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This guide provides information on shutting down and starting up your system. It also includes the processor-specific boot commands for the processors supported by the ULTRIX operating system. The standalone ULTRIX environment is also described, along with information on how to boot each processor in single-user, multiuser, or conversational mode.

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About This Manual

This guide provides information on shutting down and starting up your system and identifies the processor-specific boot commands for the processors supported by the ULTRIX operating system. It also provides a description of the standalone ULTRIX environment.

Audience

The *ULTRIX Guide to System Shutdown and Startup* is written for the person responsible for managing and maintaining an ULTRIX system. It assumes that this individual is familiar with ULTRIX commands, the system configuration, the system's controller/drive unit number assignments and naming conventions, and an editor such as `vi` or `ed`. You do not need to be a programmer to use this guide.

Organization

This manual consists of four chapters, two appendixes, and an index:

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| Chapter 1: | Explains the various ways that you can shut down the system. |
| Chapter 2: | Explains the three modes that you can use to start up the system: single-user, multiuser, and conversational (VAX only). |
| Chapter 3: | Identifies and describes the boot commands supported by the ULTRIX system. |
| Chapter 4: | Describes the purpose and functionality of the Standalone ULTRIX Environment and explains how to invoke it. |
| Appendix A: | Lists the supported device mnemonics and explains how to obtain detailed reference page information on devices. |
| Appendix B: | Shows how the VMB program uses the general purpose registers. |

Related Documentation

You should have the hardware documentation for your system and peripherals.

Conventions

- | | |
|--------------|---|
| # | A number sign represents the superuser prompt. |
| % cat | Boldface type in interactive examples indicates typed user input. |
| <i>file</i> | Italic (slanted) type indicates variable values, placeholders, and function argument names. |

...	In syntax definitions, a horizontal ellipsis indicates that the preceding item can be repeated one or more times.
cat(1)	A cross-reference to a reference page includes the appropriate section number in parentheses. For example, cat(1) indicates that you can find information on the cat command in Section 1 of the reference pages.
Ctrl/x	This symbol indicates that you hold down the first named key while pressing the key or mouse button that follows the slash. In examples, this key combination is enclosed in a box (for example, Ctrl/C).

On occasion, routine system maintenance may require you to shut down your system. The exact shutdown procedure that you use depends on whether you want to shut down multiuser mode and remain in single-user mode, shut down and halt the processor, or shut down multiuser mode and reboot. This chapter explains all of these procedures.

1.1 Shutting Down Multiuser Mode

There are three steps for shutting down multiuser mode and staying in single-user mode so that you can perform routine system maintenance. Steps 2 and 3 are optional and depend on the type of system maintenance that you want to perform. The steps are:

1. Use the shutdown command to bring the system to single-user mode. For example:

```
# /etc/shutdown +15 'to install new devices'
```

This will shut down the system to single-user mode in 15 minutes. The shutdown command logs the specified reason (shown within single quotation marks ('')) in the /usr/adm/shutdownlog file. Then, it notifies current users of the impending shutdown. It also creates an /etc/nologin file five minutes before the shutdown occurs, to prevent users from logging into the system. At the designated time, the shutdown command shuts down multiuser mode.

When the system displays the superuser prompt (#), the system is back to single-user mode. The system console is open with the superuser account active. All other terminals are disabled, but all file systems are still mounted. You may now want to unmount file systems or you may want to halt the processor.

When you restart multiuser mode, the /etc/rc script automatically removes /etc/nologin to reenable user logins.

2. Unmount file systems. If you want to, you can now unmount the file systems. To unmount all file systems, use the umount command with the -a option. You must be in the root (/) directory before you issue the umount command. For example:

```
# cd /  
# /etc/umount -a
```

This command unmounts those file systems named in the /etc/fstab file and leaves only the root file system mounted. If you have mounted a file system that is not defined in /etc/fstab and you want to unmount it, use the umount command and specify the file system's special device name. You can tell if a file

system is mounted by typing:

```
# /etc/mount
```

When specified without options, the mount command displays the currently mounted file systems. For example:

```
/dev/rz0h on /usr/staff type ufs
/dev/rz2c on /usr/staff/r1 type ufs
sysname:/usr/staff/a2 on /usr/staff/a2 type nfs (rw,soft,bg,nosuid)
```

To unmount the /usr/staff file system, use the umount command as shown in the following example:

```
# /etc/umount /dev/rz0h
```

Notice that, to unmount the /usr/staff file system, you must unmount the device on which it resides. In this example, /usr/staff resides on the h partition of the rz0 disk.

For more information on both the mount and umount commands, refer to mount(8) in the *ULTRIX Reference Pages*.

3. Halt the system. After you have issued the shutdown command, you can halt the system with the halt command. (Depending on your processor type, the system will either halt itself, or it will direct you to halt the system.) For example:

```
# /etc/halt
syncing disks ...
.
.
.
>>
```

The halt command stops the processor and the console monitor prompt is displayed. You can now boot the system to single-user or multiuser mode as described in Chapter 2.

When your system is in single-user mode, you can proceed with the desired maintenance procedure.

1.2 Shutting Down and Halting the System

To shut down multiuser mode and halt the processor, use the shutdown command with the -h option specified. For example:

```
# /etc/shutdown -h +10 'scheduled maintenance'
```

This will shut down and halt the processor in 10 minutes. The shutdown command logs the specified reason (shown within single quotation marks ('')) into the /usr/adm/shutdownlog file. Then, it notifies current users of the impending shutdown. At the specified time, the shutdown command shuts down multiuser mode and halts the processor.

When you restart multiuser mode, the /etc/rc script automatically removes /etc/nologin to reenale user logins.

The halt command provides an alternative shutdown procedure and should only be invoked from single-user mode.

1.3 Shutting Down and Rebooting the System

To shut down multiuser mode and immediately reboot the system, use the `shutdown` command with the `-r` option specified. For example:

```
# /etc/shutdown -r +20 'doing a quick reboot'
```

This will shut down and reboot the system in 20 minutes. The `shutdown` command logs the specified reason (shown within single quotation marks ('')) into the `/usr/adm/shutdownlog` file. Then, it notifies current users of the impending shutdown. It also creates the `/etc/nologin` file five minutes before the shutdown occurs to prevent users from logging into the system. At the specified time, the `shutdown` command shuts down multiuser mode, updates the file system superblocks, halts the processor, and immediately reboots multiuser mode. When you restart multiuser mode, the `/etc/rc` script automatically removes the `/etc/nologin` file to reenable user logins.

The `reboot` command provides an alternative startup and shutdown capability but is not recommended for normal operations.

1.4 Shutting Down a Diskless Client

To shut down a diskless client, use the `shutdown` command at the client processor. The `shutdown` command works the same for diskless clients as it does for any processor. However, you should avoid using the `shutdown -r` command, because the default boot device may not be the Ethernet device.

During normal operations and after system crashes, you may need to restart or boot the system. To boot any system successfully, you must know whether you want the system to come up in single-user or multiuser mode.

This chapter provides information about the available startup modes. It describes what happens when you:

- Boot the default device to single-user mode
- Boot the default device to multiuser mode
- Boot alternate devices to either single-user or multiuser mode
- Invoke multiuser mode from single-user mode

Chapter 3 describes the specific boot commands.

2.1 Booting the System to Single-User Mode

When you boot the system to single-user mode:

- The system comes up with only the `root` file system mounted. All other file systems are unmounted and all configured terminals and networking are disabled. You have access only to those files and commands in the `root` file system, unless you explicitly mount other file systems.
- The Bourne shell (`sh`) runs at the console under a partially active superuser account. Although the `sh` program has read the `.profile` file, the `login` utility has not been invoked, the superuser is not logged in, and a full environmental initialization for the superuser account has not occurred.
- You must invoke the `fsck` program to check the integrity of the `root` file system. If the `fsck` program reports inconsistencies in the `root` file system, you must correct them before mounting any other file system. For a description of the command and its options, see `fsck(8)` in the *ULTRIX Reference Pages*. For examples of how and when to use the `fsck` program to check for and correct file system inconsistencies, see the *Guide to System Crash Recovery* for your processor.
- If you need other file systems mounted, you must invoke the `mount` command to add the file systems. For a description of the command and its options, see `mount(8)` in the *ULTRIX Reference Pages*.

2.2 Booting the System to Multiuser Mode

When you boot the system to multiuser mode, the `init` program invokes the `/etc/rc` startup script. The contents of this script and the `/etc/rc.local` script determine what happens, but typically:

- The system comes up with the root (/) and any file systems specified in the /etc/fstab file mounted. Consequently, you have access to all files and commands in the root file system and other mounted file systems.
- All terminals listed in the /etc/ttys file are enabled. Users with accounts in the /etc/passwd file can log in to the system.
- The script automatically invokes fsck, which checks root and other file systems listed in the /etc/fstab file.
 - If fsck finds no inconsistencies, the /etc/rc script starts multiuser mode.
 - If fsck finds inconsistencies, the system stays in single-user mode, and you should run fsck on the file systems with reported inconsistencies. After correcting all reported inconsistencies, reinvoke or reboot multiuser mode.

2.2.1 Invoking Multiuser Mode from Single-User Mode

To invoke the multiuser mode from single-user without having to reboot, follow these steps:

1. Go to the root (/) directory.
2. Check for any active programs, daemons, or users on any mounted file system.
3. If you find any active processes, stop them.
4. Unmount all file systems by typing the umount command with the -a option. For example:

```
# /etc/umount -a
```

The umount program checks the /etc/fstab file and unmounts all file systems listed except root.

5. Type the mount command with no options. The program lists any file systems that are still mounted. For example:

```
# /etc/mount
/dev/rz0a on / type ufs
/dev/rz1a on /tmp type ufs
```

6. If any file system besides root is still mounted, type the umount command again. Specify the mounted file system by typing the device and partition on which the file system is mounted. For example, to unmount /tmp (as shown in the preceding listing), type:

```
# /etc/umount /dev/rz1a
```

If the unmounting is successful, the program responds by listing the root (/) file system only. This indicates that all file systems except root are now unmounted.

7. Check file systems. Use the fsck command to check them for inconsistencies. For example, type:

```
# /etc/fsck
```

When you type fsck without options, the program checks the file systems listed in the /etc/fstab file and notifies you of inconsistencies.

For more information on the command and its options, see fsck(8) in the

ULTRIX Reference Pages. For a description of how and when to use the `fsck` program to correct file system inconsistencies, see the *Guide to System Crash Recovery* for your processor.

8. Exit single-user-mode. After running `fsck` and correcting any reported inconsistencies, type CTRL/D at the console. CTRL/D ends the single-user mode session.

Once single-user mode ends, the system initialization program, `init`, automatically invokes the multiuser start up script, `/etc/rc`. During execution, `/etc/rc` invokes `/etc/rc.local`. When these multiuser startup scripts successfully complete execution, the system is in multiuser mode.

Note

You cannot mount unclean file systems. If you attempt to enter multiuser mode with file systems that were not unmounted cleanly or were not checked with the `fsck` command, the system will not enter multiuser mode.

2.2.2 Booting Multiuser Mode from Console Mode

To boot multiuser mode directly from console mode, enter the multiuser boot command that is specific to your processor type. For a description of the processor-specific boot commands, see Chapter 3.

2.2.3 Booting the System in Conversational Mode on VAX Processors

To boot the system in conversational mode (available only on VAX processors), you enter one of the processor-specific boot commands listed in Chapter 3. In any case, when you boot in conversational mode, the program prompts you to enter an image name. For example:

```
Enter image name:vmunix
```

We recommend that you load the default kernel; however, you can optionally load another. If you take this option, use the following syntax:

(device, partition)kernel_name

The first variable, *device*, specifies the device where the image is located. The booted device is the default. The second variable, *partition*, specifies the partition on the device. Partition a of the booted device is the default. The *kernel_name* can be any kernel existing at either the default location or at the location you specify.

Some *device* and *partition* syntax rules are:

- You can specify a single number to define the device number using the default partition. For example: (3)vmunix
- You can specify a single letter from a to h to define the partition using the default boot device. For example: (g)vmunix
- You can specify a number and a letter for the device and partition. For example: (3,g)vmunix

- You can specify two numbers, the second of which corresponds to a letter from a through h for a partition, starting with 0 for a and ending with 7 for h. For example: (3,6)vmunix

The first time you enter invalid input, the boot program displays the message:

Syntax Error

Examples of valid input syntax are:

```
newvmunix      - Loads newvmunix from the booted device, partition a
(g)vmunix      - Loads vmunix from the booted device, partition g
(3)vmunix.old  - Loads vmunix.old from device unit 3, partition a
(9,g)vmunix    - Loads vmunix from device unit 9, partition g
(4,7)vmunix    - Loads vmunix from device unit 4, partition h
```

Note: If specified, the device unit number must be the PHYSICAL unit number of a device connected to the SAME CONTROLLER as the booted device.

If you enter another invalid entry, the boot program simply responds:

Syntax Error

Note

On MSCP-type disk drives, it is possible for the booted drive to go off line during a conversational boot. If you do not supply input to the Enter image name: prompt within several minutes, the booted MSCP drive goes off line and subsequent reads fail. To prevent this problem, enter the image name before the timeout period.

This chapter provides guidelines for booting your processor. The boot commands that you use depend on your processor type and its attached hardware. The following sections describe the various commands with the processors grouped by section according to their boot commands. Follow the instructions in the section that applies to your processor; then continue with Chapter 4.

3.1 Booting MicroVAX 2000, MicroVAX 3500/3600/3800/3900, VAXstation II, VAXstation II/GPX, VAXstation 2000/3200/3500, and VAXserver 100/3500/3600/3602 Processors

This section describes the boot commands for the following processors:

- The MicroVAX 2000
- The MicroVAX 3500 and MicroVAX 3600
- The MicroVAX 3800 and MicroVAX 3900
- The VAXstation II
- The VAXstation II/GPX
- The VAXstation 2000
- The VAXstation 3200 and VAXstation 3500
- The VAXserver 100
- The VAXserver 3500, VAXserver 3600, and VAXserver 3602

3.1.1 Booting from the Console

Follow these steps to boot your processor from the console:

1. Release the HALT button on your processor. See your Owner's Manual for the location of the HALT button.
2. Boot the default system disk by typing:

```
>>>b
```

The console program attempts to boot the first device it finds that contains a valid boot block. The program first searches diskette devices, other removable disks (such as the RA60), for example, and the Winchester devices. Winchester devices are searched from lowest to highest unit number. Removable disks have a higher priority than Winchester devices, regardless of unit number.

3. Decide which startup mode you want, and then type the corresponding entry at the prompt. For example:

Mode	Prompt and Entry
Single-user	>>> b/2 duan
Multiuser	>>> b duan
Conversational (single-user mode)	>>> b/3 duan
Conversational (multiuser mode)	>>> b/1 duan

The variable *n* specifies the device number of the system disk drive. For example, to boot `vmunix` (the kernel image) to single-user mode from RD53 drive 1 on a MicroVAX II, type:

```
>>>b/2 dual
```

See Chapter 2 for additional information on startup modes.

3.1.2 Booting from a TK50 Tape

When doing an installation or booting the standalone kernel for system management tasks, you may have to boot from a TK50 tape. After installing the TK50 boot tape, type:

```
>>>b mua0
```

In response to this entry, the console subsystem boots the TK50 boot tape.

3.1.3 Booting from the Network

You must boot from the network to perform any of the following operations:

- Booting a diskless system
- Initiating an installation from a remote server
- Booting a standalone kernel from a remote server, in order to perform system management tasks

The boot command that you choose depends upon the type of processor you have. If you are booting the MicroVAX II, the VAXstation II, the VAXstation II/GPX, the VAXstation 3200, the VAXstation 3500, a MicroVAX 3000 series processor, a VAXserver 100, or a VAXserver 3000 series processor, type:

```
>>>b xqa0
```

- If you are booting the MicroVAX 2000 or the VAXstation 2000 from the network, type:

```
>>>b esa0
```

In response to your entry, the console subsystem boots the system and displays the memory and hardware configuration.

3.2 Booting MicroVAX 3300 and MicroVAX 3400 Processors

The following sections describe how to boot these processors from the console or the network.

3.2.1 Booting from the Console

Follow these steps to boot your processor from the console:

1. Release the HALT button on your processor. See your Owner's Manual for the location of the HALT button.
2. Identify which device (if any) was set as the default by typing:

```
>>>show boot
```

The console program responds with the device name. For example:

```
>>>show boot
DIA0
```

3. Boot the default system disk by typing:

```
>>>b
```

The console program boots the default device and displays the device name. For example:

```
>>>b
(BOOT/R5:0 DIA0)
```

4. Decide which startup mode you want, and then type the corresponding entry at the prompt. For example:

Mode	Prompt and Entry
Single-user	>>> b/2 dian
Multuser	>>> b dian
Conversational (single-user mode)	>>> b/3 dian
Conversational (multiuser mode)	>>> b/1 dian

The variable *n* specifies the device number of the system disk drive. For example, to boot *vmunix* (the kernel image) to single-user mode from drive 1 on a MicroVAX 3400, type:

```
>>>b/2 dia1
```

See Chapter 2 for additional information on startup modes.

3.2.2 Booting from the Network

You must boot from the network to perform any of the following operations:

- Booting a diskless system

- Initiating an installation from a remote server
- Booting a standalone kernel from a remote server, in order to perform system management tasks

To boot the system from the network, use the following command:

```
>>>b esa0
```

In response to your entry, the console subsystem boots the system and displays the memory and hardware configuration.

3.3 Booting VAXstation 3100, Micro VAX 3100, and VAXserver 3100 Processors

Your choice of a boot command for a VAXstation 3100, Micro VAX 3100, or VAXserver 3100 depends on your hardware configuration. The following sections describe the various boot commands.

3.3.1 Booting from the Console

Follow these steps to boot your processor from the console:

1. Press the HALT button on your processor. See your Owner's Manual for the location of the HALT button.
2. Find out which device (if any) was set as the default by typing:

```
>>>show boot
```

- If a default device was set, the console program responds with the name of the default device. For example:

```
>>>show boot
DKA300
```

- If no default device was set, the console program responds as follows:

```
>>>show boot
....
```

3. Get a boot device listing by typing:

```
>>>show device
```

The console program displays a device listing similar to this:

VMS/VMB	ULTRIX	ADDR	DEVTYP	NUMBYTES	RM/FX	WP	DEVNAME
ESA0	SE0	08-00-2B-07-05-09					
DKA300	RZ23	A/3/0/00	DISK	06407E00	FX		RZ23
MKA500	TZ5	A/5/0/00	TAPE	RM		
HostID		A/6	INITR				
DKB100	RZ9	B/1/0/00	DISK	1383B200	FX		RZ55
DKB200	RZ10	B/2/0/00	RDDISK	06407E00	RM		RZ23
DKB300	RZ11	B/3/0/00	RDDISK	06407E00	RM		RZ23
DKB400	RZ12	B/4/0/00	DISK	0C3B1600	RM		RRD40
MKB500	TZ13	B/5/0/00	TAPE	RM		
HostID		B/6	INITR				

In the preceding display:

- Column 1 lists the boot command name associated with a particular device configured at a specific address.
 - Column 2 lists the ULTRIX device mnemonic and number associated with a particular device type.
 - Column 3 lists the address of the specific device. The first character specifies the SCSI controller identification (either A or B). The second character specifies the SCSI bus identification number. The remaining characters are always zeroes.
 - Column 4 lists the device types.
 - Column 5 lists internal addressing information needed by the system.
 - Column 6 lists mnemonics that indicate whether the device is fixed or removable.
 - Column 7 lists the physical device name.
4. Boot the default system device by typing:

```
>>>b
```

The console program boots the default device. However, if no default device was set previously, the console defaults to a network boot.

5. Boot a specific device using the following format:

b *boot device name*

For example, assume you wanted to boot an RZ23 fixed disk at SCSI controller A, SCSI bus 3. To boot this device, type:

```
>>>b DKA300
```

Note

The console program is not case-sensitive when accepting boot commands for the VAXstation 3100 processor. Consequently, you can use either uppercase or lowercase letters when typing the boot command name.

6. Decide which startup mode you want and then type the corresponding entry at the prompt.
- If you are booting a disk device at SCSI controller A, use the following list to determine the correct entry:

Mode	Prompt and Entry
Single-user	>>> b/2 dkan
Multiuser	>>> b dkan
Conversational (single-user mode)	>>> b/3 dkan
Conversational (multiuser mode)	>>> b/1 dkan

The variable *n* specifies the SCSI bus identification number of the system

disk drive. For example, to boot `vmunix` (the kernel image) to single-user mode from the system disk at SCSI bus ID 3, type:

```
>>>b/2 dka300
```

To boot `vmunix` (the kernel image) to multiuser mode from the system disk at SCSI bus ID 2, type:

```
>>>b dka200
```

- If you are booting a disk device at SCSI controller B, use the following list to determine the correct entry:

Mode	Prompt and Entry
Single-user	>>> b/2 dkbn
Multiuser	>>> b dkbn
Conversational (single-user mode)	>>> b/3 dkbn
Conversational (multiuser mode)	>>> b/1 dkbn

The variable *n* specifies the SCSI bus identification number of the system disk drive. For example, to boot `vmunix` (the kernel image) to single-user mode from the system disk at SCSI bus ID 3, type:

```
>>>b/2 dkb300
```

To boot `vmunix` (the kernel image) to multiuser mode from SCSI bus ID 2, type:

```
>>>b dkb200
```

See Chapter 2 for additional information on startup modes.

3.3.2 Booting from a TZ30 or TZK50 Tape

When doing an installation or booting the standalone kernel for system management tasks, you may have to boot from tape. After installing the boot tape, use one of the following boot commands:

- If you are booting from tape at SCSI controller A, use the following format:

```
b mkan
```

The variable *n* specifies the SCSI bus identification number of the system tape. For example, to boot from tape at SCSI controller A, SCSI bus ID 3, type:

```
>>>b mka300
```

In response to this entry, the console subsystem boots the boot tape.

- If you are booting from tape at SCSI controller B, use this syntax:

```
b mkbn
```

The variable *n* specifies the SCSI bus identification number of the system tape.

For example, to boot from tape at SCSI controller B, SCSI bus ID 3, type:

```
>>>b mkb300
```

3.3.3 Booting from the Network

You must boot from the network to perform any of the following operations:

- Booting a diskless system
- Initiating an installation from a remote server
- Booting a standalone kernel from a remote server, in order to perform system management tasks

To boot the system from the network, use the following command:

```
>>>b eas0
```

In response to your entry, the console subsystem boots the system and displays the memory and hardware configuration.

3.4 Booting a VAXstation 3520 or a VAXstation 3540

Your choice of a boot command for a VAXstation 3520 or 3540 depends on your hardware configuration. The following sections describe the various boot commands.

3.4.1 Booting from the Console

Follow these steps to boot your processor from the console:

1. Release the **HALT** button on your processor. See your Owner's Manual for the location of the **HALT** button.
2. Find out which device (if any) was set as the default by typing:

```
>>>show boot
```

If a default device was set, the console program responds with the name of the default device. For example:

```
>>>show boot  
DKA100
```

If no default device was set, the console program responds as follows:

```
>>>show boot  
....
```

3. Get a boot device listing by typing:

```
>>>show scsi
```

The console program displays a device listing similar to this:

ADDR	VMB	DEVTYPE	DEVNAM	NUMBYTES	REV	CHAR
5.0.0	DKA0	DISK	RZ55	332 MB	0700	
5.1.0	DKA100	DISK	RZ55	332 MB	0700	
5.4.0	DKA400	DISK	RZ55	332 MB	0700	
5.6.0	DKA600	RODISK	RRD40	599 MB	250D	
5.7		HOST	SII-A			RM, WP

In the preceding display:

- Column 1 lists internal addressing needed by the system
- Column 2 lists the VMS device mnemonic and number associated with a particular device type.
- Column 3 lists the device type.
- Column 4 lists the device name.
- Column 5 lists the number of bytes on the media.
- Column 6 lists the device microcode.

4. Boot the default system device by typing:

```
>>>b
```

The console program boots the default device. However, if a default device was not set, the boot will fail with the following error message:

```
?40NOSUCHDEV
```

5. Boot a specific device by typing:

```
>>> b boot_device_name
```

For example, to boot an RZ55 fixed disk at SCSI bus ID 1, type:

```
>>>b DKA100
```

Note

The console program is not case sensitive when accepting boot commands for the VAXstation 3520 processor. Consequently, you can use either uppercase or lowercase letters when typing the boot command name.

6. Decide which startup mode you want and then type the corresponding entry at the prompt. Use the following list to determine the correct entry:

Mode	Prompt and Entry
Single-user	>>> b/2 dkan
Multuser	>>> b dkan
Conversational (single-user mode)	>>> b/3 dkan
Conversational (multiuser mode)	>>> b/1 dkan

The variable *n* specifies the SCSI bus identification number of the system disk drive. For example, to boot *vmunix* (the kernel image) to single-user mode from the system disk at SCSI bus ID 3, type:

```
>>>b/2 dka300
```

To boot *vmunix* (the kernel image) to multiuser mode from the system disk at SCSI bus ID 2, type:

```
>>>b dka200
```

See Chapter 2 for additional information on startup modes.

3.4.2 Booting a TK50 Tape

When doing an installation or booting the standalone kernel for system management tasks, you may have to boot from a TK50 tape. After installing the TK50 boot tape, type:

```
>>>b mua0
```

In response to this entry, the console subsystem boots the TK50 boot tape.

3.5 Booting a VAX-11/750

Your choice of a boot command for a VAX-11/750 depends on your hardware configuration. The following sections describe the boot commands for both local disks and remote disks connected to an HSC.

3.5.1 Booting a Local Disk

The following list describes the boot commands for local disks:

- To boot the default system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

- To boot the system disk to single-user mode, type:

```
>>>b/3
```

The console subsystem reads the *askboo.cmd* file, boots the default system disk, and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate disk, use one of the commands listed in the following table. Be aware that RP07 drives are not supported as boot devices.

Drive Type	Single-user	Multiuser	Conversational Single-User	Conversational Multiuser
RAxx Disk	b/2 duan	b duan	b duan	b/1 duan
RP05/06 and RM03/05/80 Disks	b/2 dban	b dban	b/3 dban	b/1 dban

The variable *xx* is the model number of the system disk drive and the variable

n represents the unit number of the system disk drive. For example, to boot multiuser mode from an RM05 system disk, unit number one, type:

```
>>>b dba1
```

See Chapter 2 for information on each of the startup modes.

3.5.2 Booting an HSC Disk

On a VAX-11/750 processor, the system must load CI microcode contained on the console cassette. Therefore, you must ensure that a valid console cassette is in the TU58 drive and that your selector switch is at the cassette setting before attempting to boot an HSC disk.

The console cassette contains the boot command procedure files that enable the system to boot the default and alternate disks. The boot command procedure files are:

- `askboo.cmd`, which boots the default disk to single-user mode
- `defboo.cmd`, which boots the default disk to multiuser mode
- `cira.cmd`, which boots an alternate disk to single-user or multiuser mode

When the CI microcode is loaded, the software can boot either the default or an alternate HSC disk to a particular startup mode. The following list describes the boot commands:

- To boot the default HSC system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

The console subsystem reads the `defboo.cmd` file, boots the default system device, and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default HSC system disk to single-user mode, use this format:

```
>>>b/800 dda0
BOOT58> @askboo.cmd
```

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.cmd` file, boots the default system device, and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate HSC disk, use this format:

```
>>> b/800 dda0
BOOT58> D/G 2 HSC#
BOOT58> D/G 3 unit#
BOOT58> @cira.cmd
```

The *HSC#* is the remote CI port number assigned to the specific HSC controller. The *unit#* variable is the device number of the system disk drive. The `@cira.cmd` string invokes the HSC boot command file.

Note

Both the HSC number and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the `cira.cmd` file, boots the alternate system device, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.6 Booting a VAX-11/780 or a VAX-11/785

Your choice of a boot command for a VAX-11/780 or a VAX-11/785 depends on your hardware configuration. The following sections describe the boot commands for both local disks and remote disks connected to an HSC.

Note

The descriptions in this section assume that the front-end console storage device has been updated to reflect the proper default boot device. Refer to Section 3.10 for information on how to do this.

3.6.1 Booting a Local Disk

The VAX-11/780 and VAX-11/785 processors have front-end console storage devices that contain boot command procedure files. The command procedure files that enable you to boot the default and alternate disks are:

- `defboo.cmd`, which boots the default disk to multiuser mode
- `askboo.cmd`, which boots the default disk to single mode
- `mbahp.cmd`, which boots an alternate MASSBUS disk to single-user mode
- `ubara.cmd`, which boots an alternate UNIBUS disk connected to a UDA-50 controller to single-user mode

The following list describes the boot commands:

- To boot the default system disk to multiuser mode, type:
`>>>b`

The console subsystem reads the `defboo.cmd` file, boots the default system disk, and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default system disk to single-user mode, type:
`>>>b ask`

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.cmd` file, boots the default system

disk, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate MASSBUS disk to single-user mode, use this format:

```
>>> d r1 TR#  
>>> d r3 unit#  
>>> @mbahp.cmd
```

The *TR#* variable is the TR level number of the MASSBUS adapter. The *unit#* variable is the device number of the system disk drive. The *@mbahp.cmd* string invokes the MASSBUS adapter boot command file.

Note

Both the TR level number and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the *mbahp.cmd* file, boots the alternate system disk, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate UNIBUS disk connected to a UDA-50 controller to single-user mode, use this format:

```
>>> d r1 TR#  
>>> d r3 unit#  
>>> @ubara.cmd
```

The *TR#* variable is the TR level number of the UNIBUS adapter. The *unit#* variable is the device number of the system disk drive. The *@ubara.cmd* string invokes the UNIBUS adapter boot command file.

Note

Both the TR level number and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the *ubara.cmd* File, boots the alternate system disk, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.6.2 Booting an HSC Disk

The VAX-11/780 and VAX-11/785 processors have front-end console storage devices that contain boot command procedure files. The command procedure files that enable you to boot the default and alternate HSC disks are:

- `defboo.cmd`, which boots the default disk to multiuser mode
- `askboo.cmd`, which boots the default disk to single-user mode
- `cira.cmd`, which boots an alternate disk to single-user mode

The following list describes the boot commands:

- To boot the default system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

The console subsystem reads the `defboo.cmd` file, boots the default system disk, and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default system disk to single-user mode, type:

```
>>>b ask
```

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.cmd` file, boots the default system disk, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate HSC disk to single-user mode, use this format:

```
>>> d r2 HSC#
```

```
>>> d r3 unit#
```

```
>>> @cira.cmd
```

The `HSC#` variable is the remote CI port number assigned to the specific HSC controller. The `unit#` variable is the device number of the system disk drive. The `@cira.cmd` string invokes the HSC boot command file.

Note

Both the HSC number and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the `cira.cmd` file, boots the alternate system disk, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.7 Booting a VAX 6210/6220/6230/6240, VAX 6310/6320/6330/6340/6350/6360, or a VAX 6000-series

This section describes the boot commands for the following processors:

- VAX 6220/6230/6240
- VAX 6310/6320/6330/6340/6350/6360
- VAX 6000-410/420/430/440/450/460

Your choice of a boot command for these processors depends on your hardware

3.7.1 Booting a Local Disk

The following list describes the boot commands for local disks:

- To boot the default system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

- To boot the system disk to single-user mode, type:

```
>>>b ask
```

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.cmd` file, boots the default system disk, and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate disk, type:

```
>>> b/xmi:BIA#/bi:BI#/r5:1000b duunit#
```

The *BIA#* variable represents the number (0,1,2, or 3) of the BI adapter connected to the xmi. The *BI#* variable represents the BI node number of the xmi adapter. The *unit#* variable represents the device number of the system disk drive.

Note

The BIA number, the BI number, and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem boots the alternate system device and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.7.2 Booting an HSC Disk

On a VAX 6210 or a VAX 6220 processor, the system must load CI microcode contained on the TK50 cartridge. Therefore, you must ensure that a valid cartridge is in the TK50 drive before attempting to boot an HSC disk. See your Field Services representative for details on the correct procedure.

The following list describes the boot commands:

- To boot the default HSC system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

The console subsystem reads the `defboo.cmd` file, boots the default system device, and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default HSC system disk to single-user mode, type:

```
>>>b ask
```

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.cmd` file, boots the default system device, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate HSC disk, type:

```
>>> b /xmi:BIA#/bi:BI#/node:HSC#/r5:1000b duunit#
```

The *BIA#* variable represents the number (0, 1, 2, or 3) of the BI adapter connected to the xmi. The *BI#* variable represents the BI node number of the xmi adapter. The *HSC#* represents the remote CI port number assigned to the specific HSC controller. The *du unit#* variable represents the device number of the system disk drive.

Note

The BIA number, the BI number, the HSC number, and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem boots the alternate system device, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.8 Booting a VAX 8200, VAX 8250, VAX 8300 or a VAX 8350

On a VAX 8200, 8250, 8300, or 8350, the boot command you use depends on your hardware configuration. The following sections describe the boot commands for both local disks and remote disks connected to an HSC.

Note

The descriptions in this section assume that the EEPROMs have been reprogrammed to reflect the proper default boot device. Refer to Section 3.11 for information on how to do this.

3.8.1 Booting a Local Disk

On any of these processors, the default boot command boots the default device described in the EEPROM of the processor. Programming the EEPROM is described in the VAX Owner's Manual.

The following list describes the boot commands that you use to boot local disks:

- To boot the default system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

The console subsystem boots the default system disk and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default system disk to single-user mode, type:

```
>>>b/r5:3
```

The console subsystem boots the default system disk, brings the system up in single-user mode, and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate disk, use one of the commands listed in the following table.

Mode	Prompt and Entry
Single-user	>>> b/r5:2 duBI#n
Multiuser	>>> b duBI#n
Conversational (In single-user mode)	>>> b/r5:3 duBI#n
Conversational (In multiuser mode)	>>> b/r5:1 duBI#n

The *BI#* variable represents the BI node number and the *n* variable represents the unit number of the desired boot device. For example, to boot in conversational mode (assuming a BI node number of 4 and a unit number of 0), type:

```
>>>b/r5:3 du40
```

The system comes up in conversational mode, signified by the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.8.2 Booting an HSC Disk

On any of these processors, the default boot command boots the default device described in the EEPROM of the processor. Programming the EEPROM is described in the VAX Owner's Manual.

The following list describes the boot commands that you use to boot the default and alternate disks:

- To boot the default system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

The console subsystem boots the default system disk and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default system disk to single-user mode, use this format:

```
>>>b/r5:800
BOOT58> @askboo.cmd
```

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.cmd` file, boots the default system disk, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate HSC disk, use this format:

```
>>> b/r5:800 csa1
BOOT58> D/G 1 BI#
BOOT58> D/G 2 HSC#
BOOT58> D/G 3 unit#
BOOT58> @cira.cmd
```

The *BI#* variable represents the BI node number of the CI adapter. The *HSC#* variable represents the remote CI port number assigned to the specific HSC controller. The *unit#* variable represents the device number of the system disk drive. The `@cira.cmd` string invokes the HSC boot command file.

Note

The BI number, the HSC number, and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the `cira.cmd` file, boots the alternate system device, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.9 Booting a VAX 8500, VAX 8530, VAX 8550, VAX 8700, VAX 8800, or a VAX 8810

On a VAX 8500, 8530, 8550, 8700, 8800, or 8810, the boot command you use depends on your hardware configuration. The following sections describe the boot commands for both local disks and remote disks connected to an HSC.

Note

The descriptions in this section assume that the front-end console storage device has been updated to reflect the proper default boot device. Refer to Section 3.11 for information on how to do this.

3.9.1 Booting a Local Disk

All of these processors have front-end console storage devices that contain boot command procedure files. The command procedure files that enable you to boot the default and alternate disks are:

- `defboo.com`, which boots the default system disk to multiuser mode
- `askboo.com`, which boots the default system disk to single-user mode
- `bdara.com`, which boots an alternate disk to single-user mode if the BI adapter is a KDB50

The following list describes the boot procedures for the various disks and modes:

- To boot the default system device to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

The console subsystem reads the `defboo.com` file, boots the default system device, and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default system device to single-user mode, type:

```
>>>b ask
```

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.com` file, boots the default system disk, and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate disk (where the BI adapter is a KDB50) to single-user mode, use the format:

```
>>> d r1 BIA#BI#
>>> d r3 unit#
>>> @bdara.com
```

The `BIA#` variable represents the number of the BI adapter (0, 1, 2, or 3) connected to the KDB50. The `BI#` variable represents the BI node number of the KDB50 adapter. The `unit#` variable is the device number of the system disk drive. The `@bdara.com` string invokes the KDB50 boot command file.

Note

The BI adapter number, the BI node number, and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the `bdara.com` file, boots the alternate system disk, and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.9.2 Booting an HSC Disk

All of these processors have front-end console storage devices that contain boot command procedure files. The command procedure files that enable you to boot the default and alternate disks are:

- `defboo.com`, which boots the default system disk to multiuser mode

- `askboo.com`, which boots the default system disk to single-user mode
- `bcira.com`, which boots an alternate disk to single-user mode if the BI adapter is a BCA

The following list describes the boot commands for the various disks and modes:

- To boot the default system disk to multiuser mode, type:
`>>>b`

The console subsystem reads the `defboo.com` file, boots the default system device, and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default system disk to conversational mode, type:
`>>>b ask`

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.com` file, boots the default system device, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate HSC disk to single-user mode when the CI adapter is a BCA, use the format:

```
>>> d r1 BIA#BI#
>>> d r2 HSC#
>>> d r3 unit#
>>> @bcira.com
```

The `BIA#` variable represents the number (0, 1, 2, or 3) of the BI adapter connected to the CI adapter. The `BI#` variable represents the BI node number of the CI adapter. The `HSC#` variable represents the remote CI port number assigned to the specific HSC controller. The `unit#` variable is the device number of the system disk drive. The `@bcira.com` string invokes the HSC boot command procedure file.

Note

The BI adapter number, the BI node number, the HSC number, and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the `bcira.com` file, boots the alternate HSC disk, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.10 Booting a VAX 8820/8830/8840

On a VAX 8820/8830/8840 processor, the boot command you use depends on your hardware configuration. The following sections describe the boot commands for both local disks and remote disks connected to an HSC.

3.10.1 Booting a Local Disk

All of these processors have front-end console storage devices that contain boot command procedure files. The command procedure files that enable you to boot the default and alternate disks are:

- `defboo.cmd`, which boots the default system disk to multiuser mode
- `askboo.cmd`, which boots the default system disk to single-user mode
- `bdara.cmd`, which boots an alternate disk to single-user mode if the BI adapter is a KDB50

The following list describes the boot procedures for the various disks and modes:

- To boot the default system device to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

The console subsystem reads the `defboo.cmd` file, boots the default system device, and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default system device to single-user mode, type:

```
>>>b ask
```

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.cmd` file, boots the default system disk, and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate disk (where the BI adapter is a KDB50) to single-user mode, use the format:

```
>>> d r1 BIA#BI#  
>>> d r3 unit#  
>>> @bdara.cmd
```

The `BIA#` variable represents the number of the BI adapter (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5) connected to the KDB50. The `BI#` variable represents the BI node number of the KDB50 adapter. The `unit#` variable is the device number of the system disk drive. The `@bdara.cmd` string invokes the KDB50 boot command file.

Note

The BI adapter number, the BI node number, and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the `bdara.cmd` file, boots the alternate system disk, and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.10.2 Booting an HSC Disk

All of these processors have front-end console storage devices that contain boot command procedure files. The command procedure files that enable you to boot the default and alternate disks are:

- `defboo.cmd`, which boots the default system disk to multiuser mode
- `askboo.cmd`, which boots the default system disk to single-user mode
- `bcara.cmd`, which boots an alternate disk to single-user mode if the BI adapter is a BCA

The following list describes the boot commands for the various disks and modes:

- To boot the default system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

The console subsystem reads the `defboo.cmd` file, boots the default system device, and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default system disk to conversational mode, type:

```
>>>b ask
```

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.cmd` file, boots the default system device, and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate HSC disk to single-user mode when the CI adapter is a BCA, use the format:

```
>>> d r1 BIA#BI#  
>>> d r2 HSC#  
>>> d r3 unit#  
>>> @bcara.cmd
```

The `BIA#` variable represents the number (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5) of the BI adapter connected to the CI adapter. The `BI#` variable represents the BI node number of the CI adapter. The `HSC#` variable represents the remote CI port number assigned to the specific HSC controller. The `unit#` variable is the device number of the system disk drive. The `@bcara.cmd` string invokes the HSC boot command procedure file.

Note

The BI adapter number, the BI node number, the HSC number, and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the `bcara.cmd` file, boots the alternate HSC disk,

and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.11 Booting a VAX 8600 or a VAX 8650

On a VAX 8600 or VAX 8650, the boot command you use depends on your hardware configuration. The following sections describe the boot commands for both local disks and remote disks connected to an HSC.

3.11.1 Booting a Local Disk

Both of these processors have front-end console storage devices that contain boot command procedure files. These files enable you to boot the default and alternate disks. They are:

- `defboo.com`, which boots the default system device to multiuser mode
- `askboo.com`, which boots the default system device to single-user mode
- `mbahp.com`, which boots an alternate MASSBUS disk to single-user mode
- `ubara.com`, which boots an alternate UNIBUS disk connected to a UDA-50 controller to single-user mode

The following list describes the boot procedures for the various disks and modes:

- To boot the default system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

The console subsystem reads the `defboo.com` file, boots the default system device, and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default system device to single-user mode, type:

```
>>>b ask
```

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.com` file, boots the default system device, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate MASSBUS disk to single-user mode, use this format:

```
>>> d r1 SBI#TR#  
>>> d r3 unit#  
>>> @mbahp.com
```

The `SBI#` variable represents the Synchronous Backplane Interconnect I/O adapter number (either 0 or 1). The `TR#` variable represents the TR level number of the MASSBUS adapter. The `unit#` variable is the device number of the system disk drive. The `@mbahp.com` string invokes the MASSBUS boot command procedure file.

Note

The SBI number, TR level number, and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the `mbahp.com` file, boots the alternate disk to single-user mode, and displays this prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate UNIBUS disk connected to a UDA-50 controller to single-user mode, use this format:

```
>>> d r1 SBI#TR#  
>>> d r3 unit#  
>>> @ubara.com
```

The `SBI#` variable represents the SBI I/O adapter number (either 0 or 1). The `TR#` variable represents the TR level number of UNIBUS adapter. The `unit#` variable represents the device number of the system disk drive. The `@ubara.com` string invokes the UNIBUS boot command procedure file.

Note

The SBI number, the TR level number, and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the `ubara.com` file, boots the alternate disk to single-user mode, and displays the prompt:

Enter image name:

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.11.2 Booting an HSC Disk

The VAX 8600 and VAX 8650 processors have front-end console storage devices that contain boot command procedure files. The command procedure files that enable you to boot the default and alternate HSC disks are:

- `defboo.com` which boots the default system disk to multiuser mode
- `askboo.com` which boots the default system disk to single-user mode
- `cira.com` which boots an alternate system disk to single-user mode

The following list describes the boot commands for the various disks and modes.

- To boot the default system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>>b
```

The console subsystem reads the `defboo.cmd` file, boots the default system device, and brings the system up in multiuser mode.

- To boot the default system device to conversational mode, type:

```
>>>b ask
```

The console subsystem reads the `askboo.cmd` file, boots the default system device, and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

- To boot an alternate HSC disk to single-user mode, use this format:

```
>>> d r1 SBI#TR#  
>>> d r2 HSC#  
>>> d r3 unit#  
>>> @cira.com
```

The `SBI#` variable represents the Synchronous Backplane Interconnect I/O adapter number (either 0 or 1). The `TR#` variable represents the TR level number of the CI adapter. The `HSC#` variable represents the remote CI port number assigned to the specific HSC controller. The `unit#` variable represents the device number of the system disk drive. The `@cira.com` string invokes the HSC boot command procedure file.

Note

The SBI number, the TR number, the HSC number, and the unit number must be expressed in hexadecimal.

The console subsystem reads the `cira.com` file, boots the alternate HSC disk, and displays the prompt:

```
Enter image name:
```

In response to this prompt, enter the name of the kernel.

3.12 Building and Updating Boot Command Files

This section describes how you can build or update processor-specific boot command files. You have to build or update the processor-specific boot command files when you want to change the boot default system disk permanently. Some of the processors require you to build new boot command files, while others require you to update existing boot command files:

- The processors that require you to build new command files are the VAX-11/750, VAX 11/780, VAX 11/785, VAX 8600, and VAX 8650 processors.
- The processors that require you to update the existing boot command files are the VAX 6210, VAX 6220, VAX 8200, VAX 8500, VAX 8540, VAX 8550, VAX 8700, VAX 8800, and VAX 8810 processors.

The following sections contain the procedures for either building or updating a processor-specific, bootable console medium. The medium contains the necessary hardware support files and the command procedure files for booting the operating system.

Note

In some cases, the procedures require you to use the file editor, EDT. While some EDT commands are provided, you should have the appropriate Console Operator's Guide available for further EDT reference information.

3.12.1 Building a VAX-11/750 Console Cassette

In general, you do not need to build a new console cassette for a VAX-11/750. However, if your hardware supports an HSC configuration, you must build a new cassette to enable the HSC remote boot commands.

To build the cassette, follow these steps:

1. Invoke the `mkconsole` program by typing:

```
# etc/mkconsole
```

The program assumes that `/vmunix` is the running kernel. When you run the program, `mkconsole` prompts you to remove any cassette from the drive and insert a blank cassette.

2. Replace the original console cassette with a blank cassette, and press the RETURN key. The program responds with a brief message to explain its activity. At completion, the system prompt appears.

After building the new cassette, your system is able to boot a remote HSC device.

3.12.2 Building a VAX-11/780 or a VAX-11/785 Console Diskette

The procedure in this section describes how to build a boot command file that boots the current running system disk. The procedure assumes that the `/usr` file system is mounted.

During the creation of a bootable diskette, you may have to edit the boot command file to set either the memory starting addresses or to set interleaving if you have multiple memory controllers. Therefore, a brief description of the contents of the boot command file is also included in this section.

For either the VAX-11/780 or VAX-11/785 processors, there are several boot command files that you can use to start your system. The format of these command files is the same. Each one contains setup and initialization commands, several DEPOSIT statements, and several startup statements.

The DEPOSIT statements set the R0 through R5 General Purpose Registers (GPRs). These GPRs are evaluated by the Virtual Memory Bootstrap program `VMB.EXE`, to determine which device is to be booted. All DEPOSIT statements require hexadecimal values.

The GPRs and their meanings are:

- R0 – Boot device type code
- R1 – Processor-specific adapter information
- R2 – Controller number
- R3 – Unit number of the boot device

- R4 – Logical boot block number
- R5 – Boot control flags

Appendix B contains a complete listing of the values for each of these registers.

Example 3-1 shows a sample boot command file (`defboo.cmd`) for a VAX-11/780 processor.

Example 3-1: Sample VAX-11/780 Boot Command File

```
! RA BOOT COMMAND FILE - UNIBUS RA DISK
!
! THE UNIBUS ADAPTER TR LEVEL MUST BE DEPOSITED IN R1 AND THE
! UNIT NUMBER MUST BE DEPOSITED IN R3 BEFORE EXECUTING THIS PROCEDURE
!
HALT                ! HALT PROCESSOR
UNJAM               ! UNJAM SBI
INIT               ! INIT PROCESSOR
DEPOSIT/I 11 20003800 ! SET UP SCBB
DEPOSIT R0 11       ! UDA-MSCP DISK
DEPOSIT R1 3        ! TR LEVEL OF UNIBUS
DEPOSIT R2 3F468    ! CSR ADDRESS OFFSET = 3F468
DEPOSIT R3 0        ! PLUG # OF SYSTEM DISK
DEPOSIT R4 0        ! BOOT BLOCK LBN (UNUSED)
DEPOSIT R5 10008    ! BOOT ULTRIX TO MULTI USER
DEPOSIT FP 0        ! SET NO MACHINE CHECK EXPECTED
START 20003000      ! START ROM PROGRAM
WAIT DONE          ! WAIT FOR COMPLETION
                   !
EXAMINE SP          ! SHOW ADDRESS OF WORKING MEMORY 0x200
LOAD VMB.EXE/START:@ ! LOAD PRIMARY BOOTSTRAP
START @            ! AND START IT
```

There are several steps that you must follow to build an ULTRIX console diskette for the VAX-11/780 or VAX-11/785 processors:

1. Insert the RX01 console diskette into the diskette drive. This is the diskette that you use to initialize your hardware when you power up the system.
2. Run the `mkconsole` command:

```
# etc/mkconsole
```

This command assumes that `/vmunix` is the running kernel. When you run the `mkconsole` command, it displays a number of prompts and messages.

During this step, the `mkconsole` command instructs you to insert a blank diskette. Replace the RX01 console diskette in the drive with a blank diskette. When the new diskette is created, you can leave it in the diskette drive.

3. If you have multiple memory controllers, you may have to edit the `defboo.cmd`, `askboo.cmd`, and `restar.cmd` command files to change the memory starting addresses or interleaving settings. Check with your field service representative to get the correct starting addresses or settings for your system.

Before you can edit any of these files, you must extract them from the console diskette by using the `arff` command. After you modify the command files, replace them on the console diskette using the `arff` command before proceeding.

The `b` or `b ask` boot command options are available, as described in Section 3.5.

3.12.3 Updating VAX 6210/6220/6230/6240, VAX 6310/6320/6330/6340/6350/6360, or VAX 6000-series Boot Command Files

These processors store the boot data in Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory (EEPROM). The EEPROMs contain such data as the default boot device information.

Note

You can use the `/etc/mkconsole` program to get precise instructions for updating your console boot defaults.

To make changes to the EEPROM data, follow these steps:

1. Shutdown your system and halt the processor.
2. Reset the system by typing the `initialize` command at the console prompt. For example, type:

```
>>>initialize
```

3. Set the processor's selector switch to the "Update" position.
4. Enter the following commands to set the default multiuser boot command for a local disk and an HSC disk.

- For a local disk, use this syntax:

```
set boot default /xmi:BI# /bi:BI# /r5:10008 duunit#
```

For example, type:

```
>>>set boot default /xmi:e /bi:4 /r5:10008 du0
```

- For an HSC disk, use this syntax:

```
set boot default /xmi:BI# /bi:BI# /node:HSC# /r5:10008 duunit#
```

For example, type:

```
>>>set boot default /xmi:e /bi:4 /node:1 /r5:10008 du0
```

The variable numbers must be expressed in hexadecimal notation.

5. Enter the following commands to set the default single-user boot command for a local disk and an HSC disk. This allows a conversational boot to single user, using the `b ask` command.

- For a local disk, use this syntax:

```
set boot ask /xmi:BI# /bi:BI# /r5:1000b duunit#
```

For example, type:

```
>>>set boot ask /xmi:e /bi:4 /r5:1000b du0
```

- For an HSC disk, use this syntax:

```
set boot ask /xmi:BI/A# /bi:BI# /node:HSC# /r5:1000b duunit#
```

For example, type:

```
>>>set boot ask /xmi:e /bi:4 /node:1 /r5:1000b du0
```

The variable numbers must be expressed in hexadecimal notation.

6. Reset the selector switch from the "Update" setting to its original setting.
7. If you are booting a CI disk, make sure that the TK50 console tape is in the drive.
8. Boot the system to multiuser or single user mode:
 - Boot to multiuser mode by typing:

```
>>>b
```
 - Boot to single-user mode by typing:

```
>>>b ask
```

3.12.4 Changing the VAX 8200, VAX 8250, VAX 8300, and the VAX 8350 Boot Data

Each of these processors stores its boot data on Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory (EEPROM). The EEPROMs contain such data as the default console baud rate and the default boot device. To make changes to this data, you must run the EEPROM utility, which is stored on the diskette labeled: UTIL PROG FLP.

The EEPROM utility runs under the VAX Diagnostic Supervisor (VDS) software. Therefore, to run the EEPROM utility, you must boot the VDS software. The procedures for running the VDS software, as well as a complete description of the EEPROM utility's functionality, is described in your processor-specific Owner's Manual.

It may be necessary to update the EEPROMs to boot the diskette by default.

If your hardware supports an HSC configuration, you must build a new diskette to enable the HSC remote boot commands.

To build the diskette, follow these steps:

1. Invoke the `mkconsole` program by typing:

```
# etc/mkconsole
```

The program assumes that `/vmunix` is the running kernel. When you run the program, `mkconsole` prompts you to remove the RX50 diskette from the drive and insert a blank RX50 diskette in the same drive.

2. Replace the RX50 diskette with a blank write-enabled RX50 diskette and press the RETURN key. The program responds with a brief message to explain its activity. At completion, the system prompt appears.

After building the new diskette, your system is able to boot a remote HSC device.

3.12.5 Updating the VAX 8500, VAX 8530, VAX 8550, VAX 8700, VAX 8800, and VAX 8810 Boot Command Files

For each of these processors, there are several boot command files that you can use to start your system. The format of these command files is the same. Each command file contains setup and initialization commands, several DEPOSIT statements, and several startup statements.

The DEPOSIT statements set the R0 through R5 General Purpose Registers (GPRs). These GPRs are evaluated by the Virtual Memory Bootstrap program, VMB.EXE, to determine which device is to be booted. All of the DEPOSIT statements require hexadecimal values.

The GPRs and their meanings are:

- R0 – Boot device type code
- R1 – Processor-specific adapter information
- R2 – Controller number
- R3 – Unit number of the boot device
- R4 – Logical boot block number
- R5 – Boot control flags

Appendix B contains a complete listing of the values for each of these registers. Any of the register entries in these files can be changed, but the R1, R3, and R5 registers are the ones most likely to change.

Example 3-2 shows a sample boot command file (bdara.com) for a VAX 8700 processor.

Example 3-2: Sample VAX 8700 Boot Command File

```
SET VERIFY
! BDARA.COM
! REV 1.0
!
! COMMAND PROCEDURE TO BOOT ULTRIX FROM A BDA DISK.
!
! NEXT_PRIMARY is expected to point to the CPU that is to be used
! as the primary CPU.
!
! The following register deposits must be done before executing this
! command procedure or must be edited to correspond to the hardware
! configuration:
!
! R1 - Bus address information
! R3 - device unit number
!
SET TERMINAL OPA0          ! Set up logging
SET DEFAULT HEXADECIMAL, PHYSICAL, LONGWORD

.
.
.

INITIALIZE                ! Init primary
DEPOSIT R0 21              ! BDA boot device type code
!DEPOSIT R1 00             ! Boot device bus address:
                           ! <3:0>=BI node #, <5:4>=BI #
DEPOSIT R2 0               ! <31:24>=optional controller letter specifier
```

Example 3-2: (continued)

```
!DEPOSIT R3 %D0      ! Unit # of drive, decimal radix
SET DEFAULT HEXADECIMAL ! Reset radix
DEPOSIT R4 0          ! Not applicable
DEPOSIT R5 1000B      ! bits      purpose
                     ! <0>      ask for boot image name.
                     ! <1>      boot single user
                     ! <3>      boot ultrix
                     ! <16>     ignore memory soft errors.
FIND/MEM              ! Find 64kb of working memory; set cold
                     ! start bit
IF NOT $STATUS THEN @EXIT ! Boot if find was successful
EXAMINE SP            ! Show address of working memory + %X200
LOAD/MAINMEMORY/START=@ VMB.EXE ! Load VMB into good mem + %X200
START @              ! Start executing VMB
```

The steps to update the boot command files for these processors are:

1. Exit the console mode. To do this, type a CTRL/P at the superuser prompt and type the word `exit` at the console mode prompt:

```
# CTRL/P
>>>exit
$
```

The \$ prompt signifies that you are out of the console mode and under control of the operating system running on the PRO-380.

2. Make a copy of the `bdara.com` file, with the name `defboo.com`. For the 8800 processor, specify the subdirectory [8800], which contains the `bdara.com`

```
$ COPY [8800]bdara.com defboo.com
```

For the other VAX processors, copy the `bdara.com` file in the system default subdirectory:

```
$ COPY bdara.com defboo.com
```

Caution

Do not edit the `bdara.com` file. This file is required for future ULTRIX installations or may be needed to boot alternate system disks.

3. Edit the `defboo.com` file. You must use the EDT editor as described in the appropriate Console Operator's Guide. This editor is invoked with the `RUN EDT` command, followed by the file name that you want to edit:

```
$ RUN EDT
EDT> defbook.com
```

The entries that you may have to change are the R1, R3, and R5 register entries. At a minimum, you must remove the exclamation points (!) from the beginning of the R1 and R3 lines.

The R1 register entry specifies – from the left-most bits – the following:

- Bits 0 to 3 specify the number of the BI adapter node which is connected to the BUA.
- Bits 4 and 5 specify the NBIA adapter number.

- Bits 6 through 31 of the R1 register must be zero.

The R3 register specifies the unit (plug) number of the system disk drive.

The R5 register entry should read 10008, which specifies booting the ULTRIX operating system to multiuser mode.

- Exit the `defboo.com` file (after making the appropriate changes) and return to the `$` prompt.
- Make a copy of the `defboo.com` file, and name the copy `askboo.com`. For example, type:

```
$ COPY defboo.com askboo.com
$
```

The system uses the `askboo.com` file to boot the system in conversational mode.

- Edit the `askboo.com` file, using the EDT editor:

```
$ RUN EDT
EDT> askboo.com
```

The only register that you change is the R5 register. The R5 register entry should read 1000B. This causes the VMB.EXE program to boot the ULTRIX operating system to conversational single-user mode as described in Chapter 2.

- Exit the `askboo.com` file (after making the appropriate changes) and return to the `$` prompt.
- Return to the console monitor prompt by running the `control` program:

```
$ RUN CONTROL
```

This command causes the system to redisplay the console monitor prompt `>>>`.

- Return the console to the ULTRIX superuser prompt:

```
>>>set term prog
#
```

The `#` prompt indicates that you have returned to the ULTRIX operating system and can continue normal operations. You can now use the `b` and `b ask boot` commands to boot the system, as described in Section 3.8.

3.12.6 Updating the VAX 8820/8830/8840 Boot Command Files

There are boot command files for the VAX 8820/8830/8840 processors that you use to start your system. The format of these command files is the same. Each command file contains setup and initialization commands, several DEPOSIT statements, and several startup statements.

The DEPOSIT statements set the R0 through R5 General Purpose Registers (GPRs). These GPRs are evaluated by the Virtual Memory Bootstrap program VMB.EXE, to determine which device is to be booted. All of the DEPOSIT statements require hexadecimal values.

The GPRs and their meanings are:

- R0 – Boot device type code

- R1 – Processor-specific adapter information
- R2 – Controller number
- R3 – Unit number of the boot device
- R4 – Logical boot block number
- R5 – Boot control flags

Appendix B contains a complete listing of the values for each of these registers. Any of the register entries in these files can be changed, but the R1, R3, and R5 registers are the ones most likely to change.

To update the boot command files, follow these steps:

1. Exit the console mode. To do this, type a CTRL/P at the superuser prompt:

```
# CTRL/P
>>>
```

The >>> prompt signifies that you are running under control of the console operating system.

2. Make a copy of the `bdara.cmd` file with the name `defboo.cmd`. Copy the `bdara.cmd` file in the system default subdirectory:

```
>>>COPY bdara.cmd defboo.cmd
```

3. Edit the `defboo.cmd` file. You must use the EDT editor as described in the appropriate Console Operator's Guide. This editor is invoked with the `edit/edt` command, followed by the file name that you want to edit:

```
>>>edit/edt defboo.cmd
```

The entries that you may have to change are the R1, R3, and R5 register entries. At a minimum, you must remove the exclamation points (!) from the beginning of the R1 and R3 lines.

The R1 register entry specifies – from the left-most bits – the following:

- Bits 0 to 3 specify the number of the BI adapter node which is connected to the BUA.
- Bits 4 and 5 specify the NBIA adapter number.
- Bits 6 through 31 of the R1 register must be zero.

The R3 register specifies the unit (plug) number of the system disk drive.

The R5 register entry should read 10008, which specifies booting the ULTRIX operating system to multiuser mode.

4. Exit the `defboo.cmd` file (after making the appropriate changes) and return to the >>> prompt.
5. Make a copy of the `defboo.cmd` file, and name the copy `askboo.cmd`. For example, type:

```
>>>COPY defboo.cmd askboo.cmd
>>>
```

The system uses the `askboo.cmd` file to boot the system in conversational mode.

6. Edit the `askboo.cmd` file, using the EDT editor:

```
>>>edit/edt askboo.cmd
```

The only register that you change is the R5 register. The R5 register entry should read 1000B. This causes the VMB.EXE program to boot the ULTRIX operating system to conversational single-user mode as described in Chapter 2.

7. Exit the `askboo.cmd` file (after making the appropriate changes) and return to the `>>>` prompt.
8. Return the console to the `superuser` prompt:

```
>>>set term prog
#
```

The `#` prompt indicates that you have returned to the operating system and can continue normal operations. You can now use the `b` and `b ask` boot commands to boot the system, as described in Section 3.9.

3.12.7 Updating the VAX 8600 and VAX 8650 Console RL02 Disk

The procedure in this section describes how to create boot command files that will boot the current running system disk. This procedure assumes that the `/usr` file system is mounted.

To update the VAX 8600 or the VAX 8650 console RL02 disks, run the `mkconsole` command. This command assumes that `/vmunix` is the running kernel. Type:

```
# etc/mkconsole
```

The `mkconsole` command writes the ULTRIX support files, which include the `defboo.com` and `askboo.com` files, to the console RL02 disk.

You can now use the `b` and `b ask` commands to boot the system, as described in Section 3.10.

3.13 Booting a DECstation 3100 or a DECstation 2100

The following sections provide instructions for setting console environmental variables and for booting your processor. The boot command that you use depends on whether you are booting from disk, tape, or the network.

3.13.1 Setting Console Environmental Variables

You can define the default boot path and enable or disable automatic boot operations by setting specific console environmental variables.

To set the `bootpath` variable, use this syntax:

```
setenv bootpath rz(##,##)vmunix
```

The `bootpath` variable sets the default boot device. The first `#` specifies the SCSI controller number. The default value is 0. The second `#` specifies the unit number of the system disk drive. The third `#` specifies the disk partition. The default value is 0.

For example, to set the default boot device to an rz disk at controller 0, drive 1, partition 0, you would set the bootpath variable as:

```
>>setenv bootpath rz(0,1,0)vmunix
```

To set the bootmode variable, use this syntax:

setenv bootmode *variable*

The bootmode variable enables or disables automatic boot operation. To enable automatic boot to multiuser mode using the bootpath variable, set the bootmode variable to a. For example:

```
>>setenv bootmode a
```

To disable the automatic boot operation (that is, to suppress an automatic boot to multiuser mode after the RESET button has been depressed or as the result of a power on), set the bootmode variable to asterisk (*). For example:

```
>>setenv bootmode *
```

You can also set other console environmental variables. To get a listing of all of the variables, type:

```
>>printenv
```

For more information about the variables and for instructions on how to set each, see your hardware manual.

3.13.2 Booting a System Disk

You can boot the default disk or an alternate disk to either single-user or multiuser mode. The following list specifies the boot commands:

- To boot the default disk or the system disk to single-user mode, type:

```
>>boot
```

The system boots the device that was set in the bootpath console environmental variable described previously.

- To boot the default disk or the system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>auto
```

The system boots the device that was set in the bootpath console environmental variable described previously.

- To boot an alternate disk or kernel image to single-user mode, type:

```
>> boot -f rz(0,#,0)vmunix.new
```

- To boot an alternate disk or kernel image to multiuser mode, type:

```
>> setenv bootpath rz(0,#,0)vmunix.new  
>> auto
```

For additional information on startup modes, see Chapter 2.

3.13.3 Booting a TK50 Tape

When doing an installation or booting the standalone kernel for system management tasks, you may have to boot a TK50 tape. After installing the TK50 boot tape, type:

```
>>test -c
```

The console subsystem displays information that identifies the unit number of your tape drive and various other assignments. (Use this information to define the tape drive unit number (#) when you enter the boot command later on.)

After displaying identification information, the console subsystem reissues its prompt. Now you can enter the boot command using this format:

```
boot -f tz(0,#)
```

For example, to boot a SCSI tape (tz) at controller 0, drive 5, type:

```
>>boot -f tz(0,5)
```

3.13.4 Booting from the Network

You boot from the network when you are:

- Booting a diskless system
- Initiating an installation from a remote server
- Booting a standalone kernel from a remote server, in order to perform system management tasks

To boot the system from the network, enter this command:

```
>>boot -f mop()
```

3.13.5 Setting the Default Boot Device

You set the default boot device when you want to change the boot default system disk permanently.

To do this, follow these steps:

1. Shut down your system.
2. When the console prompt (>>) appears, type the command, using this format:

```
setenv bootpath rz(##,##)vmunix
```

The `bootpath` variable sets the default boot device. The first # specifies the SCSI controller number. The default value is 0. The second # specifies the unit number of the system disk driver. The third # specifies the disk partition. The default value is 0.

For example, to set the default boot device to an rz disk at controller 0, drive 1, partition 0, you would set the bootpath variable as:

```
>>setenv bootpath rz(0,1,0)vmunix
```

3. Use the `boot` command to reboot your new system disk to single-user mode.
4. Use the `auto` command to reboot your new system disk to multiuser mode.

3.14 Booting the DECstation 5000 Series and the DECsystem 5900

The following sections provide instructions for setting console environmental variables and for booting your processor. The boot command that you use depends on whether you are booting from disk, tape, CDROM or the network.

Note

If your ROMs are upgraded to TCF ROMs after ULTRIX has been installed, the `bootpath` environment variable is no longer used and you must set the `boot` environment variable.

3.14.1 Determining the Default Slot Number

To determine the default slot numbers for the controllers and devices configured on your system, type the following command at the console prompt:

```
>> cnfg
```

The `cnfg` command shows the options present on your system, displaying output like the following:

7:KNOZ-AA	DEC	V5.3a	TCF0	(16 MB)
6:PMAD-AA	DEC	V5.3a	TCF0	(enet:08)
5:PMAZ-AA	DEC	V5.3a	TCF0	(SCSI=7)
2:PMAZ-AA	DEC	V5.3a	TCF0	(SCSI=7)
1:PMAG-AA	DEC	V5.3a	TCF0	

The first column always displays slot numbers of the device controllers; the slot numbers differ with each configuration.

Table 3-1 lists the boot information for default SCSI devices that are attached to the controllers identified by the letters "SCSI" in the fifth column of the `cnfg` command display. Table 3-2 lists the boot information for default network devices that are attached to the controllers and identified by the letters "enet" in the fifth column of the `cnfg` command display.

Table 3-1: Default SCSI Devices for the DS5000-200

Boot Devices	cnfg Controller Identifiers	Device Name	Default Slot Number	Default Controller Number
Tape	SCSI	tz	5	0
Disk	SCSI	rz	5	0
CDROM	SCSI	rz	5	0

Table 3-2: Default Network Devices for the DS5000-200

Boot Devices	cnfg Controller Identifiers	Device Name	Default Slot Number	Default Controller Number
Network Options	enet	--	6	0

3.14.2 Determining the Boot Device Number

To determine the boot device number, use the `cnfg` command with the following syntax:

```
cnfg slot_number
```

For example, to determine the device number of a SCSI disk drive with a controller number of 0 and a slot number of 5, type the following command:

```
>> cnfg 5
```

In the command's display, the disk drive is identified by the letters "rz," followed by the device number (rz3, in the following example):

```
5:      PMAZ-AA   DEC      V5.3a      TCF0              (SCSI = 7)
-----
          DEV      PID              VID      REV      SCSI DEV
-----
          rz3      RZ56   (C)DEC      DEC      0200      DIR
                                   SEQ
```

With this information, you are now able to boot your system or set your system's environmental boot variable, because you know that the slot number of controller 0 is 5, the device name is rz, and device number of the boot device attached to that controller is 3 (rz3).

If the `cnfg slot_number` command shows that you have multiple devices configured on the same controller, you will have to know which device is the boot device. If you do not know which device is the boot device, consult your system administrator.

3.14.3 Setting the Console Environmental Variables

The following sections discuss how to set the console environmental variables for the `boot` and `haltaction` commands. To get a listing of the variables, type:

```
>> printenv
```

For more information about the variables and for instructions on how to set each, see your hardware manual.

3.14.3.1 Setting the System Disk Boot Variable

You can define the default boot path and enable or disable automatic boot operations by setting specific console environmental variables, depending on whether you will be booting from the system disk or from the network.

The `boot` environmental variable sets the default boot device. To set the `boot` variable for the system disk, use the `setenv` command with the following syntax:

```
setenv boot slot_number/device_name_number/unix_kernel [-a]
```

Replace *slot_number* with the slot number of the disk controller that is to be the default boot device. Replace *device_name_number* with the name and the device number of the default boot device. Replace *unix_kernel* with the pathname of the UNIX kernel that is to be the default kernel.

Use the `-a` switch to enable booting to multiuser mode by default.

Multiuser Mode – To set the `boot` environmental variable to boot to multiuser mode by default, you must set the `-a` switch and surround everything after the `boot` variable in double quotation marks (").

For example, to set the default boot device to an rz disk at slot 0, drive 1, with `vmunix` as the default kernel, and to set the default to boot to multiuser mode, type the following command:

```
>> setenv boot "0/rz1/vmunix -a"
```

Single-user Mode – To set the `boot` environmental variable to boot to single-user mode by default, do not set the `-a` switch.

For example, to set the default boot device to an rz disk at slot 0, drive 1, with `vmunix` as the default kernel, and to set the default to boot to single-user mode, type the following command:

```
>> setenv boot 0/rz1/vmunix
```

3.14.3.2 Setting the Network Boot Variable

The `boot` variable sets the default boot device. To set the `boot` variable for the network, use the `setenv` command with the following syntax:

```
setenv boot slot_number/mop [-a]
```

Replace *slot_number* with the slot number of the module that is to be the default boot device.

Use the `-a` switch to enable booting to multiuser mode by default.

Multiuser Mode – To set the `boot` environmental variable to boot to multiuser mode by default, set the `-a` switch and surround everything after the `boot` variable in double quotation marks (").

For example, to set the default boot device to the network at slot 0, and to set the default to boot to multiuser mode, type the following command:

```
>> setenv boot "0/mop -a"
```

Single-user Mode – To set the `boot` environmental variable to boot to single-user mode by default, do not set the `-a` switch. For example, to set the default boot device to the network at slot 0, and to set the default to boot to single-user mode, type the following command:

```
>> setenv boot 0/mop
```

3.14.3.3 Setting the haltaction Variable

The `haltaction` variable enables or disables automatic boot operation. To set the `haltaction` variable, use the `setenv` command with the following syntax:

```
setenv haltaction variable
```

To enable automatic boot mode using the `boot` variable, set the `haltaction` variable to `b` by typing the following command:

```
>> setenv haltaction b
```

To disable the automatic boot operation (that is, to suppress an automatic reboot after the reset button has been depressed or when power to the machine is turned on), set the `haltaction` variable to `h` by typing the following command:

```
>> setenv haltaction h
```

To force the system to restart when the reset button is pressed, and thereby do a memory dump, set the `haltaction` variable to `r` by typing the following command:

```
>> setenv haltaction r
```

3.14.4 Booting from a Disk

You can boot the system disk or an alternate disk or alternate kernel to either single-user or multiuser mode.

3.14.4.1 Booting from the System Disk

To boot the system disk to single-user or multiuser mode, type the following command:

```
>> boot
```

The system boots the device that was set in the `boot` console environmental variable.

3.14.4.2 Booting from an Alternate Disk or Kernel

To boot an alternate disk or kernel image to single-user or multiuser mode use the `boot` command with the following syntax:

```
boot slot_number/device_name_number/unix_kernel [-a]
```

Replace *slot_number* with the slot number of the controller attached to your boot device. Replace *device_name_number* with the name and the number of the boot device. Replace *unix_kernel* with the pathname of the alternate kernel. Use the `-a` switch and surround everything after the boot variable with double quotes to enable booting to multiuser mode.

For example, to boot an alternate kernel at slot 0, drive 5 to multiuser mode, type the following command:

```
>> boot "0/rz5/vmunix.new -a"
```

3.14.5 Booting from a TK50 Tape

When doing an installation or, when booting the standalone kernel for system management tasks, you may have to boot the system from a TK50 tape. After installing the TK50 boot tape, determine the device number of the drive for your device by following the instructions in Section 3.14.2.

For example, if the TK50 is attached to a SCSI controller at slot 5 (this is the most common configuration), type the following command:

```
>> cnfg 5
```

Use the `boot` command with the following syntax to boot your system:

```
boot slot_number/tzdevice_number
```

Replace *slot_number* with the slot number of the tape controller. Replace *device_number* with the device number of the SCSI tape drive from which you are booting.

For example, to boot a SCSI tape (tz) at slot 5, drive 5, type the following command:

```
>> boot 5/tz5
```

3.14.6 Booting from a CDROM

To boot the system, load the CDROM into the drive and wait for the drive to be on line and ready.

Determine the number of the drive for your device, as described in Section 3.14.2.

For example, if the CDROM is attached to a SCSI controller at slot 5 (this is the most common configuration), type the following command:

```
>> cnfg 5
```

A display appears that shows what is assigned to each device number on your system.

Use the `boot` command with the following syntax to boot your system:

```
boot slot_number/rzdevice_number/vmunix [-a]
```

Replace *slot-number* with the slot number of the CDROM controller. Replace *device-number* with the device number of your RRD40 optical disk drive. Use the `-a` switch and surround everything after the boot variable with double quotes to enable booting to multiuser mode.

For example, to boot the system to multiuser mode from RRD40 optical disk drive number 4 on slot number 1, type the following command:

```
>> boot "1/rz4/vmunix -a"
```

3.14.7 Booting from the Network

You boot your system from the network when you do one of the following:

- Boot a diskless system
- Initiate an installation from a remote server
- Boot a standalone kernel from a remote server to perform system management tasks

To boot the system from the network, use the `boot` command with the following syntax:

```
boot slot_number/mop [-a]
```

Replace *slot_number* with the slot number of the network controller. Use the `-a` switch and surround everything after the boot variable with double quotes to enable booting to multiuser mode.

For example, to boot from the network to multiuser mode on slot number 6, type the following command:

```
>> boot "6/mop -a"
```

3.15 Booting the DECstation 5400

The following sections provide instructions for setting console environmental variables and for booting your processor. The boot command that you use depends on whether you are booting from disk, tape, or the network.

3.15.1 Setting Console Environmental Variables

You can define the default boot path and enable or disable automatic boot operations by setting specific console environmental variables.

To set the `bootpath` variable, use the `setenv` command with this syntax:

```
setenv bootpath rz(##,##)vmunix
```


The `bootpath` variable sets the default boot device. The first number sign specifies the controller number; the default value is 0. The second number sign specifies the unit number of the system disk drive. The third number sign specifies the disk offset; the default value is 0.

For example, to set the default boot device to an `rf` disk at controller 0, drive 1, partition 0, you would set the `bootpath` variable as follows:

```
>>setenv bootpath rf(0,1,0)vmunix
```

To set the `bootmode` variable, use the `setenv` command with this syntax:

setenv bootmode *variable*

The `bootmode` variable enables or disables automatic boot operation. To enable automatic boot to multiuser mode using the `bootpath` variable, set the `haltaction` variable to `a`. For example:

```
>>setenv haltaction a
```

To disable the automatic boot operation (that is, to suppress an automatic reboot after the RESET button has been depressed or when power to the machine is turned on), set the `bootmode` variable to asterisk (*). For example:

```
>>setenv bootmode *
```

To force the system to restart when the reset button is pressed, and thereby do a memory dump, set the `bootmode` variable to `r`. For example:

```
>>setenv bootmode r
```

You can also set other console environmental variables. To get a listing of all of the variables, type:

```
>>printenv
```

For more information about the variables and for instructions on how to set each, see your hardware manual.

3.15.2 Booting a System Disk

You can boot the default disk or an alternate disk to either single-user or multiuser mode. The following list specifies the boot commands:

- To boot the default disk or the system disk to single-user mode, type:

```
>>boot -s
```

The system boots the device that was set in the `bootpath` console environmental variable described previously.

- To boot the default disk or the system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>boot
```

The system boots the device that was set in the `bootpath` console environmental variable described previously:

- To boot an alternate disk or kernel image to single-user mode, type:

```
>> boot -s -f tm(0,#0)vmunix.new
```

- To boot an alternate disk or kernel image to multiuser mode, type:

```
>> boot -f tm(0,#0)vmunix.new
```

For additional information on startup modes, see Chapter 2.

3.15.3 Booting a TK50 Tape

When doing an installation or booting the standalone kernel for system management tasks, you may have to boot a TK50 tape. After installing the TK50 boot tape, to invoke the console type:

```
>>maint
```

When the console prompt (`>>>`) appears, type this command:

```
>>>show devices
```

The console subsystem displays information that identifies the unit number of your tape drive and various other assignments. Use this information to define the tape drive unit number (#) when you enter the boot command later on. Type this command to return to the RISC console:

```
>>>exit
```

After displaying identification information, the console subsystem reissues its prompt. Now you can enter the boot command using this format:

```
boot -f tm(0,#)
```

For example, to boot a tape (tm) at controller 0, drive 5, type:

```
>>boot -f tm(0,5)
```

3.15.4 Booting from the Network

You boot from the network when you are:

- Booting a diskless system
- Initiating an installation from a remote server
- Booting a standalone kernel from a remote server in order to perform system management tasks

To boot the system from the network, enter this command:

```
>>boot -f mop()
```

3.15.5 Setting the Default Boot Device

You set the default boot device when you want to change the boot default system disk permanently.

To do this, follow these steps:

1. Shutdown your system.
2. When the console prompt (>>) appears, type the command, using this format:

```
setenv bootpath rf(##,##)vmunix
```

The `bootpath` variable sets the default boot device. The first # specifies the controller number. The default value is 0. The second # specifies the unit number of the system disk driver. The third # specifies the disk offset. The default value is 0.

For example, to set the default boot device to an rf disk at controller 0, drive 1, offset 0, you would set the bootpath variable as:

```
>>setenv bootpath rf(0,1,0)vmunix
```

3. Use the `boot -s` command to reboot your new system disk to single-user mode.
4. Use the `boot` command without the single user option to reboot your new system disk to multiuser mode.

3.16 Booting the DECsystem 5810/5820/5830/5840

The following sections provide instructions for setting console environmental variables and for booting your processor. The boot command that you use depends on whether you are booting from disk or tape.

3.16.1 Setting Console Environmental Variables

You can define the default boot path and enable or disable automatic boot operations by setting specific console environmental variables.

To set the `bootpath` variable, use this syntax:

```
setenv bootpath ra(/x0slot-number /bnode-number /cCI-number,##)vmunix
```

The `bootpath` variable sets the default boot device. Replace *slot-number* with the slot number of your XMI-to-BI bus adapter (XBI). Replace *node-number* with the node number on the XBI where your controller is located. Replace *CI-number* with the CI node number. The first # specifies the unit number of the system disk drive. The second # specifies the disk offset. The default value is 0.

For example, to set the default boot device to an ra disk with an HSC controller connected to CI slot number 4, and a BI adapter in slot E (hex) drive 1, partition 0,

you would set the bootpath variable as:

```
>>setenv bootpath ra (/x0xe/b4/c6,1,0)vmunix
```

You can also set other console environment variables. To get a listing of all of the variables, type:

```
>>printenv
```

For more information about the variables and for instructions on how to set each, see your hardware manual.

3.16.2 Booting a System Disk

You can boot the default disk or an alternate disk to either single-user or multiuser mode. The following list specifies the boot commands:

1. To boot the default disk or the system disk to single-user mode, type:

```
>>boot -s
```

The system boots the device that was set in the bootpath console environmental variable described previously.

2. To boot the default disk or the system disk to multiuser mode, type:

```
>>boot
```

The system boots the device that was set in the bootpath console environmental variable described previously.

3. To boot an alternate disk or kernel image to single-user mode, type:

```
>> boot -s -f ra(/xslot-number /b node-number /c Cl-number, #,0)vmunix.new
```

4. To boot an alternate disk or kernel image to multiuser mode, type:

```
>> boot -f ra(/xslot-number /b node-number /c Cl-number, #,0)vmunix.new
```

For additional information on startup modes, see Chapter 2.

3.16.3 Booting a TK50 Tape

When doing an installation or booting the standalone kernel for system management tasks, you may have to boot a TK50 tape. After installing the TK50 boot tape, type:

```
>>maint
```

to invoke the console. When the console prompt (>>>) appears, type this command:

```
>>show config
```

The console subsystem displays information that identifies what is assigned to each

slot number on your system. The display looks like this:

	Type		Rev
1+	KN58A/A	(8081)	0000
2	KN58A/B		
9+	MS62A	(4001)	0002
E+	DWMBA/A	(2001)	0002
XBI	E		
1+	DWMBA/B	(2107)	000A
2+	KDB50	(010E)	131C
4+	CIBCA	(0108)	41C2
6+	TBK70	(410B)	0307
C+	DEBNI	(0118)	0100

Record the slot number of your XBI adapter, which is hexadecimal E in the example. Also record the node number of your TBK70 controller, which is 6 in the example (Do not include the plus (+) sign that appears in the output.)

Type this command to return to the RISC console:

```
>>>exit
```

After displaying identification information, the console subsystem reissues its prompt. Now you can enter the boot command using this format:

```
boot -f tms(/x0xslot-number/bnode-number,unit-number)
```

Replace *slot-number* with the slot number of your XMI-to-BI bus adapter (XBI). Replace *node-number* with the node number of the XBI where your TBK70 controller is located. Replace *unit-number* with the unit number of your TBK70 controller. The unit number is always the same as the node number on the XBI where your TBK70 controller is located.

For example, to boot the system from XBI slot E (hex) for a TBK70 controller located on XBI node 6 type:

```
>>boot -f tms(/x0xe/b6,6)
```

3.16.4 Setting the Default Boot Device

You set the default boot device when you want to change the boot default system disk permanently.

To do this, follow these steps:

1. Shutdown your system.
2. Set the default boot device by setting the `bootpath` variable. For information on setting the `bootpath` variable, see Section 3.16.1.
3. Use the `boot -s` command to reboot your new system disk to single-user mode.
4. Use the `boot` command without the single user option to reboot your new system disk to multiuser mode.

The standalone ULTRIX environment is a diskless environment that has its miniroot file system within the data space of the running kernel. It is used to initiate ULTRIX installations.

The primary purpose of the standalone ULTRIX environment is to support the initial phases of an installation, which include selecting input and output devices, as well as restoring the root file system image to the target system disk. Throughout the installation process, full ULTRIX device drivers are used.

A secondary purpose of the standalone ULTRIX environment is to support system management activities. These activities include:

- Restoring a damaged root file system
- Checking the consistency of the root file system
- Restoring the boot block image
- Performing disk maintenance operations

The commands included in the standalone ULTRIX environment are those commands that assist in recovering from root file system corruption, and those that help perform general file system and disk maintenance tasks. You should therefore consider the standalone ULTRIX environment a limited and intentionally small environment that does not perform like a full

operating system environment. System management activities in the standalone ULTRIX environment should be performed by those individuals who have extensive ULTRIX or UNIX operating systems experience.

The sections in this chapter:

- Explain how to invoke the standalone ULTRIX environment
- Identify some of the more commonly used functional capabilities
- Describe how to extend the standalone ULTRIX environment so that additional commands can be used.

4.1 Invoking the Standalone ULTRIX Environment

The media and the commands that you use to invoke the standalone ULTRIX environment are dependent on the type of processor that you are using. These media and commands are identified and described in the *Guide to Installing ULTRIX*.

As part of the installation, the system prompts you to select one of three options:

- Basic Installation
- Advanced Installation
- System Management

Choose the third item, System Management, to invoke the Standalone ULTRIX Environment. The system responds by placing the system in single-user mode and by displaying the # shell prompt.

4.2 Standalone ULTRIX Environment Capabilities

The standalone ULTRIX environment enables you to perform all of the typical system management activities. The only difference is that, in some cases, you have to use system primitives instead of the more advanced system commands. For example, to make a new file system, you must use the `mkfs` command instead of the `newfs` command. This is because of the space limitation imposed on the standalone ULTRIX environment.

A limitation of the standalone ULTRIX environment is that only peripheral devices connected to controllers that have been assigned standard, fixed, CSR addresses are accessible when making special device files. At boot time, the system does not configure controllers assigned floating CSR addresses. When the special device files have been created with the `MAKEDEV` command, you have access to the functional capabilities of the standalone ULTRIX environment. These functional capabilities include the ability to do the following:

- Repair corrupted file systems with the `fsck` command
- Create new file systems with the `mkfs` command
- Restore the boot block with the `dd` command
- Restore file systems with the `restore` command
- Maintain disks with the `rzdisk` or `radisk` commands
- Mount other disks and file systems with the `mount` command

An example of the standalone ULTRIX environment's functional capability is described in the *Guide to Backup and Restore*. The description explains how to restore the root file system after a catastrophic event has occurred.

4.3 Extending the Standalone ULTRIX Environment

If you find that the commands and utilities provided by the standalone ULTRIX environment do not completely meet your needs, you can extend the environment to include access to other commands. To extend the standalone ULTRIX environment, perform the following steps:

1. Make the device special files for the device that contains the target commands. To do this, change directories as follows:

```
# cd /dev
```

After changing directories, use the following syntax to create the special device files:

```
MAKEDEVdevice
```

2. Mount the device. For example, to mount the /mnt file system, use the following format:

```
# mount device /mnt
```

This enables you to access any of the commands or files on that device. To see what commands and files are available, type:

```
# ls /mnt
```

The system responds by displaying the contents of /mnt.

This appendix identifies and defines the mnemonics that are used to attach any hardware or software device to your system. The mnemonics are used by the `/dev/MAKEDEV` shell script to create the character or block special files that represent each of the devices. The mnemonics also appear in the system configuration file, as described in the *Guide to Configuration File Maintenance*.

Table A-1 lists the mnemonics in nine categories: generic, systems, consoles, disks, tapes, terminals, modems, printers, and others. The generic category lists the mnemonics of a general nature and includes memory, null, trace, and tty devices. The systems category lists the mnemonic for DECstation system setup. The consoles category lists the system console devices that the ULTRIX operating system uses. The disks, tapes, terminals, modems, and printers categories identify the appropriate mnemonics for those devices. The others category lists the mnemonic for DECstation devices.

The description heading in Table A-1 identifies the corresponding device name. It does not define the mnemonic's use. For detailed information on the use of each mnemonic in relation to both the `MAKEDEV` script and the system configuration file, refer to the reference pages in Section 4 of the *ULTRIX Reference Pages*. If on-line reference pages are available, you can also use the `man` command. For instance, enter the following command at the system prompt to display the reference page for the Small Computer System Interconnect (SCSI) disk controller driver:

```
% man rz
```

Where appropriate, the SYNTAX section of the reference page defines the device's syntax as it should appear, in the `config` file. Refer to `/dev/MAKEDEV` for additional software device mnemonics that `MAKEDEV` uses. Refer to `MAKEDEV(8)` in the *ULTRIX Reference Pages* for a description of the `MAKEDEV` utility.

Table A-1 uses the convention of an asterisk (*) beside a mnemonic and a question mark (?) beside a device name to mean a variable number. The value of the variable number is dependent on the particular device.

Table A-1: Devices Supported by MAKEDEV

Category	Mnemonic	Description
Generic	boot*	Boot and std devices by cpu number; for example, boot750
	audit	Audit log device
	drum	Kernel drum device
	mvax*	All MicroVAX setups; for example, mvax2000
	vaxstation*	A VAXstation 2000 setup; for example, vaxstation2000
	std	Standard devices with all console subsystems
	errlog	Error log device
	kUmem	Kernel Unibus/Q-bus virtual memory
	kmem	Virtual main memory
	mem	Physical memory
	null	A null device
	trace	A trace device
	tty	A character terminal device
	local	Customer-specific devices
Systems	DECstation	A DECstation setup (for example, a DECstation 3100)
Consoles	console	System console interface
	crl	Console RL02 disk interface for VAX 86?0
	cs*	Console RX50 floppy interface for VAX 8??0
	ctu*	Console TU58 cassette interface for VAX 11/725/730/750
	cty*	Console extra serial line units for VAX 8??0
	cfl	Console RX01 floppy interface for 11/78?
Disks	ttyp	Console line used as auxiliary terminal port
	hp*	MASSBUS disk interface for RM?? drives and RP?? devices
	ra*	UNIBUS/Q-bus/BI/HSC/DSSI MSCP disk controller interface
	rb*	UNIBUS IDC RL02 disk controller interface for RB?? drives
	rd*	VAXstation 2000 and MicroVAX 2000 RD type drives
	rz	SCSI disks (for example, the RZ56)
	rk*	UNIBUS RK?? disk controller interface
	rl*	UNIBUS/Q-bus RL?? disk controller interface
	rx*	VAXstation 2000 and MicroVAX 2000 RX type drives
	fd	Floppy Disk (for example, the RX26)
Tapes	mu*	MASSBUS magtape interface (for example, the TU78)
	tms*	UNIBUS/Q-bus/BI/HSC/DSSI TMSCP tape controller interface
	rv*	UNIBUS/Q-bus/BI TMSCP optical disk
	ts*	UNIBUS/Q-bus TS11/TS05/TU80 magtape interface
	tu*	TE16/TU45/TU77 MASSBUS magtape interface
	st*	VAXstation 2000 and MicroVAX 2000 TZK50 cartridge tape
	tz*	SCSI tapes (for example, the TZU50)
Terminals	cx*	Q-bus cxa16
	cx*	Q-bus cxb16
	cx*	Q-bus cxt08
	dfa*	Q-bus DFA01 comm multiplexer
	dhq*	Q-bus DHQ11 comm multiplexer
	dhu*	UNIBUS DHU11 comm multiplexer
	dhv*	Q-bus DHV11 comm multiplexer
	dmb*	BI DMB32 comm multiplexer including dmbsp serial printer/plotter

Table A-1: (continued)

Category	Mnemonic	Description
	dhb*	BI DHB32 comm multiplexer
	dmf*	UNIBUS DMF32 comm multiplexer including dmfsp serial printer/plotter
	dmz*	UNIBUS DMZ32 comm multiplexer
	dz	UNIBUS DZ11 and DZ32 comm multiplexer
	sh*	MicroVAX 2000, 8 serial line expansion option
	ss*	VAXstation 2000 and MicroVAX 2000 basic 4 serial line unit
	fc*	VAXstation 60 basic 4 serial line unit
	dzq*	Q-bus DZQ11 comm multiplexer
	dzv*	Q-bus DZV11 comm multiplexer
	lta*	Sets of 16 network local area terminals (LAT)
	pty*	Sets of 16 network pseudoterminals
	qd*	Q-bus VCB02 (QDSS) graphics controller/console
	qv*	Q-bus VCB01 (QVSS) graphics controller/console
	sm*	VAXstation 2000 monochrome bitmap graphics/console
	sg*	VAXstation 2000 color bitmap graphics console
	lx	VAXstation 8000 color high-performance 3D graphics
	fg*	VAXstation 60 color bitmap graphics/console
Modems	dfa*	DFA01 integral modem communications device.
Printers	dmbsp*	BI DMB32 serial printer/plotter
	dmfsp*	UNIBUS DMF32 serial printer/plotter
	lp*	UNIBUS LP11 parallel line printer
	lpv*	Q-bus LP11 parallel line printer
Packet filter	pfilt	Packet filter devices; set of 64
Other	pm*	mono/color bitmap graphics/mouse/modem /printer/terminals for DECstation 3100

General Purpose Register Use by VMB.EXE (VAX Only)

B

The ULTRIX operating system uses I/O device drivers provided in the VMS Virtual Memory Bootstrap (VMB) program. The VMB program evaluates the contents of general purpose registers (GPRs) R0 through R5 to determine which device is to be booted. Where appropriate, installation procedures are set up to build default boot command files to bootstrap the system disk. If you wish to tailor the contents of boot command files, you can edit and replace them as necessary. This appendix is provided as a reference to show the use of the GPRs by the VMB program.

The following list defines the possible contents of the R0 through R5 registers. Values enclosed in < > signs define the bit positions for a particular parameter. For example: <07:00> means from bits 0 to 7. The notation MBZ means that the value must be zero.

Note

Input Parameters : (Registers expect hex values)

- R0:

- <07:00> boot device type code (RPB\$B_DEVTYPE)

Hex Value	Device
0	MASSBUS device (RM02/3,RP04/5/6/7,RM80)
1	RK06/7
2	RL01/2
3	IDC(almost an RA80) on 11/730
11	UDA-50 (note: values 1 - 1F are reserved for UNIBUS devices)
20	HSC on CI
21	BDA on BI
40	Console block storage device

- <15:08> reserved for future expansion
- <31:16> device class dependent (RPB\$W_R0UBVEC)
 - UNIBUS – optional vector address; 0 implies use the default vector
 - MASSBUS – not used

- R1: Boot device's bus address

11/780 & 11/730	<31:04> MBZ <03:00> TR number of adapter
11/750	<31:24> MBZ <23:00> address of the I/O page for the boot device's adapter
8600	<31:06> MBZ <05:04> A-bus Adapter number <03:00> TR number of the adapter
8800	<31:06> MBZ <05:04> NBIA Adapter number <03:00> BI node number of the adapter

- R2:

All controllers:	<31:24> controller letter designator (optional)
UNIBUS:	<23:18> MBZ <17:00> UNIBUS address of the device's CSR
MASSBUS:	<23:04> MBZ <03:00> adapter's controller/formatter number
CI:	<23:08> MBZ <07:00> HSC node number (station address)

- R3: Boot device unit number
- R4: <31:0> MBZ
- R5: Software boot control flags. The value -1 is reserved.

The following table defines the software boot control flags used by the ULTRIX operating system. The first column of the table contains a comment about the ULTRIX operating system's use of that control flag. If this column is blank, the flag is not required by the ULTRIX operating system. The second column defines the bit number of the register. The third column defines the control flag.

Table B-1: Software Boot Control Flags

Comment	Bit	Meaning
OPTIONAL (RB_ASKNAME)	0	RPB\$V_CONV Conversational boot. This bit will force ULTRIXBOOT to prompt the user for an image name which would presumably be different from the default vmunix. If the DIAG is also on, then the user is prompted for the diagnostic supervisor image name.

Table B-1: (continued)

Comment	Bit	Meaning
OPTIONAL (RB_SINGLE)	1	RPB\$V_DEBUG If this flag is set, the ULTRIX kernel image will be booted to single-user mode.
	2	RPB\$V_INIBPT Initial breakpoint. If RPB\$V_DEBUG is set, VMS executes a BPT instruction immediately after enabling mapping.
REQUIRED	3	RPB\$V_BBLOCK Secondary boot from boot block. Secondary bootstrap is a single 512-byte block, whose LBN is specified in R4. R4 must be 0 for ULTRIX.
OPTIONAL	4	RPB\$V_DIAG (RB_LOADDS for ULTRIX) Diagnostic boot. Causes ULTRIXBOOT to load the appropriate diagnostic supervisor by CPU type. The default path is /field/c?sa.exe, where the partition is specified in bits <31:28> of this register.
	5	RPB\$V_BOOBPT Bootstrap breakpoint. Stops the primary and secondary bootstraps with a breakpoint instruction before testing memory.
	6	RPB\$V_HEADER Image header. Takes the transfer address of the secondary bootstrap image from that file's image header. If RPB\$V_HEADER is not set, transfers control to the first byte of the secondary boot file.
	7	RPB\$V_NOTEST Memory test inhibit. Sets a bit in the PFN bit map for each page of memory present. Does not test the memory.
	8	RPB\$V_SOLICT File name. VM@ prompts for the name of a secondary bootstrap file.
	9	RPB\$V_HALT Halt before transfer. Executes a HALT instruction before transferring control to the secondary bootstrap.
	10	RPB\$V_NOPFND No PFN deletion (not implemented; intended to tell VM@ not to read a file from the boot device that identifies bad or reserved memory pages, so that VM@ does not mark these pages as valid in the PFN bitmap).
	11	RPB\$V_MPM Specifies that multiport memory is to be used for the total executive memory requirement. No local memory is to be used. This is for tightly coupled multiprocessing.
	12	RPB\$V_USEMPM Specifies that multiport memory should be used in addition to local memory, as though both were one single pool of pages.
	13	RPB\$V_MEMTEST Specifies that a more extensive algorithm be used when testing main memory for hardware uncorrectable (RDS) errors.
REQUIRED	14	RPB\$V_FINDMEM Requests use of MA780 memory if MS780 is insufficient for booting. Used for 11/782 installations.
	15	RPB\$V_AUTOTEST Used by Diagnostic Supervisor.
	16	RPB\$V_CRDTEST Specifies that memory pages with correctable (CRD) errors NOT be discarded at bootstrap time. By default, pages with CRD errors are removed from use during the bootstrap memory test.
	<27:17>	MBZ - Reserved for future expansion.

Table B-1: (continued)

Comment	Bit	Meaning
OPTIONAL (DIAG BOOT)	<31:28>	Redefines the default load file system partition. This field is used primarily with DIAG. The corresponding partition numbers and letters are: 0 = a 1 = b 2 = c 3 = d 4 = e 5 = f 6 = g 7 = h
SP		Must be set to 0x200

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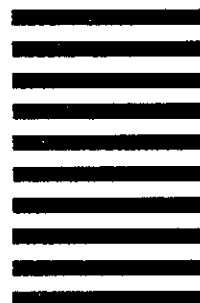
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