## **TCS Crash Recovery Procedure**

If TCS crashes when the scope is not at stow or if TCS is shutdown when the scope is not at stow, **pointing will be lost**. To recover, follow the steps below:

- 1. Restart the TCS program if it is not up and running.
- 2. Determine if the telescope is at zenith or not. If it is, precede to step 3. If not, there are three ways to get the telescope close to zenith.
  - 1. Use the Hard stow (Hardware Stow) feature in TCS.
  - 2. Use the setting circles on the side of RA and DEC drives if they are available.
  - 3. Use the hand paddle to get the telescope as close to zenith as possible by using the bubble level on the NW side of the scope (only at 90") or a carpenter's level by checking in the North/South and East/West directions.
- 3. Once the base of the telescope is as level as possible on the TCS computer
  - 1. Source  $\rightarrow$  Keyboard  $\rightarrow$  <Enter>

