

# BYTEMOVER

SOFTWARE SUPPLIED WITH THE BYTESAVER

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## BYTEMOVER 3.0 OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

THE CROMEMCO BYTESAVER<sup>TM</sup> is supplied with BYTEMOVER<sup>TM</sup> software. This software is pre-programmed into the 2704 PROM that comes with the BYTESAVER.

The 2704 PROM containing the Bytemover software is normally inserted into PROM location 0 on the Bytesaver board. The Bytemover software can be used to program a PROM in any of the PROM locations on the Bytesaver board. The Bytemover software can also be used to transfer programs from PROM to RAM. The operation of the Bytemover software is controlled by the setting of the front panel sense switches on the Altair computer. To use the Bytemover software there must be a RAM board in the Altair beginning at location zero in memory; further, this RAM board must be unprotected for proper execution of the Bytemover software.

### STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Before using the Bytesaver you must install three jumper wires to set the location of the Bytesaver in memory space. This is shown in Figure 1. The assembled Bytesaver comes with A13, A14, and A15 each tied to the corresponding "Hi" pad to position the board at the very top of memory. In the following instructions it is assumed that this is the jumper connection used.
- 2) With the Altair 8800 power turned off, plug the Bytesaver board into the computer.
- 3) Be sure that the program power on the Bytesaver is turned OFF (program power switch in the down position.)
- 4) Turn on the Altair. Raise the reset switch, then raise the stop switch, and then raise the reset switch once again to initialize the Altair.
- 5) Raise address switches A15, A14, and A13. All other address switches should be down.
- 6) Raise the examine switch. You are now examining the contents of the first byte of PROM in PROM location zero of the Bytesaver memory board (memory location 340 000). If the PROM supplied with your Bytesaver is in this PROM location the data lights will read "061", the first byte of the Bytemover program.

EXAMPLE: Transfer the Bytemover program from PROM to RAM beginning at location zero in RAM.

- 1) Raise the reset switch.
- 2) Depress the unprotect switch (on the Altair front panel).
- 3) Raise A15, A14, and A13. Raise the examine switch. The data lights should read "061" octal.

4) Now set the sense switches for the task to be done, referring to Fig. 2.

A15 - Down	to transfer from PROM to RAM
A14 - Down	for the transfer of 1K bytes.
A13 - Down	All down since we are transferring from the same PROM that contains BYTEMOVER (PROM 0)
A12 - Down	
A11 - Down	
A10 - Down	All down for storage to begin at location zero in RAM.
A9 - Down	
A8 - Down	

5) Push the run switch. In less than one second the contents of PROM will be transferred to RAM. (Of course the contents of the PROM are unaffected by this operation.)

6) Raise the STOP switch.

7) Raise the reset switch. Note that the data lights read "061".

EXAMPLE: Program a 2708 PROM inserted in PROM location 1. This PROM is to be programmed with the contents of the first 1K bytes of RAM beginning at location zero in memory. The Bytemover software is still in the PROM in PROM location zero on the Bytesaver board.

1) Raise the reset switch.

2) Depress the unprotect switch (on the Altair front panel)

3) Raise A15, A14, and A13. Raise the examine switch. The data lights should read "061" octal.

4) Raise the protect switch on the Bytesaver board (i.e. program power switch to the ON position). The protect light on the Altair front panel should go off when this switch is raised.

5) Now set the sense switches for the task to be done:

A15 - Up	to program a PROM
A14 - Down	(always down for PROM programming)
A13 - Down	To select the PROM 1K higher in memory than the PROM that contains BYTEMOVER
A12 - Down	
A11 - Up	
A10 - Down	All down for transfer to begin at location zero in RAM.
A9 - Down	
A8 - Down	

6) Push the RUN switch. Note that panel light A9 is blinking at a rate of about twice per second. When this light stops blinking the PROM programming is complete.

7) Raise the STOP switch.

8) Now note the INTE light on the Altair front panel. If this light is on, the BYTEMOVER VERIFIER has verified that the contents of the programmed PROM are indeed identical to the contents of the selected 1K bytes of RAM. If this light is off, the PROM has not programmed correctly; this could be due, for example, to a defective PROM.

EXAMPLE: Altair 8K BASIC can be stored in seven 2708 PROMs. Given that these seven PROMs are in PROM locations 1 through 7 on the BYTESAVER board, 8K BASIC can easily be transferred into RAM using the following procedure:

- 1) Raise the RESET switch.
- 2) Depress the unprotect switch (on the Altair front panel).
- 3) Raise A15, A14, and A13. Raise the examine switch. The data lights should read "061" octal.
- 4) Now set the sense switches for the task to be done:
  - A15 - Down to transfer from PROM to RAM.
  - A14 - Up for a 7K transfer
  - A13 - Down
  - A12 - Down
  - A11 - Up
  - A10 - Down
  - A9 - Down
  - A8 - DownTo begin transfer from the PROM 1K higher in memory than the BYTEMOVER program.  
All down for storage to begin at location zero in RAM.
- 5) Push the RUN switch. In less than one second BASIC will be loaded into RAM (it sure beats paper tape!). Raise the STOP switch.

EXAMPLE: If you do not have BYTEMOVER in PROM, you can program a PROM with BYTEMOVER that is stored in RAM. The BYTEMOVER software (a listing of which is attached) must first be loaded into RAM beginning at location zero in memory. The BYTEMOVER software can then be burned into a PROM using the following procedure:

- 1) Raise the reset switch.
- 2) Depress the unprotect switch (on the Altair front panel).
- 3) Insert an erased PROM into PROM location 0 on the BYTESAVER board.
- 4) Examine location 000 240 in memory.
- 5) Raise the program power switch on the BYTESAVER board.
- 6) Set the sense switches with A15 and A14 and A13 up.
- 7) Push the RUN switch. When light A9 stops blinking the programming is complete. The INTE light will be on to verify correct programming.
- 8) Turn off PROM program power by depressing the switch on the BYTESAVER.

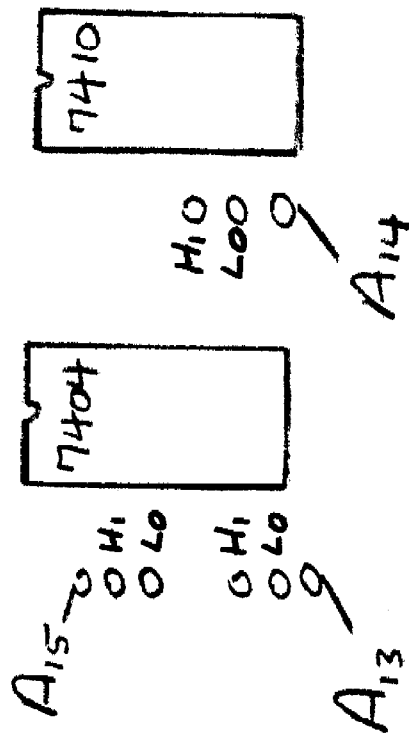


Fig. 1. How to set the Bytesaver address in memory. The built Bytesaver comes with A15, A14, and A13 connected to the corresponding "Hi" terminals so that memory address occurs when these three bits are high. Any or all of these address lines may be connected to the corresponding "Lo" terminal to move the memory board lower in memory. There are thus eight positions in memory that this board can be used.

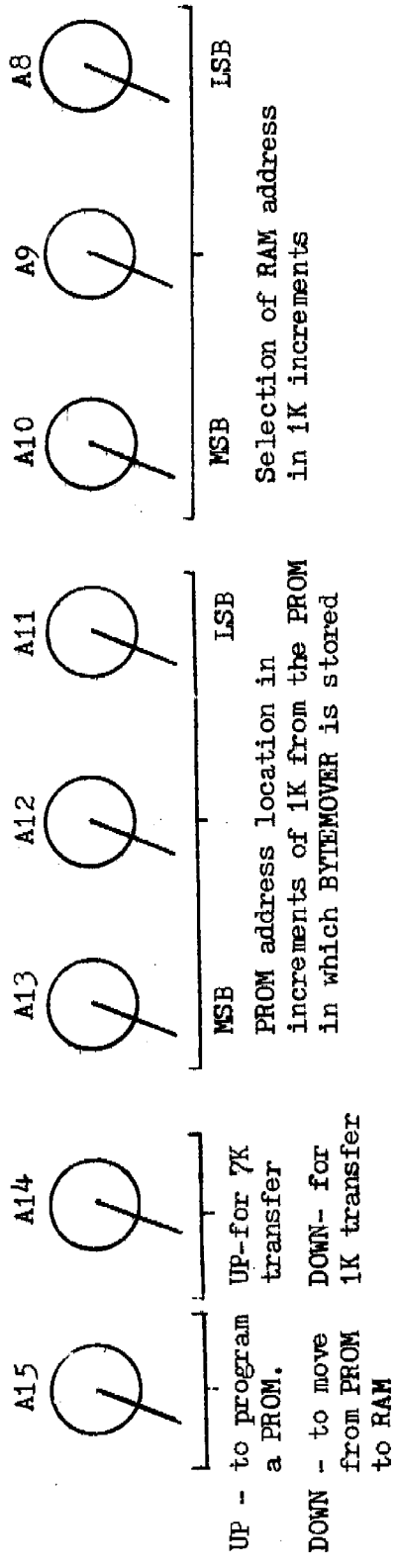
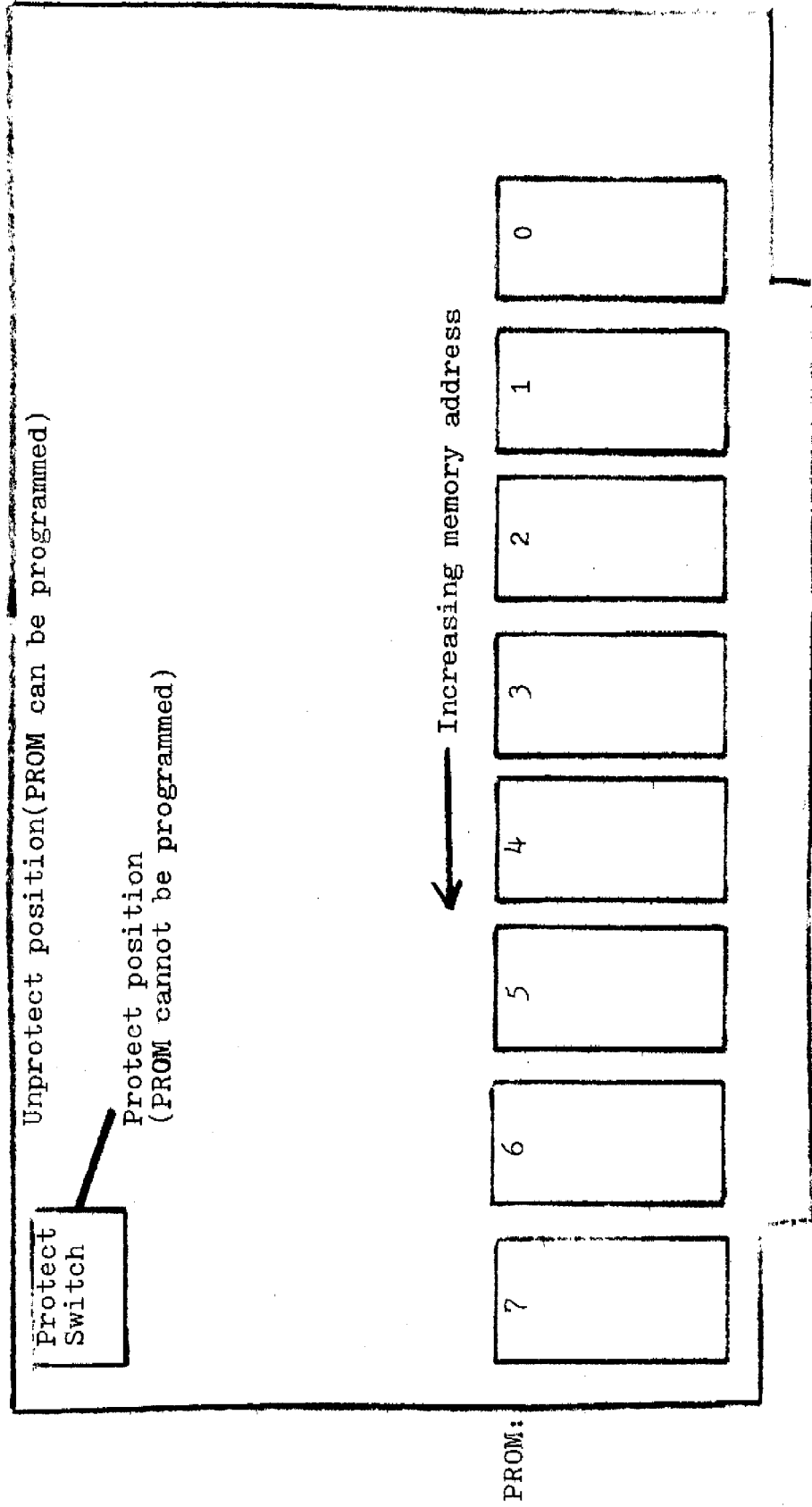


FIGURE 2. FUNCTION OF THE SENSE SWITCHES IN THE BYTEMOVER PROGRAM.

Fig. 3. Bytesaver physical layout.



BYTESAVER ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE LISTING

0000		0000 * BYTESAVER (T.M.) SOFTWARE FOR
0000		0001 * CR08MEMCO 8K BYTESAVER (T.M.)
0000		0002 * VERSION 3.0
0000		0003 * SELF-RELOCATING SOFTWARE LOCATABLE AT AM
0000		0004 * 1024 BYTE (1K) BOUNDARY IN MEMORY
0000		0009 * ROUTINE TO FIND ONESELF IN MEMORY
0000		0010 SP EQU 6
0000		0019 * DEFINE FIRST 4 BYTES IN MEMORY AS STACK
0000	31 00 00	0020 LXT SP, 0
0003		0029 * SAVE FIRST FOUR BYTES IN REGISTERS
0003	C1	0030 POP R
0004	D1	0040 POP D
0005		0049 * REPLACE BYTE 0 WITH A 'RETURN'
0005	2F 09	0050 MVI L, 009H
0007	00	0051 NOP
0008	F5	0060 PUSH H
0009	F5	0070 PUSH H
000A	00	0080 NOP
000B	00	0081 NOP
000C	00	0082 NOP
000D	31 04 00	0090 LXT SP, 4
0010	CD 00 00	0100 CALL 0
0013		0101 * ROM LOCATION NOW IN BYTE 3
0013	31 02 00	0110 LXT SP, 2
0016	F1	0120 POP H
0017		0129 * RETURN BYTES 0-3
0017	31 04 00	0130 LXT SP, 4
001A	05	0140 PUSH D
001B	05	0150 PUSH B
001C		0159 * STORE ROM LOCATION IN SP
001C	F9	0160 SPHL
001D	0F 00	0170 MVI C, 0
001E	59	0180 MOV F,C
0020	69	0190 MOV L,C
0021		0199 * INPUT SENSE SW COMMANDS
0021	0B FF	0200 IN 255
0023	57	0210 MOV D,A
0024		0219 * STRIP RAM ADDRESS
0024	F6 07	0220 ANI 7
0026	07	0230 RLC
0027	07	0240 RLC
0028		0249 * STORE RAM ADDRESS IN BC
0028	47	0250 MOV B,A
0029	7A	0260 MOV A,D
002A		0269 * STRIP ROM ADDRESS
002A	F6 38	0270 ANI 56
002C	0F	0280 RRC
002D	00	0290 NOP
002E	67	0300 MOV H,A
002F	27	0310 DAD SP



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0030 2E 00
0032 7A
0033 ER
0034
0034
0034 E6 80
0036 0F
0037 0F
0038 06 20
003A 21 00 00
003D 4F
003E 39
003F E9
0040
0040 F9
0041 21 08 00
0044 39
0045 ER
0046 F9
0047 ER
0048 11 00 00
004B
004B
004B 3B
004C
004C F1
004D 02
004E
004E 03
004E
004E 13
0050 7A
0051 E6 04
0053 07
0054 07
0055 00
0056 85
0057 6F
0058 F9
0059 00
005A 00
005B
005B 3E 56
005D 85
005E 6F
005F F9
0060
0060 00
0061
0061 69
0062 7C
0063 60
0064
0064 F9
0065 47
0066 2E 6B
0068
0068 01 00 00
006B

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0320 MVI L, 0
0330 MOV A,D
0340 XCHG
0341 * ADDRESS OF ROM BEING PROCESSED IN DE
0349 * BRANCH TO TRANSFER OF PROGRAM ROUTINE
0350 ANI 128
0360 RRC
0370 RRC
0380 ADI 45
0390 LXI H, 0
0400 MOV L,A
0410 DAD SP
0420 PCHL
0500 * ROUTINE TO TRANSFER ROM TO RAM
0510 SPHL
0520 LXI H, 11
0530 DAD SP
0550 XCHG
0560 SPHL. STACK CONTAINS ROM LOCATION
0570 XCHG. H&L CONTAIN LOOP ADDRESS
0580 LXI D, 0
0588 * START OF TRANSFER LOOP
0589 * INCREMENT ROM ADDRESS
0590 DCX SP
0599 * MOVE DATA FROM ROM TO RAM
0600 POP 6
0610 STAX B
0619 * INCREMENT RAM ADDRESS
0620 INX B
0629 * INCREMENT BYTE COUNT
0630 INX D
0640 MOV A,D
0650 ANI 4
0660 RLC
0670 RLC
0680 NOP
0690 ADD L
0700 MOV L,A
0710 PCHL
0716 NOP
0717 NOP
0719 * JUMP TO OORI FROM TRANSFER ROUTINE
0720 MVI A, 56H
0725 ADD L
0730 MOV L,A
0740 PCHL
1000 * ROUTINE TO PROGRAM ROM
1010 NOP
1019 * MOVE RAM ADDRESS INTO HL
1020 MOV L,C
1030 MOV A,H
1040 MOV H,B
1049 * MOVE RAM ADDRESS INTO SP
1050 SPHL
1060 MOV H,A
1070 MVI L, 107
1079 * INCREMENT RAM ADDRESS
1080 LXI B, 0
1089 * INCREMENT RAM ADDRESS

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006B 39	1090 DCX SP
006C	1098 * USE STAX AND POP 6 (PSW)
006C	1099 * TO MOVE DATA FROM ROM TO RAM
006C F1	1100 POP 6
006D 12	1110 STAX D
006E	1119 * INCREMENT ROM ADDRESS
006E 13	1120 INX D
006E	1129 * INCREMENT BYTE COUNT
006E 03	1130 INX B
0070	1138 * B STORES TWO CONSTANTS
0070	1139 * # COMPLETE PASSES & IN ROM CNT
0070 78	1140 MOV A,B
0071	1149 * # PASSES = 32 ?
0071 FE FC	1150 CPI 252
0073 3F	1160 CMC
0074 1F	1170 RAR
0075 1F	1180 RAR
0076	1198 * SET 64 TO 0 FOR TWO MINUTE TIMER VERSION
0076 F6 40	1200 ANI 64
0078	1201 * A=64 IF COMPLETED 32 PASSES
0078 2E 7D	1205 MVI L, 7DH
007A 85	1210 ADD L
007B 6F	1220 MOV L,A
007C F9	1225 PCHL
007D 2E 6B	1226 MVI L, 6BH
007E 78	1230 MOV A,B
0080 F6 04	1240 ANI 4
0082	1241 * A=4 IF END OF 1024 BYTE PASS
0082 07	1250 RLC
0083 07	1260 RLC
0084 07	1270 RLC
0085 35	1280 ADD L
0086 6F	1290 MOV L,A
0087	1291 * GO BACK TO 1090 UNLESS OVERFLOW
0087	1292 * THEN GO TO 1380 FOR
0087	1293 * ADDRESS SUBTRACTION
0087	1294 * OR 2135 FOR QUIT
0087 F9	1300 PCHL
0088 00	1350 NOP
0089 00	1360 NOP
008A 00	1370 NOP
008B	1378 * ANOTHER PROGRAM PASS TO BE DONE
008B	1379 * ADJUST ROM AND RAM ADDRESSES
008B 7C	1380 MOV A,H
008C 21 00 FC	1390 LXI H, 64512
008F	1399 * SUBTRACT 1024 FROM ROM ADDRESS
008F 39	1400 DAD SP
0090 F9	1410 SPHL
0091 21 00 FC	1420 LXI H, 64512
0094	1429 * SUBTRACT 1024 FROM RAM ADDRESS
0094 19	1430 DAD D
0095 FB	1440 XCHC
0096 67	1450 MOV H,A
0097 2E 0B	1460 MVI L,107
0099 78	1470 MOV A,B
009A F6 FB	1480 ANI 248
009C	1489 * INCREMENT PASS COUNTER BY ONE
009C C6 08	1490 ADI B
009F 47	1495 MOV B,A
009F	1499 * GO BACK TO 1090
009F F9	1500 PCHL

00A0		2000	* ROUTINE TO LOAD BYTEMØVER INTO RØM
00A0	DR FF	2010	IN 255
00A2	47	2020	MØV B,A
00A3	E6 50	2030	ANI 224
00A5	1E 00	2040	MVI E, 0
00A7	48	2050	MØV C,E
00A8	57	2060	MØV D,A
00A9	78	2070	MØV A,B
00AA	F6 1F	2080	ANI 31
00AC	47	2090	MØV B,A
00AD	67	2100	MØV H,A
00AF	2E 60	2110	MVI L, 96
00B0	F9	2120	PCHL
00B1		2121	* CHECK FOR 7K TRANSFER OF RØM TO RAM
00B1	06 1A	2122	ADI 1AH
00B3	6F	2123	MØV L,A
00B4	DR FF	2124	IN 255
00B6	F6 40	2125	ANI 64
00B8	0F	2126	RRC
00B9	0F	2127	RRC
00BA	85	2128	ADD L
00BB	6F	2129	MØV L,A
00BC	F9	2130	PCHL
00BD		2133	* PROGRAMMER VERIFICATION ROUTINE
00BD		2134	* PART 1
00BD	7C	2135	MØV A,H
00BF	21 00 FC	2145	LXI H, 64512
00C1	39	2155	DAD SP
00C2	F9	2165	SPHL
00C3	2E 00	2175	MVI L, 0CDH
00C5	67	2185	MØV H,A
00C6	F9	2195	PCHL
00C7	00	2205	NØP
00C8	00	2210	NØP
00C9	00	2215	NØP
00CA	00	2220	NØP
00CB		2229	* RØM TO RAM TRANSFER STØP ROUTINE
00CB	FB	2230	FI
00CC	F9	2240	PCHL
00CD		2248	* PROGRAMMER VERIFICATION ROUTINE
00CD		2249	* PART 2
00CD	7C	2250	MØV A,H
00CE	21 00 FC	2260	LXI H, 64512
00D1	19	2270	DAD D
00D2	FB	2280	XCHG
00D3	2F F1	2290	MVI L, 0F1H
00D5	67	2300	MØV H,A
00D6	01 00 00	2310	LXI B, 0
00D9	F9	2320	PCHL
00DA	00	2625	NØP
00DB		2629	* 7K TRANSFER COMPLETION CHECK
00DB	D6 20	2630	SUI 904
00DD	6F	2640	MØV L,A
00DE	7A	2650	MØV A,D
00DE	06 04	2660	ADI 4

00E1	57	2670	MØV D, A
00E2	FE 38	2680	CPI 56
00E4	3F	2685	CMC
00E5	3F 00	2690	MVI A, 0
00E7	1F	2700	RAR
00E8	85	2710	ADD L
00E9	6F	2720	MØV L, A
00EA	E9	2730	PCHL
00EB		2879	* RØM PROGRAMMER STOP ROUTINE
00EB	00	2880	NØP
00EC	00	2881	NØP
00ED	EB	2885	EI
00EE	E9	2890	PCHL
00EF	E9	2900	PCHL
00F0	E9	2906	PCHL
00F1		2918	* PROGRAMMER VERIFICATION ROUTINE
00F1		2919	* PART 3
00F1	3B	2920	DCX SP
00F2	F1	2930	PØP 6
00F3	EB	2940	XCHG
00F4		2949	* COMPARE FOR GREATER
00F4	BE	2950	CMP M
00F5	EB	2960	XCHG
00F6	17	2970	RAL
00F7	E6 01	3000	ANI 1
00F9	2F	3010	CMA
00FA	3C	3011	INR A
00FB	85	3015	ADD L
00FC	6F	3020	MØV L, A
00FD	3B	3030	DCX SP
00FE	3B	3040	DCX SP
00FF		3050	* COMPARE FOR LESSER
00FF	F1	3055	PØP 6
0100	2F	3056	CMA
0101	EB	3058	XCHG
0102	86	3059	ADD M
0103	EB	3060	XCHG
0104	C6 07	3061	ADI A, 1
0106	3F	3065	CMC
0107	17	3070	RAL
0108	E6 01	3090	ANI 1
010A	2F	3100	CMA
010B	3C	3101	INR A
010C	85	3105	ADD L
010D	6F	3110	MØV L, A
010E	03	3130	INX R
010F	13	3140	INX D
0110	78	3150	MØV A, R
0111	F6 04	3180	ANI 4
0113	2F	3190	CMA
0114	3C	3191	INR A
0115	85	3195	ADD L
0116	6F	3200	MØV L, A
0117	F9	3210	PCHL

BYTEMOVER 3.0 OCTAL LISTING

BYTEMØVER VERSION 3.0

OCTAL LISTING

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056 000 172 353 346 200 017 017 306 055 041 000 000 157 071 351
371 041 013 000 071 353 371 353 021 000 000 073 361 002 003 023
172 346 004 007 007 000 205 157 351 000 000 076 126 205 157 351
000 151 174 140 371 147 056 153 001 000 000 073 361 022 023 003
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346 004 007 007 007 205 157 351 000 000 000 174 041 000 374 071
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333 377 107 346 340 036 000 113 127 170 346 037 107 147 056 140
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374 071 371 056 315 147 351 000 000 000 000 373 351 174 041 000
374 031 353 056 361 147 001 000 000 351 000 326 220 157 172 306
004 127 376 070 077 076 000 037 205 157 351 000 000 373 351 351
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