

AED 2500

USERS MANUAL
FLOPPY DISK STORAGE SYSTEM

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INTRODUCTION

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The AED 2500 Flexible Disk Sub-system is a compact, direct access, removable disk unit intended to simplify the distribution, processing and storage of digital information.

The 2500 is designed for applications that demand data handling simplicity and convenience, plus a high degree of operational reliability. Typical applications for the 2500 are control store loading, auxiliary storage, data logging, key-entry recording, programmable calculator storage, point-of-sale recording, accounting machine storage and minicomputer storage.

The 2500 is composed of a drive mechanism, power supply, formatting electronics, drive electronics, computer interface, and mechanical package. Connections are made to the host system by a signal cable.

The 2500 can write and read disks interchangeably from unit to unit.

The FD/IV Flexible Disk Cartridge used in the 2500 is a flat disk composed of a Mylar substrate coated with a magnetic oxide. For protective purposes during handling, operation and storage, the disk is encased in a flexible plastic envelope, eight inches square by one-sixteenth inch thick.

DESIGN FEATURES

The 2500 includes the following operational features:

Digital Applications Oriented

Designed specifically for digital data processing applications. Its unique design makes it an attractive alternative to tape cassettes, tape cartridges, paper tape, or card readers.

High Performance Parameters

The 2.5 megabit capacity, 250K bps transfer rate, and random access capability, makes it an ideal device for applications requiring low-cost, on-line data storage.

INTRODUCTION

The formatter can control up to 4 each MEMOREX 651 Flexible Disk Drives, each drive capable of seeking between tracks independent of the other drives. However, only one drive at a time can transfer data. A write protect bit can be recorded at the time a track is initialized to allow selected records to be protected. An error detection word is recorded after the address during initialize and after a data record. This allows automatic error detection during read back. The sector capacity is jumper selectable from 64 words to 1028 words; the record length then is programable between 2048 (track record) and the selected sector capacity.

All communication to the formatter is by 16 bidirectional timed multiplexed lines with 4 function select input lines. Also, status lines to generate interrupts are available from the Formatter.

COMMAND FORMAT

When the command function input is true the 16 data lines are defined as follows:

Command Out	UNIT	FUNCTION	TRACK ADDRESS	SECTOR ADDRESS	
Bits 0-1	Contain	the drive select	bits		
Bit 2		sector/track reco			ration, use
Bits 3-4	Defines	operation			
	00 Reze 01 Read 10 Writ 11 Init	4			
Bits 5-15		address of reques			

STATUS FORMAT

When the status function is true, the 16 data lines are defined as formatter status.

. •		0	1 .	2 3	4	5	6&7	8 11	12	15
Sto	atus In	DF	AM	Rd Error	Wrt Error	Sel Error	Spare	Busy Seek	On Line	
Bit	0	Data Flag – when true indicates that the formatter is ready to accept the next word when writing, or the next word is available when reading. This Bit is reset when a Data In or Data Out function is true.								
Bit	1	Address Mark Flag – When true indicates that the address mark will be on the data lines when the Data In function is true.								
Bit	2	Error indication that the specified address not found with- in 2 revolutions.								
Bit	3	Error indication that a error check was detected – either address or data field.								
Bit	4	Write error – indication that selected drive unsafe, latch is set or write attempt on protected record.								
Bit	5	Select error – attempt to select either more than one drive or two non–existant drives								
Bit	6&7	Spo	are							
Bit	8-11	B us	y Seeki ck.	ing – ind	ication t	hat drive	e 0−3 is r	not on sp	ecified	
Bit	12-15	On line – indication that drive 0–3 is not on line (drive motor off).								

Data Input

When the data in function is true the data lines will indicate the contents of the output buffer of the formatter. The data will be valid only for 64 microsec. after the data flag goes true. When reading address marks, the data lines will also be valid for 64 microsec. after the address mark flag goes true.

Data Output

When the data out function is true, the formatter input buffer will be set to the status of the data lines. When writing, the data out commands must be received within an average of 64 microsec. but in no case longer than 128 microsec. after the data flag is set. If the above requirements are violated, the record will be completed by writing zeros until the sector/ track is full. An interrupt line is available to indicate that the full record is written.

Controls

Write Protect Switch - When on and track record selected during an initialize, the address mark will have a write protect bit recorded. When off, write of a protected sector/track is inhibited.

Initialize Switch - When on allows address marks to be written. If off, the initialize function is inhibited.

Logical Select Switches - Assigns address to each physical drive. If more than one drive is at the same address a select error is indicated when selection is commanded.

Indicators

The following status indications are displayed on the front panel.

Select

One for each drive

Seek Error

Same as bit 2 of status

Data Check Error

Same as bit 3 of status

File Unsafe

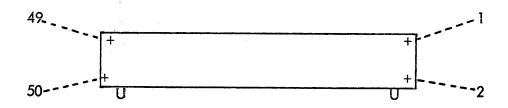
Any drive unsafe

Select Error

More than one drive selected or requested drive

address does not exist.

Connector J1 3M part no. 3433--1003 (mates with 3M part no. 3425--0000)



As viewed from pin side

PIN #	SIGNAL	All signals are low true
1	-D8	er.
3	-D9	Note: All even numbered pins
5	-D3	248 are logic ground
3 5 7 9	-D2	
9		
11	-D15	
13	-Data Out	
15	-D7	
17		
19	-D6	
21	-D5	
23	-Command Out	
25	-D14	
27	-Status In	
29	-D4	
31	-D1	
33	-Data Flag	
35	-DØ	
37	-D11	
39	-Device End	
41	-D12	
43	-D10	,
45	-IPL	
47	-D13	
49	–Data In	

FUNCTIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

DISK DRIVE

GENERAL OPERATION

The drive consists of control and read/write electronics, disk drive motor, read/write head, head actuator, track access mechanism, and removable disk. The primary functions performed by the drive are:

- * Receive and generate control signals
- * Access the appropriate track
- * Write or read data upon command

The internal functions of the drive and the required interface signals to and from the using system are shown in Figure 1. The Read, Write, Safety and Control Logic are the interface electronics between the formatter and drive. The Track Positioning Actuator positions the read/write head to the desired track on the disk. The Head Load Actuator loads the disk against the read/write head and data may then be recorded or read from the disk. Each of the logic blocks and signal names shown are later discussed under Logic and Analog Functional Descriptions.

The electronics are packaged on one PCB. The PCB contains:

- 1. Sector/Index Detector Circuits
- 2. Track Position Actuator Driver
- 3. Head Load Actuator Driver
- 4. Read/Write Amplifier and Transition Detector
- 5. Data/Clock Separation Circuits
- 6. Safety Sensing Circuits

An electrical stepping motor (Track Position Actuator) and lead screw positions the read/write head. The stepping motor rotates the lead screw clockwise or counterclockwise in 15° increments. A 15° rotation of the lead screw moves the read/write head one track position. The using system increments the stepping motor to the desired track. Track verification is accomplished by checking track addresses.

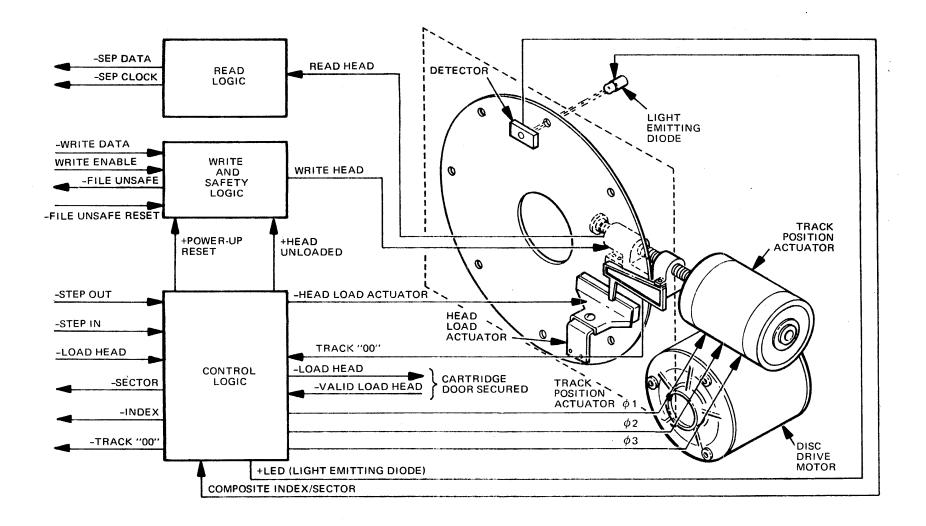


Figure 1. Functional Diagram

The disc drive motor rotates the spindle at 375 rpm through a belt-drive system. 50 or 60 Hz power is accommodated by means of a stepped pulley. A registration hub, centered on the face of the spindle, positions the disc. A clamp (that moves in conjunction with the insertion door) fixes the disc to the registration hub.

The read/write head is in direct contact with the disc. The head surface has been designed to obtain maximum signal transfer to and from the magnetic surface of the disc with minimum head/disc wear. The write portion of the head is wider than the read portion. When reading with a narrow head, a normal deviation from the center of the track does not affect the signal-to-noise ratio, and permits disc interchangeability from unit to unit.

The read/write head is mounted on a carriage that is moved by the lead screw. As shown in Figure 2, head load is achieved when the disc is lightly loaded against the rigidly mounted head by moving a load pad against the disc with a solenoid actuated bail. Head to disc compliance is achieved by restraining the disc between the head and the load pad.

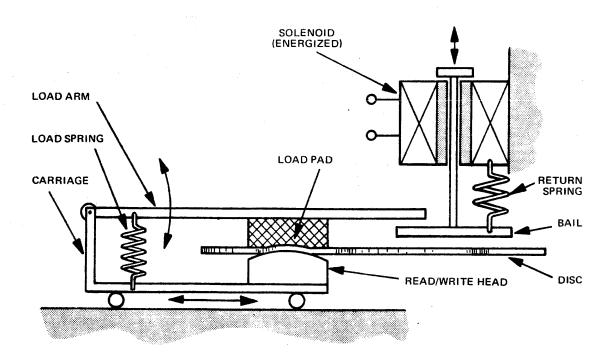


Figure 2. Head Load Mechanical Assembly

The disc is vertically mounted in the 651 it rotates at 375 rpm in a plastic envelope, which protects and cleans the recording surface during operation. The disc, 7.5 inches in diameter, has 32 holes spaced around the periphery for sector definition. There is also one additional hole for indexing. Figure 3 shows the disc cartridge and disc configuration.

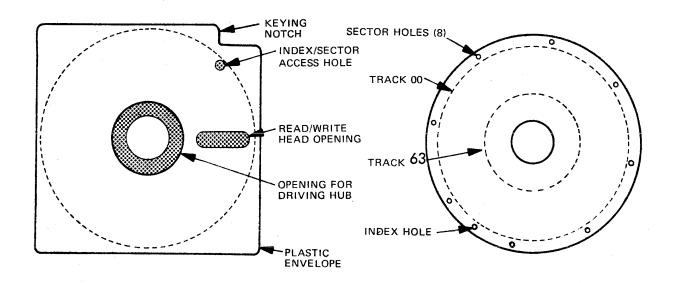


Figure 3. Disc Cartridge and Disc Configuration

LOGIC AND ANALOG FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTIONS

This section discusses each logic block and signal name shown in Figure 1. The descriptions are divided into each of three logic blocks: Control, Write and Safety, and Read.

Control Logic

The basic functions of the Control Logic are to place the read/write head on the proper track, hold the disc against the head for write or read operations, and indicate disc rotational position. Control and formatter functions are as follows.

STEP OUT

Increments the Track Position Actuator. Each pulse moves the head one track outward from the center of the disc.

STEP IN

Increments the Track Position Actuator. Each pulse

moves the head one track inward toward the center of

the disc.

LOAD HEAD

Loads or unloads the disc from the read/write head.

SECTOR and INDEX

Provides disc sector and index position information. Each signal is a separate output. These pulses are generated from equally spaced holes located around the periphery of the disc (Figure 3) and are used for the

formatting and orientation of data on the disc.

TRACK 00

Indicates when the read/write head is located at

Track 00.

Transducer signals between the 2500 Control Logic and electromechanical assemblies are as follows:

POWER-UP RESET

Resets the internal logic to the proper state when power

is turned on.

HEAD UNLOADED

Logic signal to the Write and Safety Logic to insure that

the disc is loaded against the read/write head before

write operations begin.

HEAD LOAD ACTUATOR

Energizes the solenoid shown in Figure 2. It is a function

of LOAD HEAD.

TRACK 00

Switch closure indicating that the read/write head is

located at Track 00.

LOAD HEAD, VALID LOAD HEAD

Switch closure interlock indicating that the cartridge

door is secured. If this condition is not satisfied, the

read/write head cannot be loaded.

TRACK POSITION ACTUATOR

Driving function to increment the Track Position Actuator motor clockwise or counterclockwise. It is a function of STEP OUT or STEP IN.

LED

Provides power to the Light Emitting Diode (LED).

COMPOSITE INDEX/SECTOR

Detector signal input to the Control Logic. As shown in Figure 3, 32 holes (0.10 inches diameter) divide the disc into equal sectors. The ninth hole (same diameter) spaced midway between two sector holes indicates one disc revolution. The LED and Detector (photo transistor) are placed on opposite sides of the disc (Figure 1). As the disc revolves, the holes pass between the LED and Detector illuminating the Detector and turning it on. The Detector output is shaped by a threshold detector and an output pulse is obtained. Output is normally at +5 Volts with a transition to 0 Volts for the pulse. Internally within the Control Logic, the INDEX and SECTOR signals are separated and are transmitted via separate interface lines.

Write and Safety Logic

The basic function of the Write and Safety Logic is to convert digital data received from the user into analog form for recording on the disc, and to insure that the file is in proper condition before recording begins. Formatter functions are as follows:

WRITE DATA

A generated composite signal consisting of alternating data and clock

WRITE ENABLE

A gating function activated during the write operation. This signal is used to control the recording of data on the proper track and sector.

Read/Write Capability Designe

Designed to be used as a file in applications re-

quiring recording and retrieving of data on a disk

interchangeable basis.

Compact Small and compact allows the designed more free-

dom for integration into a system.

Interlocks Contains interlocks which prevent damage to a disk

during loading or unloading

Write Protect Logic is provided to disable the write circuits should

the user wish to protect data recorded on the disk.

Reliability Designed for trouble-free operation with exception-

ally reliable data handling capabilities.

OPTIONS

The following options can be provided with the 2500

Power Available for 220 Vac 50/60 Hz applications •

Chassis Slides Available with chassis slides where there are space

limitations and easier accessibility is desired for

servicing.

FILE UNSAFE

Any one of the underlisted electronic conditions within the 2500 can produce this signal and disable the write driver circuits:

- 1. Write enable and no write current.
- 2. Write current and no write enable.
- 3. Write enable and head not loaded.
- 4. Write enable and no write data.

FILE UNSAFE RESET

Resets a latch in the Write and Safety Logic block when conditions have been corrected which produced the FILE UNSAFE signal. Initially, when power comes on, the latch is reset automatically within the 2500.

Transducer signal communication between the 2500 Write Logic and the write head is as follows:

WRITE HEAD

Supplies current to the write head. The direction of this current reverses each time a WRITE DATA pulse is received.

Read Logic

The basic function of the Read Logic is to receive pulses from the disc and convert this composite signal into separate clock and data lines. Data and clock come from the Read Logic block when the disc is loaded onto the head. Formatter functions are as follows:

SEP DATA

Digital data bits read from the disc.

SEP CLOCK

Digital clock bits read from the disc.

Installation

ENVIRONMENT

The file is designed to operate within the temperature and humidity ranges specified in Table 2.

TABLE 2. TEMPERATURE-HUMIDITY RANGES FOR FILE AND DISC CARTRIDGE

	OPERATING	NON-OPERATING
Temperature	60°F to 100°F	40°F to 120°F
Relative Humidity	20% to 80%	90% max
Wet Bulb Temperature (max)	78° F	o o no max
Heat Generated (max)	346 BTU/hr	

The disc must be used within the operating temperature and humidification conditions specified above to ensure interchangeability. Also, exposure of the disc to magnetic fields greater than 50 oersteds can cause loss of data.

Performance of the 2500 can be seriously degraded by improper environment. Dust and other airborne contaminants are a major threat to the operating life of the recording components and the actuator. The file utilizes a vertical disc drive arrangement to minimize particle settling at the head/disc area. Environmental protection similar to that used for magnetic tape and removable disc pack installations should be observed.

CONNECTORS AND CABLES

All internal cables are factory installed prior to shipment.

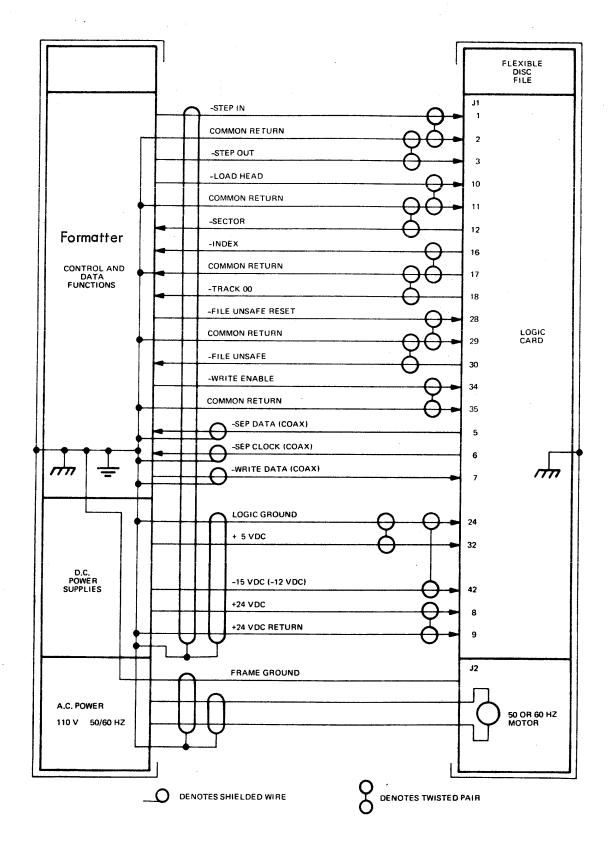


Figure 13. Flexible Disc Wiring Diagram

POWER

The power inputs required are listed in Table 7.

TABLE 7. POWER PARTITIONING

POWER SIGNAL DESIGNATION	CONNECTOR AND PIN	POLARITY	DRIVE CHARACTERISTIC	PULSE WIDTH	COMMENTS
LOGIC	J1-24	Logic	Logic ground	Logic ground	DC power supply
GROUND		ground			ground
+5VDC	J1-32	Positive	+5 ± 0.10VDC	Power	Logic Power
*			@ 0.6A	level	supply
			50 mv ripple		
-15VDC	J1-42	Negative	-15 ± 0.30VDC		DC power supply
•			@ 0.12A	Power	for read/write
			50 mv ripple	level	amplifiers
(-12VDC)*			-12 ± 0.25VDC		
			@ 0.12A		
			50 mv ripple		
+24VDC	J1-8	Positive	+22 ± 1VDC	Power	DC power supply
			@ 2.0A	level	for head positioning
			100 mv ripple		motor and head load
					solenoid
+24VDC	J1-9	DC Power	DC power	DC power	+24VDC power
RETURN		ground	ground	ground	ground
110 VAC	J2	Line	110 ± 10% VAC		Must be provided
50/60Hz	Three	AC	@ 0.75A	Line	from a branch
	terminal		50/60 ± 0.5Hz	AC	circuit protected
	socket		single phase		at no more than
					20 amperes.
FRAME	J2	Frame	Frame	Frame	Center socket
GROUND	Center	ground	ground	ground	of 3-wire AC
	Socket				socket

^{*}May be used in lieu of -15 Volts with no modifications to the file or cables.

Operating Procedures

Operation of the 2500 is fully automated requiring no operator intervention during normal operation. The disc cartridge should be handled carefully when being inserted or removed from the 2500. The following paragraphs give procedures necessary for insertion of the disk cartridge in the 2500 and for cartridge handling. Also included are some suggested software procedures for handling error conditions which might occur during writing or reading operations.

CARTRIDGE LOADING AND HANDLING

The cartridge consists of the flexible disc encased in a plastic jacket. Wipe cushions are bonded to the inside of the jacket. The disc is housed and rotates between these cushions during normal operation. Figure 17 shows how the cartridge is inserted in the cartridge guide. This is accomplished by merely opening the door, inserting the cartridge into the cartridge guide, and closing the door.

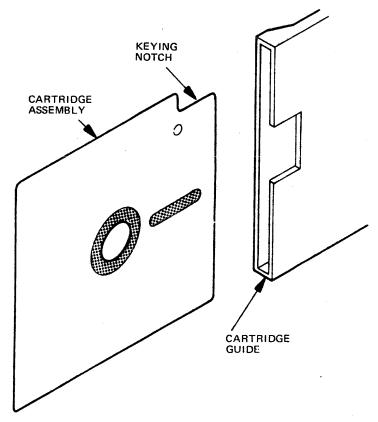


Figure 17. Cartridge Loading

When removed from the 2500, the cartridge is stored in a plastic coated envelope, to protect the cartridge, the same care and handling procedures specified for computer magnetic tape apply. These precautionary procedures are as follows:

- 1. Return the cartridge to its storage envelope whenever it is removed from file.
- 2. Store cartridges vertically.
- Keep cartridges away from magnetic fields and from ferromagnetic materials which might become magnetized. Strong magnetic fields can distort recorded data on the disc.
- 4. Replace storage envelopes when they become worn, cracked, or distorted. Envelopes are designed to protect the disc.
- 5. Do not write on the plastic cartridge with a lead pencil or ball-point pen. Writing pressure may damage the disc.
- 6. Do not smoke while handling cartridges. Heat and contamination from a carelessly dropped ash can damage the disc.
- Do not expose cartridges to heat or sunlight. The read/write head on the 2500 cannot properly track a warped disc.
- 8. Do not touch or attempt to clean the disc surface. Abrasions may cause loss of stored data.

ERROR DETECTION AND CORRECTION

Write Error

If an error occurs during a write operation, it will be detected on the next revolution by doing a read operation, commonly called a "write check". To correct the error, another write and write check operation must be done. If the write operation is not successful after 10 attempts have

been made, error correction should be attempted on another track. If the error still persists, the disc should be considered defective and discarded.

Read Error

Most errors that occur will be "soft" errors; that is, by performing an error recovery procedure the data will be recovered.

Soft errors are usually caused by:

- Airborne contaminants that pass between the read/write head and the disc. These contaminants will generally be removed by the cartridge self-cleaning wiper.
- 2. Random electrical noise which usually lasts for a few μ sec.
- 3. Small defects in the written data and/or track not detected during the write operation which may cause a soft error during a read.

The following procedures are recommended to recover from the above mentioned soft errors:

- 1. Reread the track 10 times or until such time as the data is recovered.
- 2. If data is not recovered after using step 1, access the head to the adjacent track in the same direction previously moved, then return to the desired track (i.e., if at track 20, then moved to track 30 where an error occurs, move to track 31, and return to track 30.)
- 3. Repeat Step 1.
- 4. If data is not recovered, the error is not recoverable.

CARTRIDGE GUIDE ASSEMBLY

FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

File accessing components consist of the Cartridge Guide Clamp, Huband Spindle, and Head Load Actuator assemblies. The purpose of this electromechanical assembly group is to properly position the cartridge and disk for accurate track addressing, place the disk in contact with the head, and rotate the disk.

CARTRIDGE GUIDE ASSEMBLY - Description

A cartridge inserted in the cartridge guide correctly positions the disk between the clamp assembly and the hub for proper rotation and track accessing when the drive motor is operating. The cartridge guide is mounted on pivots that permit it to be swung outward to provide access to other assemblies. An extension spring retains the cartridge guide in its normal position.

CARTRIDGE GUIDE ASSEMBLY - Removal

- 1. Remove Light Emitting Diode assembly
- 2. Disconnect and remove extension spring

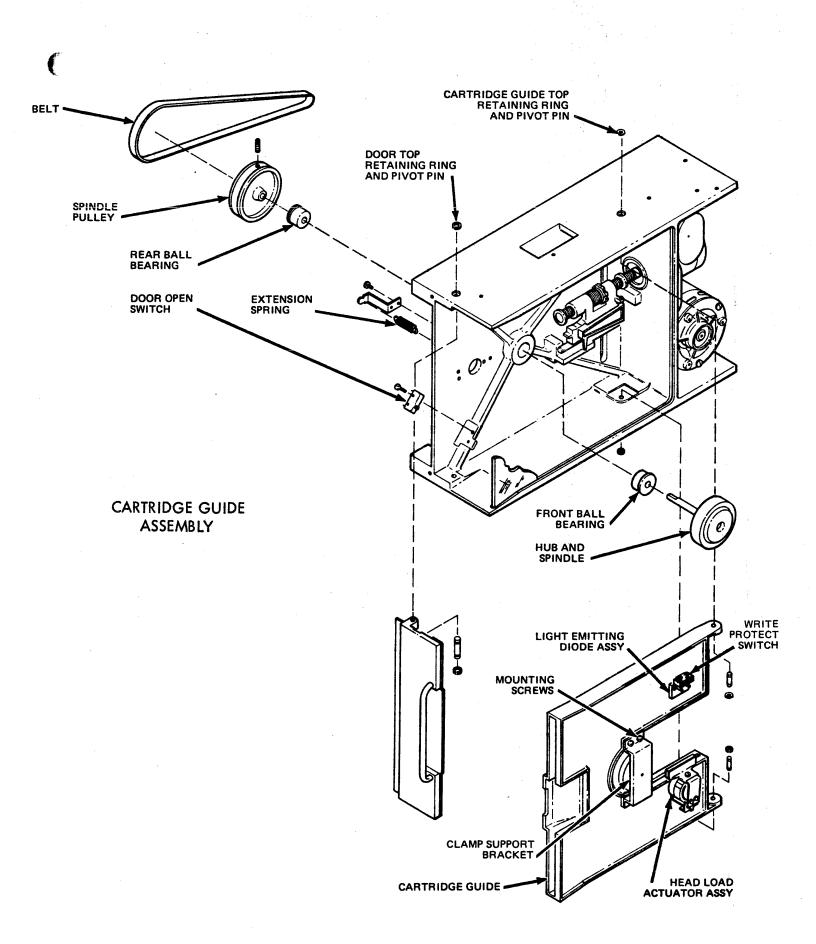
CAUTION

Top and botton pivot pin retaining rings are different. When removing rings, identify for correct reinstallation. Bottom two rings are wavy in shape.

- 3. Remove Head Load Actuator assembly.
- 4. Remove top two pivot pin retaining rings.
- 5. Remove bottom two pivot pin retaining rings.
- 6. Remove tope and bottom pivot pins.
- 7. Pull cartridge guide straight out from drive front.

CARTRIDGE GUIDE ASSEMBLY - Replacement

- 1. Place cartridge guide in position.
- 2. Insert cartridge guide pivot pins.
- 3. Install top pivot pin retaining rings, making certain to use correct rings.
- 4. Install bottom pivot pin retaining rings.
- 5. Install extension spring.
- 6. Close door, and verify that cartridge guide actuates Door Open Switch.



CLAMP, HUB AND SPINDLE, AND DOOR ASSEMBLIES

CLAMP ASSEMBLY

DESCRIPTION

The Clamp Assembly consists of a ball bearing mounted rotary clamp that is spring-loaded to press the disk against the drive hub. The resulting friction causes disk and clamp rotation in response to hub rotation. The clamp must be aligned symetrically with the hub to avoid eccentricity during rotation.

ALIGNMENT

- 1. Apply ac power
- 2. Verify that door is closed and no cartridge is installed
- 3. Slightly loosen four screws in clamp support bracket sufficiently to withdraw clamp from contact with hub.
- 4. Press clamp support bracket against cartridge guide, and check clamp rotation for wobble. If clamp rotation is true, hold clamp support bracket against cartridge guide to maintain clamp-to-hub contact, and tighten four screws; if not, repeat steps 3 and 4.
- 5. Recheck clamp rotation for eccentricity.

REMOVAL

- 1. Open door.
- 2. Remove four Clamp Assembly mounting screws from clamp support bracket.
- Remove Clamp Assembly.

REPLACEMENT

- 1. Open door.
- 2. Position Clamp Assembly in cartridge guide.
- 3. Install four Clamp Assembly mounting screws.
- 4. Perform Clamp Assembly alignment.

HUB AND SPINDLE ASSEMBLY

DESCRIPTION

The Hub and Spindle Assembly consists of a hub and spindle that mounts in ball bearings in the baseplate access hole. A spindle pulley is installed on the spindle outside the baseplate. The assembly is driven by the drive motor and belt to provide disk rotation within the Cartridge Assembly.

REMOVAL

- 1. Remove belt from pulleys
- Disconnect and remove extension spring.
- 3. Swing cartridge guide out on pivots.
- 4. Loosen spindle pulley set screw, and remove pulley.
- 5. Remove hub and spindle.
- 6. Remove both ball bearings from baseplate hole.

REPLACEMENT

- 1. Swing cartridge guide out on pivots.
- 2. Install ball bearings in baseplate spindle hole.
- 3. Install hub spindle in ball bearings.
- 4. Slide spindle pulley onto spindle.
- 5. Press pulley against bearing to eliminate axial play, and tighten pulley set screw.
- 6. Position cartridge guide, and connect extension spring.
- 7. Install belt.

DOOR ASSEMBLY

DESCRIPTION

The Door Assembly is mounted to the baseplate on pivots, and provides access to the cartridge guide to actuate the Door Open Switch. The door must be closed for disk file operation.

DOOR ASSEMBLY (continued)

REMOVAL

- 1. Disconnect and remove extension spring.
- 2. Swing cartridge guide out on privots
- 3. Remove top and bottom door pivot pin retaining rings.
- 4. Remove top and bottom door pivot pins.
- 5. Remove door.

REPLACEMENT

- 1. Swing cartridge guide out on pivots.
- 2. Position door and align pivots with pivot pin holes.
- 3. Insert top and bottom door pivot pins.
- 4. Install retaining rings on pivot pins.

. HEAD LOAD ACTUATOR ASSEMBLY AND DOOR OPEN SWITCH

HEAD LOAD ACTUATOR ASSEMBLY

DESCRIPTION

The Head Load Actuator Assembly consists of a solenoid assembly with an armature extension that operates a bail and wiper pad. The purpose of the assembly is to control the action of the load arm, which is spring-loaded to press the disk in the cartridge guide against the head mounted on the carriage assembly. When the solenoid is deactuated, armature spring action moves the bail away from the disk. The bail contacts the load arm tab, and bail travel moves the load arm pressure pad out of contact with the disk. The solenoid is energized by the -LOAD HEAD signal. When the solenoid is actuated, the armature moves the bail toward the disk, which places the wiper pad lightly in contact with the cartridge, and disengages the bail from the load arm tab. The load arm spring moves the released load arm toward the disk, and the load arm pressure pad presses the disk against the head. The position of the bail on the armature extension is adjustable, and must be adjusted so that the bail is out of contact with the load arm tab when the solenoid is actuated, but accomplishes the required amount of load arm travel when the solenoid is deactuated. The load arm spring must be capable of supplying a pressure of 10 to 18 grams between the load arm pressure pad and the head.

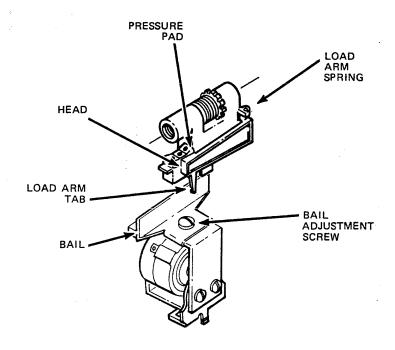
LOAD ARM SPRING FORCE CHECK

- 1. Load head (initiate LOAD HEAD signal) so that actuator solenoid is energized (or group TP28 on PCB).
- 2. Connect gram gage to load arm tab.
- 3. Pull gage until load arm pressure pad breaks contact with head.
 Gage must indicate 10 to 18 grams; if not, replace carriage assembly.

ACTUATOR BAIL ALIGNMENT CHECK

- 1. Load head.
- 2. Access track 00

NOTE Track accessing may be accomplished normally by interfacing equipment procedures, or manually step the carriage to access a track, a jumper must be connected to chassis ground. Touching the jumper free end to PCB test point TP26 steps the carriage in, touching it to TP27 steps the carriage out.



- 3. Verify that the clearance between bail and load arm tab is .020 +.010, -.001 in.
- 4. Unload head, and verify that bail moves load arm so that pressure pad will not contact the disk cartridge during cartridge interchange.
- 5. Load head, and access track 31.
- 6. Repeat steps 3 and 4.
- 7. Load head, and access track 63.
- 8. Repeat steps 3 and 4.
- 9. If requirements of steps 3 and 4 are not met at all three accessed tracks, perform adjustment procedure.

ACTUATOR BAIL ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE

- 1. Load head.
- 2. Loosen actuator bail adjustment screw.
- 3. Adjust bail position to correct alignment check discrepency.
- 4. Tighten bail adjustment screw.
- 5. Repeat alignment check.

CAUTION

When performing the following removal and replacement procedures, use care to prevent bail or fingers from contacting head.

REMOVAL

- 1. Remove PCB
- 2. Disconnect actuator leads from connector PC1.
- 3. Disconnect and remove extension spring.
- 4. Swing cartridge guide out on pivots.
- 5. Remove actuator mounting screw from back of cartridge guide.

Remove actuator assembly, carefully guiding leads through baseplate access hole to avoid damaging crimp pins.

REPLACEMENT

- 1. Swing cartridge guide out on pivots.
- 2. Insert actuator leads through baseplate access hole.
- 3. Position actuator assembly on cartridge guide, making certain that actuator bail is between load arm tab and cartridge position.
- 4. Install mounting screw through cartridge guide.
- 5. Connect actuator leads to connector PC1.
- 6. Perform actuator bail alignment check before placing disk in service.

DOOR OPEN SWITCH

DESCRIPTION

The Door Open Switch is a two position button actuator switch, which is spring-loaded to the contacts-open position (door open). When the door is closed, the extension spring seats the cartridge guide so that the switch is actuated. When the door is open, the cartridge guide is released, and the switch is deactuated. The switch contacts enable the head load actuator solenoid control circuits; the head cannot be loaded when the door is open.

REMOVAL

- 1. Remove PCB.
- 2. Disconnect switch leads from PC1.
- 3. Disconnect and remove extension spring.
- 4. Swing cartridge guide out on pivots.
- 5. Remove switch retaining screws.
- 6. Remove switch, carefully guiding leads through baseplate access hole.

REPLACEMENT

- 1. Insert switch leads through baseplate access hole, and position switch on baseplate.
- 2. Install switch retaining screws.
- 3. Connect leads to PC1.
- 4. Before placing drive in service, verify that cartridge guide actuates switch when properly seated.

HEAD CARRIAGE AND HEAD POSITION ACTUATOR ASSEMBLIES

FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

Track accessing components consist of the Head Carriage, Head Position Actuator, and Track 00 Switch assemblies. The purpose of this assembly group is to provide file access by track address.

DESCRIPTION

The recording head is mounted on a carriage that travels parallel to a horizontal radius of the vertically mounted disk. The carriage is driven toward or away from the disk center by a rotating screw on which the carriage is mounted. The screw is rotated in either direction by the head position actuator. This actuator is a stepping motor that rotates the screw in 15 degree increments. The linear head travel resulting from one rotation increment is equal to the center-to-center distance between two adjacent tracks on the disk. Track accessing depends upon the initial alignment of the carriage on the screw so that the head is radially positioned over a track centerline. Carriage stops are mounted on either end of the screw to prevent inadvertant carriage overtravel. The stops must be correctly positioned after the head radial alignment is complete.

SPECIAL TOOLS

Field Service Alignment Cartridge, PN 204136

HEAD RADIAL ALIGNMENT CHECK

- 1. Perform steps 1, 2, and 3 of head radial alignment procedure.
- 2. Compare amplitudes of two adjacent oscilloscope displayed lobes. They must be equal within 40 percent.
- 3. Access track 30, and then reaccess track 31.
- 4. Repeat step 2
- 5. If amplitudes are not as specified in step 2, perform head radial alignment procedure.
- 6. Disconnect and remove test equipment.

HEAD RADIAL ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE

NOTE

Both drive and Field Service Alignment disk must be exposed to ambient room temperature for at least 20 minutes prior to performing alignment procedure.

- 1. Insert Field Service Alignment cartridge into cartridge guide.
- Track accessing may be accomplished normally, by interface programming procedures, or manually. To manually step the carriage to access a track, a jumper must be connected to chassis ground. Touching the jumper free end to PCB test point TP26 steps the carriage in, touching it to TP27 steps the carriage out.
- 3. Connect oscilloscope direct probes to differentially monitor PBC test points TP1 and TP2 (head signals). Set oscilloscope to sync on PCB test point. Set time base to 160 milliseconds per sweep; set amplitude to 50 vm/cm.

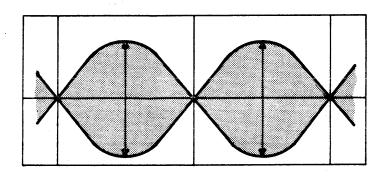
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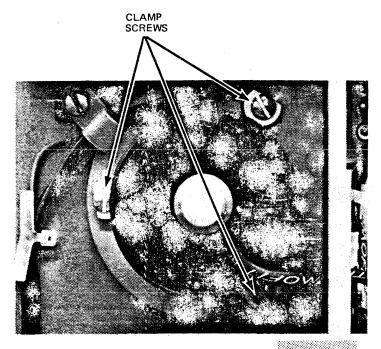
An alignment pattern is recorded on Field Service Alignment disk track 31. The oscilliscope should now display a signal envelope.

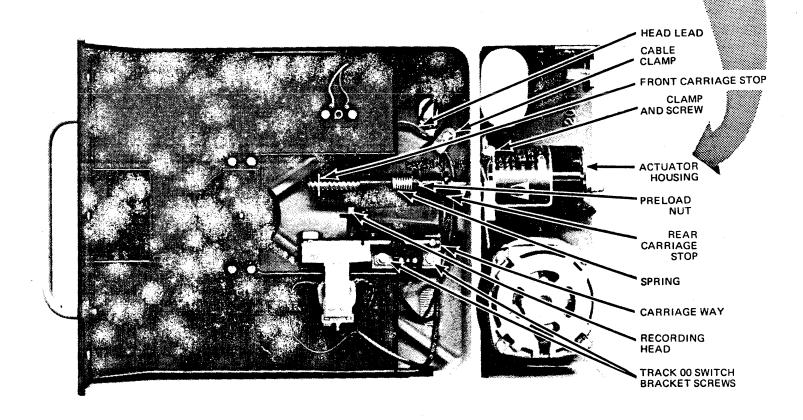
- 4. Assure that phase $\emptyset 2$ of the stepping motor is energized at track position 31 (TP17).
- 5. Loosen three screws in track position actuator housing-to-baseplate clamps sufficiently to permit housing rotation.
- Rotate housing until oscilloscope displays distinct lobe patterns and then adjust housing radial position until two adjacent lobes are equal in amplitude.
- 7. Retighten clamp screws without disturbing alignment.
- 8. Access track 30, and then reaccess track 31.
- 9. Compare amplitudes of two adjacent lobes. They must be equal within 5 percent; if not, repeat steps 5, 6, and 7.
- 10. Access track 32, and then reaccess track 31.
- 11. Repeat step 9.
- 12. Disconnect and remove test equipment.

HEAD RADIAL ALIGNMENT

Proper oscilloscope display for radial head alignment (as shown in figure below).







CARRIAGE STOP ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE

- 1. Perform head radial alignment check.
- Load head, and access track 00.
- 3. Loosen rear carriage stop set screw.
- 4. Insert a 0.007-inch gage (one IBM card) between rear carriage stop and carriage.
- 5. Press rear carriage stop firmly against gage, tighten set screw, and remove gage.
- 6. Access track 63.
- 7. Repeat steps 2 through 4 for front carriage stop.

HEAD CARRIAGE AND TRACK POSITION ACTUATOR REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT

REMOVAL

- 1. Remove PCB.
- 2. Disconnect actuator leads from connector PC1.
- 3. Loosen front carriage stope set screw, and remove stop.

CAUTION

The head lead can be damaged by stress, crimping or excessive flexing. To avoid damage, it must be handled with care. When removing the carriage and lead, the cable clamp location and lead routing should be noted to assure correct reinstallation.

- 4. Remove cable clamp from head lead, and note routing.
- 5. Loosen three clamp screws and release actuator from clamps holding actuator to baseplate.
- 6. Rotate actuator lead screw to disengage it from carriage.
 Carefully guide actuator leads through baseplate access hole so as not to damage crimp pins, and remove actuator and screw.
- 7. Remove carriage from way, and carefully guide head lead and connector through access hole, avoiding tension on lead.

HEAD CARRIAGE AND TRACK POSITION ACTUATOR (continued)

REPLACEMENT

- 1. Insert head lead and connector through baseplate access hole, and install carriage on way.
- 2. Insert actuator screw through baseplate access hole into unthreaded opening in carriage.
- 3. Insert spring and preload nut into carriage opening, and thread preload nut onto actuator screw.
- Press carriage toward actuator to compress spring, and rotate actuator screw to thread screw into threaded opening in carriage.

NOTE

Pressure exerted in step 4 establishes carriage assembly preload force. Preload force is correct when gap is less than 1/16 of an inch(the width of a nickle) and clearance exists between the nut and carriage.

- 5. Position actuator on baseplate, and install clamps and retaining screws.
- 6. Install front carriage stop on actuator screw, and tighten set screw.
- 7. Connect actuator leads to connector PC1.
- 8. Install head lead in cable clamp as shown, allowing 4-1/2 inches of lead between clamp and head. Carefully route lead and connector through baseplate access hole.
- 9. Perform head radial alignment procedure and carriage stop adjustment procedure prior to placing drive in service.

TRACK 00 SWITCH ASSEMBLY

DESCRIPTION

The Track 00 Switch is a two-position actuator button switch that generates the TRACK 00 head position status signal. The switch is actuated by a cam surface on the carriage assembly when the carriage is in the track 00 position. Following the head radial position alignment, this switch must be positioned so that it is actuated when the head is positioned at track 01, and is deactuated when the head is stepped to track 02.

NOTE

The switch circuit is ANDed with the actuator motor circuit to indicate a true Track 00. In this manner, switch hysteresis and adjustment tolerance are not critical. Switch closure must be measured at the switch, not the Track 00 line.

ADJUSTMENT CHECK

- 1. Load head, and access track 01.
- 2. Verify that Track 00 Switch is actuated.
- 3. Access track 02.
- 4. Verify that Track 00 Switch is deactuated.
- If condition specified in steps 2 and 4 are not met, perform Track 00 Switch adjustment procedure.

ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE

- 1. Perform head radial alignment check
- 2. Loosen two retaining screws in bracket.
- 3. Slide bracket to right so that switch is deactuated.
- 4. Gently slide bracket to left until switch actuator button touches carriage cam; then exert pressure until hearing switch actuating click.
- 5. Tighten bracket retaining screws while holding switch in actuated position.

TRACK 00 SWITCH ASSEMBLY (continued)

ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE

- 6. Access track 02, and verify that switch becomes deactuated.

 If not, slightly loosen left-hand bracket screw, and gently nudge bracket downward until switch is deactuated.
- 7. Perform Track 00 Switch adjustment check.

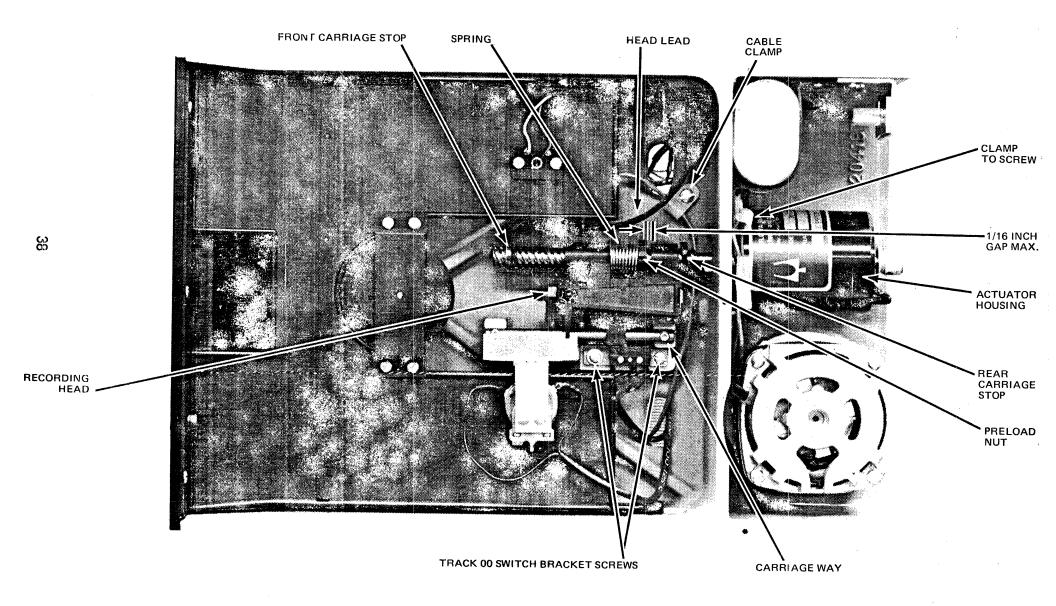
REMOVAL

- 1. Remove PCB.
- 2. Disconnect switch leads from connector PC1.
- 3. Remove retaining screws at either end of bracket.
- 4. Remove bracket and switch assembly, carefully guiding leads through baseplate access hole.

REPLACEMENT

- 1. Insert switch leads through baseplate access hole, and position bracket and switch on baseplate.
- 2. Install retaining screws in bracket.
- 3. Connect switch leads to connector PC1.
- 4. Perform Track 00 Switch adjustment procedure.

Track 00 Switch Assembly



DRIVE MOTOR ASSEMBLY

FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

Index and sector accessing components consist of the drive motor and the index and sector sensing components. The latter are the Light Emitting Diode Assembly and the Photo Transistor Assembly. These components provide disk rotation and relative degree of rotation status signals.

DESCRIPTION

The drive motor is a constant speed ac motor used to drive the disk. The ac power to drive the motor is supplied by the host system. The drive motor operates whenever the required voltage appears across the J2 ac terminals.

REMOVAL

- 1. Turn off drive ac power.
- 2. Remove belt from pulleys.
- 3. Remove two screws from connector bracket to free bracket and connector. Do not disassemble connector from bracket.
- 4. Remove two capacitor strap screws and strap to free capacitor.
- 5. Remove belt guard and assembly wiring cable clamps.
- 6. Remove four motor-to-baseplate screws to free motor, and remove entire assembly, leaving wires and motor pulley connected.

REPLACEMENT

- 1. Insert motor shaft and attached motor pulley through baseplate access hole, and position motor on baseplate.
- 2. Install four motor-to-baseplate screws.
- 3. Install belt guard.
- 4. Position capacitor and strap, and install strap screws.
- 5. Position connector bracket with attached connector, and install two bracket screws.
- Install belt on pulleys.

MOTOR PULLEY

DESCRIPTION

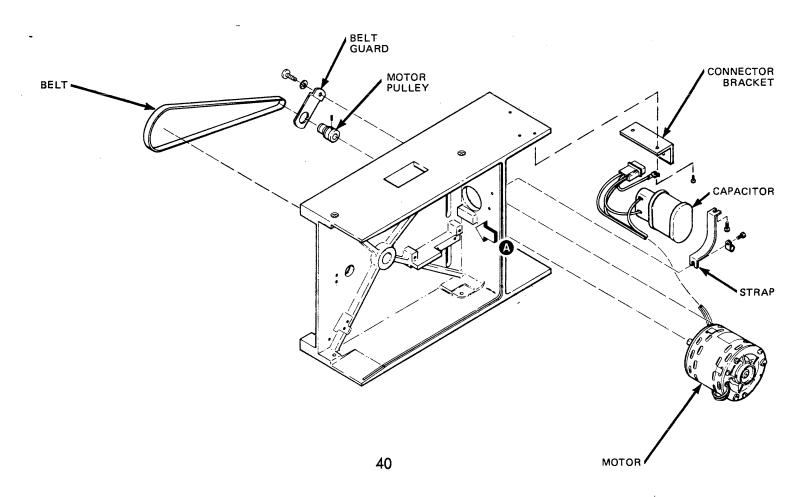
The drive motor may be operated by either 50-Hz or 60-Hz ac power. This is accomplished by use of a dual-radius motor pulley, which can be mounted on the motor shaft so that either the smaller radius pulley or the larger radius pulley faces away from the motor. The belt is installed on the pulley facing away from the motor. The motor pulley must be installed with the smaller radius pulley facing away from the motor for 50 Hz operation, and the larger radius pulley facing away from the motor for 50 Hz operation.

REMOVAL

- 1. Loosen set screw in pulley.
- 2. Slide pulley off end of shaft.

REPLACEMENT AND ADJUSTMENT

- 1. Determine frequency of drive motor power.
- 2. Engage pulley on end of motor shaft, directionally oriented according to preceding motor pulley description.
- 3. Align motor pulley with spindle pulley so that plains of rotation are aligned within 1/32 of an inch.
- 4. Tighten set screw in motor pulley.



INDEX AND SECTOR SENSING COMPONENTS

DESCRIPTION

These components consist of the Light Emitting Diode assembly, mounted on the front of the cartridge guide, and the Photo Transistor assembly, mounted behind the cartridge guide. The line of sight connecting these two components is perpendicular to the plane of the disk, and intersects the disk at the circle formed by the 32 sector holes and the index hole. When the disk is rotating, light emission from the light emitting diode actuates the photo transistor, which generates a 5-volt pulse, each time one of the 0.10-diameter holes in the disk exposes the photo transistor to the light emitting diode. An adjusting screw on the Photo Transistor assembly permits positioning the photo transistor along the arc of the disk holes so that the leading edge of the index/sector pulse occurs simultaneously with coincidence of the recording head and the geometric index or sector radius on the disk. This alignment is accomplished with the aid of the Field Service Alignment disk. Bursts of 16 transitions each are recorded on tracks 07 and 56 of this disk. The initial transition peak of the burst occurs 100 microseconds after the leading edge of the SECTOR pulse.

SPECIAL TOOLS

Field Service Alignment Cartridge, PN 204136

Read/Write Adapter Plug, PN 204296

ALIGNMENT CHECK

- 1. Perform steps 2, 3, (4 if applicable), 5 and 9 of index and sector alignment procedure.
- 2. Verify that first peak of burst occurs 100 ± 40 microseconds after start of oscilloscope sweep. Record time.
- 3. Access track 56.
- 4. Repeat step 2.
- 5. If tolerances specified in steps 2 and 4 are not met, perform index and sector timing alignment procedure.
- 6. Disconnect and remove test equipment.

INDEX AND SECTOR SENSING COMPONENTS (continued)

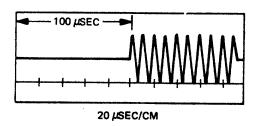
ALIGNMENT PROCEDURES

- 1. Perform head radial alignment check.
- 2. Insert Field Service Alignment cartridge in cartridge guide.

NOTE

The Alignment disk contains only one sector hole, versus 32 for a regular disk. It therefore cannot be used for Index/Sector diagnostics, only for alignment.

- 3. Connect oscilloscope direct probes to differentially monitor PCB test points TP1 and TP2 (head signal). Set oscilloscope to sync positively on leading edge of SECTOR pulse. Set time base to 10 ms/cm.
- 4. Disconnect head lead connector from PCB, and insert R/W adapter plug in its place. Connect head lead connector to adapter plug.
- 5. Apply ac and dc power to drive, load head, and access track 07.
- 6. Insert screwdriver through baseplate top access hole and rotate detector shaft as required to position burst within first 30 ms of oscilloscope sweep.
- 7. Expand oscilloscope time base to 100 microseconds / cm.
- 8. Rotate detector shaft to adjust burst so that first peak occurs 100 microseconds after start of sweep.
- 9. Expand oscilloscope time base to 20 microseconds / cm.



10. Repeat step 8.

INDEX AND SECTOR SENSING COMPONENTS (continued)

11. Access track 56. First peak of track 56 burst must occur 100 ± 40 microseconds after start of sweep. If not, repeat step 8 and compensate this adjustment in the direction required to permit track 56 to be within tolerance. Do not exceed 100 ± 40 microsecond setting at either track.

CAUTION

Failure to meet tolerance specified in step 11 may be caused by a misaligned track position actuator, broken carriage, or damaged Field Service Alignment disk.

12. Disconnect and remove test equipment.

LED AND PHOTO TRANSISTOR ASSEMBLIES

LIGHT EMITTING DIODE ASSEMBLY

DESCRIPTION

The Light Emitting Diode assembly is mounted over a hole on the front of the cartridge guide. The diode is installed in a mounting block, and emits invisible infrared light whenever dc power is applied to the drive.

REMOVAL

- 1. Remove PCB
- 2. Disconnect diode leads from connector PC1.
- 3. Remove two mounting screws.
- Remove assembly, carefully guiding leads through baseplate access hole.

REPLACEMENT

- 1. Insert diode leads through baseplate access hole.
- 2. Position assembly and install two mounting screws.

CAUTION

Diode leads must be connected exactly as shown in Logic Manual to ensure correct polarity.

3. Connect diode leads to connector PC1.

PHOTO TRANSISTOR ASSEMBLY

DESCRIPTION

The major components of the Photo Transistor assembly are the detector assembly, detector shaft, retaining ring, and detector spring. The detector shaft is threaded, and screws into the detector assembly. The relative position of the detector assembly on the shaft determines the timing alignment. Light from the light emitting diode, applied to the photo transistor when a disk index or sector hole passes between

the two, turns on the transistor, and a threshold detector circuit generates the timing pulse. Discrimination between INDEX and SECTOR pulses is accomplished by circuitry on the PCB.

REMOVAL

- 1. Remove PCB
- 2. Disconnect transistor leads from connector PC1.
- 3. Disconnect and remove extension spring.
- 4. Swing cartridge guide out on pivots.
- 5. Remove retaining ring from detector shaft.
- Grasp spring and detector assembly, and unscrew and remove detector shaft through baseplate access hole.
- 7. Withdraw spring and detector assembly, carefully guiding leads through baseplate access hole.

REPLACEMENT

- 1. Insert leads through baseplate access hole, and insert spring and detector assembly into position.
- 2. Insert detector shaft through access hole, and screw shaft into detector assembly.
- 3. Install retaining ring on shaft.
- 4. Connect photo transistor leads to connector PC1.
- 5. Perform index and sector timing alignment procedure before placing drive in service.

GENERAL OPERATION OF AED 2500 DISK SYSTEM

The AED 2500 is composed of 3 basic sections: the format and the drive interface electronics, the power supply and the actual disk drive. The format electronics control: the transfer of information with the host system, write and read timing, data formatting, and error logic. The drive interface logic concerns drive selection, track addressing and head load logic.

The formatter can control up to four Memorex 651 Flexible Disk Drives. Each drive has independent track addressing logic and seeks independently of other drives. Data can be transferred with only one drive at a time.

The disk is formatted into 64 tracks. Each track composed of an optional number of sectors. The number of sectors determines the word capacity of each sector. A sector can store from 64 to 1028 16 bit words. Also, data can be transferred a track at a time allowing for the transfer of 2048 words. Each track and sector has an address mark used for seek verification.

The formatter is controlled by four functions: Command Out, Status In, Data Out, and Data In. Command Out gates 16 bits of information to the formatter defining drive selection, type of function, track, and sector. Status In gates 16 bits of status from the formatter. Data Out gates 16 bits of data to the formatter. Data In gates 16 bits of data from the formatter. All information is transferred to and from the formatter via a 16 bit bidirectional bus.

Before information can be written to, or read from, the disk, it is necessary to format the media. The formatting is accomplished by writing the address mark for the sectors and index for each track. This process is known as initialization. It is executed by means of the Initialize Command and the Initialize Switch located on the control panel. For each initialize command issued the specified track, and only that track, will be initialized. At the end of the initialize cycle device end will be indicated on the appropriate interface line. It is also possible to write protect a track and the sector of that track during the initialize process.

Once the media is initialized it is now possible to write data onto it and thus read data from it. Data can be transferred under two modes of operation, these being track and sector. The mode is specified by the command that has been issued, be it a read or write function. If sector mode is specified, data (the number of 16 bit words depending on the sector option) will be transferred to or from the selected sector. If track mode is defined, the data is transferred per the complete track specified, the number of words being 2048. It should be noted

that it is not possible to interchange between the two modes on the same track. It is possible to change from track to track. If it is desired to change modes on a track, it is first necessary to initialize the track, and to specify the new mode on the next write command to that track. Note also, that it is not necessary to make a transfer for every available word per track or sector. The words not written will be filled by the formatter with zeros.

Upon the execution of a write or read command the first step is the selection of the desired drive. Once this is accomplished the track address portion of the command is loaded into the appropriate register, compared to the track counter, and a seek will take place until the proper track is reached. Next it will search for the address mark that will compare to the address specified by the command. Once it locates the correct address mark it is also necessary to verify the error code that has been written for the address mark. If it can not locate the proper address mark within two revolutions after the seek is complete, an address check will be signified. If it compares to an address mark but the error code indicates unreliable data then a data check is signified. Once it verifies the proper address mark and error code, the formatter is ready to transfer data be it write or read. When the formatter requires a data transfer it will so indicate by means of the signal called data flag. Note, that at the end of a record in the write cycle, an error code is generated. It will be used in the read for data verification. During a read, if the error code indicates incorrect data, a data check will be signified.

A Device End will be generated after the desired function has been completed, or if an error occurred during the completion of said function. Note, that a device end does not occur after a rezero command.

A Rezero Command has the function of resetting a file unsafe from the disk drive itself, and resinking the track counters by forcing a seek to track zero. A rezero is not normally required, since a seek to track zero is done at the power up cycle.

Write Protect is accomplished at the time of initialization by means of the Write Protect Switch. If the switch is in the up position during initialize, a protect bit is written in the address mark. Now it is not possible to write on this track or sector, whichever the case, unless the write protect switch is in the up position. If the switch is down, the write is not allowed. The process to follow is to initialize with the switch up, write the information with the switch up, then after writing put the switch in the down position. This will inhibit writing on that record till the switch is placed in the up position. Note, the write protect switch can be overriden during initialize by the appropriate bit in the command.

IPL stands for Initial Program Load. By engaging the IPL switch on the control panel the formatter is forced to attempt a read of track zero in the track mode from the drive selected as logical unit 0.

The thumbwheel switches, located on the control panel, are for the logical selection of the drives. Each switch is associated with one particular drive and is so labled. The switch works in conjunction with the select bits issued to the formatter in the Command Word. If the switch setting equals the binary value of the two select bits then the associated drive is selected and is so indicated on the control panel. Note that only **two** bits within the Command Word are used for the drive selection, therefore, the range of the switch setting may vary from 0 to 3.

AED 2500 INTERFACE INFORMATION

Introduction

The interface to the AED 2500 is composed of 16 bidirectional data lines, 4 control lines, 2 status lines, and 1 function line. The interface uses negative-true logic and the active level for all signals is \emptyset volts or low.

Data and control information are transferred to or from the disk formatter by the 16 bidirectional line designated D0-D15. The information can be interpreted as Data In, Data Out, Command Word, or Status Word. Which type of information is determined by the control line that is active during the time of the information. These control lines are Command Out, Status In, Data Out, and Data In. No two control lines should be active on the interface bus at one time.

The two Status Lines are Data Flag and Device End. These lines are reflected directly onto the bus by the formatter and require no control signals for gating.

The Function Line is designated as IPL and is also reflected directly onto the bus.

Signal Definition

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D0 - D15	16 bidirectional lines normally known as the data lines
CO	Command Out - Control signal when active indicates that the Command Word is present on the 16 data lines, gates information into appropriate registers within the disk formatter
SI	Status In – Control signal used to gain access to the Disk Status Word. When active will gate status from formatter onto bus.
DO	Data Out - Control signal used to gate information on 16 data lines into the Data Buffer within the formatter
DI	Data In – Control signal for gating information from Data Buffer onto the bus.

Data Flag

Signal when active indicates that the disk

formatter requires a data transfer

Device End

Signal when true indicates that completion of a disk operation (Initialize, Write or Read) or that an error has occurred during

some operation

IPL

Initial Program Load - Active only during time that the IPL switch on control panel is engaged. (At the time switch is released the formatter will do a Read in track mode of

Track 00)

Output Timing

To insure proper operation of Command Out it is necessary to have the information stable on the data line before activating Command Out. Also the information must be stable at the trailing edge of Command Out. These requirements are necessary since both the leading and trailing edges of Command Out are used to latch information within the formatter. Command Out should be active at least 50 nanoseconds. Command Out can be active for whatever time is desired within reason.

For Data Out it is necessary that the information be stable on the data lines at the trailing edge. The same pulse width considerations are true as for Command Out.

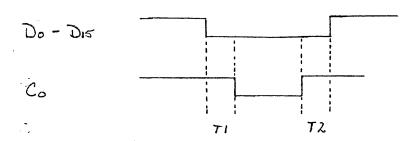
Input Timing

Status In or Data In should be active for enough time to assure the integrity of the information before the status or data is latched. This time consideration should allow for at least 6 gate delays and the delay of the cable plus any internal delays within the host interface.

Data Timing

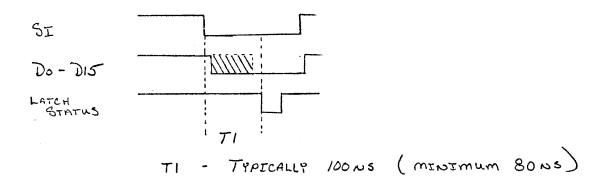
The disk formatter indicates request for data transfer by activating Data Flag be it a read or write operation. Typically once Data Flag becomes true there are 64 microseconds in which to complete a Data Out or Data In cycle. Data Flag will be reset by the leading edge of Data In or the trailing edge of Data Out.

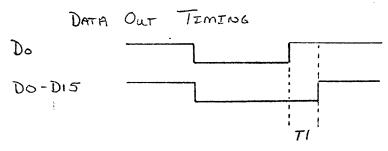
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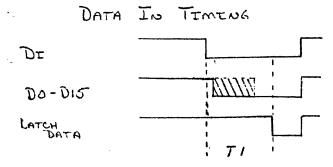
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STATUS IN TIMENG





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Circuit Description

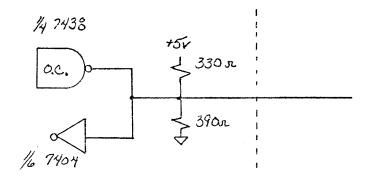
Each output signal from the formatter is driven by a standard SN 7438 TTL buffer with open collector output.

Input signals are received by a standard SN 7404 inverter.

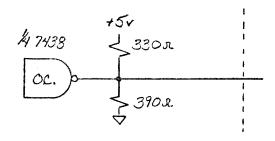
All lines are terminated by register network of 330 ohms to ± 5 volts and 390 ohms to logic ground.

CIRCUIT FOR 16 BIDIRECTIONAL DATA LINES

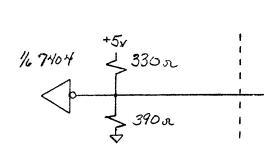
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CIRCUIT FOR OUTPUT DRIVER



CIRCUIT FOR INPUT RECEIVER



AED 2500 INTERFACE SIGNALS

		AED 2500
		J1
	Do	35
	- 01	31
	-D2	7
	-D3	5
	- 24	29
16 BIDIRECTIONAL	-D5	21
DATA LINES	-D6	
	- D.7.	15
	- D8	
	- D 9	3
	-D10	43
	-DII.	37
	-D12	41
	-D/3	47
	-214	25
	-D15	//
	€0*	23
11.0	SI*	27
4 CONTROL	29%	13
LINES	DI*	49
2 STATUS	.DATA FLAG *	33
LINES	DEVICE END*	39
I FUNCTION	IPL*	45
LINE		

NOTE: ALL EVEN NUMBERED PINS 2-50
ARE GROUND



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DISK FORMAT:

Each Disk has 64 tracks with the number of sectors jumper selectable from 32 to 2 (2^n) with sector capacity of 64 to 1024, 16 bit words. Also a track record may be programable selected for 2048 words per track.

Each track is initialized, and contains an address area for each track and sector. The address area contains a sync word - address word and an error check word. The data field when written contains a sync word, n data words and an error check word. Before the data field can be written or updated the address is verified and error checked. When the disk is initialized, a write protect bit can be written with the sync word which will inhibit a write operation unless the W.P. switch is on.

INSTRUCTIONS:

The operation of the DMA Interface and Formatter are controlled by four addresses. One address is assigned to control function "Out" and status "In" and has a standard address of 764000. Another address serves as the Current Bus Address and has a standard address of 764004. The third address serves as the Word Count Register having a standard address of 764006. Note that the Word Count Register contains the two's complement form of the number of words to be affected by a given function. The last address serves as a Special Register and allows for interrupt enable and access to special status. This register has a standard address of 764002.

COMMAND FORMAT (Load Into 764000)

15 14 13	12 11	10 9 8 7 6 5	4 3 2 1 0
FUNCTION	UNIT	TRACK NO.	SECTOR NO.

Bits:

- 15 Selects sector record (inhibits writing of write protect bit during initialize.
- 14-13 00 Rezero and reset
 - 01 Read Record
 - 10 Write Record
 - Il Initialize track If initialize switch is on.
- 12-11 Selects Logical Unit 0 thru 3.
- 10-5 Selects track 0-63 and initiates seek if different from existing track.
- 4-0 Selects sector 0-31.

15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7 4	30	
	Address Flag						Initial. Error	_	On- Line	

BITS

- Data flag when true indicates data transfer required.
- 14 Address flag when true indicates address is available (for diagnostics).
- 13 Address error indicates requested address not found within two revolutions.
- Data check indicates that the error code detected an error either in the address mark or data field.
- Write error indicates a file unsafe condition. Must be reset by a rezero command.
- 10 Select error attempted to select either more than one drive or no drive.
- '9 Protect error an attempt was made to write on a protected area without the Write Protect Switch in the up position.
- 8 Initialize Error an initialize command was issued without the Initialize Switch in the up position.

- 7-4 Logical drive unit seeking.
- 3-0 Logical drive unit has media installed.

SPECIAL REGISTER

when loading into this register Bit 6 is used to either enable or disable the interrupt. Bit 6 set will enable the interrupt; Bit 6 reset will disable the interrupt.

When reading from this register Bits 15, 14 and 7 give status. Bit 15 is an "OR" function of all error conditions. When it is true, it indicates that some error condition has occurred. Bit 14 when true indicates that a Time Out error has occurred. This error indicates that the DMA Interface has initiated a Data Transfer but did not receive slave sync within a specified time. Bit 7 is the Done Status; when true it indicates that the task is complete or an error condition has occurred during the completion of said task.

Note: When the Disk System is powered up, the Interrupt Enable is in the reset condition. Thus it is necessary to load Bit 6 into address 764002 before interrupts will occur.

CURRENT BUS ADDRESS REGISTER (764004)

Contains the bus address to or from which data will be transferred. The register is incremented by two at the end of each data transfer.

WORD COUNT REGISTER (764006)

Contains the two's complement of the total number of words to be affected by a given function. It increments by one after each word transfer.

OPERATION

The command instruction (load into 764000) initiates the operation; therefore, the bus address register and word count register must be initialized before the command.

INTERRUPTS

The interrupt vector has a standard address of 170. An interrupt request is generated upon receiving device end from the disk formatter. Device end is true under the following conditions:

- A. Completion of read or write cycle
- B. Completion of initialize cycle
- C. Select Error

- D. Seek Error (address error)
- E. Write Error
- F. Initialize Error

IPL

The IPL function is modified such that the word count register is preset to zero and bus address register is set to zero. If the program is in a run loop, then activating the IPL switch will load the first two K of core from track zero of drive zero.

READ TRACKS 0 & 1

WRITE TRACKS 0 & 1

776	640	BR 500	en e	1000	12706	MOV #776, R6	
500	12706	MOV #776, RO		. 2	776		
2	776			4	12737	MOV #636, @ #170	; INTERRUPT VECTOR
4	12737	MOV #636, @ #170	; INTERRUPT VECTOR	6	636		
6	636			10	170		
510	170		•	12	5037	CLR, @ #172	
12	5037	CLR, @ #172		14	172		
14	172		v.	16	12737	MOV #100, @ #164002	; ENABLE INTERRUPT
16	12737	MOV #100, @ #164002	; ENABLE INTERRUPT	20	100		
520	100			22	164002		
22	164002			24	5000	CLR, RO	; MEMORY ADR
24	1	WAIT		26	12701	MOV #140000, R1	;WRITE CMD TK#0
26	12700	MOV #1000,RO	; MEMORY ADR	30	140000		
530	1000			32	12702	MOV #140007, R2	
32	12701	MOV #120001, R1	;READ CMD TK #0	34	140007		
34	12000 1			36	4737	JSR R7, DISKIO	;WRITE TK#O
36	12702	MOV #120007, R2		40	600		
540	120007			42	12700	MOV #10000, RO	; MEMORY ADR
42	4737	JSR R7, DISKIO	;READ TK#O	44	10000		
44	600			46	12701	MOV #140040, R1	;WRITE CMD TK#1
46	12700	MOV #10000, RO	:MEMORY ADR	50	140040		,
550	10000			52	12702	MOV #140047, R2	
52	12701	MOV #120040, R1	; READ CMD TK#1	54	140047	·	**
54	120040			56	4737	JSR R7, DISKIO	;WRITE TK#1
56	12702	MOV #120047, R2		60	600		
560	120047			62	3		; BREAKPOINT
62	4737	JSR R7, DISKIO	; READ TK#1	64			;TRAP TO ODT
64	600			. 66			
66	137	JMP @ #12130	;JUMP TO ODT				
5 70	12130				*		
72							
74							
76							
			DISK	I/O ROUTINE			
6 00	12737	MOV #177400,@#164006	;WORD COUNT	620	20201	CMP R2, R1	;LAST SECTOR?
2	177400			22	1404	BEQ	;YES
4	164006			24	62700	ADD #1000, RO	; INC MEM ADR
6	10037	MOV RO, @ #164004	; MEMORY ADR	26	1000		
610	164004			630	5201	INC, R1	; INC SECTOR
13	10137	MOV R1, @ #164000	; CMD	32	762	BR 600	• 4
14	164000			34	207	RTS R7	; RETURN
16	1	TIAW		636	2	RTI	;INTERRUPT RETURN



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PDP-11/AED 2500 FLOPPY DISK DIAGNOSTICS

Residing on track 00 in Unit 0 of the AED 2500, this diagnostic program permits the user of a PDP-11 to test for perper operation of the AED 2500 and the DMA Interface. WRITE, READ, and COMPARE tests are performed for single or dual-drive AED 2500 Floppy Disk systems. For a triple-drive AED 2500, utilize either the single drive or dual drive programs.

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To use this diagnostic, power up the AED 2500, PDP-11 and Teletype. Place the diagnostic diskette in Unit 0. HALT the PDP-11, EXAMINE 7768, DEPOSIT 7778 in location 7768, EXAMINE 7768, and depress START. This places the PDP-11 in the RUN mode, looping in 7768. Next, lift the IPL switch on the AED 2500 control panel. This transfers tracks 00 and 01 from the diagnostic disk into the lower 4K of the PDP-11 core.

With the 4K of core loaded, an * is printed on the Teletype, signifying the PDP-11 DEBUG program is running. The listing of these programs follows:

I. Overlay of Interrupt vectors which permits the 10008 Program to run:

Location	Contents	Location	Contents	Location Contents
000776	/000640	000506	/001000	000516 /012737
000500	/012706		/000170	000520 /000100
	/000776	000512	/005037	000522 /164002
000504	/012737	000514	/000172	000524 /000001
		**	and the second s	000526 /000000

II. The 1000g Program READs Track 01 into the second 2K of PDP-11 memory:

Location	Contents	Location	Contents	Location Contents
001000	/012737	001030	/000001	001060 /012700
001002		001032	/000000	001062 / 000002
001004	/164004	001034	/012577	001064 /000514
091006	/012737	001036	/177746	001066 /005737
001010	/174001	001040	/005237	001070 /001010
001012	/1640.06	001042	/001010	001072 /001366
, a calleton (1964)	/012737	001044	/012577	001074 /000205
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	/012130	001046	/177730	001076 /000000
001020	/000170	.001050	/032777	001100 /000000
* 1. 25m	/012737	001052	/004000	
	∠်20040	001054	/177724	
001025	Z1 64000	001056	/001403	$\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + 1$

III. The 20 program WRITEs the first two tracks of Unit O from the first 4K of PDP+11 memory:

Location Contents	Location C	ontents	Location	
002000 /012737	002030 /	012700	002060	/0007c
002002 /002100	002032 /0	040000	002062	/00 0 00
002004:/000170	002034 /	012701	002064	/000000
002006 /005037	002036 /0	200002	002066	/000000
002010 /000172	002040 /	012737	002070	/000000
002012 /012706	002042 /	174000	002072	/000000
002014 /000776	.002044 /	1 6400 6	002074	/000000
002016 /012737	002046 /0	010037	002076	/000000
002020 /000100	002050 /	1 64000	001100	/005301
002022 /164002	002052 /0	0.62700	002102	/001401
002024 /005037	002054 /0	00040	002104	/000002
002026 /164004	002056 /	000001	002106	1000003

Upon completion, the 2000_8 Program returns the system to the DEBUG Program, resulting in an * printed by the Teletype.

IV. The 3000₈ Program is an INITIALIZE Program which allows the AED 2500 Formatter to place address marks on disks. Be sure to lift the INIT switch when running this program:

Location	Contents	Location	Contents	Location	Contents
003000	/012737	003036	/164000	003074	/177700
003002	/003050	003040	/062700	003076	/122000
003004	/000170	003042	/000040	003100	/012701
003006	/005037	003044	/000001	003102	/177700
003010	/000172	003046	/000772	003104	/012702
003012	/012706	003050	/005302	003106	/005000
003014	/000776	003052	/001402	003110	/012703
003016	/012737	003054	/000002	003112	/005500
003020	/000100	003056	/000000	003114	/004537
003022	/164002	003060	/000003	003116	/002000
003024	/012700	003062	/177700	003120	/000400
003026	/160000	003064	/142000	003122	/012701
.003030	/012702	003066	/004537	003124	/003000
003032	/000100	003070	/001030	003126	/000111
003034	/010037	003072	/005500		

When completed, the system is returned to DEBUG and an * is printed by the Teletype.

V. The 4000_8 Program is a WRITE, READ, COMPARE diagnostic for the dual drive AED 2500 (UNIT 0,1):

Location	Contents	Location	Contents	Location	Contents
004000	/012737	004034	/000100	004070	/164004
004002	/004700	004036	/164002	004072	/012737
004004	/000170	004040	/012737	004074	/140206
004006	/005037	004042	/144207	004076	/164000
004010	/000172	004044	/164000	004100	/000001
004012	/012706	004046	/000001	004102	/012737
004014	/000776	004050	/012737	004104	/023700
004016	/012737	004052	/027740	004106	/164000
004020	/177400	004054	/164000	004110	/012737
004022	/164006	004056	/012737	004112	/177400
004024	/012737	004060	/177400	004114	/164006
004026	/006000	004062	/164006	004116	/012737
004030	/164004	004064	/012737	004120	/006000
004032	/012737	004066	/006400	004122	/164004

Location	Contents	Location	Contents	Location	Contents
	/012737	004260	/012737	and the second second second second	/012737
	/147707	004262	/007400	004416	/007400
004130	/164000	004264	/164004	004420	/164004
004132	/000001	004266	/012737	004422	/012737
004134	/012737		/120206	004424	/123705
	/024200		/164000	004426	/164000
	/164000		/000001	004430	/000001
	/012737		/012700	004432	/000402
	/177400		/000200	004434	/000000
	/164006		/012701	004436	/000000
	/012737	004304		004440	/012700
	/006400		/012702	004442	/000200
	/164004		/006400	004444	/012701
	/012737		/022122	004446	/007400
	/143705		/001230		/012702
	/164000		/005300		/006400
	/000001		/001374		/022122
	/012737		/012737		/001147
	/020240		/023700		/005300
	/164000		/164000		/001374
	/012737		/012737		/012700
	/177400		/177400		/000200
	/164006		/164006		/012701
	/012737		/012737		/007400
	/007000		/007000		/012702
	/164004		/164004		/006000
	/012737		/012737		/012122
	/124207		/127707		/005300
	/164000		/164000		/001401
	/000001		/000001		/000774
	/012700		/012700		/012700
	/000200	t t	/000200		/000200
	/012701		/012701		/012701
	/007000		/007000		/007000
	/012702		/012702		/012702
	/006000		/006000		/006400
	/022122		/022122		/012122
	/001257	004372			/005300
	/005300		/005300 ⁻		/001401
	/001374		/001374		/000774
	/012737		/012737 /012737		/012737
	/027740	004402			/020240
	/164000		/164000		/164000
	/012737	004404			/012707
	/177400		/177400		/004016
	/164006	004412			/000000
,004230	/ 1 04000	004415	7 1 040 0 0	004540	
				004330	, 002000

This program will continue to RUN until an error is detected. To stop the Program, cause a SELECT ERROR by changing the AED 2500 Thumbwheel A or B to a different UNIT number. This error will return the system to DEBUG and an * will be printed on the Teletype.

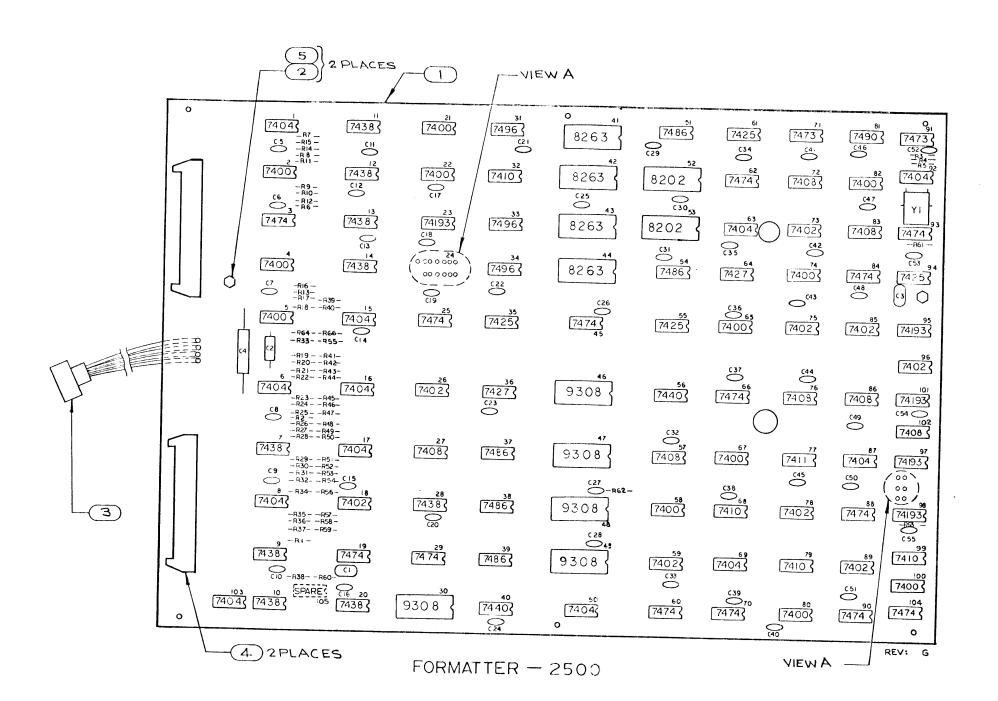
VI. The 5000_8 Program is a single drive (UNIȚ 0) equivalent to the 4000_8 Program:

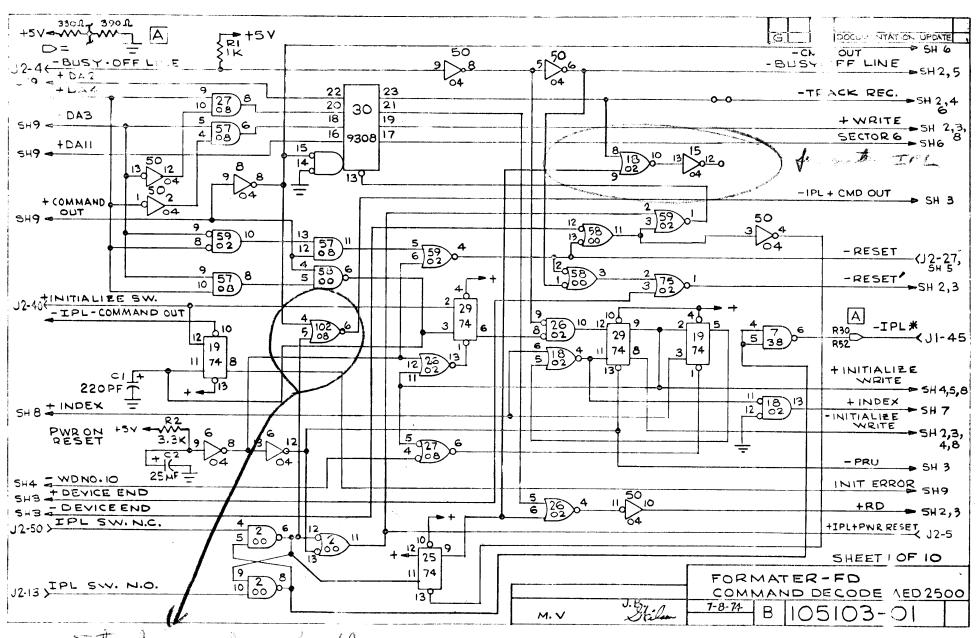
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005022 /164006	005170 /012700	005336 /177400
005024 /012737	005172 /000200	005340 /164006
005026 /006000	005174 /012701	005342 /012737
005030 /164004	005176 /007000	005344 /007400
005032 /012737	005200 /012702	005346 /164004
005034 /000100	005202 /006000	005350 /012737
005036 /164002	005204 /022122	005352 /123705
005040 /012737	005206 /001160	005354 /164000
005042 /140207	005210 /005300	005356 /000001
005044 /164000	005212 /001374	005360 /012700
005046 /000001	005214 /012737	005362 /000200
005050 /012737	005214 /012/37	005364 /012701
005052 /177400	005220 /164006	
005054 /164006	005222 /012737	005366 /007400
	005222 /012/3/	005370 /012702
005056 /012737	005224 /00/400	005372 /006400
005060 /006400		005374 /022122
005062 /164004	005230 /012737	005376 /001067
005064 /012737	005232 /120307	005400 /005300
005066 /140307	005234 /164000	005402 /001374
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005104 /006000	005252 /006400	005420 /012122
005106 /164004	005254 /022122	005422 /005300
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005112 /143707	005260 /005300	005426 /000774
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005120 /012737	005266 /177400	005434 /012701
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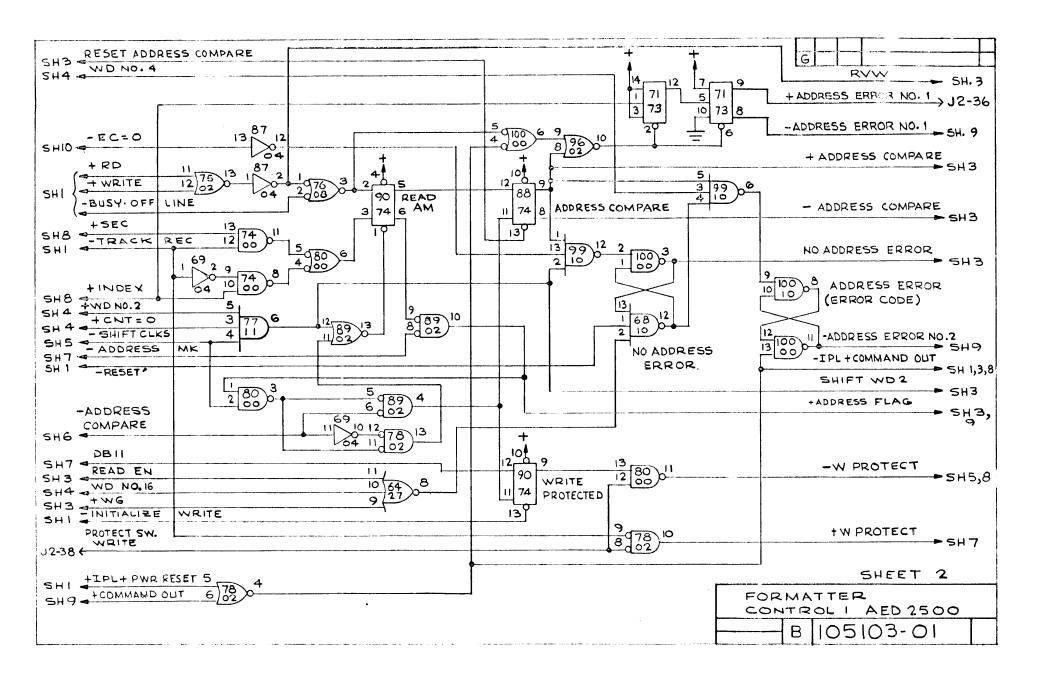
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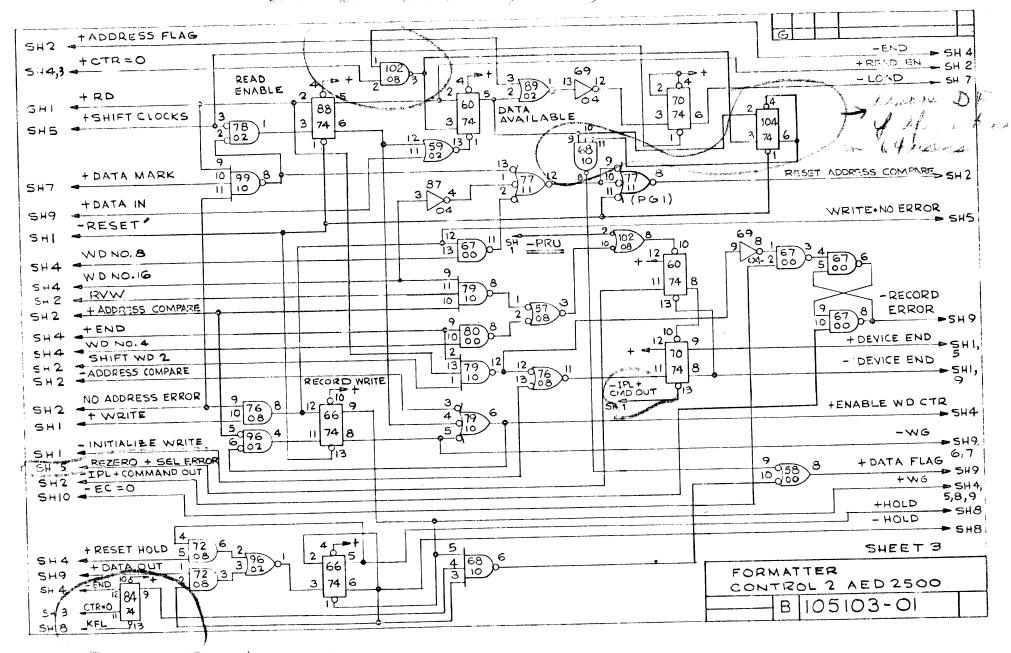




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