

1 Studio II “Rocket” v1.01

The following is a Studio II conversion of simple CHIP-8 code. The original game was written by Joseph Weisbecker, published in Byte magazine (1978). See that article for the flowchart and specific information, this implementation is almost the same. For a summary of the Studio II instructions, see Paul Robson’s documentation of the Pseudo Machine Language. The main difference is the use of the Studio II sprite graphics; score is sprite #0, the UFO is sprite #1 and the rocket is sprite #2. Gameplay is not identical and there may be better ways of doing some of this, this is just an example. If you spot an error please let me know: et3400@yahoo.com

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| Rocket part 1 | | |
|---------------|-------|---|
| Addr | Instr | Comment |
| 0400 | 6A01 | RA = 1, select keypad A |
| 0402 | D106 | if A.1 pressed goto 0406 |
| 0404 | 1402 | goto 0402 |
| 0406 | 6100 | R1 = 0, init score |
| 0408 | 6200 | R2 = 0, init rocket count |
| 040A | 66F8 | R6 = \$F8, const for bit mask |
| 040C | A8D0 | IX = \$8D0, use IX to init spr#0 (score) |
| 040E | B8DF | \$8D0 = \$DF, IX = IX + 8, set spr#0 posn |
| 0410 | B805 | \$8D8 = 5, IX = IX + 8, set spr#0 height |
| 0412 | B000 | \$8E0 = 0, IX = IX + 0, set spr#0 dir |
| 0414 | 247E | call setup ufo |
| 0416 | E818 | draw ufo |
| 0418 | 246E | call draw score |
| 041A | 5209 | skip next if R2 \neq 9 |
| 041C | 141C | goto 041C, game over - endless loop |
| 041E | 7201 | R2 = R2 + 1, inc rocket count |
| 0420 | 6300 | R3 = 0, reset rocket fired flag |
| 0422 | 6400 | R4 = 0, reset score increment |
| 0424 | 2492 | call rocket setup |
| 0426 | E828 | draw rocket |
| 0428 | C701 | R7 = random(1), 0 - move, 1 - skip |
| 042A | 373B | if R7 \neq 0 goto 043B, skip move |
| 042C | 6901 | R9 = 1, select spr#1 |
| 042E | E830 | erase ufo |
| 0430 | A8F1 | IX = \$8F1, spr#1 hmove counter |
| 0432 | E1 | move ufo |
| 0433 | F5A6 | R5 = Mem[IX], R5 is spr#1 hmove ctr |
| 0435 | 5500 | skip next if R5 \neq 0 |

Table 1: main program

| Rocket part 2 | | |
|---------------|-------|--|
| Addr | Instr | Comment |
| 0437 | 247E | call setup ufo, reset position |
| 0439 | E86A | draw ufo, if collision goto 046A |
| 043B | 6F02 | RF = 2, delay using timer |
| 043D | 3F3D | if RF \neq 0, goto 043D |
| 043F | 6A01 | RA = 1, select keypad A |
| 0441 | D545 | if A.5 pressed goto 0445 |
| 0443 | 1447 | goto 0447 |
| 0445 | 6301 | R3 = 1, set fired flag |
| 0447 | 5300 | skip next if R3 \neq 0 (rocket fired) |
| 0449 | 1428 | goto 0428, move ufo again |
| 044B | 3E28 | if RE \neq 0, goto 0428 (rocket timer) |
| 044D | 6902 | R9 = 2, select spr#2 |
| 044F | E851 | erase rocket |
| 0451 | E1 | move rocket |
| 0452 | E86A | draw rocket, if collision goto 046A |
| 0454 | 6E05 | RE = 5, delay using timer |
| 0456 | A8D2 | IX = \$8D2, spr#2 posn |
| 0458 | F5A6 | R5 = Mem[IX], R5 is spr#2 posn |
| 045A | 8562 | R5 = R5 AND R6, mask bits 3 to 7, at top if zero |
| 045C | 3528 | if R5 \neq 0 goto 0428 |
| 045E | 6900 | R9 = 0, select spr#0 |
| 0460 | E862 | erase score |
| 0462 | 6902 | R9 = 2, select spr#2 |
| 0464 | E866 | erase rocket |
| 0466 | 8144 | R1 = R1 + R4, add score increment |
| 0468 | 1418 | goto 0418 |
| 046A | 6401 | R4 = 1, set score increment after hit |
| 046C | 145E | goto 045E |

| Draw Score | | |
|------------|-------|--|
| Addr | Instr | Comment |
| 046E | 6900 | R9 = 0, select spr#0 |
| 0470 | A210 | IX = \$210, addr table for digits |
| 0472 | F1B6 | R1 AND \$0F, OR into LSB of IX |
| 0474 | F5A6 | R5 = Memory[IX], R5 = offset to digit data |
| 0476 | F5B3 | LSB of IX = R5, IX points to digit graphic |
| 0478 | E0E4 | clear spr#0, load spr#0 |
| 047A | E87C | draw spr#0 |
| 047C | C0 | return |

Table 2: main program, subroutine

| Setup UFO | | |
|-----------|-------|--|
| Addr | Instr | Comment |
| 047E | 6901 | R9 = 1, select spr#1 |
| 0480 | A8D1 | IX = \$8D1, use IX to init spr#1 |
| 0482 | B840 | \$8D1 = \$40, IX = IX + 8, set spr#1 posn |
| 0484 | B803 | \$8D9 = 3, IX = IX + 8, set spr#1 height |
| 0486 | B806 | \$8E1 = 6, IX = IX + 8, set spr#1 dir |
| 0488 | B800 | \$8E9 = 0, IX = IX + 8 |
| 048A | B038 | \$8F1 = \$38, IX = IX + 0, set spr#1 hmove counter |
| 048C | A4B2 | IX = \$4B2, addr for ufo graphics |
| 048E | E0E4 | clear spr#1, load spr#1 |
| 0490 | C0 | return |

| Setup Rocket | | |
|--------------|-------|--|
| Addr | Instr | Comment |
| 0492 | 6902 | R9 = 2, select spr#2 |
| 0494 | A8D2 | IX = \$8D2, use IX to init spr#2 |
| 0496 | B8D2 | \$8D2 = \$D2, IX = IX + 8, set spr#2 posn |
| 0498 | B806 | \$8DA = 6, IX = IX + 8, set spr#2 height |
| 049A | B002 | \$8E2 = 2, IX = IX + 0, set spr#2 dir |
| 049C | A4AC | IX = \$4AC, addr for rocket graphics |
| 049E | E0E4 | clear spr#2, load spr#2 |
| 04A0 | 6C06 | RC = 6, set dir RC |
| 04A2 | C71F | R7 = random(31), shift rocket right R7 times |
| 04A4 | 47AB | if R7 = 0 goto 04AB |
| 04A6 | E2 | move spr#2 in dir RC |
| 04A7 | 77FF | R7 = R7 - 1 |
| 04A9 | 37A6 | if R7 \neq 0 goto 04A6 |
| 04AB | C0 | return |

| Graphics | | |
|----------|-------|------------------|
| Addr | Instr | Comment |
| 04AC | 2070 | Rocket - 6 bytes |
| 04AE | 70F8 | |
| 04B0 | D888 | |
| 04B2 | 7CD6 | |
| 04B4 | 7C | UFO - 3 bytes |

Table 3: subroutines and data

Instructions: press keypad A, button #1 to start game. Press keypad A, button #5 to fire. After 9 rockets the game ends, press reset to play again.