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NAME

rand, srand — random number generator

SYNOPSIS

(seed in r0)
jsr pc,srand /to initialize
jsr pc,rand /to get a random number
srand(seed)
int seed;
rand()

DESCRIPTION

Rand uses a multiplicative congruential random number generator to return successive pseudo-random numbers (in r0) in the range from 0 to $2^{15}-1$.

The generator is reinitialized by calling *srand* with 1 as argument (in r0). It can be set to a random starting point by calling *srand* with whatever you like as argument, for example the low-order word of the time.

BUGS

The low-order bits are not very random.