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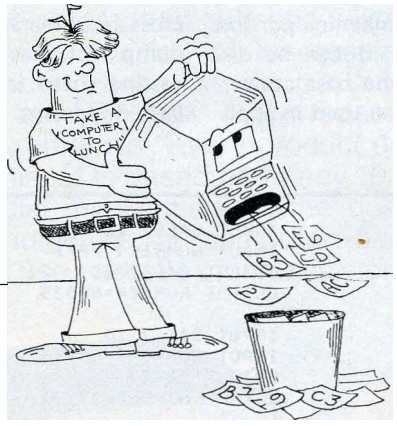
Hexadecimal Memory Dump



One good article generates another. This is a nice companion to one of last year's.

Kudos to Mark Borgerson. His 6800 assembly-language program for fast loading machine-language programs as it appeared in the February 1977 issue of *Kilobaud* ("Cut 6800 Programming Time with this Extraordinary Program," p. 104) works extremely well. I reassembled that program to relocate it to a convenient location in my memory.

After implementing the loader program, it appeared that a hexadecimal dump program would be a very useful companion program. The MIKBUG P command can be used for that purpose; however, it has two disadvantages. First, it is necessary to use the M command to enter the starting and ending addresses at A002-A004. The second, and more serious, disadvantage is that the output is formatted for the MIKBUG tape Runch and is very difficult to read since there is no spacing between bytes.

Here is a program that overcomes those disadvantages. The display format is not new, by any means, but the only program I have seen for this format is written to run on an Altair 680b by Mits. Since Mits does not use MIKBUG, the program will not run on my SWTP 6800 system. My program will run

Program listing.

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00001                    NAM     HEXDUMP
00002                  **
00003                  * HEXADECIMAL MEMORY DUMP PROGRAM
00004                  **
00005                  * LOAD VIA MIKBUG "L" COMMAND
00006                  * USE MIKBUG "G" COMMAND TO START
00007                  **
00008                  * ENTER ADDRESS OF FIRST BYTE TO DUMP
00009                  **
00010                  * ENTER ADDRESS OF LAST BYTE TO DUMP
00011                  **
00012                  * PUSH "RESET" ON COMPUTER TO ABORT
00013                  * CONTROl. RETURNS TO MIKBUG
00014                  **
00015                          OPT     NOG
00016                          OPT     S
00017                          OPT     0

00019                  * MIKBUG ROUTINES USED
00020          EIDI    OUTEEE  EQU     SEIDL
00021          E0BF    OUT2H   EQU     $E0BF
00022          E047    BADDR   EQU     $E047
00023          E0CC    OUTS    EQU     $E0CC
00024          E0C8    OUT4HS  EQU     $E0C8
00025          E0E3    MONIT   EQU     $E0E3

00027                  * START PROGRAM
00028 3F20                     ORG     $3F20
00029 3F20 0002        TEMP    RMB     2       TEMP STORAGE FOR X REG.
00030 3F22 0002        l.STBYT RMB     2       ADDRESS OF LAST BYTE TO DUMP
00031 3F24 0001        COUNT   RMB     I       COl.UMN COUNTER
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on any 6800 system using MIKBUG, or one of the newer replacements for MIKBUG.

I have used the same basic dump technique as in the Altair program, but with input/output routines modified for MIKBUG. I have added some prompt messages at the beginning and have used Mr. Borgerson's technique of relocating the stack pointer to restart the program by simply typing G on the terminal.

To use the program after loading, set the program counter at A048-A049 to 3F25 (or the appropriate starting address if you have relocated the program) and use the MIKBUG G command to start execution. The program title will be printed, followed by a prompt message, FIRST BYTE TO PRINT. The address of the first byte to dump is entered and the computer responds with LAST BYTE TO PRINT. The address of the last byte is entered and the dump begins. The display format consists of 16 bytes per line with the address of the first byte being printed at the left (see Fig. 1).

There is no limit to the amount of memory that can be dumped at one time; any number of bytes from one to 65K can be dumped. (Hope you have a lot of paper for the larger numbers!) A word of caution: The address of the first byte to be dumped must be less than that of the last. If this is not the case, *all* memory locations *except* the region between the two addresses will be dumped! If both addresses are the same, only one byte will be displayed.

The dump shown in Fig. 1 is a dump of the dump program itself. This should prove to be a valuable debugging program; especially if your program has "gone to that never-never land known only to CPUs and covered its tracks in the process," to quote another *Kilobaud* author. ■

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00032 3F25 8E A060 GO      LDS    #$A060   RELOCATE STACK POINTER
00033 3F28 CE 3FB7         LDX    #TITLE   POINT TO 'TITLE' MESS.
00034 3F2B A6 00   AA      LDA A  00,X     GET CHARACTER TO PRINT
00035 3F2D C6 2E           LDA B  #'.      PUT ASCII PERIOD IN B
00036 3F2F 11              CBA             IS CHAR. IN A-REG A PERIOD?
00037 3F30 27 06           BEQ    ADRS1
00038 3F32 BD E1D1         JSR    OUTEEE   PRINT CHAR IN A REG
00039 3F35 08              INX
00040 3F36 20 F3           BRA    AA       LOOP FOR MORE
00041 3F38 86 0D   ADRS1   LDA A  #$0D     CARRIAGE RETURN
00042 3F3A BD E1D1         JSR    OUTEEE
00043 3F3D 86 0A           LDA A  #$0A     LINE FEED
00044 3F3F BD E1D1         JSR    OUTEEE
00045 3F42 86 00           LDA A  #$00     ASCII NULL
00046 3F44 BD E1D1         JSR    OUTEEE
00047 3F47 BD E1D1         JSR    OUTEEE
00048 3F4A CE 3FCF         LDX    #FIRST   POINT TO 'FIRST' MESS.
00049 3F4D A6 00   BB      LDA A  00,X     GET CHAR TO PRINT
00050 3F4F 11              CBA             IS CHAR IN A-REG A PERIOD?
00051 3F50 27 06           BEQ    GET
00052 3F52 BD E1D1         JSR    OUTEEE   PRINT CHAR IN A REG
00053 3F55 08              INX
00054 3F56 20 F5           BRA    BB       LOOP FOR MORE
00055 3F58 8D 51   GET     BSR    GETADR   GET FIRST ADDRESS
00056 3F5A FF 3F20         STX    TEMP     STORE IT
00057 3F5D BD E0CC         JSR    OUTS
00058 3F60 CE 3FE3         LDX    #LAST    POINT TO 'LAST' MESS.
00059 3F63 A6 00   CC      LDA A  00,X     GET CHARACTER TO PRINT
00060 3F65 C6 2E           LDA B  #'.      ASCII PERIOD IN B-REG
00061 3F67 11              CBA             IS CHAR IN A-REG A PERIOD?
00062 3F68 27 06           BEQ    ADRS2
00063 3F6A BD E1D1         JSR    OUTEEE   PRINT CHAR IN A REG
00064 3F6D 08              INX
00065 3F6E 20 F3           BRA    CC       LOOP FOR MORE
00066 3F70 8D 39   ADRS2   BSR    GETADR   GET LAST ADR
00067 3F72 08              INX             ADJUST IT
00068 3F73 FF 3F22         STX    LSTBYT   STORE IT
00069 3F76 FE 3F20         LDX    TEMP     POINT TO FIRST BYTE
00070 3F79 86 0D   CRLF    LDA A  #$0D     SEND CR,LF
00071 3F7B BD E1D1         JSR    OUTEEE
00072 3F7E 86 0A           LDA A  #$0A
00073 3F80 BD E1D1         JSR    OUTEEE
00074 3F83 86 11           LDA A  #17
00075 3F85 B7 3F24         STA A  COUNT    INIT COUNTER
00076 3F88 FF 3F20         STX    TEMP     STORE X REG
00077 3F8B CE 3F20         LDX    #TEMP
00078 3F8E BD E0C8         JSR    OUT4HS   PRINT ADDRESS
00079 3F91 FE 3F20         LDX    TEMP     RESTORE XREG
00080 3F94 7A 3F24 NXTBYT  DEC    COUNT
00081 3F97 27 E0           BEQ    CRLF
00082 3F99 BD E0CC         JSR    OUTS     SEND A SPACE
00083 3F9C A6 00           LDA A  X        BYTE TO A
00084 3F9E BD E0BF         JSR    OUT2H    PRINT IT, & INCREMENT X-REG
00085 3FA1 BC 3F22         CPX    LSTBYT   ARE WE DONE?
00086 3FA4 27 02           BEQ    JMONIT   YES, RETURN TO MIKBUG
00087 3FA6 20 EC           BRA    NXTBYT
00088 3FA8 7E E0E3 JMONIT  JMP    MONIT
00089 3FAB BD E0CC GETADR  JSR    OUTS     SEND SPACE
00090 3FAE 86 3F           LDA A  #'?      SEND QUESTION MARK
00091 3FB0 BD E1D1         JSR    OUTEEE
00092 3FB3 BD E047         JSR    BADDR    GET ADDRESS
00093 3FB6 39              RTS             RETURN

00095 3FB7 48      TITLE   FCC    /HEXADECIMAL MEMORY DUMP./
00096 3FCF 46      FIRST   FCC    /FIRST BYTE TO PRINT./
00097 3FE3 4C      LAST    FCC    /LAST BYTE TO PRINT./

00099 A048                 ORG    $A048
00100 A048 3F20            FDB    $3F20    STARTING ADDRESS IN PROG CTR
00101                      END
OUTEEE E1D1
OUT2H  E0BF
BADDR  E047

OUTS   E0CC
OUT4HS E0C8
MONIT  E0E3
TEMP   3F20
LSTBYT 3F22
COUNT  3F24
GO     3F25
AA     3F2B
ADRS1  3F38
BB     3F4D
GET    3F58
CC     3F63
ADRS2  3F70
CRLF   3F79
NXTBYT 3F94
JMONIT 3FA8
GETADR 3FAB
TITLE  3FB7
FIRST  3FCF
LAST   3FE3

TOTAL ERRORS 00000
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*G HEXADECIMAL MEMORY DUMP
FIRST BYTE TO PRINT ?3F20 LAST BYTE TO PRINT ?3FF5
3F20  3F 20 3F F6 0C 8E A0 60 CE 3F B7 A6 00 C6 2E 11
3F30  27 06 BD E1 D1 08 20 F3 86 0D BD E1 D1 86 0A BD
3F40  E1 D1 86 00 BD E1 D1 BD E1 D1 CE 3F CF A6 00 11
3F50  27 06 BD E1 D1 08 20 F5 8D 51 FF 3F 20 BD E0 CC
3F60  CE 3F E3 A6 00 C6 2E 11 27 06 BD E1 D1 08 20 F3
3F70  8D 39 08 FF 3F 22 FE 3F 20 86 0D BD E1 D1 86 0A
3F80  BD E1 D1 86 11 B7 3F 24 FF 3F 20 CE 3F 20 BD E0
3F90  C8 FE 3F 20 7A 3F 24 27 E0 BD E0 CC A6 00 BD E0
3FA0  BF BC 3F 22 27 02 20 EC 7E E0 E3 BD E0 CC 86 3F
3FB0  BD E1 D1 BD E0 47 39 48 45 58 41 44 45 43 49 4D
3FC0  41 4C 20 4D 45 4D 4F 52 59 20 44 55 4D 50 2E 46
3FD0  49 52 53 54 20 42 59 54 45 20 54 4F 20 50 52 49
3FE0  4E 54 2E 4C 41 53 54 20 42 59 54 45 20 54 4F 20
3FF0  50 52 49 4E 54 2E
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Fig. 1. Dump of the dump.