

The Commodore VIC I and VIC II chips



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The 1977 Trinity



1980: The Commodore VIC-20



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**** CBM BASIC V2 ****  
3583 BYTES FREE  
READY.  
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6502 @1.02 MHz

20 KB ROM

176 × 184

22 columns × 23 rows

Custom character sets

5 KB RAM

16 colors

8 × 8 pixel characters

Jelly Monsters (HAL, 1981)



Omega Race (Commodore, 1981)

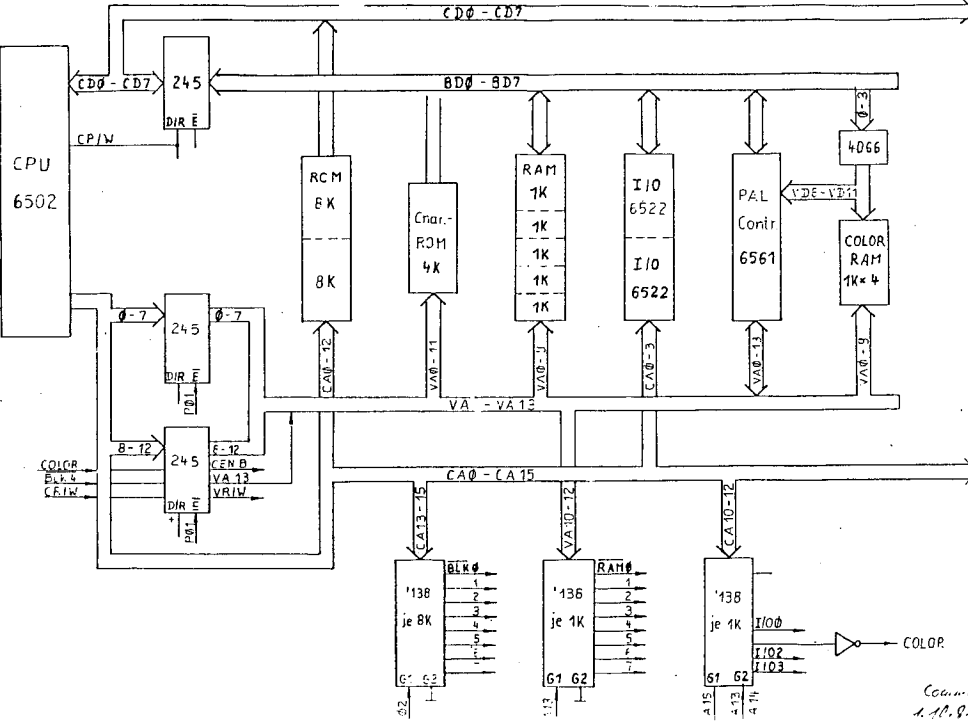


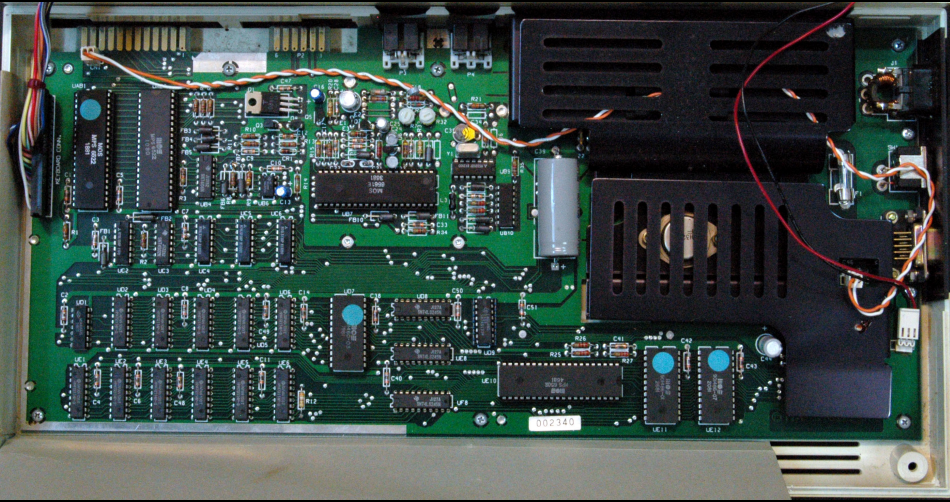
Sword of Fargoal (Epyx, 1983)



Astro Nell (Chronosoft, 2005)







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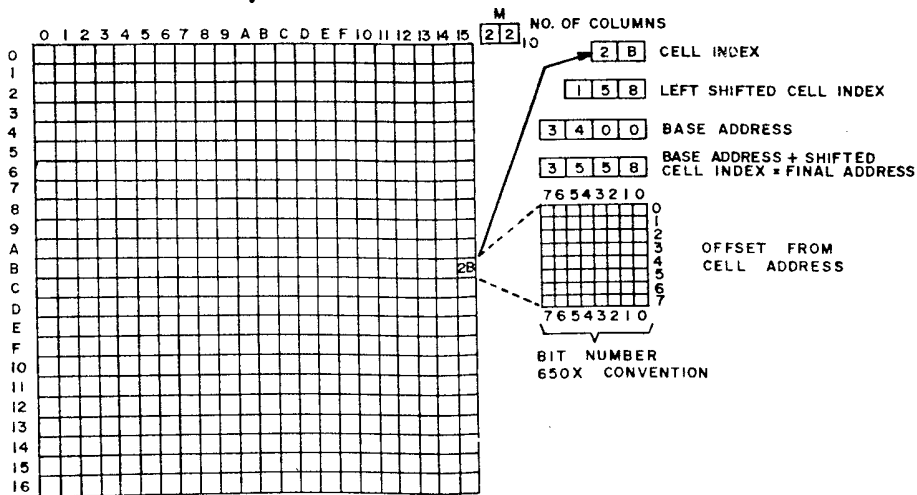
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6560/6561 VIDEO INTERFACE CHIP

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

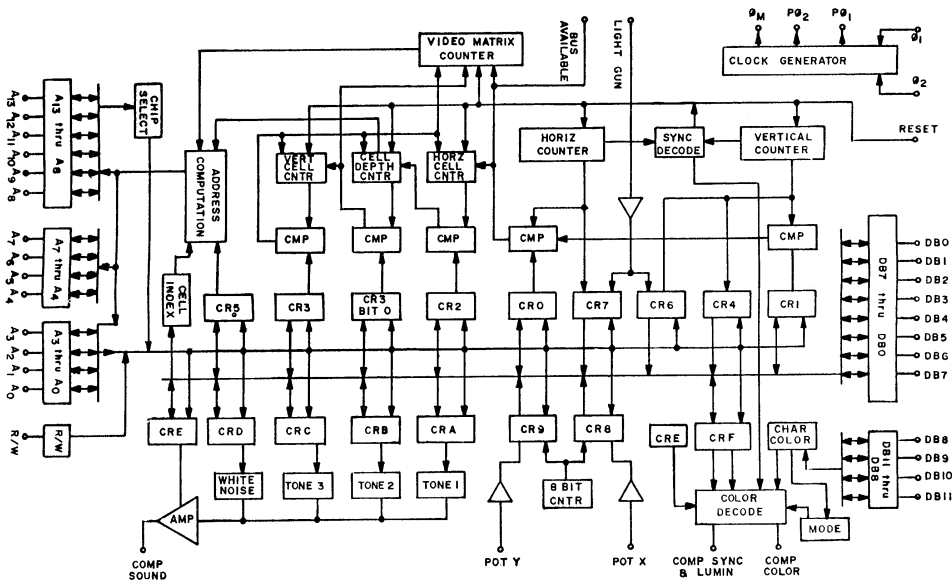
The 6560 Video Interface Chip (VIC) is designed for color video graphics applications such as low cost CRT terminals, biomedical monitors, control system displays and arcade or home video games. It provides all of the circuitry necessary for generating color programmable character graphics with high screen resolution. VIC also incorporates sound effects and A/D converters for use in a video game environment.

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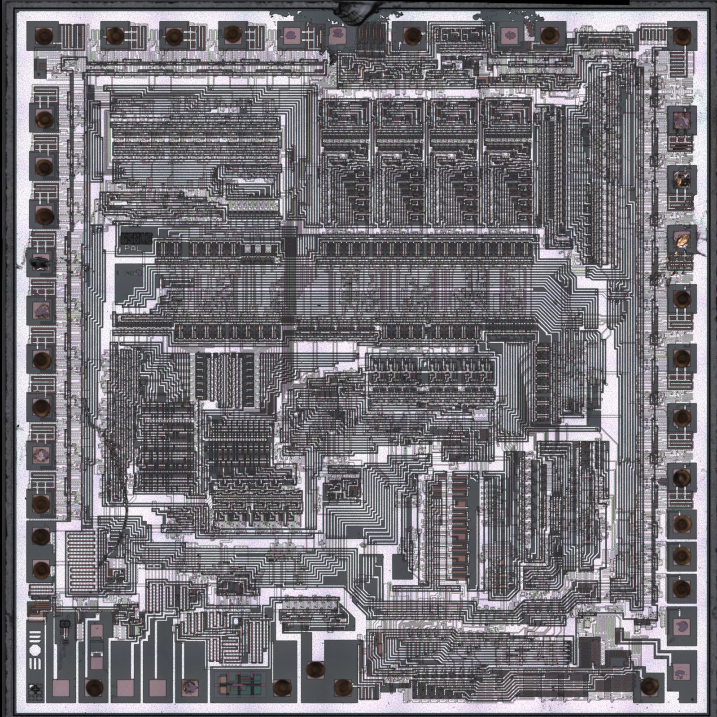


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TYPICAL VIDEO MATRIX
 (23 x 22)



6560 BLOCK DIAGRAM



1982: The Commodore 64



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**** COMMODORE 64 BASIC V2 ****  
64K RAM SYSTEM 38911 BASIC BYTES FREE  
READY.
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6510 @ 1.02 MHz

20 KB ROM

320 × 200

40 columns × 24 rows

8 24 × 21 pixel sprites

64 KB RAM

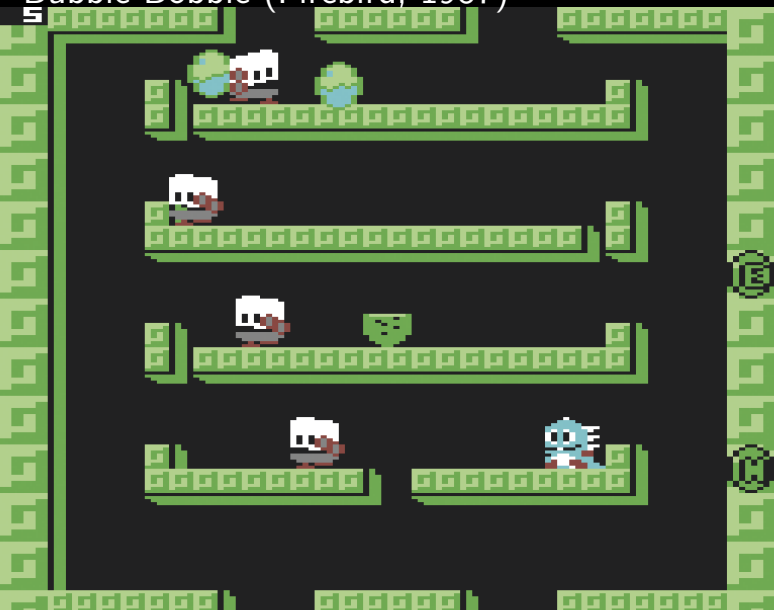
16 colors

8 × 8 pixel characters

Impossible Mission (Epyx, 1984)



Bubble Bobble (Firebird, 1987)



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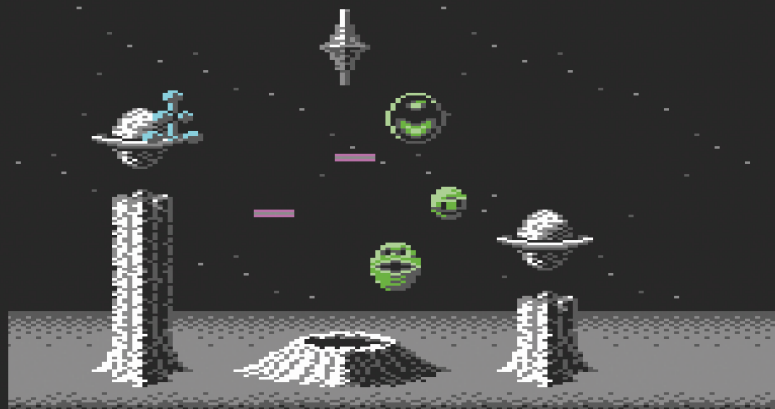
Wizball (Sensible Software, 1987)



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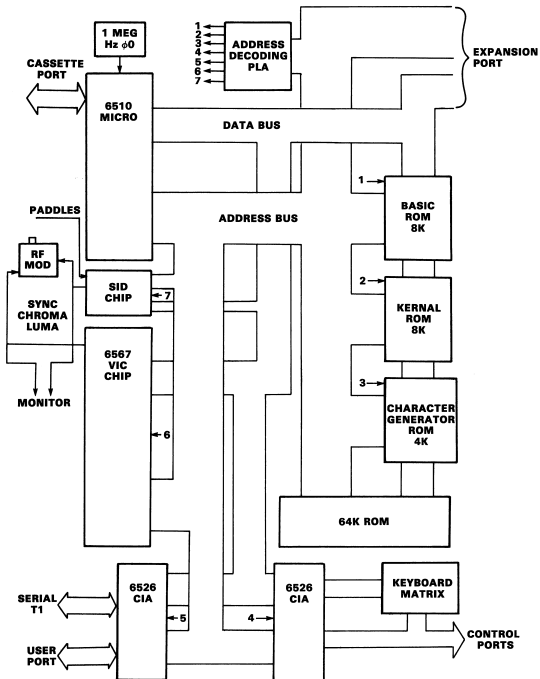
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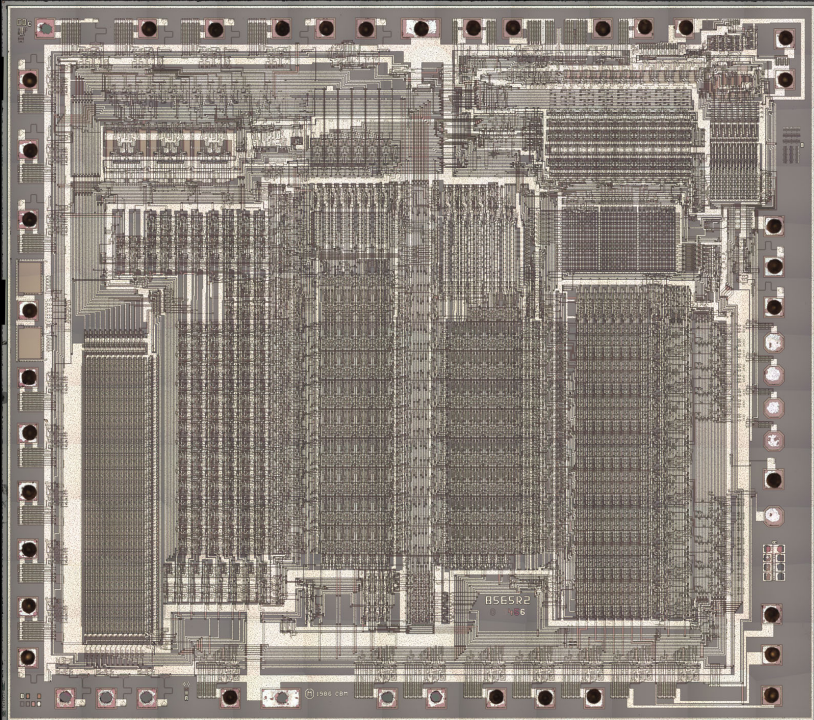
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C-64 BLOCK DIAGRAM



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SD000 (R/W)	M0X									Sprite 0 X-position
SD001 (R/W)	M0Y									Sprite 0 Y-position
SD002 (R/W)	M1X									Sprite 1 X-position
SD003 (R/W)	M1Y									Sprite 1 Y-position
SD004 (R/W)	M2X									Sprite 2 X-position
SD005 (R/W)	M2Y									Sprite 2 Y-position
SD006 (R/W)	M3X									Sprite 3 X-position
SD007 (R/W)	M3Y									Sprite 3 Y-position
SD008 (R/W)	M4X									Sprite 4 X-position
SD009 (R/W)	M4Y									Sprite 4 Y-position
SD00A (R/W)	M5X									Sprite 5 X-position
SD00B (R/W)	M5Y									Sprite 5 Y-position
SD00C (R/W)	M6X									Sprite 6 X-position
SD00D (R/W)	M6Y									Sprite 6 Y-position
SD00E (R/W)	M7X									Sprite 7 X-position
SD00F (R/W)	M7Y									Sprite 7 Y-position
SD010 (R/W)	M7XB	M7XB	M6XB	M5XB	M4XB	M3XB	M2XB	M1XB	M0XB	
SD011 (R/W)	CR1	RSTB	ECM	BMM	DEN	RSEL	YSCROLL			
SD012 (R)	RASTER	Raster Counter bits 7-0								
SD012 (W)	RSTCMP	Raster Comparator bits 7-0								
SD013 (R)	LPX	Light Pen X-position								
SD014 (R)	LPY	Light Pen Y-position								
SD015 (R/W)	M7E	M7E	M6E	M5E	M4E	M3E	M2E	M1E	M0E	
SD016 (R/W)	CR2	unused ¹		RES	MCM	CSEL	XSCROLL			
SD017 (R/W)	M7YE	M7YE	M6YE	M5YE	M4YE	M3YE	M2YE	M1YE	M0YE	
SD018 (R/W)	VM/CB	Screen Pointer (A13-A10)				Bitmap/Charset Pointer (A13-A11)				unused ¹
SD019 (R/W)	IRQST	IRQ	unused ¹			ILP	IMMC	IMBC	IRST	
SD01A (R/W)	IRQEN	unused ¹								
SD01B (R/W)	M7DP	M7DP	M6DP	M5DP	M4DP	M3DP	M2DP	M1DP	M0DP	
SD01C (R/W)	M7MC	M7MC	M6MC	M5MC	M4MC	M3MC	M2MC	M1MC	M0MC	
SD01D (R/W)	M7XE	M7XE	M6XE	M5XE	M4XE	M3XE	M2XE	M1XE	M0XE	
SD01E (R/W)	M7M	M7M	M6M	M5M	M4M	M3M	M2M	M1M	M0M	
SD01F (R/W)	M7D	M7D	M6D	M5D	M4D	M3D	M2D	M1D	M0D	
SD020 (R/W)	EC	unused ¹				Border Color				
SD021 (R/W)	B0C	unused ¹				Background Color 0				
SD022 (R/W)	B1C	unused ¹				Background Color 1				
SD023 (R/W)	B2C	unused ¹				Background Color 2				
SD024 (R/W)	B3C	unused ¹				Background Color 3				
SD025 (R/W)	MM0	unused ¹				Sprite Multicolor 0				
SD026 (R/W)	MM1	unused ¹				Sprite Multicolor 1				
SD027 (R/W)	M0C	unused ¹				Sprite 0 Color				
SD028 (R/W)	M1C	unused ¹				Sprite 1 Color				
SD029 (R/W)	M2C	unused ¹				Sprite 2 Color				
SD02A (R/W)	M3C	unused ¹				Sprite 3 Color				
SD02B (R/W)	M4C	unused ¹				Sprite 4 Color				
SD02C (R/W)	M5C	unused ¹				Sprite 5 Color				
SD02D (R/W)	M6C	unused ¹				Sprite 6 Color				
SD02E (R/W)	M7C	unused ¹				Sprite 7 Color				
SD02F (R/W)	KCR ²	unused ¹				Keyboard Interface ²				
SD030 (R/W)	FAST ²	unused ¹						TEST ²	2 MHz ²	



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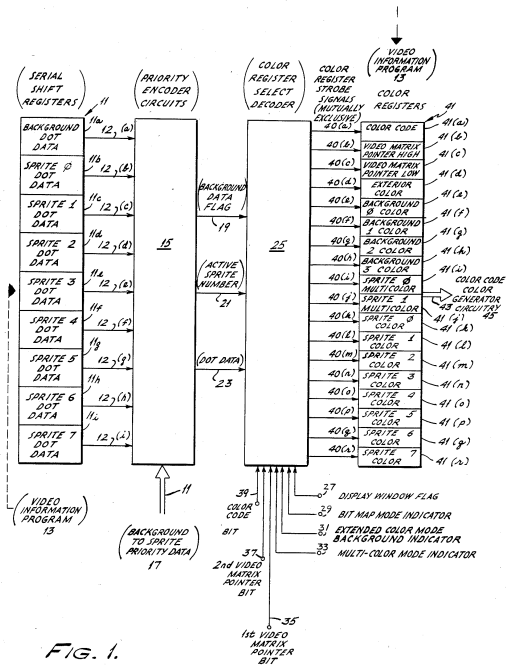


FIG. 1.

