

TRANSPUTER MEMORY ALLOCATION

Memory is considered to be an array of type INT, with each address being considered a subscript in that array.

A variable, channel, timer or an array may be placed at an absolute location in memory, using the PLACE statement. The format:

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PLACE <item> AT <address> :
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EXAMPLES:

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PLACE keyboard AT link3in :
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[80]INT buffer:
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PLACE buffer AT #0400 :
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CHAN OF REAL32 coordinates :
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PLACE coordinates AT 3 :
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APPEAL TO COMMON SENSE: Place your items in suitable memory locations, as defined by hardware design. In particular:

- 1. Timers should be placed at locations designed to act as timers,*
- 2. Channels should be placed at locations designed to act as channels,*
- 3. Arrays must not be placed so that the components of an array overlap other allocations.*

TRANSPUTER MEMORY MAP

In OCCAM 2, all memory is allocated at compile time. No run-time mechanism exists for allocating memory from the heap. Consequently, OCCAM 2 does not allow for recursive procedure calls, or for dynamical sizing of data structures.

Workspace: *amount of memory needed to accommodate the code generated by the compiler.*

*Part of physical memory is located in the (fast) on-chip RAM. To make effective use of it, OCCAM 2 compilers provide a **separate vector space** option, to contain arrays declared within a compilation unit.*

