BUILD THIS MICROPROCESSOR DEVELOPMENT



LAST TIME WE DISCUSSED THE CIRcuitry for our 1802 development system and described how the software functions. This time we'll talk about construction and operation.

SYSTEM

Construction

The complete unit uses three PC boards, corresponding to the sections of the circuit (main, keypad/display, EPROM). Foil patterns are provided if you want to make your own boards; boards and kits are also available commercially (see the parts list).

The main chassis measures $8'' \times 4.6'' \times 1.5''$. As shown in Fig. 7, S1 (reset) and S2 (EPROM power) mount on top of the chassis, as does a four-connector terminal block that brings several voltage sources out of the chassis for use by experimental circuits (developed on the breadboard). In addition, there is space for two 63-row solderless breadboards, and two 63-row power buses. Further, the rear edge of the case is slotted to allow the pins of P3 to protrude.

The power supply enters one

POWER TERMINAL 81
BLOCK RESET P3

FIG. 7—MAIN CHASSIS ASSEMBLY. The terminal block on the left delivers power to breadboard circuits. Note that P3 consists of separate wire-wrap pins that protrude through a slot in the case.

side of the chassis through a grommet; the 6-wire telephone jack for the keypad/display unit fits in a slot on the other side.

Main board

Mount all parts on the main PC board, as shown in Fig. 8. Resistors R13-R24 must be 1/8watt units in order to mount on 0.3" centers. All other resistors mount on 0.4" centers. Sockets should be used in all IC positions, and are required for IC20 (the EPROM burner slot) and IC22 (the EPROM that contains the operating system). You can buy a pre-programmed EPROM (see the ordering information in the parts list for details) or burn your own using the hex dump shown in Listing 1.

The operating system requires the first output port, IC2. The other output ports can be installed during assembly, or as the need arises. In addition, you can eliminate IC3–IC13 if you don't need parallel inputs. The author recommends that you install at least two output ports (IC2 and IC3) and two input ports (IC8 and IC9).

You must install the operating-system EPROM at IC22 (0000h), and 8K of RAM at IC19 (E000h). You needn't install components at IC20 and IC21 unless you need additional memory.

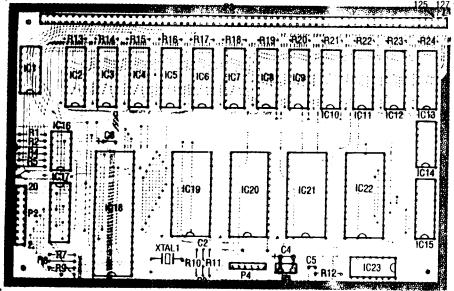


FIG. 8—MAIN PC BOARD. Note that R13—R24 must be 1/6-watt units to fit in the available space. Sockets are required for IC20 and IC22, and optional but recommended elsewhere.

The bus connector (P3) consists of 128 individual wirewrap pins, each measuring 0.075". The best way to install them is to insert them through the board and into a female header to hold them perpendicular while soldering. Figure 9 details the function of each pin.

Connect one wire from ground to the reset switch, and another to the pad marked reset on the main board. Figure 10 shows the completed main board.

Keypad/display assembly

Assemble the keypad/display unit as shown in Fig. 11. Mount the IC's without sockets, as there is not enough clearance to use them. However, mount each display using half a socket under the rear row of pins only. Doing so angles the display about 20 degrees for better viewing. The pull-down resistors for the key switches must be 1/8-watt units to fit the 0.3-inch mounting centers.

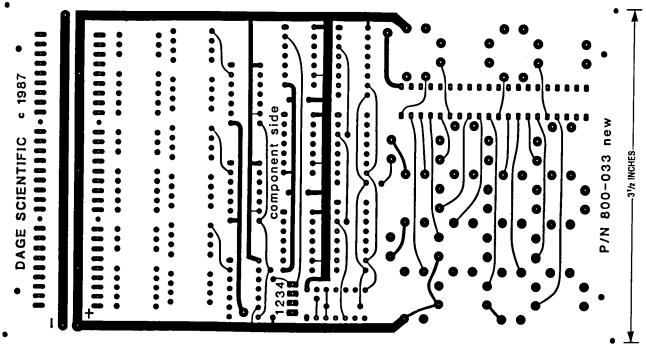
The six-conductor telephone cord connects directly to the foil

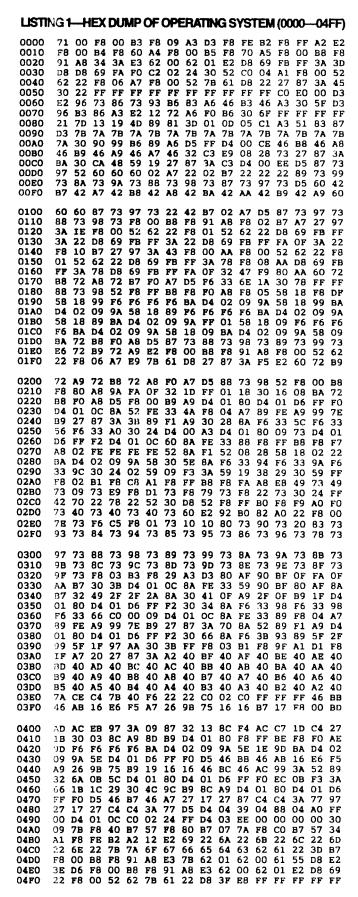
side of the board, as shown in Fig. 12; secure the cord with a nylon wire wrap. The other end of the cord has a modular plug that fits into J1 on the main board. The color codes in phone cords and connectors seem to vary, so we haven't provided specific details. It doesn't matter which color you use for which signal; just make sure that you're consistent at both ends of the cable. Figure 13 shows the completed keypad/display board.

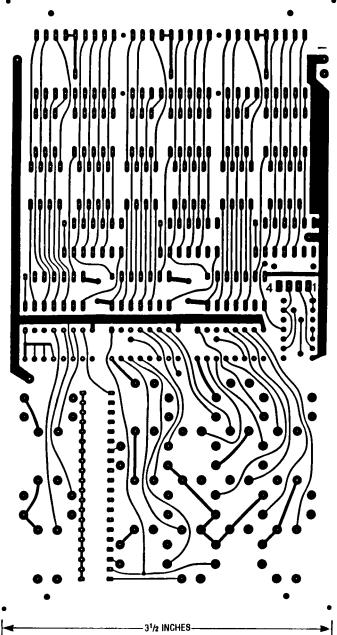
EPROM board assembly

Assemble the EPROM board as shown in Fig. 14. Mount a six-pin female connector (J1) on the solder side of the board; it will mate with P4 on the main board, and serves to hold the EPROM board in place. The completed EPROM board is shown in Fig. 15. When mounted properly, the EPROM board rides about 1/2" above the EPROM that is being programmed (see Fig. 16). In front of this connector are two solder pads used to connect the EPROM programming voltage. Connect the ground side (gnd) only if the programming voltage doesn't have a common ground with the main board.

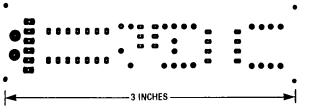
In case you want to install RAM in IC20, remove the EPROM circuit; otherwise every



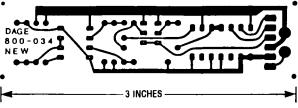


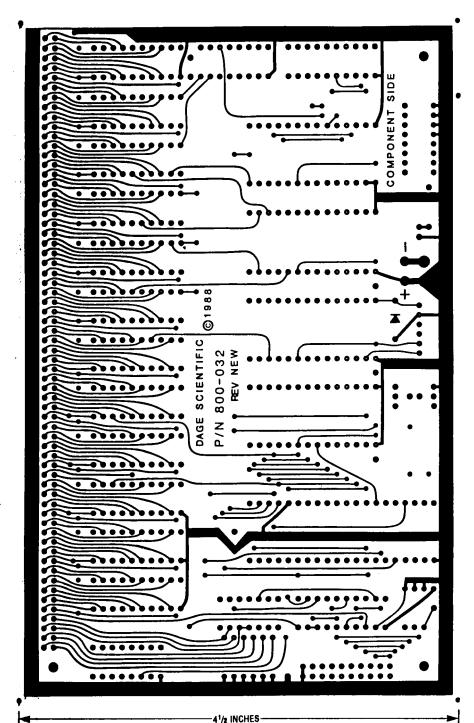


SOLDER SIDE OF THE KEYPAD/DISPLAY BOARD.



COMPONENT SIDE OF THE EPROM BOARD.





COMPONENT SIDE OF THE MAIN PC BOARD.

access to that location will incur a 50-ms delay.

After assembling each board, check all work, and correct any mistakes. Then apply power, and hold down the 0 key. If all is well, all segments and decimal points of the display should light up. If they do not, remove power and check all connections again.

Electronic construction is complete; now you can mount

the boards in their proper chassis locations.

Operation

Boot up normally: the display should read "A-0000." The "A" indicates Address Select mode; the zeros indicate the current address.

Actually, the monitor program has four modes: Address Select, Memory Monitor, Run, and Debug.

PARTS LIST-MAIN BOARD

All resistors are 1/4-watt, 5%, unless otherwise noted R1, R3-R8, R11, R12-1000 ohms R2-150,000 ohms R9--30,000 ohms R10-22 megohms R13-R24--51,000 ohms, 1/2 watt Capacitors C1-1 µF, 35 volts, tantalum C2, C3-20 pF, ceramic C4-10 µF, 25 volts, tantalum C5, C6-0.1 µF, mini ceramic **Semiconductors** IC1-74HC238 3-to-8 line decoder IC2-IC13-74HC373 octal D latch IC14-74HC138 3-to-8 line decoder IC15-74HC373 octal D latch IC16-74HC86 quad 2-input XOR gate IC17—74HC299 8-bit shift register IC18-1802 microprocessor IC19—6264 static RAM IC20—see text IC21--see text IC22—2764 EPROM (with operating system) IC23-4556 dual 1-of-4 decoder Other components XTAL1-2.010 MHz crystal P1-P4-wire-wrap pins, 0.025" square × 0.75" J1-6-conductor telephone jack

PARTS LIST—KEYPAD/DISPLAY BOARD

All resistors are ¼-watt, 5%, unless otherwise noted
R1-R20—51,000 ohms, ¼-watt
R21-R68—330 ohms
R69—100,000 ohms
Semiconductors
IC1-IC6—74HC164 8-bit shift register
IC7—74HC00 quad 2-input NAND gate
IC8-IC10—4021 8-bit shift register
Other components
DS1-DS3—dual 7-segment LED display, 0.5″, common anode
S1-S20—SPST, normally open, pushbutton, PC mount

When the display shows "A-," the monitor is in the Address Select mode. Any time the operating system is in control, pressing F4 returns you to Address Select mode.

To enter a new address, just press the corresponding keys. The digits you enter scroll from right to left; if you make a mistake, simply enter new digits until you see correct address displayed.

After entering the desired address, you have three choices, with corresponding keys:

PARTS LIST-EPROM BOARD

All resistors are 1/4-watt, 5%, unless otherwise noted

R1, R4-22 megohms

R2-47,000 ohms

R3—100,000 ohms Capacitors

C1-0.001 µF, Mylar

C2-100 pF, ceramic

C3-0.001 µF, Mylar

C4-0.02 µF, 5%, Mylar

C5-0.1 µF, ceramic Semiconductors

IC1--74HC02 quad 2-input NOR gate

IC2-555 timer

D1---1N4148 diode

Q1, Q2-2N4124 NPN transistor

Miscellaneous: Chassis & hardware, power supply, telephone cord & connectors, terminal block, toggle switch, push button switch, solderless breadboarding connectors, PC boards.

Note: The following Items are available from Dage Scientific, 6124 Baldwin St., Valley Springs, CA 95252 (209) 772-2076:

• Kit including everything but power supply (Model MC-2)—\$195

• Surplus power supply (+12, +5,

-5)-\$11

Operating system in EPROM—\$10
 Set of 3 PC boards and manual—\$35

Please add \$5 shipping & handling per order. California residents add applicable sales tax.

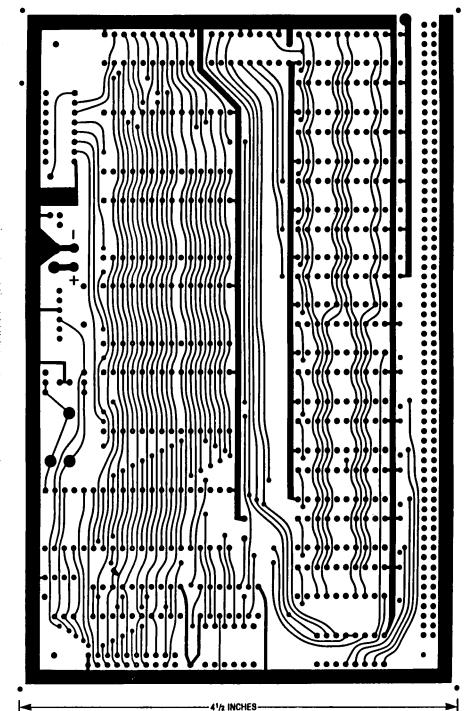
Monitor (F1), Run (F2), and Debug (F3).

Monitor mode allows you to examine and modify memory contents on a byte-by-byte basis. Run mode lets the CPU execute the program at the current address. Debug mode inserts a breakpoint at the current address.

To enter Monitor mode, type the desired address and press F1. That address and its contents will appear. For example, 0000.FF indicates a hexadecimal value of FF at address 0000h.

In this mode, the function keys take on new meanings. FI stores the currently displayed value into the currently displayed address and moves on to the next address. F2 displays the next address. F3 displays the previous address.

To change the currently displayed value, use the hex keys to roll new digits into positions 5 and 6. If you make a mistake, simply enter new digits until



SOLDER SIDE OF THE MAIN PC BOARD.

the correct value appears. Memory contents will not be altered until you press F1. When you do press F1, the currently displayed value will be stored at the displayed address, and the next address will be displayed. If the value can not be stored into memory, the address counter will not increment. (It's possible to program values one byte at a time into an EPROM using that procedure, but there's a better

way, as discussed below.) And remember: Press F4 at any time to return to Address Select mode.

After storing a program in memory, you can execute it using the Run command. Starting from Address Select mode, enter the desired starting address and press F2. The monitor program then transfers control to your program. If your program hangs, press the

FIG. 9—PLUG P3 CONNECTIONS. The 128 pins of P3 consist of one group of 8 pins (for serial I/O, EF flags, Q clock, and interrupt) and 12 groups of 10 pins each. Those 12 groups break down into six input ports and six output ports, each with pinouts as shown.

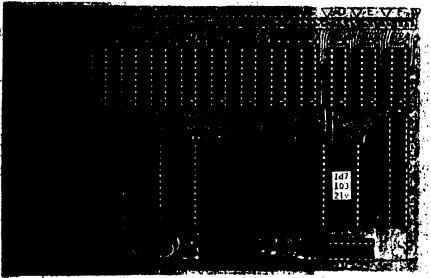


FIG. 10—THE COMPLETED MAIN BOARD. Sockets should be used in all IC positions, and are required for IC20 (the EPROM burner slot) and IC22 (the EPROM that contains the operating system).

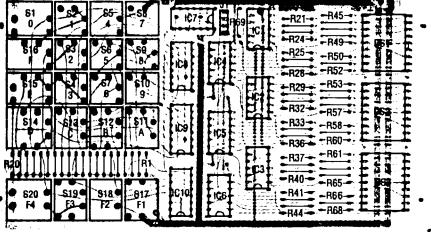


FIG. 11—KEYPAD/DISPLAY PC BOARD. Mount all parts as shown here. If you use our gage, don't use IC sockets except under the rear row of display pins.

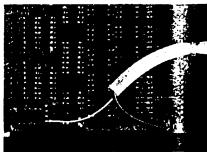


FIG. 12—PHONE CABLE connections. Solder the wires directly to the foil side of the board.

reset switch to regain monitor control.

In case your program doesn't work the first time, you can use Debug mode to track down problems. Use Address Select mode to select a likely address for troubleshooting and press F3. You'll return to Address Select mode. Now enter the desired starting address and press F2. Later, when the CPU hits the breakpoint address, it will start executing a special debug program that allows you to view the CPU's internal registers, and to verify that what you intended to happen is indeed happening.

You can set only one break point at a time; you cannot breakpoint addresses in ROM. When your program reaches the breakpoint, it will halt and display the current address. You are now in the Debug mode.

In Debug mode, the display appears the same as in Monitor mode. However, as you press the hex keys the display will show the internal register number (in positions 1–4) and the value in

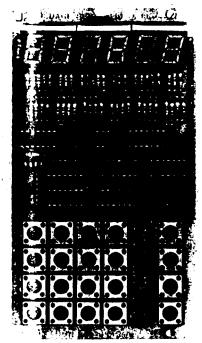


FIG. 13—COMPLETED KEYPAD/DISplay board. Mount each display using half a socket under the rear row of pins only, to provide better viewing.



FIG. 1:—EPROM PC BOARD. Mount all parts except J1 on the component side of the board; mount J1 on the foil side.



FIG. 15—THE COMPLETED EPROM board. A six-pin female connector (J1) on the solder side mates with P4 on the main board.

that register (in positions 5–6).

The debug program uses registers 0 and 1, which have been reserved for DMA and interrupt. Pressing hex key 0 displays the contents of the D register in positions 1 & 2, the X register in position 3, and the P register in position 4. Pressing hex key 1 displays Q in position 2 (set = 1,

While in debug mode, register contents can be altered by first selecting a register pair and then pressing function key F3. Change the value by rolling new digits in from right to left. When the correct value appears, press F1; otherwise press F3 to back out without changing the current register. Registers D, X, P. Q, and DF can also be modified by selecting hex keys 0 and 1 as described above. To exit debug mode and continue execution, press F2. Of course you can press F4 to return to Address Select mode.

reset = 0) and DF in position 4.

The debug breakpoint alters program memory by replacing three bytes at the selected address. When the user program reaches the breakpoint address, the debug program takes over and restores the original three bytes to the proper locations. However, if the user program never reaches the breakpoint, those three bytes will never be restored. In that case you must restore them either by continuing execution at the breakpoint, or by reentering the bytes manually using Monitor mode. If you continue at the break-

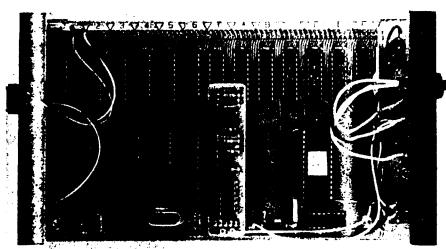


FIG. 16—THE EPROM BOARD mounts on the main board and rides about ½" above the EPRO. It that is being programmed.

Address	Memory Contents
FF03	Start address (hi)
FF04	Start address (lo)
FF05	End address (hi)
FF06	End address (lo)
FF07	Destination address (h
FF08	Destination address (lo

point, the debug program will restore the three bytes and immediately jump into Debug mode. As usual, you can modify registers, continue execution, or return to Address Select mode.

EPROM programming

With the EPROM programming board connected to J4 and the proper programming voltage available, flip the EPROM switch to on, and you are ready to program the EPROM mounted at IC20. All that is required to program a location is to "write" to it. As mentioned earlier, you can do this byte at a time using the Monitor mode. However, due to the error-prone nature of that procedure, the author recommends a more automated procedure.

The preferred method is to enter your program in RAM and then transfer it to EPROM with the operating system's built-in "move" utility, which in fact will move a block of data anywhere in memory, not just to EPROM. Start the utility by running at 0488. Doing so transfers the move utility itself to RAM starting at FF00. Now enter the start, end, and destination addresses as shown in Table 1.

Double-check your values to ensure that they are correct, and then run at FF00. The display will show the remaining number of bytes to be transferred. It will be changing rapidly, but will at least give some idea about how things are progressing. In case data cannot be transferred correctly, the program will terminate and the display will show the address that didn't change.

That about wraps things up. Actually, now that the hardware's built, the real fun is just about to begin.