APPLE II MAINTENANCE



APPLE II MAINTENANCE INTRODUCTIONS

- Introductions
 - About Mike Willegal
 - Who are you?
- What systems
- What tools

APPLE II MAINTENANCE OVERVIEW

- Cleaning
- Finding Vintage Components
- Maintenance
 - Enclosure
 - Motherboard
 - Power supply
 - Keyboard
 - Disk][

WHAT SYSTEMS

- Focus on Apple II/IIplus
- Some aspects applicable to IIe
- Less on IIc & IIGS
- Useful for other vintage micros and electronics

WHAT TOOLS

- Screwdrivers
 - #1 phillips
 - #2 phillips
- Hex driver –motherboard nut
- Pliers standoffs
- Chip extractor

MORE TOOLS

- Multimeter
 - high impedance ohms function
- Soldering iron
 - temperature controlled tip
- Oscilloscope
 - minimum 2 probes
 - 100 MHZ or higher preferable
 - chip clips
 - leads with clips
- Schematics

MORE TOOLS (CONT.)

- Contact Cement
- Paint Brush
- Solder
- Resin
- Cleaners
 - Isopropyl Alcohol
 - Gojo
 - Windex

APPLE II/IIPLUS BASICS

- Base system made of up of
 - Enclosure 3 piece plus speaker
 - Motherboard 8.5"x14"
 - Power supply
 - Keyboard
 - Disk][





CASE MAINTENANCE

- Keep out of light
- Base held on with 10 Screws
- GoJo application followed by dishwasher (no soap) my preferred approach to dirt
- Holes can be repaired with Bondo
- Touch up paint manually matched
- Use contact cement to reattach headlock connectors or speaker

MOTHERBOARD



MOTHERBOARD CLEANING?

- If it works, don't fix it
- Cleaning
 - Static is a concern
 - Compressed air
 - Soft paint brush
 - Isopropyl alcohol & lint free cloth

MOTHERBOARD REPAIRS PSEUDO-RANDOM CHIP SWAPPING

- Wear and tear on sockets
- Doesn't address non-IC issues
- Risk of introducing problems
- Apple service notes have guidelines about what causes typical faults

MOTHERBOARD REPAIR REPAIR THROUGH DEBUG

- Check voltages
- Get video section working first
 - Work from output stage back toward DRAM
- Video working, but not booting
 - Work from CPU to memory, checking each bus signal
- Booting, but flakey
 - Memory or memory addressing likely culprit
 - Programmers PROM has memory test
 - Loadable memory tests are available (aptest)



FIGURE S-1 APPLE II SYSTEM DIAGRAM

MOTHERBOARD REPAIR COMPONENT EXTRACTION

- Two options
 - Use rework station
 - Cut up and remove 1 pin at a time.

POWER SUPPLY



POWER SUPPLY

- Know what you are doing
- On/Off switches are still obtainable
- Rivets
 - Drill out with 1/8" drill bit
 - Make sure any metal pieces are removed before reassembling
 Replace with aluminum pop rivet

KEYBOARD



KEYBOARD

- Datanetics keyswitches
 - Restore
 - Add isopropyl alcohol with eyedropper
 - Work vigorously
 - Repeat
- MM5740/AAE encoder
 - Static sensitive
 - Expensive, if you can find them
 - Littlediode.com occasionally has them

KEYBOARD

• Plugging in backwards

- Will usually blow one of the 74LS04 inverters
- Easy fix
- Worst case I sell a kit to connect a PS/2 keyboard

DISK][



DISK][

- Speed
 - Remove cover
 - Run Aptest on scratch disk
 - Adjust 10 pot
- Head Cleaning
 - Remove cover
 - Isopropyl alcohol and lint free swab

DISK][ANCIENT CONTROLLERS

- The yellow arrow points to 9.1K resistor R-21 that controls a 2us delay between peak detection and read pulse output
- Later model drives, had this delay made adjustable by adding a 10k pot and reducing the value of the resistor to 7.2K
- Lift one leg of resistor and add 10K pot and adjust to 3us delay

DISK][ANCIENT CONTROLLERS



• Lift one leg of resisistor and add pot to adjust

SCHEMATICS

- Red Book is presentation source
- Also found in
 - "Apple II Reference Manual"
 - "Understanding the Apple II"
- Be aware that HW changed as time went on



FIGURE S-1 APPLE II SYSTEM DIAGRAM





FIGURE S-3 REFERENCE OSCILLATOR AND SYSTEM TIMING

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FIGURE S-4 SYNC COUNTER



FIGURE S-5 ROM MEMORY

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FIGURE S-6 4K/16K RAM SELECT



FIGURE S-7 RAM ADDRESS MUX

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FIGURE S-11 VIDEO GENERATOR

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