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All the test have been made on a (U) save file (.sav). The first \$1E00 bytes of the file are 3 blocks of \$A00 bytes for the 3 save slots. They are mostly similar to SNES SRAM \$1600-\$1FFF.

Offsets	Description
\$0000-\$09FF	Slot 1 data
\$0A00-\$13FF	Slot 2 data
\$1400-\$1DFF	Slot 3 data
\$1E00-\$1EFF	Seems empty
\$1F00-\$1F1F	Ascii mark: FINAL FANTASY VI ADVANCE
\$1F20	0x01: Game has been saved at least once.
\$1F21-\$1FEF	Seems empty
\$1FF0	Most Recently Saved Slot.
\$1FF1-\$1FF7	Seems empty
\$1FF8-\$1FFF	FF6 static save mark: 0x1BE4 x4
\$2000-\$23FF	Data extension for slot 1
\$2400-\$27FF	Data extension for slot 2
\$2800-\$2BFF	Data extension for slot 3
\$2C00-\$2FFF	Bestiary for slot 1
\$3000-\$33FF	Bestiary for slot 2
\$3400-\$37FF	Bestiary for slot 3
\$3800 - \$5BFF	Quicksave slot
\$5C00-\$FFFF	Unused space - Filled with 0xFF

Slot data

Regular save data space.

Offsets	Description		
Character bloc	k (repeat 16 times)		
\$0000	Actor index		
\$0001	Graphic index		
\$0002 - \$0007	Name (A-Z \$20-\$39, a-z \$3A-\$53)		
\$0008	Level		
\$0009 - \$000A	Current HP		
\$000B - \$000C	bbhhhhhh hhhhhhh		
	b: hp boost (none, 25%, 50%, 12.5%)		
	h: max hp		
\$000D - \$000E	Current MP		
\$000F-\$0010	bbmmmmmm mmmmmmm		
	b: mp boost (none, 25%, 50%, 12.5%)		
	h: max mp		
\$0011-\$0013	Current EXP		
\$0014	weicmpzd Status 1		
	w: wound		

Offsets	Description
	e: petrify
	i: imp
	c: invisible
	m: magitek
	p: poison
	z: zombie
	d: blind
\$0015	fihcmlzr Status 4
•	f: float
	i: interceptor
	h: hide (?)
	c: control (?)
	m: trance (?)
	I: reraise (?)
	z: freeze (?)
	r: rage (?)
\$0016-\$0019	Battle Commands
\$0016 \$0015	Strength
\$001K	Speed
\$001B	Stamina
\$001C	Magic
\$001E	Esper
\$001E	Right Hand
\$0020	Left Hand
\$0020	Head
\$0021	Body
\$0022	Relic 1
\$0023	Relic 2
End of characte	
	es. One byte per character.)
\$0250-\$025F	
φυ250 φυ251	v: Character is visible
	e: Character is enabled
	r: Battle Row (back row if set)
	b: Battle Order (1-4)
	p: Party (0: unassigned, 1-3: groups)
Generic Data	p. rurty (o. unussigneu, 1 s. groups)
\$0260 - \$0262	Gil
\$0263	Hours
\$0264	Minutes
\$0265	Seconds
\$0265 - \$0268	
Ability Lists	orcho
	Character 1 known spells (57 spells + 7 empty slots, 1 byte per spell slot)
	Spells for the other 11 characters
90CH3-90208	spens for the other 11 characters

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Offsets	Description	
	Seems empty. Probably leftovers from moving the item data to another location.	
\$0509-\$0014 \$06F5	Active group number. (Note! Different location in SNES version.)	
\$06F6		
\$06F7	Trance bar/counter.	
•	Learned Bushido	
	Static marks? SNES version had Bushido names here.	
\$0728 \$0720 \$072D	Learned Blitzes	
\$0729 - \$072B		
	Learned Rages	
\$074C	Learned Dances	
Config Data		
	Config Data block	
\$074D	cmmmwbbb	
	c: command set (window/short)	
	m: message speed	
	w: battle mode (active/wait)	
	b: battle speed	
\$074E	gcsrwwww	
	g: gauge	
	c: cursor	
	s: sound (removed)	
	r: re-equip	
	w: wallpaper (values 0-7 valid)	
\$074F	4321 (removed)	
	4: player 2 control character 4	
	3: player 2 control character 3	
	2: player 2 control character 2	
	1: player 2 control character 1	
\$0750	aaaabbbb (removed)	
	a: A button mapping (0 = start, 1 = A, 2 = B, 3 = X, 4 = Y, 5 = top L, 6 = top R, 7 = select)	
	b: B button mapping	
\$0751	xxxxyyyy (removed)	
	x: X button mapping	
	y: Y button mapping	
\$0752	IIIIrrrr (removed)	
	I: top L button mapping	
	r: top R button mapping	
\$0753	tttteeee (removed)	
	t: Start button mapping	
	e: Select button mapping	
\$0754	mbcccsss	
	m: controller 2 enabled (unused)	
	b: enable custom button config (unused)	
	c: Font/Window palette color selection (unused)	
	s: Magic order	
L		

Offsets	Description	
\$0755 - \$0756	Font color	
\$0757 - \$07C6	Window palettes/colors (8 palettes, 7 colors each)	
	Empty (SNES version had save counter here.)	
Battle Events		
\$07C9-\$07CE	Seems empty	
\$07CF	abcdefgh	
	a: if set, program compares current monster index with monster index at CF3780,X. if equal, monster index is changed to monster index at CF3782,X.	
	b-h: same as a	
\$07D0	mtf	
	m: permanent trance (for Humbaba battle)	
	t: trance lasts twice as long (set after Humbaba battle)	
	f: magic only (Cultists' Tower)	
\$07D1	ztrbemsg	
	z: zone eater engulfed the party	
	t: timers are shown in menu and battle	
	r: ran out of time (before emperor's banquet)	
	b: ran away from previous battle	
	e: gained AP is displayed (espers have been acquired)	
	m: trance is available	
	: enables scene with LOCKE and EDGAR if TERRA uses magic.	
	g: game over after battle ends	
\$07D2	ums-gd	
	u: LOCKE is wearing soldier uniform	
	m: LOCKE is wearing merchant clothes	
	s: SHADOW won't leave after battle	
	g: GAU has been obtained	
	d: DeathGaze has been defeated	
\$07D3-\$07D4	DeathGaze's HP	
\$07D5	Battles Fought with Cursed Shield	
\$07D6 - \$07DC	Seems empty	
Field Data		
\$07DD-\$081C	Veldt Formations Available (64 bytes)	
\$081D-\$083F	Seems empty	
\$0840-\$0863	Treasure Bits (indicates if chests have been collected)	
\$0864-\$086F	Empty treasure bits	
\$0870-\$087F	Seems empty. Leftover bytes from treasure bits.	
\$0880 - \$08DB	Event bits	
\$08DC - \$08DD	Active party members in shops/menu	
\$08DE-\$08DF	Active party members in airship (last two bits are event bits.)	
\$08E0-\$095F	NPC event bits	
Position data		
\$0960-\$0961	Overworld XY Position	
\$0962 - \$0963	Airship XY Position	
\$0964-\$0965	ddnzpm mmmmmmm	

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Offsets	Description
Olisets	d: facing direction
	n: show map name
	z: z-level
	p: set destination as parent map
¢0066 ¢0067	m: Current Map Index
\$0900-\$0907	Field XY Scroll Position (BG1)
\$0968	Facing Direction (00:Up, 01:Right, 02:Down, 03:Left, parent facing direction if bit 7 set)
	Parent Map Index
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Parent XY Position
Other Data	
\$096D	Random Number (RNG Seed for NPC walking direction.)
\$096E-\$096F	Danger counter for random battles
\$0970-\$097F	Saved Character Palette Indexes (for world map)
\$0980	Current Song index
\$0981-\$09A0	Saved Object Map Indexes
\$09A1	Step counter used as an RNG Seed in determining the next random encounter.
\$09A2	Battle counter used as an RNG Seed in determining the monster formation.
\$09A3	RNG salt for use with \$09A2 (increments +23 when \$09A2 goes over 255.)
\$09A4	RNG salt for use with \$09A1 (increments +17 when \$09A1 goes over 255.)
\$09A5	Veldt battle group number.
\$09A6-\$09A7	Pointer to Current Showing Character's Object Data
	Saved timer data (for 4 timers.)
\$09A8	pfrm
	p: Pause timer in menu and battle.
	f: Timer is visible on field (timer 0 only).
	r: End battle or exit menu if timer runs out.
	m: Timer is visible in menu and battle (timer 0 only).
\$0949 - \$0944	Frame counter
	pointer to event code (+CA0000)
End of timer bl	l ·
	Party XY Map Position
Event Variable	
	Points from Narshe security checkpoint/Emperor's banquet
	Narshe security checkpoint variable
\$09C4-\$09CD	•
<u> </u>	Number of Dragons Left
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Cid's Health/Pieces of Coral
<u> </u>	<u> </u>
More position of	
\$09D2	Parent facing direction (00:Up, 01:Right, 02:Down, 03:Left)
	Character Saved XY Positions (2 bytes each)
	Party Z Levels
\$09F7 - \$09FD	Empty
Checkum	[a, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
\$09FE-09FF	Slot data checksum (Sum 16 from \$0000-\$09FD)

Data extension

A block of data was added to the GBA port. Item inventory and Esper data were moved here when compared to the SNES version. The block repeats three times for the three save slots.

Offsets	Description
\$2000 - \$2003	Current Espers
\$2004 - \$2007	
\$2008	01: Autodash config setting
\$2009	
\$200A	01: Game has been marked as completed (a star appears next to the save slot when viewed from the loading screen).
\$200B-\$200F	
\$2010-\$212F	Current Items (288 slots; to get GBA specific items, 0x80 is added to the quantity.)
\$2130-\$224F	Item Quantities
\$2250-\$23FB	(Mostly empty)
\$23FC-\$23FD	Static mark? 0x474D
\$23FE-\$23FF	Data extension checksum (Sum 16 + 1 from \$2000-\$23FD)

Bestiary

Bestiary was included in the GBA version and this block has its data. The size of the block is 1024 bytes including a two byte checksum and it repeats three times for the three save slots. Two bytes are used per monster and the byte order is the same as the monster index order. For a monster to appear in the bestiary, it needs to be slain at least once in a victorious battle. The victory increments a slain counter which gets values from 0x0-7FFF. 0x8000 clears the new entry flag. Total space is 1022/2 = 511 slots of which 384 are for pages visible in the game browser, 39 for unlisted monsters and the rest 88 are assumed to be empty. The last two bytes hold the bestiary checksum.

Bestiary	
\$2C00-\$2F4C	Monster list
\$2F4E-\$2FFD	Empty space
Checksum	
\$2FFE-\$2FFF	Checksum (Sum16 + 1 from \$2C00-\$2FFD)

Example values:

\$2C00	28	Monster Guard has been slain 40 times.
\$2C01	80	New entry has been cleared.

Quicksave Slot

A quicksave option was included in the GBA port and it enables the player to temporary save the game almost anywhere. Quicksave cannot directly be transferred to the other slots in-game, but contains the same data as the other slots plus some additions.

\$3800-41FF	Quicksave Slot data
\$4200-45FF	Quicksave Data extension

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\$4600-49FF	Quicksave Bestiary
\$4A00-5BFF	Quicksave Slot specific data; Last two bytes being a checksum?

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