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## SELF-STARTING BINARY LOADER (SS BIN)

#### 1.1 ABSTRACT

The Self-Starting Binary Loader (SS BIN) reads and stores 12-bit data words from binary format papertape from either the low speed reader or the high speed reader. If a starting address is supplied the program will be started at the completion of loading.

### 2.1 EQUIPMENT

The SS BIN requires a PDP-8/E or PDP-8/M with either a low speed papertape reader or a PC8-E high speed reader. It may be used with MI8-E Bootstrap (RIM) Loader.

### 3.1 MEMORY REQUIREMENTS

The SS BIN occupies locations 7600-7755 and location 7777 of one memory field. It may reside in any memory field, as long as the RIM loader is in locations 7756-7776 of the same field. Use of the data break facility, which affects locations 7746-7755 of field  $\emptyset$ , will not affect SS BIN. Data may be loaded into fields  $\emptyset-7$ .

### 4.1 OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

SS BIN is loaded with the RIM loader as the first part of a two part tape. The format of these tapes is described in the section on papertape format. The second part, separated from SS BIN by leader/trailer, is the object program or data to be loaded. Instructions are given below for use without a switch register and with the MI8-E, and for use with a switch register and without the MI8-E. If the object program is not attached to SS BIN or if there is more than one object tape, see the section on special conditions later in this document.