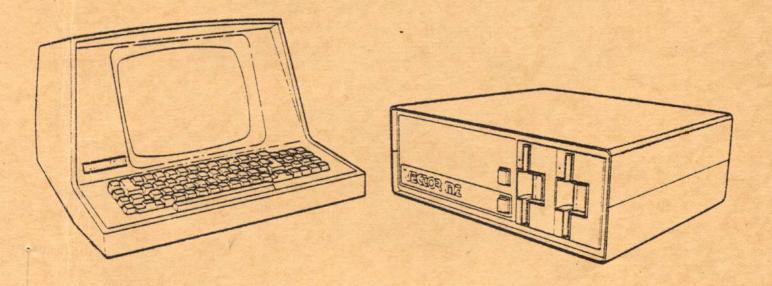
PROM RAM IIII USERS MANUAL





PROM/RAM III BOARD

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PROM PROGRAMMING PROGRAM

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I. INTRODUCTION

1.1 SPECIFICATIONS

Bus Compatibility

S-100

Memory Capacity

RAM: 1K, included with the board PROM: Sockets for 12 PROMs.

PROM Programming

Can program 2708 or 2704 EPROMs

PROM Programming Program

Listing included in manual

Executable version on MDOS System Diskettes

8.4 and later.

PROMs Included with Board

NONE

Memory Speed

RAM: 300 ns.

PROM: User selected (450 ns. typ)

Memory Types

RAM: 2114 static

PROM: 2708 (1K each) or 2704 (1/2K each)

Board Addressing

Two blocks (A and B) are separately

addressed

Block A has 8 PROM sockets

Block B has 4 PROM sockets and 1K RAM

Addressing Options (jumper)

Base address of the two 8K blocks
Block B PROM at top or bottom of block
Address of 1K RAM within remaining 4K
Disable unused 3K, for use by other boards

Standard Addressing

Block A: disabled

Block B base address: C000H Block B PROMs: C000H - CFFFH Block B RAM: DC00H - DFFFH

Block B disabled 3K: D000H - DBFFH

Standard Location of
Systems Monitor PROM

COOOH

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Power-on/Reset Jump PRESET or POC causes jump to board

Power-on/Reset Jump Options Use PRESET or POC (jumper) Jump to first instruction of Block A or B.

Disable phantom generation

Disable jump to on-board memory

Standard Power-on/Reset POC is used

Jumpers Jump to beginning of Block B

Phantom and jump to on-board both enabled

MWRITE Jumper option to generate MWRITE on board

Standard: option not enabled

each time board is addressed

Standard: option not enabled

Bus load 1 TTL load on all inputs

Card extractors Standard

Power +8Vdc @ 450 mA (Typ)

+18Vdc @ (depends on quantity of PROM)
-18Vdc @ (depends on quantity of PROM)

1.2 DESCRIPTION OF THE PROM RAM III BOARD

Vector Graphic's PROM RAM III Board is a versatile, S-100 bus compatible, high density memory board combining the memory technologies of erasable programmable read only memories (EPROMs) and high speed random access memory (RAM). Of unique value, one of the PROM sockets on the board can be used to program a 2708 or 2704 EPROM, enabling any owner to create PROM-based software for use on this board or in any other microprocessor device. 1K of RAM is provided on the board, but no PROMs are included with purchase. The software which is used to program PROMs is provided as a listing in this manual, and is included on disk with all Vector Graphic systems shipped with this board.

By combining the use of MSI decoding logic and unique addressing features, a wide range of applications requirements may be met by this memory board. The addressing flexibility is as follows. The board offers two independently addressable 8K blocks of memory (A and B). You use jumpers to specify the two separate 8K addressing spaces assigned to these blocks. Block A can be used for up to 8K of PROM. Block B contains 1K of on-board RAM plus up to 4K of PROM.

For block B, you use jumpers to specify whether the PROM is at the top or the bottom of the 8K allocation, and then, within the remaining 4K, where the 1K of RAM is addressed. Once this is done, there are also jumper options for DISABLING some or all of the remaining 3K of addressing space allocated to block B, so that other boards in the system can use those addresses.

The addressing spaces are fully utilized if 2708 1K PROMs are used. If 2704 1/2K PROMs are used, then every other 1/2K of PROM allocation will be used, with 1/2K gaps between. Other features offered by the board are: jump on power-on or reset to on-board memory, with phantom generated to temporarily disable other memory boards, and a jumper option to use PRESET instead of POC to cause this jump; jumper option for on-board generation of the S-100 MWRITE signal; and a jumper option to generate a one-cycle wait-state each time the board is addressed.

Full buffering of all inputs and outputs is provided to minimize loading of the system S-100 bus to at most one TTL load. On-board power regulation and filtering is provided using IC regulators and heat sinks for power dissipation. Careful attention to good design practice and an awareness of the need for flexibility has resulted in a reliable board useful in a wide variety of systems and applications.

II. USERS GUIDE

This Users Guide begins with a description of the amount and kind of PROM which can be used on this board, followed by a description of the RAM included with the board, then a detailed description of the various options you have for addressing the PROMs and the RAM. Read it before attempting to re-jumper the board addressing. Following this section are a description of each of the jumper options possible on the board, including addressing options, power-on/reset jump, MWRITE input, and wait state generation. The diagrams of jumper pads show each of the pads as it is pre-jumpered at the factory. The guide ends with instructions for operating the PROM programming software provided with the board, as well as instructions for writing your own if desired. The listing of the program is provided.

2.1 PROM SELECTION AND USE

A maximum of 12K bytes (where K = 1024) of 2708 type PROMS may be installed in available sockets on the board. NO PROMS ARE INCLUDED WITH PURCHASE OF THE BOARD ALONE. Jumpers are used to determine where the PROMS are addressed.

The following discussion assumes that 2708 type PROMs (having 1K of 8-bit bytes each) are used. If 2704 PROMs (having 1/2K bytes each) are used, the issues are the same; the only difference is that wherever a 2704 PROM is used, there will be 1/2K bytes of PROM accessible by the system, followed immediately by a 1/2K gap which will not contain any memory at all.

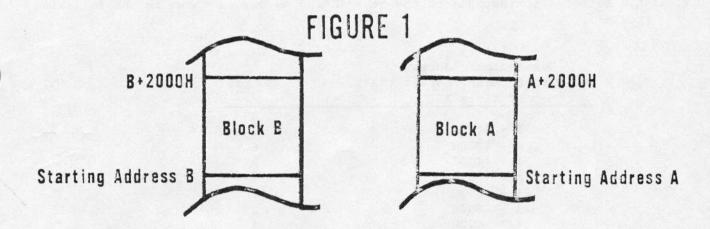
The numbers 2708 and 2704 are Intel generic part numbers. Many other manufacturers make equivalents, with 2708 or 2704 as part of their proprietary part number. All 2708 or 2704 pin for pin equivalents can be used on this board.

2.2 RAM

In addition to the PROM sockets, there is 1K of static RAM on the board, which IS included with purchase of the board alone. Jumpers are used to determine where this 1K of RAM is addressed.

2.3 BLOCK A AND BLOCK B - GENERAL

To begin specifying the addresses for the memory, there are two separately addressable blocks of memory space available on the board, called blocks A and B. Jumpers are used to specify what the base address is for each of these two blocks, within a 64K total memory space. Alternately, one (or both) blocks can be disabled completely. Jumper area F is normally used to specify the base address of (or disable) block A and jumper area E is normally used to specify the base address of (or disable) block B. If a block is not disabled, then that block will occupy exactly 8K bytes of memory, beginning at its base address. This is true for both blocks, as shown in Figure 1.



Note that both blocks together occupy 16K of memory. However, there are only 12 sockets for PROMs, and only 1K of RAM on the board, totalling 13K. What happens if the processor addresses memory in the remaining 3K portion? This memory space is NOT necessarily empty. A set of jumpers is provided which in effect specify that the unused 3K, within the 16K, is not on the PROM RAM III board at all, and therefore may be used on other boards.

It must be emphasized that except for the 3K specified as unused by jumper, the addresses assigned to the board for blocks A and B cannot be used by any other board, even if some of the PRON sockets are left empty. However, remember that you may choose not to use one (or both) of the blocks at all, by disabling it completely in jumper areas E and F. If you do this, then the corresponding memory space CAN be assigned to another board, and no space is wasted.

If the jumpers in area G are switched from the way the board is normally shipped, then the base address of block A will be controlled by jumper area E and the base address of block B will controlled by jumper area F, instead of the other way around. If this is done, then the address which is accessed for power-on jump will also be switched, becoming the first address in block A instead of the first address in block B. This is the purpose for using this option. (See Section 2.14) For simplicity of language, the Users Guide is written assuming that jumper area G is left as manufactured.

2.4 BLOCK A

Block A refers to the 8 PROM sockets at the top of the board (labeled 0 through 7). Insert PROMs which you want in block A into these sockets. Socket 0 corresponds to the 1K block beginning at the base address of block A. Socket 1 corresponds to the next 1K and so on, as shown in the following table:

Relative i	to	B	mal Address ase Address ("A") lock A	Socket
	A -	+	1C00H	7
	A -	+	1800H	6
			1400H	5
	A -	+	1000H	4
	A .	+	COOH	3
			800Н	2
			400H	1
	A			0

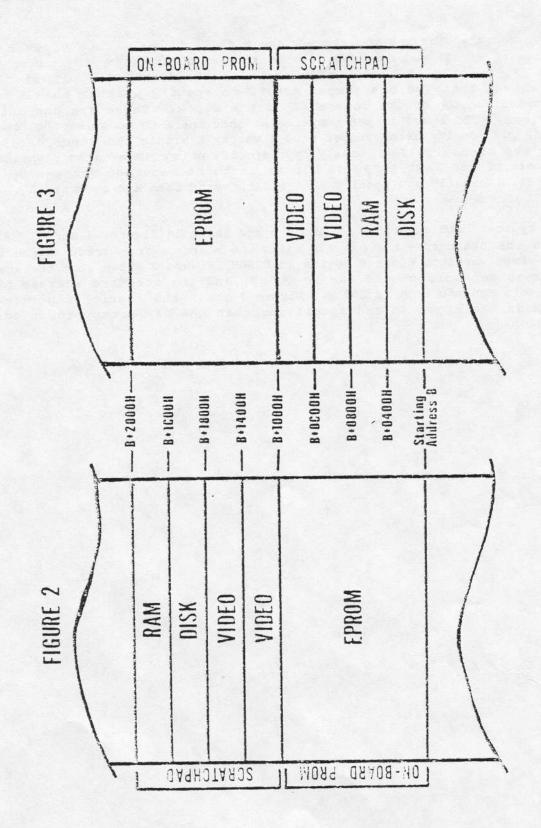
Jumper area F is normally used to determine the base address of block A, or to disable block A. When the board is sold, jumper area F is pre-wired to disable block A. No particular base address is thus specified until you install the jumpers.

2.5 BLOCK B

Block B includes the lower four PROM sockets on the board, labeled 8 through 11. The other 4K in block B is filled with the 1K of RAM on the board, plus the 3K of address space which can be, at you discretion, returned for use by

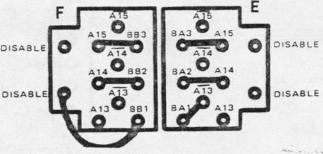
other boards. The way you specify the address spaces within block B is as follows: First, you specify the base address of Block B using jumper area E (or you specify in area E that the block is disabled). If it is not disabled, then you use jumper area J to specify whether the 4K of PROM occupies the top or the bottom 4K of the block. These are the only two choices. The board is pre-jumpered so that the PROM occupies the lower 4K. Then, you specify using jumper area I which 1K within the other 4K is used for the on-board RAM. Lastly, you specify using jumper area H whether one of more of the last three 1K blocks is to be returned for use by other boards. (Normally you specify that all three of them are returned.)

Two typical configurations of Block B are shown in figures 2 and 3. Figure 2 is the standard - the one for which the board is pre-wired. Since in the pre-wired version, block B begins at C000H, Figure 2 shows that the standard address for scratch-pad RAM is DC00H, and the standard address for the System's Monitor PROM is C000H. Figure 3 shows the result of putting the PROM in the upper 4K and specifying that the RAM occupy the second 1K portion.



2.6 BLOCK SELECT ADDRESSING

Jumper areas: E & H



Jumper names: A13, A13, A14, A14, A15, A15 = address lines

BA1, BA2, BA3 = block B address pads BB1, BB2, BB3 = block A address pads

NOTE: The second letter in the block B address pads is "A", while the second letter in the block A address pads is "B". This occurs because historically, the pads were named before it was decided to manufacture the board with the "block swap" jumpers in area G reversed.

Function: Address lines A13, A14, A15 form the most significant bits of the address from the CPU. These three bits can select any of 8 possible 8K blocks of memory in a 64K memory space. See table 1.

Options: Table 2 tells you what jumpers to connect to specify any particular 8K block starting address.

2.7 PROM/SCRATCHPAD MEMORY INVERT

Jumper area: J

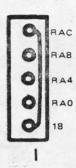


Function: The pre-wired connection specifies that the low order 4k bytes of block B consists of PROM. This jumper area is used to reverse this, putting the PROM at the high end of block B.

Options: If the PROM is to occupy the high order addresses of this block cut the jumper from 6 to 7 and tie 6 to 8.

2.8 RAM MEMORY ADDRESS SELECT IN BLOCK B

Jumper areas I

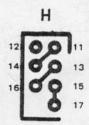


Function: These jumpers allow the user to selectively determine where the RAM addresses are to be located. With the board jumpered as manufactured, the 1K of RAM occupies the top-most 1K of addresses of the 4K scratchpad memory block.

Options: If you wish to alter the factory supplied connections, the following procedure is recommended: Cut the jumper from 18 to RAC. Then, determine the desired address for the 1K RAM from Table 3 and connect a jumper as specified. The third part of Table 3 is not relevent to this jumper area.

2.9 DISABLE 3K OF ADDRESS SPACE IN BLOCK B

Jumper area: H



Function: These jumpers allow the user to selectively determine which 3 of 4 1K blocks of memory are returned for use by other boards. These jumpers are selected in conjunction with the RAM memory address jumper in area I, so that together, all 4K of the non-PROM (scratchpad) address space in block B are accounted for. The factory supplied connections complement the factory supplied RAM address jumper, so that the bottom 3K of the scratchpad memory is allocated for use by other boards.

Options: If it is desired to alter the factory supplied connections, the following procedure is recommended: Verify the RAM memory address selected previously. Then, refer to Table 3 to find the RAM address selected, and connect jumpers as specified in the third part of the table.

2.10 POWER-CN/RESET JUMP - DESCRIPTION

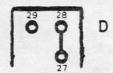
A power on/reset jump feature is also provided on this board. When the POC or PRESET (your choice of which, by jumper selection) line is low, the instruction stored in the first address of block A or 3 (determined by the jumper in area G, as explained below) will be executed by the CPU, and a "phantom" signal will be issued by the board on bus line 67 which disables other system memory boards.

After this initial instruction execution, the other memory boards will be re-enabled. However, if the instruction is a jump to the next instruction in the same block, then control will have been effectively transfered to that block on the PROM/RAM III board. Therefore, the second instruction should be the beginning of a system initialization routine followed by a systems executive. This is always the case in standard Vector Graphic computers.

Two additional jumper areas are provided, one to disconnect the phantom signal if it is not desired, and the other to disconnect the jump to the on-board PROM if this is not desired. These options give you maximum control over use of the board.

2.11 USE PRESET OR POC FOR POWER-ON/RESET JUMP

Jumper area: D



Function: In the factory version of the board, the POC signal is connected to the power-on/reset jump circuitry on the board. This is appropriate for standard Vector Graphic computers, because in these systems, both the RESET switch on the front panel and the initial power-on condition cause an active low pulse on the POC line, via circuitry on the Z80 board. If the CPU board used in your system does not have this feature, the PRESET signal can be connected to the power-on/reset circuitry by changing the jumper area D.

Options: To connect PRESET to the power-on/reset circuitry, cut the trace between 27 and 28 and tie 28 to 29.

2.12 PHANTOM GENERATED IF POWER-ON/RESET

Jumper area: C



Function: When 1 and 2 are tied together, the phantom signal is generated whenever a POC or PRESET signal is received. Phantom disables other system memory boards. The Z80 (and 8080) processor chip immediately executes the instruction at 0000H when the POC or PRESET signal appears on the bus, assuming the CPU board is so designed. With the other memory boards in the system disabled, the PROM/RAM III Board is free to supply the instruction for address 0000H.

Options: To disable the generation of the phantom signal, cut the jumper from 1 to 2.

2.13 JUMP TO PROM/RAM III BOARD IF POWER-ON/RESET

Jumper area: A

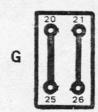


Function: When the POC or PRESET signal is received, a jumper in area A causes the board to respond to the address 0000H from the CPU. At your option, you may disable this feature, so that the PROM/RAM III board is NOT the board which responds to the address 0000H.

Options: To cause the board NOT to respond to address 0000H when POC or PRESET is received, cut the jumper from 3 to 4 and tie 4 to 5.

2.14 BLOCK SWAP

Jumper area: G



Function: With the board as manufactured, jumper area E is used to address block B, and jumper area F is used to address block A. Furthermore, if the power-on/reset jump feature is used, the jump will take place to the first address in block B.

Options: If you want to jump to block A instead, cut the jumpers from 20 to 21 and 25 to 26; tie 20 to 25 and 21 to 26. This change will also reverse the use of area E and F, so that area E is used to address block A, and area F is used to address block B.

2.15 DISABLE POWER-ON/RESET RESPONSE

To disable the power-on/reset response of the PROM/RAM III board entirely, disable both the generation of phantom and the jump to PROM/RAM III board. See Sections 2.12 and 2.13.

2.16 MWRITE INPUT

Jumper area: B



Function: If this board is installed in a system without a front panel, or other source of MWRITE, an MWRITE signal can be generated on board both for use on board and for feeding back to the bus as a fully buffered S-100 signal. This is not needed in Vector Graphic systems shipped after April 9, 1979, because the Z-80 boards in these systems now generate MWRITE.

Options: If the board is installed in a system without a source of MWRITE, add a jumper from 9 to 10.

2.17 WAIT STATE GENERATION

Jumper area: K



Function: The PRDY signal may be jumpered to the WAIT input in order to create one wait state each time the board is addressed. This is necessary when using memory slower than about 300 ns. in a 4 MHz (Z-80) system. PRDY is not connected to WAIT on the PROM/RAM III board as manufactured, because the Vector Graphic Z-80 board used in Vector Graphic systems generates the wait-state. You would want to generate the wait-state on the PROM/RAM III board if you are using memory faster than 300 ns. on other memory boards in the system, allowing you to disable the wait state that is built into the Vector Graphic Z-80 board (and some other manufacturers' Z-80 boards) yet continue to use a wait-state for the slower memory on the PROM RAM/III board.

For some Z-80 based CPU boards the WAIT output is not synchronized properly. If the WAIT is jumpered to the PRDY signal when such a Z-80 board is used, a possible oscillatory condition can arise on the PRDY and WAIT lines. Therefore, caution must be exercised in how this jumper is utilized. The Vector Graphic Z-80 board has a properly synchronized WAIT, so that with this Z-80 board, PRDY may be safely tied to WAIT, insuring reliable memory operation at high speeds.

Options: To tie PRDY to WAIT, jumper 22 to 23.

TABLE 1

		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
A15	A14	A13	8K BLCCK (A or B) STARTING ADDRESS
0	0	0	0000H = 00000
0	0	1	2000H = 81920
0	1	0	4000H = 163840
0	1	1	6000H = 245760
1	0	0	3000H = 32763D
1	0	1	A000H = 40960D
1	1	0	COOOH = 491520
1	1	1	E000H = 573440

H = Hexidecimal D = Decimal

TABLE 2

		CONNECT	
DESIRED 8K 3LOCK STARTING ADDRESS	3x1 to:	3x2 to:	8x3
осоон	A13	A14	AIE
2000н	A13	A14	A15
4000H	Ā13	A14	A15
6000H	A13	A14	A15
8000H	AI3	A14	A15
ADOOH	413	A14	A15
сооон	A13	A14	A15
EGOOH	413	A14	A15

x = Block A or B

If any Bx1, Bx2, Bx3 is tied to disable, that block of memory is disabled.

TABLE 3

ADDRESS OF 1K RAM WITH PESPECT TO THE STARTING ADDRESS OF THE 4K BLOCK	JUMPERS FOR RAM ACCRESS WITHIN 4K BLOCK	JUMPERS FOR BUS DISABLE									
0000H	18 to RAO	15 to 16, 13 to 14, 11 to 12									
3400H	18 to RA4	15 to 17, 13 to 14, 11 to 12									
1300H	18 to RA3	15 to 17, 13 to 16, 11 to 13									
3000Н	18 to RAC	11 to 14, 13 to 16, 15 to 17									

2.18 PROGRAMMING A PROM

This board is accompanied by a program which allows you to program any 2704 or 2708 type EPROM. The listing of this program is found in Section 2.21, below. This same program is found on MDOS System Diskettes, version 8.4 and later, which accompany all Vector Graphic computers that are equipped with PROM/RAM III boards. The program exists on the disk as an immediately executable utility. The program is written in machine language and is not dependent on any operating system (except that it uses the Extended Systems Monitor in Vector Graphic systems for console I/O.) The utility (called "PROM") runs beginning at address 2800 Hex and takes up less than 1K. If you want to run it elsewhere, or want to revise it, reassemble it as described in Section 2.20.

If you use an operating system other than MDOS, but you have the MDOS diskette, simply load the program under MDOS and copy it to a disk using the other system. To load it, just type PROM (return) followed by control-C, under MDOS. If you do not have the MDOS diskette, enter the program from the listing. Once it is loaded in memory, you can execute it from any executive, including the Extended Systems Monitor executive. The following explains the use of this program. If you are not using MDOS, then substitute the MDOS commands given here by those that are relevent to you.

- Make sure the computer power is OFF. Wait at least five seconds before pulling out any circuit boards.
- 2. Unscrew and remove the cover of the computer.
- Find the PROM/RAM III board. If you cannot easily reach PROM socket 11 with your hand, pull the board out.
- 4. Insert the PROM you wish to program in socket 11. This is the right-hand socket in the second row. Make sure to insert the PROM with its notch pointed to the top of the board. The PROM used MUST have been erased using ultraviolet erasing techniques, unless it is new. The computer cannot simply write over any previously used PROM, because programming involves turning logical 1's into 0's, but cannot go the other way. Erasing fills the PROM with 1's, like a new PROM.
- 5. Return the board to a slot which allows you to reach socket 11 without pulling the board out in the future, if possible.
- 6. Turn computer power ON.
- 7. If the system is not in the Extended Systems Monitor executive (indicated by the Monitor prompt *) then depress RESET on the computer front panel.
- 8. Mount the MDOS system diskette in drive 0 (the right-hand drive.) Then,

- depress \underline{B} on the keyboard. MDOS will take control, as indicated by the MDOS prompt >.
- 9. Load the object code to be stored on PROM into a free area of memory. Alternately, you may generate the desired code by assembling or compiling a higher level program.
- 10. Following the MDOS prompt >, type PROM (return). The PROM programming program will take control.
- 11. In response to the question "Starting from: ", type the address in Hex of the first location you wish to program, within the block of memory assigned to PROM socket 11. Then press the RETURN key. Usually this PROM, it can be any address between CC00 and CFFO. It must be an address ending in 0. If not, the machine will report "bad boundary Do not tack on an H or any other symbol.

CC00 is the starting address of PROM socket 11 if the board is left in factory-supplied format. If you enter an address outside the range CC00 and then give you another chance. If the addressing jumpers determining the location of socket 11 have been modified, you must modify the program to accept other addresses.

12. In reponse to the question "terminating at: ", type the address in Hex of the last location you wish to program, within the block of memory assigned to PROM socket 11. Then press the RETURN key. Usually this PROMs. If programming less than the entire PROM, it can be any address between CCOF and CFFF. It must be an address ending in F, and must be greater than the starting address. If not ending in F, the machine will report "bad boundary address" and then give you another chance.

As with the starting address, if you enter an address outside the range CCOF to CFFF, the program will not accept it, and will report "Out of range" and then give you another chance. Therefore, if the addressing jumpers determining the location of socket 11 have been modified, you must modify the PROM programming program to accept other addresses.

After entering the terminating address, the computer will either continue with the next question, or it will report "specified portion of PROM is not erased." This message means either that the terminating address is less than the starting address, or that the PROM is not new and was not properly erased. This message is strictly a warning, PROM. After the message, the system will continue with the next question. If you want to start over to correct your mistake, instead of continuing, then depress the ESC key. This takes the system back to the Monitor. To get back to MDOS from the Monitor, depress J. Then begin the program again at step 10, above.

- 13. In response to the question "Source address:", type the starting address in memory of the material you want to store on PROM. This can be any address in memory. Then press the RETURN key.
- 14. Slide the "programming" switch at the upper right-hand corner of the PROM/RAM III board to the LEFT.
- 15. Now, press the RETURN key again. This will begin programming of the PROM. The computer must pass through the range of target addresses 256 times. A message will appear on the screen showing which pass the machine is currently on.
- 16. When programming is complete, one of two events will take place. If the computer detects no errors in comparing the programmed PROM without the original code, then the system will return to the MDOS executive or whichever other executive was used to call the programming program. If an error is discovered however, the screen will show the first address within the PROM at which a verification error was found. For example, if you forgot to slide the programming switch to the left, then, since the PROM will not have been programmed at all, the first address will be incorrect, so that the system will report an error at address CC00, or whatever was the starting address you had specified. After reporting the error, the system will return to the MDOS executive, so that you can start over.
- 17. When programming is complete, immediately slide the programming switch on the PROM/RAM III board to the RIGHT. Do not postpone this.
- 18. Remove the programmed PROM from socket 11. Alternately, you may use the PROM without removing it. For example, you may run a checksum of the PROM using the Extended System Monitor's Q command. To do this, depress control-Q or whichever other command your system uses to get to the Monitor executive. Then type Q CC00 CFFF. (The spaces will occur automatically.) The checksum, will appear immediately. (If PROM socket 11 has been readdressed, then use the appropriate addresses.) To return to MDOS from the Monitor, depress J.

depress \underline{B} on the keyboard. MDOS will take control, as indicated by the MDOS prompt >.

- 9. Load the object code to be stored on PROM into a free area of memory. Alternately, you may generate the desired code by assembling or compiling a higher level program.
- 10. Following the MDOS prompt >, type PROM (return). The PROM programming program will take control.
- 11. In response to the question "Starting from: ", type the address in Hex of the first location you wish to program, within the block of memory assigned to PROM socket 11. Then press the RETURN key. Usually this starting address will be CC00. If programming less than the entire PROM, it can be any address between CC00 and CFFO. It must be an address ending in 0. If not, the machine will report "bad boundary address" and give you another chance. Letters must be in upper case. Do not tack on an H or any other symbol.

CC00 is the starting address of PROM socket 11 if the board is left in factory-supplied format. If you enter an address outside the range CC00 to CFF0, the program will not accept it, and will report "out of range" and then give you another chance. If the addressing jumpers determining the location of socket 11 have been modified, you must modify the program to accept other addresses.

12. In reponse to the question "terminating at: ", type the address in Hex of the last location you wish to program, within the block of memory assigned to PROM socket 11. Then press the RETURN key. Usually this terminating addresss will be CFFF for 2708 PROMs and CDFF for 2704 PROMs. If programming less than the entire PROM, it can be any address between CCOF and CFFF. It must be an address ending in F, and must be greater than the starting address. If not ending in F, the machine will report "bad boundary address" and then give you another chance.

As with the starting address, if you enter an address outside the range CCOF to CFFF, the program will not accept it, and will report "Out of range" and then give you another chance. Therefore, if the addressing jumpers determining the location of socket 11 have been modified, you must modify the PROM programming program to accept other addresses.

After entering the terminating address, the computer will either continue with the next question, or it will report "specified portion of PROM is not erased." This message means either that the terminating address is less than the starting address, or that the PROM is not new and was not properly erased. This message is strictly a warning, because in certain rare cases you may want to write over an unerased PROM. After the message, the system will continue with the next question. If you want to start over to correct your mistake, instead of continuing, then depress the ESC key. This takes the system back to the Monitor. To get back to MDOS from the Monitor, depress J. Then begin the program again at step 10, above.

- 13. In response to the question "Source address:", type the starting address in memory of the material you want to store on PROM. This can be any address in memory. Then press the RETURN key.
- 14. Slide the "programming" switch at the upper right-hand corner of the PROM/RAM III board to the LEFT.
- 15. Now, press the RETURN key again. This will begin programming of the PROM. The computer must pass through the range of target addresses 256 times. A message will appear on the screen showing which pass the machine is currently on.
- 16. When programming is complete, one of two events will take place. If the computer detects no errors in comparing the programmed PROM without the original code, then the system will return to the MDOS executive or whichever other executive was used to call the programming program. If an error is discovered however, the screen will show the first address within the PROM at which a verification error was found. For example, if you forgot to slide the programming switch to the left, then, since the PROM will not have been programmed at all, the first address will be incorrect, so that the system will report an error at address CC00, or whatever was the starting address you had specified. After reporting the error, the system will return to the MDOS executive, so that you can start over.
- 17. When programming is complete, immediately slide the programming switch on the PROM/RAM III board to the RIGHT. Do not postpone this.
- 18. Remove the programmed PROM from socket 11. Alternately, you may use the PROM without removing it. For example, you may run a checksum of the PROM using the Extended System Monitor's Q command. To do this, depress control-Q or whichever other command your system uses to get to the Monitor executive. Then type Q CC00 CFFF. (The spaces will occur automatically.) The checksum, will appear immediately. (If PROM socket 11 has been readdressed, then use the appropriate addresses.) To return to MDOS from the Monitor, depress J.

2.19 WRITING A PROM PROGRAMMING PROGRAM

Although the PROM/RAM III board is supplied with a program for programming PROMs, this section explains the principles behind the program, for those wishing to write their own. The supplied program is listed in Section 2.21, for reference.

To program a 2708 or 2704 type EPROM, simply write the desired data to the locations assigned to PROM socket 11. The board hardware automatically interprets any writing of data to PROM socket 11 as an intent to program it. You do not have to program an entire PROM. You may program any part of it, down to blocks as short as 16 adjacent locations. Normally, you will program all 1K of a 2708 or all 512 bytes of a 2704. Write to all desired addresses in sequence. After finishing one such cycle, repeat it, using exactly the same data. You must repeat this cycle 256 times. In other words, you must write to each address 256 times, with a substantial delay between each time you write to each address. This delay is produced by the time taken to cycle through all the addresses, which is sufficiently long if 16 or more locations are programmed.

A good program has a comparison of the source and destination data, after programming the PROM is complete.

If your system has a dynamic memory board in it (such as all Vector Graphic systems shipped since about March 1, 1979), then there MUST be a delay loop after each byte is written to the PROM, so that the processor can refresh memory. The delay loop must execute at least 128 instructions each time it is accessed. You will find an example of this at the top of the fourth page in the listing in Section 2.21.

Before executing a programming procedure, you must slide the programming switch on the upper right-hand corner of the board TO THE LEFT. Then, put the PROM to be programmed into socket 11, which is the socket furthest to the right in the second row. After successfully programming it, slide the switch BACK. If you do not, you might accidently erase a PROM sitting in socket 11.

A PROM which you want to program must be either new or newly erased using the standard ultraviolet technique.

2.20 RE-ASSEMBLING THE PROM PROGRAMMING PROGRAM

The source code for the program is listed in Section 2.21 below. Enter the program using the MDOS editor LINEEDIT. You can assemble it wherever you like, although BC00 is not suggested because M.BASIC uses the very top of RAM for stack. The pre-assembled version on the diskette (under the name "PROM") is assembled to run at 2B00, at the beginning of the MDOS applications area. The program is less than 1K long.

You may modify PROM.S before you assemble it, by using the MDOS editor LINEEDIT. One modification which may be required are the addresses in the last two lines of PROM.S. You will have to change these if you change the jumpers on the PROM/RAM III board which assign the address of the on-board RAM. After entering and modifying the program, SAVE it on diskette under the name PROM.S. (Type NAME "PROM.S" (return) followed by SAVE (return) while in LINEEDIT.

To assemble PROM.S, use the ZSM assembler. With a diskette having both ZSM and PROM.S mounted in drive 0, and with MDOS in control, type ZSM "PROM.S" "PROM2" "E" (return). The assembler will ask where you want to run the program. Enter the address, for example 2B00H, that you want it to run at. Note that if the first character is a letter, it must be preceded by a 0 (zero), and the address must be followed by an H. The above ZSM statement will cause the program to be assembled with only errors printed. For other options possible with ZSM, see Section 4.5 of the User's Guide to Vector Graphic Systems Using MDOS.

After the assembly is complete, type TYPE "PROM2" 18 (return). This type will allow you to execute the program simply by typing PROM2 (return) while under MDOS.

If you want to put the PROM programming program on a PROM, in order to have a permanent PROM programming capability, first choose the memory location you want to give to this PROM, say E000, which is available on the PROM/RAM III board. Use this address when asked by the assembler where you want it to run at. Since there is no RAM at this address, you will have to load the assembled code into a different location before you can put it on a PROM. To do this change the type to 00 rather than 18, by typing TYPE "PROM2" 00 (return), after the assembly is complete. This will allow you to type LOAD "PROM2" 2B00 (return) after the MDOS prompt >, thus loading the code at RAM address 2B00, ready to be saved on a PROM.

2.21 PROM PROGRAMMING PROGRAM LISTING

```
Addr 31 82 33 84 5 Lacel Opcd Operand
6000
                  ********
COCU
0000
                  * Prom Programming Program *
2000
                        Version 1
3000
                      for the Prom/Ram III
3000
0000
                        by Lance Lewis,
0000
                       Vector Graphic Inc.
0000
                        20-July-79
0000
0000
                  ***************
0000
0000
0000
                 * System equates
0000
       CG03 = INPUT
                                      OCCO3H ;character input (CODC on pre 3.0 monitors)
OCCO8H ;video driver (CO98 on pre 3.0 monitors)
0000
                                EQU
0000
        cocs = out
                                EQU OCCOSH
0000
0000
                  * Definitions and Constants
0000
             = PROM
= BLANK
                                      ОССООН
0000
       0000
                                 EQU
                                                  ;prom address
                                      OFFR
                                                ;erased byte of orom
0000
        COFF
                  BLANK
                                 EQU
0000
        COUA
             = CRLF
                                EQU
                                                     ;carriage return linefeed
            = LF
= CR
= MS8
                                                    ;linefeed
0000
        000A
                                EQU
                                      CAH
                                        CDH
                                                    ;carriage return
0000
        0000
                                 EQU
3000
       0080
                                 EQU
                                        80H
                                                    ;most significant bit
0000
0000
      2800 = ORIG
                                 REQ
                                       'Program to run at?'
                                      ORIG ;assemble here
0000
                                 ORG
2900
2900
                  * Here we go
2900
2800 ES
                                 PUSH H
                                                     ; save HL
2601 05
                                      0
                                 PUSH
                                                    ;save DE
                                                    ;saev 30
2802 05
                                 PUSH
                                        8
2803 75
                                 PUSH
                                        PSW
                                                     ; save AF
                                        H,0
2804 21 00 00
2807 39
                                 LXI
                                                    ;HL=SP
                                 DAD
2808 22 03 2E
                                 SHLD STACK
                                                     ;store it
                                        SP,ODDOCH
2808 31 00 00
                                 LXI
                                                    ;reset stack pointer
280E
280E 10 43 20
                                 CALL
                                                 ; send message
                                        PRINT
2811 00 0A
2813 20 20 20 20
2817 20 20 56 65
                                00
                                        CRLF
                                             Vector Graphic'
                                 DT
2818 53 74 5F 72
281F 20 47 72 61
2823 70 68 59 63
                                DD CRLF ;print CRLF
2827 JO GA
2329 20 20 50 72
                                OT ' Prom Programming System'
2920 SF 60 20 50
2931 72 6F 57 72
2835 51 60 50 69
2839 58 67 20 53
2830 79 73 74 65
2841 50
```

Addr 81 82 83 84 E	Lacel	Opca	Operand	
2842 OD OA		00	CRLF	
2844		08	LF	;down a line
2844 DA		DT	' Program pro	, duant a cine
2845 20 20 50 72		01	Frogram pro	2'''
2849 5F 67 72 61				
2840 50 20 70 72				
2951 of 60		00	CRI E+MSB	;end of message
2853 00 8A 2855			4	
2855 CD 43 20	STARTANES	CALL	PRINT	;send message
2858 20 20 53 74	31711.175113	DTH	' Starting f	rom :'
285C 51 72 74 69				
2860 55 67 20 56				
2864 72 6F 50 20				
2868 SA				
2869 CD 4F 2D		CALL	ADRS	get start address
286C DA 55 28		1C		;if invalid try again
286F CD 43 2D		CALL	PRINT	
2872 JD 8A				;print CRLF
2874 CD 24 2D			RANGERR	; check for error
2877 DA 55 2B			Carl Copy of the C	;try again if error
287A 00 96 20		CALL		; check boundary
2870 0A 55 28			STARTADRS	;no good
2980 EB		XCHG		;DE=start adrs
2881	*	CALL	SOTUT	;send message
	ENDADRS	OTH	' Terminatin	og at:
2884 20 20 54 65 2888 72 60 69 6E		9111		
288C 51 74 59 6E				
2890 57 20 51 74				
2994 5A				
2895 CD 4F 2D		CALL	ADRS	;get end address
2898 DA 81 28		JC	ENDADRS	;if invalid try again
2596 CD 43 2D		CALL	PRINT	
299E 30 8A		00	CRLF+MSB	;carriage return linefeed
28A0 CD 24 3D		CALL	RANGERR	;check for range arror
28A3 DA 31 29		JC	ENDADRS	try again if error
28A6 23		INX	Н	;compensate
2BA7 CD 96 20		CALL		;check boundary
28AA DA 81 28		JC		;no good
2BAD 44		MOV		; save end address ; in register pair BC
ZBAE 40		MOV	C'T	, in register pair oc
29AF		MOV	н,о	;save start address
39AF 52		MOV		; in register pair HL
2880 58	TEES	LDAX		;get byte from prom
2881 1A 2882 FE FF	1773	CPI	BLANK	is it clear
2884 C2 87 2D		JNZ	BADPROM	;print "bad prom"
2887 13		INX	0	;check next location
2988 00 F6 20		CALL	TEST	;end of area
2988 02 81 28		JNZ	TFFS	;more to come
283E ES	RESTORS	XCHG		;restore registers
288F	*			
288F 3D 43 2D	SOURCEADES	CALL	PRINT	
29C2 20 20 53 6F		OTH	' Source ad	drass:
2806 75 72 63 65				

Ac	ddr	31	82	53	84	Ε	Lacel	Opco	Operand	
	BCA			12000	STATE OF					
	ECE		65	73	73					
	302			Salvan.						
	303							CALL	ADRS	;get source address
	306	AC	8F	28				JC	SOURCEADRS	;if not valid try again
	309						*			
	309			20				CALL	PRINT	;send message
	306	30	QA					00	CRLF	
	BDE						*			
	BDE							00	LF	;format output
	038							DT	' Turn on the	programming enable switch'
	3E4	DOOLER	3357	0130-04	10000					
	BE8	10 TO	77.7		177.7					
100	BEC	SATE.	W. E.		-					
	BFO									
	BF4									
	BF8									
	BFC									
	000				69					
	C04									
	007							00		
	09							DTH	' Hit return	to continue?'
	COD									
	C11									
	C15	77.75		10.00						
	C19									
	C10			75	65					
21	C21	SF								
	022						*			
21	C22	00	03	CO			STAT	CALL	INPUT	;check keyboard
	C25			20				JZ	STAT	;no character
21	C28	FE	00					CPI	CR	; is it a return
21	CZA	02	22	20				JNZ	STAT	;no try again
2	CZD						*			
- 21	C20	CD	43	20				CALL	PRINT	
2	C30	CO	OA					00	CRLF	
	C32							08	LF	
	C33							OT	' Programming	in progress'
2,1	C37	6F	67	72	61					
2	СЗВ	60	60	69	6E					
2	C3F	57	20	69	6E					
2	C43	20	70	72	6F					
2	C47	67	72	55	73					
- 2	048	73								
2	C4C	Co	AG					00	CRLF	
2	C4E	3A						08	LF+MSB	;stop sending with linefeed
2	C4F						*		5570 (SSS) 54	man er en er en er en er en
2	C4F	4.5						XRA	A	;zero
2	050	32	02	25				STA	PASS	; pass counter
2	253						*			
2	C53	€5					SAVE	PUSH	H	;save source address
2	C54	05						PUSH	0	;save it
	C55						*			
2	C55	75					LOOP	YON	A,M	;get byte from source
	C56							STAX	0	;program it to destination
2	C57						*			

Adar 81	32 B	3 34	E Label	Opcd	Operand	
2057 3E :	4					
2059 30	-		DELAY	MVI	A,100	;delay for dynamic memory
205A C2 5	0 2		DELAT	DCR	A	;time up
2050	,, -	-		JNZ	DELAY	;keep stalling
2050 23				*110		
205E 13				INX	H	
205F CD 1	4 2			INX	0	;advance pointers
2062 02 5				CALL	TEST	;end of block
2065	-			JNZ	LOOP	;no keep going
2065 21 0	12 28			1 4 7	4 2400	
2068 34				INR	H, PASS	;point to pass counter
2059 F5				PUSH	9	;256 passes
2CoA CS					>SW	;save Z flag
2008				PUSH	3	;save end pointer
2068 CD 4	3 21	,		****		
206E 00	5 6.			CALL	PRINT	;send message
205F 20 2	0 50	41		98	CR	
2073 73 7				DTH	' Pass '	
2076 7E	2 40	•		*****		
2077 GE 0	0			MOV	A,M	;get pass number
2079 06 5			LDIV	MVI	0,0	;clear number of digits
2073 04	E .			MVI	3,-1	;compensate for increment
2070 06 0			DIA	INR	3	;increment quotient
207E 02 7				SUI	10	;subtract 10 from dividend
2081 C6 3				INC	VIC	;can more be subtracted
2083 F5	~			ADI	10+'0'	;adjust remainder 0 to 9 ASCII
2034 OC				PUSH	PSW	;add to list of remainders
2085 78				INR	c .	;one more digit
2086 B7				MOV	4,3	;prepare for next division
2087 CZ 7	9 20			ORA	A	;was quotient zero
208A F1	, 50		LOUT	POP	LDIV	;more to come
2088 CD 3	8 00		2001	CALL	PSW	;get a remainder
208E OD				DCR	C	;print it
2087 02 3	1 20			JNZ		;out of digits
2092				3112	LOUT	;no then keep printing
2092 01				202	3	
2093 F1				POP	PSW	;restore and
2094 D1				202	0.00	;restore I flag
2095 E1				POP	3	;restore start address
2096 CZ 5	3 20			JNZ	H	;restore HL
2099				3112	SAVE	;more passes to come
2099 1A			VERIFY	LDAX	0	
2094 BE				CMP	м	get byte from prom
2098 C2 F	0 20			JNZ	VERIFYERR	;is it the same
209E 23				INX	H	;print error
209F 13				INX		
E GO GADS	5 20			CALL	TEST	;advance pointers
2CA3 C2 7					VERIFY	;end of block
2046			*	JMZ	ICALLI	;still more to test
2045 CD -	3 20			CALL	PRINT	
2CA9 00				06		
20AA 20 2	0 4E	5F		DT	' No errors	- datacted!
2CAE 20 5				-	NO ELLOP	acreered.
2082 6F 7						
2085 64 5						
2CBA 63 7						

1 01 02 07 0/ 5 (abol	Oacd	Operand	
Acar 81 32 83 84 E Label	0000	oper and	
208E 00 8A 2000 *	00	CRLF+MSB	
2000 CD 43 2D END 2003 20 20 54 75 2007 72 66 20 6F 2008 66 66 20 74 2006 68 65 20 70	CALL DT	PRINT ' Turn off the	programming enable switch'
2003 72 6F 67 72 2007 61 60 60 69 2008 6E 57 20 65 200F 6E 61 62 60 2023 65 20 73 77 2027 69 74 63 68		001.54.000	
20EB 00 8A 20ED *	DO	CRLF+MSB	
2CED 2A 03 2E 2CF0 F9 2CF1 F1 2CF2 C1	LHLD SPHL POP POP	;	retrieve SP move it back restore registers
2CF3 01	POP	D	
2CF4 E1	POP	н .	bye-bye
2CFS C9 2CF6 *	KE1	•	5,4 5,4
2076 78 TEST	MOV	A,B ;	get end byte
2CF7 BA	CMP		same as start
2CF8 CO	RNZ		no then return
2CF9 79	MOV	A,C	
2CFA BB	CMP	-	low half same
2CFB C9	RET		return with Z flag
2CFC *	C111	PRINT	
	FYERR CALL DB	CR	
20FF 00 2000 3F 20 76 65	OTH	'? verification	error at '
2004 72 69 66 69 2008 63 61 74 69			
2000 6F 6E 20 65			
2010 72 72 6F 72			
2014 20 51 74 40			
2018 EB	XCHG		
2019 CD E8 2D	CALL	1985 F. C.	print hex address
201C CD 43 2D	CALL	PRINT	
201F 00 3A	DD JMP	CRLF+MSB	
2021 C3 CO 2C 2024 *	JEF	END	
	GERR MOV	A,H	get high address
2025 FE CC	190		valid address
2027 DA 2E 2D	JC		no print message
202A FE DO	ISD		;valid address
202C 3F	CMC -		;compensate
2020 00	RNC		return with C in question
202E CD 43 20 RAN		PRINT	
2031 3F 20 6F 75	76	'? out of range	
2035 74 20 6F 66			
2039 20 72 61 6E 2030 67 65			
203F OD 3A	00	CRLF+MS8	

Addr 3	1 82	33	84	Ε	Lacel	Opec	Operand	
2041 3	7					STC		;set error flag
2042 0	7					RET		, sec s. ror reag
2043					*			
2043 E	3				PRINT	XTHL		;save HL get SP
2044 71					LPRINT	MOV	A,M	get maracter
2045 C		00				CALL	OUT	;print it
2048 2						INX	Н	;advance pointer
2049 3						ORA	A	;is MSB set
204A F		20				JP	LPRINT	;keep sending
2040 E						XTHL		;restore HL and adjusted SP
204E 09	,					RET		
204F 2	00	20			*			
2052 00					ADRS LADRS	LXI	H,0	;zero value
2055 CA					LAUKS	CALL	INPUT	;get character
2058 00						JZ	LADRS	; is it there
2058 FE						CALL	OUT	;print_it
2050 08	17					RZ	CR	;was it a return
205E 06						SUI	'0'	thats it
2060 0		20				70	INVAL	;reduce to nex
2063 =						CPI	10	;invalid entry ;aloha character
2065 3		20				JC	SAB	,atona character
2068 0		-				SUI	7	;alpha bias
206A 0	75	20				JC	INVAL	;bad character
2060 FS	10					CPI	16	;number out of range
206F 3	78	20				JNC	INVAL	, name of the state of the stat
2072 29)				SAR	DAD	Н	;multiply address by 15
2073 29	;					DAD	Н	
2074 29						DAD	Н	
2075 29						DAD	H	
2076 35						ADD	L	;combine new value
2077 68						MOV	L,A	
2078 CI 2078))2	20				JMP	LADRS	;keep going
2078 00		20			TANKA			
207E 30		20			INVAL	CALL	PRINT	
2080 3	9 3 3 3 1	40	40			00 0T	CRLF	
2084 76						01	'? invalid r	esponse.
2088 64								
208C 7		MANUSCO						
2090 73		•	-					
2092 30						00	CRLF+MSB	
2094 37	,					STC	4	;set error flag
2095 09)					RET		, sec 11101 1 tag
2096					*			
2096 70)				MOD	MOV	A,L	get low byte
2097 38						ANI	OFH	;mask low nibble
2099 38						RZ		;if zero fine
209A ::			1400			CALL	PRINT	
2090 38						OT	'? bad bound	ery address'
20A1 54								
2DA5 75								
20A9 72								
20A0 04 2081 73		-	33					
2083 30						20	CD: HOT	
2002 00	- JA					00	CRLF+MS8	

Addr	81	82	53	84 E	Label	Opcd	Operand	
2085	37					STC		;set error flag
2086						RET		, see or ag
2087						NC1		
2087		17	70		BADPROM	CALL	PRINT	
208A					DAUPTUN	OT		
208E						21	: 20ecilisa	portion of prom is not erased'
2002								
2006								
20CA								
ZOCE								
2002								
2006								
200A		1 770	1.90000000	100				
200E								
20E2		01	13	0,				
20E3						00	COL 5 . WCO	
2025	1000		-				CRLF+MSB	
2088	(3	35	23			JMP	RESTORE	;continue and restore registers
	7.0				*			
2058					HEX	MOV	A,H	;first the high byte
2059		=0	20			CALL	BYTE	;print nex byte
SDEC	10					VOM	A,L	;now the low byte
SDED								
SDED	CO	FU	20		BYTE	CALL	NIBBLE	;print nibble
20F0					*			
2010					NISBLE	RRC		;swap nibbles
20F1						RRC		
20F2	7.75					RRC		
20F3						RRC		
2DF4						PUSH	PSW	;save A
20F5		22/07				ANI	OFH	;mask high nibble
20F7		90				ADI	90H	;super short-cut
2079		200				DAA		;technique for converting
ZDFA	10000	40				ACI	40H	;binary to ASCII
20FC	200					DAA		;ala NB
20F0	2070728	08	CD			CALL	OUT	;print it
2500						POP	PSW	;restore A
2 = 01	C9					RET		
2502					*			
2502					PASS	DS	1	
2 = 03					STACK	05	1	

III. THEORY OF OPERATION

3.1 ADDRESSING

Address input lines AO to A9 are buffered in line receivers U13 and U14. The outputs of U13 and U14 are then connected to both the PROM and RAM memory address pins. Address input lines A10 to A15 are buffered in U12 before use on the board. Lines A10 to A12 are inverted by the buffers and used as inputs to decoders U8 and U9. These three lines enable one of eight outputs on U8 or U9, depending on which decoder is enabled. Note that since A10 to A12 are inverted, the decoding sequence is reversed. When A10 to A12 are all "0", the number 7 output of the enabled decoder is selected. Each of the eight outputs from each decoder is used to enable a specific 2708 PROM or the 1K block of on-board RAM, or one of the three 1K segments which are not used on this board.

Address input lines A13 to A15 are used to enable one or the other decoder. Jumper Areas E and F determine which specific 8K block of memory corresponds to each decoder. The decoders are enabled by the output of U18-13 and U10-6. (They are enabled when their D input is a logic low "0".) Which decoder is enabled by which line depends on the jumpering in Area G. Jumper Area G can be used to switch the memory blocks thus assigned to each decoder.

Inversion of the on-board PROM and scratchpad memory address within block B may be accomplished by changing the jumper in Area J. This jumper determines whether or not the A12 address line is inverted by U11-4 before being used by decoder U9.

Selection of which 1K segment of the memory space will be assigned to the on-board RAM and which three 1K segments will be returned for use by other boards is handled by U9 outputs pins 1, 2, 3, 4, gate U10-12 and jumpers in Areas I and H. Any time an input to gate U10-12 goes low, this board is inhibited from putting data on the DI bus by forcing the DI line drivers to the high impedence state. Therefore, the three outputs of U9 which are connected to the inputs to U10-12 cause output from this board to be inhibited when one of the corresponding addresses appear on the address bus. Likewise, whichever U9 output is tied to the CE input to the RAM will enable the on-board RAM when that address appears.

3.2 DATA INPUT/OUTPUT

The DO lines from the S-100 bus contain data from the CPU to the memory. RAM is contained in two 2114 chips (U1 and U2). U1 contains the low four data bits in each location and U2 the high four bits. Thus DOO to DO3 are tied to the data pins of U1 and DO4 to DO7 to the data pins of U2. These data bus lines are also tied in parallel to the eight data lines of each 1K byte PROM chip.

Data outputs from the RAM and PROM are connected to the input of a tri-state line driver U16 or U17. This parallel bussing of outputs from the memory chips is possible since all data outputs on the chips are tri-state.

3.3 CONTROL SIGNALS

U15 buffers the data lines inputting to the board. This buffer is enabled so long as U5-10 is low, which is true if U4-11 is high, which is true if either the on-board RAM is being written to or if PROM socket 11 is being written to. This logic is accomplished as follows. U4-6 is the NAND of MWRITE and the inverted (active high at U5-4) chip select for PROM socket 11, so that U4-6 is low if both PROM socket 11 is selected and MWRITE is active. U20-6 is the NAND of MWRITE and the inverted RAM chip select (active high at U5-13) so that U20-6 is low if both RAM is selected and MWRITE is active. Since U4-11 is the NAND of U4-6 and U20-6, U4-11 will be high if either U4-6 or U20-6 is low.

Writing of data into the RAM is controlled by MWRITE. Depending on the jumper in Area B, MWRITE can be taken from the bus (if a front panel is used or if there is another source of MWRITE in the system), or it can be generated from SOUT and PWR on this board. To generate MWRITE on the board, when SOUT and PWR are both low, U18-10 is high. This signal is buffered at U14-9 and is available both to the bus and the board as MWRITE. MWRITE is NANDED with the RAM chip select (inverted to active high at U5-13), giving the RD/WR signal for RAM. Why is this necessary, since the signals are combined within the 2114? It is not necessary in order to generate RD/WR, but to enable the data bus input driver U15, as exlained above, we needed external active low signals specifically for writing to RAM and to PROM. Rather than putting another inverter on the board, the same signal is used for RD/WR to RAM. A low on RD/WR puts the chip in the write mode. Data on lines DOO to DO7 will be written

into the RAMs, assuming the board has been addressed and the RAM selected by the chip enable from Area I.

When it is desired to read data from this board, the U19-6 must be low at the appropriate time, enabling the DI bus drivers U16 and U17. This is accomplished by generating the logic NAND function of numerous signals. When either block A or block B is selected, the output of U20-3 is high which is used as one input to U19-6. Another input to U19-6 is generated by SMEMR which indicates that a memory read is to be executed. SMEMR is inverted at U11-2, then gated through U18-1, before being connected to U19. To allow selective disabling of this board's data outputs for any of the three unused 1K memory blocks, the chosen chip select lines are connected to U10 pins 1, 2 and 13. So long as they are high (not active), then U10-12 is low. In combination with a low from U11-2 (inverted SMEMR), a high appears on U18-1, which goes to U19-1. Another input to U19-6 is from U18-4 which senses that both SOUT and SINP are low. The last input to U19-6 is PDBIN. When this signal is high it indicates that the DI lines are in the input mode. Therefore, when all four inputs are high, indicating on board memory can be read, U19-6 will go low, thus enabling the data output buffers U16 and U17.

The power on/reset jump feature is initiated by the POC or PRESET input (jumper option in Area D). Disabling of other system memory boards during the power on/reset jump is accomplished by the PHANTOM output from this board, assuming the other boards are so wired. The power on/reset feature is provided by an RS flip-flop in U20, with the POC or PRESET line from the bus connected to the set input (U20-9) of the flip-fop. The PHANTOM signal is generated by the U20-11 active low output, and the U20-8 active high output is used to set U18-13 low, thus enabling U8 or U9, depending on the jumper in Area G. Since the address on the bus will be 0000, this causes the processor to execute the first instruction in the enabled 8K block. If this instruction is a jump to the next instruction in the same block, then when that instruction is decoded causing a low at U10-8 and hence at U20-13, the flip-flip will reset and cancel the PHANTOM signal.

The PRDY signal can be tied to the WAIT input by jumpering Area K. If so, the PRDY driver is enabled whenever this board is addressed and the processor is not doing I/O (determined by U19 pins 9, 10, 12 and 13.) WAIT is low at this time, thus PRDY goes low, putting the processor in a wait state. This makes WAIT go high, so that when the next clock cycle occurs, PRDY goes high again. The result is a one-cycle WAIT state each time the board is addressed. Note there is an error in this logic: a wait state will be generated (if jumpered in Area K) so long as any part of blocks A or B are addressed, INCLUDING the 3K which are used by other boards. This other 3K may be a function such as video or disk controller, which should not have a wait state.

3.4 PROM PROGRAMMING

PROM socket 11 is used to program an EPROM. EPROMs are programmed as follows: With the desired data on the data inputs to the PROM and the desired low order address byte on the address lines to the PROM, chip select must be raised to 12V (rather than the usual 0 for reading and 5 for not-select.) Then after a delay of 10 micro-seconds, a 26V pulse on the chip's programming pin (pin 18) must occur for 400 micro-seconds. The CPU must be held in a wait state during this time, as well as an additional 1/2 micro-second. This will program one byte ONCE. Proper programming of 2708 EPROMs require that each byte be programmed 256 times, with a delay after each time. This is handled in software, which should program all the locations on the PROM once, and then repeat the cycle 256 times. Software does not have to send any special signal for programming a PROM, since hardware will interpret any memory write to the PROM as an intent to program it. Unintential writing to the PROM will thus cause programming if the 26V supply is accidently left on.

U3 contains two one-shots which are used to generate the timing for the programming pulse. Each of these one shots has different R and C values connected to it, creating different length pulses. A 10 micro-second active low pulse is generated at U3-4 and a 410 micro-second active high pulse is generated at U3-5. When these two are NANDED together at U4-3, the result is a 400 micro-second active low pulse following a 10 micro-second delay, as desired. This pulse begins when PSYNC (bus line 76) and clock-1 (bus line 25) are NANDED at U4-8 and put into U3-1 and U3-9, and at the same time the PROM socket 11 chip select arrives at U3-2 and U3-10. They will only fire if it is not a memory read cycle, because U11-2 keeps the one-shots reset (via reset pins U3-3 and U3-11) if SMEMR is active.

The low-high transition of the 410 micro-seond pulse at U3-5 generates an active low on XRDY (bus line 3) by inverting it at U6-2, in order to put the CPU in a wait state. This stays low for 1/2 micro-second after the pulse is over because of an RC delay tied to U6-2.

The 400 micro-second pulse is converted to active open at U6-10 and U6-12. The program pulse of 26V is then generated by a 2N3643 transister, using a supply voltage from U7 and related circuitry. U7 is turned on by the sliding programming switch. This switch must ONLY be on when programming a PROM, because erroneous writing to that PROM will otherwise alter it when not desired.

When the pulse is over and the wait line is released, the CPU is released to increment the address and program the next byte.

3.5 POWER SUPPLIES

Power for this board is obtained from the unregulated +8V and plus or minus 18V supplies in the system.

Regulation of the input voltage to the required -5V and +12V is obtained by the use of four three-terminal regulators. Dual regulators are used to insure ample supply current. The +5V supply is regulated by one regulator. Bypass filtering on all power lines is accomplished by multiple electrolytic capacitors for each supply voltage. This filtering insures stable noise free operation of the board. Capacitors are also used on each regulator input for high frequency bypassing and regulator stability.

The +26V programming supply is produced from the +12V regulated supply by a TL497 switching voltage regulator in a low-power step-up configuration, using a 1 mH coil.

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