



Overall

This roll of magnetic tape is 3.82” (97.0mm) wide and probably about 50 feet long. There are perforations on both sides and it is rolled with magnetic-coated surface inward. It is marked “Made by Eastman Kodak Co., U.S.A.” and has a “Sawyer’s” logo on one side. (Sawyer’s made ViewMaster years ago.)

Non-magnetic side

This shows the non-magnetic side of the tape. As the tape was recorded, evidently the court stenographer marked the speaker on ball-point pen to denote who was speaking for the record. This indicates that the velocity of the tape in the lengthwise direction was quite moderate. Of course this marking left an impression through the material.

Paper labels were glued onto the front end of the tape afterwards.





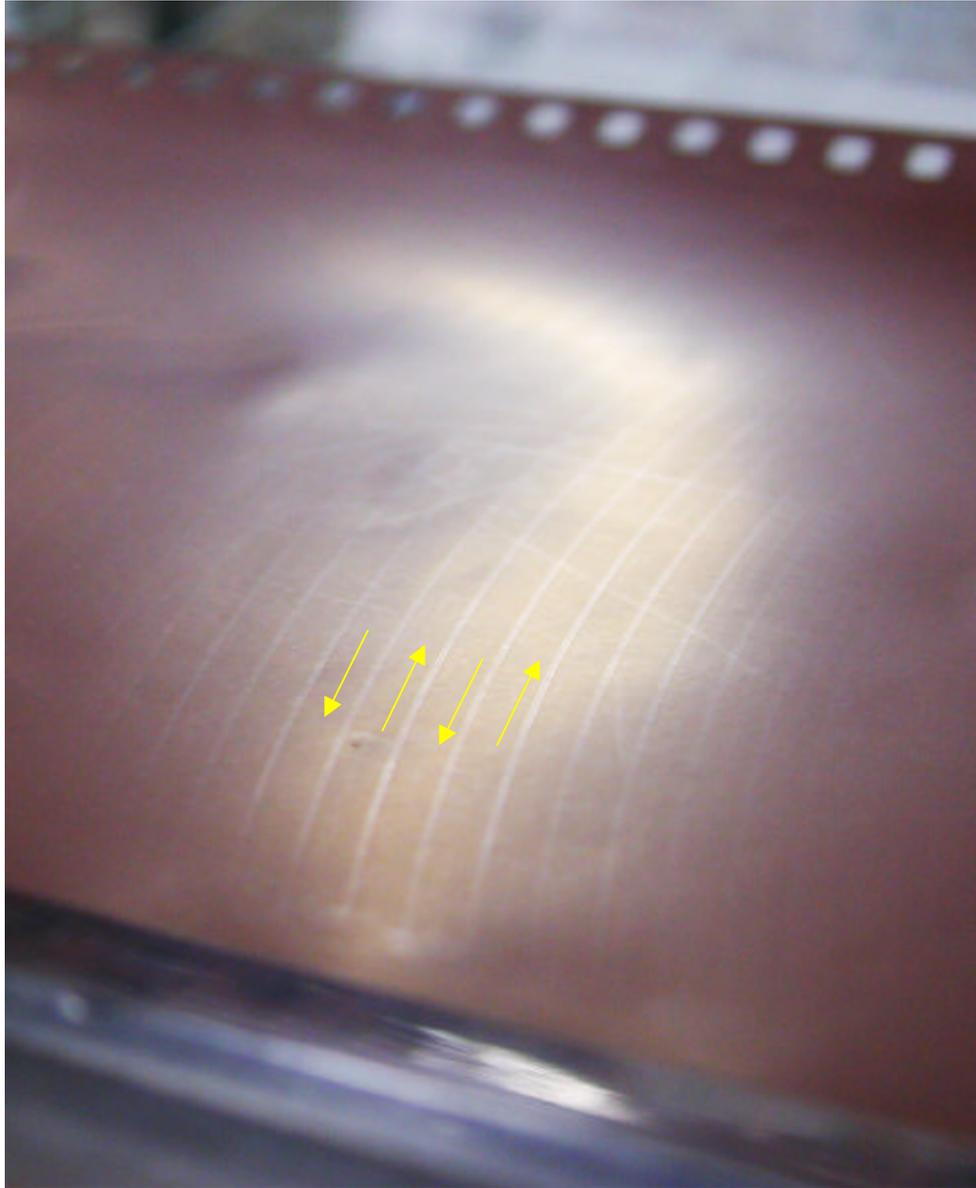
Magnetic Side

The width of the tape is 3.82" (97.0 mm); the pitch of the perforations are 0.167" (4.23mm) (1/6 inch); each perforation measures 0.075" (1.9 mm) by 0.110" (2.8 mm). The perforations are approximately 0.070" (1.8 mm) from edge of tape. The magnetic coating is from edge-to-edge of the tape. The thickness of the material is about 0.005" and has a faint smell of acetic acid.



Spool

The tape is wound on a plastic spool with a width of 4.15". There are two concentric bosses, one 0.40" dia. and the other is 0.20".



There is a very faint marking (presumably) of the path of the recording head on the oxide side. This marking looks as if it was caused by a head that moved on an arm about 5.25" long. The width of the track arc is about 3.00" and has a pitch of about 0.0933". There are about four marks at each end of the track where the tape advanced in some manner. We presume that the head wrote in some nearly continuous fashion. The track mark is not consistent with helical-scan.