# ROTOCHEM 8K CROSSFIELD LOADER USER INSTRUCTIONS

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### GENERAL

The Rotochem 8K Crossfield Loader is written to reside in Field 1 of the PDP-8e or 8m computer. It is intended to be used primarily in the reproduction of Rotochem programs on MiniDek tape cartridges. IT MUST NOT BE USED TO READ OR RECORD TRACK FOUR CONSTANTS because the program always records from location Ø to 7577 in Field Ø and from location 26ØØ to 3777 in Field 1 onto a single track of the tape cartridge. When used to read tapes, the program always expects two files to appear on the same track of the tape and will fail if they are not found. The program accomplishes a crossfield record or read without operator intervention except to start the program. After each read or record, the program loops back to its start point ready for another operation. A zero accumulator at this point during a read indicates that the read operation was successful.

#### LOADING AND STARTING THE PROGRAM

The program resides in Field 1 from location Ø through location 525. The program has been written so that if the binary loader (DEC-08-LBAA-PM) is used to load the object program, it will automatically be loaded into Field 1. After loading the program, the operator should lift toggle switches 8 and 11, only, and press extended load address to change instruction and data fields to Field 1. The operator now has two options. If he wishes to read a tape, he should insert the desired tape cartridge into the MiniDek and turn the track select knob on the MiniDek to the track he wishes to read. The operator should then load address 200 and press clear and continue. The computer halts at location 200 in Field 1, awaiting operator confirmation as to what operation the operator wishes. If he again presses continue, the program will read the track selected on the tape cartridge into the indicated locations in Field 0 and Field 1 and will halt at location 200 in Field 1. At that time the accumulator will be zero if the read was successful. Pressing continue will cause a repeat of the read.

If the operator wishes to record the contents of core onto tape, he should follow the same instructions as for a read with two exceptions. First, the tape cartridge in the MiniDek must have a capacity of at least 4K and must have a write pin. In place of loading address 200 he should load address 300 and press clear and continue. The program automatically records from location 0 through location 7577 in Field 0 and from location 2600 through location 3777 in Field 1 onto the selected track of the tape cartridge. The program will then halt at

location 200 awaiting the next operator command. If he presses continue he will read the tape. If he loads address 300 and presses clear and continue, he will again record the same core locations as previously.

The crossfield loader will continue to loop back to location 200 in Field 1 and halt after each operation. There is no need to be concerned with changing instruction or data fields until the operator has completely finished reproducing tapes.

# TRACK FOUR CONSTANTS

Track four constants should be read from tape with the standard Tennecomp Read routine (TSI-1371-08-002B-PM) and recorded with the standard Record routine (TSI-1371-08-001B-PM).

# SUGGESTED SEQUENCE FOR TAPE REPRODUCTION

- 1. Load Binary Loader into Field Ø.
- 2. Use the Binary Loader to load the Crossfield Loader. (It will load to Field 1 without manual instructions from the operator.)
- 3. Use the Binary Loader to load the MiniDek Read routine into Field 1. (The operator must manually select Field 1 in this operation.)
- 4. Use the Binary Loader to load the MiniDek Record routine into Field 1. (The operator must manually select Field 1 in this operation.)
- Read Track four constants from the master tape using the Read routine at 76ØØ in Field 1.
- 6. Record as many cartridges as necessary using the Record routine at 7700 in Field 1. Insure that the Track select knob is set at 4 and that the cartridge in the MiniDek has a write pin and is at least of 4K capacity. For each tape, record from location 3400 to location 4060.
- 7. Manually set instruction field and data field to Field 1.
- 8. Insert the Master Tape and select Track 1, 2 or 3.

- 9. Load 200 into the computer and press clear/continue. Press continue a second time. The crossfield loader will read the selected track into its proper location in Field 0 and Field 1. When the program halts a zero, accumulator indicates a successful read. If the accumulator is non-zero, press continue for a second attempt. Repeated failures indicate a bad master tape or a hardware failure.
- 10. Insert a fresh tape cartridge of at least 4K capacity with a write pin. Insure that the track select knob is unchanged from step 8.
- 11. Load address 300 and press clear and continue. The program will record the proper Field 0 and Field 1 core locations onto the tape and halt at 200.
- 12. Repeat steps 10 and 11 until the required tapes are copied. Then return to step 8 and repeat the procedure until all the Rotochem programs have been recorded on each tape.

### USEFUL PROGRAM LOCATIONS

The program is set to record as follows:

Location	
74	Starting address in Field $\emptyset$
76	Ending address in Field $\emptyset$
65	Starting address in Field 1
66	Ending address in Field 1

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ZLOAD IN FIELD 1
             ZREADZRECORD PROGRAM FOR 8 K PROGRAMS
             PRECORDS BETWEEN 0 AND 7577 IN FIELD 0
             /AND ALWAYS RECORDS FROM 2600 THROUGH 3777 IN FIELD 1
             /A READ EXPECTS TO READ TWO SEGMENTS, ONE TO FIELD 0 AND ONE TO FIEL
TI 1
                      CBOT1=6365
                                               ZCLEAR TRANSPORT 1 BEGINNING OF TAPE F
LAG
                      CLCR=6375
                                              ZCLEAR AND LOAD COMMAND REGISTER
                      RMCF=6376
                                              ZTRANSFER READ BUFFER REGISTER TO ACCUM
III ATOR AND CLEAR READ FLAG
                      SRSR=6373
                                              /READ STATUS REGISTER
                                              /TRANSFER ACCUMULATOR TO WRITE SHIFT RE
                      TMCF=6374
GISTER AND CLEAR WRITE FLAG
                      WEOR=6371
                                        ZWRITE END OF FILE MARK
                      CGF=6364
                                        ZCLEAR GAP FLAG
                      FIELD 1
                      #50
0050
       7600
                      7600
             NWADE:
0051
       0200
             ASTART,
                      0200
0052
                      3
      0003
             RUNDM:
0053
      0004
             F4,
                      4.
0054
       0001
             RDM:
0055
      0040
             MRGHM:
                      40
0056
       0010
             BOTIM:
                      10
0057
       9991
             READM:
                      1
0060
                      2
       9992
             WRITEM:
0061
       9999
             IA:
                      Ø
0062
       9999
             MWORDS,
             CHKSUM:
0063
       9999
                      0064
       9999
             MARGIN:
                      \Theta
0065
       2600
             HISTET,
                      2600
       3777
             HISTP:
0066
                      3777
0067
       7776
             HICHK:
                      --:
0070
       7776
             KON:
                      ---;--;
0071
       7777
             SKIP,
                      -1
0072
       9999
             GOHI:
                      Ø
       7777
0073
             MI:
0074
       0000
             RECLO:
                      0
0075
       0200
             ARDREC,
                      RDOREC
0076
       7577
             RECHI,
                      7577
0077
       0400
             AREAD,
                      READ
0100
       0460
             ADATHI,
                      DATAHI
0101
       0500
             AFIN:
                      FINISH
       0426
             AREWND,
0102
                      REWIND
0103
       0415
             ARECRD:
                      RECORD
0104
       0436
             ALOKUP,
                     LOOKUP
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0321

0206

0105

0106

AMMODE,

ARMODE,

MMODE

RMODE

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0197
      0512
            HERROR: ERROR
0110
      9999
            HOLD:
                    П
                    #0200
            RDOREC, HLT
0200
      7402
                                    /PRESS CONT. TO READ, LA 300 TO RECORT
0201
      0056
            START:
                    AMD
                                   /SPLICE 1 BIT ON?
0202
      7650
                    SHA
                        CLA
0203
      4502
                    JMS I AREWND
                                    7MO, REWIND TAPE
0204
      3063
                    DCA
                           CHKSUM
0205
      3964
                    DCA
                           MARGIN
0206
            RMODE:
                    CGF
      6364
                                    ZCLEAR GAP FLAG
0207
      1054
                    TAD
                            RDM
                                    ZGET READY AND
0210
      6375
                    CLCR
                                    /LOAD READ MODE
0211
      7200
                    CLA
0212
                    JMS I AREAD
      4477
                                            VREAD INITIAL ADDRESS
0213
      3061
                    DCA
                           ΙA
0214
      4477
                    JMS I AREAD
                                   ZREAD MEGATIVE WORD COUNT
0215
      3062
                    DCA
                           NWORDS
0216
      1072
                    TAD
                           GOHI /NONZERO GOHI MEANS HI CORE.
            DATA:
0217
      7440
                    SZA
0220
      6211
                    CDF 10
0221
      7450
                    SNA
      6201
0222
                    CDF 00
0223
      7200
                    CLA
0224
      4477
                    JMS I AREAD
                                  ZREAD DATA WORD
0225
      3461
                    DCA
                        IIA
0226
      1461
                    TAD
                         I IA
0227
      1063
                    TAD
                           CHKSUM /ADD DATA WORD TO CHECKSUM
0230
    3063
                    DCA
                           CHKSUM
0231
      2061
                    ISZ
                          ΙĦ
                                       VINCREMENT LOCATION POINTER
0232
                    ISZ
                           MWORDS
      2962
                                       /INCREMENT WORD COUNT
0233
      5216
                    JMF
                           DATA
0234
      4477
                    JMS I AREAD
                                    /READ RECORDED CHECKSUM
0235
      7041
                    CIA
                                       /NEGATE RECORDED CHECKSUM
0236
      1063
                    THD
                          CHKSUM
                                       /ADD CALCULATED CHECKSUM
                                    ADD MARGIN ERROR COUNTER
0237
                    TAD
      1064
                           MARGIN
0240
                                    /WAS THERE A CHKSUM OF MARGIN ERROR?
      7440
                    SZA
0241
      5507
                    JMP I AERROR /RESET PARAMETERS AND HLT WITH CHKSUM+MARGIN
 IN ACC
0242
      2067
                    15Z
                                            /CHECK FOR TWO READS
                           HICHK
                    JMP I ADATHI
0243
      5500
                                          /ONE TO GO
      5501
                    JMP I AFIN
0244
                                            /LAST READ, GO HOME
                    #300
               RECORD PROGRAM
0399
      7300
                    CLA CLL
0301
                    ISZ SKIP
      2971
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0302
      7000
                      MOP
                              RECLO
0303
      1074
                      TAD
                                      GET INITIAL ADDRESS
0304
      3061
                      DCA
                              ΙĤ
0305
      1076
                      TAD
                                       ZGET FINAL ANTRESS
                              RECHI
0306
      7949
                      CMFI
0397
      1961
                      THD
                              ΙĦ
                                           /CALCULATE NEGATIVE WORD COUNT
0310
      3062
                      DCA
                              MHORDS
0311
                      DOR
                              CHKSUM
      3063
0312
      1071
                      THD
                              SKIP
0313
      7640
                      SZA
                           CLA
0314
      5321
                      JMP
                              HMODE
0315
      6373
                      SRSR
                                           YPEAD STATUS REGISTER
                             EOT1M
0316
                      AMD
                                          /SPLICE 1 BIT ON?
      0956
0317
      7659
                      SHA
                           CLH
0320
                                       THO: REWIND TAPE
      4502
                      JMS I AREWHD
0321
      7305
             MMODE:
                      CLA
                          CLL IAC
                                      RAL.
      6375
                      CLCR
0322
                                          VLOAD WRITE MODE
0323
      7200
                      CLA
0324
      6373
                      SRSR
0325
      5324
                      JHP
                              . -1
0326
      0060
                            WRITEM
                      AHD
0327
      7650
                      SHA
                           CLFI
0330
      5324
                      JHP
                              <u>.</u> -4
0331
      1061
                      TAD
                              ΙĦ
0332
      4503
                      JMS I ARECED
0333
                      THD
      1062
                             MMORDS
0334
      4503
                      JMS I ARECRD
0335
      1072
                      TAD GOHI
                                       ZGO HI OR LO
0336
      7440
                      SZA
                                       /L0
                                       ZIT'S HI
0337
      6211
                      CDF
0340
      7450
                      SMA
                      CDF
0341
      6201
                          00
0342
      7200
                      CLA
0343
      1461
             DATALP:
                      THD
                           IIA
0344
      4503
                      JMS I ARECRD
0345
                      TAD
      1461
                           I IA
0346
      1063
                      TAD
                              CHKSUM
0347
      3963
                      DCH
                              CHKSUM
0350
                      152
      2061
                              ΙĤ
                      182
                             MWORDS
0351
      2062
0352
      5343
                      JMP
                             DATALE
0353
      1063
                      TAD
                              CHKSUM
0354
      4503
                      JHS I ARECRD
0355
      2067
                      152
                              HICHK
                                                YDONE HIGH WRITE YET?
0356
      5504
                      JMP
                          I ALOKUP
                                                 MO, DO IT
                                        YES, REWIND AND HLT AT START POINT
0357
      5501
                      JMP I AFIN
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黑母母母
0400
       0000
                                          /TAPE READ ROUTINE
              READ:
0401
       6373
                       SRSR
                                                ON STATUS CALL TRUE
                                          ZSKIP
0402
       5201
                       JMP
                                 .-1
                                          ZKEEP LOOKING
0403
       0057
                                READM
                                          ZREAD FLAG ON?
                       AND
0404
       7650
                       SMA CLA
                       JMP
                                          7110
0405
       5201
0406
       6373
                       SRSR
                                          YES, READ STATUS REGISTER
                       MOP
0407
       7000
       0055
                       AND
                                MRGMM
                                          MARGIN ERROR ON?
0410
0411
       7640
                       SZA CLA
0412
       2064
                       152
                                          Y'ES, INCREMENT CONTER
                                MARGIN
0413
       6376
                       RMCF
                                          ZTRANSFER 12-BIT WORD
                       JMP
0414
       5600
                                I READ
0415
              RECORD:
       9999
                       Ð
0416
       6374
                       TWCF
0417
       7200
                       CLA
0420
       6373
                       SRSR
0421
       5220
                       JMF
                                . -- 1
0422
       0060
                       HHD
                                WRITEM
0423
       7650
                       SNA CLA
0424
                       JMP
                                _ --4
       5220
0425
                       JHP
                                I RECORD
       5615
0426
       0000
             REWIND,
                       \Theta
0427
       1052
                       THD
                                RUNIM
0430
       6375
                       CLCR
0431
       6373
                       SRSR
0432
       5231
                       JMP
0433
       7200
                       CLA
0434
       6365
                       CBOT1
0435
       5626
                       JMP
                                I REWIND
             LOOKUP:
                                          /WRITE END OF FILE
0436
       6371
                       WEOR
0437
       6373
                       SRSR
                       JMP
0440
       5237
                                 . — j
                                P4
0441
       0053
                       AMD
0442
       7650
                       SMA CLA
       5237
                       JMP
0443
0444
       6364
                       CGF
                                          /CLEAR GAP FLAG IF SET
       7300
                       CLA CLL
0445
                                         /STARTING ADDRESS IN FIELD 1
0446
                       TAD HISTRT
       1065
0447
       3061
                       DCA
                                IA
                                          /TOP ADDRESS IN FIELD 1
0450
                       TAD HISTP
       1966
0451
       7040
                       CMA
                                          YNEW NEGATIVE WORD COUNT
0452
       1061
                       TAD
                                IA
                       DOR
                                MWORDS
0453
       3062
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0454 0455 0456 0457	3063 7001 3072 5505		DCA CHKSUM IAC DCA GOHI JMP I AUMODE	NON-ZERO GOHI MEANS HI CORE
0460 0461 0462 0463 0464	6211 7300 3063 3064 7001	DATAHI:	CDF 10 CLA CLL DCA CHKSUM DCA MARGIN IAC	/CHKSUM AND MARGIN ZEROED FOR 2ND READ
0465 0466	3072 5506	7	DCA GOHI JMP I ARMODE *500	/MONZERO GOHI SIGNALS HI CORE
0500 0501 0502 0503 0504 0505 0506 0510 0511	4502 7300 1070 3067 1073 3071 3072 3063 3064 5475		JMS I AREWND CLA CLL TAD KON DCA HICHK TAD N1 DCA SKIP DCA GOHI DCA GOHI DCA MARGIN JMP I ARDREC	/BACK TO START WITH PARAMETERS SET  /BACK TO START WITH PARAMETERS RESET
0512	3110	ERROR,	DCA HOLD	∕SAVE THE CHKSUM*MARGIN IF NONZERO

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0513 45	502		JMS	I	AR	EMND
	300		CLA			
	970		TAD	KO	N	
0516 30	367		DCA	ΗI	СНІ	K
0517 16	973		THD	141		
0520 30	171		DCA		IF	
0521 30	372		DCA	GO	HI	
	363		$\mathbb{DCH}$			
0523 39	364		DCA			IN
	110		TAD	HO		
	175		JMP	Ι	HR.	DREC
Trees Swelly Edge V						•
ADATHI	0100					
<b>HERROR</b>	0107					
HEIH	0101					
ALOKUP	0104					
ARDREC	0075					
AREAD	0077					
ARECRD	0103					
AREWND	0102					
ARMODE ASTART	0106					
AMMODE	0051 0105					
BOTIM	0056					
CBOT1	6365					
CGF	6364					
CHKSUM	0063					
CLCR	6375					
DATA	0216					
DATAHI	0460					
DATALP	0343					
ERROR	0512					
FINISH	0500					
GOHI	0072					
HICHK	0067					
HISTP	0066					
HISTRT	0065					
HOLD	0110					
IA	0061		1			
KON	9979					
LOOKUP .	0436					
MARGIN	0064					
MRGHM	0055					
NUADR	0050					
NWORDS	0062					
ЙŢ	0073					
P4	0053					
RDM	0054					

RDOREC	0200
READ	0400
READM	0057
RECHI	0076
RECLO	0074
RECORD	9415
REWIND	0426
RMODE	0206
RMCF	6376
RMNDM	0052
SKIP	0071
SRSR	6373
START	0201
TWCF	6374
MEOR	6371
MMODE	0321
WRITEM	0060