

MONOCHROME
MEMORY MAPPED SCREEN
GLOS SKELETON CONFIGURATION GUIDE

For MS-DOS

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WHO IS THIS FOR

This document describes how to implement a monochrome screen GRAPHICS INPUT OUTPUT SYSTEM (gios). The hardware addressed by this skeleton must have the following characteristics.

- Processor 8088,8086,80186
- Display one bit/pixel
- bit map addressable by processor.
- processor may access bit map as though it were normal memory. (wait states may be inserted).
- The display must use a byte as eight contiguous pixels.
- A scan line must be made up of a contiguous

sequence of bytes. (bytes
may be swapped within
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WHAT TOOLS ARE REQUIRED

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To build your gios you will require the following tools.

Assembler	Rasm86 from DRI
Linker	Link86 from DRI
CP/M86	
MS-DOS	
Debugger	DDT86 from DRI
Skeleton	BWMSKMS.A86 (you modify)
	MONOMMRE.A86
	MONOMMOB.OBJ
	FONT.OBJ

Text editor

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HOW TO MODIFY THE SKELETON

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In order to simplify the process of building and testing the skeleton, we will do it in several stages. In addition to simplify the testing of the driver we recomend that most of the development be done under CP/M-86 and that only the final stages be tested under MS-DOS.

STAGE 1

Upon completion of this stage your driver will have all it's graphic output primitives and their attribute routines functional. You will need to edit the file BWMSKMS.A86 this is the section which is required to be customized for MSDOS. The first task is to modify the equates for your particular hardware. We will now describe the equates in detail and define what value you must place in each.

xresmx This is the displayable x resolution of your screen. This equate is used to inform the applications programmer how many addressable points in the x axis are available. If you should have more x axis information than can be displayed, then this value should be only that which is displayed.

EXAMPLE

If you have a screen with 640 pixels in the x direction the number returned here is 639.

yresmx This is the displayable y resolution of your screen. This equate is used to inform the applications programmer how many addressable points in

the y axis are available. If you should have more y axis information than can be displayed, then this value should be only that which is displayed.

EXAMPLE

If you have a screen with 480 pixels in the y direction the number returned here is 479.

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xsize This number is the size of the pixel in microns in the x axis. An empirical way to determine the correct value is to start with xsize = 50. Then to draw a box on the screen once your driver is functional useing an equal number of x,y increments. Measure the size of the box and it's ratio is the size in microns in x to y.

ysize This number is the size of the pixel in microns in the y axis.

graph_plane

This is the segment address of the start of the bit map memory.

plane_size

This is the size of the graphics memory. It is used only if the scan lines in memory are not sequential.

EXAMPLE

The IBM P.C. uses 16k or 4000h of memory for it's graphics. It also breaks this memory into two 8k sections with even and odd scan lines coming from alternate sections (segments). Thus the IBM has a plane size of 4000h.

msb_first This is set to either true or false as required. If the most significant bit of a byte in the bit map is the leftmost on the screen this should be set to TRUE else it is set to FALSE.

byte_swap This is set to either true or false as required. If leftmost byte of a scan line has an even address then this is FALSE else it is TRUE.

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multiseg This is set to either true or false as required. If sequential scan lines on the screen come from sequential

memory then this is FALSE else it is TRUE.

EXAMPLE

The IBM PC requires a TRUE due to the fact that even and odd scan lines come from memory 2000h bytes apart. And is thus not sequential.

num_segs If **multiseg** is true this is the number of segments into which the bitmap is broken. Else it is set to 1.

bytes_line

This is the number of bytes per scan line in the bitmap. On some machines this is different than the displayed number of bytes per line. It is used to calculate how far to the next scan line in memory.

chars_line

This is the number of ascii character columns on the screen when in alphanumeric mode. For an 80 x 24 display this would be an 80.

lines_page

This is the number of ascii character rows on the screen when in alphanumeric mode. For an 80 x 24 display this would be an 24.

last_escape

This is the number of the last escape function implemented. This is typically the same as **last_dri_escape** but if device specific escapes are added then it will be the number of the last device specific escape.

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last_dri_escape

This is the last DRI escape function which is implemented. Typically this is a 19.

mouse This returns either a true or false. If a mouse driver is to be included this should be set to TRUE else it is set to false.

Now two routines must be written or modified to allow the gios to be partially functional. They are each outlined below.

escfn2: This is an escape function used to put the display into

graphics mode. It is called at OPEN WORKSTATION time and whenever going into graphics mode. It should init the display to graphics mode then call clearmem. If a mouse is present it should call mouse_function to initialize the mouse.

concat: This is used to calculate the actual physical address in memory from an x,y coordinate. The sample code given will work with little change on many systems. If the y resolution is greater than 256 then a 16 bit multiply is required and one should exercise caution since the ax,dx pairs are used as the result of this operation. The entry and exit registers used and the values to be returned in them should not be altered.

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The driver may now begin testing. To build the driver use rasm86 to assemble the file you just edited. A file will automatically be included into this which contains many highly optimized routines (monommmre.a86). After obtaining no errors during assembly, link the output of this assembly with monommmob.obj and font.obj to create a device driver. After setting up an assign.sys file with your driver as the only device and numbered 01. Type GRAPHICS then try running testgios.cmd. This is done by typing RUN TESTGIOS. You should receive the first screen which is all graphics output. If problems arise debugging is done quite simply.

After running GRAPHICS an address is printed on the screen indicating where the driver was loaded. With ddt86 you can look at this area and the bytes at 3 and 4 are the segment address for the code. Since your modified file was linked first it is the entry into your gios. When debugging the gios the first instruction you will see is a jump into the main body of the code (monommmob.obj). This was done so as to simplify debugging. To breakpoint your routine make a listing of your module after it is assembled and the offset in the listing will be where you will place your breakpoint in the gios.

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STAGE 2

Upon completion of this stage your driver will have all it's alphanumeric escapes functional. You will need to edit the file BWMMSKMS.A86 this is the section which is required to be customized for MSDOS. If your machine emulates the IBM P.C. ROM BIOS calls

then it is quite likely that you need no further changes to your skeleton. We will discuss each routine in detail each of these routines are the alphanumeric escapes discussed in the GSX Version 1.X programmers guide.

Escape	Description
escfn1:	NO MODIFICATION REQUIRED This returns the number of character rows and columns.
escfn3:	This routine initializes the display into alpha numeric mode. It is called at CLOSE WORKSTATION time, and any time the display is to be used in alpha mode. If a mouse is connected and is interrupt driven then the mouse should be de initialized by calling the subroutine mouse_function.
escfn4:	This routine moves the alpha cursor up one character row. If at top of screen no action occurs.
escfn5:	This routine moves the alpha cursor down one character row. If at bottom of screen no action occurs.
escfn6:	This routine moves the alpha cursor right one character column. If at right edge of screen no action occurs.
escfn7:	This routine moves the alpha cursor left one character column. If at left edge of screen no action occurs.
escfn8:	This routine homes the cursor to the upper left corner of the screen.
escfn9:	This routine erases from the current alpha cursor location to the end of screen. The cursor location is unchanged at the end of the routine.
escf10:	This routine erases from the current alpha cursor location to the end of the line. The cursor location is unchanged at the end of the routine.
escf11:	This routine moves the cursor to the specified x,y location. The x,y location is specified in intin (1), intin (2). The numbers passed are from 1 to chars_line for x and 1 to lines_page in y. These typically require decrementing to make them 0 relative.

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- escf12: This routine outputs text to the alpha numeric display. The length of the string is contained in contrl (4) and the string is in intin. Note that only one character is contained in each word of intin. Also the characters output should have the current attribute of escape functions 13,14 in effect.
- escf13: This routine turns on a reverse video attribute for all subsequent characters output through escape function 11. Note that the attribute used must be able to be set at any character location and must not take up a character location.
- escf14: This routine turns off a reverse video attribute for all subsequent characters output through escape function 11.
- escf15: This routine returns the current x,y cursor address in the array intout (1), intout (2). Note for those displays not able to return the cursor position, returning a 1,1 is acceptable.
- escf16: NO MODIFICATION REQUIRED
This routine returns the status of whether a mouse, joystick, data tablet, etc is connected. This is done automatically by the true/false you placed in (mouse).
- escf17: This routine would copy the screen image to a hardcopy device. This is very device specific and has been rarely implemented. THIS ROUTINE IS NOT REQUIRED FOR ANY DRI APPLICATIONS SOFTWARE.
- escf18: NO MODIFICATION REQUIRED
This routine turns on the graphic cross hair cursor. This code is automatically working when your graphics output functions are working.
- escf19: NO MODIFICATION REQUIRED
This routine turns off the graphic cross hair cursor. This code is automatically working when your graphics output functions are working.

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The driver may now be tested. You must assemble the new driver using rasm86 and link86. If the alpha numeric escapes are compatible with your CP/M 86 operating system the testing can be done there. If not then you must move the driver from

CP/M to MS DOS. This is typically done using utilities such as moveit. And connecting a CP/M system to an MS DOS system via RS 232. Once this is done send the gios to the MS DOS system. The simplest test is to RUN TESTGIOS. The second and third screens will test out the alpha numeric escapes. All functions should now work except locator, string, choice and valuator input.

NOTE: ATTEMPTING TO ASSEMBLE AND LINK THE GIOS UNDER MS DOS USING DRI UTILITIES WILL NOT WORK. THE GDOS FOR MS DOS READS CP/M STYLE DRIVER FILES. THIS IS WHY GIOS'S MUST BE DEVELOPED UNDER CP/M.

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STAGE 3

Upon completion of this stage your driver will be completely functional. You will need to edit the file BWMSKMS.A86 this is the section which is required to be customized for MSDOS. If your machine emulates the IBM P.C. ROM BIOS calls then it is quite likely that you need no further changes to your skeleton. We will discuss each routine in detail each of these routines are the input functions. Each is written from a sampled point of view. This means that whenever the routine is called it tests to see if a key is available if not it returns to the caller with the appropriate status set. The parameter passing conventions are well defined in the header to each function. The routines which need to be written or modified are described below.

get_loc_key

This routine returns deltax, deltay or character and or status information. In addition if a mouse is connected this is a convenient spot for it's information to be returned. There is a conditional assembly at the head of this module allowing a mouse to be connected. To facilitate a mouse being connected this should be left intact. A mouse may be simply be added by modifying the mouse driver and setting the mouse switch to true. The get_loc_key routine returns three possible conditions.

(1) no keys were pressed where al=0 is returned.

(2) a key was pressed but it was not a key to be used for locator movement, it is returned in ah and al = 1.

(3) a key was pressed which is to be used for locator movement. The delta x,delta y values can be looked up in a table found in the data section called loc_tbl. This table uses equates found at the front of the file to define the amount of deltax,deltay to be returned for key presses. We suggest that shifted and unshifted

arrow keys be used for locator. Shifted should move in 1 pixel increments and unshifted should move in large increments. In addition a home key should home.

valuator:

This routine returns a delta value or character and or status information. The routine returns three possible conditions.

(1) no keys were pressed where al=0 is returned.

(2) a key was pressed but it was not a key to be used for valuator movement, it is returned in ah and al = 1.

(3) a key was pressed which is to be used for valuator movement. The delta value can be looked up in a table found in the data section called val_tbl. This table uses equates found at the front of the file to define the ammount of delta to be returned for key presses. We suggest that shifted and unshifted arrow keys be used for valuator. Shifted should move in increments of 1 and unshifted should move in large increments.

choice:

This routine returns a choice value and status information. The routine returns two possible conditions.

(1) no keys were pressed where al=0 is returned.

(2) a key was pressed which is to be used for a choice. The choice keys are typically function keys and can be tested arithmetically rather than by a lookup table. If the key pressed was a choice key it's number is returned in the range bx = 1 - maximum number of choice keys and al = 1. If not a valid key then al=0.

get_char:

This routine returns key and or status information. The routine returns two possible conditions.

(1) no keys were pressed where al=0 is returned.

(2) a key was pressed and it is returned in BX and al=1.

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ADDING A MOUSE

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To add a mouse to the gios you have completed you will modify a skeleton mouse driver. You will need to familiarize yourself with the type of mouse you wish to implement. If the mouse is connected to the computer via RS232 then you will also need to be aware of how to initialize the RS232 channel's

baud rate, data bits/char, stop bits, parity and the mechanism for generating and acknowledging an interrupt from the port.

The skeleton mouse driver was implemented on an IBM P.C. for a MOUSE SYSTEMS MOUSE. This section will describe how to modify the skeleton provided for your system to use a MOUSE SYSTEMS MOUSE. If another mouse with a different protocol than this is desired to be implemented it should not be a difficult task. DRI will be implementing other skeleton's for mice not compatible with the MOUSE SYSTEMS protocol. Check with the technical representative from DRI in your locale for the availability of other mice skeletons.

We will discuss the routines which will need to be modified for you to implement the mouse on your computer.

mouse_init:

This routine initializes several status bytes. This code should be left intact. It next initializes the baud rate and other uart parameters. This must be modified for your particular system. The baud rate should be set to 1200, with 8 data bits, no parity and 1 stop bit. Next the code initializes the interrupt vector location. This is easily modified by setting the equate mouse_int_vector_offset to the value 4*intlvl where intlvl is the level of interrupt the uart is connected to. Next the code must enable the receive interrupt and if required the interrupt controller may require initialization of the interrupt mask.

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mouse_deinit:

This routine disables the interrupt from the mouse. It also should put the old interrupt vector back in memory if the operating system is expecting to receive interrupts from that channel. This is very implementation specific and the only thing that MUST be done is to disable the interrupts on the channel so that when other gios's are loaded no spurious interrupts are generated.

mouse_int_vector:

This is the interrupt time handler for the mouse. There are two areas which may need to be modified. The first is how you read the byte from the communications port this is typically done by a simple IN instruction with the port being equated to receive_port. The second area where modification may be

required is at mouse_int_exit where interrupts from the comm port should be ensured to be reenabled and the interrupt controller may require and end of interrupt command.

mouse This equate must be set to TRUE for the mouse to be functional. The mouse driver will now be included into your skeleton driver at assembly time. The number of locator devices will automatically be updated now that you have your mouse installed.