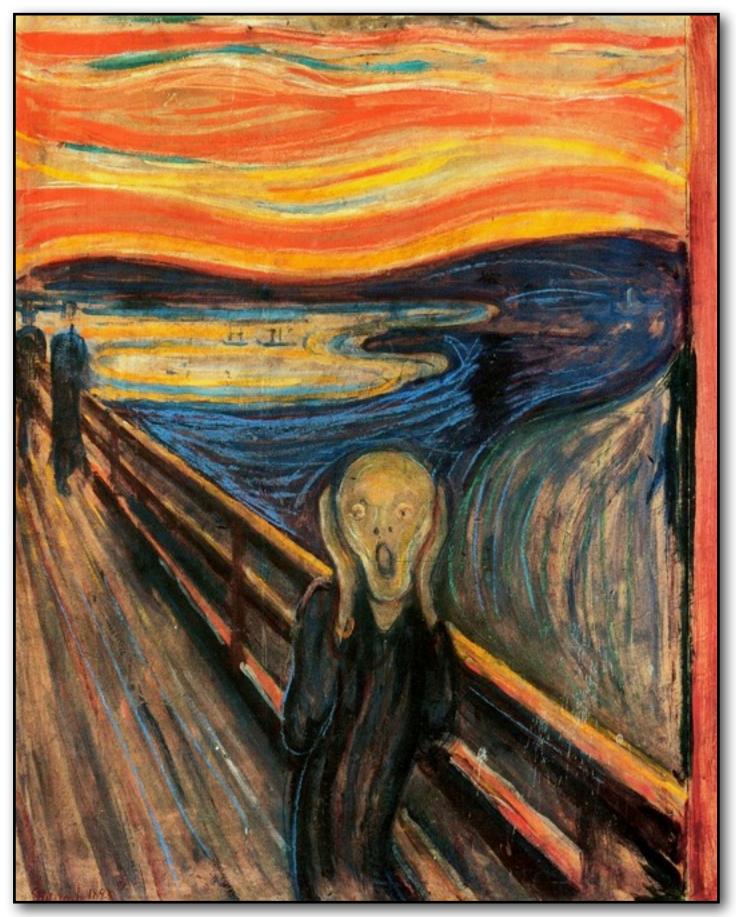




BrkDown Reference Manual



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Welcome to BrkDown

Background

When it was suggested that I include a disassembly routine in ChewBagger, it was clear that this could only be of limited use within such a program. I felt there was the need for something more powerful to be created.

In the past, I had looked at various of the other available disassemblers, but had only found the ORCA Desktop.DISASM to be useful, as it gave me a quick way of seeing code in a format that I could easily work with. However I found that for me, it has its limitations, and I felt some aspects of it as a desktop program could be improved on.

There are many other disassemblers to be had, some of them being quite powerful. Most are text based programs using the 80 column display, and require the construction of templates to do a thorough job. I wanted to break away from that, and write an easy to use desktop disassembler, that could be used by those with limited programming experience.

So ChewBagger has a new sibling, and BrkDown has been born...

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Outline

The BrkDown Application

Requirements

BrkDown is a stand alone application, and apart from the supplied Undo Manager, requires no additional fonts or tools other than those already supplied with System 6.0.1. For its displays, BrkDown uses custom fonts built into the application itself. There are also six files that are required when generating source code, and these can be found in the Data folder within the archive. They should remain within that folder, which should itself be inside the folder that you run BrkDown from. If it is not already installed, place the supplied Undo Manager into the Tools folder in the System folder.

If you plan to disassemble large 16 bit segmented applications such as Spectrum, you will need as much free memory as possible. If you are using an emulator such as Sweet16, then give it at least 8Mb to work with, or preferably 14Mb if you can. Files are first loaded into memory for disassembly, in order that cross referencing information between the segments can be preserved. This takes much more memory than BrkDown would require for smaller programs, such as P8 applications, when the usual 4Mb of memory of the IIgs will suffice. You will need sufficient spare hard disk space to hold all the working files.

What is BrkDown

BrkDown is a point and click desktop disassembler, for both eight and sixteen bit files. It will also disassemble the resource forks of forked files, and after suitable editing, can optionally generate either ORCA/M 2.0 or Merlin source files for later assembly.

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BrkDown Strategy

It is easy to simply disassemble a program into source code, but to turn that into code that can later be reassembled, takes a certain amount of programming skill. BrkDown handles the first step for you automatically, and then helps you with the second step, by using direct desktop interaction, using various tools and features, rather than using the template based control of other disassemblers.

The problem with creating disassemblies is that any disassembler you use, cannot know when a section of data it sees is actual code, is a variable, or just a block of data. You need to interact with the disassembly to indicate what these sections might be, before you can generate code that will be meaningful when reassembled.

It is suggested that your workflow with BrkDown should be this:

Create a Project

Disassemble the target file

Define strings, code, and other data sections

Define any Global Equates

Manually adjust any further code that is needed

Define any code Directives

Build cross referencing Labels

Show Equates

Build Source files

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How BrkDown Works

BrkDown works with Projects, which you create from your target application or binary file. Within the working BrkDown folder, you will find a Projects folder, a Src.Files folder, a Data folder, and an Archives folder. These are all created if not already present.

The Projects folder holds a number of named folders, with a single folder for each Project. Within each of those named folders, you will find a number of files, that will depend on the kind of application or file you are working with:

Code.xx Multiple source data files
Global.Equates Defined global equates

Link.Template(2) Cross segment label references

Resource.equ Resource fork equates
Resource.src Resource fork source

Segment.xx Multiple working source files

Status Project status data

After Building Source, within the Src.Files folder, you will find a number of files:

Resource.equ If the original has a resource fork
Resource.src If the original has a resource fork
Source.xx.x.asm Files from ORCA/M 2.0 disassemblies

Source.xx.x.s Files from Merlin disassemblies

The Archives folder will hold any Projects that you may have archived:

Spectrum.arc Named GSHK archive

After creating a Project or Projects, when you Select and open the Project, you will see the disassembled raw source in the main window. If it is the first time you have opened that Project, it will be automatically disassembled. If you have already disassembled the Project, you will be given the option to open the existing working files, or to disassemble the Project once again. See "Projects" for more details.

So the final Source files can be built correctly, you will need to edit or work with the disassembled Project files in order to make sense of them. BrkDown gives you a number of tools to help with the process. See "Editing Files" for more details.

Finally, you will need to generate the output Source files. This will create either ORCA/M 2.0 or Merlin compatible source files, which can then be reassembled. See "Building Source" for more details.



General Operation

Preferences



Before you start to work with BrkDown, you should set up Preferences to suit your preferred working method.

Auto Select Processor Mode - The initial processor mode used for a disassembly will be determined by the filetype. For eight bit or binary files, this will be to force Emulation in 6502 mode, and for Forked or 16 bit files, this will be in Native 65816 mode.

Force Native Mode - The initial processor mode will be set to 16 bit wide 65816 native mode.

Force Emulation Mode - The initial processor mode will be set to 8 bit wide 6502 emulation mode.

P8/Binary load address - Relocatable 16 bit files will always be loaded automatically to free memory, and disassembled from those memory positions to preserve the validity of any cross-referenced variables or entry points.

As 8 bit files are usually loaded into memory at \$2000, this is the default load address used for the disassembly. However, when the Project is created, if the Auxtype has a non-zero value, that value will be used to prime the Load Address instead. If you wish to change the default value, then enter a new value here. It can be changed later if you wish on a Project by Project basis.

Split Source Files - When building Source files, you can optionally choose to split the output into files of approximately 32K long. If you are editing on the IIgs, this might be advantageous. If you are editing on a Macintosh or Windows computer, you might prefer to keep the output as one large file.

Referenced Labels - If selected, generates XReferenced labels, showing all the addresses that the label has been referenced from.

Output Source Files - Although the BrkDown editors work with ORCA/M 2.0 style files, it can output either ORCA/M 2.0 or Merlin 16 compatible source files. You should select your preferred method here before you start, so any Resource forks will be correctly generated on disassembly.

Ignore Update - Check this box to disable the self-check for updates at Startup. The box will be checked if you have clicked Ignore in an Alert showing an update is available.

Note: Some of these settings can be changed later, and applied to individual Projects:



Projects

Selecting Projects



This is the starting point for any new Projects, and for working with existing Projects.

New - For each Project, you will need to create a new entry in the list. Using the standard file chooser, select the target application or binary file, and then either accept the default name, or change it to a new one of your choice. If a Project already exists with the same name, you will be prompted to change the name to a different one.

Note: If the Option (CA) key is held down when a New Project is created, you will be able to select any file. Be careful you only choose files that contain valid code.

Delete - Deletes the selected Project folder and all its files. It also deletes any Source files from its related folder as well. It does not delete any Archived files for the Project, and you will be asked for confirmation before it proceeds.

Info - Displays information for the target file linked to the Project. Optionally you can change the Project name here, or set specific Preferences for that Project.

In addition to the settings described in the main Preferences section above, there are two settings in this dialog that apply only to individual Projects:

Tool Call Macros The default is for toolbox calls to be referenced into their respective macros. Uncheck this box to stop those from being generated.

File Call Macros The default is for GS/OS and P8 file calls to be referenced into their respective macros. Uncheck this box to stop those from being generated.

Archives - If you have Balloon installed on your system, this option will allow you to Archive or Restore the Project folder and its related Source files folders. The default is to save to the Archives folder, but optionally you can save to any folder of your choice.



Select - Selects a Project to work with. The first time a Project is selected, it will be automatically disassembled, and any resource forks will also be disassembled. The data fork is disassembled to an ORCA compatible format, that is used for displaying and any subsequent editing within BrkDown. The resource fork is disassembled to either an ORCA/M 2.0 or Merlin compatible format, depending on the option set in Preferences.

If the Project has already been disassembled, you will have the option to either disassemble once more, or use the current files for further editing. Please be patient, as disassembling can take some time, depending on the size of the target file you have selected, and the speed of your computer.

Note: If you disassemble once more, then the entire Project folder will first be emptied. This will delete any existing labels, and global equates you may have already defined.

Note: If you are using ORCA/M 2.0, you will need to put the supplied 'types.rez' file into the 'RInclude' folder within the 'Libraries' folder on the drive where your ORCA/M 2.0 files are located. This should replace any existing file with that name. This updated file holds some enhanced resource information which BrkDown supports.

Note: The original target file for a Project must remain in its original folder if you wish to disassemble for a second time. You might wish to make a copy for this purpose.

The Projects Folder - The Project folder holds a number of files as outlined on Page. 8. It is important that you do not delete or edit any of these files yourself, as subsequent operations in BrkDown may fail unpredictably. If you need to make a copy of these files, use the 'Archives' function to keep a GHSK compatible copy of the two related folders.

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∰ Code.01	2K	Binary	û
⊞ Code.02	58K	Binary	П
🖽 Global.Equates	2K	Binary	H
Link.Template	2K	Binary	H
🖽 Resource.equ	12K	ASCII text	H
🖽 Resource.src	76K	ASCII text	H
∰ Segment.01	2K	ASCII text	H
∰ Segment.02	854K	ASCII text	ш
∰ Status	2K	Binary	û
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You will see one or more of these files within a Project folder:

Code.xx - Multiple files, numbered according to their segment number within the original file. For a P8 or Binary target file, there will be only one Code file, and it will hold the data from the source file. For relocatable GS/OS files, the Code files will hold the segment data after it was 'loaded' into memory, rather than the raw data from the original file. All addressing cross references will therefore be preserved.

Global.Equates - If the Project is working with a P8 file, any references from the PDOSA or PDOSM call files that were replaced during the disassembly, as well as any

default or global Equates you have defined, will be stored in this file for later use by the 'Build Labels' or 'Apply Labels' functions. In the case of a GS/OS file, only default and global Equates you have defined will be held in the file.

Link.Template(2) - When you 'Build Labels', the value for each label that is generated is kept in this file for later use by the 'Build Labels' or 'Apply Labels' functions. This allows labels to be correctly referenced across multiple segments for GS/OS files.

Resource.equ - If the original target file had a resource fork, an equates file Resource.equ will be created, holding the equates required for the resource fork to be re-assembled correctly.

Resource.src - If the original target file had a resource fork, a Resource.src file will be built, holding the disassembled resource fork. It must be kept along with, and used in conjunction with, the Resource.equ file for any subsequent re-assembly.

Note: The code format of the two resource files will depend on whether ORCA/M 2.0 or Merlin had been selected as the operating environment when the disassembly was made.

Segment.xx - This holds the disassembled data for each segment within a file. For a P8 or Binary target file, there will only be one Segment file created, and it will be numbered as Segment.01. For GS/OS files, there may be one or more sequentially numbered segment files created.

Status - This file holds various items of information used by BrkDown during the disassembly and editing processes.

Note: The Segment.xx and Resource.src files, are the data files you will see displayed on the Project screen while you work.

To display any of the other segments from a segmented file, either choose the segment directly from the Segments menu, or use the 'Open-Apple-N' key to move between them.

You will not be able to display an ~ExpressLoad segment. This is deliberate, as it serves no further purpose for the final building of the source files, and so cannot be edited.

Note: If you change the main application format from ORCA/M 2.0 to Merlin or vice versa in the Preferences dialog, when you next select the Project, you will need to disassemble the target file once again, to make sure the Resource forks are correctly formatted.

Inserted Calls: Six data files, PDOSA.Calls, GSOSA.Calls, and ToolA.Calls, for ORCA/M, and PDOSM.Calls, GSOSM.Calls, and ToolM.Calls, for Merlin, are supplied with the BrkDown archive. They are required, and should remain within the 'Data' folder in the same folder as BrkDown.

These files can be edited and expanded if you wish. Just follow the same format of a value/space/label, and you can add your own custom calls, or any that you feel are missing from the lists. Enter values as a hexadecimal word, without a preceding \$ sign., and finish the file with a CR (Return). You can add comment lines if you wish, by preceding the comment with an asterisk at the start of the line.

The values contained within these files are used in this way:

PDOSA.Calls & PDOSM.Calls When disassembling code in 6502 Emulation mode, any ProDOS calls in the file matching the two byte operand values from the file, will be replaced by the ProDOS call from the file. In the same way, any Monitor ROM values in commands with two byte operands, such as JSR, LDA, LDX, CMP, INC etc., will be checked against the values in the file, and the equate from the file will be inserted in place of the operand. They will also be added to the 'Global.Equates' file.

If you add any new Equates to the files yourself, these will also be checked, and replaced if they are found. If these Equates lie within the range of the program code, you may also need to Insert a matching Label at the appropriate point in the code.

GSOSA.Calls & GSOSM.Calls When disassembling code in 65816 Native mode, any GS/OS calls in the file matching the two byte operand values from the file, will be replaced by the GS/OS call from the file.

TOOLA.Calls & TOOLM.Calls When disassembling code in 65816 Native mode, any Tool calls in the file matching the two byte operand values from the file, will be replaced by the Tool call from the file.

Note: As ProDOS, GS/OS, ROM, and Tool, calls can be named differently in ORCA/M 2.0 and Merlin source code, two sets of files are provided. As supplied, these files contain the same calls, but in the appropriate format for each operating mode. If you wish to edit these files, make sure you select the correct 'A' files for ORCA/M 2.0 and the 'M' files for Merlin.

Note: On disassembly, spacer and divider lines will be inserted after the RTI, RTS, RTL, JMP, and JML calls, and a single spacer line is inserted after BRA, and BRL calls.

Editing Projects

You cannot directly edit the Project text from the Project window. This is to ensure that any changes you make will be correctly structured for BrkDown to build source files later on. A number of functions are provided however, which will let you modify the code as required from its raw state. These are explained in detail below.

Note: The Editor works with a file structure compatible with ORCA/M 2.0, even when you have selected to work in Merlin. The working Segment.xx files, will be converted into Merlin format when you Build the final Source files.

Except for files representing a resource fork, which are displayed for information only, each file will display in a 'standard' format. This will be familiar to those who have worked with the ORCA/M 2.0 65816 assembly language.

There are up to six columns of data that are displayed:

Column	Function
1	Offset into the code from the start of the file
2	Relative address and bank number for the line of code
3	Up to four bytes of code from this statement
4	The Operation code for this statement
5	The Operand field for this statement
6	Optional comment field

For most of the functions, you will select the range of code you wish to change or define. Simply select the byte range you wish to work on, and apply the required function. You will see an Alert if for any reason a selection is invalid for that function.

Most lines of code will display as having from between 1-4 bytes of code, but for some lines, such as lines defined as 'STR' or 'ASCII', there may be a hidden number of extra bytes of code. In such cases, you will not be able to select directly from within the hidden bytes without first turning the line into visible data in the form of 'Byte', 'Words', 'Long Words', or 'Hex Bytes'. This will then display any hidden bytes so they can be selected.

Note: If you select the line from the Operation Code or beyond, all the extra hidden bytes in a line, to the start of the next line, will be included in the selection.

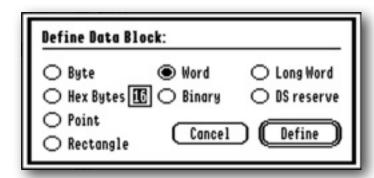
It is a good idea to regularly 'Save' changes as you go along, though if you do, you will not be able to use the 'Revert to Saved' feature later on. Refer to "Revert to Saved" for more details.

Many of the Editing functions reference the 'Code.xx' source files to retrieve data.

The Editing Functions

As has been described earlier, the raw output from the disassembler will in most cases need to be worked on to turn it into usable source code. The most likely data from what may appear as junk code that will need to be changed, will be any variable space, which will need to be set to a 'DS' data block, and other areas of code that may need to be changed from native 65816 to emulated 6502 code, or vice versa.

Note: Any orphaned bytes from a selection will be displayed as leading or trailing data statements, in lines either side of the resulting lines from the selected function. An odd number of trailing bytes for a 'Define as Data' selection, will be displayed as shorter 'Words' or 'Bytes' data statements.



Define As Data - This allows you to change interpreted code to eight forms of data statements. Use the Tab key to toggle between the eight options:

Byte: Changes the selected bytes into data statements in the form:

DC I1'\$00'

Word: Changes the selected bytes into data statements in the form:

DC I2'\$0000'

Long Word: Changes the selected bytes into data statements in the form:

DC I4'\$0000000'

Hex Bytes: Changes the selected bytes into data statements in the form:

DC H'000102030405'

Note: The maximum number of bytes for each line can be set to a range of between 1-16. If the selected data exceeds that range, the data will be split over multiple lines.

Binary: Changes the selected bytes into data statements in the form:

DC B'11100100'

Up to four bytes can be displayed for each line.

DS Reserve: Changes the selected bytes into data statements in the form:

DS XX

Where 'XX' is the decimal count of the bytes you selected.

Point: Changes the selected four bytes into a 'Point' value in the form:

DC I2'\$0050,\$0140'

Rectangle: Changes the selected eight bytes into a 'Rectangle' value in the form:

DC I2'\$0000,\$0000,\$00C0,\$0280'

Define As ASCII - Changes the selected bytes into data statements in the form:

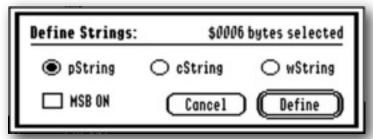
DC C'A string of text'

Printable ASCII will be displayed within a 'DC C' statement, and any unprintable ASCII will show as interspersed 'DC I' data statements. If printable text exceeds 32 characters, the text will be split over multiple lines.

Define Strings - Defines the selected data as either pString, cString, or wString. If the selection number of bytes is invalid for the chosen format, you will see an Alert explaining what range was required. Use the Tab key to toggle between the three options.

Note: You can select multiple strings of the same type, as long as they are contiguous with each other. You will see how many bytes you have selected at top right of the dialog, and if you have selected insufficient data for the string type, click the 'Select' button to extend the range automatically.

All three string formats display the selected data in the same basic format as used for 'Define as ASCII'. If you are working with Merlin Source Output selected, the resulting strings will have either single or double quotes, depending on the ASCII content of the selection:



pString: Depending on the actual data, will display the selected data in one of two forms: STR 'String'

Alternatively:

```
DC I1'$06' ; length pString DC C'String'
```

Note: For the second format, there is a preceding single length byte. For a valid pString, you must select that number of bytes, as well as the preceding length byte itself.

cString: Will display the selected data in the form:

```
DC C'String'
DC I1'$00'; end of cString
```

Note: There must be a trailing single zero byte marker. For a valid cString, you must select a number of bytes as well as the trailing zero byte.

wString: Changes the selected bytes into data in the form:
DC I2'\$06'; length wString
DC C'String'

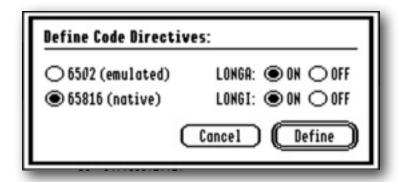
Note: A preceding length word. For a valid wString, you must select that number of bytes, as well as the preceding length word itself.

Note: For both 'Define as ASCII', and 'Define Strings' functions, by checking the **MSB ON** box, encoded ASCII will have the HiBit stripped when displayed in the data statement.

Note: If you do not select sufficient bytes to match the target length, an error will be displayed. If shown, click the 'Select' button to extend the selection to the target length.

Define As Code - This function allows you to disassemble a selected section of code once again, allowing you to override the default format that was first used. You can use this to clean up sections of code back to their raw state, or to change processor directives.

Note: In some cases you may also need to insert a preceding or trailing directive as well as defining the code. Please refer to 'Insert Directive' for more details.



6502 (emulated): Disassembles the selection into 8-bit Emulated code, as used by P8 programs. If necessary, insert a preceding 'MX Off/Off' directive, and if the following code is 16-bit, a following 'MX On/On' directive.

65816 (native): Disassembles the selection into 16-bit code Native code, as used by GS/OS programs. If necessary, insert a preceding 'MX On/On' directive, and if the following code is 8-bit, a following 'MX Off/Off' directive.

These four options can only be selected when 65816 (native) mode is also selected, and will set the accumulator and X/Y register widths for the disassembly process:

LONGA ON: Sets the accumulator to 16-bits wide.

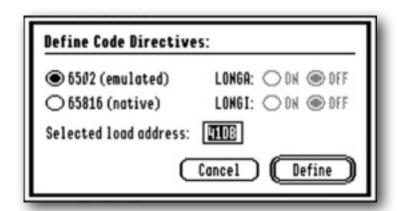
LONGA OFF: Sets the accumulator to 8-bits wide.

LONGI ON: Sets the X/Y registers to 16-bits wide.

LONGI OFF: Sets the X/Y registers to 8-bits wide.

If necessary, insert in the code a preceding 'MX On/On', 'MX On/Off', 'MX Off/On', or 'MX Off/Off' directive, and then if necessary, the opposite directive at the end of the section.

When working with a ProDOS 8 or Binary file, you will see a modified dialog with an additional edit box allowing you to set the 'Selected Load Address' for that section:

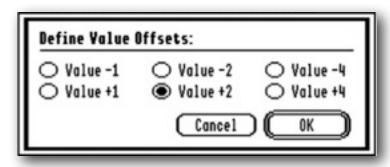


In addition to the functions listed above, you can optionally change the load address of the selected code. A section of code that has had its load address changed, will be marked by comments at the start and end of the section. You may need to later delete or edit these in the word processor, if you need to add an 'ORG' command in the code:

```
0007 * Load address changed:
0007 008000: org $8000
0007 008000: 53 DC I1'$53'
0008 * End of load address change
```

Note: Changing the load address may interfere with Label generation for that section.

Set Value Offset - It is common to use values in tables, data blocks, or in LDA or STA commands, that reference an offset to a Label. If these offsets are not applied before Labels are generated, the resulting Labels may well be off by one or more bytes.



You can set a plus or minus offset of 1, 2, or 4 bytes in the following way:

```
07D6 2107D6: A9 34 12 LDA #$1234
07D9 2107D9: 8D 2E 08 STA $082E
07DC 2107DC: A9 21 00 LDA #$0021
07DF 2107DF: 8D 30 08 STA $0830
```

By selecting the value \$8030, the fourth line can be changed using an offset of +2 to:

```
07D6 2107D6: A9 34 12 LDA #$1234
07D9 2107D9: 8D 2E 08 STA $082E
07DC 2107DC: A9 21 00 LDA #$0021
07DF 2107DF: 8D 30 08 STA $082E+2
```

Similarly, in a table, an offset can be changed:

```
0008 1AC35F: F9 C4 1A 00 DC I4'$001AC4F9'
```

In this instance, the selected value \$001AC4F9, is changed to an offset of -1:

```
0008 1AC35F: F9 C4 1A 00 DC I4'$001AC4FA-1'
```

Add Comment - Adds a comment to the end of a line, or lets you edit or remove an existing comment:



0007 210007: 82 0D 00 BRL L210012 ;This is a comment 000A 21000A: 71 77 DC I2'L217771' STR 'ChewBagger'

Optionally, you can specify a Line Number to add the comment to. Some lines cannot have comments added, and you will then see an error message if you choose one.

The 'Remove' button will only display if there was an existing comment in the line. When clicked, it will remove that existing comment from the line.

Insert Comment - Adds a new comment line before the current line, or lets you edit or remove an existing comment line.



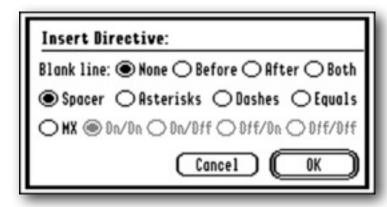
0002 *Insert as a new comment line 0002 210002: 82 0D 00 BRL \$0012 0005 210005: 71 77 DC I2'\$7771' 0007 210007: STR 'ChewBagger'

Optionally, you can specify a Line Number where to add the comment line.

The 'Remove' button will only display if the cursor was on an existing comment line.

Note: You can also use the 'Delete' function to remove a comment line.

Insert Directive - This function lets you insert blank, or divider lines, or insert processor directives, which tell the assembler how to handle the following lines of code:



Note: All inserted lines will display a Code Offset and Relative Address. These will be removed when the Source files are built.

Blank Line: This inserts a blank line in relation to the other functions you have selected.

If you then select 'Spacer', you will insert from between one to three blank lines, depending on the settings for 'Blank Line'. For the other functions, it will insert a blank line either side of the inserted line.

Spacer: Inserts a blank separator line before the current line.

Asterisks, Dashes, Equals: Inserts a separator line before the current line, consisting of 2 asterisks, followed by 62 asterisks, dashes, or equal signs.

MX: Inserts a processor directive. There are four options, representing the widths of the Accumulator and X/Y registers. For instance, to set a wide 16-bit Accumulator, with short 8-bit X/Y registers, you would select 'MX' and 'On/Off'.

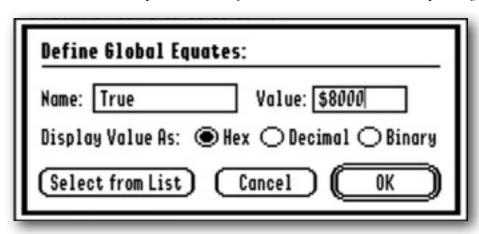
These are directives that will instruct the assembler at a later point when the Source files have been built. If you have changed the processor widths for a section of code, make sure you insert the correct directives either side of that section of code.

During editing, they will show as ORCA/M 2.0 format directives, such as the example given. If you are working in Merlin format, these will be changed to their correct Merlin form when the Source files are built:

0012	210012:		LONGA ON
0012	210012:		LONGI ON
0012	210012:	3B	TSC
0013	210013:	8D D8 9A	STA L219AD8

Define Equate - Inserts a Global Equate at the head of the first code segment. When you later use 'Build Labels' or 'Apply Labels', this Equate will then be applied to any matching immediate '#\$ 'fixed values, any long '>\$ ' addresses, or any 'PEA \$' operands found in the code within the segments.

These are inserted as Global Equates, so they will be valid across multiple segments.



Name: Give a name for the Global Equate. No checks are made as to whether this name already exists as an Equate, or a Label of the same name already exists. There must only be underscores, numbers, or alpha characters in the name.

Value: The value for the Equate. It can be given as either a Hex value, preceded by a '\$' sign, or as a decimal value. The value may be given as a two or three byte value. Three byte values will only be applied to '>\$' long addresses.

Display Value As: The Equate will be displayed at the head of the source code as either a Hex, Decimal, or Binary value. The display type does not affect the way the value is later used for substitutions within the code:

** Global Equates:

```
True gequ $8000
False gequ 0
Marker gequ %0000010011010010
ProDOS gequ $E100B0

010C 19CA54: A0 00 80 LDA #True
010F 19CA57: A0 00 00 LDA #False
0112 19CA5A: F4 D2 04 PEA Marker
0115 19CA5D: 5C B0 00 E1 JML >ProDOS
```

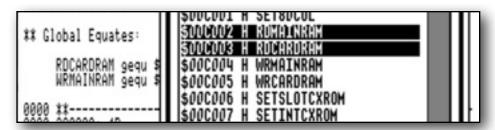
Note: The values are held in the 'Global.Equates' file, along with any other values that have been accumulated. Refer to 'Show Equates' for further details.

Select from List - Opens a list of standard equates. For a GS/OS file, you will see a list of GS/OS Equates, and for a PDOS file, you will see a list of PDOS Equates. A Binary file will show both the lists.



The list of equates is held in the file 'Master. Equates' in the Data folder of your working copy of BrkDown. It is a text file, and can be edited to remove any entries you are unlikely to use, add new ones that are missing, or change the label or display type. The two divider lines '* GS/OS Master Equates' and '* PDOS Master Equates' must precede their appropriate sections, but other '* REM' lines can be added within each section if you wish. These lines will display in green, and cannot be selected.

The lines must be in the same format as described under 'Show Equates' on Page 31. You can add a further description after the label if you wish, but text will be truncated if it extends beyond the right margin of the list.



Select single or multiple items from the list, and click 'Select' to add them to the main display. You can repeat this process as necessary, and when you are finished, click the 'Cancel' button to return to the main display.

Label Functions

The output files from the disassembler hold limited information with regard to referenced address and variables. If Source files are built from the files at this point, they will have insufficient information to be able to be usefully re-assembled. You must first convert the referenced addresses and variables into Labels. These cross-referenced labels will be inserted into the code at the correct points across multiple segments.

Building Labels is a three step process. The multiple code files are first scanned, and the references collected, changing them into a Label value, then the list of references is sorted, and finally the Labels are written back to the code as a new line entry.

If you have 'Defined As Code' any data, and so lost the Labels on screen, you will need to 'Build Labels' once again to restore them, though in some cases, just using 'Apply Labels' will suffice. See 'Apply Labels' for a full explanation.

The referenced variables are held in the Link.Template or Link.Template2 file within the Project folder. The file will be constantly added to as you work with the code, and is used for the 'Build Labels' and 'Apply Labels' functions.

If you disassemble the Project once again, all collected Labels will be lost, and you will need to start over and 'Build Labels' once more.

If you selected 'Referenced Labels' in the Project Preferences, additional lines will be inserted after the Label itself showing the address of all the references that were made to that Label. The reference data will be held in the file Link. Template 2 rather than the Link. Template file.

Note: It can take very much longer to build and sort XReferenced labels, so it is suggested you only turn on this feature if you are working with smaller source files.

Build Labels - The three stage process, as outlined above, will scan through all the code files, building a list of all the referenced addresses. These are then used for the Labels.

Labels will be generated for Branch, Jump, and most Addressing modes, and display in this format while editing:

```
0002 210002: 82 0D 00 BRL L210012

0012 _L210012 entry

0012 ** L210012 XRef: $21B04F

0012 ** L210012 XRef: $21DFE3

0012 210012: 8D D8 9A STA L219AD8
```

In the example above, the referenced address from the disassembler is first converted into a Label in the form L210012. This appears in every operand field where this Label is referenced, and then as the Label itself on its own line, with an Underscore marker. The optional XReferences lines show next, each on its own line. You can Delete these lines manually if you wish, but they will be removed when the source files are later built.

In the final ORCA/M 2.0 generated source file, the example above will look like this:

BRL L210012 L210012 entry STA L219AD8

The referenced Labels show as a six byte value, generated from the disassembler output. Even with an 8-bit file, Labels will still show as a six byte value, with the bank as the Hi byte. The Labels are only references, but by using a six byte address, cross-references across multiple banked segments of a GS/OS file will be maintained correctly.

Note: The 'Build Labels' process can take some time, depending on the size of the original source file, the processor speed of your IIgs, and whether you are also building XReferenced Labels. Multi-segment files obviously will take much longer. It can take many minutes for a large file, so please be patient while the process completes.

Note: While you work with code, orphaned labels can accumulate. If you hold down the key while selecting Build Labels, an existing Link. Template file will first be deleted.

Apply Labels - This will re-apply any Labels that may have got lost in the coding process. It only sorts and applies label entries, without checking for any new ones.

If you have defined any 'Equates', it will be necessary to 'Build Labels' from scratch, in order that any Equates are correctly applied to the code.

If you have 'Defined Labels' for sections of code, you will also need to 'Apply Labels', so the definitions are inserted in the correct places.

Define Label - Labels will mostly be automatically generated, but there are some instances of code where they cannot easily be determined, or rather it could be dangerous to interpret them automatically as a referenced address.

This function lets you manually define these referenced addresses. It is only available when working with native 65816 files.

Define Label can be used in two instances, either where a PEA instruction is pushing an immediate address onto the stack, or where a processor register is being referenced with an immediate or implied address. In the case of the PEA instruction, you must select two lines, making a split valid address from within any of the segments of that file. The lines need not be adjacent.

This is an example explains how the function works with the PEA instruction:

```
025F 21025F: F4 21 00 PEA $0021
0262 210262: F4 7C 9B PEA $9B7C
```

Here the first PEA operand pushes the Hi word of the effective address onto the stack, followed by the second PEA operand pushing the Lo word of the effective address onto the stack.

The 'Define Label' function picks up the two values, checks they make a valid 16-bit address within one of the segments, then turns them into a Label in this ORCA/M 2.0 format:

```
025F 21025F: F4 21 00 PEA L219B7C -$10
0262 210262: F4 7C 9B PEA L219B7C
```

The generated Label is then added to the Link.Template file, and will be turned into a full Label line when you later use 'Build' or 'Apply' Labels. If using the Merlin format, the lines will be converted into Merlin compatible format when you later build the source files.

The second instance is where the processor registers references two immediate values, which make a valid address within one of the segments. The lines need not be adjacent, but must follow each other.

This is an example explains how the function works:

```
0A24 210A24: A9 21 00 LDA #$0021
0A27 210A27: 48 PHA
0A28 210A28: A9 A0 4B LDA #$4BA0
0A2B 210A2B: 48 PHA
```

Here the first operand holds the Hi word of the effective address, followed by the second operand holding the Lo word of the effective address. The Label will then be generated to look like this:

```
0A24 210A24: A9 21 00 LDA #^L214BA0
0A27 210A27: 48 PHA
0A28 210A28: A9 A0 4B LDA #L214BA0
0A2B 210A2B: 48 PHA
```

This also works if the values are the other way round, which can occur sometimes with manual storing of the values:

```
0A24 210A24: A9 A0 4B LDA #$4BA0
0A27 210A27: 48 PHA
0A28 210A28: A9 21 00 LDA #$0021
0A2B 210A2B: 48 PHA
```

Here the first operand holds the Lo word of the effective address, followed by the second operand holding the Hi word of the effective address. The Label will then be generated to look like this:

```
0A24 210A24: A9 A0 4B LDA #L214BA0
0A27 210A27: 48 PHA
0A28 210A28: A9 21 00 LDA #^L214BA0
0A2B 210A2B: 48 PHA
```

Note: In all cases the last line of the full instruction must not be selected, so it has been shown in grey for this example.

You can also select a single line, when the current bank will be used to build the Label:

```
OAA7 210AA7: A0 10 C0 LDY #$C010
```

The Label will be generated like this:

```
OAA7 210AA7: A0 10 C0 LDY #L21C010
```

Similarly, you can generate a Label for an address within a valid bank:

```
0AA7 210AA7: AC 10 C0 LDY $C010
```

The Label will be generated like this:

```
0AA7 210AA7: AC 10 C0 LDY L21C010
```

You can generate a Label for a two or four digit DC statement:

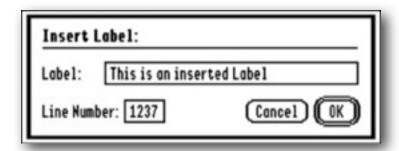
```
0033 210033: DC I4'$00D50132'
```

The Label will be generated like this:

```
0033 210033: DC I4'LD50132'
```

Note: These Labels will only be applied later when you 'Build' or 'Apply' labels.

Insert Label - Labels will in the main be generated either automatically, or using the Define Label function. Optionally you can generate a Label line, using any name or description you like. Rather than inserting at the cursor point, you can optionally specify a Line Number where the Label will be inserted:



Note: A Label will always display in the code with a preceding underscore, but when the Source is built, the underscore will be removed. A Label you define, must start with either an alpha character, or an underscore, but can contain any alphanumeric character after that. Any spaces will be translated into underscores.

Tools

Show Equates - When working with a P8 file, some Global Equates may be gathered at disassembly time. You may also have manually defined Equates using the 'Define Equate' function. All these Equates are stored in a file 'Global.Equates'.

Except when you manually define an Equate, the gathered Equates will not display at the start of the first or main Segment in the sequence. To display them all, select 'Show Equates'. The Equates list will first be sorted, any duplicates removed, and then it will be displayed at the head of the first Segment in this format. This shows the collected Equates displayed at the start of a P8 file:

** Global Equates:

False gequ 0
True gequ \$80
SETTXT gequ \$FB39
TABV gequ \$FB5B
CLREOP gequ \$FC42
HOME gequ \$FC58
CLREOL gequ \$FC9C
RDKEY gequ \$FD0C
PRBYTE gequ \$FDDA
COUT gequ \$FDED

As you may wish to always add a defined set of Equates to your Projects, you can define two optional reference files 'GSOS.Equates' and 'P8.Equates', that are held in the BrkDown 'Data' folder. Two sample files are included with the archive, but if you do not wish to define any default values, just delete those two files.

The files are formatted in a similar way to the six 'Calls' files:

* File: GS/OS Equates 8000 H True 0000 B False E10000 D Banks

Lines starting with an asterisk are ignored, and the file must finish with a blank line or CR. You will see three fields to each line, the Value, which must be given as a two or three byte Hex value with no preceding '\$' sign, a marker to show how to display the value in the Segment file, and the name for that Equate. The name must have no spaces, but can have underscores or numerals that conform with either the ORCA/M or Merlin format.

The marker can be either an H, B or D, which will display the value in the Segment file as either Hexadecimal, Decimal, or Binary. This is only for cosmetic reasons, and does not affect the actual value itself.

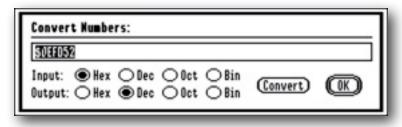
Apply Tool/File Calls - Normally you would have 'Tool Call Macros' and 'File call Macros' checked in the Project Preferences dialog, and allow the macros or references to be inserted at disassembly time. However, you may wish to first define sections of data, or to add new calls to the Data files themselves, then turn on 'Tool Call Macros' and 'File call Macros', and then use 'Apply Tool/File calls' to add the macros and references back in.

This function will be active if you have checked either of the two boxes in Project Preferences, and will Re-Apply any missing or changed macros or references.

Note: It can take a long time to Re-Apply macros and references, so please be patient if you are working with a large multi-segment 16 bit project.

Convert Numbers - If the HexCalc NDA is installed, this handy tool lets you convert numbers between Hexadecimal, Decimal, Octal, and Binary. On entry, if a suitable number is on the Clipboard, it will be pasted into the LineEdit. If however you hold down the CA key on entry, if possible, the selection from the main display, will be pasted in. The pasted number will be processed to make it more suitable for the conversion, but it may still need some massaging if spurious data is present.

On exit, the converted result will be copied back from the LineEdit to the clipboard.





Delete Line - Deletes the selected line or lines. You will first see the selected line or lines highlighted, and must confirm that you wish to delete them.

Tip: To easily delete a specific range of code, first turn the code into a DS data line.

Revert to Saved - You can revert to the last Saved version of the displayed segment. This will undo any changes you have made.

Other Editing Functions

Next Segment - If you are working with a multi-segmented GS/OS file, this will move to the next segment in the file, wrapping round to the first segment. If an **ExpressLoad** segment is present, it will not be displayed, as nothing meaningful can be displayed.

If a segment has been named, you will see its name in the menu, as well as at the top of the screen when you edit. In some applications, segments may not be named, and will show in the menu as (Blank Segment Name), and as an empty string at the top of the screen.

The Resources can be displayed, but cannot be edited directly. If you need to edit the Resources, please refer to the **General Word Processor** for more details.

Segment Info - For GS/OS files, displays the segment information:



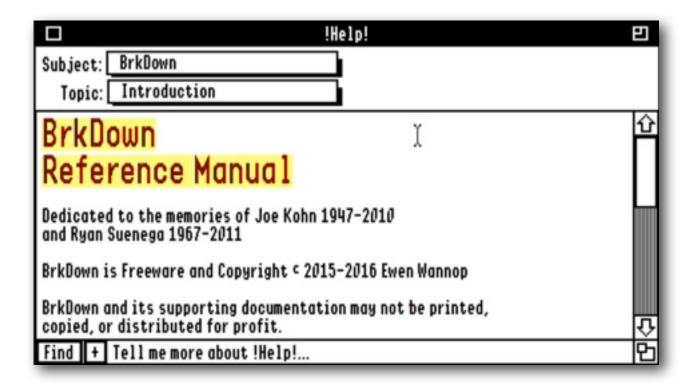
Building Source - As the main reason for disassembling an application will be to edit and re-assemble it, you will need as a final step, to Build Source files from the disassembled and edited code. The actual output will depend on whether you are working with ORCA/M or Merlin format. Many of the functions, and formatting of the output file, will depend on that selection.



The default is to save the Source files to the Project folder in the Src.Files folder, but optionally, you can choose to disassemble to a folder of your choice.

Note: Merlin files are output with the Hi-bits set for most of the data within a source file.

The Resource files will already have been correctly structured when the application was disassembled, but in the case of Merlin files, these will have the Hi-bits set on the output.



Coding Samples

This is a short example from the start of a code file:

```
******************
* Disassembled by BrkDown on 2/20/15 11:06:21 AM
* Project: ChewBagger = Segment $02 = ''
*******************
** Global Equates:
    False gequ $0000
    True gequ $8000
0000 **----
0000 210000: 4B
                   PHK
0001 210001: AB
                   PLB
0002 210002: 82 0D 00 BRL L210012
0005 210005: 71 77 DC I2'L217771'
0007 210007: 0A 43 68 65 STR 'ChewBagger'
0012 L210012 entry
0012 210012: 3B
                    TSC
                   STA L219AD8
0013 210013: 8D D8 9A
0016 210016: A9 01 00 LDA #$0001
0019 210019: 22 04 02 E1 JSL >$E10204
001D 21001D: A9 00 80 LDA #True
0020 210020: 8D 19 C6 STA L21C619
0023 210023: 22 A8 00 E1 _SetSysPrefsGS
0029 210029:
           DC I4'L21C617'
002D 21002D: A2 01 02
                    TLStartUp
0034 210034: 48
                   PHA
0035 210035: A2 01 04
                    TLVersion
                   PLA
003C 21003C: 68
003D 21003D: C9 00 03 CMP #$0300
                   BCS L21004E ; {+0C}
0040 210040: B0 0C
0042 210042: A2 01 03
                     TLShutDown
004C 21004C: 80 59
                    BRA L2100A7 ; {+59}
004E 21004E:
004E L21004E entry
004E 21004E: 48
                   PHA
004F 21004F: A2 02 02
                     MMStartUp
0056 210056: 68
                    PLA
0057 210057: 8D A8 9A
                   STA L219AA8
005A 21005A: 48
                    PHA
                   LDA L219AA8
005B 21005B: AD A8 9A
                   AND #$FF00
005E 21005E: 29 00 FF
0061 210061: 48
                     PHA
                    _GetNewID
0062 210062: A2 03 20
0069 210069: 68
                     PLA
006A 21006A: 8D 00 9D
                    STA L219D00
006D 21006D: A2 02 1F
                     CompactMem
```

This shows how it will look when built as an ORCA/M 2.0 source file:

```
*******************
* Disassembled by BrkDown on 2/20/15 11:06:21 AM
* Source built by BrkDown on 2/20/15 11:09:13 AM
* Project: ChewBagger = Segment $02 = ''
*****************
      65816 on
Begin
      start
** Global Equates:
False gequ $0000
True gequ $8000
**_____
      PHK
      PLB
      BRL $0012
      DC I2'$7771'
      STR 'ChewBagger'
L210012 entry
      TSC
      STA L219AD8
      LDA #$0001
      JSL >$E10204
      LDA #True
      STA L21C619
      _SetSysPrefsGS L21C617
       TLStartUp
      PHA
      _TLVersion
      PLA
      CMP #$0300
      BCS L21004E ; {+0C}
       TLShutDown
      LDA #$0110
      BRA L2100A7 ; {+59}
L21004E entry
      PHA
       MMStartUp
      PLA
      STA L219AA8
      PHA
      LDA L219AA8
      AND #$FF00
      PHA
      GetNewID
      PLA
      STA L219D00
      _CompactMem
```

This shows how the same code will look when built as a Merlin source file:

```
*******************
* Disassembled by BrkDown on 2/20/15 11:06:21 AM
* Source built by BrkDown on 2/20/15 11:12:34 AM
* Project: ChewBagger = Segment $02 = ''
*****************
XC ; enable 65C02
XC ; full 65816 asm
MX %00 ; 16 bit entry
rel
Begin ent
** Global Equates:
False equ $0000
True equ $8000
**_____
PHK
PLB
BRL L210012
DW L217771
STR 'ChewBagger'
L210012 ent
TSC
STA L219AD8
LDA #$0001
JSL >$E10204
LDA #True
STA L21C619
_SetSysPrefsGS L21C617
_TLStartUp
PHA
 TLVersion
PLA
CMP #$0300
BCS L21004E ; {+0C}
 _TLShutDown
LDA #$0110
BRA L2100A7 ; {+59}
L21004E ent
PHA
_MMStartUp
PLA
STA L219AA8
PHA
LDA L219AA8
AND #$FF00
PHA
 _GetNewID
PLA
STA L219D00
 _CompactMem
```

This shows an example of a Control Template and Menu Item from an ORCA/M 2.0 Resource file:

```
// --- rControlTemplate Definitions
resource rControlTemplate (CTLTMP_00000001, $0000) {
          $0000001,
          { 0,481, 27,483},
                                    // rect
          rectangleControl {{
                                   // flag
                 $0002,
                 $1000,
                                   // moreFlags
                 $0000000
                                   // refCon
          }};
};
// --- rMenuItem Definitions
resource rMenuItem (MENUITEM_000000FA, $C018) {
          $00FF,
                    // itemID
          "Z","z",
                                    // itemChar, itemAltChar
          NIL,
                             // itemCheck
          $80C0,
                             // itemFlag
          PSTR_000000FA
                             // itemTitleRef
};
```

This shows the same Control Template and Menu Item from a Merlin Resource file:

```
** rControlTemplate Definitions
CTLTMP 00000001 equ *
 dw 6 ; pCount
 adrl $00000001; ID (1)
 dw 0,481,27,483; rect
 adrl $87FF0003 ; rectangle control
 dw $0002 ; flag
 dw $1000; moreFlags
 adrl 0 ; refCon
** rMenuItem Definitions
MENUITEM 000000FA equ *
 dw 0 ; menuitem template version
 dw 255; menuitem ID
 asc '\mathbf{Z}' ; alternate characters
 asc 'z'
 hex 0000 ; check character
 dw $80C0 ; menubar flag
 adrl PSTR 000000FA; itemTitle
```

General Functions

Open Projects - Opens the Projects Dialog. See 'Selecting Projects' for more details.

Close Project - Closes the currently displayed Project, and returns you to the Projects dialog.

Load File - Loads a text file into a general word processor. This editor is provided so you can do any final tweaking or editing of a code file.

Note: Be very careful that any changes you make here are compatible with your assembler. If necessary, you can always return and make further changes from the Project edit window.

Save - If any changes have been made, saves the current open file back to disk.

Save As - Saves the current open file to a new file on disk. This function is not available from the Projects window.

Derez File - Normally you will work with the disassembled resource forked files that are generated when you select a Project. If you just need to disassemble a resource fork for other reasons, this will let you save the files to a folder of your choice. You should have first selected the format you wish to work with.

Note: There have been new resources added since Genesys 1.2.4 was written. BrkDown not only supports these new resources, but also clears up a few bugs that Genesys introduced into the ORCA/M 2.0 disassemblies.

Preferences - Opens the Preferences dialog. See 'Preferences' for more details.

Printer Setup - Opens the standard dialog for the printer you have chosen in the Direct Connect Control Panel.

Print - Opens the printer dialog for your chosen printer, and prints either the selected text, or if none has been selected, the entire text.

Quit - Quits BrkDown. If you were viewing the Projects window at the time, when BrkDown is reopened, it will load the same file, and go to the same selection.

Next - For segmented files, displays the next segment, wrapping round to the first.

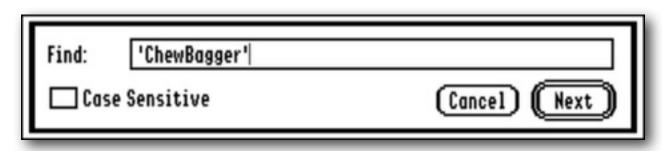
Show Clipboard - Displays the current contents of the Clipboard.

Go To - When working with the Projects window, if you select a value in any of these formats 'L012345', '\$00012345', '\$012345', or '\$2345', this will Jump or Go To that line number and select it. If the current bank number is not given, it will assume that the address is within the current bank. If the bank number is given, it must match the current bank for the Jump to work.

Note: If you have Jumped or Gone To a line, the Undo menu command will be active, and by Pressing the Open-Apple-Z key, you can jump back to where you started.

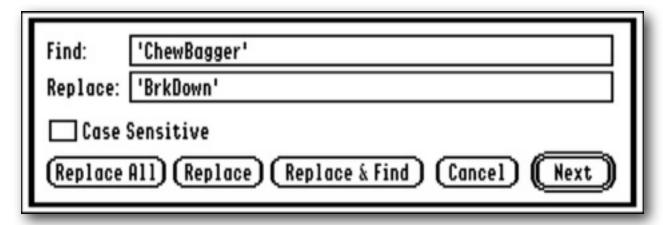
Find & Find/Replace - Opens a Find or Find/Replace dialog.

When a Project window is open, you can only Find text:



Enter the search string in the box, and click the 'Next' button to start searching. Searching starts from the top of the file. Once found, you can look for more instances, using the Open-Apple-G key.

Within the general word processor, more options are available to you:



Enter the search string in the top box, and an optional replace string in the bottom box. Choose from the various buttons what it is you would like to do.

Hold down the CA key when opening Find/Replace, to copy any selected text into the top Find box.



Useful Links

There are other 16 bit disassemblers available which you may like to look at:

'ORCA.DISASM' can be found on the CD 'Opus][: The Software', available from the Juiced.GS online store:

https://juiced.gs/store/category/software/

The 'Flaming Bird Disassembler' is available from Brutal Deluxe:

https://www.brutaldeluxe.fr/products/thirdparties/tfbd/index.html

'Sourceror' is part of the Merlin suite of software written by Glen Bredon. This is not commercially available, but may be found on some download sites.

Assemblers you might be interested in:

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https://juiced.gs/store/category/software/

'Merlin32' is available from Brutal Deluxe:

http://brutaldeluxe.fr/products/crossdevtools/merlin/

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Contacts - Problems

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