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DIGITAL COMPUTER LABORATORY

NEW COMPUTER LIBRARY ROUTINE I3-DRIL-23V

TITLE: decimal read in  
 TYPE: closed, relocatable, mnemonic  
 LENGTH: 38 words  
 TEMPORARY STORAGE: three words at fixed memory locations 0, 1, 2  
 DURATION: dependent on tape read speed of 110 characters per second  
 FAST REGISTERS  
 CHANGED: none  
 SUBROUTINES USED: none  
 PARAMETERS: M15 = link  
 M14 = address of first storage location  
 USE: This subroutine accepts numbers from tape in the following format:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \underbrace{+ \text{xx} \cdots \text{x} \cdot \text{x} \cdots \text{x}}_{\text{fractional part}} \underbrace{\text{10}}_{\text{exponent}} \underbrace{+ \text{x} \cdots \text{x}}_{\text{second number}} \underbrace{+ \text{~} \cdots \text{~}}_{\text{last number}} \underbrace{+ \text{~} \cdots \text{~}}_{\text{last number}} \diamond \\
 \text{first number} \qquad \text{second number} \qquad \text{last number}
 \end{array}$$

where x stands for a decimal digit. These numbers are stored in successive memory locations beginning at the location specified in M14. The last number must be followed by a  $\diamond$  character.

RULES FOR LEGAL INPUT:

- 1) All characters except decimal digits, +, -, ·,  $\frac{10}{10}$ ,  $\diamond$  are ignored, in particular CRLF and "space".
- 2) Within an exponent (i.e., between a " $\frac{10}{10}$ " and the second sign following it) all characters except decimal digits, +, -,  $\diamond$  are ignored, in particular ·.
- 3) Every number must be preceded by a sign + or -.
- 4) Every exponent must be preceded by a sign + or -.

- 5) Digits before the point or after the point may be missing, as well as the point itself. If the whole fractional part is missing (only  $10^{+xx}$  present) the number is interpreted as zero.
- 6) The exponent may be missing (only fractional part present).
- 7) If both fractional part and exponent are missing (i.e.,  $\pm \pm xx\dots$ ) the number is interpreted as zero.

**EXAMPLES:**

	<u>On Tape</u>	<u>Goes to Location</u>	<u>Interpreted as</u>
1)	$+1-1510^{-003}-1\Diamond$	(M14)	+1
		(M14) + 1	$-15 10^{-3}$
		(M14) + 2	-1
2)	$+2.998 10^{+8}$ m/s LIGHT VELOCITY +AUGUST 1st 1291 $\Diamond$	(M14)	$2.998 10^{+8}$
		(M14) + 1	11291
3)	$- .005 + 10 + 3 \Diamond$	(M14)	-0.005
		(M14) + 1	0

**NOTICE:**

Don't forget to put a sign before every number. A sign tells the computer when a new number begins.

Don't forget the fractional part.  $10^3$  must be written as  $+110^{+3}$ .

**SIZE OF NUMBERS:**

More than 37 digits in the fractional part will cause OV, regardless of the location of the decimal point. An exponent whose absolute value exceeds 37 will cause OV, unless the fractional part is zero. Finally, any number  $> 4^{63}$  will cause OV.

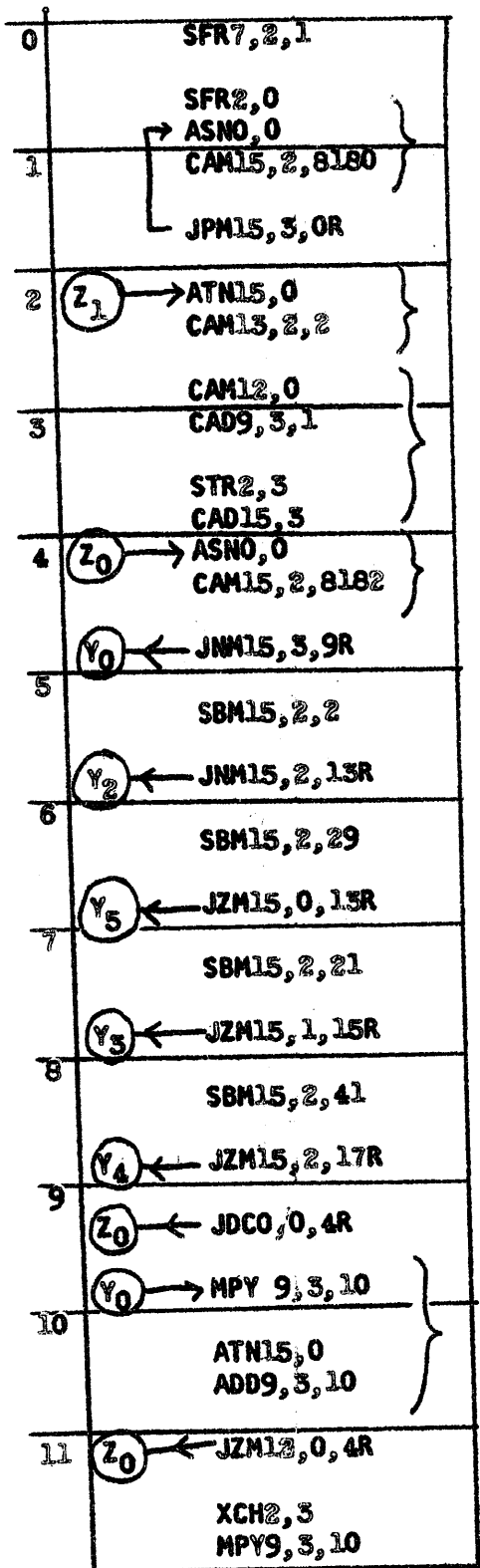
**ACCURACY:**

Integers with at most 13 decimal digits exact.

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DEC READ IN



read first character,  
d = 12 in M15

ignore if not +, -, digit

sign of number in M13    0 = +  
                                  1 = -

Set initial values  
(M12) = 0 point not yet shown up  
Denominator (F2) = 1  
Numerator Acc = 0

read next character  
d = 10 in M15

jump if digit

d = 12

jump if +, -

d = 41

jump if point

d = 62

jump if 0

d = 103

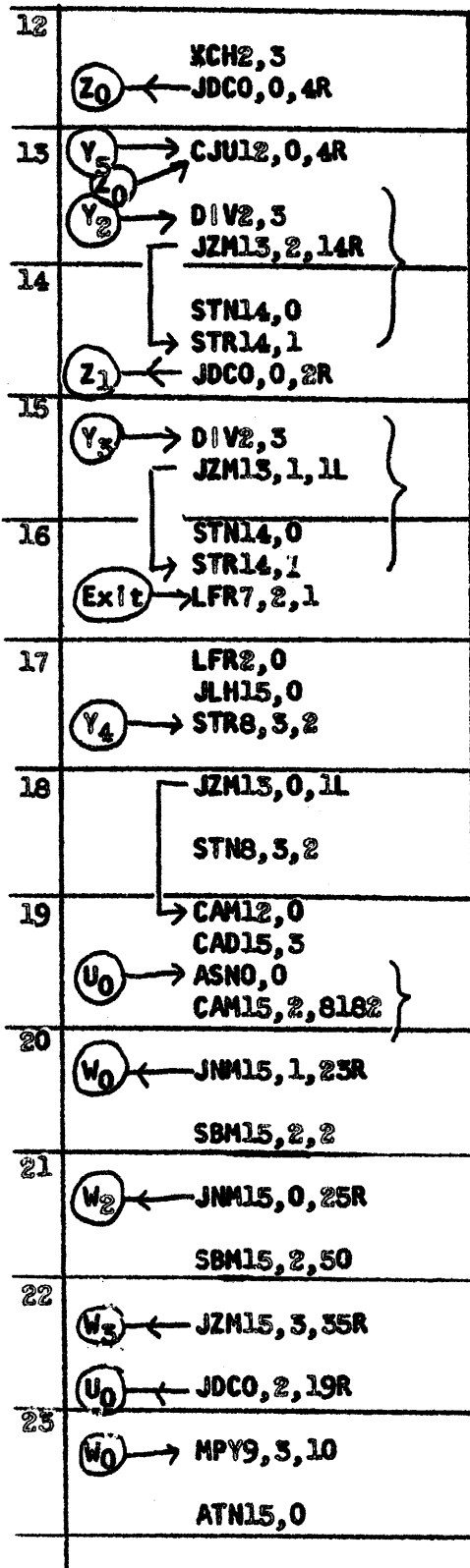
jump if \*

ignore all other characters

10a + d  
(M15 combined d = 10)

jump if point not yet punched

multiply denominator by 10 for  
every digit after point



(M12) + 1 when point comes up,

end of number  
store considering sign,  
(M14) + 1

read new number

end of number,  
store considering sign

reset fast registers

store numerator in memory,  
considering sign

(M12) = 0 next + is interpreted as exponent's sign  
Acc = 0  
read next character  
d = 10 in M15

jump if digit

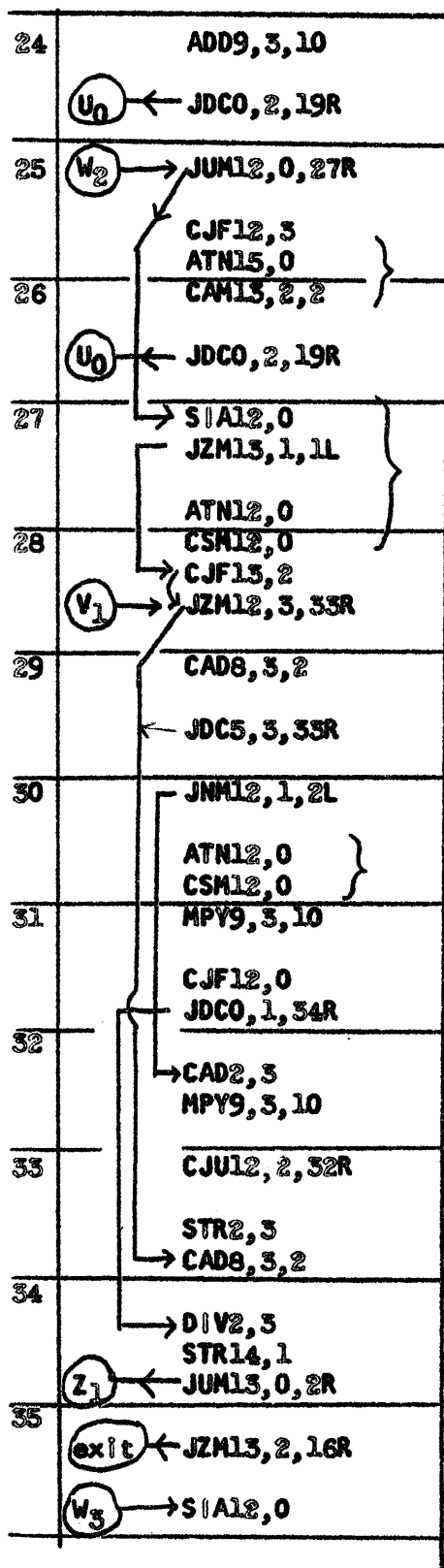
d = 12

jump if +, -

d = 62

jump if 0

ignore all other characters



10a + d

jump if it is sign of a new number

(M12) + 1  
sign of exp in M13

exponent in M12,  
considering sign

(M13) + 1, hence in this branch (M13)  $\neq$  0  
jump if exponent = 0

numerator

jump if numerator = 0

jump if exp < 0

if exp > 0, change sign

numerator x 10 if exp > 0

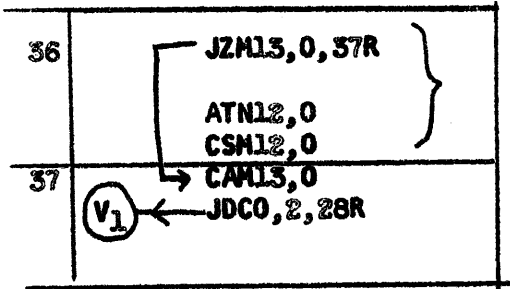
denominator x 10 if exp < 0

numerator

denominator

jump to read new number

|exponent| ~ M12



consider sign of exponent

remember: ◊ has shown up