# BIGRAM 8/32 

A Complete Zorro III PIC<br>Design Example

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-Thomas Alva Edison

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## Chapter 1

## INTRODUCTION

> "The curtain rises on a vast primitive wasteland, not unlike certain parts of New Jersey."
-Woody Allen


#### Abstract

${ }^{\circledR}$ sections of a PIC design. The signals and design problems for the Zorro III bus are substantially different than for Zorro II. Zorro III PICs are expected to run considerably faster than those for Zorro II, leading the circuit designer to faster TTL logic families and more use of fast PAL devices. The additional speeds coupled with 32-bit buses will also lead the circuit board designer to multi-layer boards and more critical routing problems. While the Zorro II bus and most Zorro II designs are mainly synchronous, the Zorro III bus is asynchronous. Zorro III designs will typically be either fully asynchronous or self-clocked synchronous with proper attention to stable synchronization with the bus. $\qquad$ ${ }^{(1)}$

If past history is any indication, the first thing to mention about Zorro III PIC design is AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$, the Amiga mechanism for linking hardware plug-ins with software such that configuration jumpers for addresses are unnecessary, and device driver installation is trivial to even a novice user. And the first thing to say to a hardware designer about AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ is Don't Panic. More than any other issue, the AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ system seems to have confused Zorro II PIC designers. But there's absolutely nothing to fear about AUTOCONFIG® ${ }^{\circledR}$; it is a very simple concept and very simple to implement as an integral part of any PIC's design.


The concept of configuration hasn't changed for Zorro III, and the implementation is very
much the same as for the Zorro II bus. Extensions have been provided for a few Zorro III advanced features, and a few extra things were added to the specification to make the design of a 32 bit PIC as easy as possible. Other than that, if you know Zorro II configuration, you'll pick up Zorro III configuration almost instantly. Chapter 2 walks through the creation of an AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ circuit for Zorro III and discusses the basic logic likely to be in place on any Zorro III card.

### 1.3 Design Example Goals

The goal of this example is to design a memory card for the Zorro III bus. While A3000 users won't be running out of motherboard memory (up to 18 Megabytes) quite as fast as A2000 users did, there's already an emerging need for massive memory in Amiga computers. This RAM card meets the following goals:

- Provides a fully asynchronous design example
- Uses the same ZIP memories as the A3000
- Supports up to 8 Megabytes using 256K x 4 DRAMs, up to 32 Megabytes with 1M x 4 DRAMs.
- Hopefully functions as a realtively clear design example

And, of course, this is a fully functional design tested to the best of our ability at the time of this writing.

## Chapter 2

## AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ LOGIC DESIGN

"Logic is in the eye of the logician."

-Gloria Steinem
${ }^{\circledR}$ © circuit. While such logic can pretty much be created by rote, an optimal design always will incorporate the AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ and other Zorro III bus logic naturally into the main design. While this chapter concentrates on the AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ logic, it will cover all of the standard logic elements of any Zorro III design in a sensible order.

Throughout this and the following chapters, references to the schematic pages in Appendix 2 will be. Page one of the schematics is found on page A-13 of this document, and there are six schematic pages. To make things simpler, these will be referred to as S-1 through S-6.

### 2.1 Bus Buffers

Just like with Zorro II, all Zorro III designs require a number of buffers on the bus logic signals. No PIC may load any bus signal with more than two F-series equivalent gates, and of course outputs from the PIC must be able to drive the bus properly. Any unbuffered signal used by a PIC mut be used close to the bus connector; if a signal trace is longer than a few inches, it must be buffered. In addition, due to the dynamic nature of the high-order Zorro III address lines, some or all of these address lines must be latched for the duration of the bus cycle.

The buffering/latching arrangement is shown on S-1. Since this is a slave-only board, address lines are input-only. Addresses $\mathrm{A}_{31}-\mathrm{A} 8$ are transparently latched by 74 F 373 parts, the
latch taking place when /FCS is negated. The transparent latching allows the address comparator to take advantage of the bus's address setup time, important for matching to the board's assigned address as quickly as possible. The circuitry shown here is the most straightforward, but in operation, only $\mathrm{A}_{24}-\mathrm{A}_{2}$ are actually used once the board select is determined. Thus, a fast enough comparator circuit can latch an address match rather than the high-order addresses if it saves on circuit complexity. Since the low order addresses A7-A2 are static, they are simply buffered coming into the RAM board. The extra buffers in that package are used in this design to buffer /FCS and READ, two lines used in several places in this design.

Data buffering is quite simple; $\mathrm{D}_{31}-\mathrm{D}_{0}$ are buffered with bidirectional bus buffers. The data direction and buffer enable signals are quite simple. The buffers point out toward the bus for read cycles when the PIC is selected (/SLAVE asserted), in at all other times; this function is contained in the U200 PAL. The output enable is asserted when the PIC is selected, the DOE signal is asserted, and there's no bus error; this function is contained in the U201 PAL. Because the data bus tristates, I use centering resistors to keep it quiet when it's not being driven. If this design had been supporting Zorro II as well as Zorro III, an additional two data buffers and much more complicated buffering logic, based on the SENSEZ3 line, would be required.

### 2.2 The AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ ROM

| Reg | Bit | Val | Description |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{0 0}$ | 7,6 | 10 | This indicates a Zorro III card. |
|  | 5 | 1 | The OS will link this as free memory. |
|  | 4 | 0 | No autoboot/diagnostic ROM. |

Table 2-1: Logical AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ Registers

The complete AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ ROM is implemented in PAL U200, shown on schematic page S-2. The design of an AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ ROM is usually very simple, but it does require a complete understanding of how the board is to be used by the system before it can be done. Also, a Zorro III configuration ROM is similar to a Zorro II configuration ROM, with just a few more options available, once the translation for the configuration space chosen is applied.

First of all, the board must be described. Obviously, this is a Zorro III memory board, and since it's my design, it's also from Commodore. On top of that, it can be expanded up to 32
megabytes, and it can also be "shut up" if necessary. That's pretty much the specification, now it has to be translated into Zorro III ROM registers. The Zorro III Bus Specification describes these entries starting on page 8-1. The logical register assignments are illustrated in Table 2-1. The table actually lists all of the configuration registers on the board (registers 40-7C are reserved as write registers, not read registers, but they're mentioned here anyway).

The next step in the design process is to convert these bit assignments to actual logic. As mentioned before, the configuration ROM is implemented as part of the U200 PAL. By design, configuration ROMs fit nicely in a PAL in most cases. The Zorro II and Zorro III specifications call for all read resgisters other than register $\mathbf{0 0}$ to be inverted in their physical implementation. Since most bits are logically " 0 ", they'll be physically " 1 ", and " 1 " is the default output state of a standard PAL. Also taking into account that each logical register is actually made up of two physical registers, both of which assert data only on the $\mathrm{D}_{31}-\mathrm{D}_{28}$ nybble, the physical register mapping for all read registers is shown in Table 2-2. The actual PAL equations for this are on

| Address | $\mathrm{D}_{31}$ | $\mathrm{D}_{30}$ | $\mathrm{D}_{29}$ | $\mathrm{D}_{28}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 00 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 02 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 04 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 06 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 08 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 A | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 12 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 16 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| OTHERS | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Table 2-2: | Physical ROM Registers |  |  |  |

page A-3. These are simply a set of equations, one for each data line, that take into account each " 0 " in the above table, and are active only when the board is selected and not yet configured.

While it makes no difference to the equations for our ROM registers, it is a good idea to point out here the differences in addressing these read registers. Zorro II boards must respond to the configuration space $\$ 00 \mathrm{E} 8 \mathrm{xxxx}$, and all registers are mapped on word boundaries. Zorro III boards can respond to the $\$ 00 \mathrm{E} 8 \mathrm{xxxx}$ address as a 16 -bit Zorro II device as well, but many designs, including this one, will choose instead to respond to the Zorro III configuration space at \$FF00xxxx. A board responds to this address as a 32-bit device, and it actually need only decode the high-order eight bits of this address; both of these facts can save considerably on the amount of configuration logic necessary for some designs. In both configurations, the first nybble of each register pair is at the offset from base address given by that register number. In the Zorro II space, the second nybble is in the next logical word -- the register number plus two. Zorro III instead maps the second register of the pair at $\$ 100$ plus the register number. This may sound like the two will be quite different in implementation, but as the example PAL U200 illustrates, if I map $\mathrm{A}_{8}$ as $\mathrm{A}_{1}$ in the equations, all ROM equations will be written the same for
either configuration space. Using this feature and a multiplex of $\mathrm{A}_{8}$ and $\mathrm{A}_{1}$ based on the SENSEZ3 signal can help simplify the design of a card that adjusts to both Zorro II and Zorro III buses.

### 2.3 The AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ Registers

This design supports two writable configuration registers, the 16 -bit configuration address register $\mathbf{4 4}$ and the shutup register 4C. Recall that configuration address registers are written in a pattern that allows the designer to choose nybble- or byte-wide configuration latches for Zorro II configuration space or byte- or word-wide configuration latches in Zorro III configuration space. Since Zorro II space is only sixteen bits wide and writes must line up consistently, this design would have to latch configuration address bits A31-A24 on a write to register 44, followed by configuration address bits $\mathrm{A}_{23}-\mathrm{A}_{16}$ on a write to register 48. Even though a large board such as this never needs to look at $\mathrm{A}_{23}-\mathrm{A}_{16}$ for its configuration address (Zorro III PICs always live at their natural boundaries), a board configured in Zorro II configuration space isn't configured until a write to register 48. Since this board instead responds to Zorro III configuration space, the entire sixteen bit configuration address can be written at once with a write to register $\mathbf{4 4}$, and that is also the signal indicating that configuration of the board is complete.

The register logic starts with the same PAL, U200, as used for our ROM logic. This PAL has the important low-order addresses going to it, so it's a natural for this. In this design, there are two signals created for register support in PAL U200. The first of these is a signal called /PRECON, for pre-configuration. The board isn't fully configured until the end of the Zorro III cycle that writes either register $\mathbf{4 4}$ or register $\mathbf{4 C}$; /PRECON is asserted during this last write cycle as soon as data is valid on the bus, and it stays latched until the next reset. The other signal in U200 that's of immediate importance is the CFGLT signal. This line is responsible for latching the configuration address on the bus if this final write is a configuration and not a "shut up" request. This is an active high signal in an inverted-output PAL, so the equation can't be very complicated. This line is asserted when the board is selected, /PRECON is asserted, and A3 is low, which is true just after /PRECON is asserted for a write to 44 . Like the /PRECON line, CFGLT latches until the next reset. The remainder of the register logic is elsewhere.

The rest of the configuration control logic is in PAL U201, which creates both the /CFGOUT and /SLAVE signals, two signals that must be driven out to the backplane. The /CFGOUT signal is pretty simple. Normally, it is asserted at the end of a cycle in which /PRECON and /CFGIN are asserted, and latched asserted as long as PRECON also stays asserted. It also gets asserted if /CFGIN is asserted along with the SENSEZ3 signal negated. This latter condition indicates that the board has been placed in a Zorro II backplane. This board can't support Zorro II configuration, so it automatically "shuts up", an action required by the Zorro III specification. Note that the SENSEZ3 signal is called /Z2SHUNT in the PAL equations on page A-5.

The next basic piece of the configuration logic is the configuration latch, which in this case is the 74F374 at U202. This edge-triggered latch is triggered by the rising edge of CFGLT,
which is asserted when the board's configuration address is written and data is valid on the data bus. At the end of the configuration address cycle, /CFGOUT is asserted, the address as latched is now fed into the /SLAVE generation address comparator, and the board is fully configured in hardware. Since this is an autosized memory board, system software generally will calculate its size and link it into the free memory pool before the next board is configured, though this operation can of course change as the configuration software changes.

### 2.4 The SLAVE Logic

Naturally, this brings up the question of how the /SLAVE logic is implemented. Every Zorro II or Zorro III board must assert its private /SLAVE line when it is responding to a bus address. In every case, two addresses must be supported; the configuration space address prior to configuration, and the software-assigned address after configuration. The method used in this example is quite similar to techniques used in many Zorro II designs, and is only slightly more complex.

The core of a /SLAVE circuit is always an address comparator of some kind. In every case, the bus address must be compared with the address to which the board responds. The main comparator in this circuit is the 74F521 at U203. It compares seven bits of possibly-latched bus address, $\mathrm{A}_{31}-\mathrm{A}_{25}$, with the corresponding bits on the configuration address latch. This comparison is called /MATCH on the schematics. Prior to configuration, the 74F374 is tri-stated, and the outputs going to the comparator are all pulled high, getting the card well on the way to responding to the $\$$ FF00xxxx configuration space.

The twist in this design is that there is a bit more to this comparison than just a simple comparator can handle. First of all, the board needs to look at a full eight bits of the \$FF00xxxx address to properly respond during configuration, but only seven bits of address once the board is configured as a 32-megabyte board. This PAL U201 helps out by requiring A24 tobe high for a /SLAVE response prior to configuration. Zorro III memory cards must monitor the function codes $\mathrm{FC}_{0}-\mathrm{FC}_{2}$. PICs must only respond to a valid User or Supervisor mode Code or Data space access; such accesses are given as the exclusive-or of $\mathrm{FC}_{0}$ with $\mathrm{FC}_{1}$. The /SLAVE signal is always qualified with the Zorro III full cycle strobe /FCS, and it can occur in only two cases. In the first case, a qualified match occurs, the board is unconfigured, and /CFGIN is asserted. In the latter case, a qualified match occurs, the board is configured, and CFGLT is asserted. As previously mentioned, if the board is configured but CFGLT is negated, the board has been "shut up" rather than configured.

And that is all there is to the basic configuration logic. As demonstrated with U201, it is usually quite reasonable to incorporate this logic in with other board logic, where it'll fit the most efficiently. AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ logic is intended to make it easy on the designer as well as the user; it's not supposed to scare anyone.

# Chapter 3 <br> <br> MEMORY SYSTEM DESIGN 

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"I like them big and stupid."

-Julie Brown



The PAL counter actually counts 140 ns clocks, so a count of 71 clocks will get us up to $9,940 \mathrm{~ns}$, close to the desired $10,000 \mathrm{~ns}$. If burst mode support weren't considered here, a count of 111 clocks could be used in the counter.

The counting is quite simple; the counter goes from zero to its terminal count, then asserts the /REFREQ signal. It then holds onto the /REFREQ signal until a refresh cycle is under way, as indicated by /REFCYC. The /REFCYC line will reset the counter for the duration of the refresh cycle. The process starts over once the refresh cycle is complete.

The clocked counter is used here simply because it's very easy to understand and, being fully digital, always works the same way. It could have been a simple one-shot or 555 timer circuit, as long as component tolerances don't allow the timer to drop below the required refresh frequency. You may recall reading of the evils of such timers in DRAM hint books. While they aren't optimal, due to the aforementioned component tolerance problems, that's not why you were warned off. The main reason for avoiding such timers in most DRAM designs is the problem you're likely to have with an asynchronous refresh request. Since we have already solved the problem of the asynchronous refresh request here, no asynchronous approach is
inherently evil to this design.

RP) in case the refresh is immediately following a memory cycle. The /REFCAS line is latched by /MUX until /RASEN comes along, so that it's no longer dependent on /REFACK. The /REFACK line will be negated some time before the end of the CAS-RAS cycle; its main use here is to qualify the start of a refresh cycle. Once the /RASEN is asserted, /REFCAS is latched by the negated/RASDEL, as is /RASEN.


Figure 3-1: Refresh Arbitration
The /CASOUT line of U300 is also driven at the start of the refresh cycle. This of course comes back to U300 as the /CASDEL signal. The refresh /RASEN is driven as soon as /CASDEL is asserted, thereby separating refresh CAS and refresh RAS by roughly the CAS delay time. The /RASEN line drives the buffered /RAS lines to either bank of memory. Once asserted, /RASEN is held until /RASDEL wraps back in. The refresh cycle is held until /RASDEL once again is negated, thus ensuring TRP for the refresh cycle, in the event that this refresh is taking place right before a memory cycle.
$=$
RP after a refresh or a previous memory cycle. The assertion of /RASEN starts the cycle, and /RASEN is held through the end of the cycle. For fast-page memories, we could drop /RAS before cycle's end lets us gets an early start on RAS precharge. Since /RASEN creates /MUX, however, this optimization couldn't be used for SCRAM parts -- that could result in a column address change before cycle's end (SCRAMs don't latch the column address). Also, /RAS needs to be held through multiple /DTACKs in burst mode, so in this implementation the short /RASEN optimization is not done, though it's something to consider as an improvement. The 100ns tap delay U301 sets the RAS delay, and J300 provides taps for 100 ns , 80 ns , and 60 ns DRAM. The /RASEN line is buffered, as previously mentioned, by two gates from the 74F244 at U303, one creating /RASL for the lower
bank of 32 memories, the other creating /RASh for the upper bank of 32 memories. U303 also buffers the first tap from U301, which becomes /MUX, the line used for multiplexing the DRAM addresses.

The U300 PAL also creates the enable for CAS, the /CASEN line. This is based on /RASEN, DOE, and /MUX asserted, and it's held through the end of the cycle, until /DTACK is negated. The /CASEN line qualifies CAS, but it doesn't necessaily start CAS for a full cycle; further consideration of CAS generation is done elsewhere. For fast-page mode operation during a burst cycle, /CASEN follows /MTCR to generate a new CAS for each cycle. For static column operation during a burst cycle, /CASEN is simply held asserted until the cycle's end.

Most of the CAS generation is handled in U304, the CAS generation PAL. The CAS strobes are used to select between two banks of DRAM, and to select the appropriate bytes to access during write cycles; this is covered in detail in the next section. Other than qualifiying by


Figure 3-2: Refresh Cycle
bank and byte, the CAS generation PAL qualifies all CAS with READ. During read cycles, all four bytes in the accessed memory bank are activated, in order to support caching of this memory. Write cycles, on the other hand, are qualified with the appropriate data strobe, to assure that data is valid before a write-cycle CAS latches write data. All CAS strobes are of course qualified by /CASEN. They're also all qualified with /CADDR, which is a strobe that assures column address setup time to CAS. This is just the 60ns tap from the RAS timing tap delay. The 40ns tap would just about make it, but leaves absolutely no margin. Since column access is rarely the limiting factor, the 60ns tap is used, for a 30 ns worst case /MUX to /CADDR delay, assuming a 5\% per-tap tolerance on the tap delay.
${ }_{0}$-/CAS 3 , based directly on corresponding data strobes /DSo-/DS3. However, there are twice the number of output lines on this PAL device as
needed for four /CAS lines, and we're still looking for a banking mechanism. With the addition of the MEG4 signal for memory sizing and the address lines A22 and A24, the PAL comes to drive eight total /CAS lines, controlling not only byte enables but the most significant RAM bank. For $256 \mathrm{~K} \times 4$ parts, A22 chooses between two 4 -megabyte banks. For 1M x 4 parts A 24 chooses between two 16-megabyte banks.

Within the 4-megabyte banks, another banking control is used. In this case, most of the work is done by the 74 F 138 decoder at U305. This device creates a read enable for one of four device during a read, or a write enable for one of four devices during a write. The selection of device is controlled by the $\mathrm{BK}_{0}$ and $\mathrm{BK}_{1}$ lines from U300. BK $\mathrm{B}_{0}$ and $\mathrm{BK}_{1}$ are simply $\mathrm{A}_{20}$ and $\mathrm{A}_{21}$ for $256 \mathrm{~K} \times 4$ support, or $\mathrm{A}_{22}$ and $\mathrm{A}_{23}$ for $1 \mathrm{M} \times 4$ support. That's all there is to bank selection. Zorro III autosizing requires board memory to be added from the lowest to the highest address on-board, but there are no hardware requirements for this.


Figure 3-3: Memory Access multiplexing scheme is identical for both banks. When /MUX is high, the row addresses /MA0-/MA9 are set to the inverted $\mathrm{A}_{10}-\mathrm{A}_{17}, \mathrm{~A}_{19}$, and $\mathrm{A}_{21}$, respectively. For /MUX low, the column addresses /MA0-/MA9 are set to the inverted A2-A9, A18, and A20, respectively. This organization may seem strange, but it makes $\mathrm{A}_{2}-\mathrm{A}_{7}$ (the Multiple Transfer static addresses), the low-order column addresses, so that Multiple Transfer Cycles can be supported via fast page or static column DRAM. This banking scheme also makes /MA9, which is used only by 1M x 4 DRAM, a no-op for 256K x 4 DRAM, since BKo-BK1 look at A20 and A21.

## Chapter 4

## GOING FURTHER

## "There is more to life than increasing its speed."

-Mahatma Gandhi


#### Abstract

${ }^{(8)}$ logic correct and understandable, since that's the most likely part of the design to be replicated in other Zorro III PICs. The actual DRAM part of it was designed, above all else, to work right the first time, since there really wasn't any time to revise the board. Because I felt that presenting a design example at a Developer's Conference without a working sample in hand would certainly be a cause for developers worry about the design's quality. So this card was designed to work, above all other concerns.

As it turns out, the original concept for the DRAM memory cycle worked fine, but the refresh logic has a rather serious flaw that hadn't been considered originally. When the design was created, the /REFACK signal was seen as the refresh control that stays valid for the entire refresh cycle, while the /REFCYC signal, then called /REFHOLD, was an end-of-cycle signal used to control the RAS precharge delay. That didn't work, and fortunately, the current mechanism could be created by changing the PAL equations, so the board was working a day after it was built up without a single cut or jumper.

However, the original memory cycle left a bit to be desired. Initially, the CAS enable didn't go out until the full RAS time had been met (eg, /RASDEL is asserted). This worked, but made CAS quite a bit later than it could have been. With a single extra wire, the CAS PAL was modified to hold off CAS until column addresses became valid. This allowed the memory


timing PAL to enable CAS as soon as possible, and resulted in a $15 \%$ speedup.
The point here is that the design, as presented, isn't completely fixed. There are a considerable number of things one could do to change the memory cycle by playing around with PALs. It's conceivable that even without any additional PCB modifications, the memory cycle efficiency could be enhanced.
rac or Tcas, the /DTACK line can be driven optimally. And, of course, the cycle can be fully Trac driven, which is usually going to be the fastest possible cycle.

Another less than optimal feature of the design is the $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{RP}}$ assurance logic. In order to manage $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{RP}}$ between a cycle immediately following refresh or refresh immediately following a cycle, all new cycles are held off until /RASDEL is negated. This works just fine, but the time between /RAS negated and /RASDEL negated is very close to the Tras time. For all standard DRAMs, the Trp time is less, sometimes much less, than the required time for Tras. The CAS precharge time is never a problem for full cycle to full cycle operation, and unlikely to be a problem for Multiple Transfer Cycles.

The built-in support for Multiple Transfer Cycles can also be improved. The main problem for such burst cycles that doesn't crop up elsewhere is the Tras,max time of most DRAMs in burst or static column modes. This board makes sure that a burst transfer can't exceed this limit by setting the refresh time to something just under Tras,max. When refresh comes along, it causes /MTACK to be negated at the appropriate subcycle boundary, thus making the full cycle terminate so that refresh can take place. This has two shortcomings. First of all, it makes refresh related slowdowns over $50 \%$ more likely than necessary. Additionally, the start of the burst cycle isn't synchronized with the refresh counter, so a burst can be interrupted by refresh long before necessary. Ideally, separate counters could be added for burst and refresh timeouts. Alternately, the refresh counter could be modified to change its count based on whether or not a burst cycle is under way.

Additionally, this can cause bursts to last for strange counts. When a 68030 or 68040 driving the Zorro III bus it will ask for four count burst cycles. The 68030 can handle a shorter burst, but a 68040 can't. For that reason, this design will probably require that burst be disabled when used in an '040 based Amiga systems. While the Zorro III bus doesn't require it, it's a good idea to make sure that, if possible, designs that support burst will run at least four cycles. If the refresh counter, U306, were to hold off refresh requests during burst until at least four cycles had run, that would solve the problem.

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## Chapter 5

## ADDITIONAL ZORRO III ADVICE

"Cute rots the intellect."
-Garfield

# Appendices 

> "It ain't the meat, it's the motion"
-Southside Johnny


#### Abstract

A. 1 PAL Equations

The following section contains the complete PAL equations for the five PAL devices in the BIGRAM design. All the equations are in the CUPL ${ }^{\mathrm{TM}}$ format, but should be easily translated to any other format if required. This format uses the \& character to represent AND, the \# symbol to represent OR, the \$ symbol for XOR, and the! symbol for negation. Standard outputs are indicated simply by name, registered outputs are indicated with the .D extension, and output enables are indicated with the .OE extension. The CUPL ${ }^{\mathrm{TM}}$ compiler minimizes equations where possible; should any equations here appear to be too large, rest assured that they will actually fit in the specified PAL.


## A.1.1 Autoconfiguration Control PAL

This device is responsible for providing the AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ ROM, registers, and data buffer direction control. This is to be programmed into a 15 ns 16 L 8 or equivalent device.

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\begin{tabular}{ll} 
PARTNO & U200; \\
NAME & U200 ; \\
DATE & May 30, 1990; \\
REV & \(2 ;\) \\
DESIGNER & Dave Haynie ; \\
COMPANY & Commodore-Amiga ; \\
ASSEMBLY & BIGRAM ; \\
LOCATION & U200;
\end{tabular}
```



```
/* INPUTS: */
```



```
/* BIDIRECTIONALS: */
\begin{tabular}{lll} 
PIN \(17=\) & !PRECON \\
PIN \(18=\) & CFGLT & /* Preconfiguation strobe. */
\end{tabular}
/** INTERNAL TERMS: **/
/* Mapping A8 as A1 here makes the register pairs line up just
as they would under Zorro II configuration. */
field addr = [A6..1];
/** OUTPUT TERMS: **/
/* The configuration ROM is created here. The logical ordering
of it is as follows:
REG 76543210
\begin{tabular}{lll}
00 & 10100001 & Zorro III, autolink, 32 megabytes \\
04 & 10010010 & Product \(\$ 53\) \\
08 & 10110001 & Extended Memory board, supports \\
\(0 C\) & 00000000 & Shutup, autosized in software. \\
10 & 00000010 & Reserved \\
14 & 00000010 & \\
\(18-3 C\) & 00000000 & Zeroed options/reserved.
\end{tabular}
The autoconfiguration specs call for every readable register except for 0 to be inverted in the physical implementation. So the resulting map is:
```

| ADDR | D31 | D30 | D29 | D28 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 00 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 02 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 04 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 06 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 08 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 A | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 C | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 E | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 10 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 12 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 14 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 16 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| OTHERS | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

```
Only the Zero terms are explicitly entered here; anything not specifically
driven low will be driven high.
*/
!D31 = addr:02
    # addr:04
    # addr:08;
!D30 = addr:00
    # addr:02;
!D29 = addr:02
    # addr:06
    # addr:08
    # addr:08
    # addr:12
!D28 = addr:00
    # addr:04
    # addr:08
    # addr:0A;
[D31..28].OE = SLAVE & !CFGOUT & READ;
/* This signal is driven to indicate an address latch request.
Note that the board uses 16 bit configuration write feature
to configure all at once; this isn't available in the Zorro II
configuration space. */
CFGLT = SLAVE & PRECON & !A3
    # CFGLT & !RST;
/* If the board is told to shut up or configure, this line is
asserted and held through reset. The logical SHUTUP line
is PRECON & !CFGLT, once FCS is negated. */
PRECON = SLAVE & DS3 & !READ & addr:4C
    # SLAVE & DS3 & !READ & addr:44
    # PRECON & !RST;
/* This controls the data buffer direction between the PIC's
local bus and the expansion bus. */
DBDIR = SLAVE & READ;
```


## A.1.2 Board Control PAL

This device controls an assortment of board functions. It creates the /SLAVE, /CFGOUT, and /MTACK signals for Zorro III. It creates the data buffer enable for the bus buffers, and the burst-enable line used by the memory system. And it arbitrates DRAM refresh. This is programmed into a 10 ns 20 L 8 or equivalent PAL.


```
/* This indicates a normal board select; SLAVE starts the cycle, FCS
cuts it off quickly at the end. */
hit = SLAVE & FCS;
/* OUTPUT TERMS: */
/* This output controls the data buffer enable pins. Data buffers
turn on when DOE is asserted and the board is selected, they
turn off as quickly after a cycle ends as possible. */
DBOE = hit & DOE & !BERR;
/* This signal indicates that the board is configured. The board is
considered configured if actually configured, shut up, or placed
in a Zorro II backplane. It only responds if actually configured,
of course. This signal must only change at the end of a cycle, if
actually operating. */
\begin{tabular}{ll} 
CFGOUT & \(=\) PRECON \& CFGIN \& !FCS \& ! DOE \\
& \(\#\) PRECON \& CFGOUT \\
& \(\#\) Z2SHUNT \& CFGIN;
\end{tabular}
/* This is the refresh acknowledge cycle. When the a refresh request
comes in, and the coast is clear, this line is asserted to start
the refresh machine. Determining when the coast is clear, eg,
arbitrating refresh, is the trick to all hand-made DRAM controllers.
This one works pretty simply. The coast is clear when there's no
bus cycle happening, or when a bus cycle is happening but another
slave is responding. The trick is avoid races; FCS could be
changing just as REFREQ comes in. Therefore, the second half of
this arbiter is in the RAS cycle generation, which doesn't start
until REFACK is negated and SLAVE is asserted. */
REFACK
= REFREQ & !FCS & !MATCH
    # REFREQ & FCS & ! SLAVE & DOE
    # REFACK & REFREQ;
/* The multiple cycle transfer acknowledge. If the jumper enables
them, and a refresh isn't already requested, we'll acknowledge
them. If a refresh request comes in, we'll negate MTACK after
the current cycle finishes, which will result in one more
burst cycle before the full cycle terminates and the refresh
can be acknowledged. I do it this way because I use the
refresh timer to handle the TRASMAX limitation of the DRAM as
wall as handling refresh. */
\begin{tabular}{ll} 
MTACK & \(=\) hit \& BRENB \& ! REFREQ \\
& \# hit \& MTACK \& !DOE \\
& \(\#\) hit \& MTACK \& MTCR; \\
MTACK.OE & \(=\) hit;
\end{tabular}
/* This is SLAVE, the board select line. Most board activity centers
around this line. If the board is selected and unconfigured,
always respond. Once configured, only respond if it's not shutup
or shunted. This line is held through the cycle's end. */
SLAVE }=\mathrm{ = select & FCS & CFGIN & !CFGOUT;
/* This indicates if the cycle is a burst cycle. The first cycle is
always a non-burst cycle. If, at the end of the first cycle,
MTCR and MTACK are asserted, all subsequent cycles are burst
MTCR and MTACK are assert
BURST = SLAVE & DOE & MTCR & MTACK
    # BURST & FCS;
```


## A.1.3 Memory Timing PAL

This device controls RAS and CAS timing, /DTACK generation, and high order RAM banking. This must be programmed into a 10ns 20L8 or equivalent device.



## A.1.4 CAS Control PAL

This device controls the CAS generation and banking. This must be programmed into a 15ns 20L8 PAL device or equivalent.


| CASL2 |  <br>  <br> \# REFCAS; | ! READ READ |  | DS2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CASL3 |  <br>  <br> \# REFCAS; | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ! READ } \\ & \text { READ } \end{aligned}$ | \& | DS3 |
| CASHO | $=$ upper $\&$ <br>  <br> \# REFCAS; | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ! READ } \\ & \text { READ } \end{aligned}$ | \& | DS0 |
| CASH1 | $=$ upper $\&$ <br>  <br> \# REFCAS; | ! READ READ | \& | DS1 |
| CASH2 | $=$ upper $\&$ <br>  <br> \# REFCAS; | ! READ READ | \& | DS2 |
| CASH3 | $=$ upper $\&$ <br>  <br> \# REFCAS; | ! READ READ | \& | DS3 |

## A.1.5 Refresh Counter PAL

This device is responsible for timing the CAS-before-RAS refresh used by the DRAM system. This must be programmed into a 25 ns 16 R 8 or equivalent device.


|  | $\begin{aligned} & \# \\ & \# \end{aligned}$ | ! REFCYC <br> ! REFCYC | \& | ! R0 |  | ! R1 |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \& \\ & \& \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R} 4 \\ & \mathrm{R} 4 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R5. D | $=$ | ! REFCYC | \& | R0 | \& | R1 | \& | R2 | \& | R3 | \& | R4 | \& | ! R5 |  |  |
|  | \# | ! REFCYC | \& |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ! R4 | \& | R5 |  |  |
|  | \# | ! REFCYC | \& |  |  |  |  |  |  | ! R3 |  |  | \& | R5 |  |  |
|  | \# | ! REFCYC | \& |  |  |  |  | ! R2 |  |  |  |  | \& | R5 |  |  |
|  | \# | ! REFCYC | \& |  |  | ! R1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | \& | R5 |  |  |
|  | \# | ! REFCYC | \& | ! R0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \& | R5 |  |  |
| R6.D | = | ! REFCYC | \& | R0 | \& | R1 | \& | R2 | \& | R3 | \& | R4 | \& | R5 | \& | ! R6 |
|  | \# | ! REFCYC | \& |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ! R5 | \& | R6 |
|  | \# | ! REFCYC | \& |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ! R 4 |  |  | \& | R6 |
|  | \# | ! REFCYC | \& |  |  |  |  |  |  | ! R3 |  |  |  |  | \& | R6 |
|  | \# | ! REFCYC | \& |  |  |  |  | ! R2 |  |  |  |  |  |  | \& | R6 |
|  | \# | ! REFCYC | \& |  |  | ! R1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \& | R6 |
|  | \# | ! REFCYC | \& | ! R0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \& | R6; |

## A. 2 Schematics

The following pages contain the schematics for the example memory board. The list of parts is as follows:

## Capacitors

$0.01 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ MLC $\quad$ C109
$0.10 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ MLC
C100-C107,C200-C203,C300-C306,C400-C404 $0.33 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ MLC







## A. 3 Zorro III Configuration

While AmigaOS 2.0 understands Zorro III AUTOCONFIG ${ }^{\circledR}$ conventions, the following routine is useful for configuring simple Zorro III boards in an AmigaOS 1.3 system. Note that many popular MMU configurations don't map in the Zorro III configuration space at $\$ F F 000000$, so this program is not likely to work with an MMU mapping in place.

```
/* ======================================================================== */
/* A very simple configuration utility for Zorro III boards. This code will
    configure Zorro III cards that are placed after any Zorro II cards in
    the A3000. All configuration is done based on 16 meg slots and no magic
    for autoboot, etc. */
#include <exec/types.h>
#include <exec/memory.h>
#include <libraries/configregs.h>
#include <libraries/configvars.h>
#include <libraries/expansionbase.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>
#include <functions.h>
/* ========================================================================= */
/* Modified configuration information. */
/* Extensions to the TYPE field. */
#define E_Z3EXPBASE 0xff000000L
#define E_Z3EXPSTART 0x10000000L
#define E_Z3EXPFINISH 0x7fffffffL
#define E_Z3SLOTSIZE 0x01000000L
#define E_Z3ASIZEINC 0x00010000L
#define ERT_ZORROII ERT_NEWBOARD
#define ERT_ZORROIII 0x80
/* Extensions to the FLAGS field. */
#define ERFB_EXTENDED 5I
#define ERFF_EXTENDED (1L<<<5)
static BoardSize[2][8] = {
    { 0x00800000,0x00010000,0x00020000,0x00040000,
        0x00080000,0x00100000,0x00200000,0x00400000 },
    { 0x01000000,0x02000000,0x04000000,0x08000000,
        0x10000000,0x20000000,,0x40000000,0x000000000'}
};
#define ERFB_QUICKVALID 4L
#define ERFF_QUICKVALID (1L<<4)
#define ERF_SUBMASK 0x0fL
#define ERF_SUBSAME 0x00L
#define ERF_SUBAUTO 0x01L
#define ERF_SUBFIXED 0x02L
#define ERF_SUBRESERVE 0x0eL
static SubSize[16] = {
    0x00000000,0x00000000,0x00010000, 0x00020000,
    0x00040000, 0x00080000,0x00100000,0x00200000,'
    0x00400000,0x00600000,0x008000000,0x00a000000,'
    0x00c00000,0x00e00000, 0x00000000,0x00000000
};
#define PRVB(x) if (verbose) { printf(x); }
static BOOL verbose = TRUE;
static BOOL anyone = FALSE;
struct ExpansionBase *ExpansionBase;
static ULONG Z3Space = 0x10000000L;
/* ======================================================================= */
/* These functions are involved in finding a Zorro III board. */
/* This function reads the logical value stored at the given Zorro III
    ROM location. This corrects for complements and the differing offsets
    depending on location. */
```

```
UBYTE ReadZ3Reg(base, reg)
WORD *base;
WORD reg;
{ ULONG *z3base;
    UWORD result;
    if (base == (WORD *)E_EXPANSIONBASE) {
        base += (reg>>1);
        result = ((*base++)&0xf000)>>8;
        result = ((*base)&0xf000)>>12;
    } else {
        Z3base = (ULONG *) (base+(reg>>1));
        result = ((*Z3base)&0xf0000000)>>24;
        result | = ((*(Z3base+0x40))&0xf0000000) >> 28;
    }
    if (reg) result = ~result;
    return (UBYTE)result;
}
/* This function types the board in the system, returning the type code.
    There are four possibilities -- no board, a Zorro II board, a Zorro III
    board at the Zorro II configuration slot, and a Zorro III board at the
    Zorro III configuration slot. */
#define BT_NONE
#define BT_Z2
#define BT_Z3_AT_Z2
#define BT_Z3_AT_Z3
BYTE TypeOfPIC() {
    UBYTE type;
    UWORD manf;
    type = ReadZ3Reg(E_EXPANSIONBASE,0x00);
    manf = ReadZ3Reg(E_EXPANSIONBASE,0x10)<<8 | ReadZ3Reg(E_EXPANSIONBASE,0x14);
    if (manf != 0x0000 && manf != 0xffff) {
        if ((type & ERT_TYPEMASK) == ERT_ZORROII) return BT_Z2;
        if ((type & ERT_TYPEMASK) == ERT_ZORROIII) return BT__Z3_AT_Z2;
    }
    type = ReadZ3Reg(E_Z3EXPBASE,0x00);
    manf = ReadZ3Reg(E_Z3EXPBASE,0x10)<<8 | ReadZ3Reg(E_Z3EXPBASE,0x14);
    if (manf != 0x0000 && manf != 0xffff)
        if ((type & ERT_TYPEMASK) == ERT_ZORROIII) return BT_Z3_AT_Z3;
    return BT_NONE;
}
/* This function fills the configuration ROM field of the given
    ConfigDev, form the given address, based on the appropriate mapping
    rules. */
void InitZ3ROM(base,cd)
WORD *base;
struct ConfigDev *cd;
{
    struct ExpansionRom *rom;
    rom = &cd->cd_Rom;
    rom->er_Type = ReadZ3Reg(base,0x00);
    rom->er_Product = ReadZ3Reg(base, 0x04);
    rom->er_Flags = ReadZ3Reg(base,0x08);
    rom->er_Reserved03 = ReadZ3Reg(base,0x0c);
    rom->er_Manufacturer = ReadZ3Reg(base,0\times10)<< 8 | ReadZ3Reg(base,0x14);
    rom->er_SerialNumber = ReadZ3Reg(base,0x18)<<24 直 ReadZ3Reg(base,0x1c)<<16 |
    ReadZ3Reg(base,0x20)<< 8 ReadZ3Reg(base,0x24);
    rom->er_InitDiagVec = ReadZ3Reg(base,0x28)<< 8 | ReadZ3Reg(base,0x2c);
    rom->er_Reserved0c = ReadZ3Reg(base,0\times30);
    rom->er_Reserved0d = ReadZ3Reg(base,0\times34);
    rom->er_Reserved0e = ReadZ3Reg(base,0\times38);
    rom->er_Reserved0f = ReadZ3Reg(base,0x3c);
}
/* This function locates a Zorro III board. If it finds one in the
    unconfigured state, it allocates a ConfigDev for it, fills in the
    configuration data, and returns that ConfigDev. Otherwise it returns
    NULL. It knows the basics of what to do should it encounter a
    Zorro II board sitting in the way. */
struct ConfigDev *FindZ3Board() {
    struct ConfigDev *cd;
    while (TRUE) {
        if (!(cd = AllocConfigDev())) return NULL;
```

```
        switch (TypeOfPIC()) {
            case BT_NONE :
            FreeConfigDev(cd);
            return NULL;
            case BT_Z2
                PRVB("FOUND: Z2 Board, Configuring");
                if (!ReadExpansionRom(E_EXPANSIONBASE,cd))
                    if (!ConfigBoard(E_EXPANSIONBASE,Cd))
                    AddConfigDev(cd);
            anyone = TRUE;
            break;
        case BT_Z3_AT_Z2 :
            PRVB("FOUND: Z3 Board (Z2 Space), Configuring");
            InitZ3ROM(E_EXPANSIONBASE,cd);
            cd->cd_BoardAddr = (APTR) E_EXPANSIONBASE;
            anyone = TRUE;
            return cd;
            case BT_Z3_AT_Z3 :
            PRVB("FOUND: Z3 Board (Z3 Space), Configuring");
            InitZ3ROM(E_Z3EXPBASE,cd);
            cd->cd_BoardAddr = (APTR)E_Z3EXPBASE;
            anyone = TRUE;
            return cd;
        }
    }
    return NULL;
}
/* =========================================================================== */
/* These functions are involved in configuring a Zorro III board. */
/* This function writes the configuration address stored in the given
    ConfigDev to the board in the proper way. */
void WriteCfgAddr (base,cd)
UWORD *base;
struct ConfigDev *cd;
{
    UBYTE nybreg[4],bytereg[2],*bytebase;
    UWORD wordreg,i,*wordbase;
    wordreg = (((ULONG)cd->cd_BoardAddr) >>16);
    bytereg[0] = (UBYTE) (wordreg & 0x00ff);
    bytereg[1] = (UBYTE)(wordreg >> 8);
    nybreg[0] = ((bytereg[0] & 0x0f)<<4);
    nybreg[1] = ((bytereg[0] & 0xf0));
    nybreg[2] = ((bytereg[1] & 0x0f)<<4);
    nybreg[3] = ((bytereg[1] & 0xf0));
    bytebase = (UBYTE *) (base + 22);
    wordbase = (UWORD *)(base + 22);
    if (base == (UWORD *)E_EXPANSIONBASE) {
            (* (bytebase+0x002)) = nybreg[2];
            (*(bytebase+0x000)) = bytereg[1];
            (*(bytebase+0x006)) = nybreg[1];
            (*(bytebase+0x004)) = bytereg[0];
    } else {
            (*(bytebase+0x104)) = nybreg[0];
            (*(bytebase+0x004)) = bytereg[0];
            (*(bytebase+0x100)) = nybreg[2];
            (*(wordbase+0x000)) = wordreg;
    }
}
/* This function automatically sizes the configured board described by the
    given ConfigDev. It doesn't attempt to preserve the contents. */
void AutoSizeBoard(cd)
struct ConfigDev *cd;
{
    ULONG i,realmax,logicalsize = 0;
    realmax = ((ULONG)cd->cd_SlotSize) * E_Z3SLOTSIZE + (ULONG)cd->cd_BoardAddr;
    for (i = (ULONG) cd->cd_BoardAddr; i < realmax; i += E_Z3ASIZEINC)
            *((ULONG *)i) = 0;
    for (i = (ULONG)cd->cd_BoardAddr; i < realmax; i += E_Z3ASIZEINC) {
        if (*((ULONG *)i) != 0) break;
        *((ULONG *)i) = 0xaa5500ff;
        if (*((ULONG *)i) != 0xaa5500ff) break;
        logicalsize += E_Z3ASIZEINC;
    }
    cd->cd_BoardSize = (APTR)logicalsize;
}
```

```
/* This function configures a Zorro III board, based on the initialization
    data in its ConfigDev structure. */
void ConfigZ3Board(cd)
struct ConfigDev *cd;
{
    APTR base = cd->cd_BoardAddr;
    UWORD sizecode,extended,subsize;
    ULONG physsize,logsize;
    char *memname;
    /* First examine the physical sizing of the board. */
    sizecode = cd->cd_Rom.er_Type & ERT_MEMSIZE;
    extended = ((cd->cd_Rom.er_Flags & ERFF_EXTENDED) != 0);
    physsize = BoardSize[extended][sizecode];
    cd->cd_BoardAddr = (APTR) Z3Space;
    cd->cd_BoardSize = (APTR)physsize;
    cd->cd_SlotAddr = (Z3Space-E_Z3EXPSTART)/E_Z3SLOTSIZE;
    cd->cd_SlotSize = ((physsize/E_Z3SLOTSIZE)>0)?(physsize/E_Z3SLOTSIZE):1;
    Z3Space += cd->cd_SlotSize * E_Z3SLOTSIZE;
    /* Next, process the sub-size, if any. */
    if (subsize = (cd->cd_Flags & ERF_SUBMASK))
            cd->cd_BoardSize = (APTR)SubSize[subsize];
    if (verbose) {
    printf(" BOARD STATS:");
            printf(" ADDRESS: $%lx",cd->cd_BoardAddr);
            if (cd->cd_BoardSize)
                printf(" SIZE: $%lx",cd->cd_BoardSize);
            else
            printf(" SIZE: AUTOMATIC => ");
    }
    /* Now, configure the board. */
    WriteCfgAddr(base,cd);
    if (!cd->cd_BoardSize) {
        AutoSizeBoard(cd);
        printf("$%lx",cd->cd_BoardSize);
    }
    if (cd->cd_BoardSize && (cd->cd_Rom.er_Type & ERTF_MEMLIST)) {
        strcpy(memname = (char *)Al\ocMem(20L,MEMF_CLEAR),"Zorro III Memory");
        AddMemList(cd->cd_BoardSize,MEMF_FAST|MEMF_PUBLIC,10,cd->cd_BoardAddr,memname);
    }
    AddConfigDev(cd);
}
/* =========================================================================== */
/* This is the main program. */
void main(argc,argv)
int argc;
char *argv[];
{ int i;
    struct ConfigDev *cd;
    if (!(ExpansionBase = (struct ExpansionBase *)OpenLibrary("expansion.library",0L))) {
        printf("Error: Can't open "expansion.library"");
        exit(10);
    }
    if (argc > 1)
        for (i = 1; i < argc; ++i) switch (toupper(argv[i][0])) {
            case ',Q': verbose = FALSE; break;
            case 'V': verbose = TRUE; break;
    }
    while (cd = FindZ3Board()) ConfigZ3Board(cd);
    if (!anyone) PRVB("No PICs left to configure");
    CloseLibrary((struct ExpansionBase *) ExpansionBase);
}
```


[^0]:    immediate /DTACK, thereby possibly saving some of the Tras and Tcas time. In fact, this could also help reads, since a latched data bus would allow the DRAMs to shut off as soon as data's latched, rather than at the end of the Zorro III cycle.

