

Parallel Printer Routines

The INIT routine below initialises the TANEX 6522 VIA. The registers are as follows:

Data Direction Register (DDRA / DDRB)

Set all peripheral pins to output

Peripheral Control Register (PCR)

Set Control line 1 for negative active edge

Set Pulse output mode

Interrupt Enable Register (IER)

Disable all interrupts

Interrupt Flag Register (IFR)

Check Control Line 1 Flag

Table below shows the required settings depending on the VIA / Output socket used.

I/O Socket	A1	B1	C1	D1
6522	A2	A2	B2	B2
DDRA / DDRB	\$BFC3	\$BFC2	\$BFE3	\$BFE2
Initialisation value	#\$FF	#\$FF	#\$FF	#\$FF
PCR	\$BFCC	\$BFCC	\$BFEC	\$BFEC
Initialisation value	#\$0A	#\$A0	#\$0A	#\$A0
IER	\$BFCE	\$BFCE	\$BFEE	\$BFEE
Initialisation value	#\$7F	#\$7F	#\$7F	#\$7F
IFR	\$BFCD	\$BFCD	\$BFED	\$BFED
Control line 1 flag	#\$02	#\$10	#\$02	#\$10

The routines below assume the B2 VIA & D1 socket are used.

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0001 INIT      LDA #$FF      1A60 A9 FF      ; Initialise 6522 registers
0002           STA $BFE2    1A62 8D E2 BF      ; set ports to output
0003           LDA #$A0     1A65 A9 A0
0004           STA $BFEC    1A67 8D EC BF      ; set pulse output mode
0005           LDA #$7F     1A6A A9 7F
0006           STA $BFEE    1A6C 8D EE BF      ; disable all interrupts
0007           RTS         1A67 60      ; return

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The PRINT routine prints the character held in the Accumulator. It first checks to see if the character to be printed is a Carriage Return (\$13). If so, it is sent to the printer followed by a Line Feed character. Otherwise the character is sent straight to the printer and the routine exits. If the printer automatically advances the line feed on receipt of a carriage return character, then the routine should be entered at PRCHAR.

0008	PRINT	CMP #\$0D	1A70 C9 0D	; check carriage return?
0009		BNE PRCHAR	1A72 D0 08	; no – skip to print character
0010		STA \$BFE0	1A74 8D E0 BF	; yes – process it
0011		JSR WAIT	1A77 20 IF 14	; wait printer until ready
0012		LDA #\$0A	1A7A A9 0A	; load Line Feed character
0013	PRCHAR	STA \$BFE0	1A7C 8D E0 BF	; send character to printer
0014	WAIT	LDA \$BFED	1A7F AD ED BF	; wait routine
0015		AND #\$10	1A82 29 10	; check control line 1 flag
0016		BEQ WAIT	1A84 F0 F9	; printer not finished
0017		RTS	1A8F 60	; return

The DUMP routine below dumps the Microtan screen to the printer.

0018	DUMP	JSR INIT	1A87 20 60 1A	;
0019		LDA #\$0	1A8A A9 00	;
0020		STA GET+1	1A8C 8D 9A 1A	;
0021		LDA #\$2	1A8F A9 02	;
0022		STA \$GET+2	1A91 8D 9B 1A	;
0023	NEWLIN	JSR CR	1A94 20 C1 1A	; print CR
0024		LDY #\$0	1A97 A0 00	;
0025	GET	LDA \$200,Y	1A99 B9 00 02	;
0026		AND #\$7F	1A9C 29 7F	;
0027		CMP #\$20	1A9E C9 20	; alpha-numeric?
0028		BPL SKIP	1AA0 10 02	; yes - skip
0029		LDA #\$20	1AA2 A9 20	; print space
0030	SKIP	JSR PRCHAR	1AA4 20 7C 1A	; send to printer
0031		INY	1AA7 C8	;
0032		CPY #\$20	1AA8 C0 20	;
0033		BNE GET	1AAA D0 ED	;
0034		CLC	1AAC 18	;
0035		LDA GET+1	1AAD AD 9A 1A	;
0036		ADC #\$20	1AB0 69 20	;
0037		STA GET+1	1AB2 8D 9A 1A	;
0038		BNE NEWLIN	1AB5 D0 DD	;
0039		INC GET+2	1AB7 EE 9B 1A	;
0040		LDA GET+2	1ABA AD 9B 1A	;
0041		CMP #\$4	1ABD C9 04	; bottom of screen reached?
0042		BNE NEWLIN	1ABF D0 D3	; no - new line
0043	CR	LDA #\$0A	1AC1 A9 0A	; output LF
0044		JSR PRCHAR	1AC3 20 7C 1A	;
0045		LDA #\$0D	1AC6 A9 0D	; output CR
0046		JSR PRCHAR	1AC8 20 7C 1A	;
0047		RTS	1ACB 60	; end

The FORMF routine sends a Form Feed character to the printer to eject the page.

0048	FORMF	LDA #\$0C	1ACC A9 0C	; Form Feed Character
0049		BNE PRCHAR	1ACE D0AC	; send to printer