear the graphics buffer on every **plotToLCD**. Calling this routine will not clear the graphics buffer on every draw to LCD. This is useful for adding graphics data to an existing drawing.

- Input: none
- Destroy: AF

clearPixel #19 (13H)

Removes or clears a single Pixel from the LCD.

- Input: B = X-coordinate (0-127)
C = Y-coordinate (0-63)
- Destroy: AF,HL

```
ld bc,4020H      ;X,Y
ld a,19          ;clearPixel
rst 18H
```

flipPixel #20 (14H)

Inverts a single Pixel. If the Pixel is on, it will turn off. If the Pixel is off, it will turn on.

- Input: B = X-coordinate (0-127)
C = Y-coordinate (0-63)
- Destroy: AF, HL

```
ld bc,4020H      ;X,Y  
ld a,20          ;flipPixel  
rst 18H
```

GLCD API Drawing Calls

drawGraphic #21 (15H)

Draw an ASCII character or Sprite to the GLCD at the current cursor. ASCII characters are 6x6 or 5x5 Pixels and most have a gap to the right and bottom for spacing. **plotToLCD** is still required to be called after all graphics have been drawn.

Graphics data is in the format of up to 16 bytes across and 64 bytes down, where a BIT set will indicate a pixel to be drawn. If graphics are less than 8 bits wide, then bits are read from the least significant bit.

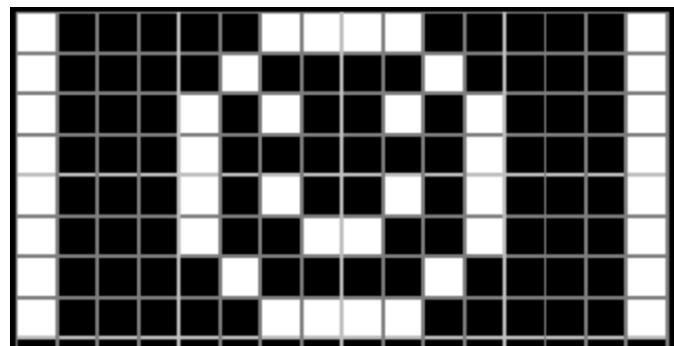
- Input: D = ASCII number or
D = 0 then:
 - HL = Address of graphic data
 - B = width of graphic in pixels (1-128)
 - C = height of graphic in pixels (1-64)
- Destroy: All

```
ld a,00H          ;Custom graphic  
ld hl,picture    ;Data table address  
ld b,16           ;B=16 pixels wide  
ld c,8            ;C=8 pixels down  
ld a,21           ;drawGraphic  
rst 18H  
ld a,12           ;plotToLCD  
rst 18H
```

<cont...>

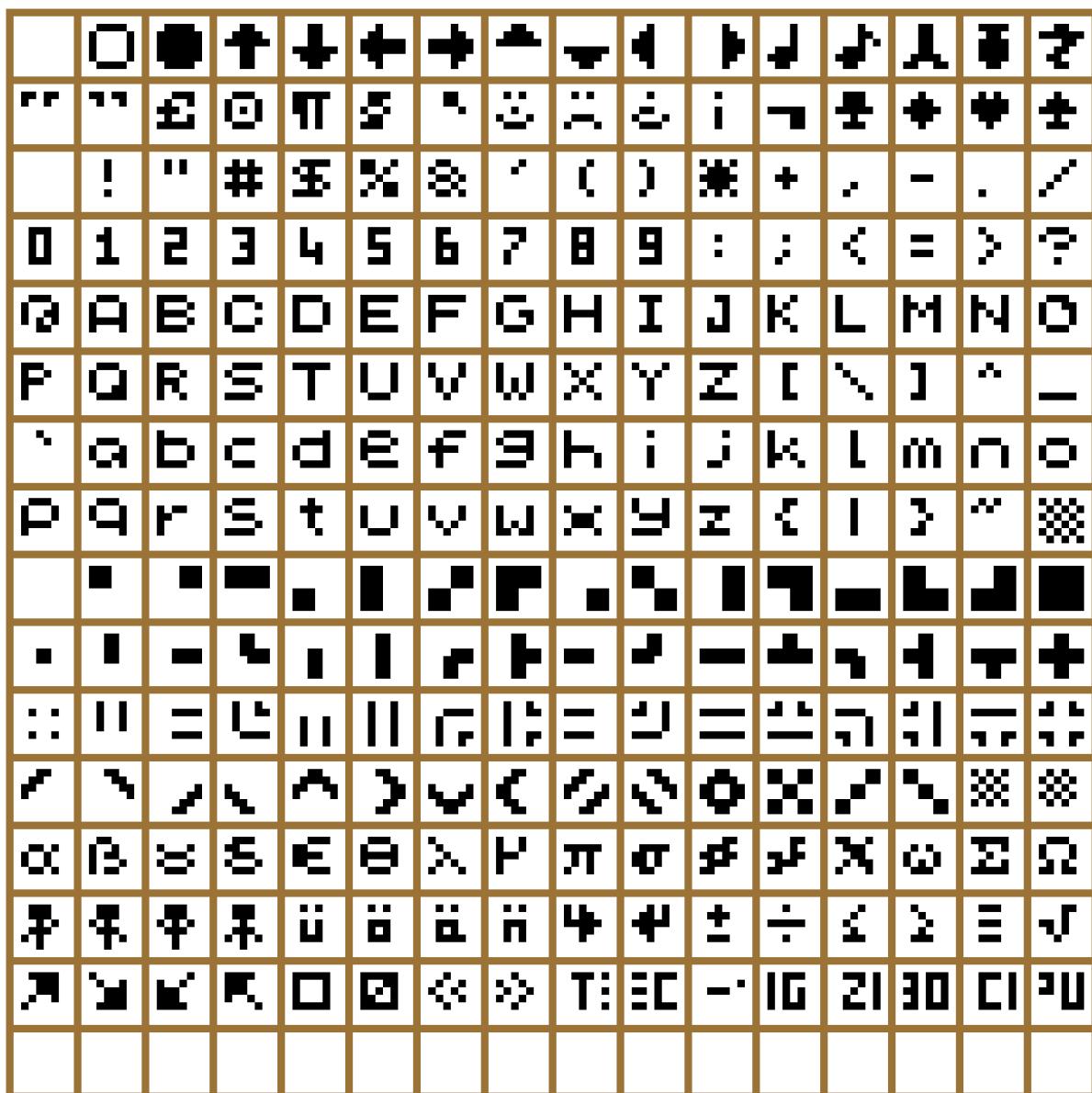
picture:

```
.db 10000011b, 11000001b  
.db 10000100b, 00100001b  
.db 10001010b, 01010001b  
.db 10001000b, 00010001b  
.db 10001010b, 01010001b  
.db 10001001b, 10010001b  
.db 10000100b, 00100001b  
.db 10000011b, 11000001b
```



This example will display this image from the current cursor position

Here is the complete list of ASCII characters 00H-FFH that can be displayed. Each character is up to 6 x 6 pixels and is numbered left to right, top to bottom. The characters align with the standard ASCII Table.



invGraphic #22 (16H)

Inverse graphics printing. Calling this routine will TOGGLE the inverse drawing flag. The initial state is normal. If in inverse mode, a pixel drawn using the **drawGraphic** routine is displayed if a BIT is not set.

- Input: none
- Output: none
- Destroy: A

underline #32 (20H)

Underline the graphics printing. Calling this routine will TOGGLE the underline drawing flag. The initial state is off. If in underline mode, the last pixel row will be set as on. Only applicable when using the **drawGraphic** routine.

- Input: none
- Output: none
- Destroy: A

The TEC Frogger game uses the GLCD and its API routines.



GLCD API Terminal Emulator Calls

initTerminal #23 (17H)

Initialise the GLCD for terminal emulation. This routine is to be called before any TERMINAL routine is called. It will set graphics and scroll buffers. It also Clears the GBUF, sets the cursor to top left and displays the cursor. This routine will also call **initLCD**.

- Input: none
- Output: none
- Destroy: All

autoLF #31 (1FH)

Automatic Line Feed when the cursor reaches the end of the row. When the cursor passes the last column, character entered via the **sendCharToLCD** will either wrap around, or start on a new line.

- Input: C = 0, Auto LF set, C <> 0, not set
- Output: none
- Destroy: A

plotAlways #33 (21H)

When **sendCharToLCD** is called, determine if the character should be sent immediately to the GLCD or be held in a buffer. If held in a buffer, call **plotToLCD** to update the GLCD. The default is ON and characters will be sent immediately. Turning this flag OFF can speed up the output if multiple characters are sent to the screen. Once sent, characters can be plotted all at once. If displaying characters directly from a keyboard input, this flag should be set ON.

- Input: C = 0, Plot Always set, C non zero, not set
- Output: none
- Destroy: A

sendCharToLCD #24 (18H)

Send or handle ASCII characters to the GLCD screen. This routine displays ASCII characters to the GLCD screen and handles some special control characters. It also handles scrolling history of 10 lines. Characters are drawn at the current cursor position. The Cursor will increment when a character is drawn. Characters will automatically be displayed on the LCD. Some special characters are:

- **CR / 0DH** = will move the cursor down and reset it column
 - **LF / 0AH** = is ignored
 - **FF / 0CH** = clear the terminal and scroll buffer (destroy AF,BC,DE,HL)
 - **BS / 08H** = will delete the character at the cursor and move cursor back one
 - **HT / 09H** = will TAB 4 spaces
 - **UP / 05H** = will scroll up one line if any
 - **DN / 06H** = will scroll down one line if any
-
- Input: C = ASCII character to send to the LCD screen or
C = 0 then draw the cursor only
 - Destroy: ALL

```
ld c,65          ;ASCII 'A'  
ld a,24          ;sendCharToLCD  
rst 18H  
ld c,0DH         ;Carriage Return  
ld a,24          ;sendCharToLCD  
rst 18H
```

sendStringToLCD #25 (19H)

Send a string of characters to the GLCD. Prints a string pointed by **DE** at the current cursor. It stops printing and returns when either a **CR** is printed or when the next byte is the same as what is in register **C**.

- Input: C = Character to stop printing string
DE = address of string to print

- Destroy: ALL

```
ld de,text       ;Text to display  
ld c,0           ;terminate on zero  
ld a,25          ;sendStringToLCD  
rst 18H
```

```
text: .db "Hello TEC-1G!",0
```

sendRegToLCD #26 (1AH)

Display a byte or register in ASCII on the GLCD at the current cursor

- Input: C = byte to convert and display
- Destroy: ALL

```
ld c,a          ;display register A
ld a,26         ;sendRegToLCD
rst 18H
ld c,7BH        ;display '7B'
ld a,26         ;sendRegToLCD
rst 18H
```

sendHLToLCD #27 (1BH)

Display the register HL in ASCII on the GLCD at the current cursor

- Input: HL = 2-byte register to convert and display
- Destroy: ALL

```
ld hl,0A6CH     ;display '0A6C'
ld a,27         ;sendHLToLCD
rst 18H
```

setCursor #28 (1CH)

Set the Graphic cursor position for Terminal Emulation. Update is ignored if either X,Y input is out of bounds.

- Input: B = X position in pixels (0-127)
C = Y position in pixels (0-63)
- Destroy: A

```
ld bc,4020H     ;cursor at X=64, Y=32 (middle of screen)
ld a,28         ;setCursor
rst 18H
```

getCursor #29 (1DH)

Get the current cursor position

- Input: none
- Output: B = X position in pixels (0-127)
C = Y position in pixels (0-63)

displayCursor #30 (1EH)

Turn the cursor ON or OFF. Default is Cursor ON

- Input: C = 0, Turn cursor on, C=non zero, turn cursor off
- Destroy: ALL

GLCD Examples

Provided in the TEC-1G GitHub repository are three GLCD programs. The programs have already been converted to Intel Hex files and are ready to load onto the TEC. All programs start at address **2000H**. Source code for all programs are provided and can be changed and studied.

The TEC-1G GitHub account is here: <https://github.com/MarkJelic/TEC-1G> and the GLCD examples are in the TEC-Deck/Graphical_LCD directory.

lcd_3d_demo

Draw 3D wireframe graphics and rotate them. This program requires keypad input to rotate the objects. Buttons **4,8** and **C** rotate the object in the 3-axis. **Plus** and **Minus** will zoom the object in and out. **0** will return to the main menu. Pressing **GO** will exit the program

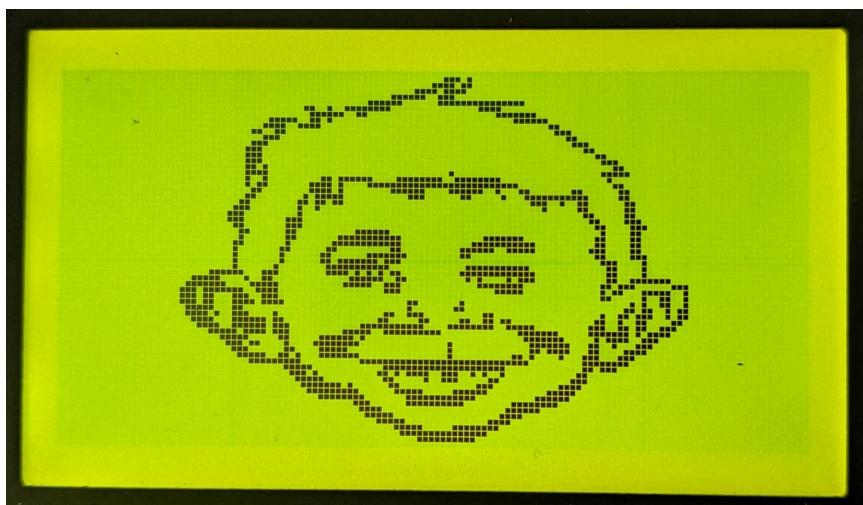
lcd_mad_program

Draw Alfred E. Neuman's face. This program draws lines between two points and creates the face of the Mad Magazine mascot. It draws one line at a time, similar to how it would display on an Apple][. But if the program is run at **2022H** it will generate instantly. <https://meatfighter.com/mad/>

lcd_maze_gen

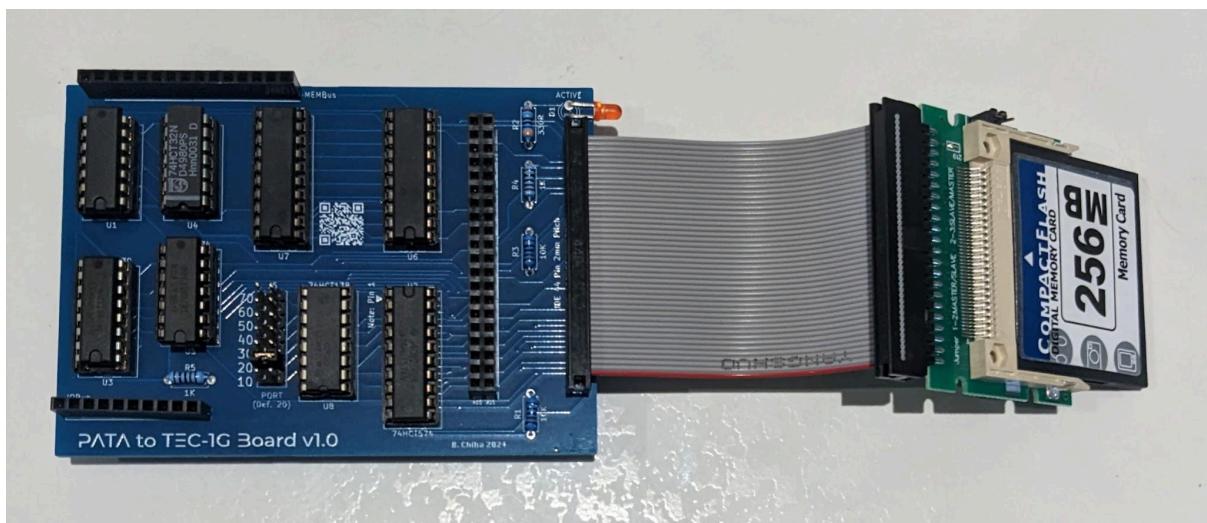
Create a maze. This program generates a maze using a recursive backtracking algorithm. Watch the maze slowly generate before your eyes.

Some easy-to-type examples have also been provided in the Quick Start Programs chapter below.



Hard Drive Access

Mon3 has the ability to read and write to files from certain Hard Drives and Solid State cards with Add-On boards. There are two boards that will give access to these drives, The GPIO/SD board and the PATA board. The GPIO board connects a Micro SD card and uses the General Purpose IO port. The PATA board connects a PATA laptop hard drive or a Compact Flash card and uses the TEC Deck connector.



In terms of the particular medium used to store files, there are a few things to note:

- FAT32 (File Allocation Table) is the only file system Mon3 recognises. The drive must be formatted using FAT32 and be on the first MBR Partition.
- Mon3 looks at the Root (top level) directory for files. A maximum of 49 files can read from the drive.
- Only short name files are displayed. Short file names use up to 8 characters for the file name and 3 for the extension. IE: "INVADERS.HEX". If a file has a longer name, the FAT32

system automatically creates a shortened version.

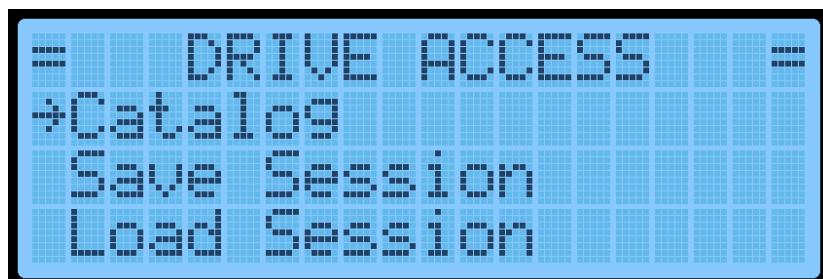
With FAT32, files can be seamlessly copied from your PC/MAC to the drive. A USB to drive reader is required, which can be easily found.

If both GPIO and PATA boards are connected to the TEC, Mon3 will prioritise the GPIO board then the PATA board. Details of the Add-on Boards can be found in the TEC-1G GitHub repository.

Mon3 can only Read or Write to existing files. There is no ability to create new files from the TEC to the drive. To transfer code from the TEC to the drive, first, use the EXPORT RAW DATA menu option to transfer the code via Serial to your PC/MAC. Then copy the binary from your PC/MAC to the drive via a USB to SD/PATA/CF adaptor.

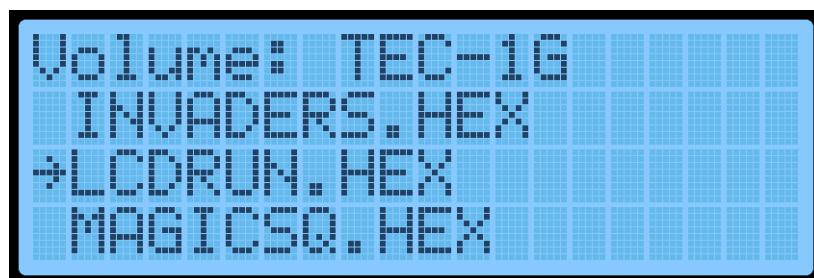
Access to the Drive

In the Main Menu, select **DRIVE ACCESS**. A menu will be displayed with three options. Catalog, Save Session and Load Session. These options also have shortcuts in Data Entry mode.

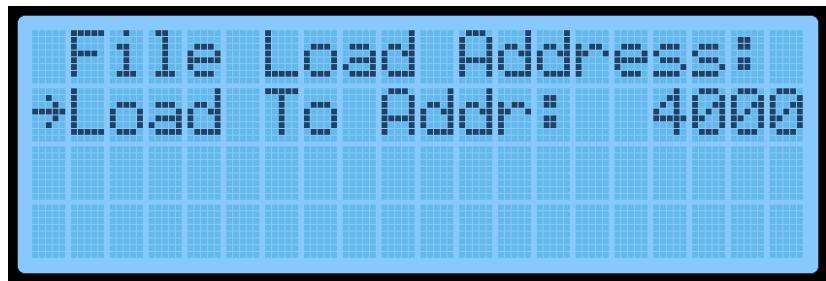


Catalog

Catalog will display a list of readable files in the root directory of the drive. Catalog can also be access by from Data Entry mode by pressing **Fn-F**. If Mon3 finds files on the drive, they will be displayed on the LCD screen.



Use **Plus/Minus** to select the file to load and **GO** to load the file. **AD** will exit back to the Menu. If the file has the extension *.HEX, it is assumed that this file is in Intel Hex format and it will automatically convert the file to binary prior to loading. Any other extension will ask for a Start Address as to where the file is to be loaded at.



See the Useful Links section below on how to load your drive with ready to run TEC-1G files.

Save / Load Session

The entire contents of RAM can be saved to a file and loaded back to the TEC. This is an equivalent to saving/restoring a session. It replaces any need to use Non-Volatile RAM. It can be used prior to powering down to save any unfinished work. Then be able to access the same machine state later on.

As Mon3 can't create files, the session file must be created on your PC/MAC. The filename must be called "**MYDATA.TEC**" and be exactly **64 Kb** in size. The file can be easily created using the following command line statements.

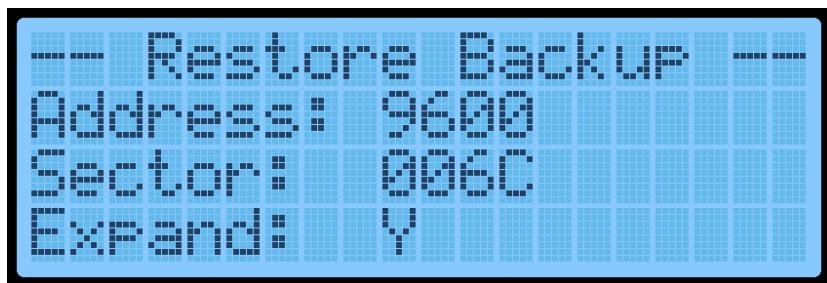
| O/S | Command |
|------------|--|
| MS Windows | >fsutil file createnew MYDATA.TEC 65536 |
| MAC OSX | \$dd if=/dev/zero of=MYDATA.TEC bs=65536 count=1 |

A File Not Found error will appear if Mon3 can't find the MYDATA.TEC file on your drive.

Save Session will save normal RAM between **0000H-BFFFH** and Expansion RAM if any between **8000H-BFFFH**. Save Session can also be access in Data Entry mode by pressing **Fn-6**.

Load Session does the reverse of Save Session. It will ask to Confirm this task as it will overwrite all existing RAM data. Load Session can also be access in Data Entry mode by pressing **Fn-7**.

While the drive is being accessed, the LCD will display the current progress.



Error Messages

If any errors occur while accessing the drive, an error message will be displayed on the LCD and the code will exit after a key is pressed.

Error messages descriptions are below:

| Message | Description |
|----------------|---|
| Disk Timeout | No Communication with PATA drive |
| Data Not Ready | Read data request failed |
| IDE ERR IO Bad | Data transfer error |
| Can't read MBR | Couldn't read sector 0 of drive |
| MBR Illegal | Malformed MBR record |
| BPB Read Fail | Bios Parameter Block of FAT32 not found |
| Byt/Sec != 512 | FAT32 Bytes per Sector is not 512 |
| Root Dir Read | FAT lookup of sector failed |
| File Not Found | File selected not found in menu configuration |
| Bad Checksum | HEX file is corrupt |
| No SD Card | SD Card not found |
| OCR Read Fail | SD Addressing mode illegal |
| Invalid SDCard | SD Card can't be used |
| CMD16 Failed | SD Block size can't be set to 512 |
| Addr. Too Big | Read Sector address greater than file size |

Drive Access API Calls

Special API calls have been created to help with opening, reading and writing to files within your own code. The details of these calls and their limitations are described below.

loadFromDisk #58 (3AH)

Catalog the files on the disk and display them on the LCD Display for loading. This is the same as selecting CATALOG from the main menu or **Fn-F** from data entry mode.

- Input: None
- Destroy: ALL

```
ld c,58          ;loadFromDisk
rst 10H
```

openFile #59 (3BH)

Open a file for reading or writing. The routine will exit cleanly if success or an error will be displayed if file isn't found. The filename is case sensitive and must match exactly. The file must already be existing on the drive.

- Input: HL = Pointer to zero terminated File name
- Destroy: ALL

```
ld hl,filename   ;address of file text
ld c,59          ;openFile
rst 10H
```

```
filename: .db "TBASIC.HEX",0
```

readSector #60 (3CH)

Load a sector from the opened file. Requires **openFile** to be called prior but only once. A sector, which is 512 bytes, will be loaded at address 0600H-07FFH. The input is the byte address in the file. The entire sector where that byte is will be returned. An error will display if the input byte is bigger than actual file size.

- Input: HLDE = address in bytes of block to read
- Destroy: ALL

```
ld hl,0001H      ;upper byte
ld de,2575H      ;lower byte
ld c,60          ;readSector
rst 10H
```

This example will read the sector that contains the byte **12575H** and place that sector in address **0600H-07FFH**.

writeSector #61 (3DH)

Write a sector to an opened file. Requires a **readSector** to be called first. The sector will be saved back to the same position in the file from the readSector routine. To use this routine, firstly call the readSector routine. Data at address 0600H-07FFH can then be altered and a writeSector can be called to save the modifications back to the file.

- Input: None
- Destroy: ALL

```
ld hl,0001H      ;upper byte
ld de,2575H      ;lower byte
ld c,60          ;readSector first
rst 10H

;    ** Modify data at 0600H-07FFH here

ld c,61          ;writeSector
rst 10H
```

This example will read a sector first, make some modifications and then write it back to the file.

Quick Start Programs

Who wants the TEC-1G to say Hello? Here are three ways TEC can do this. Only a summary of the programs has been provided, making the examples a good exercise for learning how they work. The programs utilise Mon3 API routines as discussed in the Advanced Programming chapter.

This routine is the shortest. It will display the data at **4009** using **RST 20** to multiplex and key scan. If the **AD** key is pressed the routine will exit. Data at **4009** is hardcoded to display HELLO on the seven segments

```
4000 11 09 40 LD DE,4009
4003 E7 RST 20
4004 FE 13 CP 13
4006 20 F8 JR NZ,4000
4008 C9 RET
4009 6E C7 C2 .db 6E C7 C2
400B C2 EB 18 .db C2 EB 18
```

This routine will display HELLO on the LCD Screen. It first clears the LCD by calling **commandToLCD** and then calling **stringToLCD** to display a zero-terminated ASCII string. Press the **AD** key to exit.

```
4000 06 01 LD B,01
4002 0E 0F LD C,0F
4004 D7 RST 10
4005 21 11 40 LD HL,4011
4008 0E 0D LD C,0D
400A D7 RST 10
400B CF RST 08
400C FE 13 CP 13
400E 20 FB JR NZ,400B
4010 C9 RET
4011 48 45 4C .db "HEL"
4014 4C 4F 21 00 .db "LO!",0
```

This routine will convert the ASCII “HELLO!” to seven segment code using the **ASCIItoSegment** routine. Then it will use **RST 20** to multiplex and key scan. Change the ASCII at **401A** to display something different.

```
4000 21 1A 40 LD HL,401A
4003 11 20 20 LD DE,2020
4006 06 06 LD B,06
4008 0E 06 LD C,06
400A 7E LD A,(HL)
400B D7 RST 10
400C 12 LD (DE),A
400D 23 INC HL
400E 13 INC DE
400F 10 F9 DJNZ 400A
4011 11 20 20 LD DE,2020
4014 E7 RST 20
4015 FE 13 CP 13
4017 20 F8 JR NZ,4011
```

```
4019 C9 RET
401A 48 45 4C .db "HEL"
401D 4C 4F 21 .db "LO!"
```

Matrix Keyboard echo to the Serial Terminal

This program demonstrates how to read in key presses from the Matrix Keyboard, convert the keys to ASCII, handle key bounce and send the ASCII to a serial terminal. Interestingly, lines 4006 to 4028 can be replaced with the **PARSEMATRIXSCAN** API call. *Fun Task:* Modify the program to display on the LCD.

```
MATRIXSCAN      .EQU 12H
SERIALENABLE    .EQU 14H
TXBYTE          .EQU 16H
TOGGLECAPS      .EQU 30H
MATRIXSCANASCII .EQU 35H
KEY_VALUE        .EQU 2000H           ;RAM location of key value

4000 0E 14      LD C,SERIALENABLE ;set serial to send bytes
4002 D7          RST 10H          ;API call
4003 0E 12      LD C,MATRIXSCAN  ;Scan the keyboard
4005 D7          RST 10H          ;API call
4006 28 06      JR Z,400E        ;valid key has been pressed
4008 AF          XOR A           ;reset last key pressed
4009 32 00 20    LD (KEY_VALUE),A
400C 18 F5      JR 4003         ;get next key
400E 3A 00 20    LD A,(KEY_VALUE) ;ignore key if its the same
4011 BB          CP E            ;check if first key is
4012 28 EF      JR Z,4003         ;Shift,Ctrl or Fn and ignore
4014 7B          LD A,E          ;is the key CAPS LOCK?
4015 32 00 20    LD (KEY_VALUE),A
4018 FE 03      CP 03H          ;check if first key is
401A 38 E7      JR C,4003         ;Shift,Ctrl or Fn and ignore
401C 3E 07      LD A,07H        ;is the key CAPS LOCK?
401E BB          CP E            ;no, then skip caps toggle
401F 20 05      JR NZ,4026        ;toggle caps lock flag
4021 0E 30      LD C,TOGGLECAPS
4023 D7          RST 10H          ;API call
4024 18 DD      JR 4003         ;send key pressed to serial
4026 0E 35      LD C,MATRIXSCANASCII ;convert to ASCII
4028 D7          RST 10H          ;API call
4029 0E 16      LD C,TXBYTE       ;send key pressed to serial
402B D7          RST 10H          ;API call
402C 18 D5      JR 4003         ;loop back to matrixScan
```

Seven Segment Scroller via the Serial Terminal

This program reads in text from the serial terminal and scrolls the text on the Seven Segment Displays. Pressing Enter (Carriage Return) will start the scroll. It uses **ASCIITOSEGMENT** to convert ASCII to Seven Segment Display format. This routine only works using the TEC-1G Hex Keypad. *Fun Task:* Modify the program to display text on the LCD.

```
ASCIITOSEGMENT    .EQU 06H
SERIALENABLE      .EQU 14H
TXBYTE            .EQU 16H
RXBYTE            .EQU 17H
START_STR         .EQU 2000H          ;Start of string address
ASCII_STR          .EQU 2002H          ;RAM location of ASCII text

4000 0E 14        LD C,SERIALENABLE ;set serial to send bytes
4002 D7           RST 10H           ;API call
4003 11 02 20     LD DE,ASCII_STR   ;set DE to store ASCII
4006 0E 17        LD C,RXBYTE       ;get a byte from terminal
4008 D7           RST 10H           ;API call
4009 FE 0D        CP 0DH            ;is the byte a CR?
400B 28 0A        JR Z,4017          ;yes jump to scroll routine
400D 0E 16        LD C,TXBYTE        ;echo byte back to terminal
400F D7           RST 10H           ;API call
4010 0E 06        LD C,ASCIITOSEGMENT ;convert ASCII to 7-Seg
4012 D7           RST 10H           ;API call
4013 12           LD (DE),A          ;save modified ASCII
4014 13           INC DE            ;move to next RAM location
4015 18 EF        JR 4006            ;loop for more input
4017 3E FF        LD A,0FFH          ;place FF at end of string
4019 12           LD (DE),A          ;scroll loop starts here
401A 21 02 20     LD HL,ASCII_STR   ;reset to start of string
401D 22 00 20     LD (START_STR),HL
4020 26 00        LD H,00H           ;set timer to zero
4022 ED 5B 00 20  LD DE,(START_STR) ;point to start of string
4026 E7           RST 20H           ;scan segments & scan keys
4027 C8           RET Z             ;if key is pressed, exit
4028 25           DEC H             ;delay for full 256 bytes
4029 20 F7        JR NZ,4022          ;repeat multiplex
402B 1A           LD A,(DE)          ;check to see if FF is
402C 3C           INC A             ;the next char to display
402D 28 EB        JR Z,401A          ;it is, go back to begining
402F 21 00 20     LD HL,START_STR   ;shift start by one address
4032 34           INC (HL)          ;(max 254 characters!)
4033 18 EB        JR 4020            ;display scroll again
```

Three GLCD demos are provided to demonstrate how to use the GLCD API calls. They are a circle animation that uses graphics mode, a font demonstration in text mode and a terminal display example.

Making Bubbles

This program first sets up the LCD to use Graphics and ensures that on every plotToLCD the internal graphics buffer is cleared. This makes the circle animate. Then a circle is expanded until it reaches the end of the screen. A beep is played and the code is repeated. *Fun Task:* Modify the time delay to change the speed of the growing bubble.

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| INITLCD | .EQU 0 |
| SETGRMODE | .EQU 4 |
| DRAWCIRCLE | .EQU 8 |
| PLOTTOLCD | .EQU 12 |
| SETBUFCLEAR | .EQU 17 |
| BEEP | .EQU 3 |
| TIMEDELAY | .EQU 33 |
| 4000 3E 00 | LD A,INITLCD ; Initialise the GLCD |
| 4002 DF | RST 18H |
| 4003 3E 04 | LD A,SETGRMODE ; Set Graphics Mode |
| 4005 DF | RST 18H |
| 4006 3E 11 | LD A,SETBUFCLEAR ; Set Gr Buffer to Clear |
| 4008 DF | RST 18H |
| 4009 0E 03 | LD C,BEEP ; Play a Beep |
| 400B D7 | RST 10H |
| 400C 1E 01 | LD E,1 ; Set initial radius to 1 |
| 400E 01 20 40 | LD BC,4020H ; Set X,Y to mid screen |
| 4011 C5 | PUSH BC ; Save BC/DE |
| 4012 D5 | PUSH DE |
| 4013 3E 08 | LD A,DRAWCIRCLE ; Draw Circle |
| 4015 DF | RST 18H |
| 4016 3E 0C | LD A,PLOTTOLCD ; Output to LCD |
| 4018 DF | RST 18H |
| 4019 0E 21 | LD C,TIMEDELAY ; Wait a bit |
| 401B 21 00 40 | LD HL,4000H |
| 401E D7 | RST 10H |
| 401F D1 | POP DE ; Restore BC/DE |
| 4020 C1 | POP BC |
| 4021 1C | INC E ; Increase radius by 1 |
| 4022 CB 6B | BIT 5,E ; Check if bubble hits edge |
| 4024 20 E3 | JR NZ,4009 ; Yes, reset radius |
| 4026 18 E9 | JR 4011 ; No, redraw circle |

GLCD Font Display

This program cycles through all stored fonts on the GLCD. Characters on the GLCD are stored in the Character Generator ROM (CGROM). The program sets up the LCD for text mode and displays characters on the screen. Press any key to continue. The code also uses the GLCD ports directly, skipping the API. This is perfectly fine to do. See the ST7920 manual on how to send instructions directly to the GLCD. This routine only works using the TEC-1G Hex Keypad.

```
INITLCD      .EQU 0
SETXTMODE    .EQU 5
PRINTSTRING   .EQU 13
DELAYUS       .EQU 15

4000 3E 00     LD A,INITLCD      ;Initialise the GLCD
4002 DF        RST 18H
4003 3E 05     LD A,SETXTMODE   ;Set Text Mode
4005 DF        RST 18H
4006 3E 0D     LD A,PRINTSTRING ;Display Text
4008 DF        RST 18H
4009 20 50 72 65 .DB " Press Any Key",0
400D 73 73 20 41
4011 6E 79 20 4B
4015 65 79 00
4018 0E 00     LD C,0           ;Character Counter
401A CF        RST 08H          ;Wait for key press
401B 06 40     LD B,40H          ;64 Characters per screen
401D 3E 80     LD A,80H          ;row 1 on LCD
401F CD 47 40  CALL 4047        ;Set Row on LCD
4022 79        LD A,C           ;Get Character
4023 CD 4B 40  CALL 404B        ;Display Character on LCD
4026 0C        INC C            ;Next Character
4027 CB 79     BIT 7,C          ;Is C=80H
4029 20 04     JR NZ,402F        ;Yes, display chinese chars
402B 10 F5     DJNZ 4022        ;No, display next character
402D 18 EB     JR 401A          ;Page done, next page
402F 21 40 A1  LD HL,A140H       ;Point to Chinese ROM
4032 CF        RST 08H          ;Wait for key press
4033 06 20     LD B,20H          ;32 Characters per screen
4035 3E 80     LD A,80H          ;row 1 on LCD
4037 CD 47 40  CALL 4047        ;Set Row on LCD
403A 7C        LD A,H           ;Get Character High Byte
403B CD 4B 40  CALL 404B        ;Display Character on LCD
403E 7D        LD A,L           ;Get Character Low Byte
403F CD 4B 40  CALL 404B        ;Display Character on LCD
4042 23        INC HL            ;Next Character
4043 10 F5     DJNZ 403A        ;Display next character
4045 18 EB     JR 4032          ;New Page
4047 D3 07     OUT (07H),A       ;Send instruction to LCD
4049 18 02     JR 404D          ;Do Delay
404B D3 87     OUT (87H),A       ;Send data to LCD
404D 3E 0F     LD A,DELAYUS     ;Set Delay
404F DF        RST 18H
4050 C9        RET
```

Use the GLCD as a serial terminal

This program turns the GLCD into a text terminal. Characters entered are displayed on the GLCD and standard keyboard commands like carriage return and backspace also work. To scroll press left and right arrows on the keyboard. Ctrl-A will turn the cursor on, Ctrl-B turn the cursor off, Ctrl-C will inverse the characters typed and Ctrl-D will exit.

```
MATRIXSCAN      .EQU 12H
PARSEMATRIXSCAN .EQU 36H
INVGRAPHIC     .EQU 16H
INITTERMINAL    .EQU 17H
SENDCHARTOLCD   .EQU 18H
DISPLAYCURSOR   .EQU 1EH

4000 3E 17      LD A,INITTERMINAL ; Initialise the GLCD
4002 DF          RST 18H           ; GLCD API call
4003 0E 12      LD C,MATRIXSCAN ; Matrix Scan API Entry
4005 D7          RST 10H           ; API call
4006 0E 36      LD C,PARSEMATRIXSCAN ; Parse Matrix Scan API
4008 D7          RST 10H           ; API call
4009 30 F8      JR NC,4003        ; Loop if no key pressed
400B FE 04      CP 04H            ; Is key Ctrl-D?
400D C8          RET Z             ; Yes, then Exit
400E FE 03      CP 03H            ; Is key Ctrl-A or B?
4010 30 07      JR NC,4019        ; No, then jump ahead
4012 3D          DEC A             ; Adjust A to be 0 or 1
4013 4F          LD C,A            ; Set A as parameter
4014 3E 1E      LD A,DISPLAYCURSOR ; Toggle Cursor GLCD API
4016 DF          RST 18H           ; GLCD API call
4017 18 EA      JR 4003          ; Done, check for new key
4019 FE 03      CP 03H            ; Is key Ctrl-C?
401B 20 05      JR NZ,4022        ; No, then jump ahead
401D 3E 16      LD A,INVGRAPHIC ; Toggle Inverse Mode
401F DF          RST 18H           ; GLCD API call
4020 18 E1      JR 4003          ; Done, check for new key
4022 4F          LD C,A            ; Set Keypress as parameter
4023 3E 18      LD A,SENDCHARTOLCD ; Send Character GLCD API
4025 DF          RST 18H           ; GLCD API call
4026 18 DB      JR 4003          ; Done, check for new key
```

Display a Clock on the Seven Segments

This program requires the RTC Add-on board and will display the current time set on the RTC Board on the Seven Segments.. A check for 12/24 hour mode is done to determine how the Hours are displayed. If in 12 hour mode, Bit 5 is cleared and a decimal point is inserted. Pressing AD will quit the program.

```
RTCPRESENT      .EQU 00H
GETTIME         .EQU 02H
GET1224MODE    .EQU 08H
CONVATOSEG     .EQU 04H
RTCAPI          .EQU 46H
DISP_BUFF       .EQU 2000H           ; 7 Segment Display Buffer
4000 0E 2E      LD C,RTCAPI        ; RTC API Entry
4002 06 00      LD B,RTCPRESENT   ; Is RTC Board Installed?
4004 D7          RST 10H           ; API call
4005 D8          RET C            ; Carry Set = No, Just Exit
4006 0E 2E      LD C,RTCAPI        ; RTC API Entry
4008 06 02      LD B,GETTIME       ; Get Current RTC Time
400A D7          RST 10H           ; API call
400B 7A          LD A,D            ; Get Seconds
400C 11 04 20    LD DE,DISP_BUFF+4  ; point DE to seconds buffer
400F 0E 04      LD C,CONVATOSEG   ; Convert A to 7 Segment
4011 D7          RST 10H           ; API call saves in DE
4012 7D          LD A,L            ; Get Minutes
4013 11 02 20    LD DE,DISP_BUFF+2  ; point DE to minutes buffer
4016 0E 04      LD C,CONVATOSEG   ; Convert A to 7 Segment
4018 D7          RST 10H           ; API call saves in DE
4019 0E 2E      LD C,RTCAPI        ; RTC API Entry
401B 06 08      LD B,GET1224MODE  ; Check if 12 or 24 Hour
401D D7          RST 10H           ; API call
401E 28 0A      JR Z,402A          ; 24 Mode, skip AM/PM setup
4020 CB AC      RES 5,H            ; Remove AM/PM Flag (Bit 5)
4022 3A 03 20    LD A,(DISP_BUFF+3) ; Get 4th segment value
4025 F6 10      OR 10H             ; Set Decimal Point Segment
4027 32 03 20    LD (DISP_BUFF+3),A ; Save back to segment
402A 7C          LD A,H            ; Get Hour
402B 11 00 20    LD DE,DISP_BUFF  ; point DE to hour buffer
402E 0E 04      LD C,CONVATOSEG   ; Convert A to 7 Segment
4030 D7          RST 10H           ; API call saves in DE
4031 11 00 20    LD DE,DISP_BUFF  ; point to start of buffer
4034 E7          RST 20H           ; Scan Segments & Key Press
4035 FE 13      CP 13H             ; Is key press "AD" key?
4037 20 CD      JR NZ,4006          ; No, Loop Main Display
4039 C9          RET               ; Exit back to Monitor
```

Appendix

Ports

| Port | Direction | Description |
|-------------|------------------|---|
| 00H | In | Keypad press encoder ➔ Bit 0-4 HexPad ➔ Bit 5 Function Key (Active Low) ➔ Bit 6-7 N/A |
| 01H | Out | Seven segment digits switch ➔ Bit 0-1 Data Segments ➔ Bit 2-5 Address Segments ➔ Bit 6 FTDI Rx (Out), Disco LED's ➔ Bit 7 Speaker |
| 02H | Out | Seven segment LED switch ➔ Bit 0 G segment ➔ Bit 1 F segment ➔ Bit 2 C segment ➔ Bit 3 D segment ➔ Bit 4 E segment ➔ Bit 5 DP segment ➔ Bit 6 B segment ➔ Bit 7 A segment |
| 03H | In | System Input ➔ Bit 0 Matrix Keyboard (DIP-3) ➔ Bit 1 Protect Mode (DIP-3) ➔ Bit 2 Expand Mode (DIP-3) ➔ Bit 3 Expand Status ➔ Bit 4 Cartridge Flag ➔ Bit 5 General Input ➔ Bit 6 Keypress Flag ➔ Bit 7 FTDI Tx (In) |
| 04H | In/Out | LCD Instruction |
| 05H | Out | LED 8x8 Matrix Horizontal (TEC Expander) |
| 06H | Out | LED 8x8 Matrix Vertical (TEC Expander) |
| 07H | Out | Graphical LCD Instruction |
| 84H | In/Out | LCD Data |

| Port | Direction | Description |
|-------------|------------------|---|
| 87H | Out | Graphical LCD Data |
| F8H | In/Out | Spare (TEC Expander & I/O Bus) |
| F9H | In/Out | Spare (TEC Expander & I/O Bus) |
| FAH | In/Out | Spare (I/O Bus) |
| FBH | In/Out | Spare (General I/O & I/O Bus) |
| FCH | In/Out | RTC (Real Time Clock) (General I/O & I/O Bus) |
| FDH | In/Out | SD (Secure Digital) Flash Card (General I/O) |
| FEH | In | Matrix Keyboard |
| FFH | Out | System Latch → Bit 0 Shadow (Active Low) → Bit 1 Protect → Bit 2 Expand → Bit 3 FF-D3 (Mem Bus) → Bit 4 FF-D4 (Mem Bus) → Bit 5 FF-D5 (Mem Bus) → Bit 6 FF-D6 (Mem Bus) → Caps Lock (Matrix Keyboard) |

Serial Connection

| Constant | Value |
|--|--|
| FTDI to USB Serial Transmission Baud rate value can be modified but other constants are the same. | 4800-8-N-2 → Baud 4800, 8 Packet Bits → No Parity, 2 Stop bits |

Function Key Shortcuts

| | | | | | | | |
|----------|--------------|------------|--------------|----------|-------------|----------|--------------|
| 0 | Quick Links | 1-3 | Addr. Jump | 4 | Intel Load | 5 | GLCD Term |
| 6 | Save Session | 7 | Load Session | 8 | NOP's Fill | A | Restore Blk. |
| B | Backup Blk. | C | Smart Copy | D | Diss. View | E | Expand |
| F | Catalog | AD | Main Menu | + | Insert Byte | - | Delete Byte |

LCD Cheatsheet

Z80 instructions to communicate with the LCD screen are given as direct commands. IE: OUT (04),A. Mon3 also provides API routines that do the same but also check for the LCD busy state. If using direct port instructions, the LCD busy flag is to be checked prior to the instruction call. The example code provided uses the API routines.

Instruction Register

One Byte commands to configure the LCD Screen

OUT (04), A

When LCD turns on or resets, screen defaults with 0x01, 0x06, 0x08 and 0x30

| Hex | Description | Hex | Description | Hex | Description |
|------|----------------------------|------|---------------------------------|------|---------------------------------------|
| 0x01 | Clear Screen, Cursor reset | 0x0F | Display On, Cursor On and Blink | 0x40 | Set CGRAM Address Pos 1 |
| 0x02 | Return Cursor to top left | 0x10 | Move Cursor one to the left | | (Address from 40-7F) |
| 0x04 | Decrement Cursor on write | 0x14 | Move Cursor one to the right | | |
| 0x06 | Increment Cursor on write | 0x18 | Shift Display to the left | 0x80 | Set Row 1, Col 1 DDRAM Address |
| 0x05 | Display to Shift Right | 0x1C | Shift Display to the right | 0xC0 | Set Row 2, Col 1 DDRAM Address |
| 0x07 | Display to Shift Left | 0x30 | 8-Bit, 1 Line, 5x8 dots | 0x94 | Set Row 3, Col 1 DDRAM Address (20x4) |
| 0x08 | Display Off, Cursor Off | 0x34 | 8-Bit, 1 Line, 5x11 dots | 0xD4 | Set Row 4, Col 1 DDRAM Address (20x4) |
| 0x0C | Display On, Cursor Off | 0x38 | 8-Bit, 2 Line, 5x8 dots | | (Address from 80-A7, C0-E7) |
| 0x0E | Display On, Cursor On | 0x3C | 8-Bit, 2 Line, 5x11 dots | | See Screen Layout Below |

OUT (84), A
to write a character to DDRAM

Only write while LCD is not busy

Screen Layout

DDRAM Address Counter with Bit 7 set

| Pos | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
|-------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Row 1 | 80 | 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 | 85 | 86 | 87 | 88 | 89 | 8A | 8B | 8C | 8D | 8E | 8F | 90 | 91 | 92 | 93 |
| Row 2 | C0 | C1 | C2 | C3 | C4 | C5 | C6 | C7 | C8 | C9 | CA | CB | CC | CD | CE | CF | D0 | D1 | D2 | D3 |
| Row 3 | 94 | 95 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 99 | 9A | 9B | 9C | 9D | 9E | 9F | A0 | A1 | A2 | A3 | A4 | A5 | A6 | A7 |
| Row 4 | D4 | D5 | D6 | D7 | D8 | D9 | DA | DB | DC | DD | DE | DF | E0 | E1 | E2 | E3 | E4 | E5 | E6 | E7 |

20x4

IN A, (84)
to read a character from DDRAM

| Pos | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | Off Screen |
|-------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|------------|
| Row 1 | 80 | 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 | 85 | 86 | 87 | 88 | 89 | 8A | 8B | 8C | 8D | 8E | 8F | 90-A7 |
| Row 2 | C0 | C1 | C2 | C3 | C4 | C5 | C6 | C7 | C8 | C9 | CA | CB | CC | CD | CE | CF | D0-E7 |

16x2

Writing a character to the screen will increase/decrease the Address Counter automatically

To move the cursor to Row 2, Column 10 do LD A, 0xC9 / OUT (04), A

For IN A, (04), If Bit 7 is set, then LCD is Busy. Other bits are the current Address Counter

Character Table

| Lower 4 Bits | Upper 4 Bits | 0000 | 0001 | 0010 | 0011 | 0100 | 0101 | 0110 | 0111 | 1000 | 1001 | 1010 | 1011 | 1100 | 1101 | 1110 | 1111 |
|--------------|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|
| | CG RAM (1) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| xxxx0000 | (1) | | | | ဂ | ဂ | ပ | ဗ | ပ | | | | ၤ | ၢ | ၠ | ၣ | ၢ |
| xxxx0001 | (2) | | | ! | । | ା | କ | ା | ଙ | | | | ା | ଫ | ୮ | ା | ଙ |
| xxxx0010 | (3) | | | " | ର | ବ | ର | | | | | | ର | ି | ି | ପ | ୧ |
| xxxx0011 | (4) | | | # | ଳ | କ | ସ | ସ | | | | | ଜ | ୱ | ମେ | ୧ | ୦ |
| xxxx0100 | (5) | | | \$ | ଫ | ଟ | ଫ | ଟ | | | | | ୱ | ଇ | ଟ | ଫ | ୧ |
| xxxx0101 | (6) | | | % | ୯ | ୯ | ୯ | ୯ | | | | | ୦ | ୦ | ୦ | ୦ | ୦ |
| xxxx0110 | (7) | | | & | ୬ | ୬ | ୬ | ୬ | | | | | ର | କ | ନ୍ୟ | ୧ | ୧ |
| xxxx0111 | (8) | | | * | ୭ | ୭ | ୭ | ୭ | | | | | ା | କ | ମାର | ୧ | ୧ |
| xxxx1000 | (1) | | | (| ୮ | ୮ | ୮ | ୮ |) | | | | ା | ୭ | ୭ | ୮ | ୮ |
| xxxx1001 | (2) | | |) | ୨ | ୨ | ୨ | ୨ | ୧ | | | | ା | ୩ | ୩ | ୧ | ୧ |
| xxxx1010 | (3) | | | * | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | | | | ଏ | କାହାର | ୧ | ୧ | ୧ |
| xxxx1011 | (4) | | | + | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | | | | ା | ୩ | ୩ | ୧ | ୧ |
| xxxx1100 | (5) | | | , | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | | | | ଏ | ଶିଫର | ୧ | ୧ | ୧ |
| xxxx1101 | (6) | | | --- | = | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | | | | ୱ | ୱ | ୱ | ୱ | ୱ |
| xxxx1110 | (7) | | | . | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | ଃ | | | | ଏ | ୱ | ୱ | ୱ | ୱ |
| xxxx1111 | (8) | | | / | ? | ୦ | ୦ | ୦ | ୦ | | | | ୱ | ୱ | ୱ | ୱ | ୱ |

Note: The user can specify any pattern for character-generator RAM.

Creating Custom Characters

| CGRAM Address | Character In DDRAM |
|---------------|--------------------|
| 40 | 0 |
| 48 | 1 |
| 50 | 2 |
| 58 | 3 |
| 60 | 4 |
| 68 | 5 |
| 70 | 6 |
| 78 | 7 |

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0x01 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0x03 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0x05 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0x09 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0x09 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0x0B |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0x1B |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0x18 |

Up to 8 Custom Characters can be programmed

Use Bits 0 to 4 only

After each byte is written CGRAM Address increases

To display character use 0-7 in DDRAM

Use OUT (04), A to set the CGRAM address, where A is between 40h-7Fh
Then OUT (84), A to write one 5 pixel row

Example Using CGRAM and DDRAM

```

_stringToLCD    .equ 13
_charToLCD      .equ 14
_commandToLCD   .equ 15

; LCD Setup
ld c,_commandToLCD 4000 0E 0F ;LCD Instruction API routine
ld b,01H          4002 06 01 ;Clear display
rst 10H           4004 D7 ;call API routine
ld b,38H           4005 06 38 ;8-Bit, 2 Lines, 5x8 Characters
rst 10H           4007 D7 ;call API routine
; Tell the LCD that next data will be to CGRAM
ld b,40H           4008 06 40 ;CGRAM entry
rst 10H           400A D7 ;call API routine
; Save multiple characters to CGRAM using lookup table
ld b,40H           400B 06 40 ;8 Characters (8 bytes each)
ld c,_charToLCD   400D 0E 0E ;LCD Data API routine
ld hl,403FH        400F 21 3F 40 ;LCD custom character table

loop1:
ld a,(hl)          4012 7E ;get custom character byte
inc hl             4013 23 ;move to next item in table
rst 10H           4014 D7 ;call API routine
djnz loop1         4015 10 FB ;continue for all 64 char bytes
; Display first line of text
ld c,_commandToLCD 4017 0E 0F ;LCD Instruction API routine
ld b,82H           4019 06 82 ;Move Cursor to Row 1, Col 3
rst 10H           401B D7 ;call API routine
ld hl,4034H        401C 21 34 40 ;ASCII text
ld c,_stringToLCD 401F 0E 0D ;LCD String API routine
rst 10H           4021 D7 ;call API routine
; Display customer characters
ld c,_commandToLCD 4022 0E 0F ;LCD Instruction API routine
ld b,0C0H           4024 06 C0 ;Move Cursor to Row 2, Col 1
rst 10H           4026 D7 ;call API routine
ld b,08H           4027 06 08 ;8 Characters
ld c,_charToLCD   4029 0E 0E ;LCD Data API routine

loop2:
ld a,b             402B 78 ;set A to current character
rst 10H           402C D7 ;call API routine
ld a,20H           402D 3E 20 ;space character
rst 10H           402F D7 ;call API routine
djnz loop2         4030 10 F9 ;continue for all 8 characters
; All Done, what for key press and exit
rst 08H           4032 CF ;key wait and press (HALT)
ret               4033 C9 ;exit

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| TEXT TABLE: | 4034 48 45 4C 4C 4F 20 54 45 43 21 00 ; "HELLO TEC!" |
| CHAR TABLE: | 403F 00 0A 1F 1F 0E 04 00 00 ; Heart |
| | 4047 04 0E 0E 0E 1F 00 04 00 ; Bell |
| | 404F 1F 15 1F 1F 0E 0A 1B 00 ; Alien |
| | 4057 00 01 03 16 1C 08 00 00 ; Tick |
| | 405F 01 03 0F 0F 0F 03 01 00 ; Speaker |
| | 4067 01 03 05 09 09 0B 1B 18 ; Note |
| | 406F 00 0E 15 1B 0E 0E 00 00 ; Skull |
| | 4077 0E 11 11 1F 1B 1B 1F 00 ; Lock |

Useful Links

TEC-1G GitHub Repository

<https://github.com/MarkJelic/TEC-1G>

TEC-1G Programs

https://github.com/tec1group/Software/tree/master/TEC-1G_software

TEC-1G Store (Purchase a TEC-1G and Add-On Boards)

<https://www.tindie.com/stores/tec1/>

TEC-1 Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/tec1z80>

Z80 Instruction Set Reference

<https://clrhome.org/table/>

Online Z80 Compiler and Debugger

<https://www.asm80.com/>

Rodney Zaks Programming the Z80

<https://archive.org/details/ptz80>

TEC Seven Segment Value Calculator

<https://slartibartfastbb.itch.io/seven-segment-calculator>

Ready? Z80 YouTube Channel (TEC related content)

<https://www.youtube.com/@ReadyZ80>

Mon3 video demonstration

<https://youtu.be/0peIG2HKX3Q> and <https://youtu.be/nHBpxXI-YWY>

TEC-1 GitHub Group

<https://github.com/tec1group/>

Talking Electronics Website including original TEC related magazines

https://www.talkingelectronics.com/te_interactive_index.html

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