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# Technical Manual for the DFC 407 Disk Controller

## PREFACE

This manual contains information regarding installation, testing, and operation of the AVIV Model DFC 407 Disk Controller.

The technical contents have been written based on the assumptions that the reader 1) has a working knowledge of one of the applicable Data General minicomputers with associated RDOS, AOS, or AOS/VS operating system; 2) is familiar with standard installation, power, grounding, and peripheral cabling procedures; and 3) has access to technical information describing the disk drive(s) to be installed with this controller.

The information in this manual is organized into five major sections:

- SECTION 1.0     PRODUCT OVERVIEW - Describes the Model DFC 407 Disk Controller features, capabilities, specifications, power, and interface requirements.
- SECTION 2.0     INSTALLATION PROCEDURES - Describes and illustrates the procedures required to install the DFC 407.
- SECTION 3.0     TROUBLE-SHOOTING - Contains information useful in analyzing subsystem problems and how to get help.
- SECTION 4.0     USAGE GUIDELINES - How various features and configurations are used and how they impact the performance of the controller.
- SECTION 5.0     PROGRAMMING NOTES - Programming and operation.

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## 1.0 PRODUCT OVERVIEW

### 1.1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The AV IV DFC 407 Disk Controller provides a full emulation integration of up to four SMD-interfaced disk drives, with Data General (DG) Nova, Eclipse, and Eclipse MV Minicomputers, and RDOS, Eclipse RDOS, AOS, MP/AOS, AOS/VS operating systems. It is fully compatible with Data General hardware and software.

The DFC 407 is capable of operating on either the Burst Multiplexor Channel (BMC) or the Data Channel (DCH) and meets FCC hardened chassis requirements.

The DFC 407 provides for future expansion with the capability of supporting data transfer rates up to 2.5 megabytes per second and EEPROM technology, which allows most features to be software configurable through a "user friendly" configurator program.

The DFC 407 contains a unique feature called "Virtual Mapping" that allows many disk drives, that would not normally map into the DG emulations, to fit into the 606X, 616X and 6214 emulations through a scheme called Block Address Translation.

AV IV provides up to a full one year warranty on the DFC 407, and Customer Support Service Line assistance.

### 1.2 FEATURES & ADVANTAGES

- \* Emulation of DG 6060,6061,6067,6160,6161,6122 and 6214 disk subsystems
- \* Single controller is compatible with DG's full range of BMC equipped computers
- \* Simultaneous control of up to four SMD, HSMD and/or ESMD disk drives
- \* Incorporates an eleven bit SMD tag bus to accommodate full capacity of the larger drives
- \* Simultaneously supports drives of different capacities, transfer rates, and media formats

- \* On-board 32 bit error detection and correction of burst errors up to 11 bits in length
- \* High speed microprocessor design and Ping-Pong buffering support maximum transfer rates
- \* On-board Self-test with error reporting and LED display
- \* User-definable sector interleaving
- \* Adjustable DCH/BMC throttle control
- \* Supports overlap seeks
- \* Offset positioning for data error recovery
- \* Automatic data strobe early/late for data error recovery
- \* Two methods of power fail detection control open cable detect
- \* Logging of the number of data corrections that have occurred on a per unit basis
- \* One second Pick/Hold delay on power up controls disk drive power sequencing
- \* Header address contains CRC for higher reliability
- \* Auto retry on all header CRC errors
- \* Dual volume drives supported (two physical volumes)
- \* Supports dual ported drives
- \* Disk drive sector setting verification ensures proper disk drive setup.

## 1.3 SPECIFICATIONS

### 1.3.1 FUNCTIONAL

Drives per Controller:	Up to 4 SMD, HSMD and/or SMD-E drives.
Recording Format:	AVIV standard media format
Disk Transfer Rate:	Up to 2.5 Mbyte/sec.(20 MHz)
Sector Addressing:	Contiguous or Interleave, programmable from 1:1 to 6:1
Sectors per Track:	Supports up to 128 physical sectors per track - 64 sectors per logical unit
Maximum # of Heads:	Supports up to 64 heads/disk
Maximum # of Cylinders:	Supports up to 2048 cylinders through an 11 bit tag bus
Maximum Capacity:	The theoretical, non-emulation maximum capacity supported by a single DFC 407 is 17 Gigabytes
Device Code:	Switch selectable on Board edge (accessible after installation)
Interrupt Priority Mask Bit:	7 standard - fixed
Bus Load:	1 unit load (any I/O only slot)
DCH Interface:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 100ma drive at 0.8v</li><li>- selectable from 4 to 256 16-bit words per DCH access</li><li>- 1 microsecond break between DCH throttle requests</li><li>- maximum allowable DCH latency is 1 second (typical max for full performance is 422 microseconds)</li></ul>
BMC Interface:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- less than 1 STTL load</li><li>- 300ma drive at 0.7v</li><li>- supports selectability of any of the 8 priority requests</li></ul>

- selectable burst rates of 4 to 256 16-bit words/access
- selectable break between access of 1.4 microseconds to 14 milliseconds
- maximum allowable BMC latency is 1 second (typical max for full performance is 422 microseconds)
- supports BMC transfer rates up to 2.5 megabytes per second

Sector Data field: 256 16-bit words per sector

Data Buffering: Two Ping Pong buffers: One 256-word verify buffer, and one 256-word BMC FIFO buffer.

Memory Address: 21 bits

Error Correction Polynomial:

Write:  $X^{32} + X^{23} + X^{21} + X^{11} + X^2 + 1$   
Read:  $(X^{11} + X^2 + 1)(X^{21} + 1)$

Header CRC Polynomial:  $X^{16} + X^{15} + X^2 + 1$

DG Subsystems Emulated: Zebra - 6060 (96 MB)  
6061 (190 MB)  
6067 (50 MB)

Vulcan - 6122 (277 MB)

Kismet - 6160 (73 MB)  
6161 (147 MB)  
6214 (602 MB)

Indicator Lights: Red: Self-Test - Indicates disk controller is executing self-test diagnostics. If self-test fails, this LED will blink or remain on. (Self-test normally takes less than 1 second to complete.)

Yellow: Disk Select - When on, this LED indicates that none of the possible 4 units are selected.

Green: Controller Busy - This LED indicates the controller is executing one of the read/write commands.



### 1.3.2 COMPUTER INTERFACE

The DFC 407 can be configured for either Data Channel (DCH) operation or Burst Multiplexor Channel (BMC) operation and will function in virtually any Data General minicomputer in an "I/O Only" slot.

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CAUTION: THE DFC 407 MUST BE PLUGGED INTO AN "I/O ONLY"  
SLOT OR DAMAGE WILL RESULT.  
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TABLE 1.1 "I/O Only" Slot Selection

MODEL	I/O ONLY SLOTS
Nova 4C (5 slot)	3-5 (DCH only)
Nova 4S/X	12-16 (DCH only)
S120	12-16 (DCH only)
S140	12-16 (DCH or BMC)
S280	11-20 (DCH or BMC)
* S250	Requires optional "I/O Only" backplane
* C350	Requires optional "I/O Only" backplane
* M600	30-37 (DCH or BMC)
MV4000	12-20 (BMC only)
** MV6000	2-16 (BMC only)
MV8000	29-42, 48-56 (BMC only)
MV8000-11	9-21 (BMC only)
MV8000C	13-20 (BMC only)
MV10000	13-24, 26-36 (BMC only)
MV20000	19-38

\* NOTE: Mode 1A required on DFC 407.

\*\* NOTE: Mode 2A required. DFC 407 requires the expansion chassis of the MV6000.

**BMC Bus Cables:** A pair of 40-conductor flat ribbon cables, with a single plug on one end and multiple plugs (for multiple controllers), are required for BMC operation, and provided by AVIV. This cable daisy chains from the computer's BMC interface to the multiple BMC peripheral controllers. The controller at the end of the chain must have it's BMC terminators installed; the others must have them removed. Reference Installation Section 2.6.3, see Figure 2.4.

### 1.3.3 DISK DRIVE INTERFACE

Functional:

- Standard SMD interface
- Supports Remote Pick/Hold drive sequencing (pins 29 and 59)
- Supports Tag bit 11 on pins 30 & 60 of the 'A' cable for extended cylinder addressing
- Requires Index and Sector signals in the "A" cable
- Supports unit select 0,1,2 and 3
- Supports Dual Channel as defined by the CDC SMD Specification

Electrical:

- MC3450/MC3453 Quad line drivers and receivers.

Cabling:

NON-FCC: "A" Cable:

One 60-conductor, shielded round cable for the disk drive, or the first disk drive in daisy chain.

"B" Cable:

One 26-conductor shielded round cable for each disk drive, or each in the daisy chain.

FCC: "A" Cable:

INTERNAL: One 60-conductor, flat ribbon cable with a 'D' connector on one end that mounts in the computer's EMI/RFI back-panel. The other end plugs into the 'B' paddleboard. See Figure 2.4.

EXTERNAL: One 60-conductor, shielded round cable for the disk drive or first drive in the daisy chain.

"B" Cable:

INTERNAL: One 26-conductor, flat ribbon cable with 'D' connector on one end that mounts in the computer's EMI/RFI back-panel. The other end plugs into the 'A' paddleboard. See Figure 2.4.

EXTERNAL: One 26-conductor, shielded round cable for each disk drive (radial connection).

NOTE: The maximum cumulative length allowable for the "A" for the "A" cable is 100 feet, and for the "B" cable is 50 feet, as per drive manufacturer's recommendations.

Multiple Drives: Up to four drives (dual volume counts as two) per controller. The "A" cable daisy chains from drive to drive, with the last drive in the chain requiring an "A" cable terminator. The "B" cable connects radially to each drive (no terminators required). Reference Figure 2.5.

#### 1.3.4 MECHANICAL

Dimensions: 15" x 15" x 1/2"

Shipping Weight: 10 pounds - includes controller, paddleboards, cables (if ordered), diagnostics and documentation.

Paddleboards: "A" paddleboard: Passive backplane paddleboard with four 26-pin cable connectors. ("A" backplane)

"B" paddleboard: Passive backplane paddleboard with one 60-pin cable connector. ("B" backplane)

#### 1.3.5 POWER REQUIREMENTS

+5 (+ 5%) Volts DC @ 8.5 Amps typical  
-5 (+ 5%) Volts DC @ 0.45 Amps typical

1.3.6 ENVIRONMENTAL

OPERATING ENVIRONMENT:

Temperature: 0 to 55 degrees C  
Relative Humidity: 10% to 90% (non-condensing)

NON-OPERATING ENVIRONMENT:

Temperature: -45 to +115 degrees C  
Relative Humidity: 10% to 90% (non-condensing)

Exceeds all Nova/Eclipse/MV temperature and humidity specifications.

## 2.0      INSTALLATION

This section contains the procedures necessary for proper installation of the DFC 407 Disk Controller. Please read carefully.

Sections 2.1 - 2.8 involve preparation and installation of the hardware components. Installation personnel should have access to hardware documentation of the computer and disk drive. Sections 2.9 - 2.11 describe the Programming Considerations.

## 2.1      UNPACKING AND INSPECTION

The following items are shipped with each DFC 407 Disk Controller:

- a) Controller (500-404-01) with protective cover
- b) Backplane Paddleboards 'A' (500-408-00)  
  'B' (500-409-00)
- c) Two BMC Bus Cables (300-038-00)
- d) Internal FCC Cables (Optional) 'A' (300-104-0X)  
  'B' (300-146-0X)
- e) External Cables (Optional) FCC 'A'           (300-013-0X)  
  NON-FCC 'A' (300-147-0X)  
  FCC 'B'       (300-011-0X)  
  NON-FCC 'B' (300-145-0X)
- f) Software Support Package on 9-track mag tape  
    (400-404-02)
- g) Technical Manual

Upon receipt of the Model DFC 407 from the carrier, inspect the shipping carton immediately for any evidence of damage or mishandling in transit.

If the shipping carton is water stained or damaged, contact the carrier and shipper immediately, specify the nature and extent of the damage and request that the carrier's agent be present when the carton is opened.

AV IV'S warranty does not cover shipping damage.

For repair or replacement of any AV IV product damaged in shipment, call AV IV to obtain return authorization instructions.

## 2.2 CHASSIS PREPARATION

Before installing the DFC 407, the disk drive, controller, and computer chassis must be prepared. First, select an appropriate "I/O ONLY" slot in the computer chassis that will provide an acceptable interrupt priority. See Table 1.1.

### 2.2.1 PRIORITY SELECTION

The controller must receive two priority signals from the DG minicomputer backplane, DCH priority in (Pin A94) and interrupt priority in (Pin A96). If there are vacant slots between the controller and the processor, priority jumper wires must be installed to obtain priority continuity between controllers. To jumper across unused slots, connect DCH priority out (Pin A93) to DCH priority in (Pin A94) and interrupt priority out (Pin A95) to interrupt priority in (Pin A96).

If the DFC 407 is to be configured at or near highest priority in an S140 computer, (Slots 12-16 I/O Only) jumper the priority first up to the DFC 407, then back down to the additional controller boards in Slots 4 and up.

### 2.2.2 POWER FAIL PROTECTION

The DFC 407 disk controller contains a double protection power fail scheme. The DG CPU outputs a signal on pin B21 called "Power Fail" which gives an early warning of power loss. This is used on the DFC 407 to disable the drives write circuitry through the open cable detect line.

Slots 12-15 in the S140 do not have power fail, therefore, a jumper wire should be installed to enable this feature. Slot 16 has it available on B21. Refer to your CPU manufacturer's manual if additional information is needed.

In addition, the DFC 407 contains its own power fail circuitry to further protect drive data integrity in the event the slot where the board is installed loses power.

## 2.3 CONTROLLER PREPARATION

Figure 2.1 shows the DFC 407 board layout with the pertinent configurable items called out. Use this figure to locate the necessary switches and jumper plugs for the following sections. The board cover may have to be removed for some of these configurable items. Refer to Table 2.2 for Paddleboard Jumper Table.

### 2.3.1 COMPUTER MODE SELECTION

The DFC 407 has been set to Mode 1 at the factory unless specified otherwise. The DFC 407 must be configured in two ways: 1) Configuring to the correct CPU via 24 pin mode plug on the circuit board and the B paddleboard, and 2) Choosing a feature select with a jumper plug on the circuit board and the B paddleboard.

First configure the mode plug to your CPU type. Four modes are possible. Table 2.1 indicates the CPU mode selections.

MODE 1 - This is the standard configuration and provides these features: dual port, extended 11 bit tag bus (for use with disk drives in excess of 1024 cylinders) and remote Pick/Hold power sequencing.

MODE 2 - Required on certain CPU types but sacrifices two of the three available features. Choose one of the three following features: dual port, extended 11 bit tag bus (for use with disk drives in excess of 1024 cylinders) or remote Pick/Hold power sequencing.

MODE 1A - Provides the same features as mode 1 for the following computers: S250, C350, M600. See Appendix I.

MODE 2A - Provides the same features as mode 2 for the MV6000 Expansion Chassis. See Appendix I.

When changing from Mode 1 to Mode 2 simply remove the 24 pin mode plug (on the DFC 407 and B paddleboard), turn it 180 degrees and re-insert. Second, choose the feature plug (on the DFC 407 board and paddleboard) for the desired feature. To determine which CPU mode to choose, reference Table 2.1.

FIGURE 2.1 Board Layout

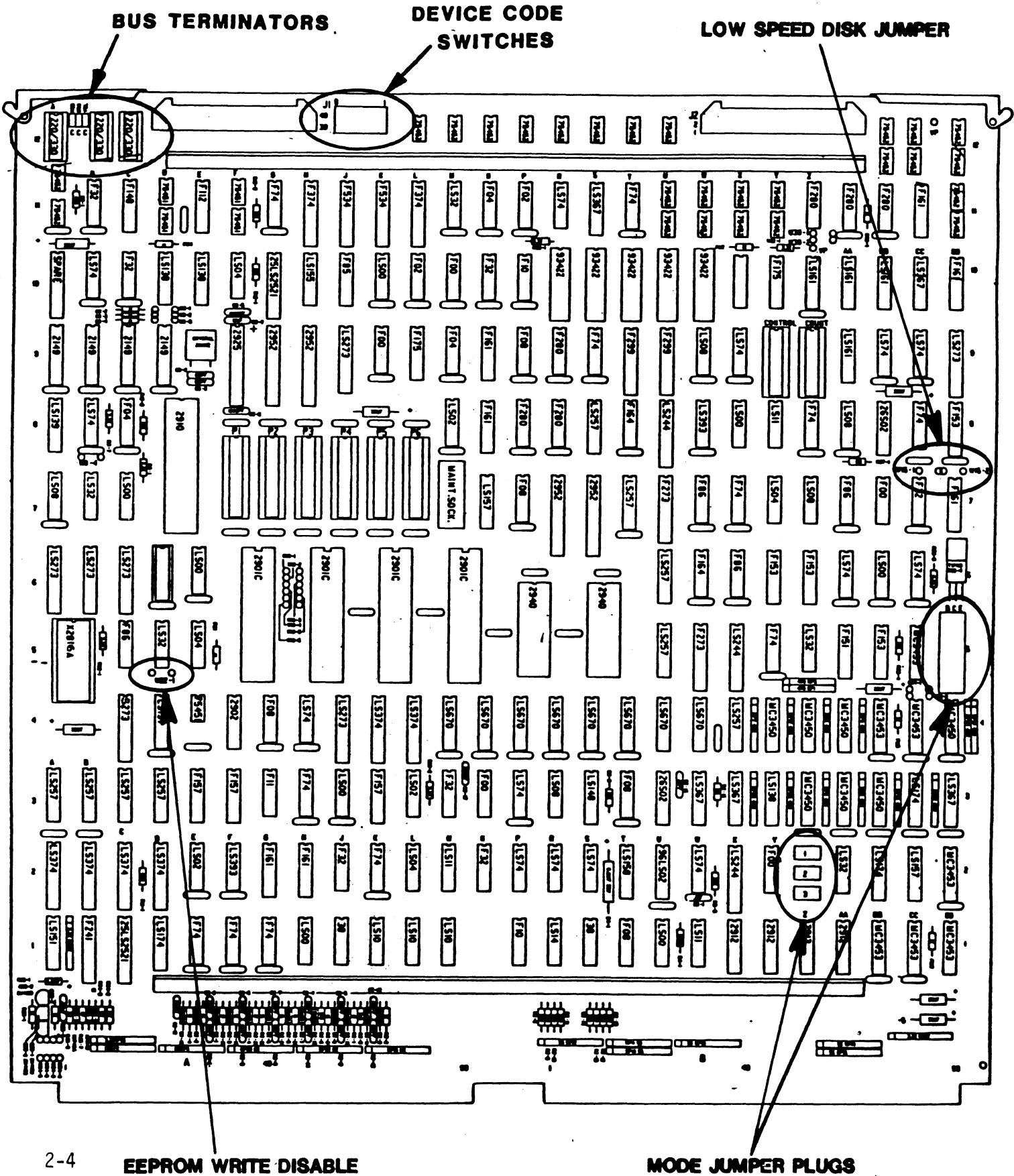
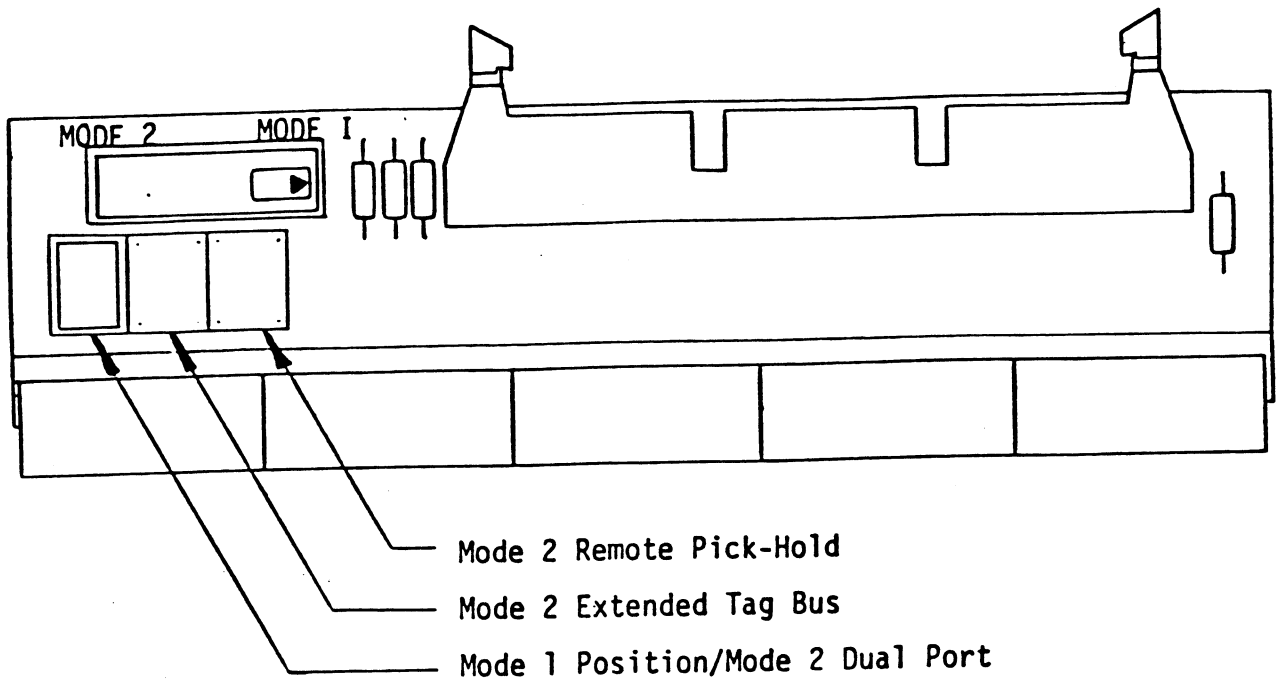




FIGURE 2.2 "B" Paddleboard







NOTE: For some CPU's the DFC 407 can be configured in either Mode 1 or Mode 2, (identified on Table 2.1 as ALT). Mode 1 is preferred since it retains all 3 features. Mode Selection is shown on Board Cover.

The feature selections are referenced in Figures 2.1 and 2.2. When you have chosen CPU Mode 1 you must have the feature select plug installed in the "Mode 1 Default/Dual Port" position. Unless this feature select plug is inserted properly, the Controller will not function correctly.

NOTE: When you have chosen Mode 2 you have a choice of 1 of the 3 features. You cannot choose more than one. Example: for dual port, insert the feature plug marked "Mode 1 Default/Dual Port" on the DFC 407 board and the B paddleboard.

TABLE 2.1 CPU Mode Selection

MODEL	MODE 1	MODE 2	MODE 1A	MODE 2A
NOVA 4C	X			
NOVA 4S	X			
NOVA 4X	X			
S120	X			
S140	X			
S250 			X	
C350 			X	
S280	X	ALT.		
M600			X	
MV4000	X	ALT.		
MV6000 				X
MV8000		X		
MV8000-11		X		
MV8000C		X		
MV10000 	X	ALT.		
MV20000		X		

NOTES:



Requires optional 'I/O Only' backplane.



MV10000 REV 02 backplane and less requires Mode 2 operation.



Mode 2A is to be used only in the MV6000 I/O expansion chassis.

NOTE: Modes 1A and 2A require the Modes 1 and 2 plug selections, respectively, in conjunction with jumper changes on the controller and paddleboards. See Appendix I.

TABLE 2.2 Paddleboard Jumper Table

A Paddleboard    B Paddleboard  
 # 500-408-00    # 500-409-00

TABLE 2.2 Paddleboard Jumper Table

	A Paddleboard # 500-408-00 REVISION C OR HIGHER	B Paddleboard # 500-409-00 REVISION B OR HIGHER	MODE 1	MODE 2	MODE 1 A	MODE 2 A
DFC 407						
W 34-1						X
W 34-2			X	X	X	
W 34-3			X	X	X	
W 34-4						X
W 34-5			X	X	X	
W 34-6						X
Pins 1,2,3 near B83 - lower right hand corner			1-2	1-2	2-3	1-2
Jumper at N1			Mode 1/2	Mode 1/2	Mode 3	Mode 1/2
24-pin jumper at DD5			Mode 1	Mode 2	Mode 1	Mode 2
	Outside Jumper at 2A		Away From 2A	Away From 2A	Away From 2A	Toward 2A
	Outside Jumper at 1A		Away From 1A	Away From 1A	Toward 1A	Away From 1A
		W1				X
		W2	X	X	X	
		W3			X	
		W4	X	X		X
		24-Pin Jumper Plug	Mode 1	Mode 2	Mode 1	Mode 2

X = jumper is in or mode plug arrow is pointing toward this mode.

### 2.3.2 BMC BUS TERMINATION

If there is more than one BMC device daisy chained on the BMC bus, then the BMC controller at the end of the bus must have the bus terminators installed. If the DFC 407 is to be installed as the last or only BMC controller, then make sure the 3 bus terminators are installed at locations A12, B12, and C12 on the controller. Reference Figure 2.1.

NOTE: The DFC 407 is shipped from the factory with these terminators installed unless otherwise specified.

### 2.3.3 EEPROM WRITE DISABLE

The DFC 407 provides the means to hardware disable any further alterations to the configuration EEPROM. To write disable the EEPROM, cut foil jumper W22-1 located at D5 on the controller board. Foil jumper W22-1 is factory installed. Do not cut this jumper before configuration has been completed. Refer to Section 2.11.

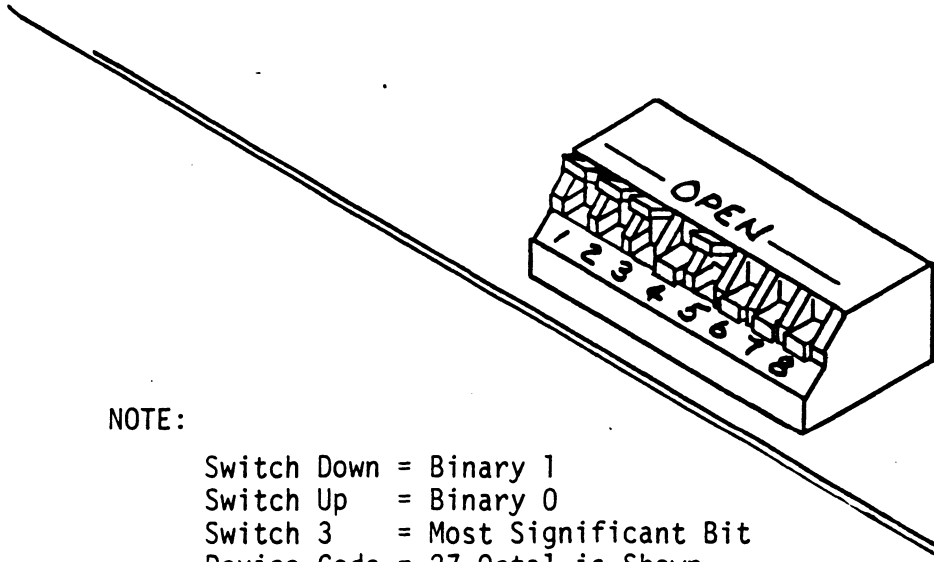
### 2.3.4 DEVICE CODE SELECTION

The DFC 407 provides a set of Device Code switches on the board edge that allows the user to easily change the device code without having to remove the controller from the computer chassis. See Figure 2.3. The standard Primary device code is 27 octal and Secondary is 67 octal, however, any standard DG device code can be selected. Switches 1 and 2 are not used. Switches 3 through 8 specify device code. Reference Figures 2.1 and 2.3 for proper switch selection.

### 2.3.5 LOW SPEED DISK

In BMC mode, the DFC 407 will function with Disk Drives ranging in speed from less than 5 MHZ serial bit rate up to 20 MHZ. In DCH mode the standard configuration supports transfer rates between 8 MHZ and 20 MHZ. If a disk drive slower than 8 MHZ is to be connected and run in DCH mode, then cut foil jumper W15-2 and add a 47 ohm resistor jumper to W15-1. Foil jumper W15-2 is factory installed.

FIGURE 2.3. Device Code Switch



NOTE:

Switch Down = Binary 1  
 Switch Up = Binary 0  
 Switch 3 = Most Significant Bit  
 Device Code = 27 Octal is Shown

DEVICE CODE	S1 RESERVED	S2 RESERVED	S3 DS0	S4 DS1	S5 DS2	S6 DS3	S7 DS4	S8 DS5
0X			UP	UP	UP			
1X			UP	UP	DOWN			
2X			UP	DOWN	UP			
3X			UP	DOWN	DOWN			
4X			DOWN	UP	UP			
5X			DOWN	UP	DOWN			
6X			DOWN	DOWN	UP			
7X			DOWN	DOWN	DOWN			
X0						UP	UP	UP
X1						UP	UP	DOWN
X2						UP	DOWN	UP
X3						UP	DOWN	DOWN
X4						DOWN	UP	UP
X5						DOWN	UP	DOWN
X6						DOWN	DOWN	UP
X7						DOWN	DOWN	DOWN

JUMPER POSITION INSTALLED	BMC MODE	DCH MODE	
Speed (W15-2)	<5 mhz-20 mhz	8 mhz-20 mhz	High
Speed (W15-1)	<5 mhz-15 mhz	<5 mhz-15 mhz	Low

## 2.4 DISK DRIVE PREPARATION

Refer to the disk drive manufacturer's installation manual to unpack, unlock the head assembly, and for general installation instructions.

### 2.4.1 SECTORS PER TRACK SELECTION

The number of sectors per track to which each disk drive should be set is shown in Table 2.3 below. Find the disk drive model that will be run on the DFC 407. Adjacent to the model is the number of sectors to which the disk should be set.

NOTE: If the DFC 407 is configured for split sectors for any disk drive, that particular disk drive will appear to the system as two disks with half the number of sectors shown in the maximum sectors column of the table below. The table shows the maximum number of sectors for each disk model using at least 576 bytes in each sector of the disk surface. Problems are inevitable if this number is not adhered to. Use this number to calculate the number of sectors a disk drive can have if it is not shown in Table 2.3.

TABLE 2.3 Maximum Sectors Table

DISK DRIVE MODEL	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SECTORS SUPPORTED
A1-AMPEX 165	35
A2-AMPEX 330	35
A3-AMPEX 980	35
A4-AMPEX 80	35
A5-AMPEX 660	35
A7-AMPEX 932	35
A8-AMPEX 964	35
A9-AMPEX 996	35

AA-APS 4830-202	70
AB-APS 4835-202	70
AC-APS 4830-337	70
AD-APS 4835-337	70
AE-APS 4830-404	70
AF-APS 4835-404	70
AG-APS 4865	70
AL-AMCODYNE 7110	32
AM-AMCODYNE 8160	35
C1-CDC 9730-80	35
C2-CDC 9730-160	35
C3-CDC 9762	35
C4-CDC 9766	35
C5-CDC 9775	35
C6-CDC 9710 (RSD)	35
C7-CDC 9715-160	35
C8-CDC 9715-340	35
C9-CDC 9715-515	51
CA-CDC LARK 9457	32
CB-CDC LARK 9455	32
CC-CDC CMD 9448-32	35
CD-CDC CMD 9448-64	35
CE-CDC CMD 9448-96	35
CF-CDC 9410-8	23
CG-CDC 9410-24	23
CH-CDC 9410-32	23
CI-CDC 9410-40	23
CJ-CDC 9412	35
D1-DATA PER.D1600	35
DA-DISC TECH 3306	35
E1-CENTURY 300	35
E2-CENTURY 302	35
E3-CENTURY 306	35
E4-CENTURY AMS 315	35
E5-CENTURY T82	35
E6-CENTURY 160	41
E7-CENTURY AMS 513	55
E8-CENTURY AMS 380	55
E9-CENTURY AMS 571	56
EA-CENTURY C2048	32
F1-FUJITSU 2280	35
F2-FUJITSU 2284	35
F3-FUJITSU 2294	35

F4-FUJITSU 2351*	48 (586 bytes/sector)
F5-FUJITSU 2311	35
F6-FUJITSU 2312	35
F7-FUJITSU 2322*	35 (582 bytes/sector)
F8-FUJITSU 2333*	70 (584 bytes/sector)
F9-FUJITSU 2331*	70 (584 bytes/sector)
F10-FUJITSU 2361*	70 (585 bytes/sector)
FA-FUJITSU 2298*	70 (585 bytes/sector)
K1-KENNEDY 7380	35
K2-KENNEDY 5380*	35 (572 bytes/sector)
K3-KENNEDY 53160*	35 (572 bytes/sector)
K4-KENNEDY 7340	35
M1-MEGAV AULT 83	35
M2-MEGAV AULT 116	35
MA-MEMOREX 677-30	35
MB-MEMOREX 677-70	23
MC-MEMOREX 213	35
MD-MEMOREX 214	35
N1-NEC 2220	35
N2-NEC 2230	35
N3-NEC 2246	35
N4-NEC D2351	62
P1-PRIAM 15450	35
P2-PRIAM 804	35
P3-PRIAM 3350	35
P4-PRIAM 3450	23
P5-PRIAM 7050	23
P6-PRIAM 6650	35
T1-TECSTOR 85	35
T2-TECSTOR 165	35
T3-TECSTOR 200	35
T4-TECSTOR 300	35
T5-TECSTOR 160	35
UD-USER DEFINED	128 (drive dependent)

If the disk drive you are installing is not on the list, refer to the ICP Command menu. Choose selection D (Disk Drive/s). Answer the associated questions on your operating system. When a list of disk drive manufacturers displays, push "H", then carriage return to review the heads, cylinders, sectors, unformatted capacity and format type.



Choose a drive similar in characteristics or choose "UD", (User Defined). UD is listed under RDOS in the command menu. UD is available under AOS/AOS VS when you choose a non-standard drive.

Refer to your disk drive manual and carefully determine the correct switch positions for the sector count and set the switches in the disk drive accordingly.

- \* Use appropriate sector selection by referring to manufacturers manual on calculating sectors, and calculate based on the desired number of bytes/sector.

#### 2.4.2 UNIT NUMBER AND MISCELLANEOUS PREPARATION

Set the drive/s to the desired unit numbers. This is usually done via a switch in the drive or by changing lens caps on the front. For two or more drives, unit numbers assigned are usually consecutive, with unit "0" being the primary unit. For dual-volume drives such as CDC's CMD, Lark, etc., or drives that the controller treats as dual volume (indicated in the Disk Drive "HELP" section of AVIV's ICP on the Software Support Package tape), the drive must be set to unit 0 or 2, with the next consecutive odd unit number used by the other volume of the disk drive. Ensure the disk drive you are installing has the index and sector signals on the "A" cable. If these signals are on the "B" cable only, the controller will not function correctly.

#### 2.4.3 SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

##### SECTOR SELECTION FOR THE FUJITSU 2351:

The FUJITSU 2351 should be set to 48 sectors per track by setting the number of bytes per sector to 586, and NOT 587 as indicated the Fujitsu 2351 manual. This will provide a more even distribution of the available track capacity between the 48 sectors, allowing the subsystem to perform better.

The following Fujitsu jumpers should be installed to achieve 586 bytes per sector:

BC7	2-3	6-7	10-11	12-13
BD7	3-4	6-7	9-10	13-14
BE7	3-4	5-6	10-11	13-14
BF7	3-4	6-7	10-11	13-14

NOTE: On Formatter and Reel you will see the following information displayed (AOS, AOS/VS):

UNIT	TYPE	HDS	CYLS	SEC/TRK	SECTOR PULSES
0	0	19	815	24	48 sufficient bytes/sector ?
1	1	19	815	24	48 sufficient bytes/sector ?

In this example, the Sector Pulses are correct, allowing you to proceed.

FOR THE CDC 9457 (LARK II) AND CDC 9455 (LARK):

Ensure options W-4 and W-8 are installed within the disk drive. W-4 identifies Auto Seek on head change. W-8 identifies two volumes (CDC terms it CMD). The CDC Lark is factory set at 32 sectors. The 64 sector version is not useable.

#### 2.4.4 REMOTE DRIVE START

On initial power up, the Controller will delay activating Pick/Hold (spins up drive) for one second. This feature eases the initial current demand on the AC power source. This feature requires that the disk drive be selected for remote operation. If the remote spin up feature has not been selected in Mode 2, then Pick/Hold is grounded, which will issue a continuous Pick/Hold.

#### 2.5 CONTROLLER INSTALLATION

Carefully select an I/O ONLY slot, (reference Table 1.1), and guide the controller in by allowing the edges of the board to follow the guides evenly. Use the lock tabs on the two outside corners to provide leverage when the board meets the connector. Use equal pressure on both lock tabs until the board seats firmly into the backplane connectors.

**CAUTION:** AN "I/O ONLY" SLOT MUST BE USED. COMPONENT DAMAGE WILL OCCUR IF A SLOT OTHER THAN I/O ONLY IS USED. REFER TO SECTION 1.3.2. AVIV'S WARRANTY IS VOID IF A NON-I/O ONLY SLOT IS USED.

## 2.5.1 PADDLEBOARD INSTALLATION

Two paddleboards connect onto the minicomputer backplane pins. Observe which slot the DFC 407 occupies in order to determine which set of backplane pins to use for connection. One paddleboard connects to the "A" backplane and one on the "B" backplane. Make sure the CPU backplane pins are straight first, then reference Figure 2.4 for proper installation. The paddleboard (labeled "B") with the 60-pin header goes on the "B" backplane. The paddleboard (labeled "A") with the four 26-pin headers goes to the "A" backplane.

A fair amount of insertion force resistance is presented by these connectors, so carefully rock the paddleboard back and forth while exerting pressure in order to guide all the pins into the connector.

## 2.6 CABLING

### 2.6.1 INTERNAL DISK CABLING

As shown in Figure 2.4, the socket connector end of the 60-conductor cable (referred to as Internal SMD "A" cable) plugs into the "B" paddleboard. The other end of this cable (D connector) mounts on the backpanel.

NOTE: Paddleboard "B" with 12-pin mode plug may extend too high when trying to plug in the paddleboard with another controller board and the paddleboard is set in the next slot. Simply pop off the red cap of the 12-pin mode plug, exposing the internal metal jumpers.

The socket connector end of the 26-conductor cable (referred to as Internal SMD "B" cable) plugs into the "A" paddleboard. The other end of this cable (D connector) mounts on the backpanel. Observe the port assignments on the paddleboard in order to keep track of which ports are 0-3 on the backpanel. If more than one drive is to be connected, we recommend labeling the associated port/s on the CPU connector panel.

## 2.6.2 EXTERNAL DISK CABLING

As shown in Figure 2.5, the 60-conductor "A" cable connects the appropriate backpanel D connector to the first drive, then continues from drive to drive in a daisy chain fashion. The last drive in the chain must have a terminator installed in place of the daisy chain cable. This terminator is located within the disk drive.

Each drive must have a 26-conductor "B" cable connected between the drive and the backpanel D connector in a radial fashion. Connect external ground wire on both A and B cables to the drive's chassis ground.

Ensure that the port is configured (by use of the ICP) to match the corresponding drive type plugged into that port.

If Non-FCC cables are being used, the "A" cable plugs directly into the "B" paddleboard, and the "B" cable plugs directly into the "A" paddleboard. (Note: this is NOT a typographical error.)

## 2.6.3 BMC BUS CABLING

The two BMC bus cables provided have a single 40-pin connector on one end and a group of 4, 6, or 8 connectors on the other end. Install the BMC bus cables as shown in Figure 2.4, observing proper connector orientation, by plugging the single-plug end of the cables into the DG BMC interface and the multiple-plug end of the cables into the DFC 407 and other BMC peripheral controllers. Reference Section 2.3.2 for BMC termination installation. If the Data Channel is being used for data transfer, the BMC cables need not be installed.

## 2.7 SUBSYSTEM GROUNDING

Because the AC power system safety ground does not necessarily satisfy all system grounding requirements, additional connections are required to earth ground, referred to as system ground. The controller and its attached drive/s must be connected to a singlepoint ground system. Ground connections are made via the grounding pigtail on the AVIV cable, or via ground braids that pass from drive to drive, drive to computer chassis, and computer chassis to earth ground. Refer to Figure 2.5.

FIGURE 2.4 Board Diagram

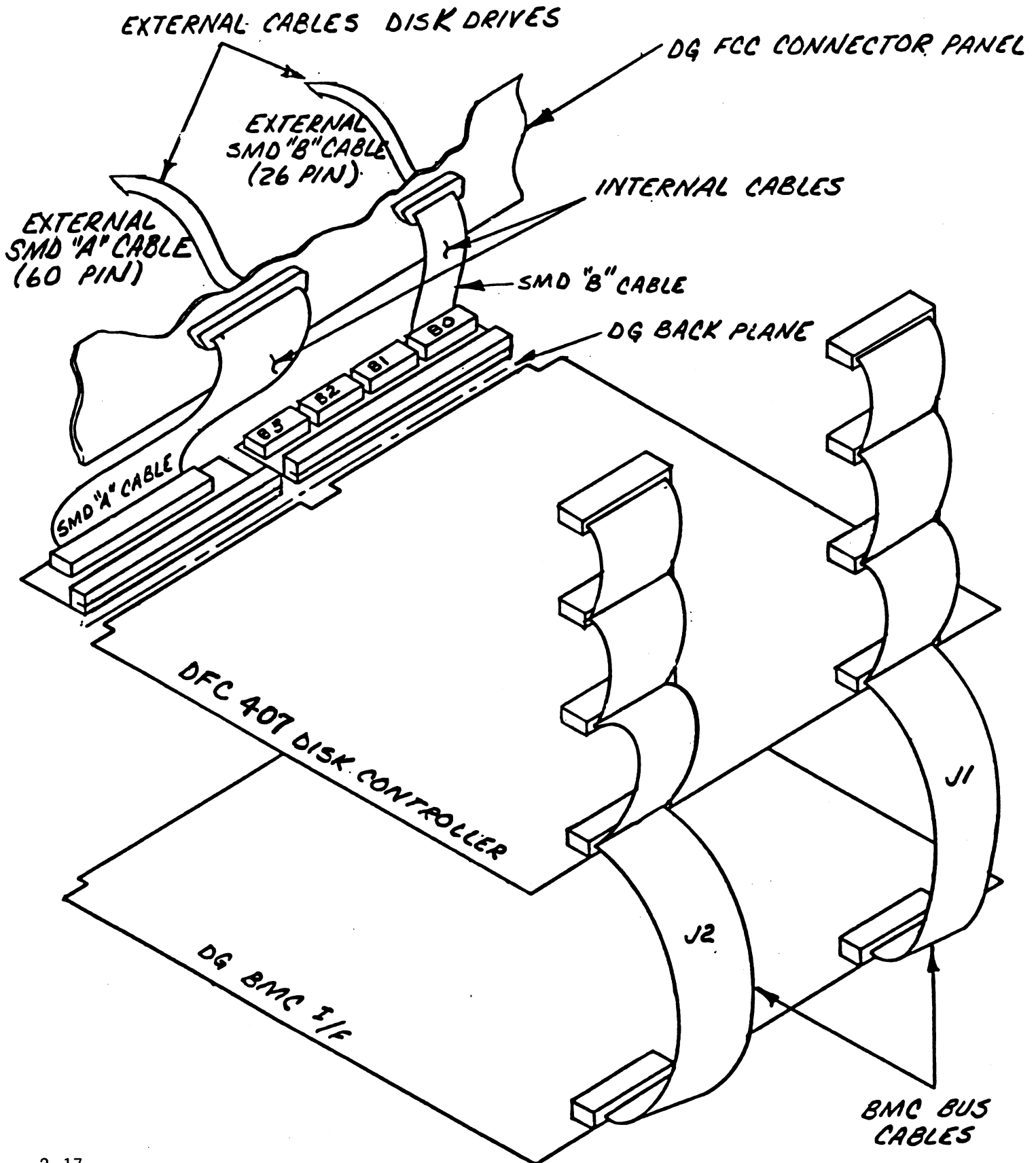
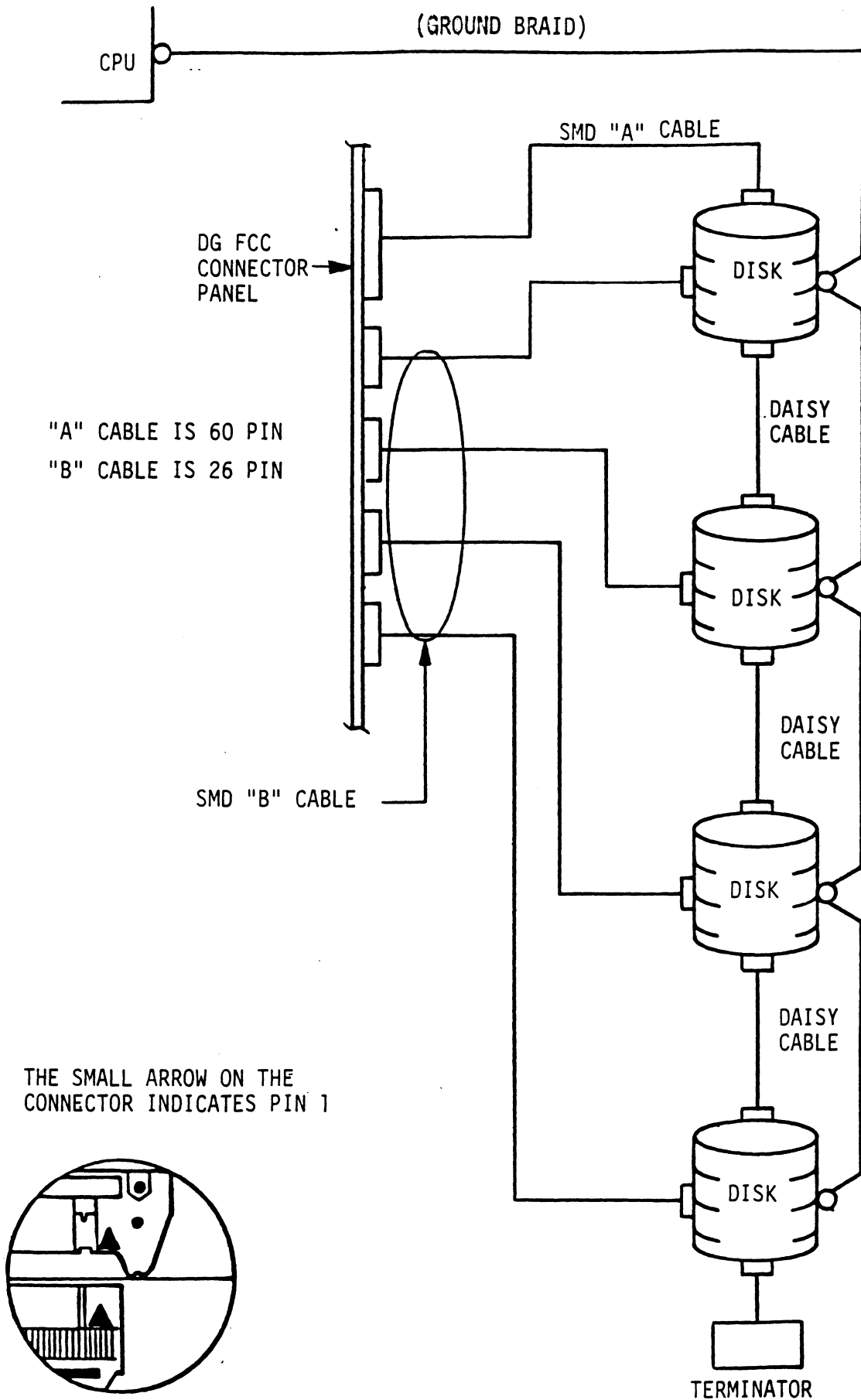


FIGURE 2.5 Daisy Chaining Drives



**WARNING** - To ensure proper ground return to earth, each component in the system must be connected using a daisy chain ground system. The AC and DC grounds within each drive may need to be joined (consult your drive manual). The drives must then be joined by a daisy chain grounding braid and connected to the grounding post at the rear of the computer cabinet.

## 2.8 SYSTEM POWER UP

Turn system power ON. The DFC 407 will perform an initial "Self-test" by briefly lighting a red LED. A good test is indicated by the LED turning OFF. For more details, or if self-test fails, refer to Section 3.0. After power up, the yellow LED should turn off if the controller has not been configured for a dual port drive and the disk drive is powered on. See Section 1.3.1 for LED definitions.

## 2.9 USING THE SOFTWARE SUPPORT PACKAGE TAPE

The Software Support Package tape is structured so that the programs on Files 2 through 7 can be loaded and executed directly from the tape. Files 0 and 1 contain the software that enables you to boot from the tape and select the particular program you want loaded into the system.

Each of the programs on Files 2 through 7 is a stand-alone program. This means that they do not need, and cannot have, an operating system running when they are executed. Programs cannot be loaded onto your disk directly from Files 0-7. File 8 for RDOS and File 9 for AOS (or AOS/VS) contain the programs in the standard system dump format and you can load them from these files to your disk. Even after the programs have been transferred to your disk, you should retain the Software Support Package tape in case of disk subsystem problems.

The following sequence of events is recommended by AVIV. Each step is described in greater detail in the subsequent sections of this chapter.

1. Mount the Software Support Package tape and boot it.
2. Select #2 on tape menu - configure the Controller.

3. Select #4 - format the media. (Generally required.)
4. Select #3 - disk Diagnostics.
5. Select #5 - disk Reliability.

NOTE: It is not essential that you run Diagnostics or Reliability; however, they will locate disk subsystem problems. It is better that this be checked out at this point than after you have loaded your data.

Bootstrap Procedure for the Software Support Package tape is:

1. Mount the Software Support Package tape on the drive and put it on-line. Be sure that the bpi setting matches that specified on the tape label.
2. Program Load. The method of program load varies for the different processors. Some of the possibilities are described here.

If your system has front-panel switches, set them to 100022 when loading from the primary tape drive, or to 100062 when loading from the secondary tape drive. Then press reset and the program load switch.

For the S140 virtual console, set 11A to 100022 (or 100062 for secondary tape drive). Then enter 100022L (or 100062L).

For the S120 virtual console, enter 22H (or 62H for the secondary tape drive).

For MV class CPU's you must enter the full virtual console and respond to the prompt:

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SCP-CLI>  
with BOOT 22 (or 62 for secondary tape)
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3. The Software Support Package Menu will be displayed:



FILE #	PROGRAM
2	DFC 407 INTERACTIVE CONFIGURATION PROGRAM
3	DISK DIAGNOSTICS
4	DISK FORMATTER
5	DISK RELIABILITY
6	CSDKINIT-RDOS DISK INITIALIZER
7	CSDSKED-RDOS DISK EDITOR
8	".SV & .LS" Files and any Utilities in RDOS DUMP Format
9	".SV & .LS" Files and any Utilities in AOS DUMP Format
10	AOS/VS Utilities in AOS DUMP Format

File Number?

Enter the number of the program you wish to execute.

### 2.9.1 CONFIGURING THE DFC 407

The ICP replaces hardware switches. You must run File #2 on the Software Support Package in order to install your DFC 407. See Section 2.11 for further information.

### 2.9.2 DISK DRIVE SECTOR SETTING VERIFICATION

The DFC 407 provides a feature that allows the Formatter, Reliability and Diagnostics Programs to display the actual number of sector pulses detected by the controller. This enables the user to verify that the disk drive has been correctly configured before attempting any data transfers.

NOTE: ONLY FULL SECTORS WILL BE COUNTED.

### 2.9.3 DISK FORMATTER

NOTE: If the Sector Slip option is utilized, skip this section and refer to the Sector Slip Appendix (J).

The first thing to be done after the DFC 407 is configured is to run the Formatter Program (File #4). Run a minimum of 3 passes, preferably 6 passes, of surface analysis. Be sure to disable Error Correction with the ICP before starting the Formatter Program. See Section 3.2 for more detailed information.

#### 2.9.4 DISK RELIABILITY

It is recommended that the Disk Reliability program (File #5 on tape) be run for at least one pass to ensure a reliable subsystem before storing the system data on it. If any problems are encountered, the disk Diagnostic, (File #3 on tape) can be used to identify the source of the problem. See Section 3.2 for more detailed information.

#### 2.9.5 DFMTR/DKINIT

The disk is now ready to be initialized by running DG's DFMTR program (not supplied with controller) for AOS or AOS/VS operating systems. Run AVIV'S CSDKINIT program on File #6 of the Software Support Package tape for RDOS or ERDOS. DG's DKINIT will also work for true emulations, but CSDKINIT gives the capability of expanded capacity support. AVIV recommends CSDKINIT for RDOS/ERDOS.

NOTE: When initialization is complete, the on-board ECC can be enabled with the ICP.

See Section 3.2 for more details.

#### 2.10 SYSGEN CONSIDERATIONS

Listed below is an example of part of the RDOS system generator.

1. Number of 6060/6061/6067/6122/6160/6161 Disk Controllers (0-2)
2. Device Primary ("0") or Secondary ("1")
3. Controller #1 6160/6161 Type? ("0"=NO, "1"=YES)
4. Number of Devices for Controller #1 (1-4)
5. Number of other types of Moving Head Disk Controllers (0-2)
6. Device Primary ("0") or Secondary ("1")

NOTE: On line three answer NO when running RDOS. When you answer NO, you allow up to four disk drives (6160 or 6161) to be connected to the DFC 407. "YES" allows only two disk drives (6160 or 6161) to be connected.

## 2.11 DFC 407 INTERACTIVE CONFIGURATOR PROGRAM (ICP)

The DFC 407 Controller is configured for your particular system via software. Before you will be able to access your disk/s, the DFC 407 Controller must be configured to reflect your requirements. To do this, load the DFC 407 ICP from the Software Support Package tape per instructions in the preceding section. The ICP is located on File #2 of the tape.

The ICP displays a heading and an introduction. Read the introduction carefully before proceeding.

Initially you must specify on which device code the DFC 407 controller is currently running. This is so that the current configuration facts can be read from the Controller's EEPROM (Electrically Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory). If this is the initial installation, the DFC 407 will be set at device code 27 octal. See Section 2.3.4 for device code selection.

The DFC 407 ICP includes both a HELP menu for general questions and a HELP command for each item. Please use these functions whenever you are uncertain as to what to do. The purpose of the ICP is to change the pre-set facts to reflect your environment, and then to update the EEPROM on the Controller. The Controller will then perform according to the particular configuration you have specified.

### SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS TO RUN ICP

- a) Nova, Eclipse or MV Family CPU with 32K Words Memory
- b) DFC 407 Controller/s
- c) Console on Device 10/11
- d) Printer at 17, in order to use Logging

The following sections describe the configurable features supported by the DFC 407.

### 2.11.1 DATA TRANSFER MODE

The DFC 407 can be configured for either DCH or BMC bus transfer. BMC mode is required for AOS/VS.

### 2.11.2 BMC BUS PRIORITY

The DFC 407 has the capability of functioning with up to seven other BMC peripheral controllers. However, some DG computers, such as the MV/4000 and S/280 only support up to four BMC devices. In this case you must select priorities 0 thru 3, 3 being the highest priority. The lower the priority number the lower the priority level. If there is more than one BMC device, make sure you select a priority level that is different than the other BMC devices.

### 2.11.3 DISK CONFIGURATION

The DFC 407 is capable of running with virtually any disk drive that meets the SMD specifications, including SMD-E & the 20 Mhz HSMD drives. Traditionally, when running under AOS or AOS/VS, only those drives that met the sizing characteristics of the supported emulations could be used; however, Virtual Mapping circumvents many of these operating system restrictions, and allows higher formatted yields from some drives that normally map out inefficiently. Under RDOS, the DFC 407 can take advantage of the full capacity of most disk drives using AVIV'S CSDKINIT program which allows deviation from the standard DG disk emulations.

#### DUAL VOLUME DRIVES:

If a dual volume drive is to be connected, the drive must be configured to an even-numbered unit. A dual volume drive is treated as two logical units, so a maximum of two dual volume drives, or one dual volume drive and two single volume drives can be connected.

NOTE: The Kismet Family - 6160, 6161 and 6214, under AOS and AOS/VS, only allow two, single-volume drives or one dual-volume to be connected.

There are two forms of dual volume drives. One has two physical volumes. (Examples are CDC Lark, Amcodyne 7110 and CDC 9448 Series.)

The other form of dual-volume is treating one physical drive as 2 logical units, if drive characteristics permit.  
Examples: dual 6061 emulation (AOS) operation for the Fujitsu 2351 Eagle; dual 6161 emulation (AOS) operation for the Fujitsu 2333 drive; and dual 6122 emulation operation for the Fujitsu 2361 drive.

In all cases, dual volume drives must have both units formatted before reading or writing.

#### 2.11.4 ERROR CORRECTION ENABLE

When this function is enabled, on-board error correction and data strobe early/late occur automatically on bad data. Also, a running count of ECC corrections and successful data strobe early or late data recoveries are logged in scratch pad memory, with a separate count for each unit. With this function disabled, ECC corrections must be handled by the software. This feature can be selected on any port.

#### 2.11.5 THROTTLE BURST RATE

This is defined as the number of word transfers that take place over either the DCH or the BMC on a single bus access. Throttle adjustment is dependent on the type of system configuration into which the Controller is installed. Too low of a throttle setting could result in slow disk performance, and too high of a setting could cause a data late on another DCH or BMC device. The DFC 407 supports 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128 and 256 word Burst Rates. A Burst Rate of 16 is recommended for DCH and 32 is recommended for BMC.

NOTE: If running a 20 Mhz disk drive in a non-interleaved mode of operation, (interleave 1:1, no dual-volume, no double cylinder) [for example, when running a FUJITSU 2361 with Sector Slip], use the following BMC Throttle Rate guidelines: (based on 602 bytes/sector.)

CPU MODEL	MINIMUM THROTTLE RATE
S140	256
S280	16
MV4000	128
MV6000	64
MV8000 (C, II)	32
MV10000	64

Refer to Section 2.4.1 for additional information.

The DFC 407 allows selection of a different Burst Rate for each drive port, thereby giving the ability to fine tune the bus to a particular speed of the disk drive.

#### 2.11.6 BREAK COUNT INTERVAL

Utilized only in the BMC mode, the Break Count Interval is defined as the period of time that the DFC 407 is off the BMC bus. With the Break Count set to 0 there is an inherent 1.4 microsecond OFF time (delay between requests), which is the break count setting recommended by AVIV. Each additional count adds 200 nanoseconds to the OFF bus time.

NOTE: The equivalent to the Break Count recommended by DG on 6160 is a setting of 25.

If there are other BMC devices present, it may be desirable to increase this count to allow more time for the other devices to access the bus. If the Break Count is set too large, slow disk performance may result. A larger Break Count also allows the CPU more memory time.

The DFC 407 allows you to set a different Break Count on each drive port, which gives the ability to fine tune the bus according to disk speed.

#### 2.11.7 SECTOR SLIP

The DFC 407 has a feature called Sector Slip that provides the capability of utilizing spare sectors to skip over sectors that contain media defects. In effect, the media will appear flawless to the system, and thus reduce system overhead. If this feature is to be enabled, you will need to run the Sector Slip Formatter Program. Sector Slip cannot be used on a disk with sector interleaving or one that is configured as dual-volume (two logical units). See the Sector Slip section of this manual for more details.

#### 2.11.8 SECTOR INTERLEAVE RATIO

Non-Interleave (1:1) is recommended for optimum performance, and should be sufficient on the BMC in most cases.

The DFC 407 supports any interleave from 2:1 up to 6:1 and each drive port can have a different interleave ratio. Interleaving may be desired to fine tune a system's performance. This is to avoid going a full revolution on the disk when the CPU cannot respond fast enough to catch the next consecutive sector.

If system performance is too slow to access the next consecutive sector, which is indicated by extremely slow disk performance, then an interleave factor of 2:1 or greater should be selected. To maintain optimum performance, don't select an interleave greater than is required to access the next consecutive sector in a multiple sector transfer.

#### 2.11.9 MEDIA FORMAT

The DFC 407 has the capability of supporting, simultaneously, up to four different types of disk media format. This also means that each drive port could be running a totally different media format.

If AVIV format is specified, one of three possible formats will automatically be selected according to the disk model that was specified earlier:

- AVIV 1 - Standard SMD Drives
- AVIV 2 - Fujitsu 20 MHZ Drives
- AVIV 3 - AVIV High Speed Compatible

#### 2.11.10 SYNC BYTE

The DFC 407 supports a media format that contains a header sync byte and data field sync byte, instead of just a sync bit. The sync byte provides better header address and data integrity. This sync byte is user-definable for each drive port on the DFC 407. Any value between 01 hex and FF hex is acceptable, although 93 hex (223 octal) is the recommended value. When entering a sync byte use the octal number. This feature can provide a means for disk pack access security between different disk subsystems.

## 2.12.0 VIRTUAL MAPPING

The purpose of this Section is to provide information on the benefits of using the Virtual Mapping feature of the DFC 407 Disk Controller. The main issue is how this feature will allow additional drive types to be used with AOS or AOS/VS, and be media efficient without modifying or patching the operating system. The term AOS used in this section of the manual will mean either/both AOS and AOS/VS.

Unlike RDOS, with the advantage of AVIV's CSDKINIT program, AOS requires that the drive must at least be equal to the characteristics of a DG emulation (cylinders, heads, & sectors). Without Virtual Mapping, a limited number of drives is supported, because either the down-sized characteristics for AOS make the drive media inefficient, or the drive cannot be sized correctly as a DG type drive.

One solution to this is to configure the Controller for Virtual Mapping, where the only restriction is that the block size must be equal to or exceed a DG emulation block size. This form of Virtual Mapping is called Block Address

Translation (BAT). The advantage of BAT is that a drive with a maximum cylinder, head, or sector address that differs greatly from a DG drive may now be used with AOS.

### 2.12.1 SCOPE

This section identifies some of the drives that currently cannot support AOS without Virtual Mapping due to their characteristics and to their having a low efficiency as compared to RDOS. The RDOS to AOS comparison will be illustrated by the aid of matrix tables. The three DG disk groups (Zebra, Kismet, & Vulcan) will be discussed with regard to their importance to BAT. Methods of increasing capacity yield via BAT will be represented by tables.

### 2.12.2 DG DISK DRIVE SIZING CHARACTERISTICS

It is considered useful, from the drive manufacturers point of view, to determine media efficiency by comparing unformatted capacity with formatted capacity. Unformatted capacity is defined as the product of the cylinders, heads, and bytes per track. Formatted capacity relates to the type of system requirements, i.e. the number of data bytes.



Data General requires that each sector must contain 512 bytes of data. Formatted also means to include a header field for sector address verification and gap fields for adhering to drive specification (PLO Sync, Read Gate Delay, Pad, etc.).

A more effective way of indicating drive capacity with respect to DG is to multiply the maximum characteristics (cylinder, head, and sector) times 512.

Let C = Maximum Cylinder Address  
H = Maximum Head Address  
S = Maximum Sector Address

Then: Byte Capacity = (C)(H)(S)(512)

Since 512 bytes per sector is a DG constant, it simplifies any further calculations by dropping it and calling the product the block size.

Block size = (C)(H)(S)

For means of comparison, it is appropriate to suggest that RDOS is 100% efficient. That is to say, the only drive characteristic restrictions (assuming Rev. 7.0 or greater), are 2048 cylinders, 32 heads, and 64 sectors as maximum addresses. Another way of looking at it is this is also the maximum addresses that can be represented by the program control accumulators (i.e. DOA, DOB, & DOC).

### 2.12.3 DG DISK EMULATION GROUPS

BAT is bounded by the set of DG emulation block sizes to be functional in an AOS or environment. There are seven different block sizes BAT can choose from for greatest media efficiency. The seven block sizes, as defined by the respective emulation, are divided up into three groups: 1) Zebra 2) Kismet 3) Vulcan. Table 2.4 defines each emulation and group. Please observe the symbol assigned to each individual emulation type as they will be used frequently throughout this section.

TABLE 2.4 DG Emulation Groups

#### ZEBRA

	CYLINDERS	HEADS	SECTORS	BLOCK SIZE	SYMBOL
6060	411	19	24	187,416	Z0
6061	815	19	24	371,640	Z1
6067	815	5	24	97,800	Z7

#### KISMET

	CYLINDERS	HEADS	SECTORS	BLOCK SIZE	SYMBOL
6160	823	5	35	144,025	K0
6161	823	10	35	288,050	K1
6214	843	40	35	1,180,200	K4

#### VULCAN

	CYLINDERS	HEADS	SECTORS	BLOCK SIZE	SYMBOL
6122	815	19	35	541,975	V

### 2.12.4 RESTRICTIONS WHEN GROUPING DG EMULATIONS

When more than one unit is specified, every unit must be of the same group (i.e. Zebra's, Kismet's, & Vulcan's cannot be intermixed). When AOS sizes a drive as a Zebra the ending disk address must be coherent to that driver. Kismet and Vulcan's require specific identifier flags when sized and expects all units to be of the same group.

### 2.12.5 SELECTING MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE BLOCK SIZE

This section explains the effectiveness of BAT, both functional and intuitive, now that the basic ground rules were discussed. A list of drive types (Table 2.7) that would be desirable with respect to virtual mapping will serve as examples for this Section. The basic principles of BAT shall provide the necessary tool in which to include other non-standard drive types not contained within this list.

Since the main attribute with this feature is its ability to increase data capacity (virtually), it would be appropriate at this time to define maximum allowable block size.

**Definition:** Maximum allowable blocksize is the maximum number of blocks that meet the requirements of AOS for a drive type whose block size is greater than or equal to a sum of one or more DG block sizes in an emulation group.

### 2.12.6 SYSTEM UNIT TO PHYSICAL DRIVE

Any one of the drives listed in Table 2.5 may be selected as an example, as they are all non-standard drive types. To best illustrate how BAT works select a drive type from the list and step it through the following procedure.

Let D = maximum block size of any drive type.

U = DG emulation block size.

x = an element within the 7 available DG block sizes.

**Drive Characteristics:** Cd = Maximum Cylinder Address  
Hd = Maximum Head Address  
Sd = Maximum Sector Address

**DG Unit Characteristics:** Cu = Maximum Cylinder Address  
411,815,823,843  
Hu = Maximum Head Address  
5,10,19,40  
Su = Maximum Sector Address  
24,35

$D = (Cd)(Hd)(Sd)$

$U = (Cu)(Hu)(Su)$

Therefore, to meet AOS requirements the drive must support greater than or equal to the number of blocks specified by a DG drive.

$D \geq U(x)$                       x:    Z0,Z1,Z7,K0,K1,K4,V

To make the above equation an equality a number must be added to U(x).

Let  $b$  = the number of extra blocks.

$$D = U(x) + b$$

then  $b = D - U(x)$  It will be apparent that the smallest  $b$  is what is desired.

NOTE: If  $D < U(x)$  for all of  $x$ , then the drive cannot be supported at all by AOS.

To summarize, multiply the maximum values of the cylinder, head, and sector of the drive, and then propagate through Table 2.4 to select the smallest number of extra blocks ( $b$ ).

Example: CDC XMD (see Table H.2)

$$D = 1,409,024$$

Using Table 2.4 then, for  $U(x)$ ,  $x = K4$  (6214 emulation) as the choice for the smallest  $b$ .

#### 2.12.7 MEDIA EFFICIENCY

Efficiency: Once the smallest  $b$  is known, media efficiency can be calculated.

$$\text{Eff} = U/D, \quad \text{Eff \%} = \text{Eff} \times 100$$

Example: CDC XMD

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Eff} &= U/D = 1,180,200 / 1,409,024 = .838 \\ \text{Eff\%} &= .838 \times 100 = 83.8\% \end{aligned}$$

Table 2.5 Virtual Mapping Example Table for Non-DG Sized Drive Types

MANUFACTURER	DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS (C,H,S)			BLOCK SIZE (D)
DRIVE TYPE	CYL (C)	HD (H)	SECT (S)	D=(C)x(H)x(S)
CDC-FSD 9715-340	711	24	35	597,240
CDC XMD	1024	16	86	1,409,024
FUJITSU 2294	1024	16	35	573,440
FUJITSU 2312	589	7	35	144,305
FUJITSU 2298	1024	16	70	1,146,880
FUJITSU 2361	842	20	70	1,178,800
NEC 2247E	1024	5	35	179,200
NEC 2257	1024	8	35	286,720
NEC 2300	760	19	63	909,720
PRIAM 7050	1049	5	23	120,635
PRIAM 6650	1024	3	35	107,520
PRIAM 15450	1121	7	35	274,645
TECSTOR 160	700	12	35	294,000
TECSTOR 200	823	12	35	345,660
AMPEX CAP 330	1024	16	35	573,440
AMPEX 660	2048	16	35	1,146,880
AMPEX 9160	1645	5	35	287,875
CEN DATA AMS 380	845	14	55	650,650
DATA PER D1600	1116	7	35	273,420
MEGAVault 116	823	7	35	201,635
MEMOREX 214	589	7	35	144,305

### 2.12.8 MULTIPLE UNIT ASSIGNMENT PER DRIVE TYPE

The limitation of mapping one system unit per drive type is the fact that there are only 7 different block sizes to choose from. The number of choices of block sizes increases proportionally when more unit numbers are assigned to a drive. The respective block size of each emulation within a group may be added together. Two units may be assigned in the Kismet group; up to four units within the Zebra or Vulcan group. Table 2.6 on the following page provides a list of additive DG block sizes per number of units. Notice the increased number of block size choices.

The same methods explained in Section 2.12.5 will be also used with multiple unit assignment for top media efficiency. The starting block address for each respective logical unit assigned to a drive physically starts where the previous unit left off.

Table 2.6 DG Block Sizes By Multiple Units

ZEBRA - 6060 = Z0	KISMET - 6160 = K0	VULCAN - 6122 = V
6061 = Z1	6161 = K1	
6067 = Z7	6214 = K4	

NOTE: ZEBRA, KISMET, AND VULCAN CANNOT BE INTERMIXED.

A. THREE UNITS PER DRIVE

ZEBRA	BLOCK SIZE	KISMET	BLOCK SIZE	VULCAN	BLOCK SIZE
Z7,Z7	195,600	K0,K0	K1	V,V	1,083,950
Z0,Z7	285,216	K0,K1	432,075		
Z0,Z0	374,832	K1,K1	576,100		
Z1,Z7	469,440	K0,K4	1,324,225		
Z0,Z1	559,056	K1,K4	1,468,250		
Z1,Z1	743,280				

B. THREE UNITS PER DRIVE

ZEBRA	BLOCK SIZE	ZEBRA	BLOCK SIZE
Z7,Z7,Z7	293,400	Z0,Z1,Z7	656,856
Z0,Z7,Z7	383,016	Z0,Z0,Z1	746,472
Z0,Z0,Z7	472,632	Z1,Z1,Z7	841,080
Z0,Z0,Z0	562,248	Z0,Z1,Z1	930,696
Z1,Z7,Z7	567,240	Z1,Z1,Z1	1,114,920

C. FOUR UNITS PER DRIVE

ZEBRA	BLOCK SIZE	ZEBRA	BLOCK SIZE
Z7,Z7,Z7,Z7	391,200	Z0,Z0,Z0,Z1	933,888
Z0,Z7,Z7,Z7	480,816	Z1,Z1,Z7,Z7	938,880
Z0,Z0,Z7,Z7	570,432	Z0,Z1,Z1,Z7	1,028,496
Z0,Z0,Z0,Z7	660,048	Z0,Z0,Z1,Z1	1,118,112
Z1,Z7,Z7,Z7	665,040	Z1,Z1,Z1,Z7	1,212,720
Z0,Z0,Z0,Z0	749,664	Z0,Z1,Z1,Z1	1,302,336
Z0,Z1,Z7,Z7	754,656	Z1,Z1,Z1,Z1	1,486,560
Z0,Z0,Z1,Z7	844,272		

TWO UNITS PER DRIVE TYPE:

$$D \geq U(r,s) \qquad r,s : \quad Z0,Z1,Z7$$
$$U(r,s) = r + s \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{or} \quad K0,K1,K4$$
$$\qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{or} \quad V$$

Add b to make an equality  $D = U(r,s) + b$   
or  $D = r + s + b$

Summary - Multiply the maximum characteristics of the drive, like before, and compare that value to Section A of Table 2.6 to find the smallest b ( $b = D - U$ ).

Example: CDC XMD (see Table 2.5)

$$D = 1,409,024$$

Using Table 2.6 then, for  $U(r,s)$ ,  $r = K4$  (6214 emulation) and  $s = K0$  (6160 emulation) as the choice for the smallest b. Therefore,  $U(r,s) = K0,K4 = 1,324,225$

$$\text{Eff}\% = U/D \times 100 = 1,324,225 / 1,409,024 \times 100 = 94\%$$

as the effective capacity yield.

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THREE UNITS PER DRIVE TYPE:

$$D \geq U(r,s,t) \qquad r,s,t : \quad Z0,Z1,Z7$$

$$U(r,s,t) = r + s + t$$

$$D = U(r,s,t) + b \quad \text{or} \quad D = r + s + t + b$$

Use Table 2.6, Section B for smallest b ( $b = D - U$ )

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FOUR UNITS PER DRIVE TYPE:

$$D \geq U(r,s,t,u) \qquad r,s,t,u : \quad Z0,Z1,Z7$$

$$U(r,s,t,u) = r + s + t + u$$

$$D = U(r,s,t,u) + b \quad \text{or} \quad D = r + s + t + u + b$$

Refer to Section C of Table 2.6 and select the smallest b ( $b = D - U$ ).

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One consideration that must be noted is a maximum allowable block size could have been determined entirely by the controller. However, due to the innate unit number availability from DG, the decision of how many units are to be assigned to a drive should be left up to the user. It is how the customers might want to tailor their system, in other words, acquiring more megabytes out of the drive by sacrificing unit numbers. This type of decision is discussed within the configuration program as well.

Section 2.12.12 shows a progression of media efficiency increase per manufacturer type when assigning multiple units. The efficiency is also compared without virtual mapping to illustrate the advantage of BAT.

#### 2.12.9 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE BLOCK SIZE SUMMARIZED

Let  $b_1$ ,  $b_2$ ,  $b_3$ , &  $b_4$  be the smallest number of extra blocks ( $b$ ) for each respective number of unit assignments.

$b_1 = 1$  unit per drive  
 $b_2 = 2$  units per drive  
 $b_3 = 3$  units per drive  
 $b_4 = 4$  units per drive

then

$M =$  the smallest element of  $b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4$

#### 2.12.10 MEDIA FLAW

A media flaw detected by the controller is presented to the system when a DIA is issued (read data transfer status register) and the appropriate error flag is set (each ECC or surf/sect error). To know where the media flaw was detected on the disk disk surface, the system reads the ending disk address from the controller (DIC). The ending address will be represented in DG's form, not the physical address in terms of the drives cylinder, head, and sector.

### 2.12.11 VIRTUAL MAPPING SUMMARIZED

**When to use:** When the desired disk drive is to be installed into AOS or AOS/VS and the drive characteristics (cylinders, heads, and sectors) do not meet the minimum DG emulation requirements, but the total number of blocks does.

**How to use:** Load the BMX-3 Configurator Program and follow its instructions.

### 2.12.12 VIRTUAL MAPPING YIELD PER DRIVE TYPE

The following pages contains the results of calculating the efficiency gained by using BAT. Each page is categorized by manufacturer type. E-TYPE means the DG emulation chosen for top media efficiency; the word LESS indicates that the efficiency percentage is less than the calculation above it.

TABLE 2.7 Drive Types

DRIVE MANUFACTURER: CDC

I. DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS AND RDOS BLOCK SIZE

	FSD 9715-340	CDC-XMD		
CYL	711	1024		
HD	24	16		
SECT	35	86		
BLK SIZE	597,240	1,409,024		

II. AOS CAPACITY WITHOUT VIRTUAL MAPPING

E-TYPE	Z0	K1,K1		
EFF %	33.4	41.0		

III. 1 SYSTEM UNIT PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 97,800)

E-TYPE	V	K4		
EFF %	90.8	83.8		

IV. 2 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 195,600)

E-TYPE	K1,K1	K4,K0		
EFF %	96.5	94.0		

V. 3 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 293,400)

E-TYPE				
EFF %	LESS			

VI. 4 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 391,200)

E-TYPE				
EFF %	LESS			

DRIVE MANUFACTURER: FUJITSU

I. DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS AND RDOS BLOCK SIZE

	2294	2298	2312	2361
CYL	1024	1024	589	842
HD	16	16	7	20
SECT	35	70	35	70
BLK SIZE	573,440	1,146,880	144,305	1,178,800

II. AOS CAPACITY WITHOUT VIRTUAL MAPPING

E-TYPE	K1	K1,K1	NA	V,V
EFF %	50.2	50.2	0	

III. 1 SYSTEM UNIT PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 97,800)

E-TYPE	V	V	K0	K4
EFF %	94.5	47.2	99.8	100.0

IV. 2 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 195,600)

E-TYPE	Z0,Z1	V,V	
EFF %	97.5	94.5	

V. 3 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 293,400)

E-TYPE	Z1,Z7,Z7	Z1,Z1,Z1	
EFF %	98.9	97.2	

VI. 4 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 391,200)

E-TYPE	Z0,Z0,Z0,Z7	Z0,Z0,Z1,Z1	
EFF %	99.5	97.5	

DRIVE MANUFACTURER: NEC

I. DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS AND RDOS BLOCK SIZE

	2247E	2257	2300	
CYL	1024	1024	760	
HD	5	8	19	
SECT	35	35	63	
BLK SIZE	179,200	286,720	909,720	

II. AOS CAPACITY WITHOUT VIRTUAL MAPPING

E-TYPE	K0	K0	Z0,Z0	
EFF %	80.4	50.2	41.2	

III. 1 SYSTEM UNIT PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 97,800)

E-TYPE	K0	Z0	V	
EFF %	80.4	65.4	59.6	

IV. 2 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 195,600)

E-TYPE		Z0,Z7	Z1,Z1	
EFF %		99.5	63.3	

V. 3 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 293,400)

E-TYPE			Z1,Z1,Z7	
EFF %			92.5	

VI. 4 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 391,200)

E-TYPE			Z0,Z0,Z1,Z7	
EFF %			92.8	

DRIVE MANUFACTURER: PRIAM

I. DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS AND RDOS BLOCK SIZE

	7050	6650	15450	
CYL	1049	1024	1121	
HD	5	3	7	
SECT	23	35	35	
BLK SIZE	120,635	107,520	274,645	

II. AOS CAPACITY WITHOUT VIRTUAL MAPPING

E-TYPE	NA	NA	K0	
EFF %	0	0	52.4	

III. 1 SYSTEM UNIT PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 97,800)

E-TYPE	Z7	Z7	Z0	
EFF %	81.1	91.0	68.2	

IV. 2 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 195,600)

E-TYPE		Z7,Z7		
EFF %		71.2		

V. 3 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 293,400)

E-TYPE				
EFF %				

VI. 4 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 391,200)

E-TYPE				
EFF %				

DRIVE MANUFACTURER: TECSTOR

I. DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS AND RDOS BLOCK SIZE

	160	200		
CYL	700	823		
HD	12	12		
SECT	35	35		
BLK SIZE	294,000	345,660		

II. AOS CAPACITY WITHOUT VIRTUAL MAPPING

E-TYPE	NA	K1		
EFF %	0	83.3		

III. 1 SYSTEM UNIT PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 97,800)

E-TYPE	K1	K1		
EFF %	98.0	83.3		

IV. 2 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 195,600)

E-TYPE				
EFF %	LESS	LESS		

V. 3 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 293,400)

E-TYPE	Z7,Z7,Z7	Z7,Z7,Z7		
EFF %	98.8	84.9		

VI. 4 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 391,200)

E-TYPE				
EFF %				

DRIVE MANUFACTURER: AMPEX

I. DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS AND RDOS BLOCK SIZE

	CAP 330	660	9160	
CYL	1024	2048	1645	
HD	16	16	5	
SECT	35	35	35	
BLK SIZE	573,440	1,146,880	287,875	

II. AOS CAPACITY WITHOUT VIRTUAL MAPPING

E-TYPE	K1	K1	K0	
EFF %	50.2	25.1	50.0	

III. 1 SYSTEM UNIT PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 97,800)

E-TYPE	V	V	Z0	
EFF %	94.5	47.3	65.1	

IV. 2 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 195,600)

E-TYPE	Z0,Z1	V,V	Z0,Z7	
EFF %	97.5	94.5	99.1	

V. 3 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 293,400)

E-TYPE	Z1,Z7,Z7	Z1,Z1,Z7		
EFF %	98.9	97.2		

VI. 4 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 391,200)

E-TYPE	Z0,Z0,Z0,Z7	Z0,Z0,Z1,Z1		
EFF %	99.5	97.5		



DRIVE MANUFACTURER: CENTURY DATA

I. DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS AND RDOS BLOCK SIZE

	AMS 380	AMS 571		
CYL	845	941		
HD	14	19		
SECT	55	57		
BLK SIZE	650,650	1,019,103		

II. AOS CAPACITY WITHOUT VIRTUAL MAPPING

E-TYPE	K1,K1	V		
EFF %	88.5	53.2		

III. 1 SYSTEM UNIT PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 97,800)

E-TYPE	V	V		
EFF %	83.3	53.2		

IV. 2 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 195,600)

E-TYPE	K1,K1	Z1,Z1		
EFF %	88.5	72.9		

V. 3 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 293,400)

E-TYPE		Z0,Z1,Z1		
EFF %	LESS	91.3		

VI. 4 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 391,200)

E-TYPE		Z1,Z1,Z7,Z7		
EFF %	LESS	92.1		

DRIVE MANUFACTURER: DATA PERIPHERAL

I. DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS AND RDOS BLOCK SIZE

	D1600			
CYL	1116			
HD	7			
SECT	35			
BLK SIZE	273,420			

II. AOS CAPACITY WITHOUT VIRTUAL MAPPING

E-TYPE	K0			
EFF %	68.5			

III. 1 SYSTEM UNIT PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 97,800)

E-TYPE	K0			
EFF %	68.5			

IV. 2 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 195,600)

E-TYPE	27,27			
EFF %	71.5			

V. 3 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 293,400)

E-TYPE				
EFF %				

VI. 4 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 391,200)

E-TYPE				
EFF %				

DRIVE MANUFACTURER: MEGAVault

I. DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS AND RDOS BLOCK SIZE

	116			
I CYL	823			
I HD	7			
I SECT	35			
I BLK SIZE	201,635			

II. AOS CAPACITY WITHOUT VIRTUAL MAPPING

I E-TYPE	K0			
I EFF %	71.4			

III. 1 SYSTEM UNIT PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 97,800)

I E-TYPE	Z0			
I EFF %	92.9			

IV. 2 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 195,600)

I E-TYPE	Z7,Z7			
I EFF %	97.0			

V. 3 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 293,400)

I E-TYPE				
I EFF %				

VI. 4 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 391,200)

I E-TYPE				
I EFF %				

DRIVE MANUFACTURER: MEMOREX

I. DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS AND RDOS BLOCK SIZE

	213	214		
CYL	589	589		
HD	4	7		
SECT	35	35		
BLK SIZE	82,460	144,305		

II. AOS CAPACITY WITHOUT VIRTUAL MAPPING

E-TYPE	NA	NA		
EFF %	0	0		

III. 1 SYSTEM UNIT PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 97,800)

E-TYPE		K0		
EFF %		99.8		

IV. 2 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 195,600)

E-TYPE				
EFF %				

V. 3 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 293,400)

E-TYPE				
EFF %				

VI. 4 SYSTEM UNITS PER PHYSICAL UNIT (min blk size = 391,200)

E-TYPE				
EFF %				

The DFC 407 is supported by AVIV in the following ways:

- Microprocessor-based self-test of over 90% of the board each time it is powered up, with an LED status report.
- Reliability and Diagnostic program on 9-track tape for use during installation and trouble-shooting.
- Customer Service Line, manned Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) to answer your questions: (617) 933-1165.
- Up to a one-year warranty on workmanship and materials.

### 3.1 SELF-TEST

Self-test checks out 90% of all the internal functions of the controller board once for every time power is applied to the board. The test takes approximately 1/2 second to execute.

If Self-test passed, the red LED will go out. If a failure was detected, the LED will blink a number of times which corresponds to the subtest that failed. This error code will be repeated six times and then the microprocessor will start looping on the failing subtest with the LED constantly on. Depressing the front panel IORESET switch will cause the LED to blink the error code over again.

TABLE 3.1 Self Test Errors

CODE	TEST	POSSIBLE FAILURE
1	EEPROM TEST	The data in the EEPROM did not compare with expected data (55 hex). EEPROM may not have been previously burned.
2	RAM TEST	Data read from RAM did not compare with data written. 2149, PBUS or RAM data bus may be bad.
3	BMC BUFFER TEST	Data transfer to and from the BMC buffer did not compare with the original data in buffer 0.
3	2940 ADDRESS GENERATOR TEST	Data read from 2940's did not compare with data written. 2940 may be bad.
4	CONDITION FF, BIT TEST & 32 BIT SHIFT TEST	The state of the condition flip flops were not correct. Command Full, Busy, Done, Control Full, Overflow (2901), DCHDN (2940) may be bad. The bit testing logic may have failed. The bit shifting mechanism may have failed. (2901)

- |   |                        |  |
|---|------------------------|--|
| 5 | SEQUENCE ERROR<br>TEST | A forced sequence error did not occur within a specified amount of time. Format sequencer may be bad. (No Clock)   |
| 6 | SYNC DETECT<br>TEST    | A sync detect was not made in a specified amount of time or the terminate FF may not have set. The sync register or compare logic may be bad or the terminate FF may be bad. |
| 7 | ECC TEST               | The generated ECC pattern did not compare with the expected pattern. The shift registers, ECC logic, or multiplexers may be bad.   |

If the Self-test LED does not blink or go out, then the 2925 clock circuitry, the 2910 or the power fail circuit may be bad. Another possible reason for the red LED to be on continuously is if +5v supplied from the backplane is below 4.75v.

### 3.2 SOFTWARE: DIAGNOSTICS AND UTILITIES

In addition to the diagnostic functions provided by the DFC 407 Controller via on-board Self-test, AVIV provides Diagnostic and utility software. The Software Support Package magnetic tape included with the controller contains these programs.

Each of the programs on the Software Support Package tape have been written by AVIV specifically for the DFC 407 Controller. You should use this tape for media formatting, Disk Diagnostics and Reliability, Configuring and RDOS Utilities. D.G.'s corresponding programs may not work on this controller. The disk media formatter on the Software Support Package tape will let you format the media in any of the formats.

### 3.2.1 USING THE SOFTWARE SUPPORT PACKAGE TAPE

The Software Support Package tape is structured so that the programs on Files 2-7 can be loaded and executed directly from the tape. Files 0 and 1 contain the software which enables you to boot from the tape and select the particular program you want loaded into the system. Each of the programs on Files 2-7 is a stand-alone program. This means that they do not need, and cannot have, an operating system running when they are executed.

Programs cannot be loaded onto your disk directly from Files 0-7. File 8 for RDOS and File 9 for AOS or AOS/VS contain the programs in the standard system dump format and you can load them from these files to your disk. Even after the programs have been transferred to your disk, retain the Software Support Package tape in case of disk subsystem problems.

The following sequence of events is recommended by AVIV. Each step is described in greater detail in the subsequent sections of this chapter.

1. Mount the Software Support Package tape and boot it.
2. Select #2 on Tape Menu - Configure the Controller.
3. Select #4 - Format the Media. (Usually required.)
4. Select #3 - Disk Diagnostics.
5. Select #5 - Disk Reliability.

NOTE: It is not essential that you run Diagnostics or Reliability, however, they will locate disk subsystem problems. It is better that this be checked out at this point than after you have loaded your data.

6. If the controller is to run in an RDOS system, select #6 to initialize the disk. If the controller will not run in an RDOS system, proceed to the disk initializer program on the DG system tape for your operating system.
7. You can load the programs from File 8 or File 9 any time after you have built your disk.



The Bootstrap Procedure for the Software Support Package tape is:

1. Mount the Software Support Package tape on the drive and put it on-line. Be sure that the BPI setting matches that specified on the tape label.
2. Program Load. The method of program load varies for the different processors. Some of the possibilities are described here:

If your system has front-panel switches, set them to 100022 when loading from the primary tape drive, or to 100062 when loading from the secondary tape drive. Then press reset and the program load switch.

For the S140 virtual console, set 11A to 100022 (or 100062 for secondary tape drive). Then enter 100022L (or 100062L).

For the S120 virtual console, enter 22H (or 62H for the secondary tape drive).

For MV class CPU's you must enter the full virtual console and respond to the prompt:

```
SCP-CLI>  
with BOOT 22 (or 62 for secondary tape)
```

3. The Software Support Package Menu will be displayed:

FILE #	PROGRAM
2	DFC 407 Configurator
3	Disk Formatter
4	Disk Diagnostics
5	Disk Reliability
6	CSDKINIT-RDOS Disk Initializer
7	CDSKED-RDOS Disk Editor
8	".SV & .LS" Files and any Utilities in RDOS Dump Format
9	".SV & .LS" Files and any Utilities in AOS Dump Format
10	AOS/VS Utilities in AOS Dump Format

File Number?

Enter the file number of the program you wish to execute.

To load files from File 8 or 9, use the standard CLI Command for loading from tape.

```
RDOS:      DIR %MDIR%
           INIT MTO
           LOAD/A/R/V MTO:8
           RELEASE MTO

AOS:       SUPERUSER ON
           DIR :
           LOAD/R/V @MTA0:9
           REW @MTA0
           SUPERUSER OFF

AOS/VS:    SUPERUSER ON
           DIR :
           LOAD/R/V @MTC0:9
           DELETE/V A0 SECC.PR
           LOAD/R/V @MTC0:10
           REW @MTC0
           SUPERUSER OFF
```

### 3.2.2 DISK FORMATTER

The Disk Formatter Program, contained in File #4, is a program designed to format and check disk media. File #4, in conjunction with the DFC 407 hardware, supports these media formats: AVIV1, AVIV2, and AVIV3.

It is recommended that on-board error correction for each drive be disabled throughout both formatter and initializer programs. It should then be enabled by running the ICP again after disk initialization.

The following is a sample dialogue:

```
AVIV SMD DISK CONTROLLER FORMATTER REV. XX
```

```
STARTING ADDRESSES:
```

```
500-FORMATTER/CHECK PROGRAM
501-CHECK PROGRAM ONLY
502-ERROR LOG RECOVERY
503-COMMAND STRING INTERPRETER
```

```
ENTER DEVICE CODE [27]: 67
```

SET SWPAK AS PER APPENDIX E, (LISTING SECTION 8.0) OR HIT  
(CR) TO CONTINUE

START TIME? - MON, DAY, YR HR, MIN

# PASSES TO FORMAT COMPLETION? - 6

UNIT	TYPE	HDS	CYLS	SEC/TRK	SECTOR PULSES
0	0	5	823	32	32
2	1	5	815	24	24

ENTER UNIT NUMBERS (0,1,2,3) TO RUN: 0,2

UNIT: 0

ENTER TYPE OF DISK: 0

UNIT: 2

ENTER TYPE OF DISK: 1

FORMATTING UNIT 0,2

See formatter text at end of manual for further details.

### 3.2.2.1 FORMATTER ERROR DESCRIPTION

Errors found during surface analysis are displayed after the header fields are written and "formatting done" has been output to the console. These errors are displayed when they are detected. The controller status will be displayed with the particular problem spelled out below the status. Each status bit is explained in the programming section but since the error is also spelled out, referencing the programming section may not help. Most errors that can occur are servo, address, ECC or ready errors.

### 3.2.2.2 SERVO CLOCK FAULTS

A servo clock fault will terminate the format program. Note the cylinder, head and sector on which the error was detected, printed out on the console before aborting.

Use the command string interpreter, explained in the appendix, to seek to the cylinder noted above. Next, do a write to the head and sector (transfer one sector) noted above. If it again errs, it is not intermittent. Now try writing to other sectors around the sector that erred. If these sectors also err, there are not enough bytes per sector (need 576 minimum) and the disk drive's technical manual should be consulted to check the number of bytes per sector.

Another cause of this error could be improperly connected cables or the sector and index pulses were transmitted over the "B" cable and not the "A" cable. If these errors are intermittent, again check for improper cable connections and re-check the disk type for which the controller is configured, using the ICP as a tool.

### 3.2.2.3 ECC-DETECTED ERRORS

There are two types of ECC-detected errors: those with data printed out with the error and those without data printed out with the error. ECC errors will not abort the program. These errors usually mean the controller detected a flaw in the disk media.

ECC-detected errors with data printed out with the error: Up to three words of the data that should be on the disk, (good data) and the data that is on the disk (bad data), is printed out along with a count number. This count number is the number of words found in the sector that are bad.

For example, if there are six words that are bad in one sector, the first three bad words will be printed out with the good and bad data and the count will be six. The formatter program automatically flags these sectors bad so the operating system does not try to use this bad media.

ECC-detected errors without data words printed out with the error means there is a bad spot on the media where the ECC words are written. The formatter automatically flags these sectors as bad.

If the ECC-detected errors without data printed out are excessive, such as every sector, there may be too few bytes per sector, causing this problem. Use the disk drive's technical manual to check the number of bytes per sector on the disk drive with the present sector setting. 576 bytes per sector (or more) are required to run the DFC 407.

#### 3.2.2.4 ECC-UNDETECTED ERRORS

ECC-undetected errors will terminate the formatter program. Note the cylinder, head and sector on which the error occurred; also note the count number. Load the ICP and verify that the controller is configured for the right disk drive/s.

If the configuration is correct, load the Formatter Program again and bring up the command string interpreter, which is explained in Appendix D. Use the command string to seek to the cylinder noted above. Next, write to the head and sector (transfer one sector) noted above. This helps verify that the problem is not intermittent.

Now format the noted sector and then write to it again. If the error is still there, power down the system and power it back up. Examine the Self-test LED (red) for any Self-test errors. If there are none, try the DFC 407 in another slot.

#### 3.2.2.5 SURFACE OR SECTOR ADDRESS ERRORS

Surface/Sector address errors do not abort the format program. These errors usually indicate bad media in the header field. The formatter will automatically flag these sectors bad. If these errors are intermittent or excessive, check for poor disk termination, improper disk cabling or grounding, and re-check the controller configuration for the correct disk types.

#### 3.2.2.6 LOSS OF READY

"Loss of Ready" errors abort the format program. They can be caused by improper cabling or termination. These errors indicate the disk unit was not ready when a command was issued. Check that the disk drive is powered up and no faults have occurred on it.

#### 3.2.2.7 DEFAULT PARAMETERS

Default parameters exist when the controller does not see a unit selected from the disk drive. This communication problem between the controller and the disk unit can be caused by improper cabling, poor termination or grounding, or a bad disk drive.

When you start Formatter or ReII and the following information displays on the screen, what characteristics are shown?

UNIT	TYPE	HDS	CYLS	SEC/TRK	SECTOR PULSES
------	------	-----	------	---------	---------------

Example of characteristics for one drive (CDC 9766) connected:

UNIT	TYPE	HDS	CYLS	SEC/TRK	SECTOR PULSES
0	0	19	815	35	35

If you are connecting one disk drive and four drives appear on the screen, your drive is not recognized by the controller due to:

1. DRIVE OFF LINE
2. CABLES NOT CONNECTED
3. BAD CABLE(S)
4. INCORRECT CABLING SEQUENCE (Is Yellow LED ON?)
5. CALLING UP WRONG DEVICE CODE OR NON-EXISTENT DEVICE CODE
6. INTERRUPT AND PRIORITY CHAIN BROKEN
7. TERMINATOR OF DISK DRIVE NOT IN

Default Example:

UNIT	TYPE	HDS	CYLS	SEC/TRK	SECTOR PULSES
0	1	5	815	35	35
1	2	10	823	35	35
2	3	19	815	35	35
3	4	40	843	35	35

### 3.2.2.8 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR ALL PROBLEMS

For any error encountered while formatting, it is beneficial to try a different "B" port. This isolates some logic on the controller that cannot be checked by Self-test.

### 3.2.2.9 SLOW FORMAT

The Formatter Program takes about 56 minutes to format 300MB, (1 pass), and time is directly proportional to the disk size. If it takes more time than this, the disk is probably skipping revolutions. To alleviate this problem, re-configure the controller to interleave the disk.

### 3.2.3 DISK DIAGNOSTIC

This Diagnostic program is provided to find failures that are related to the basic operations of the disk controller. The ID bits (AOS) shown in the sample below will aid in checking the configuration.

Load the File #3 from Software Support Package tape provided. (See Using the Software Support Package Tape in Section 3.0).

The following is a sample dialogue for 6160 (AOS):

AVIV SMD DISK CONTROLLER DIAGNOSTIC REV. XX

STARTING ADDRESSES:

200-DIAGNOSTIC (INITIALIZE)  
201-DIRECT ODT ENTRY  
202-RANDOM SEEK EXERCISERS  
    SEEK EXER 1 IS A SINGLE DRIVE EXERCISER SEEK EXER 2  
    IS A TWO DRIVE EXERCISER WITH SEEK OVERLAP  
500-DIAGNOSTIC (RESTART)

ENTER DEVICE CODE [27]: 67

ANY DUAL VOLUME UNITS? ENTER 1

ENTER UNIT NUMBERS (0,1,2,3) TO RUN: 0,1

SET SWPAK AS PER APPENDIX E.1 (8.0 IN LISTINGS), OR ENTER RETURN (CR) TO CONT.

TESTING UNIT 0

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. .  
. .  
. .  
. .

UNIT	HDS	CYLS	SEC/TRK	SECTOR PULSES
0	5	823	35	35

These are the units and characteristics found, do you want to loop on reading them? Enter 1, otherwise enter Return (CR).

.  
.  
.  
.

See Diagnostic text at the end of the manual for further details.

ADDRESSABLE SECTORS/TRACK WITH THIS CONTROLLER IS 64. DRIVE UNIT #0 WILL BE IDENTIFIED AS A 6160 (73 MBYTE) BY AOS OR AOS/V.S.

DRIVE UNIT #1 WILL BE IDENTIFIED AS A 6160 (73 MBYTE) BY AOS OR AOS/V.S. TEST(S) COMPLETE.

SEEK EXERCISER TESTS.

PASS

### 3.2.3.1 DIAGNOSTIC ERROR DESCRIPTION

When the diagnostic detects an error, it prints out the test number that failed along with what is wrong. Use the SWPACK register to help determine whether or not the error is intermittent. This is done by setting switch 3, which prints out an error percentage.

Appendix E, Section E.1, describes the meaning of the bits in the SWPACK register. Depressing the M key allows the user to observe the contents of this register.

### 3.2.3.2 SERVO OFFSET FORWARD

Servo offset "forward" errors can occur in the diagnostic if the disk unit does not support the offset command. This type of error is also caused by a disk drive that returns a write protect to the controller during an offset. The technical manual for the disk unit should be consulted to determine whether your disk can exhibit the offset problem. If it does, this error is invalid and can be overlooked.



### 3.2.3.3 SERVO OFFSET REVERSE

Servo offset "reverse" errors can occur in the diagnostic if the disk unit does not support the offset command.

This type of error is also caused by a disk drive that returns a write protect to the controller during an offset. The technical manual for the disk unit should be consulted to determine whether your disk can exhibit the offset problem. If it does, this error is invalid and can be overlooked.

### 3.2.4 DISK RELIABILITY

The Disk Reliability program is a maintenance program designed to exercise and test the disk subsystem. The program will test from one to four drives. Boot the Disk Reliability Program from File #5 in the Software Support Package tape.

Refer to Appendix D for invoking the command string interpreter. The following is a sample dialogue:

AVIV...DISK RELIABILITY REV. XX

STARTING ADDRESSES:

500-RELIABILITY TEST  
501-RELIABILITY TEST WITH OPTIONS  
502-DISK ADDRESS TEST  
503-COMMAND STRING INTERPRETER  
504-FORMAT ONLY  
505-RUN ALL TESTS  
506-SEEK EXERCISER  
507-RANDOM SEEK EXERCISER  
510-ERROR COUNT/LOG RECOVERY

ENTER DEVICE CODE [27]: 67

STARTING ADDRESS = 505

SET SWPAK AS PER APPENDIX E.1 (OR 8.0 IN LISTINGS) OR HIT (CR) TO CONTINUE.

ARE MAPS TO BE EXERCISED (YES/NO)? YES

START TIME? - MON, DAY, YR HR, MIN  
ANY DUAL VOLUME UNITS (YES/NO)? NO

UNIT	TYPE	HDS	CYLS	SEC/TRK	SECTOR PULSES
0	0	5	823	32	32
2	1	5	815	24	24

ENTER UNIT NUMBERS (0,1,2,3) TO RUN: 0,1

UNIT: 0

ENTER TYPE OF DISK: 0

UNIT: 1

ENTER TYPE OF DISK: 1

TESTING UNIT 0,1

See Reliability text at the end of manual for further details.

#### 3.2.4.1 RELIABILITY ERROR DISCRIPTION

Reliability errors are displayed when they are detected. The controller status will be displayed with the particular problem spelled out below the status. Each status bit is explained in the programming section but since the error is also spelled out, referencing the programming section may not help. Most errors that can occur are default or ready errors.

#### 3.2.4.2 LOSS OF READY

These errors indicate the disk unit is not ready when a command was issued. Check that the disk unit is powered up and no faults have occurred on the disk unit.

#### 3.2.4.3 DEFAULT PARAMETERS

Default parameters exist when the controller does not see a unit selected from the disk drive. This communication problem between the controller and the disk unit is usually caused by the disk unit being powered down or faulted, since this was correct in the Formatter Program.

When you start Formatter or Reli, and the following information displays on the screen, what characteristics are shown?

UNIT	TYPE	HDS	CYLS	SEC/TRK	SECTOR PULSES
------	------	-----	------	---------	---------------

Example of characteristics for one drive (CDC 9766) connected:

UNIT	TYPE	HDS	CYLS	SEC/TRK	SECTOR PULSES
0	0	19	815	35	35

If you are connecting one disk drive and four drives appear on the screen, your drive is not recognized by the controller due to:

1. DRIVE OFF LINE
2. CABLES NOT CONNECTED
3. BAD CABLE(S)
4. INCORRECT CABLING SEQUENCE (Is Yellow LED ON?)
5. CALLING UP WRONG DEVICE CODE OR NON-EXISTENT DEVICE CODE
6. INTERRUPT AND PRIORITY CHAIN BROKEN
7. TERMINATOR OF DISK DRIVE NOT IN

Default Example:

UNIT	TYPE	HDS	CYLS	SEC/TRK	SECTOR PULSES
0	1	5	815	35	35
1	2	10	823	35	35
2	3	19	815	35	35
3	4	40	843	35	35

#### 3.2.4.4 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR ALL PROBLEMS

For any error encountered while formatting, it is beneficial to try a different "B" port. This isolates some logic on the controller that cannot be checked by Self-test.

#### 3.2.5 CSDKINIT - RDOS DISK INITIALIZER

(AVIV's version of DKINIT, referred to as CSDKINIT, is supplied on the Software Support Package tape File #6.)

Initializing a Model DFC 407 disk:

Before you load any RDOS system onto a Model DFC 407, YOU MUST INITIALIZE THE DISK BY RUNNING CSDKINIT. This is a stand-alone program that performs all the functions of D.G.'s DKINIT. Please refer to D.G. manual on loading an RDOS system for full details on the functionality of disk initialization.

Remember that only CSDKINIT will work correctly for Model DFC 407 Controllers. If you are building your system from an RDOS release tape, do NOT run File #4 on the DG tape after running CSDKINIT. DG's DKINIT cannot be run in expanded emulation on a DFC 407; however, CSDKINIT can be used to initialize any DG-supported disk.

#### STEP 1 - LOADING

A) If loading from a Software Support Package tape:

Perform the steps described for loading the tape in Section 3.2.1

YOU RESPOND: 6

B) If loading from disk: (CSDKINIT.SV must have been previously loaded onto the disk.

Mount the disk pack which contains CSDKINIT.

Set console switches to correct device code.

Press RESET and LOAD switches.

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

FILENAME?

YOU RESPOND:

CSDKINIT (or DIR:CSDKINIT, if the program file is located in directory, DIR, other than the master).

#### STEP 2 - DISK TYPE

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

DISK INITIALIZER - REV. NN.NN/with AVIV Disk  
Support-REV. 1

DISK DRIVE MODEL NUMBER?

YOU RESPOND: 6XXX

NOTE: Enter the X's as shown above.

A) If the disk type is not valid:

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

ILLEGAL DISK TYPE

Step 2 will be repeated until your response is acceptable.

B) If the disk type is valid:

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

6XXX (AVIV Emulation) Drive Type

STEP 3 - DISK UNIT

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

DISK UNIT?

YOU RESPOND:

DZx, where x indicates drive number: 0, 1, ..., 7

A) If the disk unit is not valid:

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

ILLEGAL DISK UNIT DECLARATION

Step 3 will be repeated until your response is acceptable.

B) If the disk unit is valid:

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

# HEADS	# SEC/TRK	#CYLINDERS	MGB/BLK
99	99	999	Megabytes if disk >4000 blocks. Blocks if disk <4000 blocks.

STEP 4 - ECC CORRECTION

It is recommended that you disable ECC correction while running CSDKINIT, to allow the initializer to flag those bad blocks that are potential problems even though they might be correctable at the time of running CSDKINIT.

In cases where there is a need for using even marginal media, CSDKINIT can be run with ECC enabled.

#### STEP 5 - COMMANDS AND SUBSEQUENT OUTPUT

The commands which can be selected are identical to those of DKINIT.

From this point on, CSDKINIT will perform exactly as DKINIT.

### 3.2.6 CSDSKED: RDOS STAND-ALONE DISK EDITOR

CSDSKED, found in File #7 of the Software Support Package tape, provides the same functions for the DFC 407 Controller as D.G.'s DSKED does for standard D.G. controllers. It can also be used for any D.G.-supported disk. Please refer to the D.G. stand-alone disk editor manual for a complete description of the commands.

Following are the steps necessary to run CSDSKED.

#### STEP 1 - LOADING

A) If loading from a Software Support Package Tape:

Perform the steps described for loading the tape in Section 3.2.1.

YOU RESPOND: 7

B) If loading from disk: (CSDSKED.SV must have been previously loaded onto the disk).

Mount the disk pack which contains CSDSKED.

Set console switches to correct device code.

Press RESET and LOAD switches.

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:  
FILENAME?

YOU RESPOND:

CSDSKED (or DIR:CSDSKED, if the program file is located in directory, DIR, other than the master).

STEP 2 - DISK TYPE

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

DISK EDIT - REV NN.NN WITH AVIV DISK SUPPORT - REV. 1  
DISK DRIVE MODEL NUMBER?

YOU RESPOND: 6XXX

NOTE: Enter the X's as shown above.

A) If the disk type is not valid:

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

ILLEGAL DISK TYPE

Step 2 will be repeated until your response is acceptable.

B) If the disk type is valid:

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

6XXX (AVIV Emulation) Drive Type

STEP 3 - DISK UNIT

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

DISK UNIT?

YOU RESPOND:

DZx, where x indicates drive number: 0, 1, ....., 7

A) If the disk unit is not valid:

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

ILLEGAL DISK UNIT DECLARATION

Step 3 will be repeated until your response is acceptable.

B) If the disk unit is valid -

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

# HEADS	# SEC/TRK	# CYLINDERS	MGB/BLK
99	99	999	Megabytes if disk >4000 blks. Blocks if disk <4000 blks.

STEP 4 - COMMANDS AND SUBSEQUENT OUTPUT

The commands that can be selected are identical to those of DSKED. From this point on, CSDSKED will perform exactly as DSKED.

### 3.2.7 ECC - ECC ERROR CORRECTIONS COUNTER FUNCTIONS

The Model DFC 407 Controller maintains a counter of ECC corrections for each drive connected to the controller(s). These are the corrections performed by the firmware, and are therefore invisible to the system except through these counters. The counters are automatically cleared by the reset switch on the front panel of the CPU or if the controller is powered down.

The ECC program is currently available only for RDOS and AOS (RDOSECC.SV for RDOS and AOSECC.PR for AOS). It allows you to monitor the media by displaying or modifying the counters. You may want to reset the counters to zero on some regular basis: daily, weekly, monthly, etc.

STEP 1 - EXECUTING THE PROGRAM UNDER CLI

A) RDOS Version

ENTER: RDOSECC

B) AOS Version

ENTER: X AOSECC



STEP 2 - MAIN MENU

CUSTOM SYSTEMS - ECC FUNCTIONS

1 - DISPLAY CONTROLLER ECC CORRECTIONS

2 - RESET CONTROLLER ECC CORRECTIONS

3 - STOP

NOTE - SELECT ONLY THOSE DRIVES WITH AVIV CONTROLLERS.  
RESULTS ARE UNPREDICTABLE ON OTHER BOARDS!

ENTER SELECTION

YOU RESPOND:

- 1) To display the ECC corrections counter(s)
- 2) To modify the ECC corrections counter(s)
- 3) To terminate the program and return to the CLI

STEP 3 - ENTERING THE UNIT

If you selected 1 or 2,

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

ENTER UNIT:

YOU RESPOND:

DZn (n = 0, 1, ..., 7) for RDOS  
DPFN (n = 0, 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13) for AOS Carriage  
Return or New Line to return to Main Menu.

The program will display the (decimal) value of the corrections counter for the drive selected. This step will be repeated until the response to ENTER UNIT is Carriage Return or New Line.

STEP 4 - MODIFYING THE COUNTER

If your response to the Main Menu was 2, there will be another message after Step 3:

ENTER NEW VALUE:

You respond with the (decimal) value to which you want the counter set. The number must be between 0 and 65,535. This step will be repeated until you enter a Carriage Return or New Line, which will return you to Step 3.

### 3.3 SYSTEM ERRORS

If a system error occurs, use the User Manuals provided with the system to help determine what is wrong. For example, if a panic code is given, look up the code by referring to the D.G. User's Manual. This information could help determine how to solve the problem. Next, try to execute a similar function and see if the same results are obtained. If a burst or a copy is not working, try a dump. This could add vital information about the problem.

#### 3.3.1 TEST PROGRAMS TO USE IF THE SYSTEM IS BUILT, BUT PROBLEMS HAVE ARISEN

This Section explains a test that can be done on a disk that has a system or system data on it without destroying that system or data. This provides an avenue for conditions requiring diagnostic testing, but where time does not permit the luxury of being able to rebuild a system.

This test requires that the Reliability program on the Software Support Package tape be loaded into system memory.

Answer the question "enter device code" with the correct information. Next, depress control O. An @ should be on the console. There are two different tests that can be run: a random seek test, or a sequential seek test.

To run the random seek test, enter a 501R after the prompt (@). If the sequential test is desired, enter a 502R after the prompt (@).

Now answer the questions the program asks, as in the normal reliability testing, with the exception of one question. When the question "SET SWPAK PER 8.0, OR HIT (CR) TO CONT." is asked, enter an "8" one time. This puts the program in a Read Only mode and writes will not be done. Enter an "M" to verify that switch 8 is now on; if it is not, writes will be done, crashing the disk. The 501 and 502 Reliability will behave in the following manner:

A. RANDOM RELIABILITY TEST (SA 501) WITH OPTIONS

THE OPERATOR IS GIVEN OPTIONS ON DATA PATTERNS (FROM THE COMMAND STRING DATA) AND MAY CHOOSE A CONSTANT CYLINDER, HEAD, SECTOR OR # OF SECTORS. ANY LETTER RESPONSE TO CYL, HEAD ETC. GETS RANDOM FUNCTION FOR THAT VARIABLE. A CARRIAGE RETURN ONLY GETS THE RANDOM FUNCTION FOR ALL VARIABLES.

THE OPERATOR IS ALSO ASKED TO RESPOND TO JITTER OPTION (YES/NO). IF YES, A RANDOM DELAY (0-40,50MS) IS INSERTED INTO THE BACKGROUND LOOP TO CREATE A MORE ASYNCHRONOUS DISK I/O LOOP.

B. SEQUENTIAL DISK ADDRESS TEST (SA 502)

THE OPERATOR IS GIVEN OPTION ON DATA (FROM THE COMMAND STRING DATA). REQUESTED DATA IS FIRST WRITTEN OVER THE ENTIRE PACK. THEN THE DATA IS READ FROM ALL SECTORS. THIS ENSURES THAT ALL DISK PACK BLOCKS ARE USABLE AND ARE FORMATTED PROPERLY. THE TEST IS THEN REPEATED FOR ALL READY DISKS; AND PASS IS PRINTED. THE SEQUENCE IS REPEATED INDEFINITELY.

### 3.4 CUSTOMER SERVICE LINE

AVIV CORPORATION provides a Customer Support Service Line (617-933-1165) to answer technical questions and to assist with installation and trouble-shooting problems.

The Service Line is manned by a technical team from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) Monday through Friday. Please review the General Installation Checklist before calling the Service Line.

### 3.5 WARRANTY INFORMATION

All AVIV controllers are warranted free from manufacturing and material defects when used in a normal and proper manner for a period of up to one year from date of shipment. Except for the express warranties, stated above, AVIV disclaims all warranties, including all implied warranties of merchantability and fitness. The stated express warranties are in lieu of all obligations of liabilities on the part of AVIV for damages, including but not limited to, special, indirect or consequential damages arising out of or in connection with the use or performance of AVIV's products.

### 3.6 PRODUCT RETURN AUTHORIZATION

When a controller malfunction has been confirmed using the tests outlined in Sections 3.1 to 3.3 above, the board can be returned to AVIV for warranty repair if the product has been damaged, or for out-of-warranty repair. A Return Material Authorization (RMA) number is required before shipment and should be referenced on all packaging and correspondence.

To ensure prompt response, the information outlined in the Material Return Information form on the following page should be gathered before calling the AVIV Service Line for the RMA number. Please include a completed copy of the Material Return Information form with the product. Each product to be returned requires a separate RMA number and Material Return Information form.

To safeguard the controller during shipment, please use packaging that is adequate to protect it from damage. Mark the box "Delicate Instrument" and indicate the RMA number/s on the shipping label.

GENERAL INSTALLATION CHECKLIST

CPU \_\_\_\_\_ Operating System and Rev. \_\_\_\_\_

Is board replacing a previously installed subsystem? \_\_\_\_\_

Device Code of New Product: \_\_\_\_\_ Any similar subsystem in the

CPU? YES NO If yes, then its Device Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Configuration Facts \_\_\_\_\_

Problem Description \_\_\_\_\_

Problem happens where (during Dump, Reliability, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_

Intermittent or consistent problem? \_\_\_\_\_

Does Self-test pass? \_\_\_\_\_

Priority of Board in CPU (Slot) \_\_\_\_\_

BMC Priorities of other BMC Devices (BMC Products Only) \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed Interrupt and Priority Jumpers on Vacant Slots? \_\_\_\_\_

Tried Different Slot? \_\_\_\_\_

Cleaned gold-fingered contact points of board and reset board? \_\_\_\_\_

Supplied AVIV 1/2" Tape "Boot" correctly? \_\_\_\_\_

Is peripheral set to correct unit number, and is terminator in? \_\_\_\_\_

For peripheral disk drives, what is Sector Switch setting? \_\_\_\_\_

Double checked PIN 1 of cable to Pin 1 of controller, backplane and peripheral? \_\_\_\_\_

Result of AVIV Reliability or Diagnostics: \_\_\_\_\_

## Material Return Information

All possible effort to test a suspected malfunctioning controller should be made before returning the controller to AVIV for repair. This will: 1) Determine if the board is actually defective, and 2) Increase the speed and accuracy of a product's repair, which is often dependent upon a complete understanding of the user's checkout test results, problem characteristics, and the user system configuration.

Test results for the DFC 407 Controller should be obtained by performing the tests below. (Include error program counter numbers and accumulator contents if applicable). Use back of this page if more space is needed.

FUNCTION	TEST	RESULT
Power-up	Self-test	_____
Controller	Diagnostics	_____
Sub-system	Reliability	_____

Other tests performed (system operation, errors, etc.):

Please allow our service department to do the best job possible by answering the following questions thoroughly and returning this information with the malfunctioning board.

1. Does the problem appear to be intermittent or heat sensitive? (If yes, explain).
2. Under which operating system are you running? (AOS, RDOS, AOS/VS, ERDOS). Include revision number.
3. Describe the system configuration (i.e. peripherals, I/O controllers, model of computer, etc.).

To be filled out by CUSTOMER:

Model #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Serial #: \_\_\_\_\_  
RMA #: \_\_\_\_\_ (Call AVIV to obtain an RMA number).

Returned by:

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Firm: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## 4.0 CONTROLLER USAGE GUIDELINES

### 4.1 CONTROLLER FEATURES PROGRAMMED BY THE ICP

#### 4.1.1 ICP AID (HELP)

The DFC 407 ICP includes two "HELP" commands: one for OPERATIONAL questions, and one that suggests WHAT you might want to do. In addition, you can get an explanation for any item by responding with an "H" to the question. Please use these functions whenever you are uncertain as to what to do.

#### 4.1.2 THROTTLE BURST RATE

This is defined as the number of word transfers that take place over the DCH or BMC during a single bus access by the disk controller. Throttle adjustment is dependent upon the type of system configuration in which the controller is installed. Too low a throttle setting could result in slow disk performance and too high a setting could cause a data late on another DCH or BMC device. The controller may be set to burst rates of 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128 and 256 words per access. A burst rate of 16 is recommended for most applications.

The DFC 407 allows you to select a different burst rate for each SMD port, thereby giving the ability to fine tune the bus to the particular speed or activity of each disk drive.

#### 4.1.3 SYNC BYTE

The DFC 407 supports a disk media format which contains a header sync byte and data field sync byte (versus a sync bit). The sync byte provides better header address verification and data integrity. This sync byte is user definable for each drive port. Any value between 01 hex and FF hex is acceptable, although 93 hex (223 octal) is the recommended value. When entering a sync byte, use the octal number. This feature can provide a means for disk pack access security between different disk subsystems.

#### 4.1.4 ERROR CORRECTION ENABLE/DISABLE

When this function is enabled, on-board error correction and data strobe early/late occur automatically on bad disk data. Also, a running count of ECC corrections and successful data strobe early or late data recoveries are logged in scratch pad memory, with a separate count for each unit. With this function disabled, ECC corrections must be handled by the software. This feature can be selected on any port.

If any disks are going to be formatted and initialized following configuration, it is recommended that on-board ECC be disabled, then re-enabled after disk initialization.

#### 4.1.5 INTERLEAVE FACTOR

The DFC 407 supports any sector interleave from 2:1 to 6:1 and each drive port can have a different interleave ratio. 1:1 interleave (non-interleave) is recommended for optimum performance and should be sufficient in most cases. Disk drives with very high transfer rates may require a sector interleave of 2:1 to avoid missing the next logical sector.

Interleaving may be used, along with throttling, to fine tune a system's performance. This is to avoid going a full revolution on the disk when the CPU cannot respond fast enough to access the next consecutive sector.

If DCH or BMC activity is too high to access the next consecutive sector, indicated by extremely slow disk performance, then an interleave factor of 2:1 or greater should be selected. To maintain optimum performance, don't select an interleave greater than is required to access the next logical sector in a multiple sector transfer.

#### 4.1.6 DISK DRIVE TYPES

The DFC 407 is capable of controlling virtually any disk drive that meets the SMD interface specification, including HSMD and ESMD. The controller may be configured to assign drives of varying capacities, transfer rates, formats, etc. to any of the four ports.



When running under AOS, only those drives that meet the sizing characteristics of the supported emulations can be used. Under RDOS the DFC 407 can take advantage of the full capacity of most disk drives because AVIV's disk initializer, CSDKINIT, allows deviation from standard RDOS disk emulations.

This section of the ICP allows the operator to assign drive characteristics on a port-by-port basis. Note that drive characteristics are assigned per "port", or "B" cable, and not per the drive's unit number setting. (Any unit can be connected to any of the four ports). A warning will be issued when a potentially illegal configuration is attempted. "HELP" information is available throughout.

Notes regarding dual-volume drives:

Dual-volume drives must be assigned an even unit number. A dual-volume drive is treated as two logical units, so a maximum of two dual-volume drives, or one dual-volume and two single-volume drives, may be attached to the controller.

There are two forms of dual-volume drives:

The first is an actual dual-volume drive, designed with two physical volumes, usually one fixed and one removable cartridge. These include Control Data's Lark and 9448 (CMD), and Amcodyne's 7110.

The other form is actually a single-volume drive that is "split" by the controller into two logical units to provide the sizing characteristics necessary for emulation. For example, under AOS the Fujitsu 2351 (Eagle) is split for dual 6061 emulation, and the Fujitsu 2333 is split for dual 6161 emulation.

Both forms of dual-volume drives must have each logical unit formatted separately by the initializer programs (CSDKINIT for RDOS or DFMTR for AOS). In the case of AVIV'S formatter program, which must be run prior to the initializer program, the "split" form of dual-volume drives must be formatted at the same time or errors will occur. The volumes of a true dual-volume disk drive may be formatted at the same time or separately.

## 4.2 DISK ECC COUNTER UTILITIES

The Model DFC 407 Controller maintains a counter of ECC corrections for each disk drive connected to it. These are the corrections performed by the firmware and are therefore invisible to the system except through these counters. The counters are automatically cleared by the reset switch on the computer front panel or if the controller is powered down.

The utilities must be loaded onto disk from the Software Support Package tape (RDOSECC.SV for RDOS and AOSECC.PR for AOS), and allow you to monitor the media by displaying or modifying the counters. You may want to reset the counters to zero on some regular basis: daily, weekly, monthly, etc.

### STEP 1 - EXECUTING THE PROGRAM UNDER CLI

- A) RDOS Version  
ENTER: RDOSECC
- B) AOS Version  
ENTER: X AOSECC

### STEP 2 - MAIN MENU

#### AVIV - ECC FUNCTIONS

- 1 - DISPLAY CONTROLLER ECC CORRECTIONS
- 2 - RESET CONTROLLER ECC CORRECTIONS
- 3 - STOP

NOTE - SELECT ONLY THOSE DRIVES WITH AVIV CONTROLLERS.  
RESULTS ARE UNPREDICTABLE ON OTHER BOARDS!

ENTER SELECTION

YOU RESPOND:

- 1) To display the ECC corrections counter/s
- 2) To modify the ECC corrections counter/s
- 3) To terminate the program and return to the CLI

### STEP 3 - ENTERING THE UNIT

If you selected 1 or 2,

PROGRAM DISPLAYS:

ENTER UNIT:

YOU RESPOND:

DZn (n=0, 1, ..., 7) for RDOS

DPFN (n=0, 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13) for AOS

Carriage return or new line to return to Main Menu.

The program will display the (decimal) value of the corrections counter for the drive selected. This step will be repeated until the response to ENTER UNIT is Carriage Return or New Line.

STEP 4 - MODIFYING THE COUNTER

If your response to the Main Menu was 2, there will be another message after Step 3:

ENTER NEW VALUE:

You respond with the (decimal) value to which you want the counter set. The number must be between 0 and 65, 535. This step will be repeated until you enter a Carriage Return or New Line, which will return you to Step 3.

## 5.0 PROGRAMMING NOTES

This section discusses, in detail, the assembly level programming characteristics of the D.G. system in relation to this disk controller. This is of most use to technicians involved in component level diagnostic testing and to programmers involved with utility writing.

### 5.1 INSTRUCTION FORMAT

Symbolic form for I/O instructions:

DXXF AC, DSKP

DXX - DOA, DOB, DOC, DIA, DIB, DIC

F = Function:

C (Clear) - Resets Busy and Done flags to zero, aborts all data transfer commands, and clears data transfer status (DIA) fault bits 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 & 15. Also clears RD/WRT and drive attention flags and interrupt request.

S (Start) - Sets busy flag, clears done and initiates one of the following commands selected by a DOA: Read, Write, Format, Read Buffers or Verify. Also clears interrupt request and data transfer status (DIA) fault bits 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 & 15.

P (Pulse) - Sets control full flag and initiates one of the following commands selected by a DOA: Recal, Seek, Stop, Offset, Write Disable, Release, Trespass and Exam Controller RAM.

AC = Accumulator: 0, 1, 2 or 3.

DSKP = Device Code: Primary - 27 Octal

Secondary - 67 Octal

(Others available)

## BINARY REPRESENTATION OF AN I/O INSTRUCTION

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
0	1	1	AC	OP CODE			FUNC	DEVICE CODE							

INTERRUPT MASK      BIT 7

MSKO AC

Execution of the Mask Instruction with BIT 7 equal to a one in the selected accumulator will set the interrupt mask within the controller. This will inhibit any further interrupt requests by the controller until the interrupt mask is cleared, either by an IORST instruction or execution of the Mask Instruction with accumulator BIT 7 equal to a zero.

IORESET INSTRUCTION

IORST

Execution of an IORST instruction serves as a master reset to the controller. Upon completion of an IORST the controller will attempt to select unit zero and default the command register to a read operation. The controller ECC correction LOG is not cleared out by this instruction.

IOSKIP INSTRUCTION

Used to poll the state of the controller (command is done or busy). If the skip condition is met, the next instruction is skipped; otherwise the next instruction is executed.

SKPBZ DSKP - SKIP IF BUSY FLIP-FLOP IS CLEAR. SKPBN DSKP - SKIP IF BUSY FLIP-FLOP IS SET. SKPDZ DSKP - SKIP IF DONE FLIP-FLOP IS CLEAR. SKPDN DSKP - SKIP IF DONE FLIP-FLOP IS SET.

## 5.2      ACCUMULATOR FORMATS

### 5.2.1      DOA - SPECIFY COMMAND AND DRIVE

DOAF AC, DSKP

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

0	1	1	AC	0	1	0	F	DEVICE CODE							
---	---	---	----	---	---	---	---	-------------	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Accumulator

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

R/W DN	CLR SEEK DONE	COMMAND			DRIVE	EMA MSB's				
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#### BIT POSITION

- 0 - Clear Read/Write Done if it is a one
- 1 - Clear Seek Done Attention Flag for Drive Unit 0 if it is a ONE
- 2 - Clear Seek Done Attention Flag for Drive Unit 1 if it is a ONE
- 3 - Clear Seek Done Attention Flag for Drive Unit 2 if it is a ONE
- 4 - Clear Seek Done Attention Flag for Drive Unit 3 if it is a ONE
- 5 - 8 Specify Command

FUNCTION REQUIRED  
TO INITIATE

0000	READ	START
0001	RECALIBRATE	PULSE
0010	SEEK	PULSE
0011	STOP DISC	PULSE
0100	OFFSET FORWARD	PULSE
0101	OFFSET REVERSE	PULSE
0110	WRITE DISABLE	PULSE
0111	RELEASE DRIVE	PULSE
1000	TRESPASS	PULSE
1001	SET ALT MODE 1	NONE
1010	SET ALT MODE 2	NONE
1011	EXAMINE RAM	PULSE
1100	DATA VERIFY	START
1101	READ BUFFERS	START
1110	WRITE	START
1111	FORMAT	START

NOTE: See Section 5.3 for detailed command description.

9 - 10 Drive Selection

- 00 - Drive Unit 0
- 01 - Drive Unit 1
- 10 - Drive Unit 2
- 11 - Drive Unit 3

DOA will reserve a previously unreserved drive

BIT Position 9 is not used if 616X

11-15 Extended Memory Address

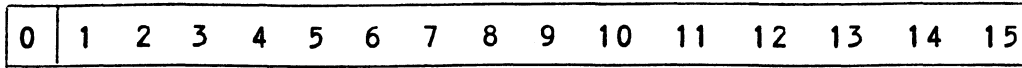
Specifies the MSB's of the Extended Memory Address

5.2.2 DOB - LOAD STARTING MEMORY ADDRESS

DOBF AC, DSKP

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
0	1	1	AC	1	0	0	F								

Accumulator



↑  
MEMORY ADDRESS BITS

EXTENDED MEMORY ADDRESS BIT

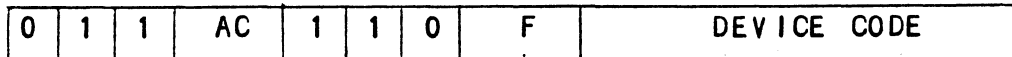
Execution of this instruction will load the controllers address counter with the contents of the specified accumulator and will be used as the starting memory address for a command that requires a DCH transfer or a BMC transfer operation.

5.2.3 DOC - LOAD DRIVE ADDRESS

5.2.3.1 DOC - SPECIFY CYLINDER

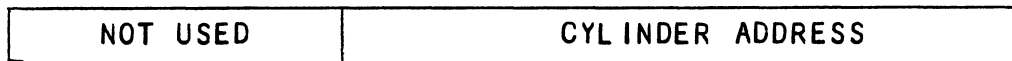
DOCF AC, DSKP

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15



Accumulator (if previous DOA specified a Seek)

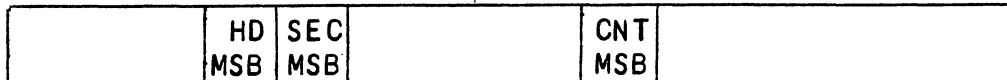
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15



5.2.3.2 DOC - FIRST DOC SPECIFIES EXTENDED SURFACE, SECTOR AND COUNT (Double DOC mode only)

Accumulator (if previous DOA specified a Read, Write, Format or Data Verify)

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15





5.2.3.3 DOC - SECOND DOC SPECIFIES LOWER FIVE BITS OF SURFACE, SECTOR AND COUNT (First and only DOC if single DOC mode)

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

SURFACE ADDR					SECTOR ADDR					COUNT				
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↑  
MAP ENABLE

- 0 - Enable BMC Address Mapping
- 1 - 5 Starting Surface Address
- 6 - 10 Starting Sector Address
- 11-15 Two's complement of number of sectors to be transferred

5.2.4 READ STATUS - NON ALTERNATE MODE

5.2.4.1 DIA - READ DATA TRANSFER STATUS

DIAF, AC, DSKP

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

0	1	1	AC	0	0	1	F	DEVICE CODE						
---	---	---	----	---	---	---	---	-------------	--	--	--	--	--	--

Accumulator

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	----	----	----	----	----	----

- 0 - Control Full
- 1 - R/W Done
- 2 - Unit 0 Atten Done
- 3 - Unit 1 Atten Done
- \*4 - Unit 2 Atten Done
- \*5 - Unit 3 Atten Done
- 6 - BMC Bus Parity Error
- 7 - Illegal Sector Adr
- 8 - ECC Error
- 9 - Bad Sector Flag
- 10 - Cyl Addr Error
- 11 - Surf/Sect Addr Error
- 12 - Verify Error
- 13 - R/W Timeout
- 14 - Data Late
- 15 - Read/Write Fault

\*BIT Positions 4 and 5 are not defined if 616X Emulation.

0	CONTROL FULL	Will be a one when the controller receives a pulse function. Will be a zero once the controller completes the function to the drive that was specified by the command (Recal, Seek, Stop Disk, Offset, WRT DIS, Release, Trespass and Exam Ram).
1	R/W DONE	A one indicates that the done flag was set following a data transfer command.
2-5	UNIT ATTEN DONE (UNITS 0-3)	A one indicates that the respective drive completed a successful seek or recalibrate operation. If the drive was unsuccessful in its attempt to seek, a positioner fault status will be indicated. A recalibrate operation will clear the fault.
6	BUS PARITY ERROR	Indicates an Address or Data Parity Error occurred on a Data Transfer between the controller and the BMC
7	ILLEGAL SECTOR ADDR	Indicates the starting sector address (DOC) exceeded the capacity of the drive if set to a one. Done sets immediately.
8	ECC ERROR	A sector of data read from the disk did not correlate with the appended polynomial. This means that the data read does not agree with the data that was originally written.
9	BAD SECTOR FLAG	Indicates the controller detected the bad sector flag set to a one within the sectors address header. (Done will set immediately). This implies that the format program originally determined that the surface within this sector could not support error-free data.

10	CYLINDER ADDRESS ERROR	The Cylinder Address contained within the sector's header did not match the requested cylinder given by the previous seek command. Bit 11 will set, instead, if there is no match due to a media flaw. The Read/Write Operation will be terminated immediately.
11	SURFACE/ SECTOR ADDRESS ERROR	<p>This status bit may be set by one of the following cases:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) The Surface or the Sector Address contained within the sector's header did not match the current contents of the controller's Surface/Sector Register (initiated by a DOC).</li> <li>2) The CRC polynomial did not correlate with the Header Address.</li> <li>3) The Data Sync on a Read Command could not be detected. The Read/Write operation will be terminated immediately.</li> </ol>
12	VERIFY ERROR	Data in memory did not agree with the data on the disk. (See Verify Command).
13	READ/WRITE TIMEOUT	A Read or Write type of operation did not complete within one second.
14	DATA LATE	Not implemented.
15	READ/WRITE FAULT FLAG	A one indicates that at least one bit is set in bit positions 6 through 14 or a drive fault occurred during a Read/Write transfer operation.

Refer to Table 5.1 for detailed description.

TABLE 5.1 Read/Write Faults (DIA)

	STATUS BIT POSITION	CONTROLLER ACTION	ERROR RECOVERY
BUS ERROR	6	Sets done immediately if Address error. Sets done at the end of sector transfer if data error.	New command. Re-try Read/Write Transfer. Insure BMC Bus Terminators are Installed. if a second BMC device is connected, make sure it has a different Bus Priority.
ILLEGAL SECTOR ADDRESS	7	Sets done immediately.	New command if error re-occurs. Make sure the controller is configured to match the drive type.
ECC ERROR	8	Sets done at the end of sector transfer.	New command. Re-tries with servo offset may correct the data. If this error is detected on a surface analysis, the bad sector flag should be set.
BAD SECTOR FLAG	9	Sets done immediately.	New command. This sector should be ignored.
CYLINDER ADDRESS ERROR	10	Sets done immediately.	New command. The system should diagnose this as a positioner fault.
SURF/ SECTOR ADDRESS ERROR	11	Sets done immediately.	New command. Bad sector flag should be set if surface analysis.
VERIFY ERROR	12	Sets done at the end of the sector transfer.	New command. Check ECC error also to determine if the error occurred due to a flaw in the media.
READ/ WRITE TIMEOUT	13	Sets done immediately.	New command.

5.2.4.2 DIB - READ DRIVE STATUS

DIB AC, DSKP

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
0	1	1	AC	0	1	1	F	DEVICE CODE							

Accumulator

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	----	----	----	----	----	----

- \*0 - Invalid Status
- \*1 - Drive Reserved
- \*2 - Trespassed
- 3 - Ready
- 4 - Busy
- \*5 - Positioner Offset
- 6 - Write Disabled
- \*7 - ID
- \*8 - III Sur/Cyl Addr
- \*9 - Illegal Command
- \*10 - DC Voltage Fault
- \*11 - Pack Unsafe
- 12 - Positioner Fault
- \*13 - Servo Clock Fault
- \*14 - Write Fault
- 15 - Drive Fault

\*These Bits are undefined if 616X.

- |   |                |  |
|---|----------------|--|
| 0 | INVALID STATUS | A one indicates that Status Bits 1 through 15 should be ignored because the drive is not selected or it is in the process of being selected. |
| 1 | DRIVE RESERVED | In a dual port configuration the selected drive is currently in use by another processor.  |

2	TRESPASSED	Not implemented.
3	READY	Drive unit specified by a previous DOA command is selected, spindle is up to speed and positioner is on cylinder.
4	BUSY	The positioner within the currently selected drive is not on cylinder.
5	POSITIONER OFFSET	The selected Read/Write head was moved from on cylinder dead center as was specified by an offset forward or reverse command.
6	WRITE DISABLED	Status from the drive indicates that a write type of command cannot be executed.
7	ID	This Bit is a one if 6122 is selected, a zero for all other emulations.
8	ILLEGAL SURFACE OR CYLINDER ADDRESS	The requested surface or cylinder address exceeds the capacity of the drive. Read/Write operation will terminate immediately.
9	ILLEGAL COMMAND	The controller was requested to perform a write type of command while servo is offset or write disabled is active.
10	DC VOLTAGE FAULT	Not implemented.
11	PACK UNSAFE	Conditions exist within the drive that may impair the safety of the media. This bit will be a one if a fault status is received directly from the drive interface.

- 12 POSITIONER FAULT  
This indicates that the drive was unable to complete a seek within 500 ms, or that the positioner has moved to a position outside the recording field. The system should send a recal command to recover from this error.
- 13 SERVO CLOCK FAULT  
A clock synchronization failure occurred between the serial data being read and the reference clock coming from the disk drive.  
  
In most cases this means that the header or data sync was not encountered within a specified amount of time.  
  
This flag would set if the format on the disk did not agree with what the controller expected.  
  
Check the configuration to make sure the proper format was selected.
- 14 WRITE FAULT  
An abnormal condition was detected by the drive during a data transfer operation.
- 15 DRIVE FAULT  
One or more bits are set in positions 8 through 14 or the drive detected an abnormal condition.

5.2.4.3 DIC - READ SURFACE, SECTOR AND COUNT

DICF AC, DSKP

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

0	1	1	AC	1	0	1	F	DEVICE CODE							
---	---	---	----	---	---	---	---	-------------	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Accumulator

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

	CURRENT SURFACE ADDR	CURRENT SECTOR ADDR	TWO'S COMPLEMENT OF NUMBER OF SECTORS REMAINING
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↑  
MAP ENABLED

5.2.5 READ STATUS - ALTERNATE MODE ONE

See detailed description of Alternate Mode One Command. Previous DOA specified ALT Mode One for Sections 5.2.5.1 through 5.2.5.3.

5.2.5.1 DIA - READ CURRENT MEMORY ADDRESS

DIAF AC, DSKP

Accumulator

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

EMA	CURRENT MEMORY ADDRESS
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After the execution of this instruction the value of the accumulator will contain the memory address to where the next data word transfer will take place. The memory address counter is incremented by one after each DCH or BMC transfer.



### 5.2.5.2 DIB - READ EXTENDED MEMORY ADDRESS

DIBF AC, DSKP

Accumulator

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	----	----	----	----	----	----

- 0 - BMC Mode
- 1 - Fixed Disk
- 2 - Drive 0 ID
- 3 - Drive 1 ID
- 4 - Surface Address (MSB)
- 5 - Sector Address (MSB)
- 6 - Drive 0 ID
- 7 - Drive 1 ID
- 8 - Not Used
- 9 - Not Used
- 10 - Sector Count (MSB)
- 11-15 - Extended Memory Address

The AC will contain the current most Significant Bits for the Surface (BIT 4), Sector Address (BIT 5) and Two's Complement Count (BIT 10). These Bits will allow the System to reference up to 64 heads or sectors.

### 5.2.5.3 DIC - NOT CURRENTLY IMPLEMENTED

### 5.2.6 READ STATUS - ALTERNATE MODE TWO

See detailed description of Alternate Mode Two Command. Previous DOA specified ALT Mode Two for Sections 5.2.6.1 through 5.2.6.3.

#### 5.2.6.1 DIA - READ ECC REMAINDER UPPER

DIAF AC, DSKP

### Accumulator

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

#### 5.2.6.2 DIB - READ ECC REMAINDER LOWER

DIBF AC, DSKP

### Accumulator

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

#### 5.2.6.3 DIC - NOT CURRENTLY IMPLEMENTED

### 5.3 DETAILED COMMAND DESCRIPTIONS

The command set (16 in all) provided by the controller is basically broken up into three groups:

1. Data Transfer Command
2. Drive Commands
3. Alternate Mode Commands

The command is stored in the controller via a DOA instruction. Before any command is initiated, the selected unit must have valid status and be ready.

#### 5.3.1 DATA TRANSFER COMMANDS

Start (Set Busy) will initiate any one of the following commands: Read, Write, Format, Verify or Read Buffers. Up to 64 contiguous sectors may be transferred.

#### Read/Write Initialization Steps:

1. Control Full and Drive Status must be tested for proper state before commencing with a Read/Write Command.
2. Send the Starting Surface and Sector Address along with the Two's Complement of the number of sectors transferred. (See DOC)
3. Send the Starting Memory Address of where the data should be stored or retrieved. (See DOB)
4. Send the Command type and the desired Drive Unit Number. (See DOA)
5. Issue a Start Pulse.

#### Read/Write Termination Possibilities (Done Set):

1. All the sectors implied by the Two's Complement sector count were transferred.
2. A Drive or Read/Write Error was encountered. DIC command should be issued to determine at which sector the error occurred.
3. Busy was cleared by an IORESET instruction, or a clear pulse was issued to the controller during the Read/Write transfer. Done will not set in this case.

#### 5.3.1.1 READ COMMAND

When BUSY F/F sets, the controller will wait for ON CYLINDER if the previous seek command has not been completed yet. It will then search for the starting sector address specified by the previous DOC instruction. The header is read and compared with the starting sector address, the starting surface address and the stored cylinder address to ensure that the proper sector has been physically located. Before the data can be accepted, the header must match the specified address, the header CRC must be good, and no bad sector flags encountered.

If the header is in error, or the bad sector flag is a one, the appropriate status bit and done flag are set immediately.

When the drives RD/WRT head reaches the data field, the serial data is sent to the SMD interface, formed into parallel words by the controller and transferred to the buffer. When all 256 words are contained within the buffer, the ECC Code appended in the data is checked to ensure proper data by reading the results of the remainder. A data error occurred if the remainder is not equal to zero.

In the case of an error the controller will transfer the data into memory and then set ECC Error Flag and Done. If the ECC Enable feature is selected (refer to Configuring Section)? the controller will attempt to correct the data within its own buffer prior to transferring it to memory.

If it determines that the error is not correctable, the controller will re-try on its own with a Data Strobe Early and if unsuccessful, again with a Data Strobe Late. If the data is still not correctable, then it will set ECC Error Flag and Done. If more sectors are to be transferred, the controller will begin searching for the next sector while the data from the previous sector is transferred to memory.

#### 5.3.1.2 WRITE COMMAND

When BUSY sets, the controller will wait for the positioner to be On Cylinder if the selected drive is still in the process of seeking. Upon the completion of the previous seek operation, the controller will transfer 256 words of data from memory to a sector buffer. The starting address of memory was specified by the previous DOB instruction. The controller searches for the desired sector and performs a head verification (same as the read command) before data is written onto the surface of the disk.

Once the correct sector is found, the controller will select the sector buffer previously written by the DCH control. The contents of this buffer is then written on to the disk surface, preceded by a gap and data sync.

The controller incorporates two sector buffers. Therefore, the BMC or DCH logic can write into one buffer while data is transferred to the disk from the other. The Ping-Pong method of buffering helps avoid the data under/overflows common with traditional FIFO buffers.

### 5.3.1.3 VERIFY

When BUSY F/F sets, the controller starts as if it had a Read command (i.e. wait for On Cylinder, verify header etc). Once a full sector is transferred from the disk to a controller buffer, a comparison is made against system memory. This is accomplished by reading a word from memory starting from the previous DOB and comparing each word of sector. If a word does not compare, data transfer status (DIA) Bit 12 and Done will set.

### 5.3.1.4 FORMAT

The objective of the Format command is to write the header information (surface, sector and cylinder address) on a sector. Up to 64 contiguous sectors may be formatted per command. Data that was contained within the sector will be lost (replaced by all zeros). Refer to Appendix C for format details. The Format command is also used to set the bad sector flag.

### 5.3.1.5 READ BUFFERS

This command reads the contents of the currently used buffer and transfers all 256 words to memory specified by the starting address. Primarily used for diagnostic purposes.

## 5.3.2 DRIVE COMMANDS

IOPULSE (sets control full) initiates any one of the following commands: Recalibrate, Seek, Stop, Offset, Write Disable, Release, Examine Ram and Trespass.

### 5.3.2.1 RECALIBRATE

This command moves the heads to cylinder 0, selects Head 0, and issues a fault clear to the drive.

An IORESET switch will automatically cause a Recalibrate command to be issued to Unit 0.

This command moves the heads more slowly than a seek to 0, so it should not be used for data acquisition.

#### 5.3.2.2 SEEK

Seek moves the heads to the cylinder specified by the DOC. The controller stores the cylinder address for that particular unit, initiates the SEEK operation and clears control full. While that unit is busy seeking the controller can accept another SEEK command for a different unit (overlapped seeks), or commence with a Read/Write Command for the unit busy seeking.

See the disk drive specification for the Seek Timing.

#### 5.3.2.3 OFFSET FORWARD

"OFFSET FORWARD" offsets the heads forward off the track center-line. This operation is cleared by the next command. (The drive does not allow write operations when the positioner is Offset).

#### 5.3.2.4 OFFSET REVERSE

"OFFSET REVERSE" offsets the heads reverse off the track center-line. This operation is cleared by the next command. (The drive does not allow write operations when the positioner is Offset.) Offset forward or reverse may be used as an attempt to recover data that cannot be corrected by the error correction algorithm.

#### 5.3.2.5 WRITE DISABLE

Not implemented.

#### 5.3.2.6 RELEASE DRIVE

Clears the reserved condition of the specified drive that the computer had previously reserved.

#### 5.3.2.7 TRESPASS

The controller issues a priority select to the specified drive. The drive will immediately be reserved until a release command is issued or the drive timeout feature times out.

### 5.3.2.8 STOP DISK

All drives connected that are selected for remote operation will unload the heads and spin down via the pick-hold line. A console reset, IORESET instruction, or another command will spin the disk back up.

### 5.3.2.9 EXAMINE RAM COMMAND

This command gives the system the capability of reading from or writing to the DFC 407 Controller's memory. This command must be preceded by a DOC containing the address of the desired RAM location. See Appendix B for memory map.

In order to write to RAM, Bit 0 (MSB) must be a one in the DOC address, and the data to be written is sent via the DOB. If a read RAM is implied (DOC Bit 0 = 0), the contents of the DIC will contain the RAM data after Control Full clears.

This feature is used for obtaining the following information:

- A. Drive characteristics for the Formatter and Reliability programs.
- B. Number of ECC corrections by the controller. (Each unit has a separate count.)
- C. Maintenance testing.
- D. Configuring the EEPROM.
- E. Features that may be considered in the future.

1460-1462	SELECTED DRIVE CHARACTERISTICS	These locations will be updated whenever a new drive is selected.  1460 - Maximum sector address 1461 - Maximum surface address 1462 - Maximum cylinder address
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Allow invalid status to go away before a reference is made. Avoid writing to these locations.

1500-1503

UNIT  
CORRECTION  
COUNTS

These locations will be incremented each time the controller does a correction either by the ECC algorithm or an Early/Late re-try. The maximum count per unit is 65535 (the count will stay at maximum if there are any more corrections to that unit). The counts are initialized to zero on either a power on or an IORESET switch.

A separate count is maintained for each unit.

1500 - Unit 0    1501 - Unit 1  
1502 - Unit 2    1503 - Unit 3

#### EXAMINE RAM COMMAND

1777-8    PROM ID/REV

DIC ACCUMULATOR

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
0	R	IDENTIFICATION							REVISION LEVEL						
	E														
	S														

EXAMPLE: Identification 80 (Hex) Revision Level 6

Location 1777-8 = 100006

NOTE: Avoid referencing any locations that are not defined here.



## EXAM RAM EXAMPLE

READ Contents of Loc 1500 Octal (Unit 0 corrections)

Accumulator Set up:

A0 = 002600 (NOP Command Unit 0)  
A1 = 001500 (RAM Address for DOC)

```
DOC 1, DSKP           ; Send RAM Address
DOAP 0, DSKP          ; Send NOP Command and IOPULSE
DIA 0, DSKP           ; Wait for Control Full
MOVZL# 0,0,SZC        ; To be zero
JMP .-2
DIC 2, DSKP           ; Put contents of RAM Location
                      1500 into Accumulator 2
```

WRITE To Location 1500 Octal (Clear Unit 0 Corrections)

Accumulator set up:

A0 = 002600 (NOP Command Unit 0)  
A1 = 101500 (RAM Address for DOC)  
A2 = 000000 (RAM Data)

```
DOC 1, DSKP           ; Send RAM Address
DOB 2, DSKP           ; Send RAM Data
DOAP 0, DSKP          ; Send NOP Command and IOPULSE
```

### 5.3.3 ALTERNATE MODES

A command that will change the context of the data received from a DIA, DIB or DIC. A command other than Alternate Mode or an IORESET will clear Alternate Mode.

#### 5.3.3.1 ALTERNATE MODE ONE

It changes the context of DIA to read the current memory address. The ending address after a Read/Write transfer will point to the last address plus one.

### 5.3.3.2 ALTERNATE MODE TWO

It changes the context of the DIA and DIB command. This is used to extract the syndrome (ECC remainder not equal to zero after a read command) from the controller in order to determine whether the data error within the sector read is correctable or not.

### 5.4 ERROR CORRECTION CODE (ECC)

When a write command is specified, the ECC hardware divides the data field within the sector by a fixed \*generator polynomial and appends the resulting checkword to the data field.

\*Generator Polynomial

$$X^{-32} + X^{-23} + X^{-21} + X^{-11} + X^{-2} + 1$$

When a read command is specified, the ECC hardware divides the data field and the appended checkword within the sector by a \*factored version of the same generator polynomial. If a data error occurs, the resulting remainder is non-zero, and the data transfer status (DIA) bit position 8 is set. BIT 8 will not set if the controller was enabled to correct and the error is correctable.

Be aware that there exists a small class of errors that are undetectable due to the cyclic properties of the generator polynomial.

\*Factored Version of Generator Polynomial

$$(X^{-1} + X^{-2} + 1) (X^{-21} + 1)$$

The ECC feature detects all error bursts contained within 21 or less contiguous bits in a sector and allows correction of all error bursts up to 11 contiguous bits.

The DFC 407 disk controller features a format sequencer that controls the disk interface functions of the controller. The firmware that controls this sequencer is contained in PROMS, allowing disk format changes to take place there instead of the microprocessor firmware.

The format sequencer firmware is arranged in eight banks of 64 words each and is selectable for the format bank desired. Each bank consists of READ/WRITE/FORMA CODE. The last bank is reserved for Self-test.

## APPENDIX A

### A.0 DIAGNOSTIC BOOTSTRAP PROCEDURES

- 1) Load desired Software Support Package tape and put drive On-Line.
- 2) Perform the following steps when the system has the program load option. (If system does not have program load option, consult processor manual.)
  - A) Put 100022 or 100062 on console data switches 0 - 15.
  - B) Program load.
    - a) Press program load switch if front panel has switches.
    - b) On DG virtual console, enter 100022L or 100062L. (If 100062 first enter 100062 in 11A).
- 3) Enter tape file test number, followed by a carriage return.
- 4) If program is not self-starting perform these steps:
  - A) Front Panel Switches
    - a) Put starting address on console data switches (0-15).
    - b) Press examine memory.
    - c) Put switch settings on console data switches (0-15).
    - d) Press continue.
  - B) DG's Virtual Console
    - a) Enter switch settings in 11A through keyboard.
    - b) Enter starting address (XXXXR) through keyboard.
    - c) To change switch settings, enter break, change 11A through keyboard, and enter PC address when break occurred. (XXXXR)
    - d) To continue on error halt, enter PC address (XXXXR).

A.1

LOADING THE SOFTWARE SUPPORT PACKAGE ONTO DISK

1. Files 8, 9, and 10 on the Software Support Package Tape are RDOS, AOS and AOS/VS, respectively, dump formats of all the contained programs that can be loaded on the system disk.

EXAMPLES:   RDOS   - Load MTO:  8  
              AOS    - Load @MTA0:  9  
              AOS/VS - Load @MTC0: 10

2. The files can now be booted from disk. Enter the appropriate filename in response to "FILENAME?" or "SYSTEM PATHNAME?"

## APPENDIX B

### B.0 MEMORY MAPS

#### B.1 DFC 407 MICROPROCESSOR MEMORY MAP

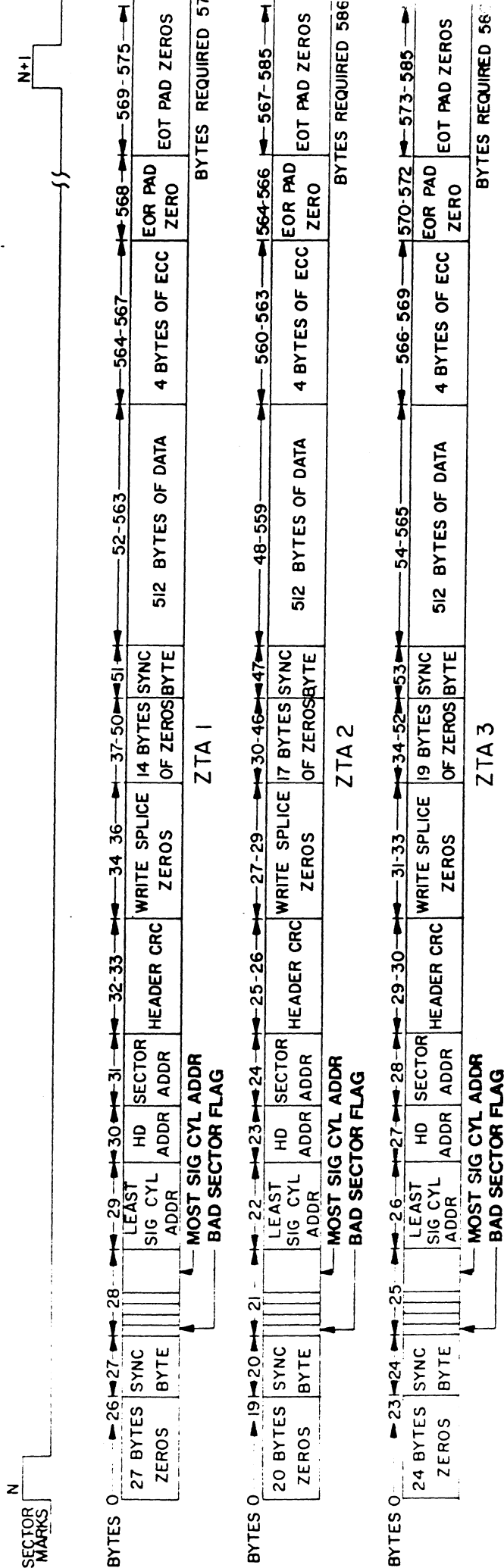
ADDRESS (HEX)	NAME
000 - 0FF	SECTOR BUFFER 0
100 - 1FF	SECTOR BUFFER 1
200 - 2FF	SECTOR BUFFER 2
306	CYL 0
307	CYL 1
308	CYL 2
309	CYL 3
30A	CURRENT SURFACE, SECTOR, SECTOR COUNT
30B	EXT. DOC
30C	ZADJ. SURFACE ADDR
30D	SURF - SECT
310	BAD SECTOR FLAG
311	UNIT SELECT
312	SOFT ECC DISABLE (NOT USED)
320	UNIT 0 PORT SEEK END MAP
321	UNIT 1 PORT SEEK END MAP
322	UNIT 2 PORT SEEK END MAP
323	UNIT 3 PORT SEEK END MAP
330	ZADJ. MAX SECTOR
331	ZADJ. MAX SURFACE
332	ZADJ. MAX CYLINDER
333	SYNC BYTE
334	VOLUME ADDR (CMD)
335	BANK SEL, BMC PRIORITY
340	UNIT 0 CORRECTION COUNT
341	UNIT 1 CORRECTION COUNT
342	UNIT 2 CORRECTION COUNT
343	UNIT 3 CORRECTION COUNT
348	SECTOR VERIFICATION ENABLE
349	SECTOR COUNT
34A	LENGTH OF LAST SECTOR (COUNT *600 NANOSEC.)
3FF	PROM ID/REVISION LEVEL

B.2

EEPROM MAP

4800	START OF PORT 0
4880	START OF PORT 1
4900	START OF PORT 2
4980	START OF PORT 3
XX00	RCHAR SWITCHES
XX01	RPARA SWITCHES
XX02	DEVICE SELECT CODE
XX03	INTERLEAVE FACTOR
XX04	THROTTLE BURST RATE
XX05	BREAK COUNT
XX06	# OF BURSTS
XX20	MAX SECTOR
XX21	MAX CYL-UPPER
XX22	MAX CYL-LOWER
XX23	MAX HEAD
XX24	MAX HEAD-ODD UNIT
XX25	HEAD MASK
XX26	BANK, PRIORITY
XX27	SYNC BYTE
XX30 - XX7F	INTERLEAVE MAP

APPENDIX C





## APPENDIX D

### D.0 ENVOKING THE COMMAND STRING INTERPRETER

The Command String Interpreter is a diagnostic tool built into the Formatter and the Reliability programs on the Software Support Package tape.

To get into the Command String Interpreter, the Formatter or the Reliability program must be loaded into system memory. Once the Formatter or Reliability is in system memory, a control 0 should be done and an @ should appear on the console.

Next, key this into the console: 503R. This will issue a start from address 503 which is the Command String Interpreter's starting address. Questions must be answered the same as if the program was run from scratch until the point after entering the disk types.

You are now in the Command String and the following is an explanation of options the Command String allows.

### D.1 THE COMMAND STRING FUNCTIONS

All numbers entered above must be in octal. Any Non-octal input is treated as a letter. Any letter input for cyl, head, sector, or # of sectors gets random function in the Reliability test with options.

As a trouble-shooting aid, the Service Engineer may type in his own Test Loop. After starting at 503, three arguments must be entered in response to three program questions: "UNIT", "DATA", and "COMMAND STRINGS". All numbers must be entered in octal.

1. UNIT: TYPE UNIT # OR CARRIAGE TO  
USE THE PREVIOUS ENTRY
2. DATA: RAN=RANDOM  
  
ALO=ALL ONES  
ALZ=ALL ZEROS  
PAT=155555 PATTERN  
ROT=155555 PATTERN ROTATED ON SUCCESSIVE PASSES.  
ALT=52525 PATTERN

FLO=FLOATING ONE PATTERN FLZ=FLOATING ZERO  
PATTERN ADR=ALTERNATING CYLINDER AND HEAD, SECTOR  
WORDS  
VAR=EXISTING WORDS ENTERED PREVIOUSLY AS  
DESCRIBED BELOW

ALTERNATIVELY ENTER A STRING OF UP TO 7 OCTAL 16  
BIT WORDS TO BE USED AS DATA. THE WORDS ENTERED  
ARE USED REPEATEDLY TO MAKE UP A SECTOR BLOCK.  
TYPE CARRIAGE RETURN TO USE THE PREVIOUS ENTRY.

### 3. COMMAND STRING:

#### OPTIONS

1. READ HEAD, SECTOR, #SECTORS
2. WRITE SAME
3. SEEK CYLINDER
4. RECALIBRATE
5. LOOP (GO TO BEGINNING OR LR)
6. DELAY N (N= DELAY IN MS)
7. DISABLE (WRITE DISABLE)
8. TRESPASS
9. STOP DISK
10. RELEASE
11. OFF (OFFSET FORWARD)
12. OFR (OFFSET REVERSE)
13. LR (BEGIN LOOP HERE)
14. VERIFY (WRITE)
15. MEMORY ADDR; DATA (WRITE) (CONTROLLER MEMORY  
COMMAND)
16. TYPE CARRIAGE RETURN TO USE THE PREVIOUS  
COMMAND STRING.

NOTE THAT EITHER SPACES OR A COMMA MAY BE USED AS AN ARGUMENT  
DELIMITER. EACH RESPONSE IS TERMINATED BY TYPING CARRIAGE  
RETURN; IF MORE ROOM IS NEEDED ON A LINE, TYPE LINE FEED TO  
SPACE TO THE NEXT LINE. THE WORD "SAME" USED WITH READ OR  
WRITE, WILL CAUSE THE PREVIOUS DISK ADDRESS PARAMETERS TO BE  
USED.

AN "R" TYPED WHILE A STRING IS BEING EXECUTED WILL CAUSE THE  
PROGRAM TO RETURN TO THE COMMAND STRING START. THE ESCAPE  
KEY WILL BYPASS THE UNIT AND DATA PROMPTS TO THE COMMAND  
STRING PROMPT.

COMMAND STRING INTERPRETER EXAMPLES

THE FOLLOWING EXAMPLE WOULD CAUSE UNIT 1 TO SEEK CYLINDER 50, THEN REPEATEDLY WRITE SECTORS 2 AND 3 OF HEAD 5, THEN READ IT BACK AND CHECK. DATA IS SPECIFIED AS ALTERNATE WORDS OF ZEROS THEN ONES.

UNIT: 1  
DATA: 0,177777  
COMMAND STRING: SEEK 50 LR WRITE 5,2,2 READ SAME LOOP

THE FOLLOWING EXAMPLE WOULD WRITE ZERO TO CONTROLLER MEMORY LOCATION 1500 (OCTAL):

UNIT: 1  
DATA: N/A  
COMMAND STRING: MEMORY 101500,0  
NOTE: UPPER MEMORY BIT = 1 DEFINES A WRITE

## APPENDIX E

### E.0 FORMAT SWPAK REG BIT DEFINITIONS

Once the program starts executing, the state of any of the bits can be changed by hitting keys 1-9, A-F. The program will continue running after updating the options. Each key will complement the state of the bit affiliated with it; thus bit 4 can be altered by hitting key 4. Setting of any bit of location "SWREG" will set bit 0. (Default mode is defined as all bits of SWREG set to 0.)

Different bits and their interpretation in the "SWREG" is as follows:

BIT	OCTAL VALUE	BINARY VALUE	INTERPRETATION
1	40000	0 1	LOOP ON ERROR SKIP LOOPING ON ERROR
2	20000	0 1	PRINT TO CONSOLE ABORT PRINT OUT TO CONSOLE
5	02000	0 1	DO NOT PRINT ON THE LINE PRINTER PRINT ON THE LINE PRINTER
11(B)	00020	0 1	N/A ENABLE BAD SECTOR PRINTOUT

Refer to the listings at the very end of this manual for additional information.

### E.1 DIAGNOSTIC SWPAK REG DEFINITIONS

Once the program starts executing, the state of any of the bits can be changed by hitting keys 1-9, A-F. The program will continue running after updating the options. Each key will complement the state of the bit affiliated with it; thus bit 4 can be altered by hitting key 4. Setting of any bit of location "SWREG" will set bit 0. (Default mode is defined as all bits of SWREG set to 0.)

Different bits and their interpretation in the "SWREG" is as follows:

BIT	OCTAL VALUE	BINARY VALUE	INTERPRETATION
1	40000	0	LOOP ON ERROR
		1	SKIP LOOPING ON ERROR
2	20000	0	PRINT TO CONSOLE
		1	ABORT PRINT OUT TO CONSOLE
3	10000	0	DO NOT PRINT % FAILURE
		1	PRINT % FAILURE
5	02000	0	DO NOT PRINT ON THE LINE PRINTER
		1	PRINT ON THE LINE PRINTER
6	01000	0	DO NOT HALT ON ERROR
		1	HALT ON ERROR
7	00400	0	N/A
		1	EXECUTE A RE-FORMAT CHECK
8	00200	0	N/A
		1	RECALIBRATE DURING SCOPE LOOP
9	00100	0	N/A
		1	1 SECOND DELAY DURING SCOPE LOOP
10(A)	00040	0	N/A
		1	PROGRAM WILL PRINT TEST #'S AND FIRMWARE REVISION
11(B)	00020	0	N/A
		1	PROGRAM WILL EXIT TO ODT WHEN NOT IN TESTS F1- ##SEE 7.5## SWITCH IS SET TO 0 UPON EXIT
12(C)	00010	0	SKIP LONG RAM TEST
		1	LONG CONTROLLER RAM TEST

## E.2 RELIABILITY SWPAK REG BIT DEFINITIONS

Once the program starts executing, the state of any of the bits can be changed by hitting keys 1-9, A-F. The program will continue running after updating the options.

Each key will complement the state of the bit affiliated with it; thus bit 4 can be altered by hitting key 4. Setting of any bit of location "SWREG" will set bit 0. (Default mode is defined as all bits of SWREG set to 0.)

Different bits and their interpretation in the "SWREG" is as follows:

BIT	OCTAL VALUE	BINARY VALUE	INTERPRETATION
1	40000	0	LOOP ON ERROR
		1	SKIP LOOPING ON ERROR
2	20000	0	PRINT TO CONSOLE
		1	ABORT PRINT OUT TO CONSOLE
4	04000	0	PRINT PASS
		1	DO NOT PRINT PASS
5	02000	0	DO NOT PRINT ON THE LINE PRINTER
		1	PRINT ON THE LINE PRINTER
6	01000	0	DO NOT EXIT TO ODT ON ERROR
		1	EXIT TO ODT ON ERROR
7	00400	0	**** N/A
		1	BREAK FOR PACK INTERCHANGE
8	00200	0	**** N/A
		1	FOR-READ ONLY MODE (SA 501,502)
9	00100	0	N/A
		1	BYPASS DATA CHECK
10(A)	00040	0	N/A
		1	DO VERIFY AFTER WRITE (SA 502 ONLY AND NOT RANDOM DATA)
11(B)	00020	0	N/A
		1	ENABLE BAD SECTOR PRINTOUTS
12(C)	00010	0	N/A
		1	HALT ON DRIVE ERROR PRIOR TO RECOVERY RECALIBRATE OPERATION
13(D)	00004	0	NO TRACE
		1	TRACE PRINTOUT ON ERROR

## APPENDIX I

### 1.0 JUMPER MODIFICATIONS

Refer to Table 2.2 for Paddleboard Jumper Table.

### 1.1 DFC 407 MODE 1A CONFIGURATION

When the controller is to be installed into DG's S/250, C350, or M/600 minicomputer, these changes are required on the DFC 407 (500-404-01), the "A" paddleboard (500-408-00), and the "B" paddleboard (500-409-00).

A DFC 407 with this feature installed will also function (with the exception of the power fail feature), in the following computers: S/280, MV/4000, MV/10000 (Rev 03 or higher).

**\*\*WILL NOT RUN IN S/140\*\***

#### 1.1.1 DFC 407 MODE 1A JUMPER MODIFICATIONS (See Figure 1.1)

1. Start with a working DFC 407 (500-404-01).
2. Configure jumper plug at location DD5 to Mode 1.
3. Configure jumper plug at location Z2 to Mode 1/Dual Port (top position).
4. Observe the 2 position jumper just below RP27, (lower right corner of board) labeled 1, 2, 3. Remove the jumper plug between feedthru 1 and 2. Place the jumper plug on feedthru 2 and 3.
5. Remove the jumper plug at location N1, turn it 180 degrees and reinsert it so that the pin 1 identifier notch is pointing down.

#### 1.1.2 DFC 407 "A" PADDLEBOARD JUMPER MODIFICATIONS (See Figure 1.2)

1. Start with a working DFC 407 "A" paddleboard (500-408-00).

2. Remove jumper plug 1A, turn it so the arrow points toward the backplane connector and reinsert it.
3. Mode 2A jumper arrow should remain pointing towards backplane connector.

### 1.1.3 DFC 407 "B" PADDLEBOARD JUMPER MODIFICATIONS (See Figure 1.2)

1. Start with a working DFC 407 "B" paddleboard (500-409-00).
2. Configure the 24-pin jumper plug to Mode 1.
3. Configure the 10-pin jumper plug to Mode 1 position/Mode 2 Dual Port. Reference Figure 2.2.
4. Remove jumper plug at W4 and place it on W3.
5. Ensure jumper W-2 is IN.

### 1.2 DFC 407 MODE 2A CONFIGURATION

These modifications are required on the DFC 407 (500-404-01), the "A" paddleboard (500-408-00), and the "B" paddleboard (500-409-00) when this controller is to be installed into the following computer(s): MV6000 Expansion Chassis.

The DFC 407, with this configuration, will also function in the following computers: S280, MV4000, MV10000 (Rev 03 or higher backplane).

**\*\*WILL NOT RUN IN S140\*\***

### 1.2.1 DFC 407 MODE 2A JUMPER MODIFICATIONS (See Figure 1.1)

1. Start with a working DFC 407 (500-404-01).
2. Configure jumper plug at location DD5 to Mode 2.
3. Remove jumper plug W34-2 and place it in W34-1.
4. Remove jumper plug W34-3 and place it in W34-4.
5. Remove jumper plug W34-5 and place it in W34-6.



6. Ensure jumper just below RP27, (lower right hand corner of board) labeled 1, 2, 3, is in position 1 and 2.
7. Ensure jumper located at N1 (pin 1 identifier notch) is pointed up.

1.2.2 DFC 407 "A" PADDLEBOARD (500-408-00) MODIFICATIONS (See Figure 1.2)

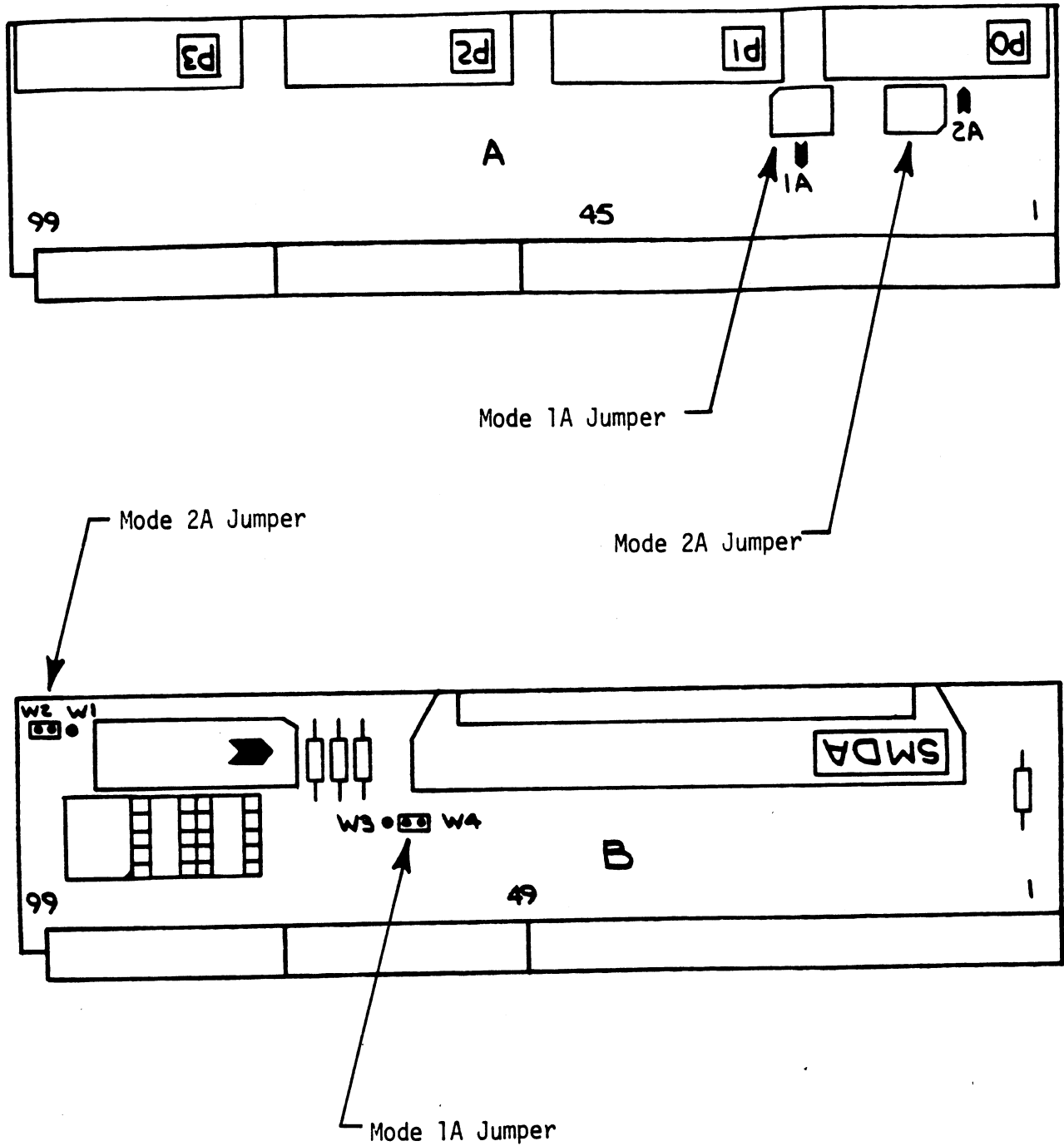
1. Start with a working DFC 407 "A" paddleboard (500-408-00).
2. Remove jumper plug at 2A, turn it so the arrow points away from the backplane connector and reinsert it.
3. Mode 1A jumper arrow should remain pointing away from the backplane connector.

1.2.3 DFC 407 "B" PADDLEBOARD (500-409-00) MODIFICATIONS (See Figure 1.2)

1. Start with a working DFC 407 "B" paddleboard (500-409-00).
2. Configure the 24-pin jumper plug to Mode 2.
3. Remove jumper plug at W2 and place it in W1.
4. Ensure jumper W4 is IN.



FIGURE I.2 Paddleboard Jumper Layout



## APPENDIX J: SECTOR SLIP

### J.0 WHAT IS SECTOR SLIP?

The Sector Slip Program allows you to run your disk drive as if it had error-free media. The Sector Slip Formatter (SLIPS) analyzes the disk for sectors that cannot transcribe data reliably, then reformats the disk such that those bad sectors are ignored during subsequent operations. In effect, the bad sectors are invisible to the Operating System. The DFC 407 firmware will slip past these sectors during read/write operations without further intervention from the host CPU.

Each slipped sector is replaced by a sector at the end of the same track. Since disk space is sacrificed to obtain error-free media, you should consider whether this trade-off is of value in your particular situation. Unless there is a reason for running with error-free media, you will probably not choose to give up disk space. Some situations where Sector Slip might be needed are:

- \* The Operating System requires error-free media.
- \* The application is time-critical and depends on having large contiguous blocks of data.
- \* The disk has more bad blocks than the Bad Block Table can accommodate.

If the Sector Slip feature is needed, you should plan for it when selecting the disk drive. The disk parameters must be such that there will be unused sectors available for slipping.

## J.1 HOW MANY SECTORS SHOULD BE SLIPPED?

In order to slip a bad sector from the disk there must be a free sector at the end of the track. A free sector is one that is physically available but is not configured for use when running. For each sector slipped from a particular track there must be an unused sector at the end of that track. In general, this will be a number between 1 and 16.

It is not possible to recommend a number of sectors to slip for all situations; there are a number of interacting variables. To determine the best number of sectors to reserve for slipping in a specific situation, all of the following must be considered:

- \* Physical characteristics of the disk drive.
- \* How many bad sectors your drive has. You will need to reserve at least as many sectors as there are on the worst track. For example, if there are 4 bad sectors on the disk drive, two of which are located on the same track, there must be at least two sectors for slipping on each track. You can reserve a larger number.
- \* The need for fitting your disk drive into particular Operating System-supported emulations. When a certain emulation is essential, you will be able to slip only the difference between physical sectors and sectors required by the emulation.
- \* Throughput rate. The speed of the disk drive, the data transfer rate, and the CPU speed all interact to produce a throughput rate for your application/s. (AVIV controllers have features that improve performance in cases where the CPU cannot keep up with the drive on consecutive sector Reads/Writes.)

## J.2 LIMITATIONS

When the Virtual Mapping™ feature is implemented on the DFC 407 Disk Controller, the entire disk capacity is available for fitting into AOS and AOS/VS emulations; therefore, drives do not need to fit within specific head, sector and cylinder counts. As Sector Slip requires some sectors on each track for slipping, the freedom provided by Virtual Mapping can be very helpful. You must select Virtual Mapping mode or there will be certain limitations, which are described in section J.2.2.

### J.2.1 LIMITATIONS WHEN USING SECTOR SLIP WITH VIRTUAL MAPPING

#### Disk Arithmetic

The total number of sectors on the disk will be reduced by (# secs reserved for slip) x (# hds) x (# cyls). Assuming that the worst track has 3 bad sectors, you would lose  $3 \times (\# \text{ hds}) \times (\# \text{ cyls})$  sectors on the disk.

Maximum number of sectors per track that can be slipped is 16.

Maximum number of usable sectors per track is 64.  
(Effectively 128 when you have split sectors and doubled cylinders.)

The maximum number of physical sectors per track is 144.  
(128 + 16)

You Cannot Run with Physical Interleaving.

## J.2.2 LIMITATIONS WHEN USING SECTOR SLIP WITHOUT VIRTUAL MAPPING

### Disk Arithmetic Under AOS and AOS/VS

The number of sectors on each track is reduced by the number of sectors needed for slipping. ie: assuming that you need 3 sectors for slipping, the drive will effectively have 3 less sectors per track.

Care must be taken when fitting the drive into AOS or AOS/VS emulations. For example, if the number of physical sectors is 35, slipping will reduce the sectors per track below that necessary for the Kismet or Vulcan emulations. This would reduce a 73 megabyte drive to 50 megabytes, or a 277 megabyte drive to 190 megabytes.

Maximum Number Of Sectors Per Track That Can Be Slipped Is 16.

You Cannot Configure The Disk As 2 Logical Units.

If your disk drive has 70 sectors, under AOS you would normally split this disk into 2 logical units (either 35/35 sectors or 24/24 sectors). However, Sector Slip cannot be implemented on a drive configured as 2 logical units. Therefore, under AOS or AOS/VS, implementing Sector Slip could result in considerable loss of disk space.

Maximum Number Of Usable Sectors Under RDOS Is 64.

This is a consequence of the above limitation.  
The maximum number of physical sectors is 80. (64+16)

You Cannot Run With Interleaving.

If the disk speed relative to CPU speed is such that interleaving is necessary for acceptable performance, then Sector Slip cannot be implemented.

### Set Up the Drive

The drive should be set for the number of available physical sectors, as referenced in the DFC-407 manual installation section entitled "Sectors Per Track Selection."

### Run the Configurator Program

The controller should be configured for Virtual Mapping mode. When asked if you want to SLIP the disk, respond "Yes". You will then be asked to specify how many sectors per physical track you wish to set aside for slipping. Valid responses are between 1 and 16. You must still select Sector Slip from the ICP menu to implement this feature. Select ECC from the ICP menu and Disable ECC.

### Run the Reliability Program

- Use starting address 504 to run the Quickie Formatter
- Use starting addresses 500 and 505 and run each test for five minutes.

If problems other than media flaws occur, run Diagnostics to isolate the problem.

### Run the Sector Slip Formatter Program

The Sector Slip Formatter will display a menu and you should select the DO ALL option. Enter the number of physical sectors. The configured parameters will automatically be read from the Controller. The disk will be formatted, analyzed, and bad sectors slipped as they are found. When slipping is complete, print out the Error History and save it.

NOTE: If you run Diagnostics after the Sector Slip Formatter has been run, be sure to turn Switch 7, Diagnostic Program, ON so that the disk does NOT get reformatted.

### Run the Configurator Program

Reconfigure the Controller to enable ECC.

### Run the Reliability Program

This step is optional as the Initializer will do some analysis. If you will not be doing analysis with the Initializer, you should run at least 1 pass of both 500 and 505. If any bad sectors are found, they can be slipped individually by running SLIPS again. Refer to section J.4 on operating SLIPS for details on how to do this.



Run the Initializer Program (CSDKINIT for RDOS, DFMTR for AOS or AOS/VS)

If any bad sectors are found by the Disk Initializer, they can be slipped individually by running SLIPS again. Refer to section J.4 on operating SLIPS for details on how to do this.

### J.3.1    EXAMPLES

Fujitsu 2351 (EAGLE) under AOS

The physical characteristics of this drive are:

Heads=20, Cylinders=842, and Sectors=48

This drive can be configured under Virtual Mapping mode as two 6061's (190 megabytes each), leaving 3 sectors per track for slipping.

CDC 9715-340 under AOS

The physical characteristics of this drive are:

Heads=24, Cylinders=711, and Sectors=35

This drive can be configured under Virtual Mapping mode as a 277 megabyte Vulcan emulation (6122), leaving 3 sectors per track for slipping.

CDC 9715-515 under AOS

The physical characteristics of this drive are:

Heads=24, Cylinders=711, and Sectors=51

This drive can be configured under Virtual Mapping mode as two 190 megabyte drives (emulation 6061), leaving 7 sectors per track for slipping.

Fujitsu 2361

The physical characteristics of this drive are:

Heads=20, Cylinders=842, and Sectors=70

The speed of this drive is such that, depending on the CPU and data transfer method, it may not be possible to make consecutive sector reads/writes when the drive is set for 70 sectors.

CASE 1 - The system cannot make consecutive sector reads/writes using all 70 sectors. There are two ways of structuring this disk.

- a. Logically interleave the disk.  
Select disk F9 on the Fujitsu menu, allocate 4 sectors for slipping and respond YES to logical interleaving. There will be enough blocks for two 277 megabyte disks.
- b. Set the drive physically for 68 sectors.  
When configuring, enter "ND" as the drive type. This allows you to specify the characteristics of the drive as follows:

Heads=20, Cylinders=842, and Sectors=68

Allocating 4 sectors for slipping leaves 64 available, and the drive can be broken into 2 (or more) logical units.

NOTE: The correct AVIV Media format for this drive is AVIV2.

CASE 2 - The system can make consecutive reads/writes using all 70 sectors. You can then slip any number of sectors between 2 and 16.

## J.4 OPERATING SECTOR SLIP FORMATTER (SLIPS)

The Sector Slip Formatter allows you to format and slip bad sectors from your drive. Any previous data or disk structure will be lost when you run SLIPS.

Remember that Sector Slip must be enabled on the DFC 407 when running SLIPS. If SLIPS displays the fatal error "Too Many Bad Sectors" after a series of contiguous bad sectors, you are probably running without Sector Slip enabled.

This is the program menu:

- A - Do all
- B - Input parameters
- C - Format only
- D - Analyze/Slip only
- E - Enter bad blocks
- H - History of slipped sectors
- L - Logging to printer
- Q - Quit

**Do all** - initiates the following functions in order: Input Parameters, Format, Analyze/Slip, History of slipped Sectors, and Enter bad blocks.

**Input parameters** - accepts entry of the disk device code and unit number, reads the disk characteristics (heads, sectors and cylinders) from the Controller and asks you to enter the number of sectors for which the drive is physically set.

**Format only** - formats each track on the disk without performing any analysis.

**Analyze/Slip only** - analyzes each track, slipping bad sectors as they are found. The disk must already be formatted to run this function.

**Enter bad blocks** - specific sectors can be slipped. You will need to enter the Cylinder and Head number for the track and the physical sector number(s) to slip on that track. This can be done for any number of tracks.

**History of slipped sectors** - displays all sectors which were slipped by the Analyze/Slip routine just completed. This information is lost when the program terminates.

**Logging to the printer** - sends all output to the printer at device code 17. The printer can be either DMA or programmed I/O. The output will still appear on the user console.

**Quit** - terminates the program.

You should log your output to a printer if at all possible. This will provide you with hard copy for future reference. We suggest you select the DO ALL option from the SLIPS menu when running for the first time.

SLIPS will format the drive and then analyze each track, slipping bad sectors. After all tracks have been analyzed and slipped, print out the history of all sectors slipped. If you do not have a printer in the system, write down the PHYSICAL sector number of all slipped sectors. Save the history of slipped sectors as this information is necessary if you ever need to slip additional sectors.

If you need to add additional bad sectors, you can do so by entering ALL bad sectors on a specified track. There is no need to disable ECC when entering bad sectors. You must know the PHYSICAL sector number of each bad sector, because the command that slips sectors will destroy the flag(s) of any sectors previously slipped on that track.

To convert a logical sector number to a physical sector number, remember that any sectors slipped from a track do NOT contribute to the logical count. The Reliability and Initializer programs report sector errors by logical sector number. Sector Slip Formatter History reports errors by physical sector number.

EXAMPLE:

The SLIPS program identified physical sector 2 as bad and slipped it. The track on the disk would look like:

Logical	0	1	Slipped	2	3	4
Physical	0	1	2	3	4	5

Let us assume that the Initializer found (logical) sector 2 bad on the same track. From the slipped history log you determine that physical sector 2 was slipped. Thus the sector which is now logical sector 2 is physical sector 3. Select the Enter Bad Sectors function from the SLIPS menu. You must specify both sectors 2 and 3 to slip. The result on the disk track will be:

Logical	0	1	Slipped	Slipped	2	3
Physical	0	1	2	3	4	5

When entering a bad sector on a track with ONLY ONE bad sector, the physical sector number and the logical sector number are the same.



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ERRORS IN MANUAL :

SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING EITHER THE MANUAL OR THE PRODUCT :

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; .....  
; DESCRIPTION: AVIV DISK CONTROLLER DIAGNOSTIC  
; .....  
; Product of AVIV, 1986  
; \*\*\*\*\*

; TITLE DISKD  
; .....  
; .DUSR X=1  
; .NOMAC X

; 1.0 PROGRAM NAME: DISKD.SR

; 2.0 REVISION HISTORY:

REV.	DATE	
00	02/17/83	
01	09/07/83	; ANOTHER RDY UNIT WARNING, 1 HD ; ERR: C22, AOS BOOTSTRAP(400'S), ; NO OFFSET TESTS FOR CMD'S
02	03/28/84	; 295C, 296 AND BMX TESTS ; DEVICE CODE CHANGE ROUTINE
03	06/12/84	; ZDF1 CHANGES, A5 TESTS 17-76
04	08/21/85	; DISABLE VIRTUAL, WEL-RECAL, ; DISK SIM PARMS
05	11/20/86	; 297, 6214, HELP, DMA PTR, IORST

; 3.0 MACHINE REQUIREMENTS:

NOVA/ECLIPSE/MV FAMILY CENTRAL PROCESSOR  
MINIMUM of 16K READ/WRITE MEMORY  
AVIV DISK CONTROLLER (ZEBRA TYPE)  
0-3 DISK DRIVES  
TELETYPE or CRT and CONTROL

; 4.0 TEST REQUIREMENTS: N/A

; 5.0 SUMMARY:

The AVIV DISK CONTROLLER DIAGNOSTIC PROGRAM  
is a HARDWARE DIAGNOSTIC for the AVIV DISK  
CONTROLLERS and DRIVES. The Device Code may be 20-76  
OCTAL with the Default being 27.

; 6.0 RESTRICTIONS:

This Program has no Restrictions as to Single or  
Dual Processor Hardware Configuration. However, the  
Diagnostic may be run on ONLY ONE CPU at a time and  
must be the only Program being run within the Disk  
System.

## 7.1 "A" TESTS CHECK:

- BUSY, DONE, I/O BUS SELECT LOGIC
- DISK SELECT LOGIC, CONTROLLER RAM

## 7.2 "B" TESTS CHECK:

- START, BUSY, CLEAR LOGIC
- RECALIBRATE, ATTN, INTERRUPT LOGIC
- INTERRUPT DISABLE, INTA LOGIC
- That SEEKS to CYL'S 0;1/2 CYL MAX, and CYL MAX can at least be EXECUTED and SET DRIVE BUSY.
- READY/SELECT LOGIC

## 7.3 "C" TESTS CHECK:

- That the CA REGISTER INCREMENTS properly VIA DCH or BMC REQUESTS
- That a WRITE can be EXECUTED
- SELD, CLEAR LOGIC
- That SEEK/WRITE Operations can be EXECUTED
- WRITES to Different HDS, SECTORS
- MULTI-SECTOR WRITES
- The INCREMENT HEAD LOGIC
- ILLEGAL SECTOR, SURFACE, CYLINDER Conditions

## 7.4 "E" TESTS CHECK:

- That a READ may be EXECUTED
- 8 SECTOR WRITE/READ OPERATIONS (9 Different Data Patterns) at CYL'S 0;1/2 CYL MAX and CYL MAX with Full Core Compare
- Data VERIFY Function (Normal and with Forced Errors)
- OFFSET MODES
- ILLEGAL COMMAND TRAPS
- WRITE CYL# to HEAD 0, SECTOR 0 of All Cylinders
- WRITE HEAD # to SECTOR 0 of All Heads on CYL 0
- WRITE SECTOR # to All Sectors of Head 0, CYL 0
- Each of the above Operations is followed by a Corresponding READ/CHECK Operation to Verify Disk Addressing Logic.

## 7.5 "F" TESTS CHECK:

The Format Logic on CYL 0, HEAD 0, SECTOR 0, A SET BAD SECTOR FLAG given and TESTED. The FORMAT is set to Normal after Completion of these Tests.

## 7.6 "S" TESTS ARE SEEK EXERCISERS

- Performs RANDOM SEEKING. Each SEEK is Followed by a Read to Head 0, Sector 0
- Performs RANDOM OVERLAPPED SEEKING to TWO DRIVES. Each SEEK is Followed by a Read to Head 0, Sector 0. U1 is the the Primary Unit under Test and U2 is the next Drive found in a 1,2,3,0 ETC. Search. If only 1 Drive, Test is Bypassed. Test is only run after a Pass is Achieved on All Drives.

; 8.0 OPERATING MODES/SWITCH SETTINGS:

;8.1 SWITCH SETTINGS

; Location "SWREG" is used to select the program options. This  
; Location will be set according to the answers supplied by  
; the Operator. The Options can be changed or verified by  
; using one of the commands given in Sec. 8.3.

;8.2 SWITCH OPTIONS

; Different bits and their interpretation at location  
; "SWREG" is as follows:

BIT	OCTAL VALUE	BINARY VALUE	INTERPRETATION
1	40000 000000	0 1	LOOP on ERROR SKIP LOOPING on ERROR
2	20000 000000	0 1	PRINT to CONSOLE ABORT PRINT OUT to CONSOLE
3	10000 000000	0 1	DO NOT PRINT % FAILURE PRINT % FAILURE
5	02000 000000	0 1	DO NOT PRINT on the LINE PRINTER PRINT on the BYTE I/O LINE PRINTER(DC17)
6	01000 000000	0 1	DO NOT HALT on ERROR HALT on ERROR
7	00400 000000	0 1	N/A DISABLE FORMATTING HD 0, CYL 0, SEC 0
8	00200 000000	0 1	N/A RECALIBRATE during SCOPE LOOP
9	00100 000000	0 1	N/A 1 SECOND DELAY during SCOPE LOOP
10(A)	00040 000000	0 1	N/A PRINT TEST #'S and FIRMWARE REVISIONS
11(B)	00020 000000	0 1	N/A PROGRAM will EXIT to ODT when not in TESTS F1-F3 SWT is Set to 0 upon EXIT
12(C)	00010 000000	0 1	SKIP LONG RAM TEST LONG CONTROLLER RAM TEST
16(G)	00000 100000	0 1	DO NOT PRINT on the DMA LINE PRINTER PRINT on the DMA LINE PRINTER(DC 17)

;8.3 SWITCH COMMANDS

; Once the Program starts executing the state of any of  
; the Bits can be changed by Hitting KEYS 1-9, A-Z. The  
; Program will Continue Running after Updating the Options.  
; Each Key will Complement the state of the Bit affilia-  
; ted with it, thus Bit 4 can be Altered by Hitting Key 4.  
; Setting of any Bit of Location "SWREG" will Set Bit 0.  
; (Default Mode is defined as all Bits of SWREG Set to 0)



; 8.4 OTHER COMMANDS (° = CONTROL KEY)

- ; ; "CR" A "RETURN" can be typed to Continue the Program after its locked in a Switch Modification Mode
- ; ; °D This Command given at any time will reset "SWREG" to Default Mode and Restart the Program.
- ; ; °R This Command given at any time will Restart the Program. Switches are left with the values they had before the Command was issued.
- ; ; °O This Command given at any time will cause the Program Control to go to ODT.
- ; ; M This Command given at any time will print the Current Operating Modes.
- ; ; 0 This Command given at any time will lock the Program into Switch Modification Mode where more than 1 Bit can be changed.

; 9.0 OPERATING PROCEEDURE/OPERATOR INPUT:

; 9.1 Load the Program

; 9.2 STARTING ADDRESSES

- ; 200-To IDENTIFY DISK TYPE (INITIALIZE) PROGRAM then PROCEEDS to 500.
- ; 201-ODT DIRECT ENTRY ONLY
- ; 202-RANDOM SEEK EXERCISERS. (1 PASS of DIAG FIRST) SEEK EXER 1 is a SINGLE DRIVE EXERCISER
- ; SEEK EXER 2 is TWO DRIVE EXERCISER with SEEK OVERLAP
- ; 500-DIAGNOSTIC (RESTART)

; 9.3 The Program Prints "PASS" following each Complete Pass through the Tests. Random Seek Exerciser performs 1000 Seeks per "PASS" Message.

; 9.4 Device Code of Controller is Requested (27 is Default)

; 9.5 Unit Numbers to be Tested are Requested to which the Operator Enters the Unit Numbers to be Tested, Separating the Individual #'s by a <,> or <Space>.

; 9.6 Operator is Requested to Enter 1, if Unit Characteristics Displayed are INCORRECT, and Wants to LOOP on Reading them.

10. PROGRAM OUTPUT/ERROR DESCRIPTION:

When an ERROR is Detected the Program Prints the ERROR PC, AC'S 0,1, and 2 at the point of ERROR, the Program then goes into a Scope Loop between the Entries to .SETUP and .LOOP allowing the Operator to Set SWPAK. In General the ERROR PC will point to a Call ERROR.

The Printout will be of one of the following Formats:

A. STANDALONE CONTROLLER TEST FAILURES-

B. STATUS ERRORS

MODE	UNIT	#	DATA		
CYL	#	HEAD	#	SECTOR	#
AC1(STATUS) SHOULD =ACO					
DESCRIPTIONS of FAILING STATUS BITS					

C. MEMORY/DISK ADDRESS ERROR

MODE	UNIT	#	DATA		
CYL	#	HEAD	#	SECTOR	#
ENDING MEMORY/DISK ADDRESS ERROR					
AC1(MA/DA) SHOULD =ACO					

C. INTERRUPT TIMEOUT

MODE	UNIT	#	DATA		
CYL	#	HEAD	#	SECTOR	#
INTERRUPT TIMEOUT					

Additional Test Significance can be found in the Program Listing, although it is hoped that a need for the Listing will be Minimal. SWPACK(SWREG) will provide all Control over Test Loop Options and Printouts.

Data Errors will result in the 1st 3 Good/Bad pairs and their Addresses being Printed along with the Total Count. If an ECC Error is Detected, the Call EHECC will Acknowledge the Fact and Return to the Main Test for the Data Compare. Printouts result on the 1st Error Pass only. As the Check Routine Checks the entire Read Buffer, any Error accompanied by an ECC Error, terminating the Read, may cause all Data in succeeding Sectors to appear Bad.

Tests that perform a Recalibrate have a 2 SEC. Delay built into the Scope Loop. Set SWPAK 9 = 1 to Introduce an additional 1 Second Delay during the Scope Loop.

In General each successive Test Assumes all Previous Tests work. Bypassing Errors can result in confusing situations in the setup of more Complex Tests.

11. DEBUG HELP:

OCTAL DEBUGGER (ODT)

This Diagnostic is equipped with a built in ODT which can be accessed by hitting CONTROL O at any time during the execution of the Program (after Setting the Parameters). On entering ODT the Address of the Location having the next instruction to be executed will be typed-out.

The following Conventions are used by the ODT:

? Pressing any illegal key causes the ODT to respond with a "?".

@ ODT is ready and at your service.

An ODT Command has the following Format:

[ARGUMENT][COMMAND]

An Argument may be one of the following:

"EXP" An OCTAL Expression consisting of OCTAL Numbers separated by Plus (+) or Minus (-) signs. Leading Zeros need not be typed.

"ADR" An Address is the same as an Expression except that Bit 0 is neglected.

A Command is a single teletype character

The Locations that can be EXAMINED and MODIFIED by the user are called CELLS. These CELLS are of two Types: Internal CPU Cells and Memory Locations. The Command to OPEN one of the Internal Registers is of the form "nA" where n is any OCTAL Expression between 0 and 7.

0-3 For ACCUMULATORS 0-3

4 For PC of the next Instruction to be Executed in the event of a "P" Command.

5 CPU and TTO Status

BIT INTERPRETATION

15 Status of TTO DONE FLAG

14 Status of INTERRUPTS (ION FLAG)

13 Status of CARRY BIT

6 Address of the Location having the BREAK POINT (if any)

7 Instruction at the BREAK POINT Location

Other Commands to OPEN Cells are:

"ADR"/ Open the Cell and Print its contents

./ Open the Cell currently pointed to by the Pointer and Print its contents.

+"ADR"/ Add "ADR" to the Pointer, Open the Cell and Print its contents.

-"ADR"/ Subtract "ADR" from the Pointer, Open the Cell and Print its contents.

"CR" The Return Key is used to Close the Open Cell with or without Modification.

"LF" Line Feed is used to Close the Open Cell with or without Modification and to Open the succeeding Cell.

CTRL Close the Open Cell with or without Modification and Open the preceding Cell.

/ Close the Open Cell without Modification, and Open the Cell pointed to by its contents.

+"ADR"/ Close the Open Cell without Modification, and Open the Cell pointed to by its contents + "ADDR".

-"ADR"/ Close the Open Cell without Modification, and Open the Cell pointed to by its contents - "ADR".

## Modification of a Cell:

Once a Cell has been opened its contents can be Modified by typing the New Value the Cell is to contain in the form of an OCTAL Expression followed by "CR" or "LF". If a + or - is typed as the first character of the Expression then the Value of the Expression is Added to or Subtracted from the Old contents of the Cell. The Address itself or an Expression relative to the Address can be Deposited by typing a "." or ";,+/-OCTAL Expression". A Rubout Command given right after opening a Cell allows the Modification of its contents as if they were typed in just before the Command was issued.

## Other ODT Commands:

RUBOUT This Key is used to Delete ERRONEOUSLY typed digits. Each time the Key is pressed the right most digit is Deleted and Echoed on the Terminal. If the Rubout Key is pressed right after opening a Cell then it Deletes the right most digit of the Cells contents. This allows the Modification of the Cell as if its contents were typed in just before the Key was pressed.

"ADR"B Insert a BREAK POINT at Location "ADR". Only one Break Point can be inserted and any entry to ODT after Executing a Break Point will cause it to be Deleted.

D Delete the Break Point if any.

P Restart the Execution of the program at CURRENT Location

"ADR"R Start Executing the program at "ADR" after an IORST.

K Kill the String typed so far. The ODT responds with a "?" and the Open Cell is closed without Modification.

= Print the OCTAL Value of the INPUT only. This will Close any Open Cells without Modification and will not Open a Cell

NOTE: In Programs which RELOCATE THEMSELVES the user should place Break Points ONLY in the ORIGINAL PROGRAM AREA. If a Break Point is placed outside this area the results will be unpredictable.

; 12. SPECIAL NOTES/SPECIAL FEATURES:

; 12.1 If the Disk Pack has BAD SECTOR FLAGS Set on Cylinder  
0, or on the First 8 Sectors of Head 0 of any Cylinder,  
Error Printouts will result when the Flags are Encountered.

; 12.2 Tests F1-F3 alter the Format on CYL 0,HD 0,SEC 0 for  
purposes of Checking the FORMAT Logic and BAD SECTOR Logic.  
SWPAK7 should be Set to 1 in order to stop Program from  
executing the Format.

; 12.3 Some Scope Loops will require a Recalibrate to  
Initialize the Disk Drive following a failure. Set  
SWPAK 8 = 1 to Introduce the Recalibrate to the Unit  
under Test.

; 12.4 DISK PACKS  
Only use Disk Packs Formatted by the DISKF Pack Formatter  
Program. The Diagnostic Program will Write over most of  
the Disk Surface.

; 13. RUN TIME:

; The Run Time for a PASS is approximately: 3 MIN.

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; DESCRIPTION: AV IV DISK CONTROLLER FORMATTER PROGRAM  
;

; Product of AV IV, 1986  
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-----:TITLE DISKF-----

.DUSR X=1

.NOMAC X

;1.0 PROGRAM NAME: DISKF.SR

;2.0 REVISION HISTORY:

REV. DATE

00 02/09/83 ;

01 08/23/83 ;ADUB FOR ALT1 (STTD), AOS BSTRAP  
;(400'S)

02 03/28/84 ;DISK PULSE COUNTER, ERROR LOGS,  
;200. ERRORS, MSB FOR BAD SECTOR  
;LOG, DEVICE CODE CHANGE ROUTINE

03 05/30/84 ;ECC ON WRITE, ZDF1

04 08/21/85 ;DISABLE VIRTUAL, UP TO 2048. CYLS

05 11/20/86 ;297, 40 HDS, DMA PTR, WELLEX,  
;IORST

;3.0 MACHINE REQUIREMENTS:

NOVA/ECLIPSE/MV FAMILY CENTRAL PROCESSOR

16K READ/WRITE MEMORY

AV IV DISK CONTROLLER (ZEBRA TYPE)

0-3 DISK DRIVES

TELETYPE or CRT and CONTROL

;4.0 TEST REQUIREMENTS: N/A

;5.0 SUMMARY:

The AV IV DISK CONTROLLER FORMATTER PROGRAM

Is designed to FORMAT and CHECK DISK PACKS and

MEDIA to be used in DISK SYSTEMS. The PROGRAM is

INOT! A MAINTENANCE PROGRAM and ASSUMES the HARDWARE

to be in WORKING ORDER. The PROGRAM will HALT on

any NON-DATA related ERRORS. It is also recommended

that ON-BOARD ECC be SOFTWARE or CONFIGURED DISABLED

when FORMATTING. The Device Code may be 20-76 OCTAL

with the Default being 27.

;6.0 RESTRICTIONS:

This Program has no Restrictions as to Single or

Dual Processor Hardware Configuration. However, the

Formatter may be run on ONLY ONE CPU at a time and

must be the only Program being run within the Disk

System.

;7.0 PROGRAM DESCRIPTION/THEORY OF OPERATION:

; A. FORMATTER PROGRAM (STARTING ADDRESS <SA> 500)

; The disk is first formatted after which a "FORMAT DONE"  
; message is printed. Then a 055555 pattern is written to  
; the entire pack and read back 2 times, A random seek  
; test is performed, and "PASS" is printed. The data pattern  
; is then rotated 1 bit and the WRITE/READ/READ/SEEK process  
; is repeated. At the completion of the number of passes  
; entered by the operator, A log is available to be printed  
; and the drives are released.

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; ----- It is Recommended that at LEAST 3 PASSES (W/R/R/S); with  
; On-Board ECC DISABLED, be allowed to insure Pack Quality.  
; If time permits, longer runs will further insure  
; Reliability.

\*\*\*\*\*  
; ----- Any HARD DATA or ADDRESS ERRORS will result in the BAD  
; SECTOR FLAG being set in that sector. Any "SOFT DATA" or  
; "ADDRESS ERROR" ADDRESS encountered TWICE cause the BAD  
; SECTOR FLAG to be set. Any other error will cause the  
; program to print the failure and halt.

; A HARD ADDRESS ERROR is defined as such after 2 ATTEMPTS  
; have been made BOTH resulting in an ADDRESS ERROR; A HARD  
; DATA ERROR is defined as such after 2 or MORE of 10  
; WRITE/READ RETRY'S have been unsuccessful.

; B. CHECK PROGRAM ONLY (SA 501)

; Same as SA 500 except that initial pack format operation is  
; bypassed.

; C. STATISTICS

; Type L for 1ST 200. disk addresses of BAD SECTORS, DATA and  
; ADDRESS ERRORS, plus a statistic table of overall errors.  
; \*\*NOTE\*\* Any character typed while executing this log will  
; end it at the next change of data type.

; D. LOG RECOVERY (SA 502)

; Use to recover log of program after it has stopped to get a  
; LOG PRINTOUT.

; E. COMMAND STRING INTERPRETER (SA 503)

; As a trouble shooting aid the service engineer may type in  
; their own TEST LOOP. After starting at 503, three ARGUMENTS  
; must be entered in response to three program questions;  
; "UNIT", "DATA", and "COMMAND STRING". All numbers must be  
; entered in OCTAL.

; I. UNIT: Type unit # or carriage return  
; to use the previous entry

; II. DATA: RAN=RANDOM  
; ALO=ALL ONES  
; ALZ=ALL ZEROS  
; PAT=110110 PATTERN  
; FLO=FLOATING ONE PATTERN  
; FLZ=FLOATING ZERO PATTERN  
; ADR=ALTERNATING CYLINDER and  
; HEAD, SECTOR WORDS  
; VAR=Existing words entered previously as  
; described below

; Alternatively enter a string of up to 7

The words entered are used repeatedly to make up a sector block. Type carriage return to use the previous entry.

III. COMMAND STRING:

- OPTIONS
1. READ HEAD, SECTOR, #SECTORS
  2. WRITE SAME
  3. SEEK CYLINDER
  4. RECALIBRATE
  5. LOOP (go to beginning or LR)
  6. DELAY N (N=DELAY in MS)
  7. TRESPASS
  8. RELEASE
  9. OFF (OFFSET FORWARD)
  10. OFR (OFFSET REVERSE)
  11. LR (begin LOOP here)
  12. VERIFY (WRITE)
  13. FORMAT CYL, HD, SECTOR
  14. BAD (BAD SECTOR) CYL, HD, SECTOR
  15. MEMORY ADDR, DATA(WRITE) (CONTROLLER MEMORY COMMAND)
  16. Type Carriage Return to use the previous COMMAND STRING.

Note that either SPACES or a COMMA may be used as an argument delimiter. Each response is terminated by typing carriage return. If more room is needed on a line, type line feed to space to the next line. The word "SAME" used with READ, or WRITE, will cause the previous disk address parameters to be used.

An R typed while a string is being executed will cause the program to return to command string start. The ESCAPE KEY will bypass UNIT and DATA prompts to the command string prompt.

The following example would cause UNIT 1 to SEEK CYLINDER 50, then repeatedly WRITE SECTORS 2 and 3 of HEAD 5, then READ it back and CHECK. Data is specified as ALTERNATE WORDS of ZEROS then ONES.

UNIT: 1  
DATA: 0,177777  
COMMAND STRING: SEEK 50 LR WRITE 5,2,2 READ SAME LOOP

The following example would WRITE 0 to CONTROLLER MEMORY location 1500 (OCTAL)

UNIT: 1  
DATA: N/A  
COMMAND STRING: MEMORY 101500,0  
NOTE: Upper memory bit = 1 defines a WRITE



## ;8.0 OPERATING MODES/SWITCH SETTINGS:

### ;8.1 SWITCH SETTINGS

; Location "SWREG" is used to select the program options.  
; This Location will be set according to the answers  
; supplied by the Operator. The Options can be changed  
; or verified by using one of the commands given in Sec.  
; 8.3

### ;8.2 SWITCH OPTIONS

; Different bits and their interpretation at location  
; "SWREG" is as follows:

BIT	OCTAL VALUE	BINARY VALUE	INTERPRETATION
1	40000 000000	0 1	LOOP on ERROR SKIP LOOPING on ERROR
2	20000 000000	0 1	PRINT to CONSOLE ABORT PRINT OUT to CONSOLE
5	02000 000000	0 1	DO NOT PRINT on the LINE PRINTER PRINT on the BYTE I/O LINE PRINTER(DC17)
11(B)	00020 000000	0 1	N/A ENABLE BAD SECTOR PRINTOUT
16(G)	00000 100000	0 1	DO NOT PRINT on DMA LINE PRINTER PRINT on DMA LINE PRINTER(DC17)

### ;8.3 SWITCH COMMANDS

; Once the Program starts executing the state of any of  
; the Bits can be changed by Hitting KEYS 1-9, A-Z. The  
; Program will Continue Running after Updating the Options.  
; Each Key will Complement the state of the Bit affilia-  
; ted with it, thus Bit 4 can be Altered by Hitting Key 4.  
; Setting of any Bit of Location "SWREG" will Set Bit 0.  
; (Default Mode is defined as all Bits of SWREG Set to 0)

### ;8.4 OTHER COMMANDS (° = CONTROL KEY)

; "CR" A "RETURN" can be typed to Continue the Program  
; after its locked In a Switch Modification Mode

; °D This Command given at any time will reset "SWREG"  
; to Default Mode and Restart the Program.

; °R This Command given at any time will Restart the  
; Program. Switches are left with the values they  
; had before the Command was issued.

; °O This Command given at any time will cause the  
; Program Control to go to ODT.

; M This Command given at any time will print the  
; Current Operating Modes.

; 0 This Command given at any time will lock the  
; Program into Switch Modification Mode where  
; more than 1 Bit can be changed.

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;9.0 OPERATING PROCEDURE/OPERATOR
;
; A. Verify drive (s) are ready on-line
; B. Load Program
; C. To RUN other than TEST 500, Enter CONTROL "0"
; at 9.2, Enter STARTING ADDRESS followed by an "R"
;
; STARTING ADDRESS (SA)
; 200 Read Unit Characteristics and then Run FORMATTER (500)
; 500 FORMATTER/CHECK PROGRAM
; 501 CHECK PROGRAM ONLY
; 502 ERROR LOG RECOVERY
; 503 COMMAND STRING INTERPRETER
;
;9.1 Operator is requested to enter DEVICE CODE of CONTROLLER
; (DEFAULT 27)
;9.2 Operator is requested to SET SWPAK followed by a Carriage
; Return (SEE 8.3)
;9.3 MONTH, DAY, YEAR (I.E. 77...), HOUR, & MIN (if [CR] is
; given this routine is bypassed)
;9.4 Enter # of Passes for Test Completion (if [CR] is given
; this routine is bypassed)
;9.5 Operator is requested to enter YES/NO to CONTROLLER CORRECTION,
; if it is enabled
;9.6 Unit Numbers, Types, and their Characteristics are then
; Displayed, (The Operator should Verify these values) Operator
; is then requested to enter UNIT NUMBERS to be tested(0-3)
;9.7 Operator is then requested to enter TYPE of disk ( to create a
; User Defined enter 10)
; A. If TYPE entered is 10, enter 0, 1, 2, or 3 to
; RE-DEFINE a disk TYPE
; B. # of HEADS for NEW TYPE (in DECIMAL)
; C. # of CYLINDERS for NEW TYPE (in DECIMAL)
; D. # of SECTORS for NEW TYPE (in DECIMAL, CANNOT be
; DOWNSIZED)
; E. Return to 9.7
;
; OPERATOR INPUT CONTROLLED PRINTOUTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:
;
; L = First 200. BAD SECTORS, DATA, or ADDRESSES

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; 1. ERRORS- Error status is printed whenever encountered.  
; When Data Errors are found ONLY THREE are printed per  
; encounter. (see paragraph 10.3)

; 2. If Errors are encountered more than once, a count  
; will be recorded and a BAD SECTOR FLAG SET. All address  
; information will be printed in OCTAL.

; 3. ERROR REPORTING AND RECOVERY

; All Errors are identified, and the program is routed  
; via base to a call to CKSW. with the exception of  
; ADDRESS and DATA ERRORS. The program will then loop  
; for operator intervention; on the basis of SWPAK (see 8.)

; RECALIBRATE - Any unusual Status is reported immediately  
; and an Error return executed.

; SEEK - Positioner Fault Status results in Status Printout  
; and Error return.

; WRITE - Following "DONE" on a WRITE, Errors are checked  
; in the sequence shown below. Error recovery procedure  
; is outlined for each case. If the Error is not present  
; the next check is made.

; DRIVE STATUS (DIB) is checked 1st for both Read and Write  
; before any DIA checks are made.

; 4. READ/WRITE TIMEOUTS, DATA LATE, ILLEGAL SECTOR,  
; ECC(DATA OK), or any DRIVE FAULT- Print the illegal Status  
; and do an Error return.

; 5. ADDRESS ERROR- Repeat the Write, If Test passes the  
; second time, do a Normal return; Otherwise flag as Hard, Set  
; the BAD SECTOR FLAG for that Sector and do an Error return.

; If a HARD Cylinder Address Error occurs, a Read on an  
; adjacent Head will be attempted to determine whether the  
; Fault should be classed as a Seek Error or an Address  
; Error. The First 30. Hard Address Errors will have their  
; Addresses Logged.

; 6. ENDING MEMORY ADDRESS -Print the Error Message,  
; Check for a DISK ADDRESS and do an Error return.

; 7. ENDING DISK ADDRESS -Print the Error Message and  
; do an Error return.

; READ - All Read Errors with the exception of Data related  
; Errors are handled the same as described for the Write  
; operations.

; DATA ERRORS - Data is reread 9 times. If Data is BAD on  
; 2 or more of 10 tries, a HARD Error Count is incremented,  
; the BAD SECTOR FLAG is set in that Sector, and an Error  
; return is taken. If Data is good on all retries, the  
; Error is considered SOFT and a normal return is taken.

; The 1st 200. Data Errors (HARD or SOFT) are Logged.

;OCTAL DEBUGGER (ODT)

; This Formatter is equipped with a built in ODT which can be  
; accessed by hitting CONTROL O at any time during the execution  
; of the Program (after Setting the Parameters). On entering ODT  
; the Address of the Location having the next instruction to be  
; executed will be typed-out.

; The following Conventions are used by the ODT:

- ; ? Pressing any illegal key causes the ODT to respond  
; with a "?".
- ; @ ODT is ready and at your service.

; An ODT Command has the following Format:

; [ARGUMENT][COMMAND]

; An Argument may be one of the following:

- ; "EXP" An OCTAL Expression consisting of OCTAL Numbers  
; separated by Plus (+) or Minus (-) signs. Leading  
; Zeros need not be typed.
- ; "ADR" An Address is the same as an Expression except  
; that Bit 0 is neglected.

; A Command is a single teletype character

; The Locations that can be EXAMINED and MODIFIED by the user  
; are called CELLS. These CELLS are of two Types: Internal CPU  
; Cells and Memory Locations. The Command to OPEN one of the  
; Internal Registers is of the form "nA" where n is any OCTAL  
; Expression between 0 and 7.

- ; 0-3 For ACCUMULATORS 0-3
- ; 4 For PC of the next instruction to be Executed in the  
; event of a "P" Command.
- ; 5 CPU and TTO Status
- ; BIT INTERPRETATION
- ; 15 Status of TTO DONE FLAG
- ; 14 Status of INTERRUPTS (ION FLAG)
- ; 13 Status of CARRY BIT
- ; 6 Address of the Location having the BREAK POINT (if any)
- ; 7 Instruction at the BREAK POINT Location

; Other Commands to OPEN Cells are:

- ; "ADR"/ Open the Cell and Print its contents
- ; ./ Open the Cell currently pointed to by the Pointer and  
; Print its contents.
- ; .+"ADR"/ Add "ADR" to the Pointer, Open the Cell and Print its  
; contents.
- ; .-"ADR"/ Subtract "ADR" from the Pointer, Open the Cell and  
; Print its contents.
- ; "CR" The Return Key is used to Close the Open Cell with or  
; without Modification.
- ; "LF" Line Feed is used to Close the Open Cell with or without  
; Modification and to Open the succeeding Cell.
- ; CTRL Close the Open Cell with or without Modification and  
; Open the preceding Cell.
- ; / Close the Open Cell without Modification, and Open the  
; Cell pointed to by its contents.
- ; +"ADR"/ Close the Open Cell without Modification, and Open the  
; Cell pointed to by its contents + "ADDR".
- ; -"ADR"/ Close the Open Cell without Modification, and Open the  
; Cell pointed to by its contents - "ADR".

## Modification of a Cell:

Once a Cell has been opened its contents can be Modified by typing the New Value the Cell is to contain in the form of an OCTAL Expression followed by "CR" or "LF". If a + or - is typed as the first character of the Expression then the Value of the Expression is Added to or Subtracted from the Old contents of the Cell. The Address itself or an Expression relative to the Address can be Deposited by typing a "." or ".,+/-OCTAL Expression". A Rubout Command given right after opening a Cell allows the Modification of its contents as if they were typed in just before the Command was issued.

## Other ODT Commands:

RUBOUT This Key is used to Delete ERRONEOUSLY typed digits. Each time the Key is pressed the right most digit is Deleted and Echoed on the Terminal. If the Rubout Key is pressed right after opening a Cell then it Deletes the right most digit of the Cells contents. This allows the Modification of the Cell as if its contents were typed in just before the Key was pressed.

"ADR"B Insert a BREAK POINT at Location "ADR". Only one Break Point can be Inserted and any entry to ODT after Executing a Break Point will cause it to be Deleted.

D Delete the Break Point if any.

P Restart the Execution of the program at CURRENT Location

"ADR"R Start Executing the program at "ADR" after an IORST.

K Kill the String typed so far. The ODT responds with a "?" and the Open Cell is closed without Modification.

= Print the OCTAL Value of the INPUT only. This will Close any Open Cells without Modification and will not Open a Cell

NOTE: In Programs which RELOCATE THEMSELVES the user should place Break Points ONLY in the ORIGINAL PROGRAM AREA. If a Break Point is placed outside this area the results will be unpredictable.

## 12.0 SPECIAL NOTES/SPECIAL FEATURES:

1. The Program is !NOT! a Maintenance Program and assumes the HARDWARE to be in working order. The Program will HALT on any NON-DATA related Errors.
2. It is recommended that at Least 3 Passes (W/R/R/S) be allowed (see below) to insure pack quality. If time permits, longer runs will further insure quality.

## 13.1 PROGRAM RUNTIME:

Program runtimes are substantially reduced with memories of 24K or larger. Runtimes are also dependant on CPU Type, Drive Size and Drive Type.

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; 1. The DISK DRIVES may be shared between TWO Computers in  
; which case the following Programs may be running in each  
; Computer:

; STARTING ADRESSES'S (SA) 500,501 RANDOM RELIABILITY  
; SA 503 COMMAND STRING (If a RELEASE Command is included  
; in the Command String)

; If no Drives are to be Shared, there are no other  
; Restrictions as to the running of these Programs on a  
; Dual Processor System.

; 2. Any Combination of Drives may be Tested by this Program  
; at a single time.

;7.0 PROGRAM DESCRIPTION/THEORY OF OPERATION:

; A. RELIABILITY TEST (SA 500)

; A Random Number Generator is used to select a Disk Drive,  
; Cylinder, Head, Beginning Sector, and Number of consecutive  
; Sectors. Random Data is then Generated, Written, and Read.  
; The Sequence is repeated indefinitely. If running Multiple  
; Units, Over Lapped SEEKS are employed, If the next Random  
; Unit is different from the current Unit under I/O Execution.

; B. RELIABILITY TEST (SA 501) with OPTIONS

; Same as A, Except that Operator is given Options on Data  
; Patterns and may choose a Constant Cylinder, Head, Sector  
; or # or Sectors. Any Letter response to CYL, HEAD ETC.  
; gets Random function for that Variable. A Carriage Return  
; only gets the Random function for all Variables.

; The Operator is also asked to respond to JITTER OPTION  
; (YES/NO). If YES, a Random Delay(0-40,50MS) is inserted  
; into the Background Loop to create a more asynchronous  
; Disk I/O Loop.

; C. INCREMENTAL DISK ADDRESS TEST (SA 502)

; Operator is given Option on Data; Requested Data is first  
; Written (SEE SWPAK10) over the entire Pack. Then the Data  
; is Read from all Sectors. This insures that all Disk  
; Blocks are useable and are Formatted properly. The Test  
; is then repeated for all Ready Disks, and PASS is Printed.  
; The sequence is repeated indefinitely.

; #NOTE

; SWPAK8=1, puts Program into Read ONLY Mode ## SA'S 501,502 ONLY.  
; If SA 501-Data must INOT! be Random.

; All Numbers entered above must be in Octal. Any Non-Octal  
; Input is treated as a letter. Any letter Input for CYL, Head,  
; Sector, or # of Sectors gets Random function in the Reliability  
; Test with Options.

D. COMMAND STRING INTERPRETER (SA 503)

As a trouble shooting aid the service engineer may type in their own TEST LOOP. After starting at 503, three ARGUMENTS must be entered in response to three program questions; "UNIT", "DATA", and "COMMAND STRING". All numbers must be entered in OCTAL.

I. UNIT: Type unit # or carriage return to use the previous entry

II. DATA: RAN=RANDOM  
ALO=ALL ONES  
ALZ=ALL ZEROS  
PAT=155555 PATTERN  
ROT=155555 PATTERN Rotated on Successive Passes.  
FLO=FLOATING ONE PATTERN  
FLZ=FLOATING ZERO PATTERN  
ADR=ALTERNATING CYLINDER and HEAD, SECTOR WORDS  
VAR=Existing words entered previously as described below

Alternatively enter a string of up to 7 OCTAL 16 bit words to be used as DATA. The words entered are used repeatedly to make up a sector block. Type carriage return to use the previous entry.

III. COMMAND STRING:

OPTIONS 1. READ HEAD, SECTOR, #SECTORS  
2. WRITE SAME  
3. SEEK CYLINDER  
4. RECALIBRATE  
5. LOOP (go to beginning or LR)  
6. DELAY N (N=DELAY in MS)  
7. TRESPASS  
8. RELEASE  
9. OFF (OFFSET FORWARD)  
10. OFR (OFFSET REVERSE)  
11. LR (begin LOOP here)  
12. VERIFY (WRITE)  
13. FORMAT CYL, HD, SECTOR  
14. MEMORY ADDR, DATA(WRITE) (CONTROLLER MEMORY COMMAND)  
15. Type Carriage Return to use the previous COMMAND STRING.

Note that either SPACES or a COMMA may be used as an argument delimiter. Each response is terminated by typing carriage return. If more room is needed on a line, type line feed to space to the next line. The word "SAME" used with READ, or WRITE, will cause the previous disk address parameters to be used.

An R typed while a string is being executed will cause the program to return to command string start. The ESCAPE KEY will bypass UNIT and DATA prompts to the command string prompt.

The following example would cause UNIT



WRITE SECTORS 2 and 3 of HEAD 5, then  
READ it back and CHECK. Data is specified  
as ALTERNATE WORDS of ZEROS then ONES.

UNIT: 1  
DATA: 0,177777  
COMMAND STRING: SEEK 50 LR WRITE 5,2,2 READ SAME LOOP

The following example would WRITE 0 to  
CONTROLLER MEMORY location 1500 (OCTAL)

UNIT: 1  
DATA: N/A  
COMMAND STRING: MEMORY 101500,0  
NOTE: Upper memory bit = 1 defines a WRITE

#### E. QUICKIE FORMATTER (SA 504)

Formats Pack and HALTS. There is NO Verify, NO Flags are  
Set, and NO Error Checking.

#### F. RUNALL (SA 505)

Program alternates between the Programs described in 7.B  
(4 Data Patterns -PAT,RAN,FLZ,FLO) and 7.C(6 Data Patterns  
-PAT,RAN,RAN-2,ZEROES,ONES,ALT) and 7.H, and in that order.

#### G. SEEK EXERCISER (SA 506)

Program provides a SEEK scan sequence converging from the  
extreme Outermost Tracks into the adjacent track in the  
center, then diverging again to the extremes.

#### H. RANDOM SEEK EXERCISER (SA 507)

Program provides a Random SEEK sequence

###G,H all SEEKS in G/H are followed by a 1 Sector Read but  
with no Data Check. All SEEKS are timed with MAX,MIN, and  
AVE. times being Logged in MS. SEEK Paths for MAX,MIN Values  
are also Logged.

#### I. ERROR COUNT/LOG RECOVERY (SA 510)

In the event a Program was stopped during a run, the Error  
Logs may be recovered at this Starting Address.  
\*\*\*MUST be done before any Program RESTART as Program  
Initialization Zeroes all Logs.

## 8.0 OPERATING MODES/SWITCH SETTINGS:

### 8.1 SWITCH SETTINGS

Location "SWREG" is used to select the program options.  
This Location will be set according to the answers  
supplied by the Operator. The Options can be changed  
or verified by using one of the commands given in Sec.  
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### 8.2 SWITCH OPTIONS

Different bits and their interpretation at location  
"SWREG" is as follows:

BIT	OCTAL	BINARY	INTERPRETATION
	VALUE	VALUE	



- 0 This Command given at any time will cause the Program Control to go to ODT.
- M This Command given at any time will print the Current Operating Modes.
- O This Command given at any time will lock the Program into Switch Modification Mode where more than 1 Bit can be changed.

9.0 OPERATING PROCEEDURE/OPERATOR INPUT:

- A. Verify drive (s) are ready on-line
- B. Load Program
- C. To RUN other than TEST 505, Enter CONTROL "0" at 9.2, Enter STARTING ADDRESS followed by an "R"

STARTING ADDRESS

- 200 Read Unit Characteristics and then RUN ALL TEST (505)
- 500 RELIABILITY TEST, ALL CYLINDERS
- 501 RELIABILITY TEST, (OPTIONS)
- 502 INCREMENTAL DISK ADDRESS TEST
- 503 COMMAND STRING INTERPRETER
- 504 QUICKIE FORMATTER
- 505 RUN ALL
- 506 SEEK EXERCISER (CONVERGING, DIVERGING PATTERN)
- 507 SEEK EXERCISER (RANDOM PATTERN)
- 510 ERROR COUNT/LOG RECOVERY
- 511 MULTIPLE DEVICE CODE ENTRY

- 9.1 Operator is requested to enter DEVICE CODE of CONTROLLER (DEFAULT 27).
- 9.2 STARTING ADDRESS is Displayed and Operator is requested to SET SWPAK followed by a Carriage Return (SEE 8.3).
- 9.3 Operator is requested to enter YES/NO to Exercise Maps, if present and supported.
- 9.4 MONTH, DAY, YEAR (I.E. 77...), HOUR, & MINUTE (if [CR] is given this routine is bypassed).
- 9.5 Operator is requested to enter YES/NO if any DUAL VOLUME DRIVES (CMD'S).
- 9.6 Operator is requested to enter YES/NO to CONTROLLER CORRECTION, if it is enabled.
- 9.7 Unit Numbers, Types, and their Characteristics are then Displayed, (The Operator should Verify these values) Operator is then requested to enter UNIT NUMBERS to be tested (0-3).
- 9.8 Operator is then requested to enter TYPE of disk (to create a User Defined enter 10)
  - A. If TYPE entered is 10, enter 0, 1, 2, or 3 to RE-DEFINE a disk TYPE
  - B. # of HEADS for NEW TYPE (in DECIMAL)
  - C. # of CYLINDERS for NEW TYPE (in DECIMAL)
  - D. # of SECTORS for NEW TYPE (in DECIMAL, CANNOT be DOWNSIZED)
  - E. RETURN to 9.7

## A [CR] only response to Unit Numbers, will leave Unit Information in previous state.

## A [CR] only response to YES/NO will DEFAULT to NO.

OPERATOR INPUT CONTROLLED PRINTOUTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- L = FIRST 100. BAD SECTORS, DATA, or ADDRESSES

W = SECTORS W/R, ERROR COUNTS, and on BOARD ECC and  
OFFSET CORRECTS

**\*\*NOTE\*\*** Any Character typed will end Printouts at the next  
change of Data Type.

## ;10.0 PROGRAM OUTPUT/ERROR DESCRIPTION:

All Errors are Identified, Counted, and the Program is  
routed via base to a call to CKSW. on the basis of Switch  
Settings (SEE 8.2) The Program will go into a scope loop,  
or proceed, depending on the SWPAK Settings.

Upon loss of Ready and a Single Drive, the Program will  
print the appropriate Error Message and will not proceed  
until Ready is returned. If Multiple Drives exist, The  
Program will continue with the remaining Drives. If the  
down Drive is placed back On-line, the Program will resume  
Testing of that Drive. The above also applies to the loss  
of Write enable if the Program is in a Write Mode.

RECALIBRATE - Any unusual Status is reported Immediately  
and an Error Return executed.

;10.1 SEEK - Positioner Fault Status Increments Seek Error  
Counter. Any Error Status results in Status Printout and  
Error Return. A Recalibrate will be performed by the Error  
Handler. Program will Log the first 20. Cylinders TO/FROM  
on finding Seek Errors.

;10.2 WRITE - Following "DONE" on a Write, Errors are checked in  
the sequence shown below. Error recovery procedure is  
outlined for each case. If the Error is not present the  
next Check is made.

Drive Status (DIB) is Checked 1st for both Read and Write  
before any DIA Checks are made.

1. READ/WRITE TIMEOUTS, DATA LATE, ILLEGAL SECTOR, PARITY,  
DATA VERIFY; or any DRIVE FAULTS- Increment the appropriate  
Error Count, Print the Illegal Status and do an Error Return.  
Any Drive Fault will cause a Recalibrate to be performed by  
the Error Handler.

2. ADDRESS ERROR- Repeat the Write, if Test Passes the  
second time, Increment the Soft Address Error Count and do  
a Normal Return; otherwise increment the Hard Address Error  
count and do an Error Return.

If a Hard Cylinder Address Error occurs, a Read on an  
adjacent Head will be attempted to determine whether the  
Fault should be classed as a Seek Error or an Address Error.  
The First 20. Address Errors will have their Addresses Logged.

3. BAD SECTOR- Log the Disk Address (1st 100.) and do a Normal  
Return. No Printout will result unless SW11=1, although the  
I/O Operation was prematurely terminated. A "SOFT" Error will  
be Recorded if the Sector under Test Passes at Least 1 of 4  
Retrys. The Log denotes SOFT Errors by a count greater than 0,  
representing the Error Count tallied. \*\*\*SEE 10.3A.

4. ENDING MEMORY ADDRESS - Increment the Memory Address Error  
Count, Print the Error Message, Check for a Disk Address Error

; 5. ENDING DISK ADDRESS - Increment the Disk Address Error  
; Count, Print the Error Message, and do an Error Return.

;10.3 READ - All Read Errors with the exception of Data related  
; Errors are handled the same as described for the Write  
; Operations.

; DATA ERRORS - Data is REREAD 3 X (4X if ECC UNDETECTED) If  
; Program is in Write/Read Mode and Data is Bad all 4 tries,  
; A Hard Error Count is incremented and an Error Return is  
; taken. If Data is Good on any of Four tries, a Soft Error  
; Count is incremented and a Normal Return is taken.

; If the Program is in a Read ONLY Mode (IE. Read Mode for any  
; 502 Program or when 505 is running a 502 Program), the Data  
; will be REREAD an additional 4 times in both Offset Forward  
; and Offset Reverse Modes before the Problem is classed as a  
; Hard Error.

; Thus Total retries for a Hard ECC Detected Error in a Read  
; ONLY Mode is 12 (13 for ECC UNDETECTED), and 4 if in a  
; Write/Read Mode (5 if ECC UNDETECTED). \*\*\*SEE 10.3A

; Any Successful REREADS while in an Offset Mode will be  
; Printed and Logged. The Disk Addresses of all Data problems  
; will be Printed and the First 100. will be Logged. The First  
; Three Good/Bad word pairs and respective Addresses will be  
; Printed.

; If SWPAK9=1 (Bypass Data Check) Hard or Soft Data Errors  
; will be determined by ECC Status.

### ;10.3A ECC (ERROR CORRECTION CODE) ANALYSIS

; All Read Passes including retries will have the ECC results  
; Logged as per the following 4 Categories:

; 1. ECC CORRECTED -The ECC detected and successfully  
; corrected the DATA ERROR.

; 2. NON-CORRECTABLE ECC -The ECC detected and CORRECTLY  
; diagnosed the Error Pattern as UNCORRECTABLE.

; 3. ECC UNDETECTED -The ECC Failed to detect a Data Error.  
; This may be a Malfunction of the ECC Logic, but it is  
; more likely one of the following problems:

; A Failure of the Drive to Write a Sector.

; \*NOTE- A Check should be made in the Bad Sector Log to see  
; whether a Write Operation may have encountered a Soft or  
; Faulty Bad Sector indication, which would have terminated  
; the Write.

; A Failure in the Controller Data paths.

; 4. ECC FAILED -Two Conditions may fall into this Category.

; 4A. An ECC Error was detected but with no Accompanying  
; Data Error. A Check is made to see whether the ECC Words  
; point to an Error within the two Appended Write ECC Words.  
; If such an Error is determined to be the case, the Error  
; will be Logged as Correctable and no ECC Failed message  
; will result. This type of Error should represent only a

Sample). If a Significantly Higher Percentage of this Error results, Then an ECC Problem would be Indicated.

If the ECC does not point to the two Appended Write ECC Words, then an ECC Failed message (1st Pass only) will result and the Actual ECC Words Read from the Controller will be printed.

4B. An ECC Error was detected, but the ECC either Failed to Correct a Correctable Error, or tried to Correct an Uncorrectable Error. These Conditions (Possibly caused by Problems other than ECC) will result in a printout (1st Pass only) of the Simulated Write and Simulated Read ECC Words plus the Actual Read ECC Words as Read from the Controller.

The Simulated Write ECC Words are the result of a Program Simulation of the ECC Logic on what the Program believes to be the Write Data (A Write Error will cause this Assumption to be False), and represents what the Program believes should have been written as the Actual two Write ECC Words on the Disk.

The Simulated Read ECC Words are the result of another Program Simulation of the ECC Logic on the Read Data in Memory, and represent what the Program believes should be Read from the Controller as the two ECC Words. The Actual Read ECC Words are those two Words as Read from the Disk Controller.

10.4 ERRORS- Error Status is printed whenever encountered as follows:

```
'MODE' UNIT: 'N'  
CYL= 'N' HEAD 'N' SECT 'N' #SECT 'N'  
DIA/DIB STATUS= 'N' 'DESCRIPTIVE MESSAGE'
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Where CYL, HEAD, SECT refer to the final Disk Address at the point of Error; and #SECT refers to the Number of Sectors already done in the Multiple Sector Transfer.

When Data Errors are found, only THREE are printed per encounter plus the Total Number of Errors. (See PARA 5) If the Data Error is ECC UNDETECTED and the System is Mapped, the Map, Physical 1K Address, and the DCH Logical Addresses are also printed.

When Looping is Involved (Retried or for Scoping) Status is printed on the 1st Pass only.

10.5 STATISTICS -

Type a W during random testing to get a Report of the Number of Sectors Written (and/or) Read, plus Error Counts in Decimal. Also Listed is a Count for Controller Corrects/Unit (on Board ECC Correction and Offset Corrects)

Type L for First 100. Disk Addresses of Bad Sectors and Data Errors; and First 20. of Address Errors and Seek Errors (Seek Path). If Error Addresses are encountered more than once (1st Pass), a Count of up to 32. will be recorded in the Log. Also a Count of up to 15. Hard Errors will be recorded. This Count will be A subset of the the first Count.

; The Address Information will be in OCTAL while the Counts  
; will be DECIMAL.

; Type S for Seek Timing Statistics if running either Seek  
; Exerciser.

## ;OCTAL DEBUGGER (ODT)

; This Reliability is equipped with a built in ODT which can be  
 ; accessed by hitting CONTROL O at any time during the execution  
 ; of the Program (after Setting the Parameters). On entering ODT  
 ; the Address of the Location having the next instruction to be  
 ; executed will be typed-out.

; The following Conventions are used by the ODT:

; ? Pressing any illegal key causes the ODT to respond  
 ; with a "?".

; @ ODT is ready and at your service.

; An ODT Command has the following Format:

; [ARGUMENT][COMMAND]

; An Argument may be one of the following:

; "EXP" An OCTAL Expression consisting of OCTAL Numbers  
 ; separated by Plus (+) or Minus (-) signs. Leading  
 ; Zeros need not be typed.

; "ADR" An Address is the same as an Expression except  
 ; that Bit 0 is neglected.

; A Command is a single teletype character

; The Locations that can be EXAMINED and MODIFIED by the user  
 ; are called CELLS. These CELLS are of two Types: Internal CPU  
 ; Cells and Memory Locations. The Command to OPEN one of the  
 ; Internal Registers is of the form "nA" where n is any OCTAL  
 ; Expression between 0 and 7.

; 0-3 For ACCUMULATORS 0-3

; 4 For PC of the next Instruction to be Executed in the  
 ; event of a "P" Command.

; 5 CPU and TTO Status

; BIT INTERPRETATION

; 15 Status of TTO DONE FLAG

; 14 Status of INTERRUPTS (ION FLAG)

; 13 Status of CARRY BIT

; 6 Address of the Location having the BREAK POINT (if any)

; 7 Instruction at the BREAK POINT Location

; Other Commands to OPEN Cells are:

; "ADR"/ Open the Cell and Print its contents

; ./ Open the Cell currently pointed to by the Pointer and  
 ; Print its contents.

; .+"ADR"/ Add "ADR" to the Pointer, Open the Cell and Print its  
 ; contents.

; .-"ADR"/ Subtract "ADR" from the Pointer, Open the Cell and  
 ; Print its contents.

; "CR" The Return Key is used to Close the Open Cell with or  
 ; without Modification.

; "LF" Line Feed is used to Close the Open Cell with or without  
 ; Modification and to Open the succeeding Cell.

; CTRL Close the Open Cell with or without Modification and  
 ; Open the preceeding Cell.

; / Close the Open Cell without Modification, and Open the  
 ; Cell pointed to by its contents.

; +"ADR"/ Close the Open Cell without Modification, and Open the  
 ; Cell pointed to by its contents + "ADDR".

; -"ADR"/ Close the Open Cell without Modification, and Open the  
 ; Cell pointed to by its contents - "ADR".



Modification of a Cell:

Once a Cell has been opened its contents can be Modified by typing the New Value the Cell is to contain in the form of an OCTAL Expression followed by "CR" or "LF". If a + or - is typed as the first character of the Expression then the Value of the Expression is Added to or Subtracted from the Old contents of the Cell. The Address itself or an Expression relative to the Address can be Deposited by typing a "." or ":+/-OCTAL Expression". A Rubout Command given right after opening a Cell allows the Modification of its contents as if they were typed in just before the Command was issued.

Other ODT Commands:

RUBOUT This Key is used to Delete ERRONEOUSLY typed digits. Each time the Key is pressed the right most digit is Deleted and Echoed on the Terminal. If the Rubout Key is pressed right after opening a Cell then it Deletes the right most digit of the Cells contents. This allows the Modification of the Cell as if its contents were typed in just before the Key was pressed.

"ADR"B Insert a BREAK POINT at Location "ADR". Only one Break Point can be Inserted and any entry to ODT after Executing a Break Point will cause it to be Deleted.

D Delete the Break Point if any.

P Restart the Execution of the program at CURRENT Location

"ADR"R Start Executing the program at "ADR" after an IORST.

K Kill the String typed so far. The ODT responds with a "?" and the Open Cell is closed without Modification.

= Print the OCTAL Value of the INPUT only. This will Close any Open Cells without Modification and will not Open a Cell

NOTE: In Programs which RELOCATE THEMSELVES the user should place Break Points ONLY in the ORIGINAL PROGRAM AREA. If a Break Point is placed outside this area the results will be unpredictable.

; MAPPED ODT COMMANDS

; In addition to the previously listed ODT Commands, there  
; is available a Command Set that allow Map Translations for  
; Debugging purposes.

; Map Command Format

; The Letter "M" is used to specify a Map Command and is  
; used in conjunction with the Set of Characters that form  
; the Map Command Group. A Map Command is thus formed by  
; using the Letter "M" and following it with the desired  
; Command Letter (Such as "MT", "MA", ETC.)

; Map Command Errors

; If a Map Command is entered and the Error Message "No Map"  
; appears, then either:

; A) A Map was not found

; B) The Program does not support Mapped ODT.

; Map Commands

; Note: All Map Commands must be preceded by an "M" to  
; indicate that they are Map Commands.

; "A" Enable User "A" Map Translations  
; "B" Enable User "B" Map Translations  
; "M" Enable Map Translations with the last "User"  
; "U" Disable Mapping  
; "L" Map Supervisor Last Block  
; "E" Print Single Map Entry  
; "T" Print Map Entry Table

;12.0 SPECIAL NOTES/SPECIAL FEATURES:  
;  
; 1. A CR only response to Unit Numbers, ETC will leave  
; information in Previous State.  
;  
; 2. The Program will Account for up to a MAX. of 2\*\*31 Sectors  
; Written or Read. Special Test runs exceeding this facility  
; will require an OPERATOR'S TEST LOG to augment software  
; accounting. 2\*\*31 Sectors = Approx. 2\* 10\*\*9 Words.  
;  
; 4. SWPAK7=1, Program halts after write with Read Verification  
; allowing operator to change packs. SWPAK8=1, Puts Program into  
; Read only mode ## SA'S 501,502 Only. If SA 501-Data must !NOT!  
; be Variable. Start at the above selected Address.  
;  
; 5. All Numbers entered in 7.0 must be in Octal. Any Non-Octal  
; Input is treated as a Letter. Any Letter Input for CYL, HEAD,  
; SECTOR, or # of SECTORS gets Random function in the Reliability  
; Test with Options.  
;  
; 6. At times the ECC may attempt to Correct a Non-Correctable  
; Data Error and the Simulated ECC and Actual ECC will Match  
; even though an ECC Failure will have been Printed. This is  
; Due to a Failure of the ECC Polynomial itself to Distinguish  
; between two different Error Patterns. One Correctable and one  
; Uncorrectable. This is !NOT! a Hardware Failure.

;13.0 PROGRAM RUNTIME:

; Program Runtimes are substantially reduced with Memories of  
; 16K or Larger. Program can use up to 24K using 2 Buffers  
; and up to 32K using 4 Buffers in the Random Reliability  
; Tests.

; Runtime is defined as Time from Start to a "PASS" Message.  
; Typical runtime for a Read only or Write only Pass of SA  
; 502 (Incremental Disk Address Test) is Approx. 3 and 1/2  
; Minutes with a Nova 800 (or Faster CPU) with at least 24K  
; of Memory, and 96 Megabyte.