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**Magnetic Tape Subsystem
Theory-Diagrams**

Preface

This manual describes the operation of the IBM 3410/3411 Magnetic Tape Subsystem. It contains four sections covering the Tape Unit, the Tape Control, the microprocessor operation when the host system is a System/3, and microprocessor operation when the host system is a System/360/370.

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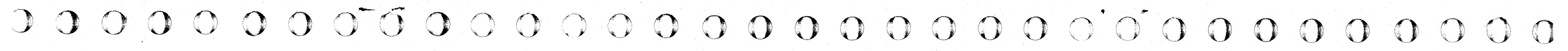


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Abbreviations

ABI	attachment bus in	EPO	emergency power off	PE	Phase Encoded
ABO	attachment bus out	EOT	end of tape	PET	phase error track
ac	alternating current	ERG	erase gap command		
ALU	arithmetic logical unit	ERP	error recovery procedure	REW	Rewind
atthmnt	attachment			RIC	read in counter
		FE	field engineer	ROC	read out counter
bkwd	backward	FF	flip flop	ROS	read only storage
BOB	beginning of block	fnd	found	RUN	rewind unload
BOT	beginning of tape	FSB	forward space block	R/W	read/write
bpi	bits per inch	FSF	forward space file		
BPI	bytes per inch	fwd	forward	SKB	skew buffer
BSB	backspace block			SVI	service in
BSF	backspace file	IBG	interblock gap	SVO	service out
		IC	instruction counter		
CMO	command out	I/O	input/output	TB	terminal board
CPU	central processing unit	INTRO	introduction	TC	tape control
CRC	cyclic redundancy check			TI	tape indicate
CS	cycle steal	LP	load point	TIE	track in error
CU	control unit	LRC	longitudinal redundancy check	trk	track
		LSR	local storage register	TU	tape unit
DBO	data bus out	LWR	loop write to read		
dc	direct current			UC	unit check
DOS	disk operating system	MP	microprocessor	usec	microsecond
DSE	data security erase	MTE	multi-track error		
		ms	millisecond	vac	volts alternating current
				VRC	vertical redundancy check
		NRZI	non-return to zero inverted		
		ns	nanosecond	WTM	write tape mark
		OS	operating system		

Introduction To Magnetic Tape Subsystems

A magnetic tape subsystem consists of a tape control and one or more tape units. Each tape unit can record (write) information on tape, or sense (read) information from tape.

The tape control communicates with each of the tape units and with a data processing system. In operation, the tape control receives an instruction from the system, prepares a specific tape unit to execute the instruction, and passes information which is read from tape, or is to be written on tape, between the tape unit and the system.

Magnetic Tape

Magnetic tape is widely used as an input/output medium because it rapidly stores large amounts of information in compact, easily handled form. Since tape can be reread repeatedly without destroying the recorded data, the information stored on magnetic tape can be retained as a permanent record. Since old data is erased automatically as new information is written on tape, magnetic tape can also be used as a temporary storage medium.

Construction

Magnetic tape consists of a flexible plastic strip coated with a thin layer of ferromagnetic material. The coating is a mixture of ferromagnetic particles and a binder solution. The binder is used only to hold the ferromagnetic particles to the plastic strip. The particles are narrow and are oriented lengthwise on tape. They are held in position by the binder and do not move when the polarity of tape is changed.

The oxide particles on tape are magnetized by applying an external magnetic source to the tape. The direction of the magnetic flux from the source determines the polarity in which the oxide particles are magnetized. An area of tape with all particles magnetized in one direction is considered polarized in that direction.

Each section of magnetic tape polarized in one direction simulates a single bar magnet, with a south pole at one end and a north pole at the other. When a tape is polarized continuously in one direction, the entire tape forms a single bar magnet. If half the tape is polarized in one direction (north pole at the left) and half polarized

in the other direction (north pole at the right), the tape has the form of two bar magnets, with the south pole for each in the center. If the direction of polarization changes often along the length of tape, the tape has the form of a series of shorter bar magnets.

To write on tape, the direction of polarization of tape is changed by altering the direction of externally applied magnetic flux. When reading from tape, the change in polarization is detected.

Writing

The oxide on tape is polarized by passing the tape through magnetic flux generated by a write head. The direction of current flowing through the coil of the write head determines the direction of the flux through which the tape passes. When current flow through a write coil changes direction, the direction in which tape is magnetized also changes. The points on tape where polarity changes represent the recorded data.

Reading

Reading from magnetic tape uses the principle that a voltage is induced in a coil whenever there is a change in the direction or number of flux lines crossing the turns of the coil. Reading is performed by moving recorded tape across a read head.

As tape is moved across the read head, a point on tape is reached where the polarization of the oxide changes. At this point, the flux crossing the turns of the read head coil changes from maximum in one direction, to maximum in the other direction. This change in flux direction induces a pulse in the read coil. The direction of current in the coil is determined by the direction of polarity change on tape.

Bit

A bit is the smallest unit of information stored on magnetic tape. In the binary system, a bit represents one of two states: on and off, or active and inactive. The logical 1 and 0 are terms used to represent the binary on and off states; the 1 indicates on, the 0 indicates off.

A bit is stored on magnetic tape by changing the direction of polarization of the tape oxide. In the NRZI

system of recording, only the one bits are stored on tape; a change in polarity at a given time represents a 1 bit, and no change in polarity at a given time represents a 0 bit. In the phase encoded system of recording, both 1 and 0 bits are stored on tape. The direction of polarity change determines whether the bit is a 1 or 0.

Erasing

Tape is erased by magnetizing it continuously in one direction. When polarity of tape does not change for a period of time, no bits are recorded; it is erased. Although old information is destroyed automatically as new information is written, physical differences among the read/write heads on different tape units may cause interchangeability problems when tape is written on one tape unit and then rewritten on another unit. An erase head applies a strong magnetic field to erase the entire width of tape during a write operation, to reduce interchangeability problems, and to reduce the possibility of leaving extraneous bits between data blocks on tape.

The erase head is located just below the read/write head in the tape path. When tape is moving forward in write status, it passes over the erase head before it crosses the write head, and flux lines pass through the tape and saturate the oxide to magnetic zero before new bits of information are written.

Tracks

Bits of information are written on tape in parallel rows called tracks. One read coil and one write coil are provided for each track. Although the read and write coils for all tracks are located in the same physical unit (read/write head), the coils for each track are independent of all other tracks. There are nine (seven) tracks across the tape, allowing nine (seven) bits of information to be written or read simultaneously.

Byte

The bits present in all nine (seven) tracks at any one time comprise a byte of information. One byte consists of eight data bits and one parity bit which were recorded on tape at the same time. The eight data bits of a byte may represent a letter, number, symbol, or special character. The ninth, or parity (P) bit is used for error checking.

The P position of a byte can contain a 1 or 0, depending on the number of 1's in the rest of the byte. For parity checking, the tape control uses odd parity; thus, the total number of 1's in a byte, including the P bit, should be odd. If the data portion of a byte contains an odd number of 1's, the P bit should contain a 0. If the data portion of a byte contains an even number of 1's, the P position should contain a 1, to make the total odd. If a byte with an even number of 1's is detected, an error is indicated.

Recording Area

Magnetic tape is available in a variety of lengths. On any reel of tape, all but a small length at each end may be used for recording. The recording area of tape is physically identified at each end by reflective markers adhered to the back of tape.

The markers are sensed by a system of lamps and photocells which signal the tape unit when the beginning or end of the recording area is reached. The markers are small strips of transparent plastic with a thin film of aluminum on one side. Pressure sensitive adhesive covers the aluminum film. The markers are applied to the base (uncoated) side of tape. New reels of magnetic tape have the markers in position. The load point marker is mounted on the plastic surface of tape about 15 feet from the physical beginning of tape. The marker is placed parallel to and about 1/32 inch from the front edge of tape. Sensing this marker identifies load point, where reading or writing should begin.

The end-of-tape marker is mounted on the plastic surface of tape about 25 feet from the physical end of tape. The marker is placed parallel to and about 1/32 inch from the rear edge of tape. Sensing this marker signals that the physical end of tape is near, and that writing should stop after the block being written.

Vacuum Columns

Two vacuum columns provide buffer storage areas for tape. A loop of tape is retained in each of these columns. As tape movement causes tape to be withdrawn from a column, the tape is replenished by the corresponding tape reel. As tape is placed in a column by tape movement, a tape reel withdraws the excess. This buffering action allows the tape reels to operate independently.

Besides acting as buffer storage areas for tape, vacuum columns use atmospheric pressure to exert gentle, uniform tension on tape while it is passing over the read/write head. This tension keeps tape in contact with the read and write heads and prevents buckling or stretching while starting or stopping tape.

Vacuum columns are rectangular in cross-section; their tops are open to receive a loop of tape, while a manifold at the bottom is connected to a vacuum pump. A loop of tape hangs in each column. The vacuum pump maintains vacuum below each tape loop, and atmospheric pressure presses tape downward and against the sides of the column. It is the tension caused by downward atmospheric pressure that holds tape in contact with the read and write head surfaces.

When tape is moving, the position of the tape loop in each vacuum column is sensed by sensing units attached to the columns. These sensing units control the starting and stopping of the tape reels as needed to maintain a constant supply of tape in each vacuum column.

Tape Guiding

To maintain interchangeability of tape reels, the alignment of the tape path must be closely controlled among different tape units. Tape guides establish the tape path through the tape transport. One edge of tape is the reference edge, and all tape units use this edge for guiding. On a 3410/3411 tape unit, this is the front edge, which is held in continual contact with a fixed reference flange on each of the tape guides in the transport. Since tape width varies slightly, the lower flange of a tape guide is spring loaded. The spring action exerts a light, though constant, pressure on the lower edge of tape. This pressure causes the reference edge of tape to remain in constant contact with the reference flange regardless of tape width.

Skew

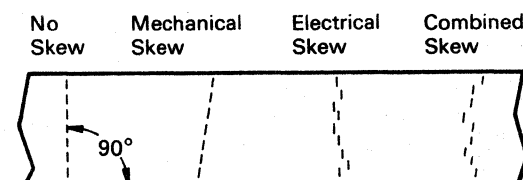
Skew is the misalignment of bits within a byte, and can occur during the reading or writing process.

Ideally, all bits of a byte should be perfectly aligned during a write operation and should be detected (read) at the same instant as the byte passes over the read head during a subsequent read operation. Unfortunately, this ideal condition is difficult to achieve because of write and read head manufacturing tolerances, small differences in head assembly mounting between tape units, and slight variations in circuit delay between tracks. These factors are further aggravated if tape swerves slightly as it passes over the heads during

either the write operation or any subsequent read operation.

In the misalignment of bits within a byte, skew means a slanting or staggering of bits relative to the edge of tape. If skew is excessive, bits of adjacent bytes might mix and cause read errors.

Skew is either mechanical or electrical. Mechanical skew is usually caused by misalignment of the read/write head on the tape unit. Electrical skew is caused by head manufacturing tolerances or track-to-track circuit differences.



The example shows exaggerated write skew. It is write skew because the bytes are actually written on tape with the bits misaligned. However, bits written on tape in perfect alignment can be skewed during the read operation. Read heads and/or read circuits can cause the bits to be misaligned electrically; that is, some bits delayed longer than others.

Mechanical skew is corrected by physical alignment of the read/write head assembly. Electrical skew cannot be corrected since it is "built in" the heads and circuits. Two means of compensation for electrical skew are provided; one is used for each of the recording modes. Special buffer registers, capable of compensating for large amounts of skew, are used in Phase Encoded mode. In NRZI mode, adjustable single-shots allow all tracks to be electrically aligned.

Master Skew Tape

A master skew tape is a field tool for adjusting skew. It is manufactured to extremely rigid specifications since it is a standard used to obtain optimum tape unit performance. Master skew tapes have a density of 800 flux changes per inch and are written with one solid bit across the width of tape at each flux change. These tapes are written at the factory on a special tape unit designed to produce tape with a minimum of skew.

The master skew tape is used to adjust mechanical skew, then electrical skew while reading in both a forward and backward direction. With read electrical skew aligned in this manner, a normal tape is written and electrical skew is adjusted while writing. Read skew must be adjusted prior to measuring write skew since the read circuits are used in adjusting write skew.

Common Terminology

Feedthrough: A form of noise appearing on the read signal (during a write operation) whenever a write circuit switches polarity. Feedthrough is caused by some of the flux lines generated by the write head crossing the read head coils. If not eliminated through shielding or cancellation, feedthrough can cause errors in a write operation although the written data is correct.

Crosstalk: The unwanted transfer of energy from one track to another during a read or write operation. Crosstalk is caused by coupling of the read signal between tracks. Components in the read/write head, and cables throughout the subsystem are shielded to hold crosstalk to a minimum.

Read Signal: The voltage induced in a read coil as a polarity change on tape passes. This voltage is amplified and shaped by read circuits, and passed to the tape control as information read from tape.

Write Signal: The signal applied to the write coil to cause a polarity change to be written on tape as it passes.

File Protect: A method of preventing the inadvertent destruction of data on magnetic tape. Removal of a write-enable ring found in the back of the tape reel protects that reel from accidental rewrite. A tape reel with the write-enable ring removed is file protected. A write-enable ring must be inserted in any reel before writing on that reel can take place.

Tape Cleaner: A device in the tape path of most tape units to remove loose particles of dust or oxide as the tape passes. If not removed, these particles can cause head-to-tape separation at the read/write head, resulting in a greatly reduced read signal amplitude and errors.

The tape cleaner is positioned so that tape moving forward passes the cleaner before reaching the surface of the read/write head.

Error Recovery Procedure (ERP): A routine in the system program which is entered whenever a read or write error occurs. An ERP contains a sequence of instructions designed to recover from an error condition without major interruption of the customer's job.

There are separate ERP routines for each type of error, and each involves a predetermined number of retries of the failing operation. If recovery is successful (the operation is performed without error on one of the retries), the error is classified as temporary, and the

customer job continues. If recovery is unsuccessful, the error is classified as permanent.

Write Skip: A procedure commonly used in write error ERP's. The tape unit is instructed to backspace over the block on which the write error occurred. An Erase Record Gap (ERG) instruction then causes 3.75 inches of tape to be erased. The block is again written. The write skip is intended to skip over a defective area of tape should it be the cause of the write error.

File Reel: The tape reel which is mounted and dismantled on the tape unit. The tape is normally resident on this reel and leaves only when a forward operation is in progress on the tape unit.

Machine Reel: The tape reel which remains on the tape unit at all times. This reel receives tape transferred from the file reel during a forward operation.

Loaded/Unloaded: Separate states of the transport portion of the tape unit. When a tape unit is loaded, tape is in the vacuum columns and the tape reels are under automatic control of the tape unit. When a tape unit is unloaded, tape is out of the columns and the reels must be manually operated.

Rewind: The process of returning tape to the file reel following a forward operation. A rewind can be initiated manually, using a pushbutton on the tape unit, or under program control. Since data is not recorded nor read, rewind normally occurs at a tape speed much higher than normal.

Data Format

- A** A block is a group of data bytes separated from other groups of bytes. The amount of data in one block (the number of bytes) is variable, and is determined by the system before the data is sent to the tape control.
- B** The block sent to the tape unit for recording in phase encoded mode has a burst of bytes added to each end by the tape control. The added bursts are necessary for the tape control to synchronize the read detection circuits when reading tape in either direction (forward/backward). The block recorded by the tape unit contains: 40 bytes of all zeros (including parity bit), 1 byte of all ones (including parity bit), the data bytes received from the system, 1 byte of all ones, and 40 bytes of all zeros. When transferring data from the tape unit to the channel, the tape control discards the added bursts.

A tape that contains phase encoded data is identified by a recorded burst at the load point marker. This is the phase encoding identification burst, and consists of 1600 flux changes per inch recorded in the P track, while all other tracks are erased. The burst begins before, and extends beyond the load point marker.

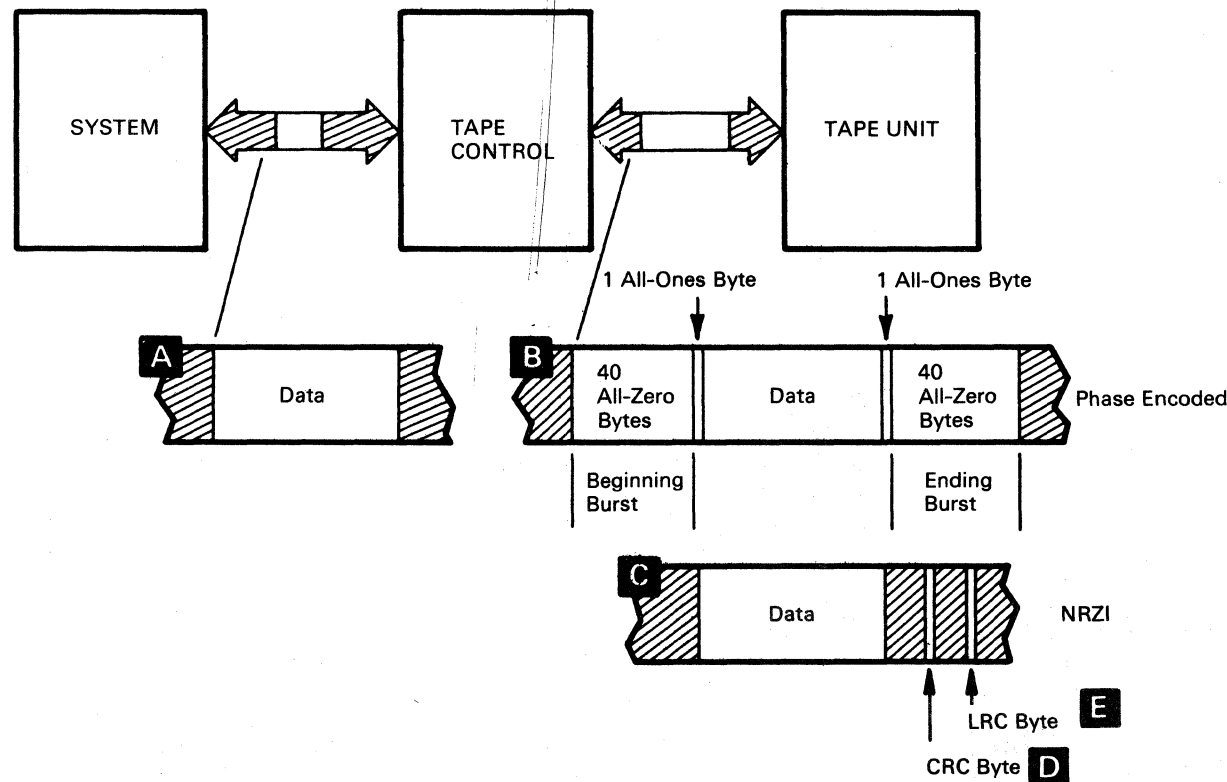
- C** No beginning or ending burst is used when recording data in NRZI mode. The NRZI block recorded on tape has two check characters added at the end. These check characters are discarded by the tape control during a read operation.

A tape that contains NRZI data is identified by the absence of a phase encoding identification burst. Instead, the first 6 inches of an NRZI tape are erased, beginning before, and ending after the load point marker. This erased area at the beginning of tape is the load point delay, and causes actual recorded data to begin away from the load point marker, where tape damage is most likely to occur.

Check Characters

In NRZI mode, the two check characters written at the end of each block are the Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC) character, and the Longitudinal Redundancy Check (LRC) character.

- D** The CRC character is developed in the tape control during each NRZI write operation and represents an accumulation of all bits in the block. The CRC character is written on tape four byte spaces after the last data byte, and is used for single-track read error correction.
- E** The second, or LRC, check character is an odd/even parity count of all the bits in each track of a block. The total number of 1's in any track of a block is made an even number by placing a 1 or 0 in the LRC position for that track. The LRC character is written four byte spaces after the CRC character, or a total of eight byte spaces from the last data byte.



Inter-Block Gap (IBG)

A gap, or blank area of erased tape, is used to separate individual blocks on tape. The nominal length of the IBG is 0.6 inches. The IBG length of 0.6 inches is standard for all 9-track tape units and is sufficient to allow tape to come to a stop after the end of a block is sensed, and upon restart, to reach full speed before the beginning of the next block is sensed.

Two delays, generated by the tape unit when writing, create the IBG and determine its length. These delays govern:

- The time between writing the last byte of a data block, and actually stopping tape.
- The time between starting tape motion and writing the first byte of the next block.

When the tape unit is in write status, moving tape over the write head without writing data causes that tape to be erased. Together, the two delays cause 0.6 inches of tape to be erased between data blocks.

There are occasions when a customer job may require backspacing over a data block on tape, and writing a new block in its place. If, after the backspace, tape is not positioned at exactly the same point as before writing the original record, the new IBG length will be different. A tape unit which, in this type of operation, would shorten the IBG is said to have "backward creep." If the IBG is lengthened, the tape unit has "forward creep." Since backward creep, and the resulting short IBG may cause errors on subsequent read operations, a tape subsystem is designed so that stopping tape moving backward is quicker than stopping tape moving forward, causing forward creep.

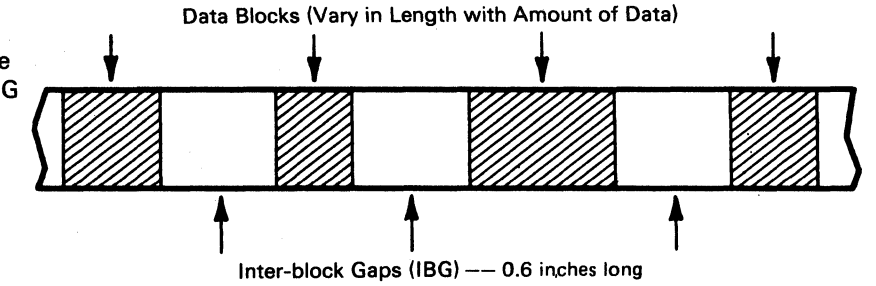
File

A file is a group of related blocks recorded on tape. Several files may be written on a tape, and to allow the system to recognize the end of one file and the start of another, a special block, or tape mark, is written at the end of each file.

Tape Mark Configuration

In phase encoded mode, the tape mark is a burst containing zeros in tracks P, 0, 2, 5, 6, and 7 with tracks 1, 3, and 4 erased.

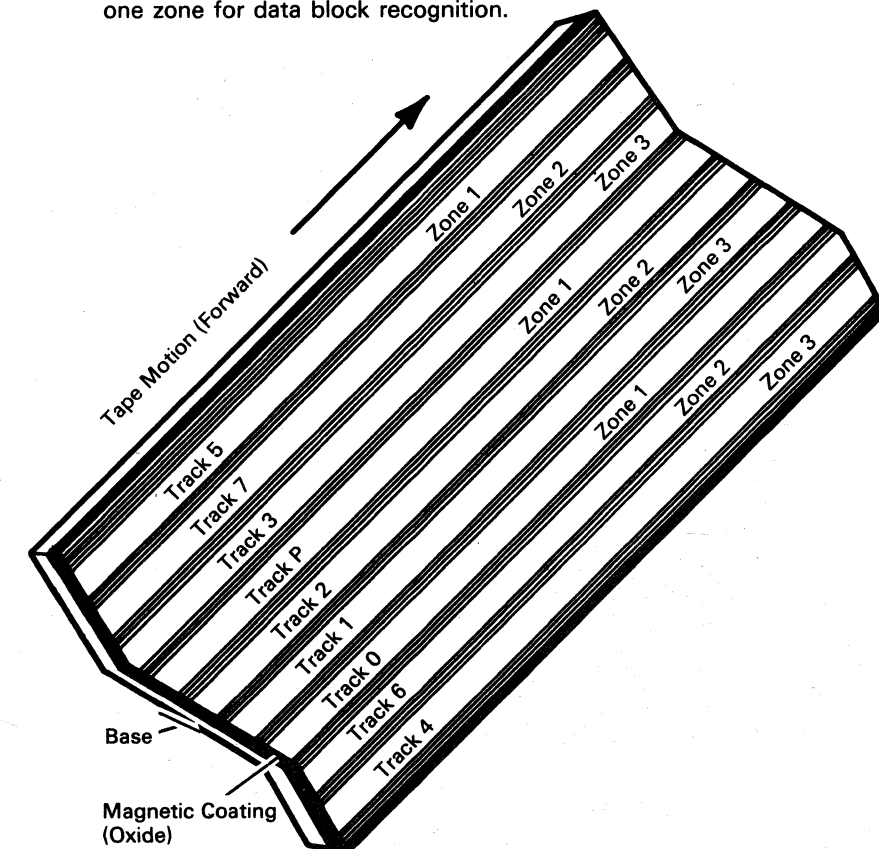
In NRZI mode, the tape mark is two bytes, eight byte spaces apart, each containing ones in tracks 3, 6, and 7 with zeros in all other tracks.



Track Arrangement

A byte consists of eight data bits and a parity bit. The bits are identified as P, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and each is recorded in a separate track on tape. The tracks are arranged such that those most likely to contain one bits in NRZI mode are located in the middle of tape, and the least used tracks are on the outside edges where most tape defects occur.

The nine tracks are divided into zones, or groups, of three tracks each. The tracks of a zone are non-adjacent (separated by two tracks from other zones). In phase encoded mode, the tape control uses the zone configuration to distinguish between the start of a data block, and noise which may be sensed between blocks. A read signal must be sensed in all tracks of at least one zone for data block recognition.



Data Recording

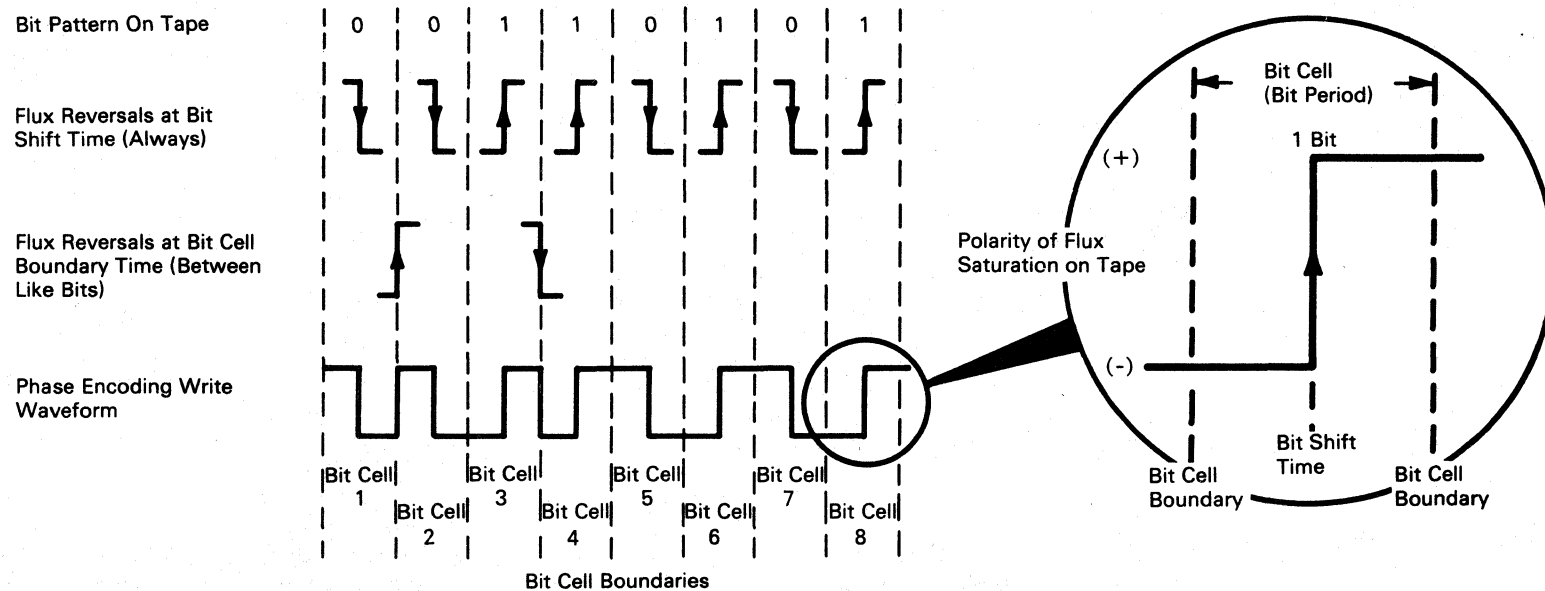
Phase Encoding And NRZI Recording Methods

The phase encoded method of recording on tape uses the direction of flux change to distinguish between binary ones and zeros. The NRZI method uses a flux change in either direction to represent a one and no flux change to represent a zero.

Phase Encoded Write

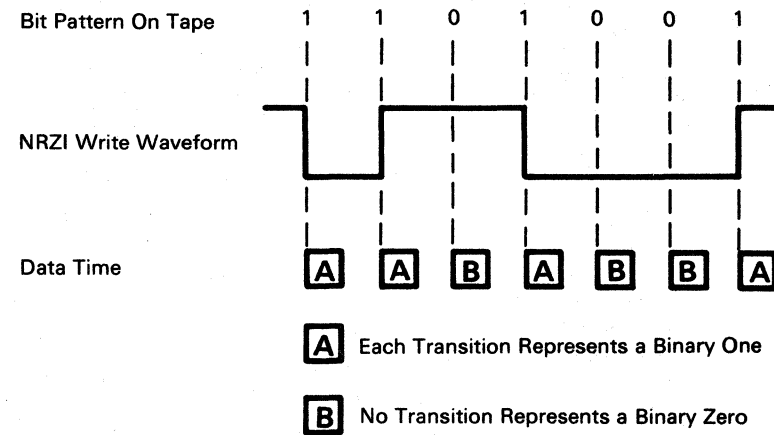
The time required to write a single binary bit is called a bit cell. The write clock in the tape control determines the timing of a bit cell and controls the generation of flux reversals (reversals of magnetic polarity) on tape. During the write process, a flux reversal is created in the middle of each bit cell (bit shift time). If this reversal is plus-to-minus (negative), the bit is a zero; if minus-to-plus (positive), a one.

When two consecutive one bits are written, both requiring a positive reversal at bit shift time, an extra, negative reversal must be written between the one bits. Also, when two consecutive zero bits are written (negative reversals), an extra positive reversal must be written between the zero bits. These extra flux reversals occur at bit cell boundary time and are not regarded as data.



NRZI Write

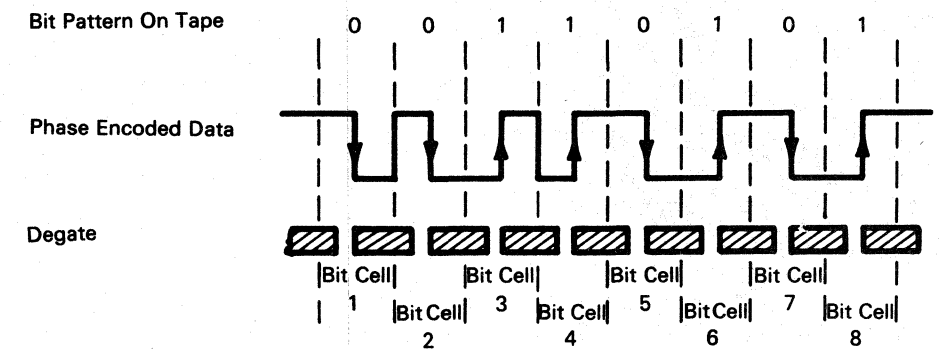
In NRZI recording, a flux reversal in either direction represents a binary one bit. If the bit to be written is a one, a flux reversal is created at data time, determined by a write clock in the tape control. If a zero is to be written, no flux reversal is created at data time.



Phase Encoded Read

In phase encoded mode, each bit cell contains a flux reversal at bit shift time. If this reversal is positive, the bit is a one. If the reversal is negative, the bit is a zero.

At the boundary between bit cells containing like bits (consecutive ones, consecutive zeros), an extra reversal occurs. To prevent recognition of these extra reversals as data, the read detection circuits are degated for approximately 70% of the period between bit shift times. This degating begins with the sensing of a flux reversal and ends as a function of a predetermined time-out.



NRZI Read

In NRZI mode, all flux reversals sensed from tape are one bits; therefore, no discrimination between positive and negative reversals is required. If a reversal in either direction is sensed, the bit is a one. If no reversal occurs, the bit is a zero.

Tape Problems

One of the major factors affecting the quality of an operating system is the quality of the magnetic tape. During use, it is stretched, flexed, and rubbed, causing its oxide to crack, or to be eroded. Eroded particles of oxide, fingerprints, and dust contaminate its surface, multiplying erosion and breaking contact between the tape and the read/write station. Improper handling by the operator can also damage tape.

There are some tapes that cause degradation of performance of the tape transport. These tapes are called inhibitor tapes. Such tapes will: (1) glaze or coat the capstan, (2) stick to the read/write head or cause other tapes to stick, (3) generate particles and debris that cause read, write, or motion control failures.

In order to trace the history of the tape, adequate records must be maintained. The primary objective of good housekeeping is the ability to quickly find the device or tape associated with a tape error.

Write Errors

The most common causes for write errors are tape lift, tape velocity, oxide voids, or a combination of all. Usually, tape lift is caused by physical distortion; that is, curvature, wavy or rippled edge, or cupped tape. There are many tape parameters which may cause these problems. Unfortunately, most are impossible to measure in the field. However, some common parameters which may be at fault are thickness, drag, and stiffness. These, and other tape characteristics, can cause a difference in performance between brands of tape.

Tape velocity or motion problems due to actual tape media are relatively rare.

Read Errors

Some of the parameters causing tape write errors can also cause tape read errors. One major difference is that the tape, during a write operation, may have experienced a stress or distortion that is aggravated when the tape is placed in storage. When this occurs, the CE can expect to see blocks on tape which have a high skew content, usually caused by tracking or packing/unpacking of bytes.

Permanent read or write errors cannot be ignored. Every effort and resource must be used to resolve this type of problem.

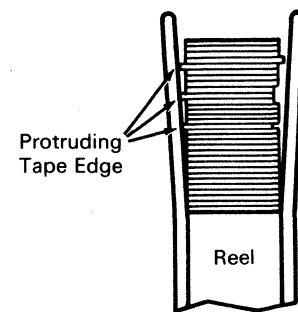
Damaged Tape

The cause of damaged tape is one of the most difficult problems to analyze. However, there are some causes which are common by the nature of their form and location in the reel. Two pieces of information are needed to properly resolve a tape damage problem: the reel for examination, and the tape units on which the reel was processed.

Usually, the damaged tape is discovered in a read operation, as a permanent read error. The reading tape unit is generally not at fault; however, if the tape is machine-damaged, chances are good that the tape unit which last processed the reel is at fault.

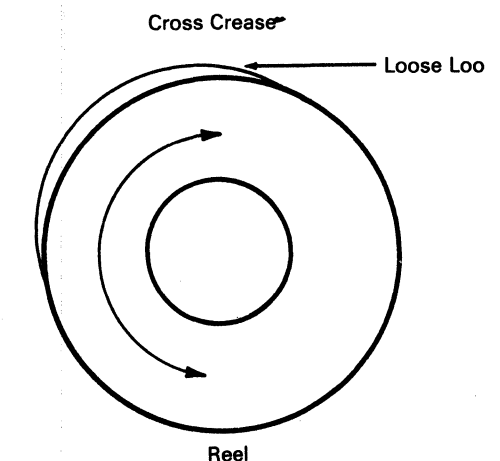
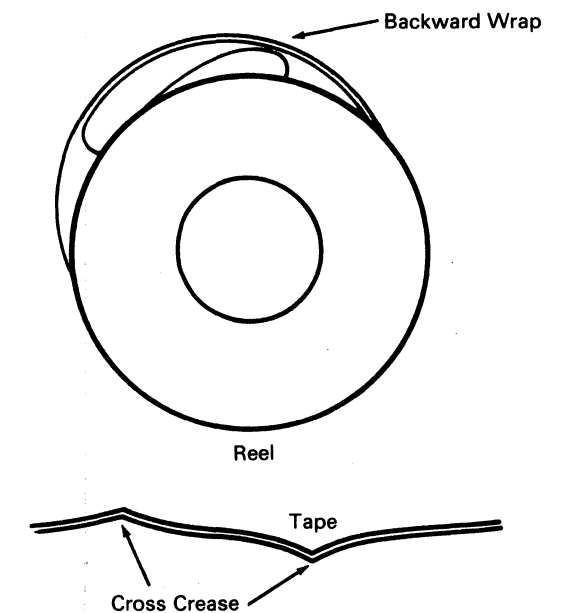
Edge Creases: Short creases (2 to 6 inches) at any point in the reel can be the result of uneven winding or rough handling. An uneven wind can be caused by the tape, reel, or the tape unit. Tapes with a high degree of curvature tend to wind unevenly. A lack of constant rewind tension by the machine will also contribute. The width of the reel flange spacing is a controlling factor. With the best conditions of tape unit and tape, the tape will still tend to wind unevenly if the width of the flange is not correct.

Tape wound with only a few protruding edges on a reel can be creased by squeezing the flange. This is usually done when mounting or removing the tape reel.



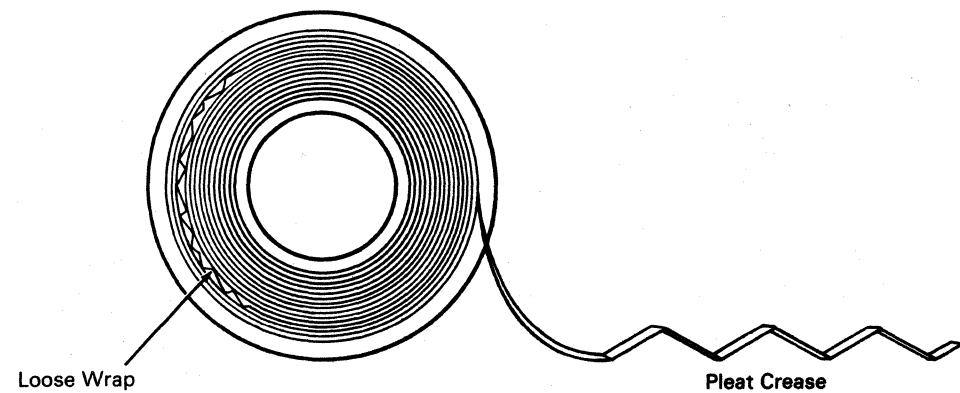
Uneven Wraps of Tape

Cross Crease: The cross crease usually comes in pairs; one crease toward the coating, and one away from the coating, a foot or less apart. This type of crease is created by a backward wrap and can be due to tape becoming slack at some point during rewind, or to a severely warped tape reel affecting tape during a motion reversal.

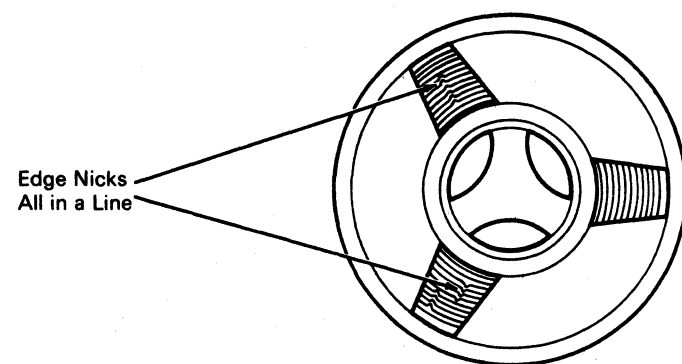


Indentations: Any foreign or tape particle causes an indentation in the coating surface when tape is wound tight on the reel. When tape is wound extremely tight, the end-of-tape marker often embosses the tape surface.

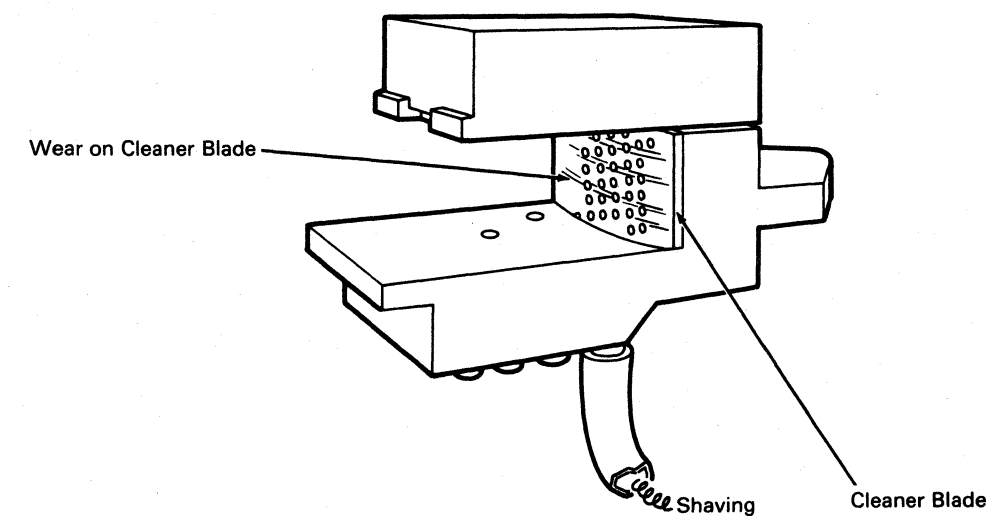
Pleat Creases: The pleat crease begins when one or more loose wraps are placed in the tape reel during a rewind. During subsequent processing of the reel, the outer mass of tape shifts on the loose wrap, causing it to pleat.



Edge Nicks: In most cases, edge nicks are operator inflicted. The open-flanged reel with uneven wraps is very subject to edge damage. Fingernails, or stacking tapes out of their containers are the most prevalent causes.



Edge Shavings: Many times, a small edge nick becomes caught on the cleaner blade and causes the edge of tape to be shaved. A worn, rough cleaner blade can also cause the tape edge to be shaved. This condition can continue for several hundred feet, causing the tape to track incorrectly on subsequent passes.



Environmental Problems

Temperature

Temperatures within the specified operating range have little effect on performance of magnetic tape. However, extremely high temperature during storage, along with heavy winding tension, can cause oxide voiding.

Humidity

Relative humidity up to 80% has little effect on tape performance. Low humidity has two pertinent effects:

1. The tape backing becomes stiff and the coating less flexible. Thus, wear particles build up faster.
2. Static charges build up faster at low humidity. Applications which shoe-shine over small sections of tape are very sensitive in low humidity. A combination of static charge and the smoothness of tape causes clinging in the tape transport. This results in poor tape start and stop times, and if the condition is severe, read or write failures.

Contamination

Prolonged or unnecessary exposure of tape to dust and dirt can contaminate the tape surface and result in signal loss and errors. The following basic rules will help reduce the risk of tape contamination:

1. Maintain recommended temperature and humidity conditions in areas where tape is used or stored.
2. Thoroughly clean the entire floor area daily using a damp mop. Avoid sweeping, dry mopping, or dusting in areas where tape is used or stored.
3. Floor waxing should be kept at a minimum. When necessary, the floor should be machine buffed to remove excess wax, damp mopped with cold water to harden the surface, then machine buffed again when dry. Steel wool, or other metal abrasives should never be used for buffing.
4. Periodically inspect and clean tape units to remove particles accumulated during normal use.

Tape Handling

There are only two places that can be considered proper for a tape reel; in use on the tape unit, or in its container. Adequate procedures should be established to protect magnetic tape from contamination which will undoubtedly result in decreased tape unit performance. Some common rules are:

1. Never leave tape reels or containers exposed. In addition to the possibility of tape damage, dust in the air can accumulate on the tape or in the container, and eventually contaminate the tape.
2. Erasing a tape reel identification label is a primary source of contamination. Select a label with an adhesive backing that does not leave a residue and that can be applied and removed easily.
3. Never allow a loose end of tape to trail on the floor, even though the end of tape does not contain data. Dirt picked up can be deposited in the transport areas of the tape unit and be passed on to other sections of the tape.
4. Smoking should not be permitted in areas where tape is in use. Ashes are a source of contamination. Live ashes can produce permanent tape damage if they contact the tape surface.
5. Mount reels carefully. When a reel is improperly seated on the tape unit reel hub, the tape edge receives undue wear and becomes burred. This burred edge winds to a larger diameter than the undamaged tape. Eventually, the center of the tape collapses, and the burred edge of tape is permanently stretched.

Avoid physical contact with the tape through the reel openings or excessive pressure on the reel flanges. Such pressure will compress the tape and damage its edges.

6. Use extreme care when removing the write enable ring. Never remove the ring while tape is loaded on the tape unit.

Tape Storage

To prevent tape contamination and damage during storage, follow these procedures:

1. Before a tape is stored, secure the loose end of tape with a tape end retainer to prevent the tape from unwinding in the container.
2. Always store tape in an upright position. Never store tapes flat or in stacks; accidental damage or reel warpage may result.
3. Store tapes in a cabinet or shelf elevated from the floor and away from sources of paper and card dust. This minimizes the transfer of dust from the outside of the container to the reel during loading and unloading operations.

Tape Subsystem Description

General Description

The 3410/3411 Magnetic Tape Subsystem consists of a tape control and as many as six tape units. A tape unit is an electromechanical device that transports magnetic tape across a read/write head, and either records (writes) data on the tape or senses (reads) data previously recorded on the tape. The tape control is an electronic device that controls the operation of several tape units. The tape control selects a specific tape unit, initiates the proper status conditions for an operation, provides timing signals and delays, and controls the transfer of data between the tape unit and host system.

To write on tape, the tape control sends tape-motion control commands, write control commands, and data to the tape unit. The tape unit then transports the tape across the read/write head and writes the received data on tape. To read from tape, the tape control sends tape-motion control commands and read control commands to the tape unit. The tape unit then transports the tape across the read/write head, reads the data from the tape, and sends it to the tape control. The tape unit also rewinds and unloads tape upon command from the tape control.

Up to six tape units may be included in an IBM 3410/3411 tape subsystem. The tape control and power supplies for the subsystem are located in one of the tape units. This unit is the 3411 and functions as a tape unit and tape control. The remaining units in the subsystem are 3410's and function only as tape units under complete control of the 3411. The tape unit portion of a 3411 is identical to the 3410 in function and appearance.

There are three models of the IBM 3410/3411 subsystem. The differences between models are 1) the speed at which tape is moved across the read/write head, which determines data rate, and 2) the maximum number of tape units which may be included in the subsystem.

Tape units of a Model 1 subsystem move tape at 12.5 inches per second (ips) resulting in a maximum data rate of 20,000 bytes per second. A maximum of four tape units may be included in the subsystem.

Tape units of a Model 2 subsystem move tape at 25 ips resulting in a maximum data rate of 40,000 bytes per second. A maximum of six tape units may be included in the subsystem. *

Tape units of a Model 3 subsystem move tape at 50 ips resulting in a maximum data rate of 80,000 bytes per second. A maximum of six tape units may be included in the subsystem. *

* No more than four tape units, of any model, may be attached to System/3 because of input/output device addressing limitations.

Recording Method

The IBM 3410/3411 writes and reads nine tracks of phase encoded information at 1600 bytes per inch (BPI). With the Dual Density feature, the subsystem will also write and read nine tracks of NRZI information at 800 BPI. With the seven-track feature, the subsystem will write and read NRZI at 200, 556, and 800 BPI.

Interfaces

The tape control must communicate with both the channel of the host system and with individual tape units of the subsystem. A means for this communication is provided by two interfaces; a subsystem interface and a tape control to tape unit interface.

The subsystem interface allows information to be passed in both directions between the system and tape control. All commands, tape unit selection, and read and write data are passed over this interface.

The tape control to tape unit interface connects the selected tape unit to the tape control. This interface carries the signals required to execute any tape unit operation, as well as data to or from the selected tape unit.

Radial Connection

Each tape unit attached to a tape control is connected with an individual interface cable. This is known as radial connection and allows a tape unit to be disconnected from the tape control without affecting other tape units of the subsystem.

The address of a given tape unit is determined by the socket location, in the tape control, into which its cable is plugged. When the tape control communicates with a tape unit, switching circuits route the interface signals only to the selected tape unit. These circuits are the tape unit switch, and are in the tape control.

Subsystem Control

The system instructs the 3410/3411 subsystem to perform specific tasks. The tape control receives, decodes, and executes the instructions. To execute an instruction, the tape control issues, to the selected tape unit, the commands required to perform the desired operation. Commands from the tape control direct the tape unit to:

- Read tape
- Write tape
- Space forward or backward over sections of previously written tape
- Erase a section of tape
- Write special tape mark characters identifying the end of an information section on tape
- Write a special identification burst at the beginning of tape indicating that the tape is written in phase encoded mode
- Rewind tape to the beginning of tape
- Rewind tape to the beginning of tape and unload the tape unit

Metering

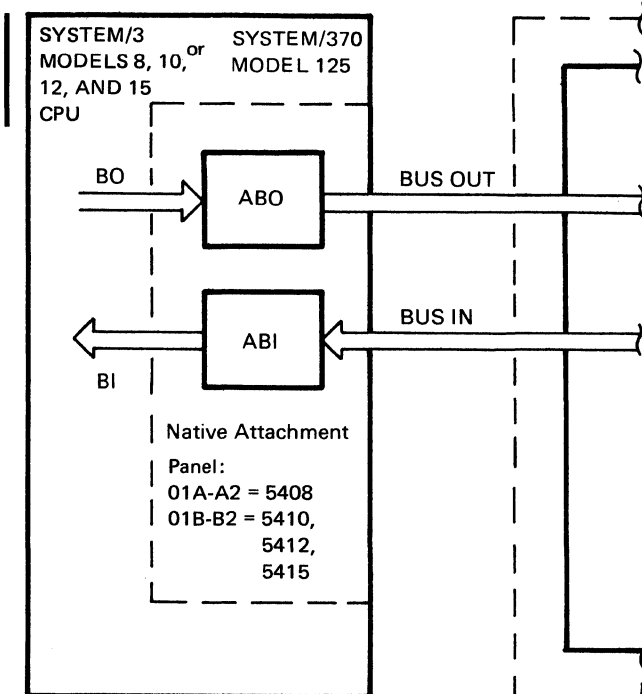
A time meter is present on the 3411 and on each 3410 tape unit. The meters record the time that each individual device is in use. The meters are disabled by a switch (ENABLE/DISABLE) on the 3411, but when metering is disabled, the subsystem is automatically placed in an off-line status and no subsystem operations may be performed under system control.

Power Supplies

All power supplies for the subsystem are contained in the 3411. The required dc voltages are provided to the individual tape units through interconnecting cables from the 3411 to each 3410.

System Attachment

The 3410/3411 subsystem is attached to the host system in one of two ways, depending on the system.

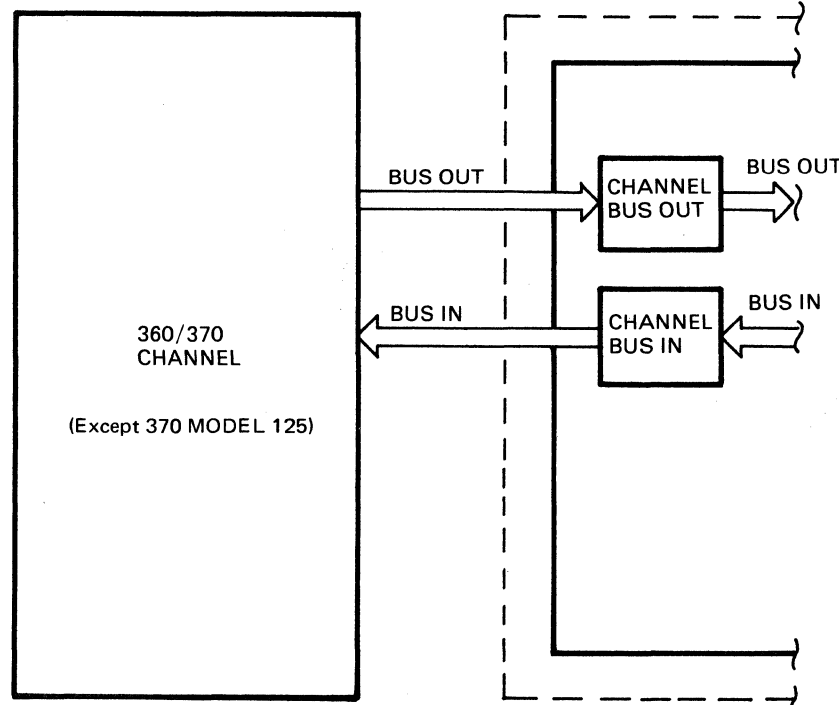


On a System/3 Model 8, 10, 12, or 15, or System/370 Model 125, the subsystem is connected to a native attachment. The native attachment occupies logic panel 01BB2 of the System/3 CPU (5410, 5412, and 5415), 01AA2 of the System/3 CPU (5408) and 01AB1 of the System/370 CPU (3125). The attachment contains the circuitry required to adapt the system input/output controls to the 3410/3411 subsystem.

Communication from the System/3 to the subsystem, including instructions, control signals, and write data, enter the native attachment on DATA BUS OUT (DBO) and are sent to the subsystem on ATTACHMENT BUS OUT (ABO). Information entering the system from the subsystem, including subsystem and tape unit status, error indications, and read data, enter the native attachment on ATTACHMENT BUS IN (ABI) and are sent to the System/3 on DATA BUS IN (DBI). For Model 125 information, refer to the *System/370 Model 125 Magnetic Tape Adapter Maintenance Library Manual*, SY33-1064.

For use on a System 360 or 370 (except Model 125), the subsystem is connected directly to the input/output channel of the system. Communication from the channel to the subsystem uses CHANNEL BUS OUT and from the subsystem to the channel, CHANNEL BUS IN.

OR



Tape Control

The tape control, under direction of the attached system, controls tape unit operation (writing, reading, motion control, etc.). It passes write data to the tape unit and read data to the attached system, testing data parity and correcting when possible. A microprocessor directs the various functions of the tape control. A microprogram is permanently stored in Read Only Storage (ROS) within the tape control. It consists of instructions arranged in groups, or routines. Each routine causes the tape control to perform a specific task. The instructions of a routine are executed, one at a time, until the task is completed.

Communication from the tape control to the tape unit is on TAPE UNIT BUS OUT and from the tape unit to the tape control on TAPE UNIT BUS IN. Since several tape units are connected to a tape control, a tape unit switch in the tape control must be conditioned to activate only the signal lines to and from the tape unit specified by the system.

The TAPE UNIT BUS IN lines bring read data from the tape unit to the tape control. In phase encoded mode, data signals are present on these lines for both "ones" and "zeros." The phase encoded detection circuits determine which is present. The "ones" are then loaded into the skew buffers which assemble the bits from each track into bytes. In NRZI mode, data signals are present on TAPE UNIT BUS IN only for ones; therefore, no detection is necessary before loading the read data into the skew buffers. When a byte is assembled in the skew buffers, it is sent through the microprocessor to the system.

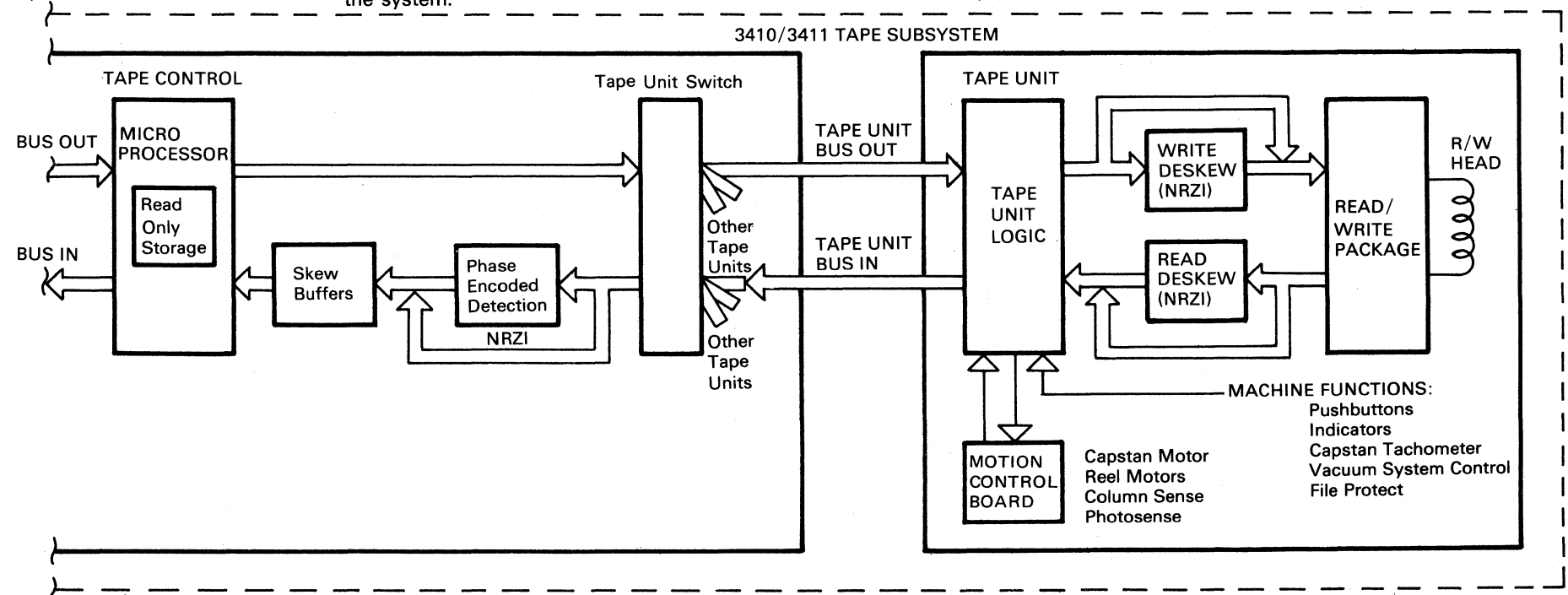
Tape Unit

The tape unit receives commands from the tape control and conditions the various areas of the tape unit to respond appropriately for the desired operation.

The read/write package is attached to the read/write head and contains (1) the driving circuits which supply current to the write coils when writing, and (2) the circuits for sensing and amplifying data stored magnetically on tape when reading. The tape unit logic conditions the read/write package for either a read or write operation and for the desired recording mode (phase encoded or NRZI). In NRZI mode, data entering or leaving the read/write package is electronically aligned by deskew circuits to compensate for differences between tracks.

A motion control board contains driving circuits for the reel and capstan motors. The motion control board receives timing pulses and control signals from the tape unit logic and regulates the speed and direction of the motors. Also on the motion control board are circuits for detecting the beginning and end of tape (photosense) and for sensing the position of tape in the vacuum columns (column sense).

The tape unit logic receives signals from manual controls on the operator's panel and causes the proper tape unit response. The tape unit logic also turns on and off the vacuum system and the indicators on the operator's panel.



Commands**Purpose of Commands**

The subsystem is under control of an attached system which can be a System/3, System/360, or System/370. The system and subsystem are connected through an attachment which converts interface signals so the two can communicate.

A Start I/O instruction from the system initiates a tape operation. The system also sends a command which designates the operation the subsystem is to execute. If the subsystem is attached to System/3, the command is part of the Start I/O "Q" byte. An explanation of the individual commands follows.

Read Forward

A read forward command causes the selected tape unit to move tape forward and read one block of data. The tape unit sends the data to the tape control which interprets the data as ones and zeros. The tape control checks the parity of each data byte as it is received and puts it in a buffer. Single track errors detected by the parity check are corrected. Tape control sends the buffered bytes to the system, through the attachment. When the tape unit reaches the end of the data block, the tape control stops sending data to the system and stops the tape unit.

Read Backward

A read backward command causes the selected tape unit to move tape backward and read one block of data. Read Backward is identical to Read Forward with one exception. When reading a NRZI tape backward, the first two bytes read are check characters and are not sent to the system.

Write

The selected tape unit moves tape forward and writes one block of data. The write data comes from the system, through the attachment. The parity of each byte is checked in the attachment, and again in the tape control. If a parity error occurs, it cannot be corrected during a write, so a Data Check error is set. The tape control sends data bytes to the tape unit, timed to coincide with proper write time. The tape unit writes each byte as it is received.

The tape unit reads back each byte after it is written and sends it to tape control where parity is checked. Tape control sets an error if bad parity is found.

The write operation ends when the system sends no more data and the subsystem finishes the read back check.

Request Track In Error (System/360 and 370 Only)

This command transfers the Track-In-Error (TIE) byte from the system to the subsystem. The tape control uses the data to correct the next data block to be read. This command is effective only during nine-track NRZI operations and when correcting single-track errors.

Control Commands

Control commands do not transfer data between the system and subsystem. On System/3, a Control command is part of the Start I/O "R" byte.

Rewind

The selected tape unit winds tape onto the file reel until the beginning-of-tape (load point) marker is sensed. The tape unit then positions the tape at load point and stops. Any subsequent command which causes forward tape motion or no tape motion can be issued from beginning of tape.

Rewind-Unload

The selected tape unit winds tape onto the file reel until the load-point marker is sensed, then unloads tape. Only the sense command can be successfully completed from the unloaded state. Before the tape unit can execute another command, the operator must load tape and make the tape unit ready.

Erase Gap

The selected tape unit erases tape for approximately 3.6 inches. When the selected tape unit is in phase-encoding (PE) mode and is positioned at load point, a PE identification burst is written before the erased portion of tape.

Write Tape Mark

The selected tape unit writes a block of special "non-data" bytes called a tape mark, preceded by a three-inch interblock gap. When the tape unit is in PE and positioned at load point, a PE identification burst is written before the interblock gap and tape mark. No data is transferred to the subsystem from the system. The tape mark format is predetermined and the tape control generates the bytes to be written.

The tape unit reads back the tape mark and sends it to tape control for checking. If an error is found, tape control initiates a retry. After 15 unsuccessful retries, the subsystem erases approximately 45 inches of tape and sets EQUIPMENT CHECK and TAPE MARK CHECK in sense bytes.

Space Block (Forward/Backward)

The selected tape unit moves tape in the direction specified, past one block of data. No data is transferred.

Space File (Forward/Backward)

The selected tape unit moves tape in the direction specified until a tape mark or load point is detected. No data is transferred and interblock gaps are ignored.

Data Security Erase

The selected tape unit erases tape from its present position to the end-of-tape marker.

Mode 1 Set (Seven-Track Feature)

This command establishes the operating conditions in tape control for subsequent seven-track operations. Mode 1 set determines the density, turns the data converter and translator on or off, and sets subsystem operations to odd or even parity. The subsystem retains the mode set until reset or until another mode set command is received.

Mode 2 Set (Dual Density Feature)

The subsystem, if the dual density feature is installed, is capable of writing and reading in PE or nine track NRZI. The Mode 2 set commands are used in nine-track operation to select either 1600 bits per inch (PE), or 800 bits per inch (NRZI).

Diagnostic Commands

On System/3 the diagnostic commands are part of the Start I/O "R" byte.

Diagnostic Write

When the system issues this command, special patterns and records can be written. Data from the system is written as sent, except when two or more successive ones are written. Two or more ones cause the track they are written in to be erased.

Loop Write to Read

This command connects the write and read circuits together within the tape unit. Write data from the system is sent back through the read circuits and checked. Tape does not move and data is not written on tape.

Skew Check

The tape unit reads two bytes from a Master Skew Tape and sends them to tape control. Tape control measures the time between two tracks of the two bytes and places the result in a sense byte.

Crosstalk Check

The tape unit reads data previously written in all tracks but one. Tape control checks the blank track for data. Any data in the blank track indicates excessive crosstalk.

Diagnostic Measure

The tape control starts the tape unit moving and measures the time between tachometer pulses. The time between tachometer pulses indicates the speed at which the tape unit is moving tape. This data is sent to the system to be analyzed by the diagnostic program.

IBG Timing Test

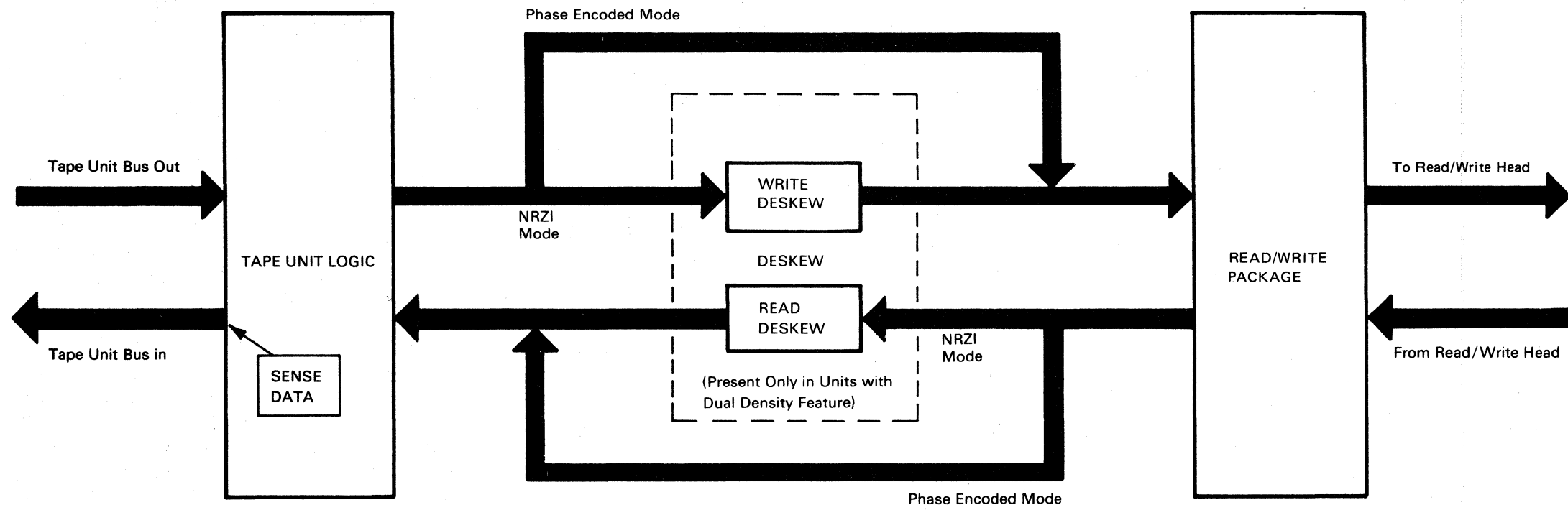
The tape control starts the tape unit moving and measures the time between the detection of "interblock gap" and the next "beginning of block." This time represents the length of the interblock gap, and is placed in a sense byte.

Load Byte

The tape control requests two bytes of data from the system. The data is for use by a subsequent diagnostic measure command.

Tape Unit

Data Flow (Simplified)



Read/Write

Write Operation

In a write operation, a byte of information is sent from the tape control to the tape unit logic over nine parallel interface lines (bus out). The tape unit logic sends the byte to the read/write package where it is used to switch the state of a write driver for each track. The state of the write driver determines the polarity of the magnetic field written on tape.

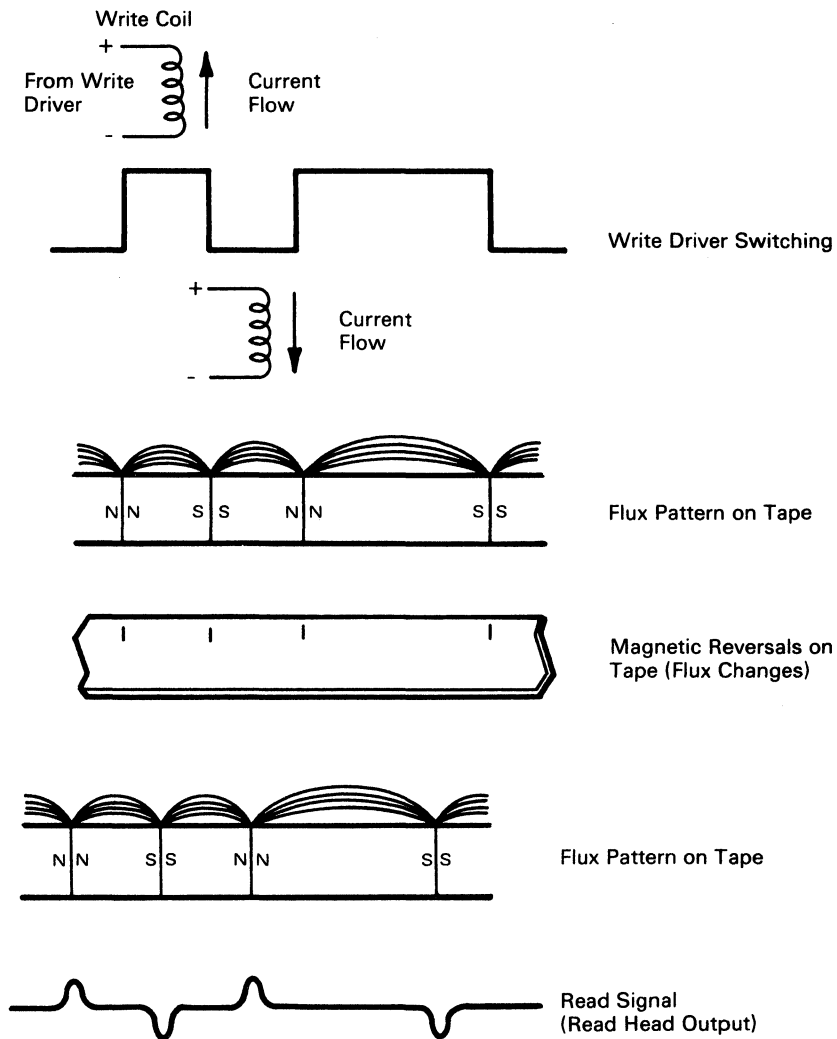
Current is passed through the write coils of each track whenever the tape unit is in write status. The direction of current flow in a given write coil is determined by the state of the write driver for that track. Switching of the write driver causes a reversal of current flow in the coil and a corresponding reversal of its magnetic field (flux change). This reversal writes the byte on tape.

Read Operation

Bits, or magnetic reversals on tape, are sensed by the read coils as the tape is drawn across the read/write head and are sent to the read/write package as low-amplitude pulses.

The read/write package amplifies and generates a digital signal which is then gated to the tape unit logic by an amplitude sensing circuit. Signals below a voltage threshold selected by the tape control are rejected as noise and are not sent to the tape unit logic.

The tape unit logic receives read signals from all nine tracks and sends the byte of data to the tape control over nine parallel interface lines (bus in).



Feedthrough Compensation

During a write operation, magnetic lines of force are generated at the write gap to magnetize bits on tape. Because the write and read heads are so close, some of the lines of force reach the read head and induce noise in the read head windings. If amplified, this noise could cause write error indications during the read back check. To prevent amplification of this type of noise to a level sufficient for read circuit detection, a feedthrough compensation signal is applied to the read circuits.

A portion of the signal applied to the write coils is inverted and fed as an out-of-phase voltage to the read circuits to cancel feedthrough. The amplitude of the feedthrough compensation signal is set at the factory and is matched to the feedthrough characteristics of individual read/write heads and circuits.

Read Back Checking

During any write operation, the read circuits are enabled to allow read back checking. When writing, tape first crosses the write gap where bits are written. A few milliseconds later, the freshly-written bits are sensed at the read gap and sent through the normal read data path to the tape control. In the tape control, each byte is checked for validity and then discarded.

Deskew

When writing or reading in NRZI mode, the write pulses going to the read/write package, or the read pulses coming from the read/write package, are passed through the deskew circuits. These circuits electronically compensate for physical misalignment of tracks across the read/write head, and for variation between tracks in electrical characteristics.

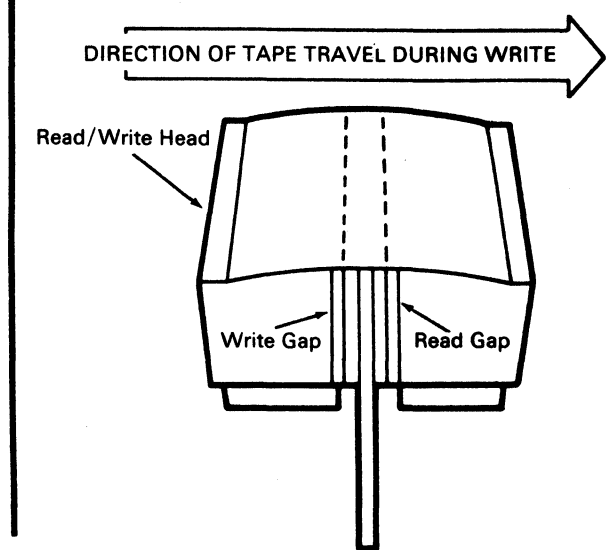
Read Deskew

Because of track-to-track differences, all bits of a byte are not sensed in the read/write package at the same instant. Read deskew is accomplished by delaying the early tracks with adjustable single-shots so that the read signals in all tracks arrive simultaneously at the tape unit logic.

Since tape does not follow exactly the same path in both directions over the read/write head, separate sets of deskew single-shots are used during forward and backward read operations.

Write Deskew

The switching of individual write drivers must be timed by the write deskew circuits so that all bits of a byte are written in a straight line across tape. Write deskew is accomplished by delaying the write pulses which switch the individual write drivers in the read/write package. A deskew single-shot for each track is adjusted such that all bits of a byte are written in a straight line across tape rather than simultaneously.



Auto-Degaussing

An auto-degaussing circuit demagnetizes the read/write head each time the tape unit is switched from write to read status and tape motion is stopped. During a write operation, current through the write coils partially magnetizes the read/write head. If this magnetism was not removed before a subsequent read operation, it would partially erase the information on tape and distort the read signal waveform.

At the end of every write operation, when tape unit status changes to read, a degauss burst is applied to the write circuit for each track. The degauss burst is a series of write pulses which decrease from a maximum amplitude to zero. This produces ever-diminishing current reversals through each write coil which neutralize, or degauss, the magnetism of the read/write head. The degauss circuit is located on the motion control board.

Sense

The tape unit logic stores, as sense data, information relative to the state of the tape unit, including unusual conditions resulting from the last operation.

Sense data is transferred from the tape unit to the tape control when requested by the tape control. When the tape unit receives a request for sense data, it sends a byte of the stored sense information to the tape control on the bus in lines.

Operator's Panel

READY

This lamp indicates that the tape unit is capable of executing commands from the tape control.

To turn on the READY lamp, the tape unit must be loaded, the START key must be pressed, and tape must not be in motion, as in a load or rewind operation. Pressing the START key while tape is in motion causes the READY lamp to turn on after the operation is complete and tape motion stops.

FILE PROTECT

This lamp indicates that the tape unit is not capable of executing a write or erase command from the tape control.

The FILE PROTECT lamp is turned on when the tape unit is not ready or when a file-protected tape reel is mounted. A file-protected reel is one from which the write-enable ring has been removed. Removal of this ring (which fits into the back of the tape reel) is required when information on the tape must be protected from accidental erasure or rewrite.

SELECT

This lamp is turned on when the tape unit is addressed by the tape control. The tape unit must be ready before it can execute commands from the tape control.

Tape Unit Address Decals

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TAPE INDICATE

This lamp is turned on when the end-of-tape reflective marker is sensed with tape moving in a forward direction. The lamp is turned off when the end-of-tape marker is sensed with tape moving in a backward direction.

Indicators (Lamps)

RESET

This pushbutton causes the tape unit to become not ready, turns off the READY lamp, stops tape motion, and removes the tape unit from the control of the tape control.

Switches (Pushbuttons)

LOAD REWIND

If the tape unit is not loaded, this pushbutton causes the tape to load into the vacuum columns and to be moved forward to load point (the load point reflective marker is sensed at the photosense block).

If the tape unit is loaded, not ready, and tape is not positioned at load point, the LOAD REWIND pushbutton causes tape to move backward (rewind) to load point.

Pressing LOAD REWIND has no effect if the tape unit is ready or if tape is already positioned at load point.

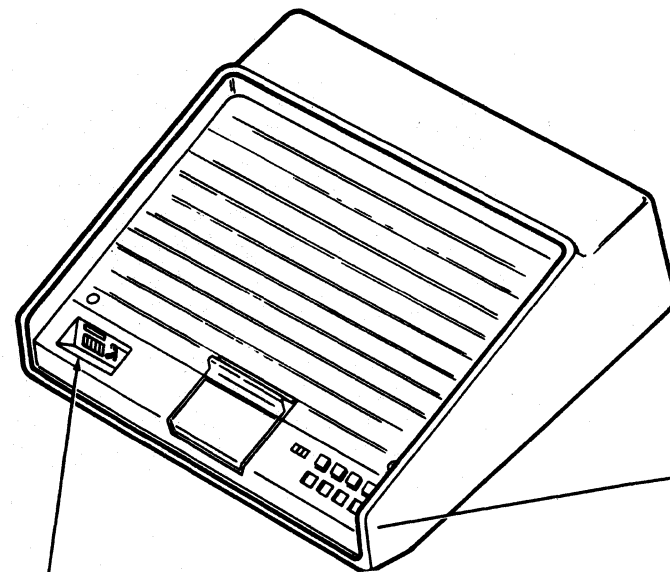
UNLOAD REWIND

This pushbutton causes the tape unit to rewind tape to load point and then unload. If the tape is at load point when you press UNLOAD REWIND, the tape unit unloads immediately. The UNLOAD REWIND pushbutton is disabled when the tape unit is ready.

START

If the tape unit is loaded, this pushbutton places the tape unit under control of the tape control, turns on the READY lamp, and disables all other pushbuttons except RESET.

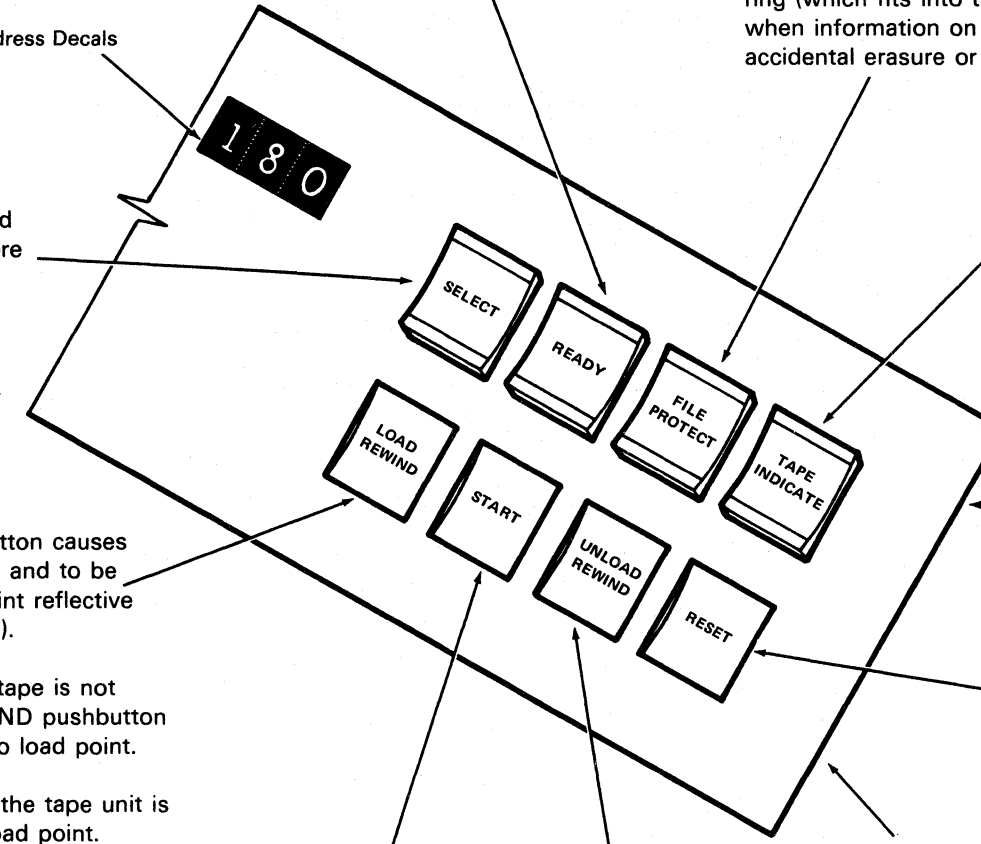
The START pushbutton has no effect if the tape unit is ready or not loaded.



Usage Meter

A time meter on the 3411 records the time that the tape control is in use. The meter runs whenever the subsystem is enabled (online) with the ENABLE/DISABLE switch, and the system METER OUT line is active.

A time meter on each 3410 records only the time that the tape unit is in use. The meter runs whenever the subsystem is enabled, tape is away from load point, and the system meter out line is active.



Tape Transport

Reel Drive

- Each tape reel is driven by a separate dc motor.
- The motors are servo controlled by the position of the tape loop in the vacuum column.
- When tape is moved by the capstan, the reel motors rotate the reels to feed and take up tape; but they allow enough slack to maintain a sensing loop in each vacuum column.

Tape Drive Capstan

- A single tape drive capstan is used to move tape forward and backward.
- The capstan is driven by a reversible dc motor.
- In a loaded condition the tape, which wraps approximately 170 degrees around the capstan, is held firmly against the capstan surface by the pull of vacuum on the tape loops in the vacuum columns.
- When the capstan rotates in either direction, tape movement is positive because of the large area of contact between the capstan and the tape surface.

Read/Write Head

- A single two-gap head is used.
- Nine separate write coils write data on nine tracks.
- Nine separate read coils read data from nine tracks.

Erase Head

- A single-gap head erases old information from tape before new information is written.
- Erasure is accomplished by passing dc current through the erase head coil.
- The erase head is always active during a write operation, and never active during a read operation.

Photosense Block

- The photosense block detects the ends of tape.
- Reflective markers, at each end of tape, reflect light from a lamp to a photocell.
- The load point marker (15 feet from the beginning of tape) reflects light to the load point photocell.
- The end-of-tape marker (25 feet from the end of tape) reflects light to the tape indicate photocell.
- A tape cleaner blade within the photosense block removes particles of dust and loose oxide from the tape surface.

Vacuum Column Switches

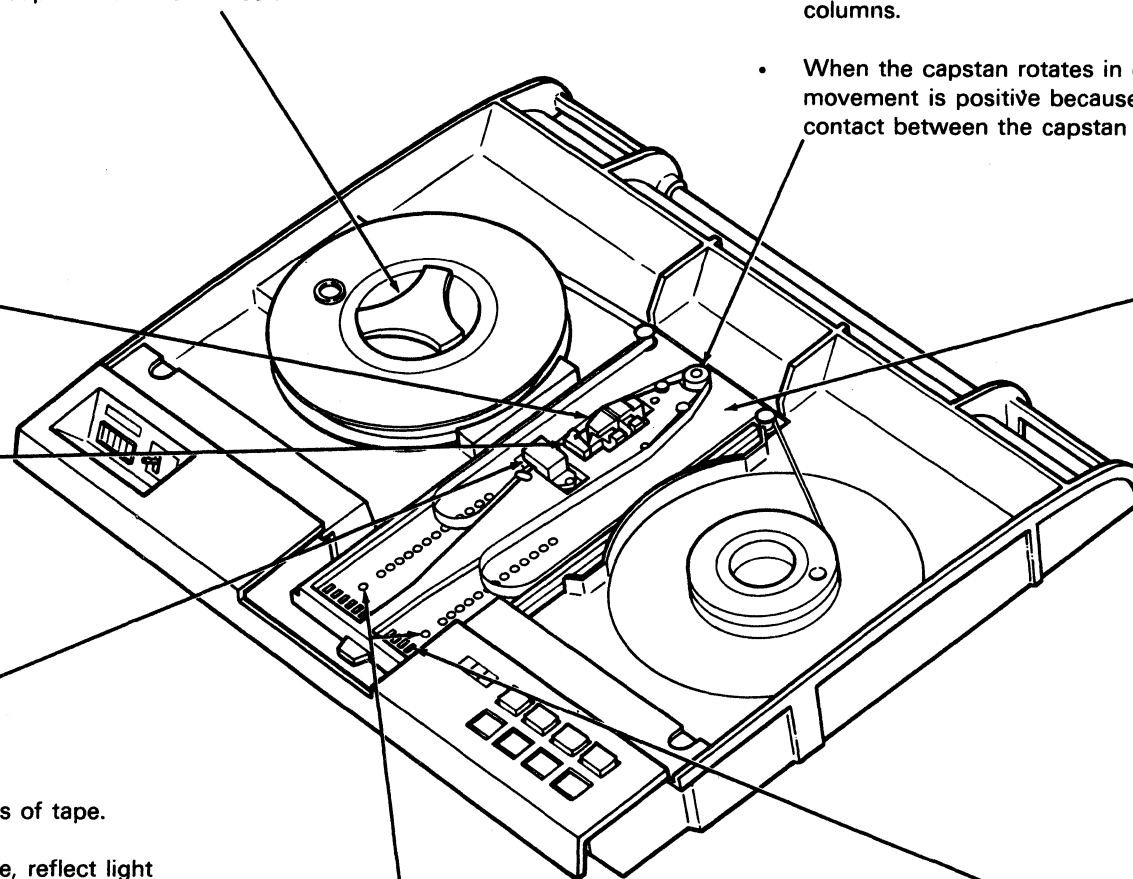
- Vacuum switches are connected to each column to indicate the presence of tape in the column.

Vacuum Columns

- Two vacuum columns are used as tape loop buffer areas.
- A vacuum is developed at the bottom of each column. This vacuum is used to:
 1. Attract tape into the vacuum columns during a load operation.
 2. Provide a gentle, uniform tension on tape in a loaded condition.
 3. Operate a tape loop position sensor located behind each vacuum column and activated through a series of small ports in the column surface.
- Tape loop buffering allows the capstan to turn intermittently without the tape reels having to turn simultaneously.

Vacuum Ports

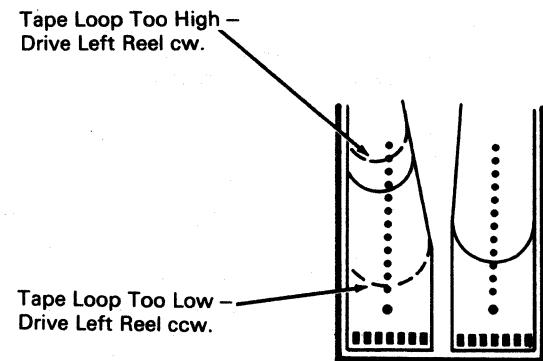
- Each vacuum column has a vacuum port through which air is exhausted from the column by a vacuum pump.
- The vacuum pump runs whenever the tape unit is loaded (tape is in the columns) or is in the process of loading.



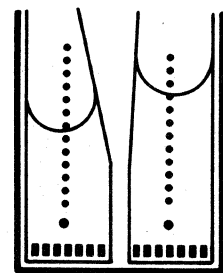
Reel Motor Control/Capacitive Sense

Tape Loop Positioning

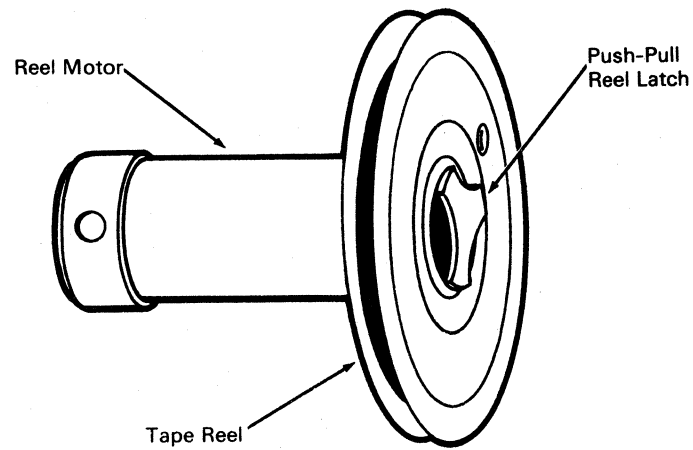
The position of the tape loop in the vacuum column is sensed through a series of small holes in the rear wall of the column. For each direction of tape movement, there is an optimum, or null, position for the tape loops within the column. When a loop drops below, or rises above this position, the corresponding reel drive circuit is activated. The power applied to the motor is in proportion to the distance of the tape loop from its null position.



Null Position of Tape Loops in Forward Status



Null Position of Tape Loops in Backward Status



Reel Motor

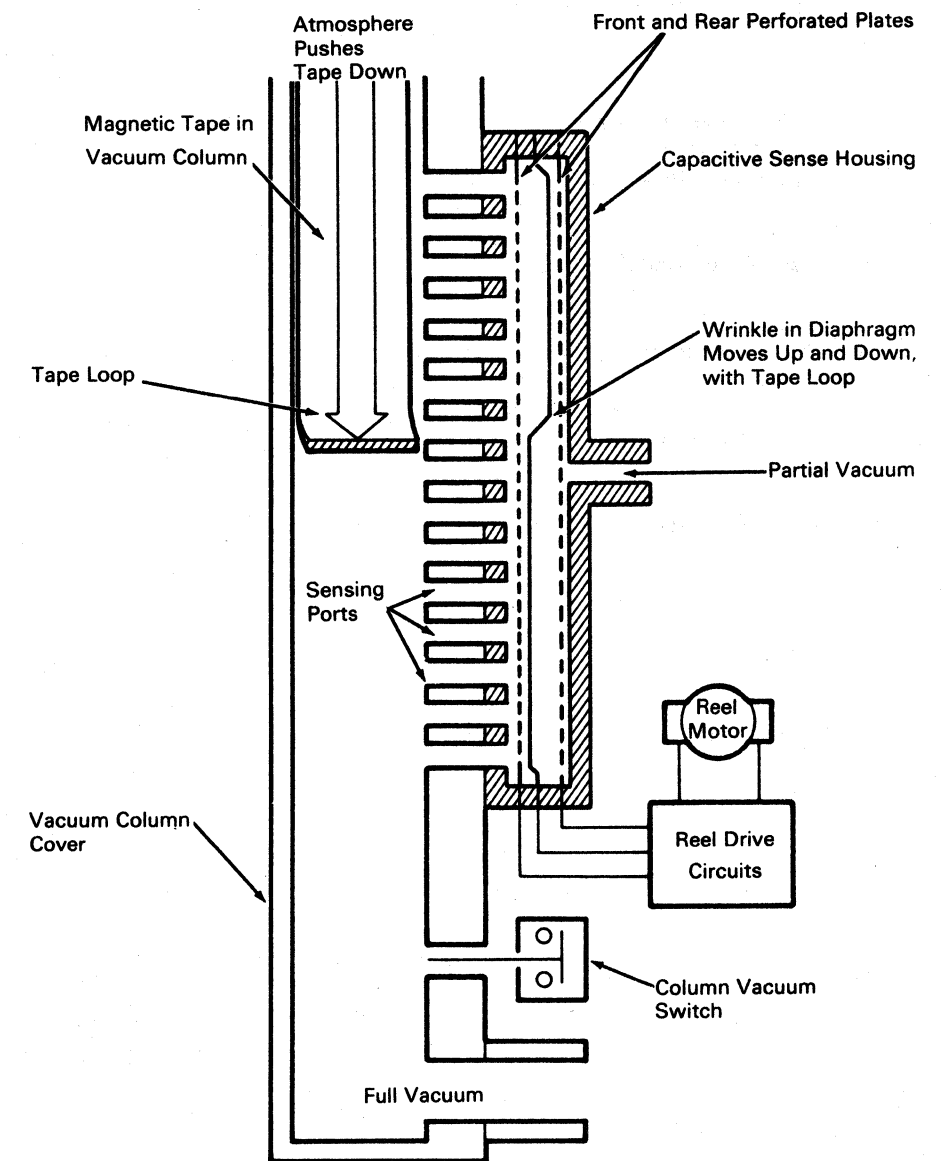
Separate reversible dc motors drive each tape reel. When tape is moved by the capstan, the reel motors rotate the reels to feed and take up tape; but they allow enough slack to maintain a sensing loop in each vacuum column.

Reel drive circuits control the speed and direction of the reel motors. These circuits respond to the position of the tape loop in the vacuum column and drive the reel motor either clockwise or counterclockwise to properly locate the tape loop.

Capacitive Sense

A capacitive sense unit, attached to the back of each vacuum column, senses the position of the tape loop in the column and supplies this information to the reel drive circuits.

Atmospheric pressure above and vacuum below the tape loop are sensed through the small holes (sensing ports) in the rear wall of the column. The sensing ports allow vacuum to act upon a long, flexible diaphragm which is part of a capacitor whose capacitance varies as the diaphragm is shifted. For any position of the tape loop, this capacitance modulates an oscillator signal applied to the center plate. The modulated signal forms the input to the reel drive circuits, where a change in capacitance, caused by tape loop movement, is detected.

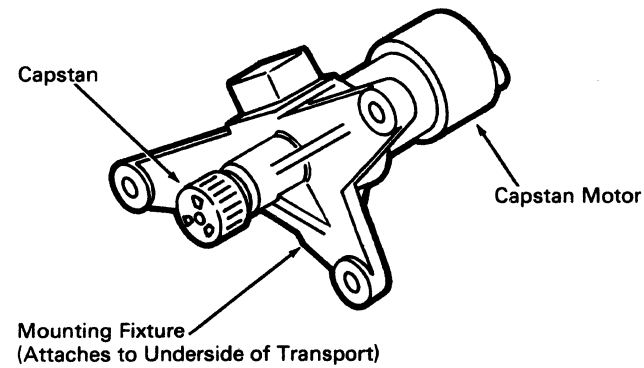


Capstan/Capstan Control

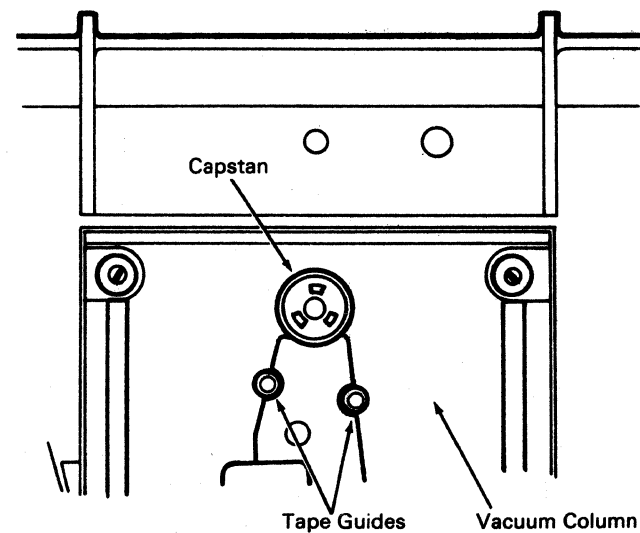
Capstan

A single tape drive capstan moves tape forward and backward. The capstan is driven by a reversible dc motor designed with high torque and low inertia characteristics for quick starts and stops.

The capstan is coated with a thin layer of rubber. Grooves are cut in the rubber coating for maximum traction on the tape surface.



In a loaded condition, the tape is held firmly against the capstan surface by the pull of vacuum on the tape loops in the vacuum columns. This tension is equal on both sides of the capstan and is constant regardless of tape loop fluctuations. This results in minimum load to the capstan motor when initially accelerating in either direction.



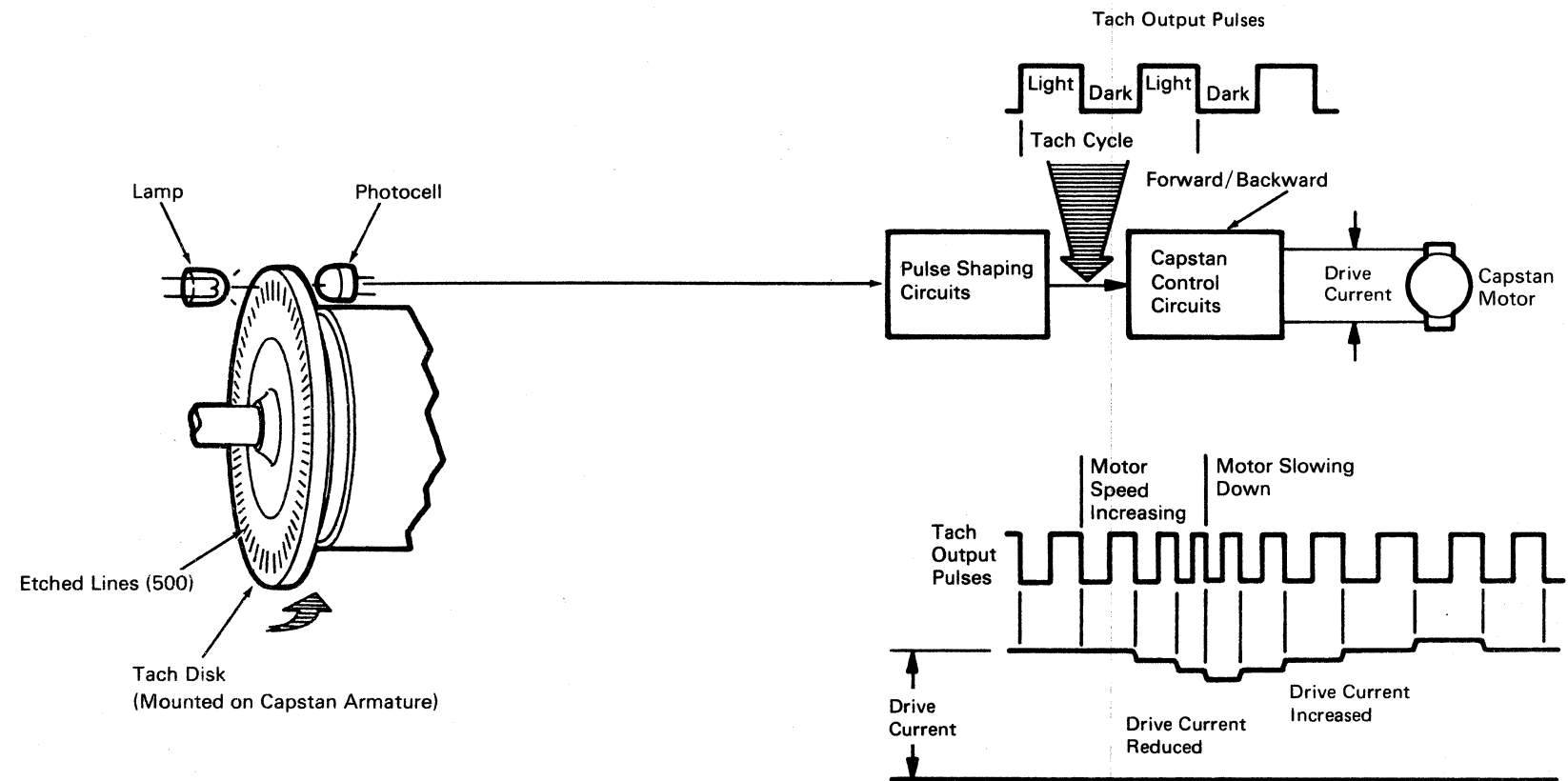
Capstan Control

The capstan rotates when the tape control instructs the tape unit to move tape. The direction the capstan is to turn (forward/backward) also comes from the tape control. A capstan speed feedback system governs the speed at which tape is moved. A tachometer (tach) disk is attached to the capstan motor armature. As the disk turns, a beam of light from a lamp to a photocell is interrupted by a mask of darkened lines in the disk. Since these lines are equally spaced around the disk, the photocell output represents capstan speed. During tape movement, the frequency of tachometer output pulses is measured and used by the capstan control circuits to regulate capstan speed.

The capstan control circuits supply drive current to the capstan motor. The control circuits vary the current level

to maintain correct capstan speed. To provide the proper current to the motor, the control circuits measure the duration of each tach cycle. If a tach cycle is long (motor running slow), the drive current is increased during the next tach cycle, causing the motor to speed up. If the tach cycle is short (motor running fast), the drive current is reduced to cause the motor to slow down. This process is repeated each tach cycle during capstan operation, with the drive current being shifted when required to maintain accurate capstan speed.

During rewind, the control circuits apply a dc current to the motor to cause continuous high speed rotation. At the beginning and end of a rewind, this current is applied and removed slowly. This allows the reel motors time to respond to the changing rate of tape movement.



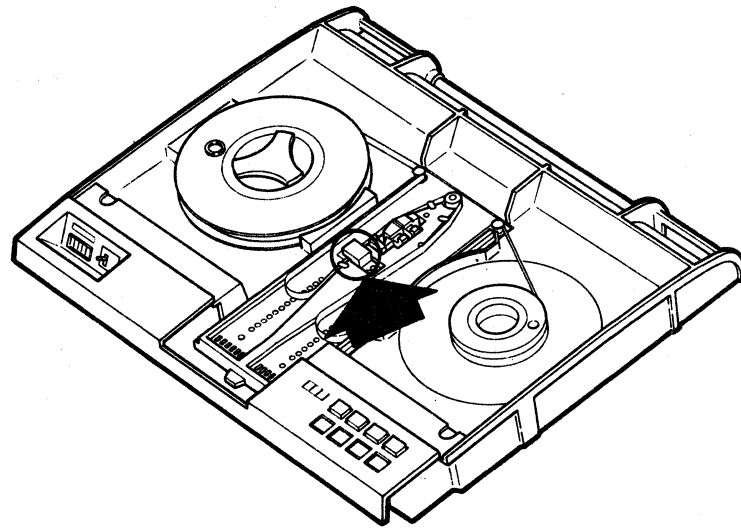
Photosensing/Tape Cleaner

Photosense Block

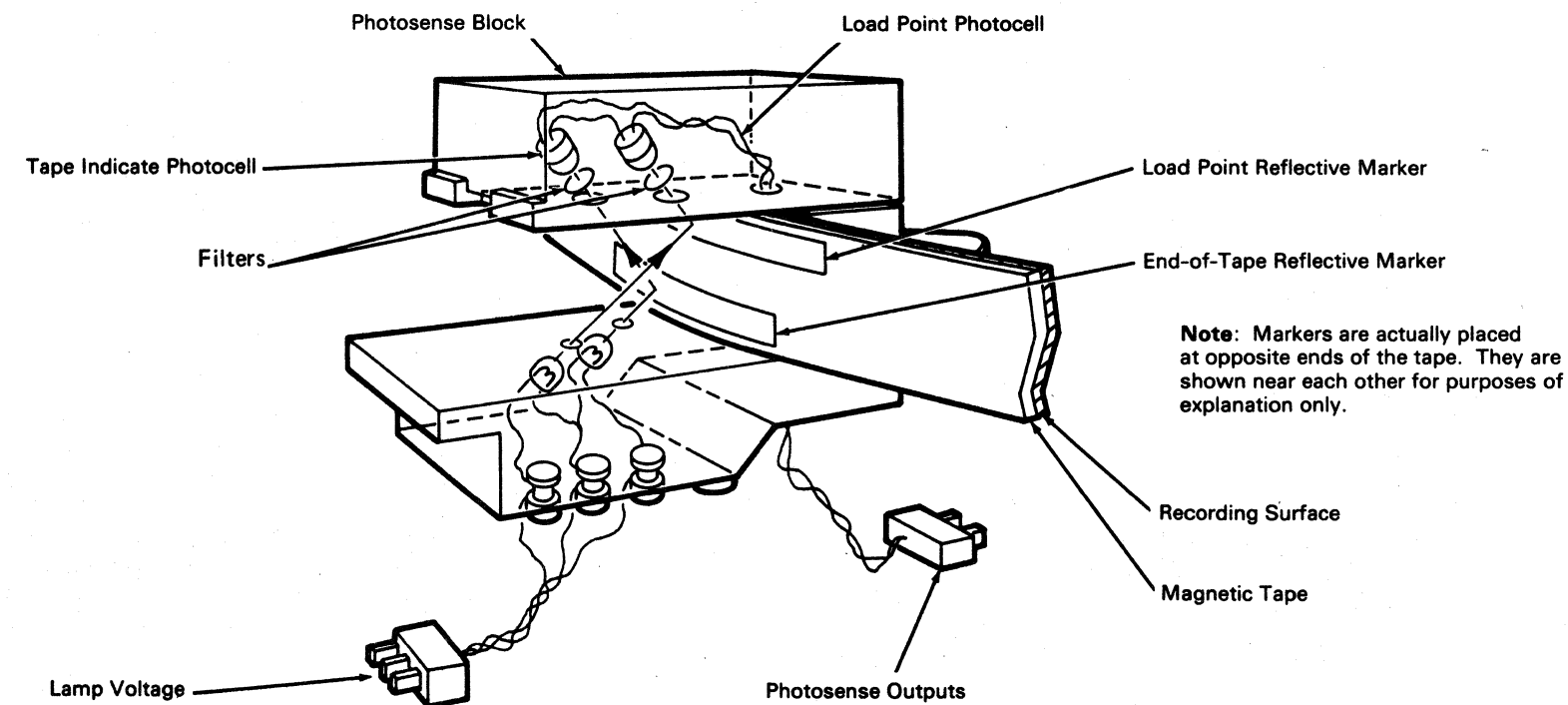
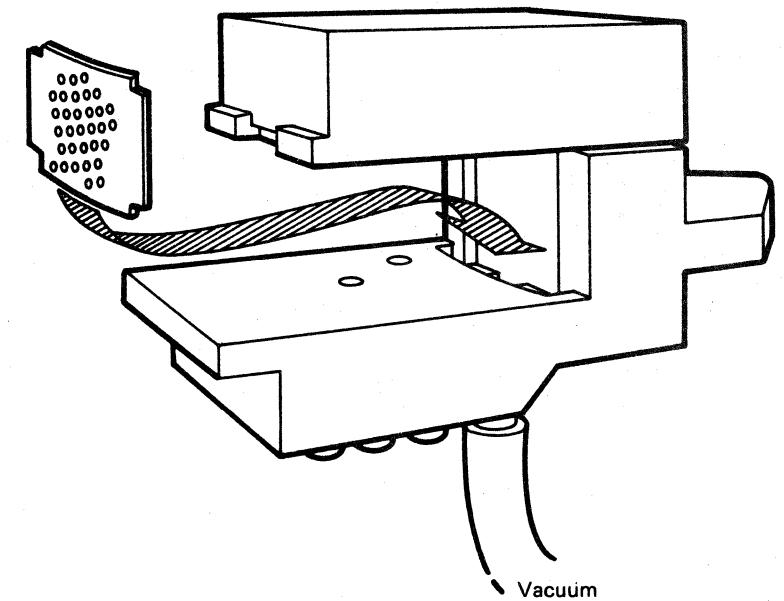
The photosense block senses the ends of tape. It is located in the left vacuum column below the read/write head.

The load point is indicated by a reflective marker (attached to the tape with adhesive) adjacent to the front edge of tape, 15 feet from the beginning of tape. When this marker passes through the photosense block, light from a lamp directed at the front edge of tape is reflected to the load point photocell. An output from the load point photocell indicates that the beginning of tape has been reached.

The end of tape is indicated by a reflective marker adjacent to the back edge of tape, 25 feet from the end of tape. When this marker passes through the photosense block, light from a lamp directed at the back edge of tape is reflected to the tape indicate photocell. An output from the tape indicate photocell indicates that the end of tape has been reached.



Photosense Block



Tape Cleaner Blade

The blade is perforated with small holes. As tape moves across the surface of the blade, the edges of these holes scrape loose oxide and other particles from the tape recording surface.

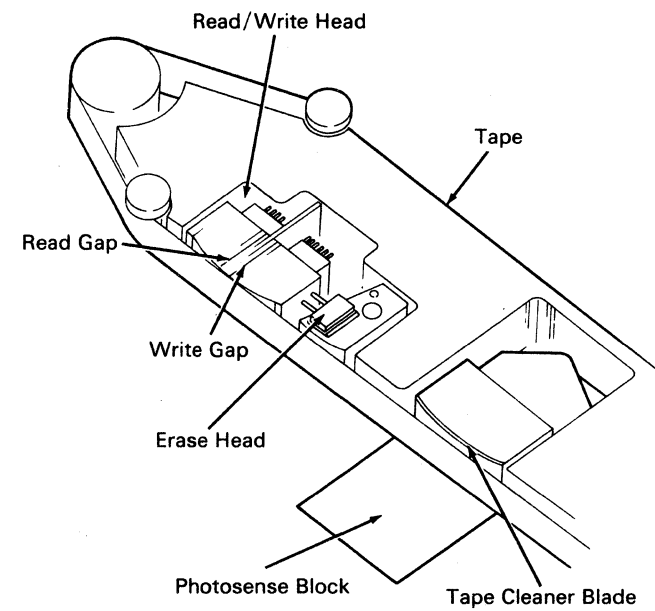
Vacuum is present behind the cleaner blade to attract the tape to the blade surface and to carry off whatever debris is removed by the blade.

Erase Head/File Protect

Erase Head

The erase head is located between the photosense block and the read/write head. During write or erase operations, dc current is passed through the windings of the erase head to erase the entire width of tape.

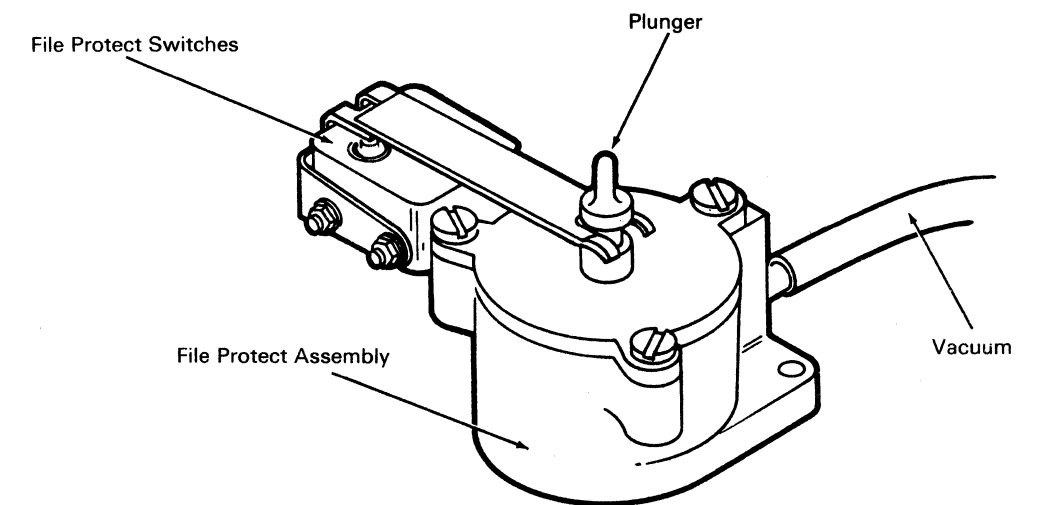
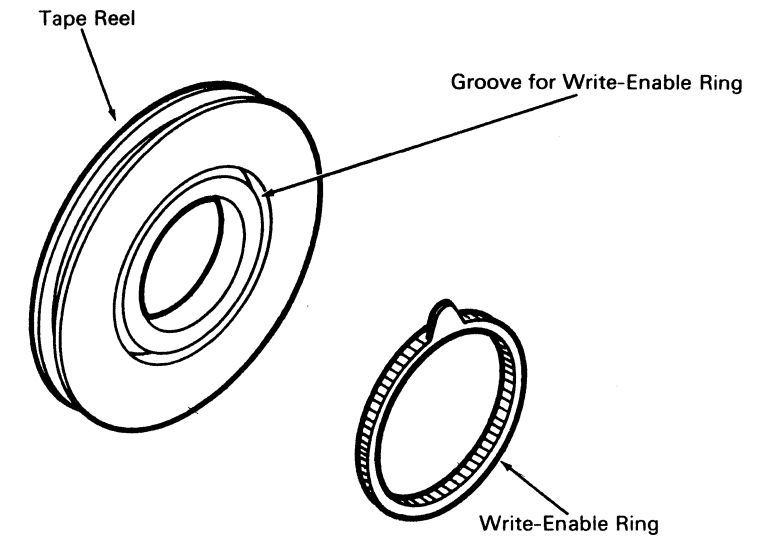
Tape passes the erase head before passing over the write gap. In a write operation, the erase head generates a magnetic field which saturates the tape to magnetic zero as it passes. New information is then written at the write gap.



File Protect Assembly

The back of all tape reels has a groove that accepts a write-enable ring. Mounting a reel with this ring installed partially displaces the file protect plunger. Partial transfer of the plunger causes vacuum to further displace and hold the plunger. As the plunger is pushed by the write-enable ring into the file protect assembly, two file protect switches are closed. Closing these switches allows the erase head and write circuits to be activated when write status is enabled. When vacuum is up, the plunger is pulled away from the write-enable ring.

When no reel is mounted, or when a reel is mounted without a write-enable ring, the file protect plunger remains extended and writing cannot take place.



Read/Write Package

The read/write package consists of a read/write head, a read/write circuit board, and an erase head.

Read/Write Head

The read/write head contains a write section and a read section. The write section is composed of nine individual write heads which record nine parallel tracks of information. Write current is supplied to the write heads by circuits on the read/write board.

The read section has nine individual read heads which sense information recorded on tape. The read heads provide low-amplitude signals to read circuits on the read/write board, which amplify the signal to a useable level.

Read/Write Board

The read/write board contains the read/write circuits. The read circuits are separate from the write circuits and each functions independently of the other. Each track in the read/write head has one set of read, and one set of write circuits.

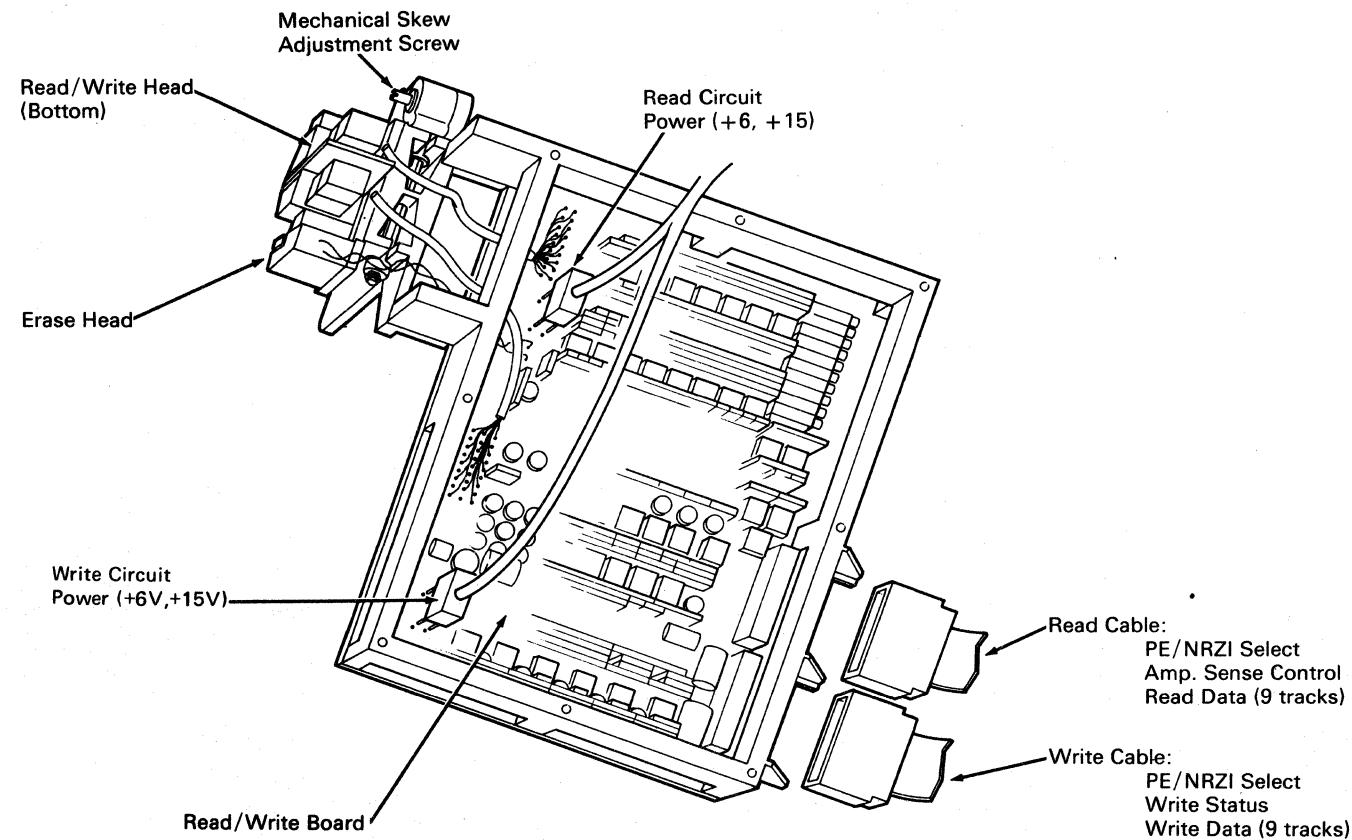
The circuits for each track are adjusted at the factory to match the characteristics of the individual read or write heads. For this reason, the read/write head and read/write board are considered one unit, and must be removed or replaced as a unit.

Erase Head

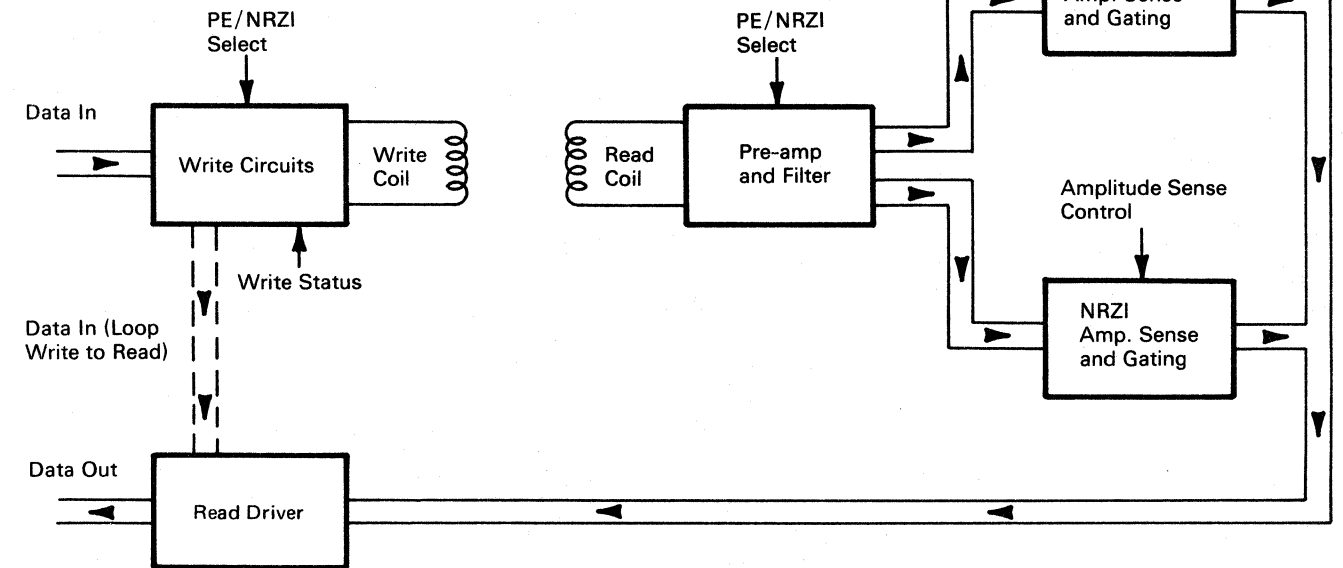
The erase head is mounted on the support bracket for the read/write head. In a write operation, tape passes the erase head, and is erased, just before passing the write head, where new information is recorded.

Read/Write Head Alignment

The read/write head must be physically aligned so that all bytes are written in a straight line, perpendicular to the edge of tape. The mechanical skew adjustment screw shifts the position of the read/write head to achieve this alignment.



Read/Write Circuits (One Track)



Read/Write Circuits

Write

Write data enters the write circuits in digital form. The write circuits, when conditioned by the write status line, convert the input data into a waveshape suitable for driving the write coils.

Recording in NRZI mode uses higher write current than recording in Phase Encoded mode. The current to the write coils is determined in the write circuits by the status of the PE/NRZI Select line.

Read

The read circuits receive input signals from the read head coils in the form of low amplitude sinusoidal pulses. The pre-amp and filter circuit removes unwanted noise and amplifies the read signal. The signal is passed to an amplitude sense and gating stage where the amplitude of the read signal is sensed. Only signals of a predetermined amplitude are gated beyond this stage. The gated signal is again amplified, converted to square wave form, and passed to the read drivers. These drivers send data over the read cable to the tape unit logic board for PE and to the deskew board for NRZI.

The read signal produced in reading NRZI data is of a higher amplitude and at a different frequency than that

produced reading Phase Encoded data. For this reason, separate amplitude sense and gating circuits are used for the two modes. The read signal is routed to the proper circuit by the PE/NRZI Select line at the pre-amp and filter circuit.

Amplitude Sense Control

The amplitude threshold used to gate the read signal is controlled by the tape control. Amplitude sense control signals enter the read circuits over the read cable, and are used to set the threshold to one of several levels.

During a write operation, the threshold is always at a higher level than during a read operation. This causes the readback check (reading freshly written data during a write operation for validity checking) to be more stringent, resulting in confidence that the written data may be read at a later date.

Loop Write-to-Read (LWR)

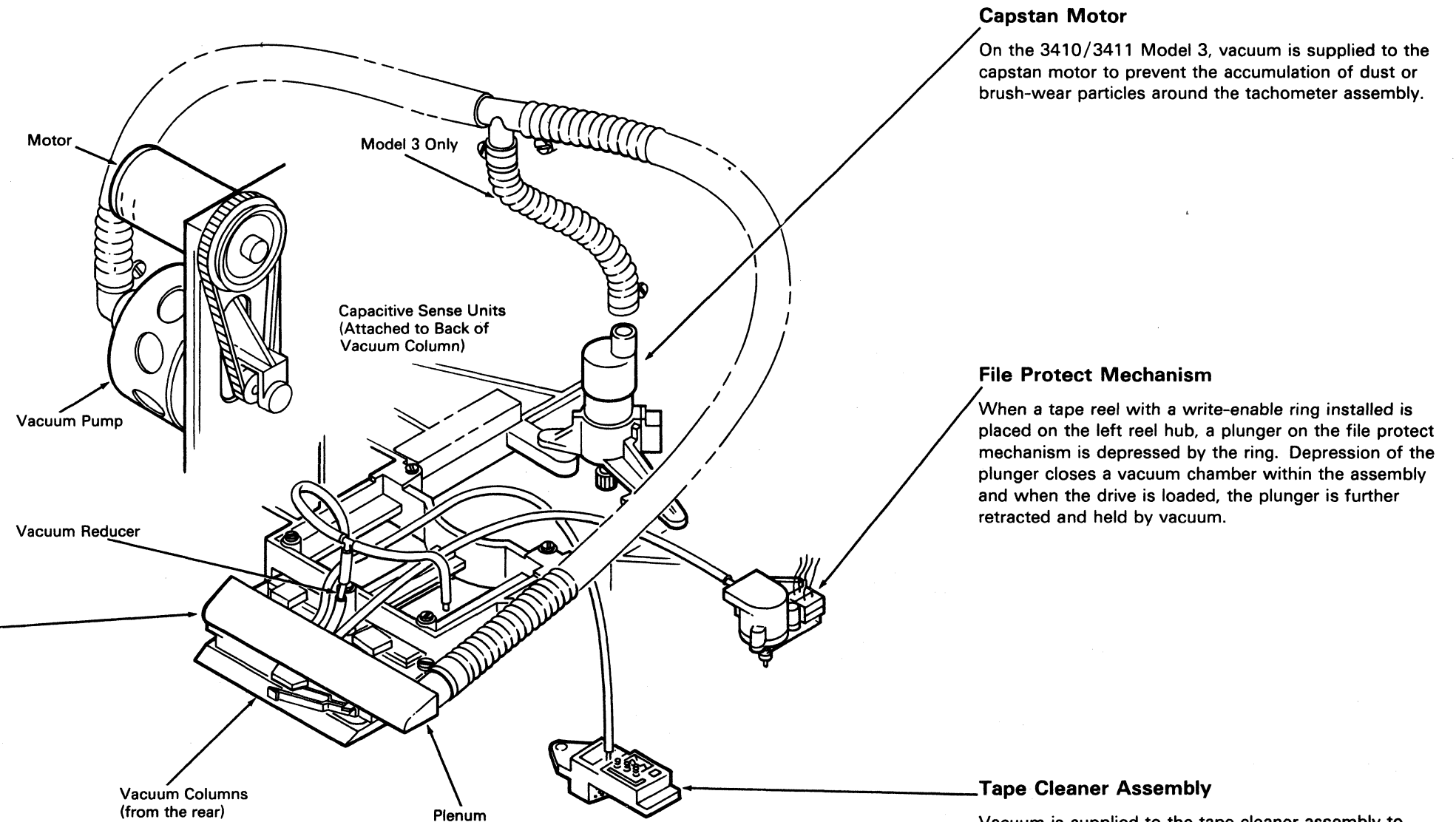
To assist in isolating read or write failures in the field, the LWR function is provided. LWR is under diagnostic program control and causes write data to be looped through the read drivers and returned to the system through the normal read process. A LWR operation simulates a normal write (with readback check) without actually recording information on tape by bypassing the bulk of the read/write circuits.

Vacuum System

Vacuum Pump And Motor

The vacuum pump consists of a centrifugal blower which is belt-driven by a motor. Air is drawn into the center of the blower and exhausted.

The vacuum pump supplies vacuum whenever the drive motor is running. The motor operates on 208 volts ac (single phase) and is energized whenever the tape unit is loaded or is in the process of loading. The motor is turned off at the beginning of the unload operation.



Capstan Motor

On the 3410/3411 Model 3, vacuum is supplied to the capstan motor to prevent the accumulation of dust or brush-wear particles around the tachometer assembly.

File Protect Mechanism

When a tape reel with a write-enable ring installed is placed on the left reel hub, a plunger on the file protect mechanism is depressed by the ring. Depression of the plunger closes a vacuum chamber within the assembly and when the drive is loaded, the plunger is further retracted and held by vacuum.

Vacuum Columns And Capacitive Sense

Vacuum is supplied to the vacuum columns and capacitive sense units through a plenum located at the bottom rear of the vacuum columns. During operation, when rapid tape motion occurs in the vacuum column, the plenum reduces fluctuation of the vacuum level within the columns.

A vacuum reducer is installed between the plenum and capacitive sense assemblies so that only partial vacuum is supplied to these units.

Tape Cleaner Assembly

Vacuum is supplied to the tape cleaner assembly to attract the tape to the cleaner blade surface and to exhaust debris as it is removed from tape.

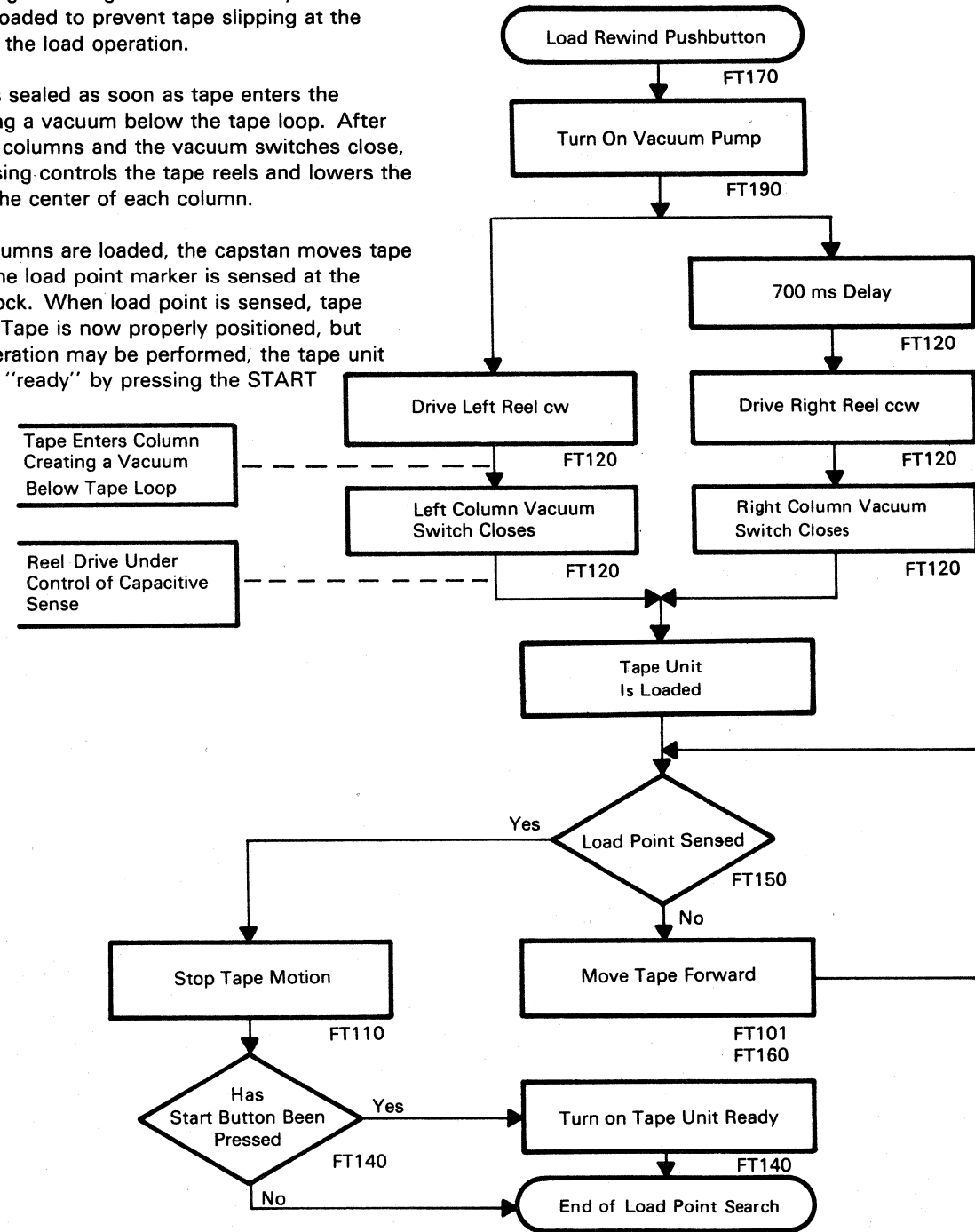
Load/Unload Operation

Load Operation

After you thread tape over the top of the vacuum columns, press the LOAD REWIND pushbutton and the vacuum pump starts. The left reel lowers tape into the left column, then the right reel lowers tape into the right column. Loading of the right column is delayed until the left column is loaded to prevent tape slipping at the capstan during the load operation.

Each column is sealed as soon as tape enters the column, creating a vacuum below the tape loop. After tape is in both columns and the vacuum switches close, capacitive sensing controls the tape reels and lowers the tape loops to the center of each column.

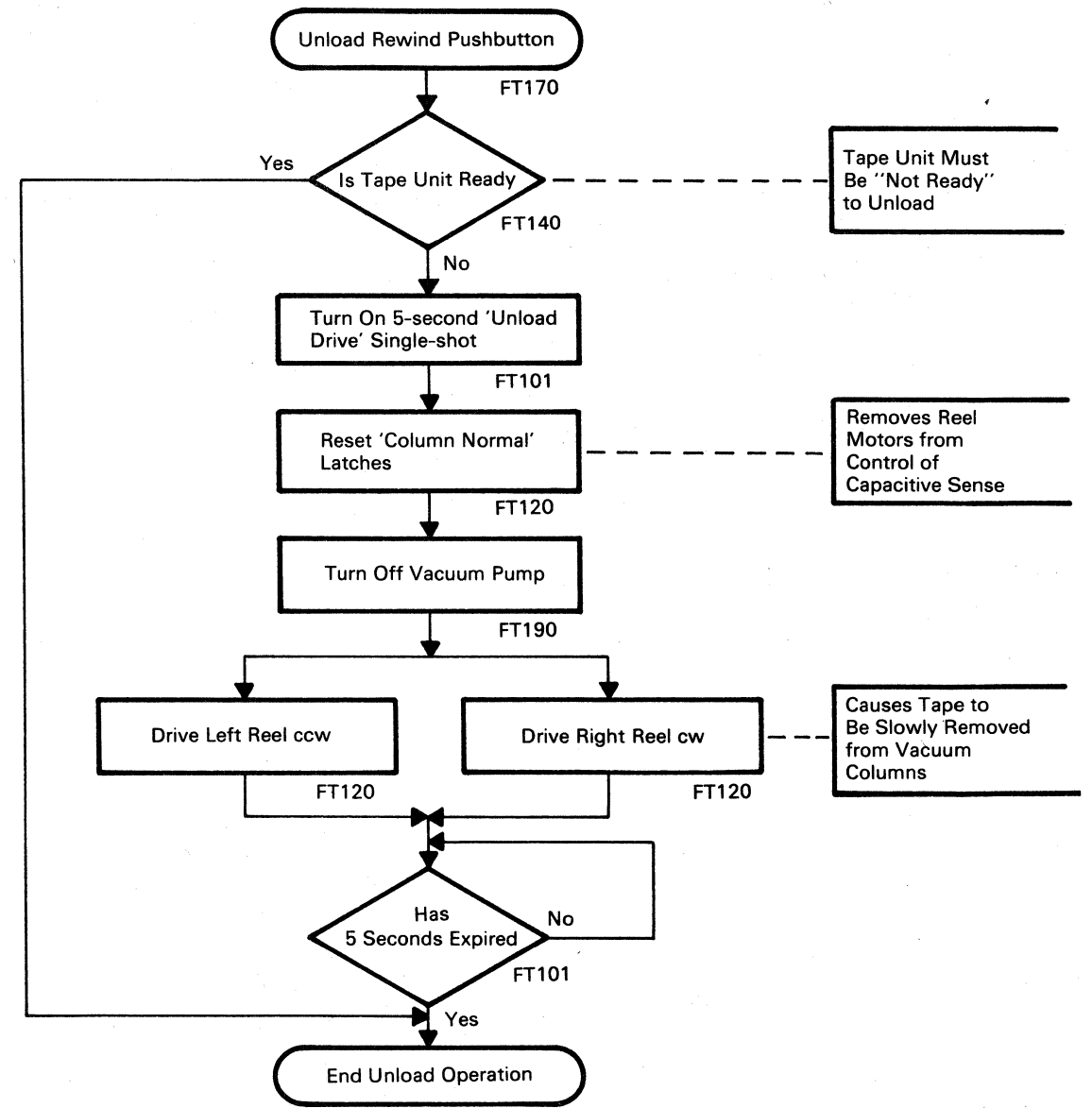
When both columns are loaded, the capstan moves tape forward until the load point marker is sensed at the photosense block. When load point is sensed, tape motion stops. Tape is now properly positioned, but before any operation may be performed, the tape unit must be made "ready" by pressing the START pushbutton.



Unload Operation

Press the RESET pushbutton to make the tape unit "not ready." Then press the UNLOAD/REWIND pushbutton, firing the 5-second Unload Drive single-shot. During the time-out of this single-shot, the Column A Normal and Column B Normal latches are reset, which disconnects the reel drive circuits from capacitive sense control. The vacuum pump turns off and the reels rotate slowly to remove tape from the vacuum columns.

After five seconds, the Unload Drive single-shot times out, drive voltage to the reel motors drops, and the unload operation is complete.



Rewind/Rewind Unload

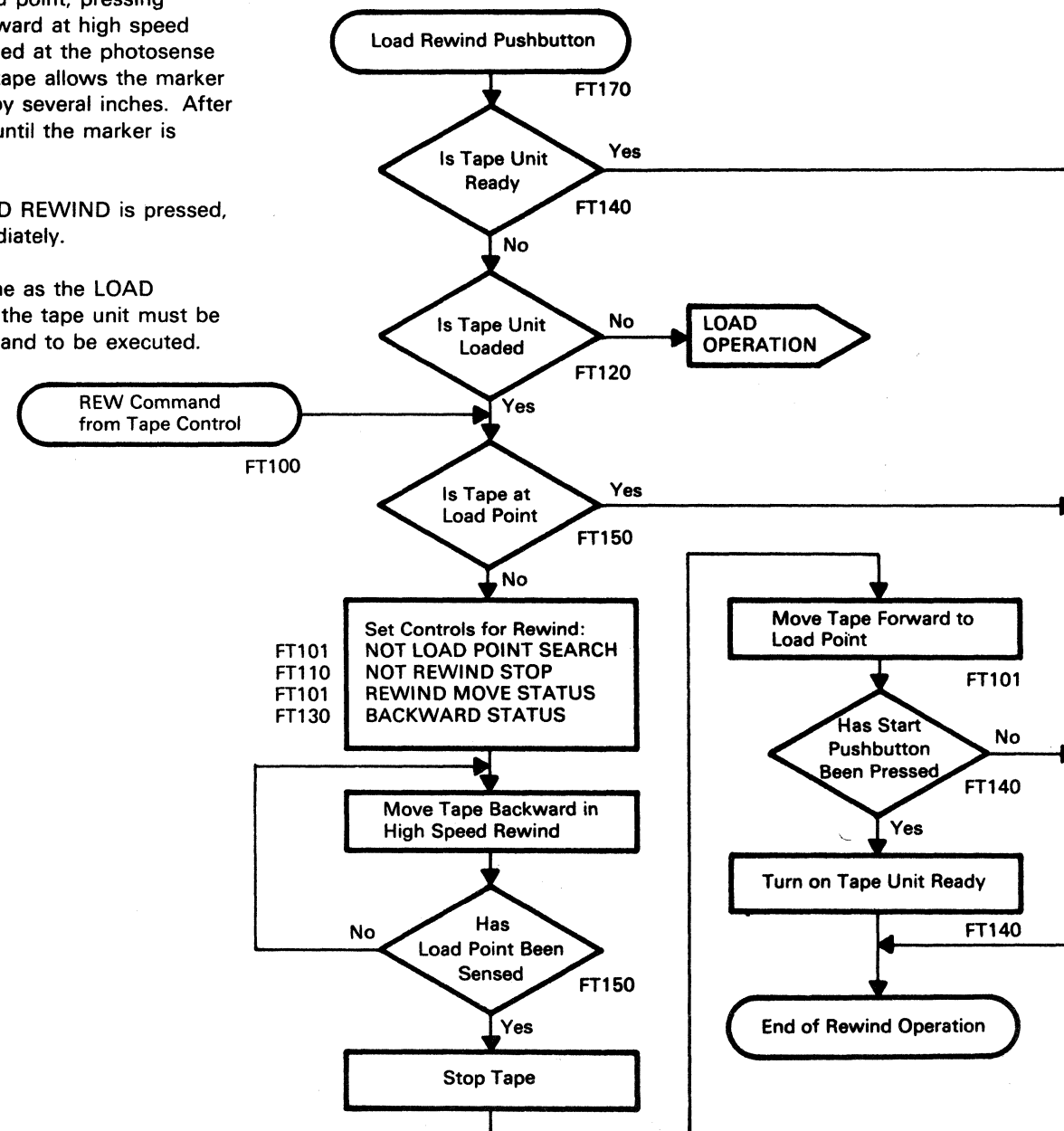
Rewind Operation

The LOAD REWIND pushbutton, or a Rewind (REW) command from the tape control, initiates a rewind operation. The LOAD REWIND pushbutton is active only when the tape unit is "not ready."

If the tape unit is not loaded when LOAD REWIND is pressed, a normal load operation will result, ending with tape properly positioned at load point. If the tape unit is loaded and tape is away from load point, pressing LOAD REWIND moves tape backward at high speed until the load point marker is sensed at the photosense block. The time required to stop tape allows the marker to overrun the photosense block by several inches. After stopping, tape is moved forward until the marker is again sensed.

If tape is at load point when LOAD REWIND is pressed, the operation will terminate immediately.

The REW command does the same as the LOAD REWIND pushbutton, except that the tape unit must be loaded and "ready" for the command to be executed.



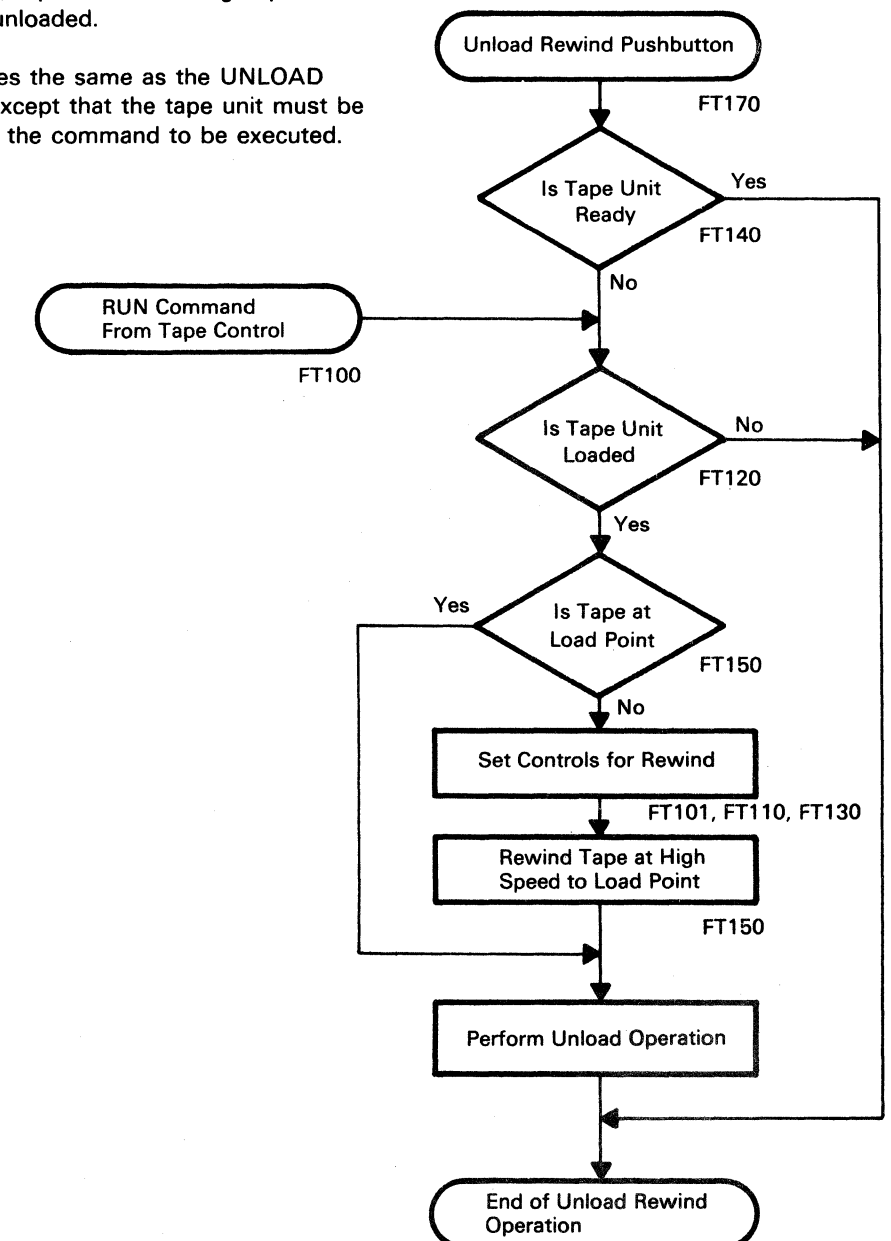
Rewind Unload Operation

The UNLOAD REWIND pushbutton, or a Rewind Unload (RUN) command from the tape control, initiates a rewind unload operation. The UNLOAD REWIND pushbutton is active only when the tape unit is "not ready."

If tape is at load point when UNLOAD REWIND is pressed, a normal unload operation results.

If away from load point, tape rewinds at high speed to load point and is then unloaded.

The RUN command does the same as the UNLOAD REWIND pushbutton, except that the tape unit must be loaded and "ready" for the command to be executed.



Tape Unit Sense

Tape unit status is sampled periodically by the tape control. Each tape unit provides this information in three sense bytes. These are tape unit sense bytes 0, 1, and 2, which are requested one at a time by the tape control. Each byte is sent from the tape unit on the TAPE UNIT BUS IN lines.

The tape control places the tape unit sense information into the subsystem sense data format, to be sent to the host system following a Sense instruction.

Included with normal status information in the tape unit sense data, are indicators of any abnormal condition which is internally detected in the tape unit.

CROSS-REFERENCE OF TAPE UNIT SENSE BYTES AND CORRESPONDING SUBSYSTEM SENSE BYTES

Tape Unit Sense Byte	Subsystem Sense Byte System/3	Subsystem Sense Byte System/360/370
0	2	*
1	4	6
2	6	7

* Because of programming requirements of System/360/370, information contained in Tape Unit Sense Byte 0 is spread over several subsystem sense bytes.

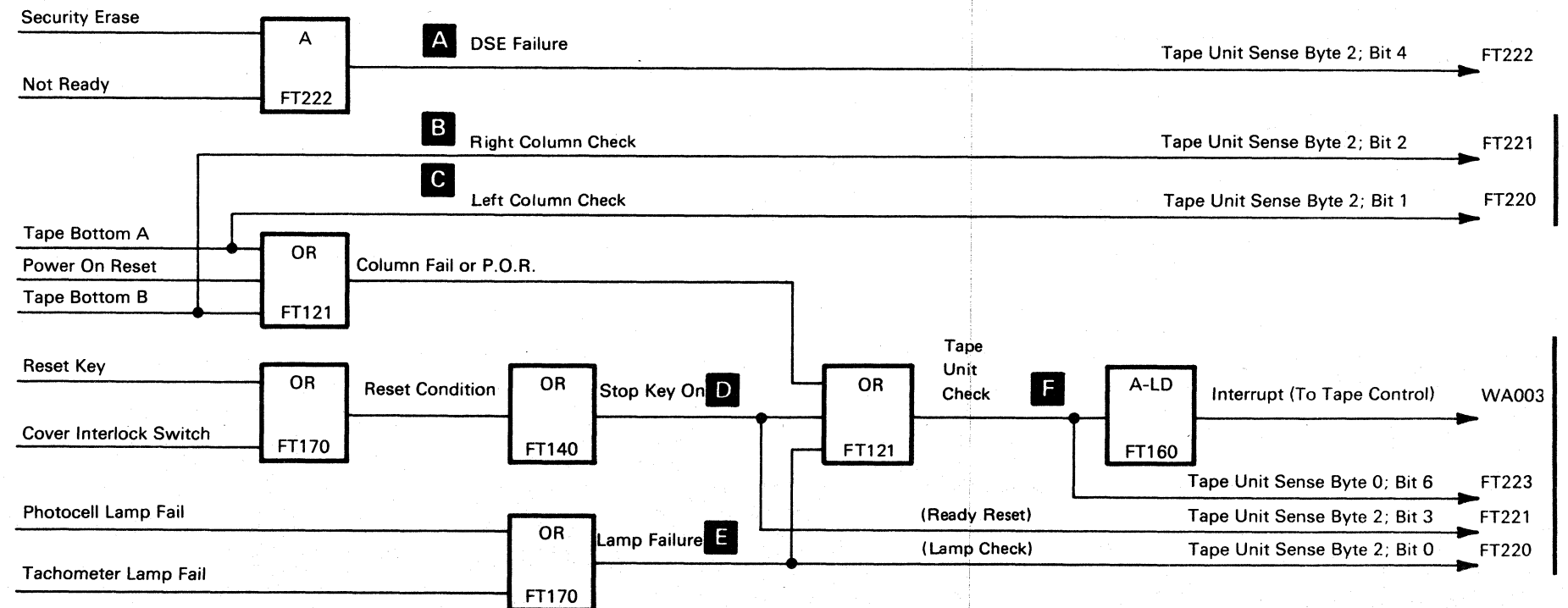
CROSS-REFERENCE OF TAPE UNIT SENSE BYTE 0 AND CORRESPONDING SUBSYSTEM SENSE DATA (360/370)

Tape Unit Sense Byte 0	Bit 0	Bit 1	Bit 2	Bit 3	Bit 4	Bit 5	Bit 6	Bit 7
Corresponding Location in Subsystem Sense/Data (System/360/370)	Byte 3 Bit 6	Byte 1 Bit 6 *	Byte 4 Bit 2	Byte 1 Bit 4	Byte 1 Bit 5	Byte 1 Bits 1 and 2	Byte 4 Bit 6	Byte 1 Bits 1 and 2

* Inverted from NOT FILE PROTECTED in tape unit sense data to FILE PROTECTED in 360/370 subsystem sense data.

TAPE UNIT ABNORMAL CONDITIONS

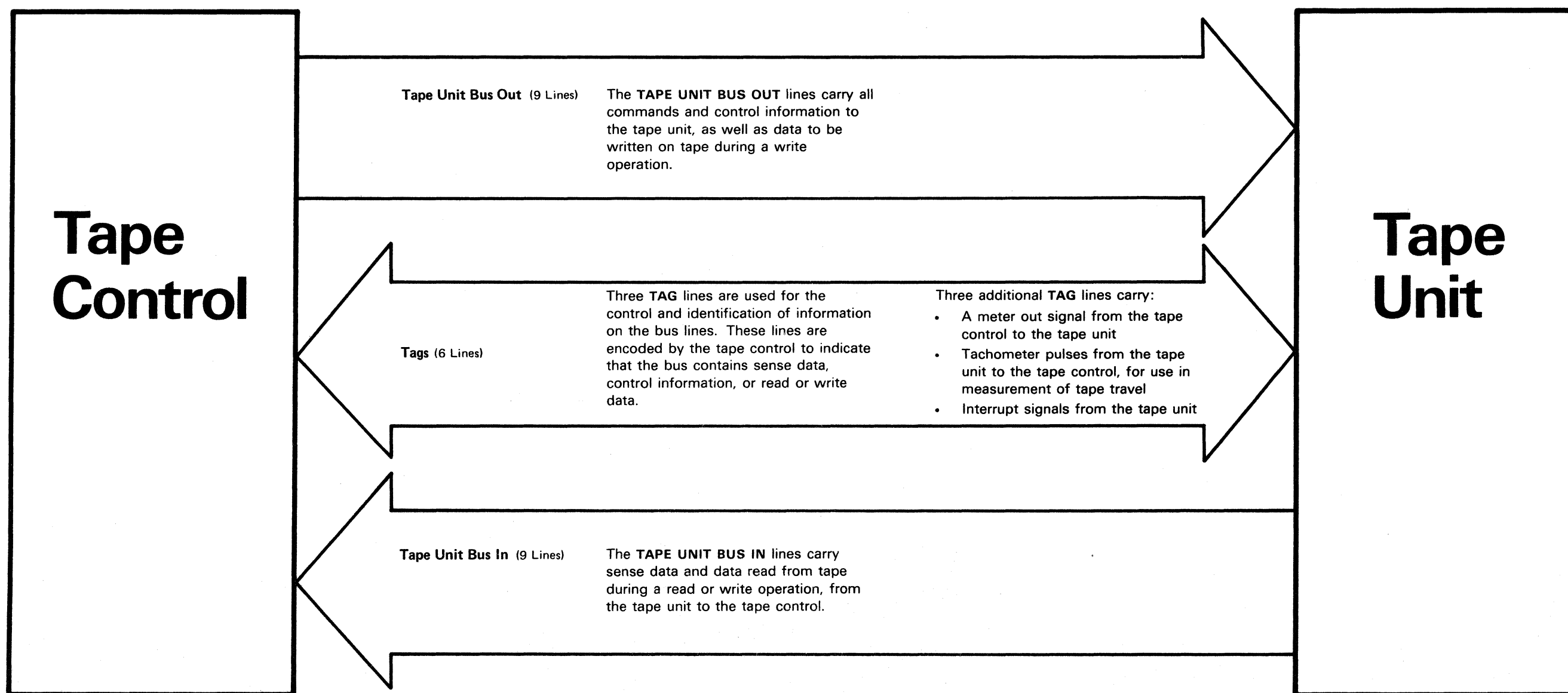
Symptom	Location in Tape Unit Sense Data	Cause
A DSE Failure	Sense Byte 2, Bit 4	The selected tape unit is not ready while attempting a Data Security Erase operation.
B Right Column Check	Sense Byte 2, Bit 2	Loss of vacuum in the right vacuum column (column B) has been sensed. The tape loop has bottomed in the right column, allowing the column vacuum switch to open.
C Left Column Check	Sense Byte 2, Bit 1	Loss of vacuum in the left vacuum column (column A) has been sensed. The tape loop has bottomed in the left column, allowing the column vacuum switch to open.
D Stop Key On	Sense Byte 2, Bit 3	Either the Reset key has been pressed, or the cover interlock switch has opened.
E Lamp Check	Sense Byte 2, Bit 0	The filament of the EOT, the BOT, or the tachometer lamp is open.
F Tape Unit Check	Sense Byte 0, Bit 6	Set when: 1. Tape has bottomed in either vacuum column. 2. A load failure occurs. 3. Power on reset is received. 4. The Reset key is pressed. 5. The cover interlock switch is opened. 6. A photosensing lamp is open.



Tape Control/Tape Unit Interface

The tape control/tape unit interface is the communication link between the tape control and the various tape units attached. Twenty-four signal lines are provided for this communication. Nine **TAPE UNIT BUS OUT** lines carry information from tape control to tape unit. Nine **TAPE UNIT BUS IN** lines carry information from tape unit to tape control. Both sets of bus lines include a parity line to allow validity checking of the information transmitted over the interface.

The interface is multiplexed, meaning that a set of bus lines is used to carry several types of information. Three **TAG** lines are encoded by the tape control to identify the type of information on the bus lines. Three other tag lines carry specific information such as clock and tachometer signals.





Tape Control

Introduction

The tape control operates under control of the microprogram. A command from the system initiates a tape operation, and the microprogram controls the sequence of events until the operation is completed.

The tape control functional units discussed in this section are directly controlled by the microprogram, except the clock and ROS.

Clock

The clock provides basic timing for the tape control and synchronizes the hardware circuits with the microprogram. It consists of eight stages of PH circuits, driven by a free-running, 20.48 MHz oscillator. The basic pulse duration of the oscillator is 25 nanoseconds. The eight stages of the clock feed AND-OR combinations to generate the necessary pulses for either a 150 nanosecond (short) or 200 nanosecond (long) instruction cycle. A cycle is the amount of time needed to execute one microprogram instruction.

Instruction Counter (IC)

The IC contains an address which selects the proper instruction (ROS word) to control operation during one cycle. The address is updated each instruction cycle. Normally, the look-ahead circuit increments the address by one each cycle, but three microprogram instructions can replace a part or all of the address with a new value. This gives the microprogram control over IC, and its own sequence of operation.

Read Only Storage (ROS)

The ROS unit contains the permanently stored microprogram which controls tape control operation. The storage locations (ROS words) in ROS are 16 bits long. Any one of the locations can be selected and the contents put in the ROS Register where they remain for one instruction cycle. The ROS Register distributes the ROS word to the control and data flow circuits. At the end of the cycle a new ROS word replaces the current one, to execute the next instruction in the sequence.

Local Storage Registers (LSR)

During each cycle, if directed by the microprogram, data can be written into or read out of LSR. During logical operations, Field 1 of the ROS word and a Hi/Lo Select latch are used to address one of 32 storage locations. During Store and Transfer operations, bit 3 and Field 1 address one of 32 locations.

The D Bus is the LSR input bus. It may contain output data from the ALU, read data from the tape unit, or input data from the ABO. When directed by the instruction, the data on the D Bus is stored in the LSR location addressed by Field 1 of the ROS word.

The B Bus is the LSR output bus. When the ROS word requires data from an LSR, the contents of the location addressed by Field 1 of the ROS word are placed on the B Bus. From the B Bus, the data is gated to the system, to the

tape unit, into the A Register, or is used as an input to ALU. The ROS word selects the destination.

Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU)

The purpose of ALU is to arithmetically combine the A Bus and the B Bus inputs by using one of the logical instructions: ADD, AND, ORI, or XO. The ROS word selects the operation and addresses an LSR. The LSR is transferred to the B Bus. The A Bus contains the constant in Field 2 of the ROS word, ORed with data contained in the A Register. Any data contained in the A Register was transferred in during a previous instruction.

The output of ALU goes to the D Register and is stored in an LSR if instructed by the ROS word.

Transfer Decode

The tape control moves data or changes the status of certain hardware by a Transfer instruction. The Transfer-Decode circuits receive Field 2 of the Transfer instruction to determine which of 24 transfer operations to execute.

Branch Test

The tape control tests one of 31 different conditions (hardware status) when it encounters a Branch on Condition instruction.

The Branch-Test circuits decode bits 3-7 of the instruction to determine which of the 31 conditions to test for.

Skew Buffers (SKB)

The Skew Buffers receive the data from tape and pass it on to the D Register to be stored in LSR by the microprogram.

Examples of Operations (See Tape Control Data Flow Diagram)

All the functional units work together, under control of the microprogram to execute an operation. Some microprogram instructions cause operations within the tape control while others cause the transfer of data or control information to the system or tape unit.

Add

An example of an operation within the tape control is an ADD instruction. Bits 0-3 contain the Op code, bits 4-7 contain the address of the LSR, and bits 8-15 contain the constant to be added.

1. The LSR addressed in bits 4-7 is transferred to the B Bus.
2. The constant (ROS 8-15) is ORed with the contents of the A Register and placed on the A Bus (the A Register contains zeros unless it was loaded by a XFR instruction since the last logical operation).
3. The ALU arithmetically adds the A Bus and B Bus.

4. The sum is transferred to the D Register where it remains until the next logical, Transfer to LSR, or store operation.
5. If the instruction is not a modified ADD (bit 3 is off) the sum of the inputs is written into the LSR addressed by ROS word 4-7. If the ADD is modified (bit 3 is on), the sum is not written in LSR, but remains in the D Register and on the D Bus.

Transfer (XFR)

An example of an instruction which transfers data from subsystem to system is a XFR to Attachment Bus In (ABI). The ROS word contains a XFR op code in bits 0-2, the LSR address in bits 3-7, and the transfer code which designates the ABI in bits 8-15.

1. The LSR addressed by bits 3-7 is read onto the B Bus.
2. The B Bus is gated to the ABI.

Data on the ABI is transferred through the attachment to the system.

There is one XFR instruction, but 24 different transfer codes that can be used in bits 8-15. See the microprogram listing for a complete list of the transfer codes.

Read Data Flow

The system sends a read command. The tape control checks the status of the selected tape unit and starts it moving tape if status is good. If the tape unit is starting from load point, the tape control determines the format of the tape (PE or NRZI). PE format is indicated by a burst of P bits 4.5 inches long; NRZI by a 3 inch erased gap. The tape control sets the tape unit to the proper mode to read the tape.

The tape control checks for the first **DATA READY** indication. On a PE tape this comes after the forty all-zero bytes. On a NRZI tape the first **DATA READY** comes when the first byte is read. The microprogram transfers the byte from the Skew Buffer through the D Register to an LSR. As data ready occurs for each data byte read, the parity of the byte is checked on the D Bus before it is stored in an LSR.

Normal **SERVICE IN**, **SERVICE OUT** sequences accompany the transfer of each byte to the system. A XFR to ABI and a **SERVICE IN** send the byte to the attachment. A **SERVICE OUT** indicates the system accepted the byte.

End of Data

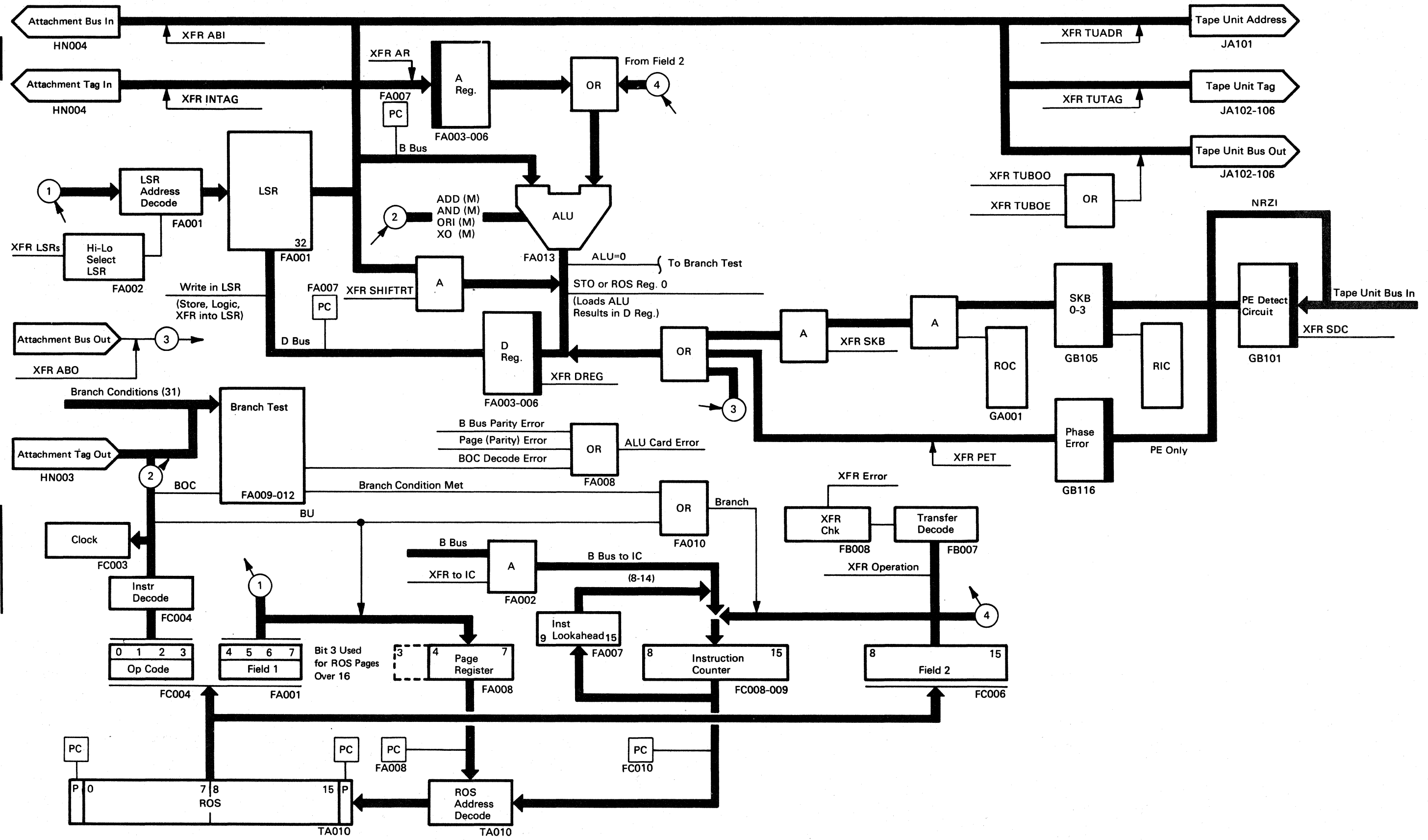
In PE mode the tape control decodes **END OF DATA** when the tape unit reads an all-ones byte followed by two all-zero bytes.

In NRZI mode the Inter-Block Gap (IBG) signals the end of the data block.

When no more data is to be read the tape control stops the tape unit and sends status to the system.

Tape Control 2

Tape Control Data Flow



Error Checking

The internal operations of the tape control are monitored by error checking circuits (hardware) and the microprogram. When an error is detected, by hardware or microprogram, a bit is set in the Hardware Error Byte. Tape Control places the error byte on the ATTACHMENT BUS IN. The system must then execute a Sense instruction to fetch the error byte. The byte is then analyzed for diagnostic and error recovery purposes. The error byte remains on the interface until reset by the system.

Bit 7 of the Hardware Error Byte is used to distinguish between hardware detected and microprogram detected errors. If bit 7 is a zero, the error was hardware detected. If bit 7 is a one, the error was microprogram detected.

Hardware Detected Errors

When a hardware detected error occurs, all tape control operations stop and the appropriate bit is set in the Hardware Error Byte. The errors are listed in the accompanying table. Manual intervention is required to restart after an error is detected.

ERROR SUMMARY HARDWARE-DETECTED

Error	Cause	Result
Instruction	Incorrect update of Instruction Counter by a BOC, BU, or XFR to IC instruction.	Tape Control stops all operations.
Transfer Error	Incorrect decode of a Transfer (XFR) instruction code.	
ALU Card Error	1. Incorrect update of Page Register by a BU instruction. 2. More than one Branch Condition decoded on a BOC instruction. 3. B-Bus parity error.	Manual intervention required to restart.
ROS Parity	ROS Word has bad parity.	

Microprogram Detected Errors

The microprogram continually checks for errors. Any errors detected by the microdiagnostics and during the selection sequence will stop the microprogram. A reset from the system is required to restart.

An error detected during a data operation is stored until the end of the operation and presented as sense information.

Note: Because there is no maintenance panel on the subsystem the only indication as to what the error is will come from running the diagnostic programs.

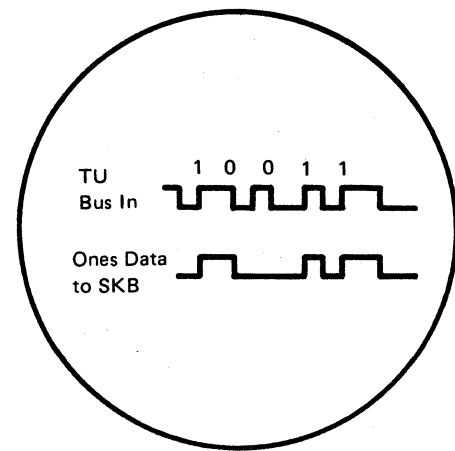
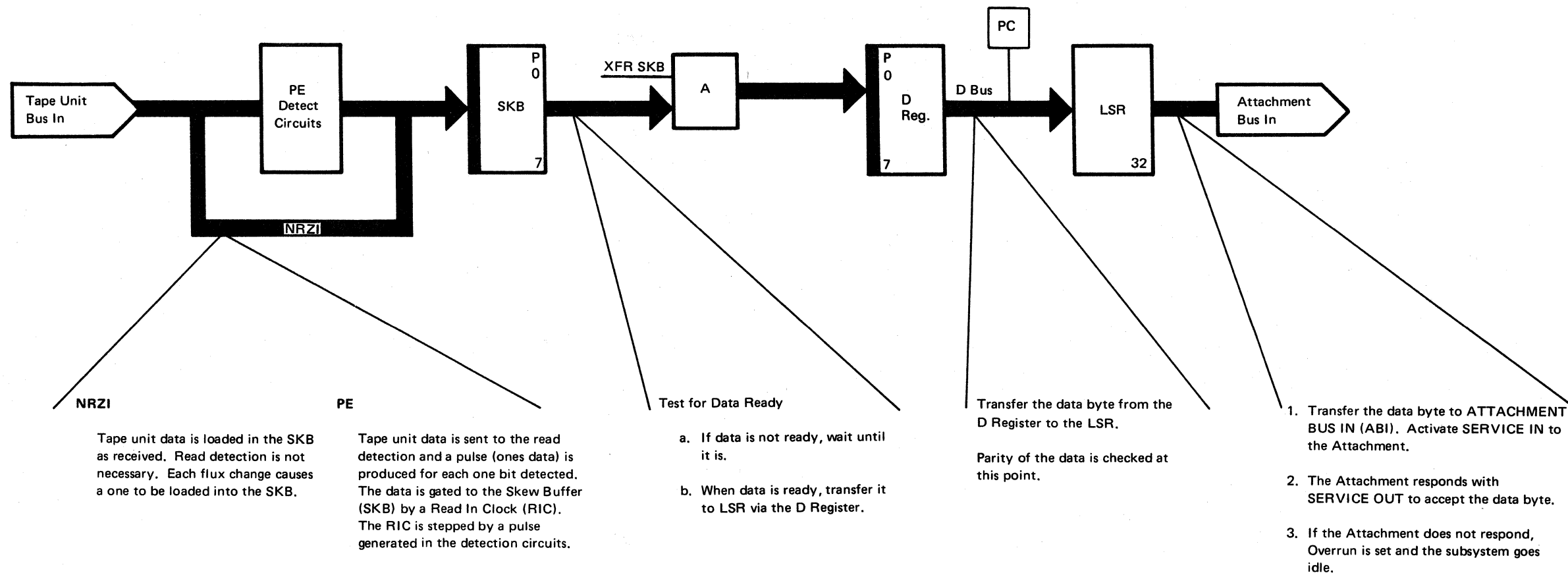
ERROR SUMMARY MICROPROGRAM-DETECTED

Error	Cause	Result
ALU FRU Error	Internal micro-diagnostics detected an ALU failure. An AND, ORI, ADD, or XO instruction could not be executed correctly.	Microprogram hangs waiting for a Check Reset from System.
Instruction Counter Error	Internal micro-diagnostics could not update the Instruction Counter with an XFR to IC instruction.	
ABO Parity Error	Bad parity detected on Bus Out when Address Out or Command Out tags were active.	
Attachment Control Tag Error	A Control Tag (Address Out, Command Out, or Service Out) remained active after being reset by the microprogram.	
Instruction Tag Error	After the Subsystem was selected, no instruction tag (LIO, SIO, or SNS) was found active, or two tags were found active, by the microprogram.	Tape operation does not stop. Errors are presented at the end of the operation.
VRC Error*	The microprogram has detected (on the D Bus) bad parity in a data byte read from tape.	
Bus Out Check*†	Microprogram has detected (on the D Bus) bad parity in a data byte from CPU.	

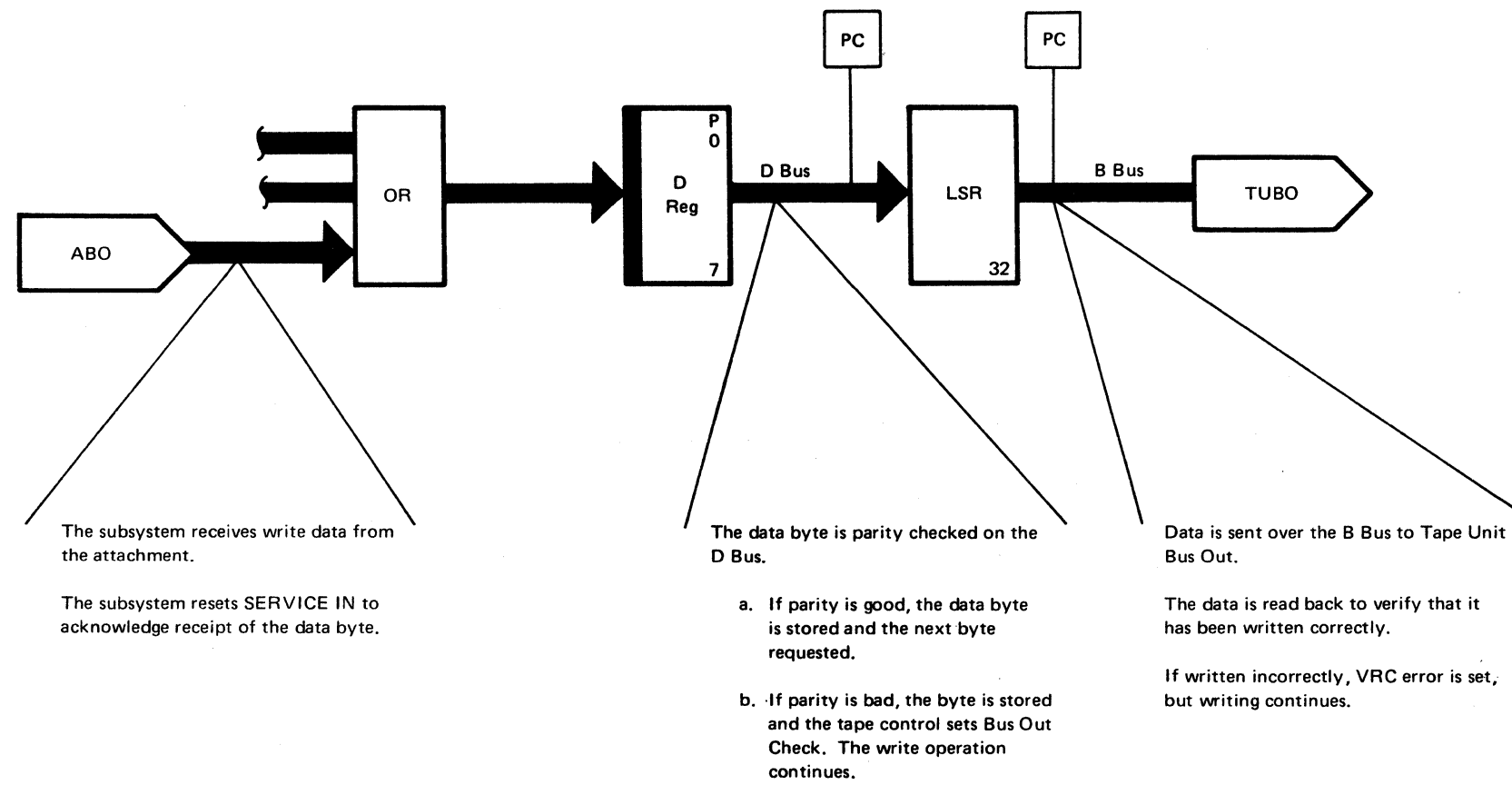
* These errors do not set any bits in the Hardware Error byte.

† This error is a Channel Data Check on System/370 Model 125.

Read Data Flow (Simplified)

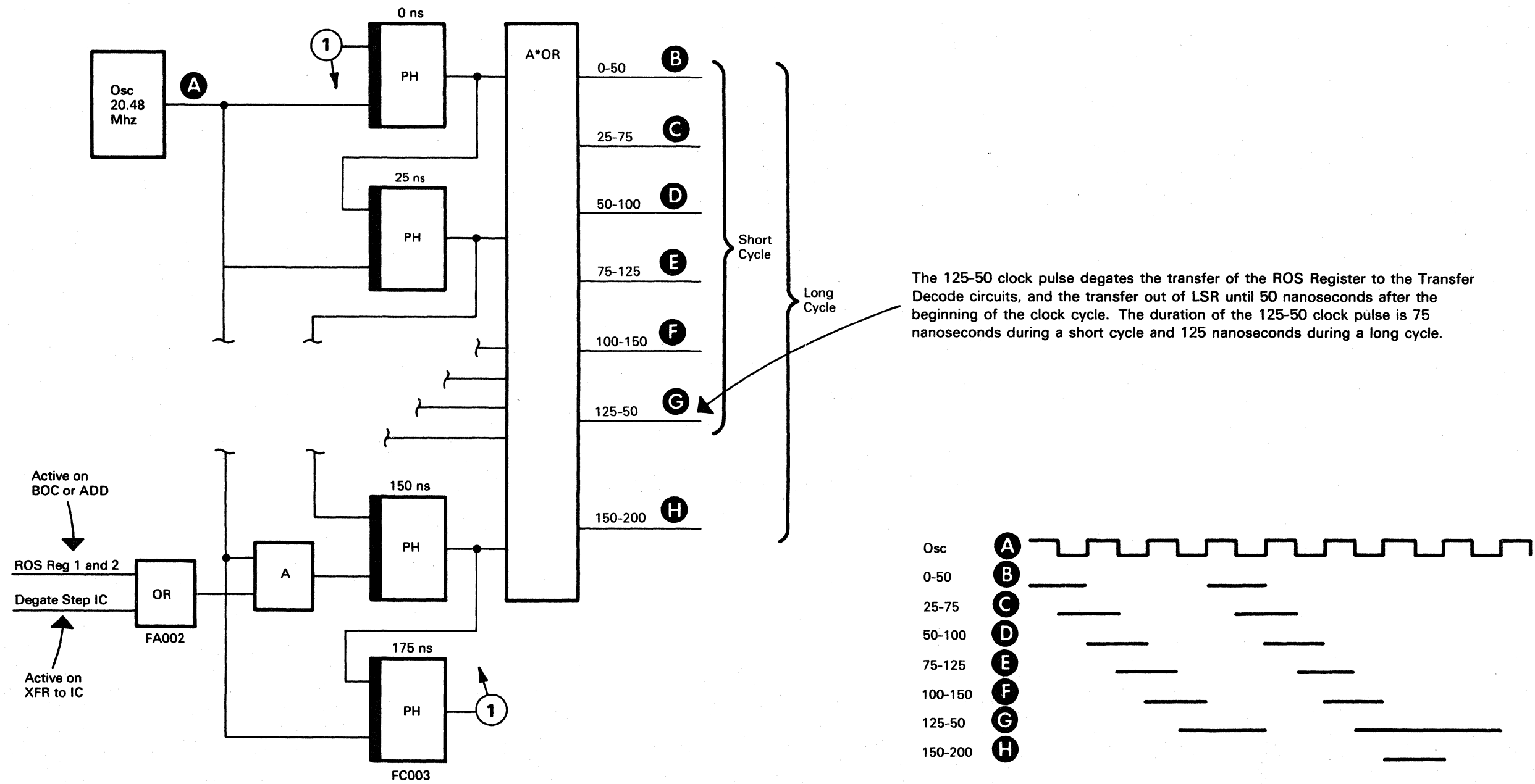


Write Data Flow (Simplified)



Eight-Stage Shift Clock

- The clock supplies timing pulses which control the operations of the tape control.
- The clock is capable of two cycle lengths (150 ns and 200 ns). All operations except BOC, ADD, and XFR to IC use a short cycle.



Instruction Counter (IC)

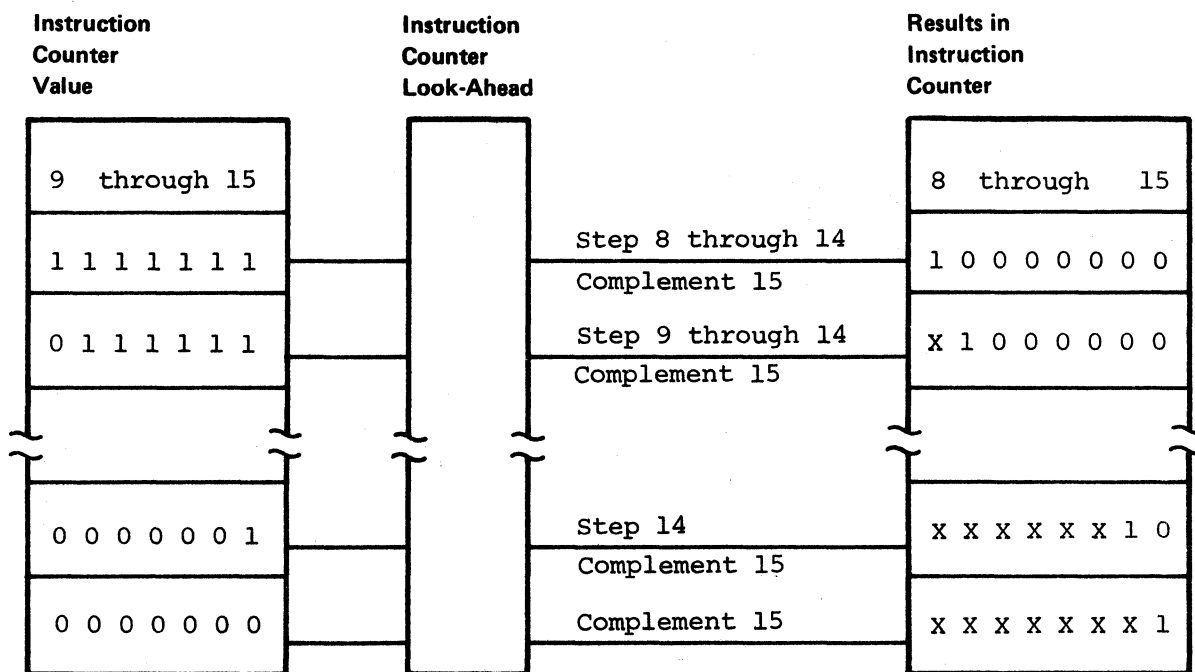
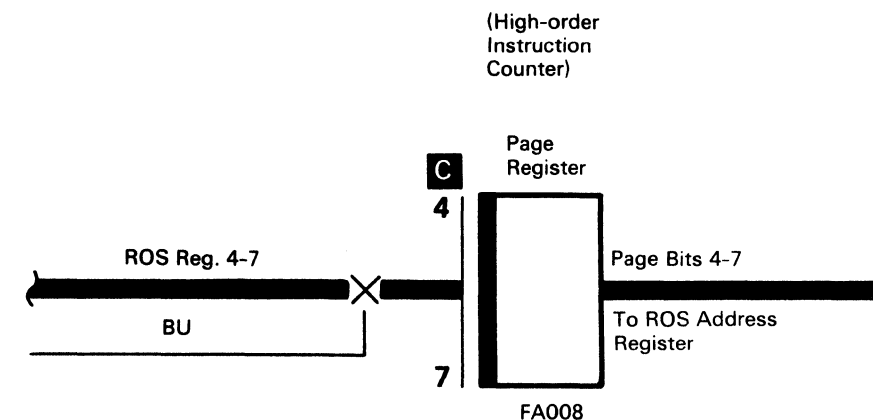
A The Instruction Counter (IC) contains the ROS address of the next program step to be executed.

If no branch or transfer (XFR to IC) instruction is decoded, IC is stepped by one **1** at the beginning of each instruction cycle.

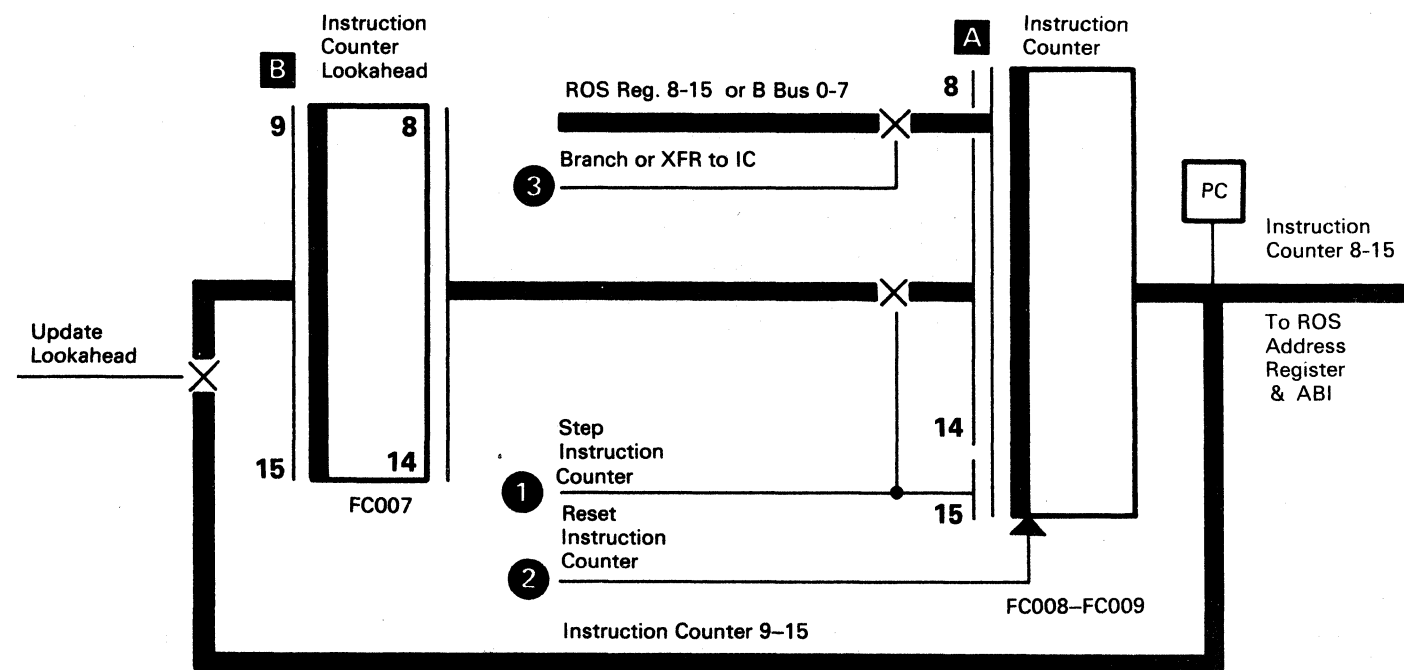
If a branch or XFR to IC instruction is decoded, IC is reset **2** and then reloaded **3** later in the cycle.

B A faster update of IC is possible by having look-ahead increment IC 9-15 during the instruction cycle. When IC is stepped, positions 8-14 are set; position 15 is complemented.

C The Page Register contains the high-order bits of the Instruction Counter. A page is a block of 256 addresses within the microprogram. The only way to change pages is by an unconditional branch instruction.

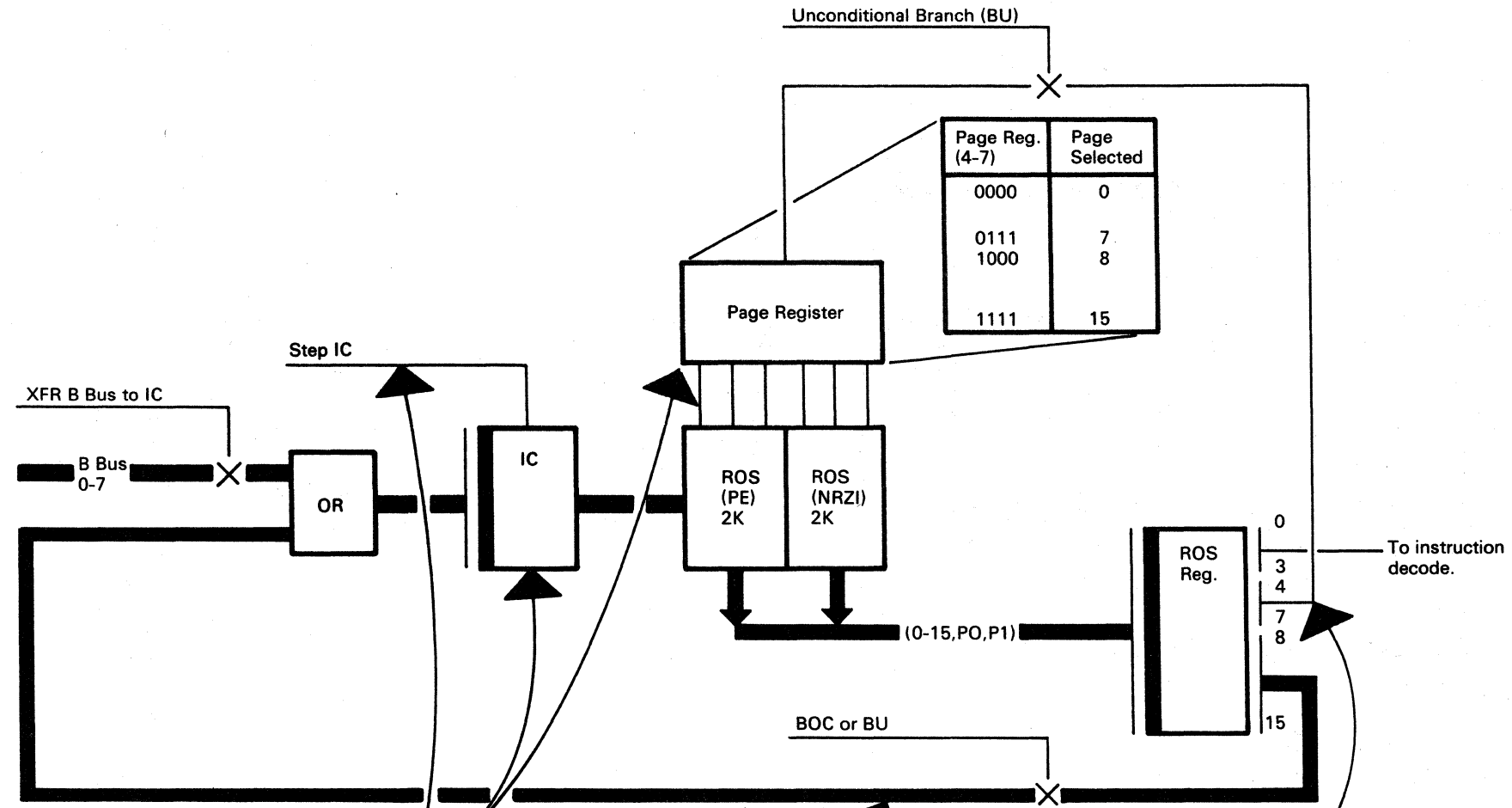


X = Bits that remain unchanged.



Read Only Storage (ROS)

- Read Only Storage (ROS) contains the microprogram which controls subsystem operation.
- The capacity of ROS can be up to 8K (8,192) 16-bit words. Capacity depends on system attachment and installed features.

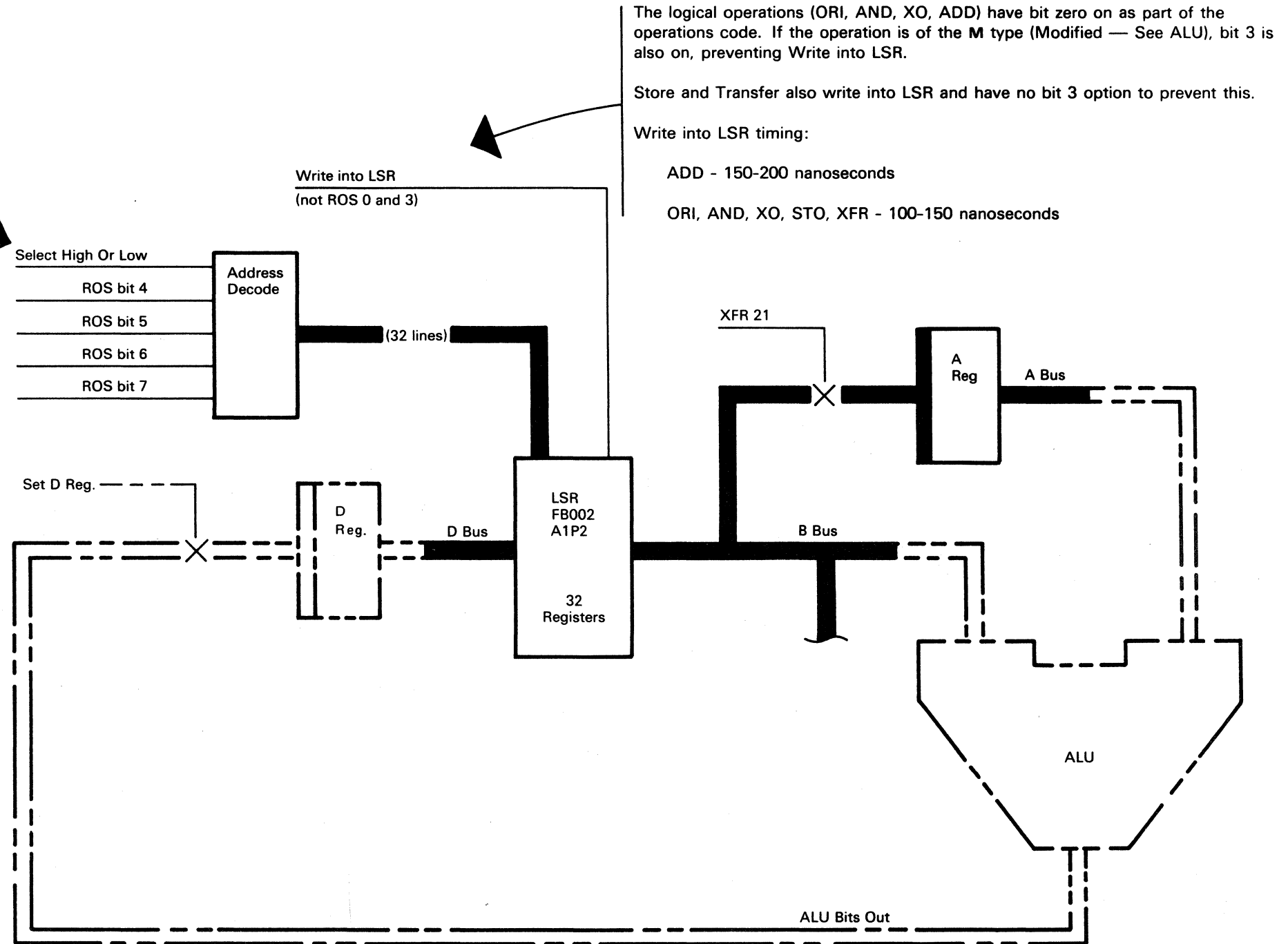


1. The ROS word is addressed by the Instruction Counter (IC) which contains the low-order address, and a Page Register which contains the high-order address.
2. During Logical operations the IC is stepped by one for each instruction executed.
3. During BU, BOC (when condition is met), and XFR to IC instructions, the contents of IC are replaced by ROS Reg 8-15 (BU & BOC) or the B Bus (XFR).
4. The contents of the Page Register are replaced by ROS Register 4-7 only during a BU instruction.

Local Storage Registers (LSR)

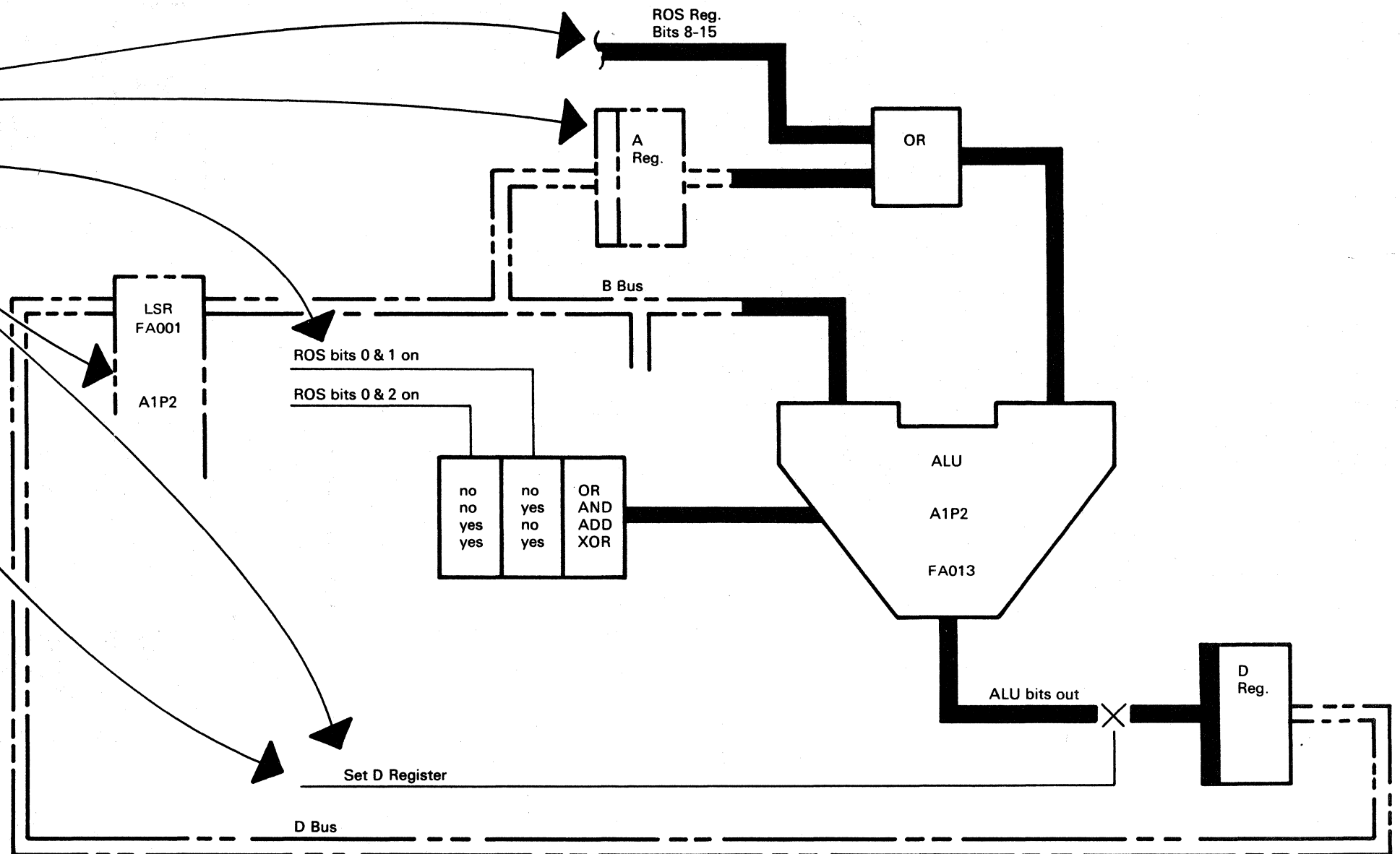
- Thirty-two 1 byte registers (eight bits plus parity).
- Provides storage for control information and data.
- See microprogram listing for allocations.
- Low LSRs Registers 0-15.
- High LSRs Registers 16-31.
- Instructions affected by pre-set high/low selection: ORI, XO, AND, and ADD.
- Instructions not affected: STO, XFR, BOC, and BU.

A Transfer LSRs with bit 3 on sets a PH (FB002) to select high LSRs, while bit 3 off selects low LSRs. The affected instructions use the selected LSRs until another Transfer LSRs changes the selection. Unaffected instructions use bit 3 of their Operations Code to select high or low LSRs.

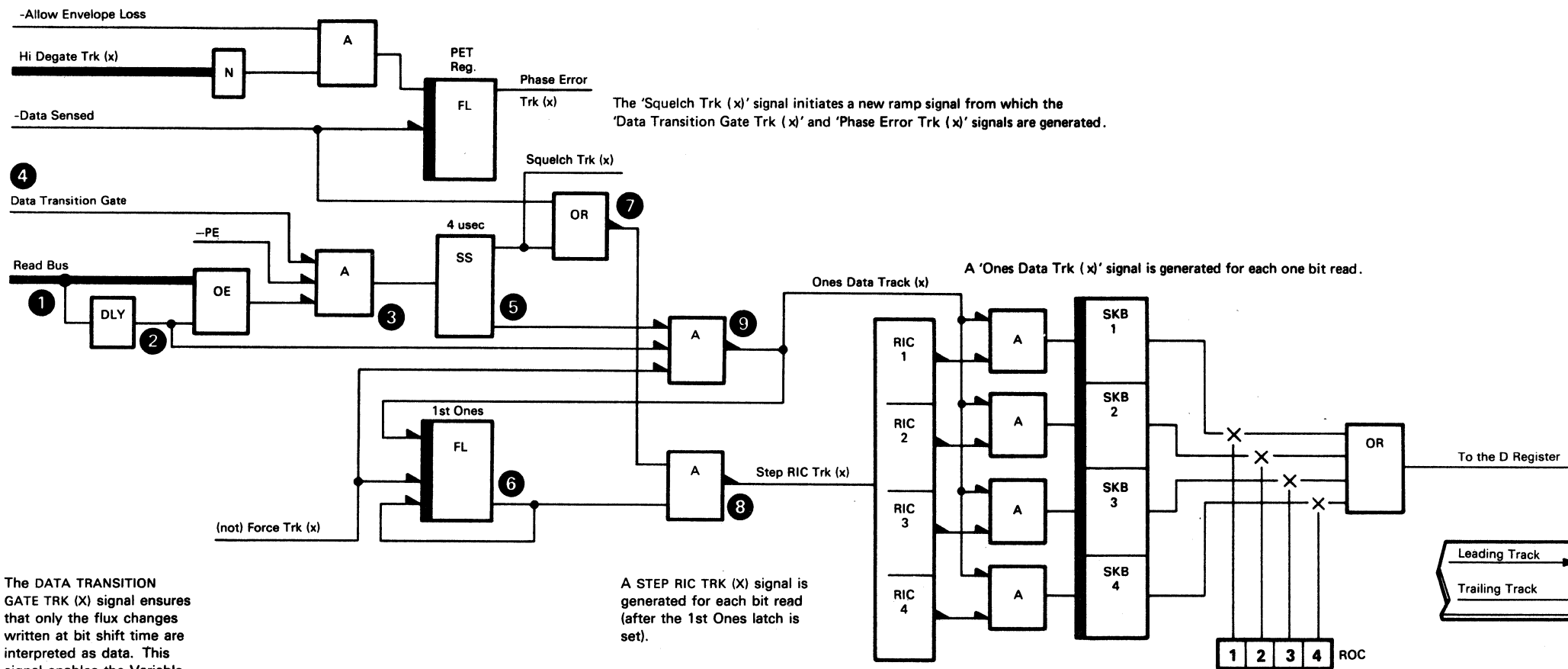


Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU)

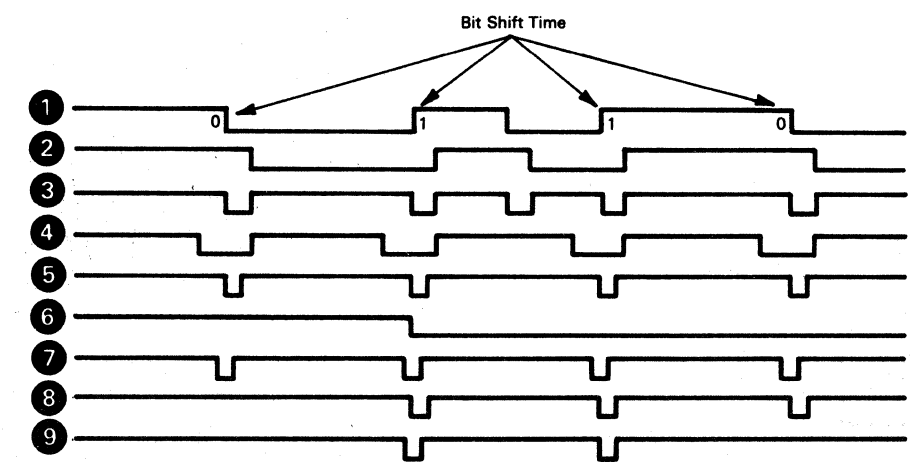
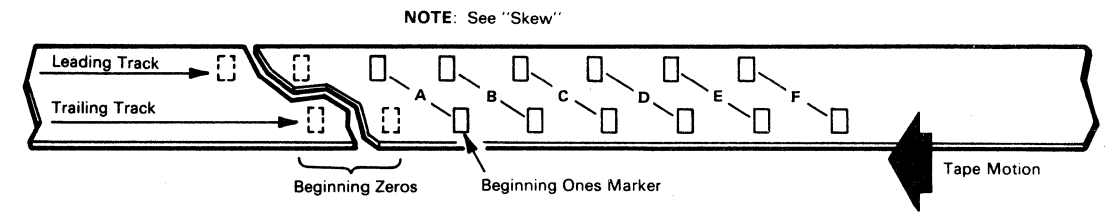
- ALU executes the logical operations called for by the microprogram.
- ALU can OR, Exclusive OR, AND, or ADD two bytes of data.
- One of the bytes is located in an LSR selected by the instruction; the other is a constant contained in Field 2 of the instruction, or in the previously loaded A Register.
- The ALU executes the operation under control of the operation code (bits 0-2 of the instruction).
- With bit 3 of the instruction off (normal instruction), the result of the operation, on ALU BITS OUT, is set into the D Register and then put into the selected LSR.
- With bit 3 of the instruction on (modified instruction), the result on ALU BITS OUT is set into the D Register, but original contents are retained in LSR.
- The microprogram tests the result on ALU BITS OUT using a BOC instruction.



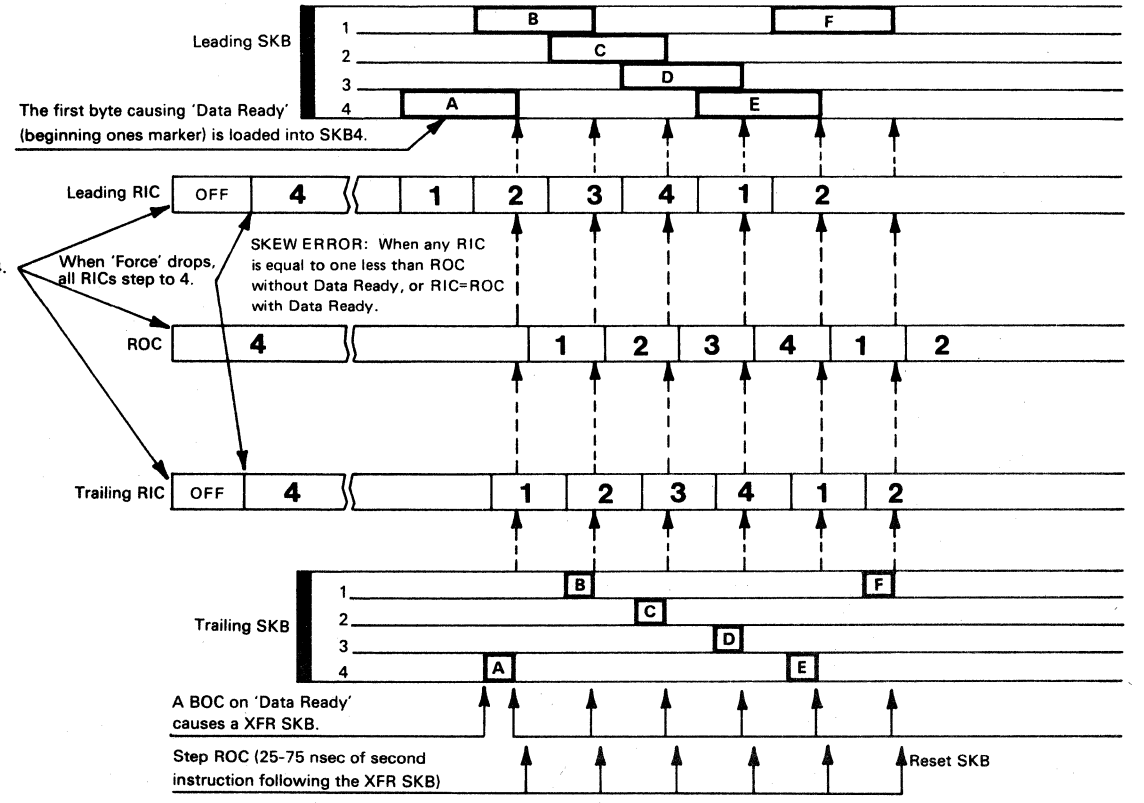
PE Read Detection and Skew Buffers



The DATA TRANSITION GATE TRK (X) signal ensures that only the flux changes written at bit shift time are interpreted as data. This signal enables the Variable Frequency Gated Clock (VFGC) for 28% of each bit cell (spanning bit shift time). (See PE Read Data Flow and Error Correction.)



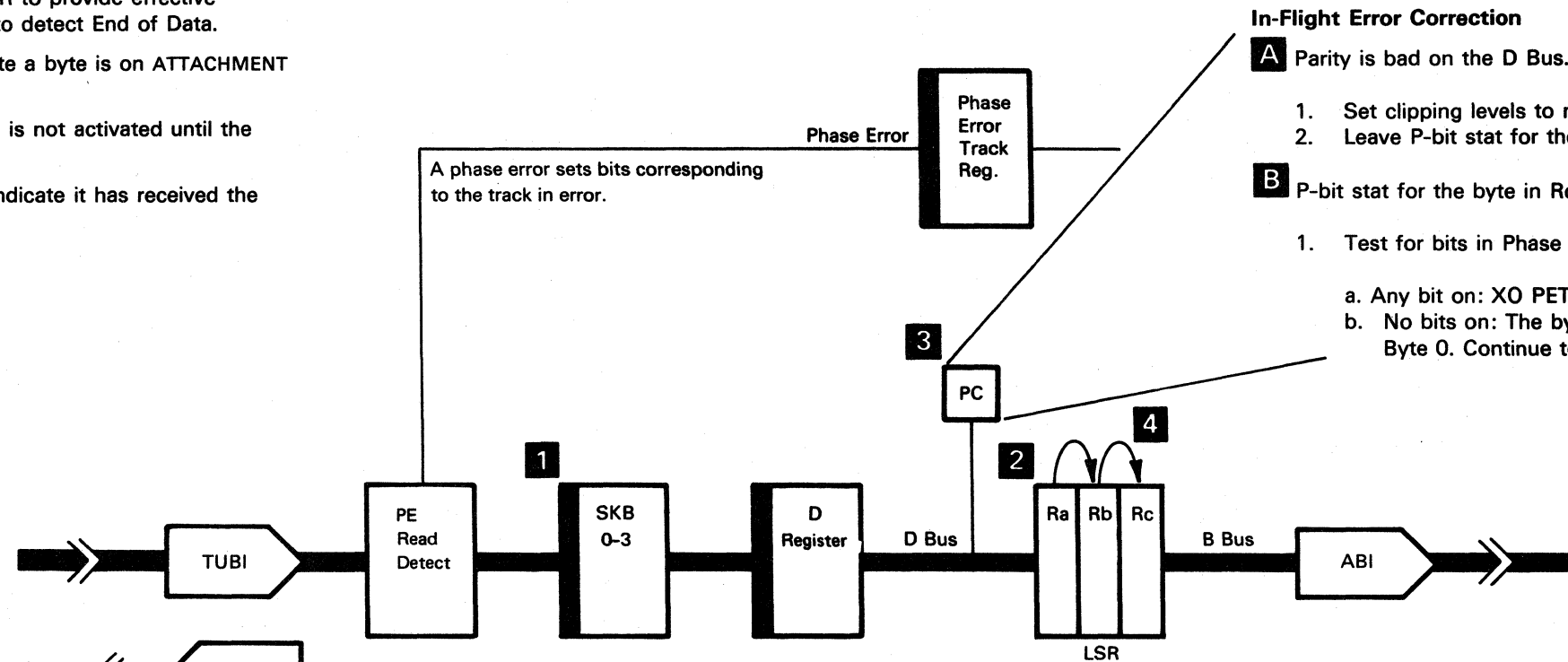
The 'Force' signal resets all RICs to OFF and ROC to 4.



PE Read Data Flow and Error Correction

This figure assumes a read operation away from load point.

- The tape control receives data from the tape unit on TAPE UNIT BUS IN (TUBI).
- The microprogram tests parity of each byte and corrects those with phase errors.
- The microprogram buffers three data bytes in LSR to provide effective in-flight error correction, and a means by which to detect End of Data.
- The microprogram activates SERVICE IN to indicate a byte is on ATTACHMENT BUS IN (ABI).
- To prevent transferring the preamble, SERVICE IN is not activated until the first three data bytes are stored in the LSR.
- The attachment responds with SERVICE OUT to indicate it has received the byte.



- 1 Test for data ready (data in SKB).
- 2 Transfer Rb to Rc, Ra to Rb, and SKB to Ra.
- 3 Test parity of the byte transferred to Ra (on the D BUS). Good parity (odd) — set P-bit stat to a 1. P-bit stats are LSR bits used for storing the parity status (odd or even) of each data byte until the byte is shifted into Rc, where correction is possible. P-bit stats are set to one to indicate odd parity and to zero to indicate even parity.

Bad parity (even) — see In-Flight Error Correction **A**
- 4 Test P-bit stat to see if the byte in Rc needs correction **B**
P-bit stat for Rc 0: see In-Flight Error Correction
P-bit stat for Rc 1 (byte in Rc is correct): continue to **5**
- 5 Test bytes in Ra and Rb for all zeros.
Ra and Rb all zeros: see End of Data.
Ra and Rb not all zeros: continue to **6**
- 6 Transfer Rc to ABI.
- 7 Subtract one from byte count. Continue to **1**

In-Flight Error Correction

- A** Parity is bad on the D Bus.
1. Set clipping levels to mid-range.
 2. Leave P-bit stat for the bad byte (Ra) zero. Continue to **4**
- B** P-bit stat for the byte in Rc is zero.
1. Test for bits in Phase Error Track (PET) Register.
 - a. Any bit on: XO PET and Rc to correct the byte. Continue to **5**
 - b. No bits on: The byte cannot be corrected. Set VRC error in Sense Byte 0. Continue to **5**

End of Data (a byte of ones followed by two bytes of zeros)

Ra and Rb are all zeros.

Test Rc for all ones.

A. Rc is all ones (end-of-data sensed).

1. Test for wrong length record.
2. Test PET for:
 - a. No phase error or in only one track. This is a normal end. A phase error in only one track indicates in-flight error correction was successful.
 - b. Phase error in not all but more than one track. Byte is uncorrectable; set Envelope Check and Multi-Track Error in Sense Byte 5.
 - c. Phase error in all tracks. Byte is uncorrectable; set Envelope Check and Multi-Track Error in Sense Byte 5.

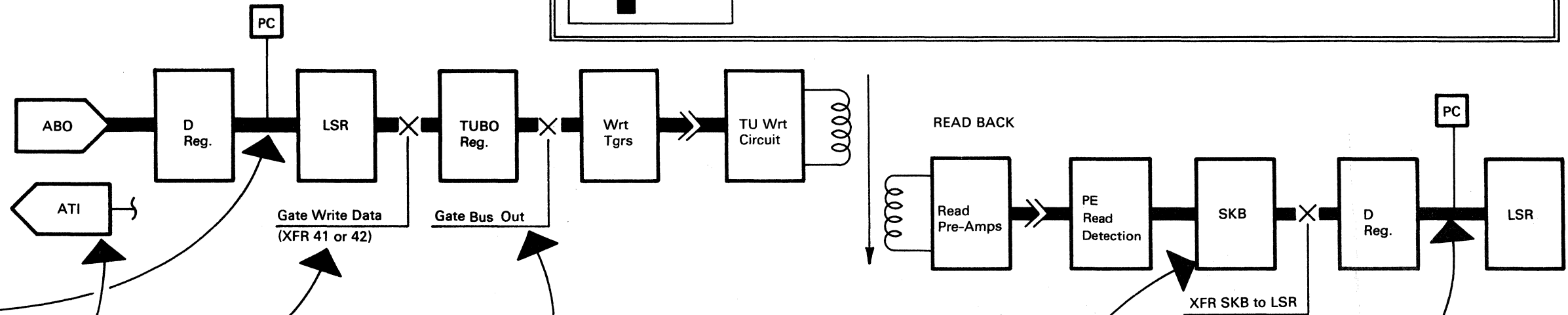
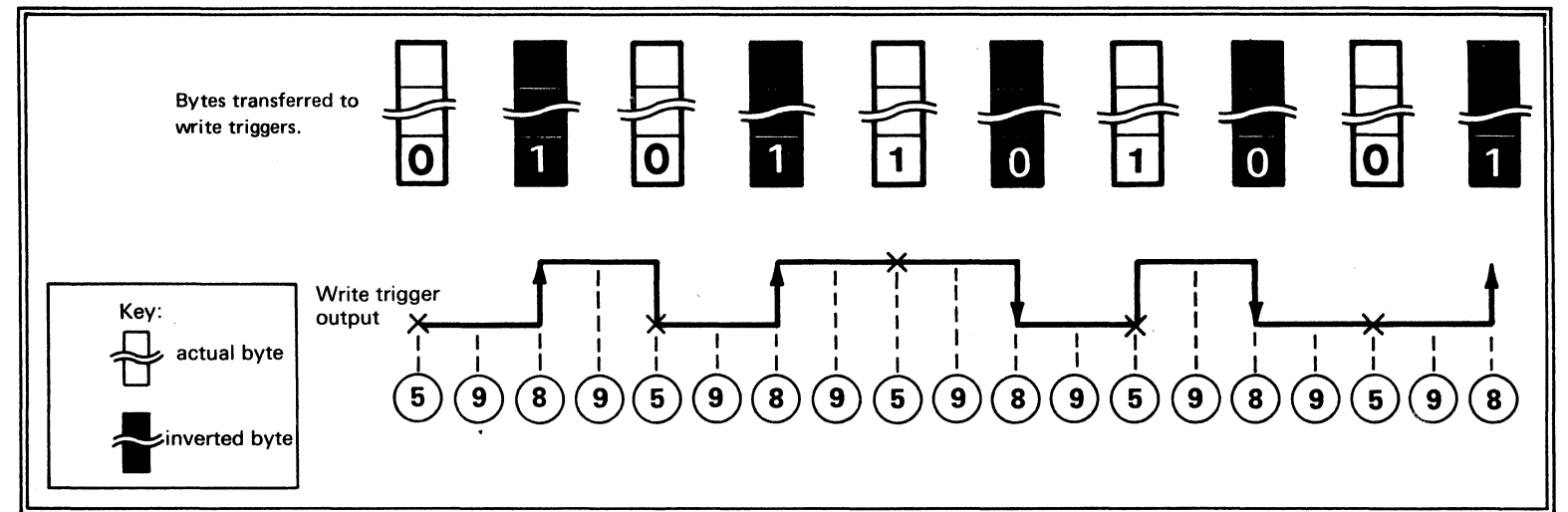
B. Rc is not all ones. Continue to **6**

Write Data Flow and Read-Back Check

This figure assumes a write operation already in progress.

- The tape control requests write data by activating SERVICE IN to the attachment.
- The attachment activates SERVICE OUT to indicate a byte is on ABO.
- The microprogram sends the data byte to the tape unit to be written.
- The tape unit reads back the written data and the microprogram checks for parity errors.

The microprogram tests for SERVICE OUT, gets the data byte from ABO, stores it in LSR and resets SERVICE IN. If SERVICE OUT is not active when tested, the microprogram sets an overrun error.



The Microprogram

1. Tests parity of the data byte.
2. Subtracts one from the byte count in LSR.
3. Activates SERVICE IN if the byte count is not zero.
4. Loads the write data into the TUBO register (sets up for flux reversal at Bit Cell Boundary).

Hardware

⑤ Generates GATE BUS OUT from GATE WRITE DATA and write oscillator. Flux reversals are written on tape at Bit Cell Boundary time when data is transferred to the write triggers. (These flux reversals are not data.)

6. Waits for XFR WRITE DATA clock.

7. Loads inverted write data into the TUBO register. (Sets up to write the data byte.)

⑧ Generates GATE BUS OUT which writes the data byte on tape (Flux reversals at Bit Shift time— See Phase Encoded Write).

The Microprogram

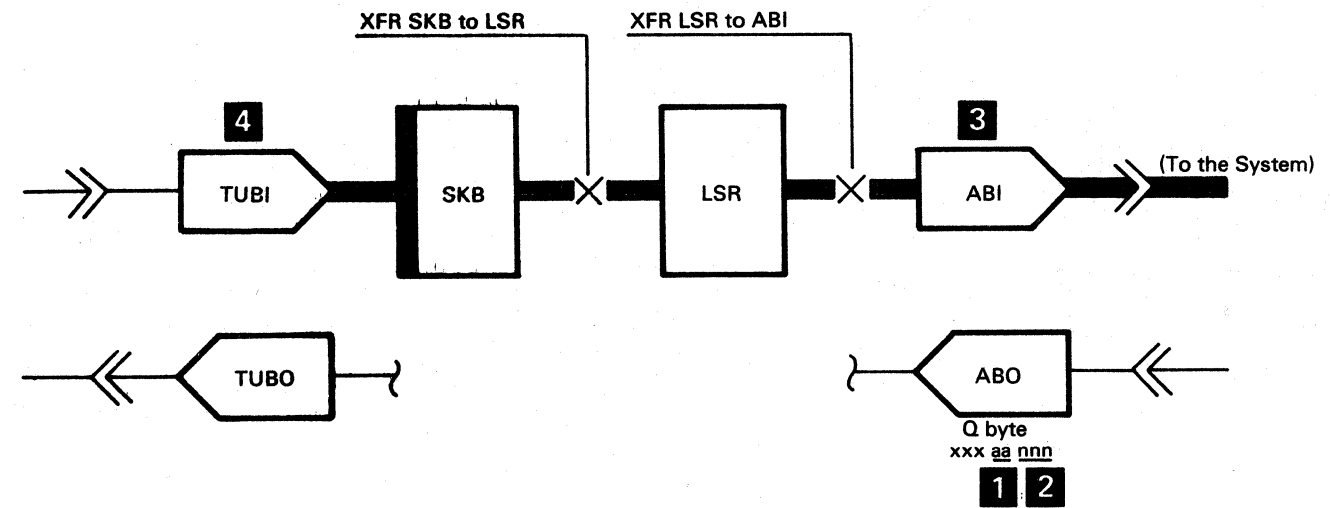
- ⑨ Tests for data ready (data in SKB).
10. Transfers data (when ready) to LSR.
11. Tests data parity. (If parity is bad, set VRC.)

Sense Data Flow

System/3

- For each sense command the Tape Control sends two of the eight available sense bytes to Attachment Bus Out (ABO). The odd-numbered byte is sent first, then the even byte.
- Each sense command is accompanied by a Q byte from the attachment.
- Tape Unit sense bytes 0, 1, and 2, stored in the tape unit, are used as subsystem sense bytes 2, 4, and 6.
- If sense bytes 6 and 7 are sent to ABI, the Tape Control updates the tape unit status.
- The sense bytes are not parity checked, but proper parity is assigned before the bytes are sent to the attachment.

(The tape unit does not have to be ready.)



System/3

- 1 The Tape Control selects the tape unit, using the address bits in the Q byte.
- 2 The Tape Control decodes the N field of the Q byte to determine which two sense bytes are requested.
- 3 The odd-numbered sense byte is sent to ABI first (from LSR).
- 4 If the requested pair of bytes includes 2, 4, or 6, the Tape Control requests it from the tape unit (Subsystem sense bytes 2, 4, and 6 are kept in the tape unit).
- 3 The Tape Control sends the even-numbered sense byte to ABI when the Attachment accepts the odd-numbered byte (indicated by Attachment activating **SERVICE OUT**).

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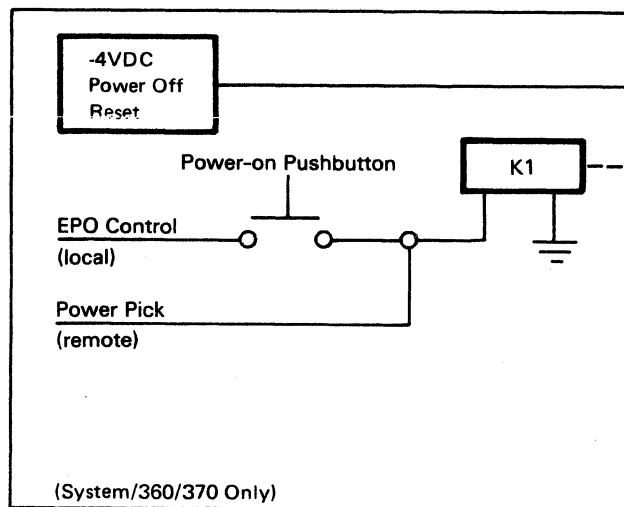
- For each sense command the Tape Control sends nine sense bytes to the System.
- Tape Unit sense bytes 0, 1, and 2 are used to assemble the subsystem sense bytes sent to the System.
- The sense bytes are not parity checked, but proper parity is assigned before the bytes are sent to the System.

System/360/370

- The Tape Control selects the tape unit.
- 3 The Tape Control sends status to the System.
 - 4 The Tape Control gets tape unit sense bytes 0, 1, and 2 from the tape unit.
- The Tape Control assembles nine sense bytes, using tape unit sense bytes 0, 1, and 2, and information stored in the LSRs.
- 3 The Tape Control sends sense bytes 0 through 8, one at a time, to the System.

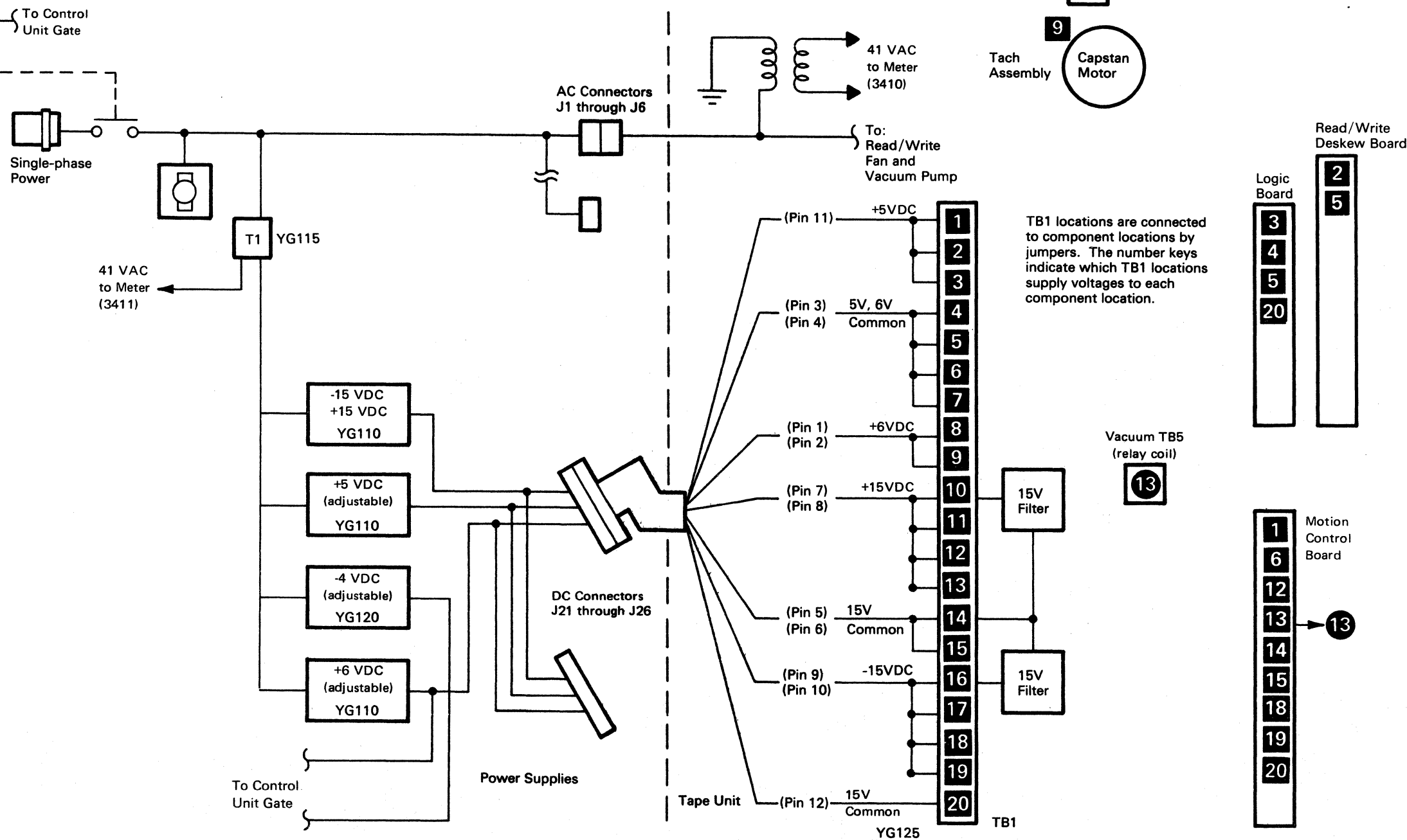
Power Control and Distribution

- All power supplies are located in the 3411.
- Filtering for the 15 volt supplies is located in each 3410.
- No power sequencing is provided.
- The power system generates the power-on reset for the tape control and all tape units.



When connected to a System/3, the subsystem has no local power control. Power is turned on and off from the system.

The Power Off Reset is generated by the power system and occurs during a normal power off or emergency power off.



TB1 locations are connected to component locations by jumpers. The number keys indicate which TB1 locations supply voltages to each component location.

Microinstructions

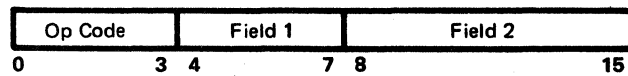
Microprogram

A microprogram controls operation of the tape control, and controls the tape unit over the tape unit interface. The microprogram is permanently stored in Read Only Storage (ROS). It consists of instructions arranged in groups or routines, each routine instructs the tape control to do a specific task. Instructions are executed, one at a time, until the task is completed.

The following instructions are used in the microprogram.

Basic instruction format is:

(ROS WORD)



Op Code: The instruction to be executed.

Field 1 and Field 2: Contain data necessary for execution of the Op Codes. See the specific instruction in the following figures.

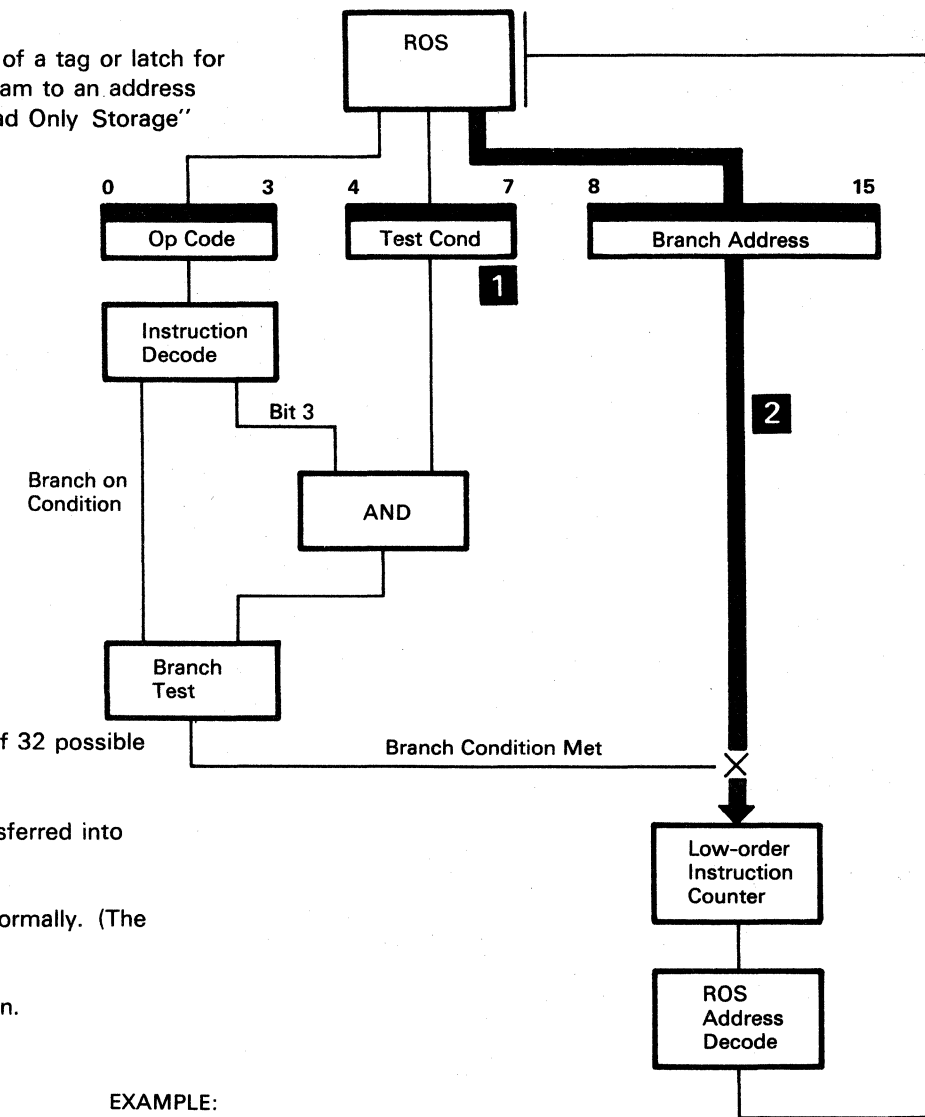
Instruction	Op Code (hex)	Field 1 Contains	Field 2 Contains
Branch On Condition (BOC)	2	Test Condition**	LSR Address
Branch Unconditional (BU)	6 or 7*	High ROS Address	Low ROS Address
Logical ADD ADDM AND ANDM ORI ORM XO XOM	A B C D 8 9 E F	LSR Address	Constant
Store (STO)	0	LSR Address	Constant
Transfer (XFR)	4	LSR Address	Location**

* Use Op Code 7 to access the ROS Test Card.

** See Appendix B for Test Conditions or Transfer Codes.

Branch On Condition (BOC)

A Branch on Condition instruction tests a condition (the state of a tag or latch for example) and if the condition is met, branches the microprogram to an address within a page. (A page is a block of 256 addresses. See "Read Only Storage" and "Instruction Counter.")



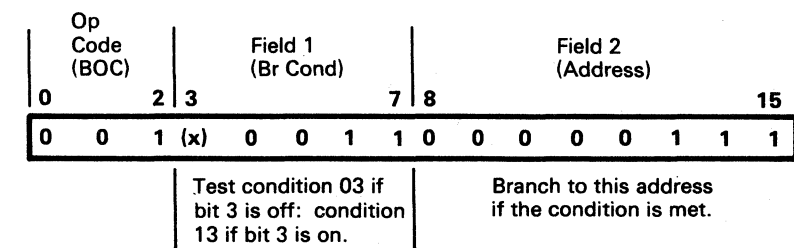
1 ROS bits 3-7 contain the branch condition code to be tested (one of 32 possible conditions).

2 If the branch condition is met, the address in ROS bits 8-15 is transferred into the low-order Instruction Counter (IC).

If the condition is not met, no transfer is made and IC is stepped normally. (The next sequential instruction is executed.)

The Page Register (high-order IC) is not altered by a BOC instruction.

EXAMPLE:



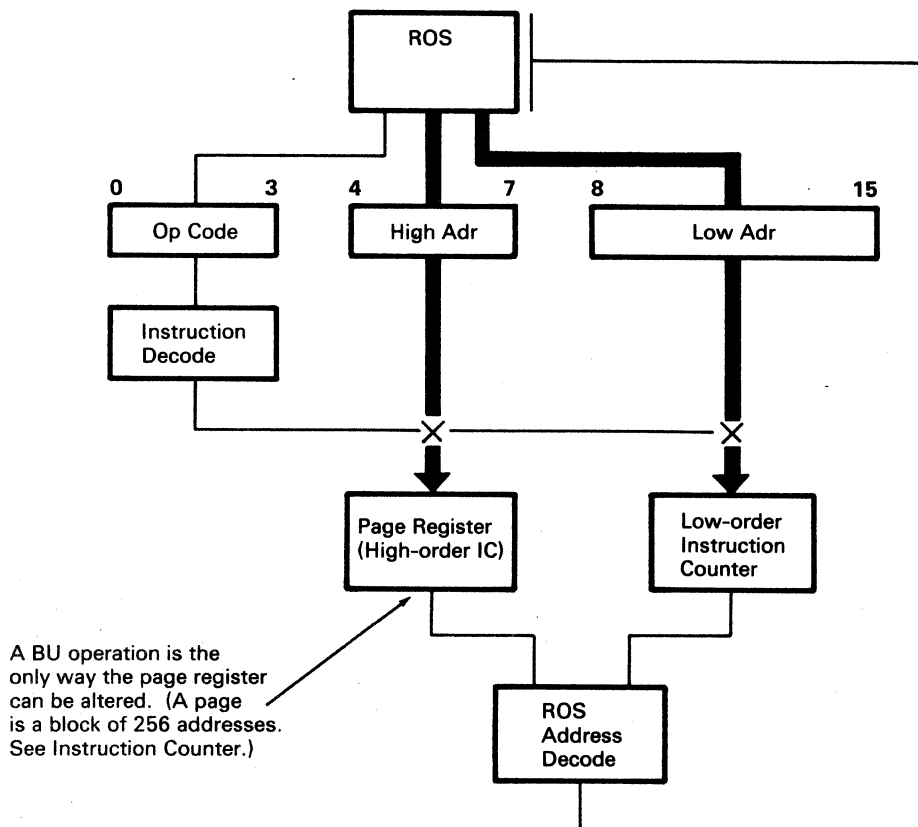
In a microprogram listing this appears as:

2307	BOC DBUS,ADDR	Branch on D Bus parity
	or, if bit 3 is on:	
3307	BOC DREG3,ADDR	Branch if D Reg 3 on

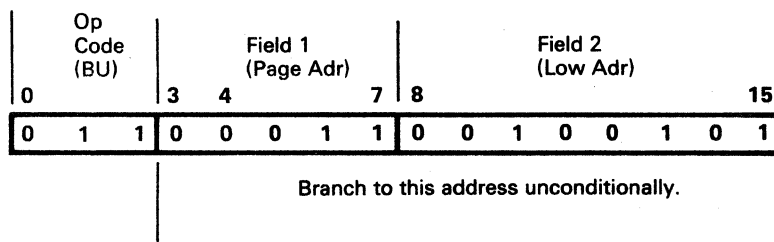
Branch Unconditional (BU)

A Branch Unconditional instruction branches the microprogram each time it is executed.

ROS bits 4-7 are transferred into the Page Register (high-order Instruction Counter), and ROS Bits 8-15 are transferred into the low-order Instruction Counter (IC).



EXAMPLE:



In a microprogram listing this appears as:

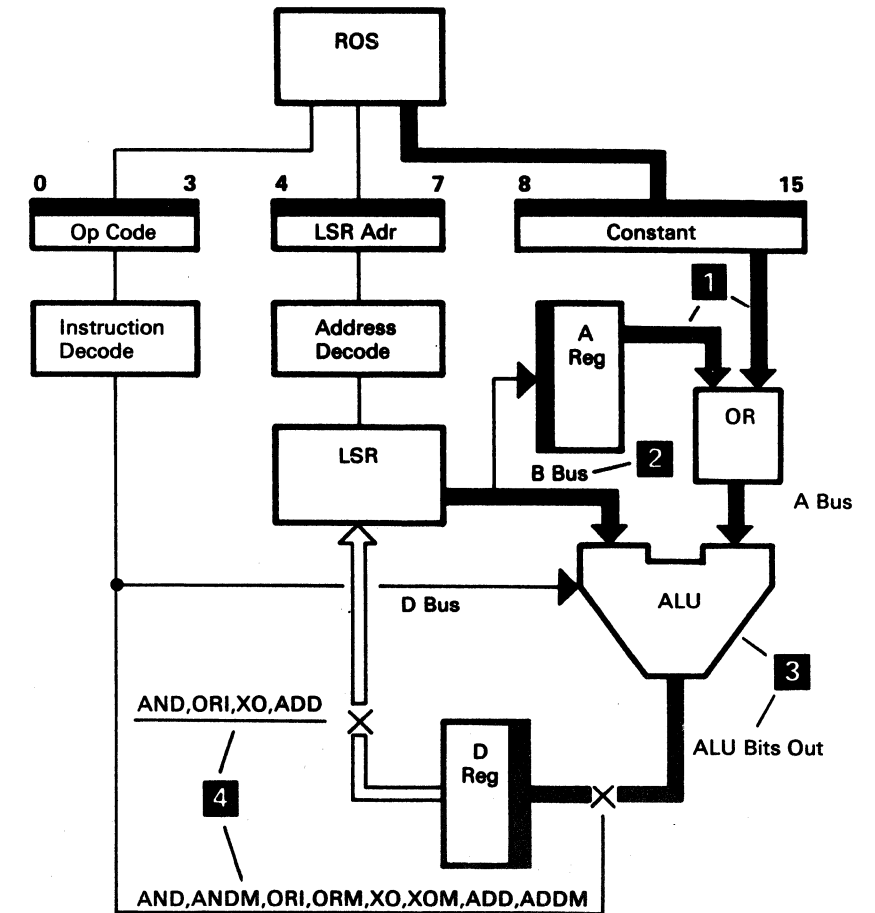
6325	BU ADDRESS	Branch to ADDRESS (325)
7325	BU ADDRESS	(ROS Test Card)

Logical Instructions (AND, ORI, XO, ADD)

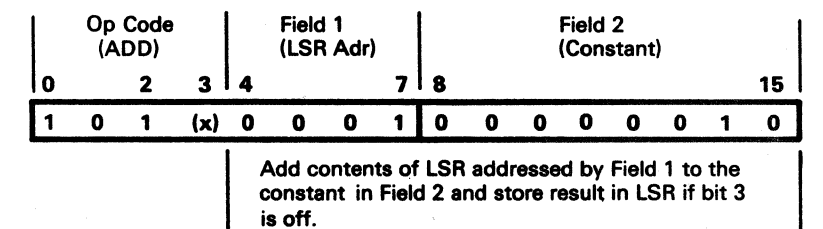
The ALU uses the A Bus (ROS 8-15 ORed with the A Reg) and the B Bus (addressed LSR) as operands to execute a logical instruction. The result is placed on the D Bus.

- 1 ROS 8-15 is ORed with the A Register to provide the A Bus operand. If ROS 8-15 is to be modified, the A Register is loaded with a constant by a previous instruction.
- 2 The LSR addressed by ROS 4-7 provides the B Bus operand. Selection of high or low LSR depends on the last use of Transfer Code 05 (See "Local Storage Registers.")
- 3 ALU executes the logical operation as directed by the instruction decode of ROS 0-3. The result appears on ALU BITS OUT and is loaded into the D Register.
- 4 Normal logical operation (ADD, AND, ORI, XO):
The result is stored in the LSR addressed by ROS 4-7 and remains in the D Register until the next logical instruction or store.

Modified logical operation (ADDM, ANDM, ORM, XOM):
The result is not stored in LSR, but is held in the D Register until the next logical instruction or store. See "Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU)."



EXAMPLE:

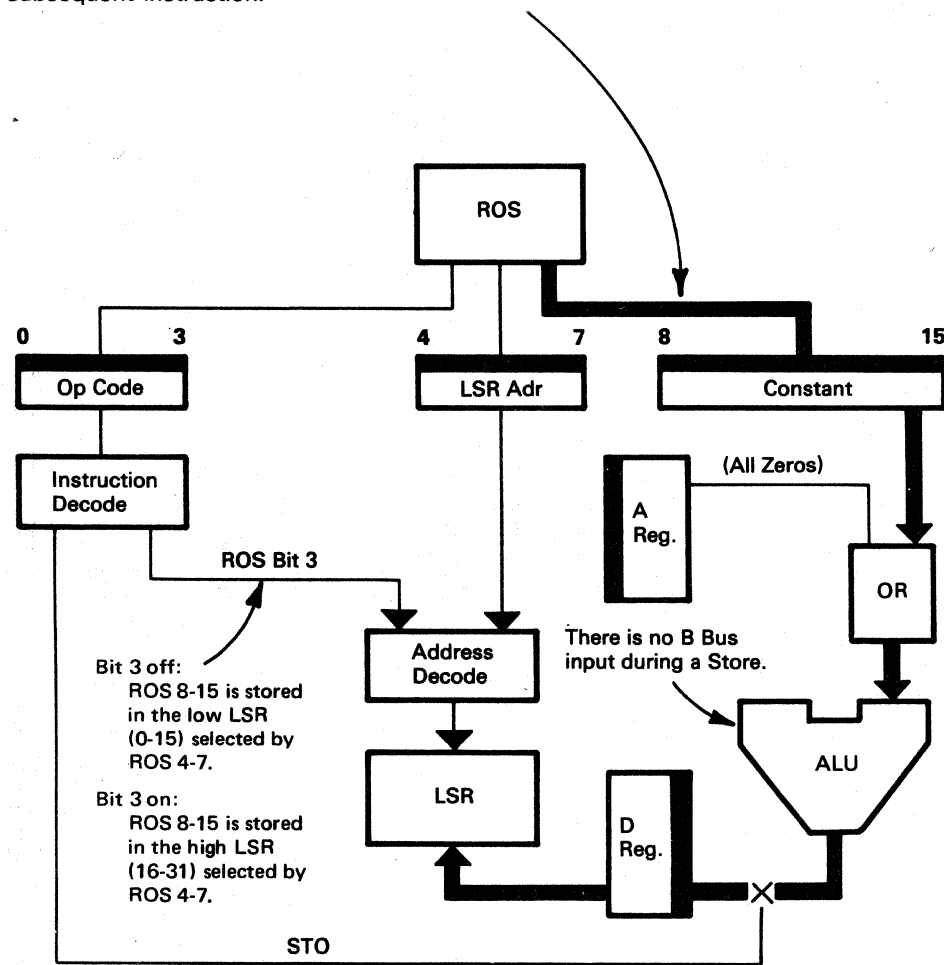


In a microprogram listing this appears as:

A102	ADD	R1,X'02'	Add 2 to LSR1
B102	ADDM	R1,X'02'	Add 2 to LSR1

Store (STO)

The constant in ROS 8-15 is stored in the LSR selected by ROS 4-7 (modified by ROS bit 3). The constant also remains in the D Register until replaced during a subsequent instruction.



EXAMPLE:

Op Code (STO)	Field 1 (LSR Adr)	Field 2 (Constant)
0 2	3 7	8 15
0 0 0	(x) 0 1 1 0	1 1 1 0 0 1 1 1

Select LSR6 if bit 3 is off; LSR22 if bit 3 is on. Store this constant into the addressed LSR (6 or 22).

In a microprogram listing this appears as:

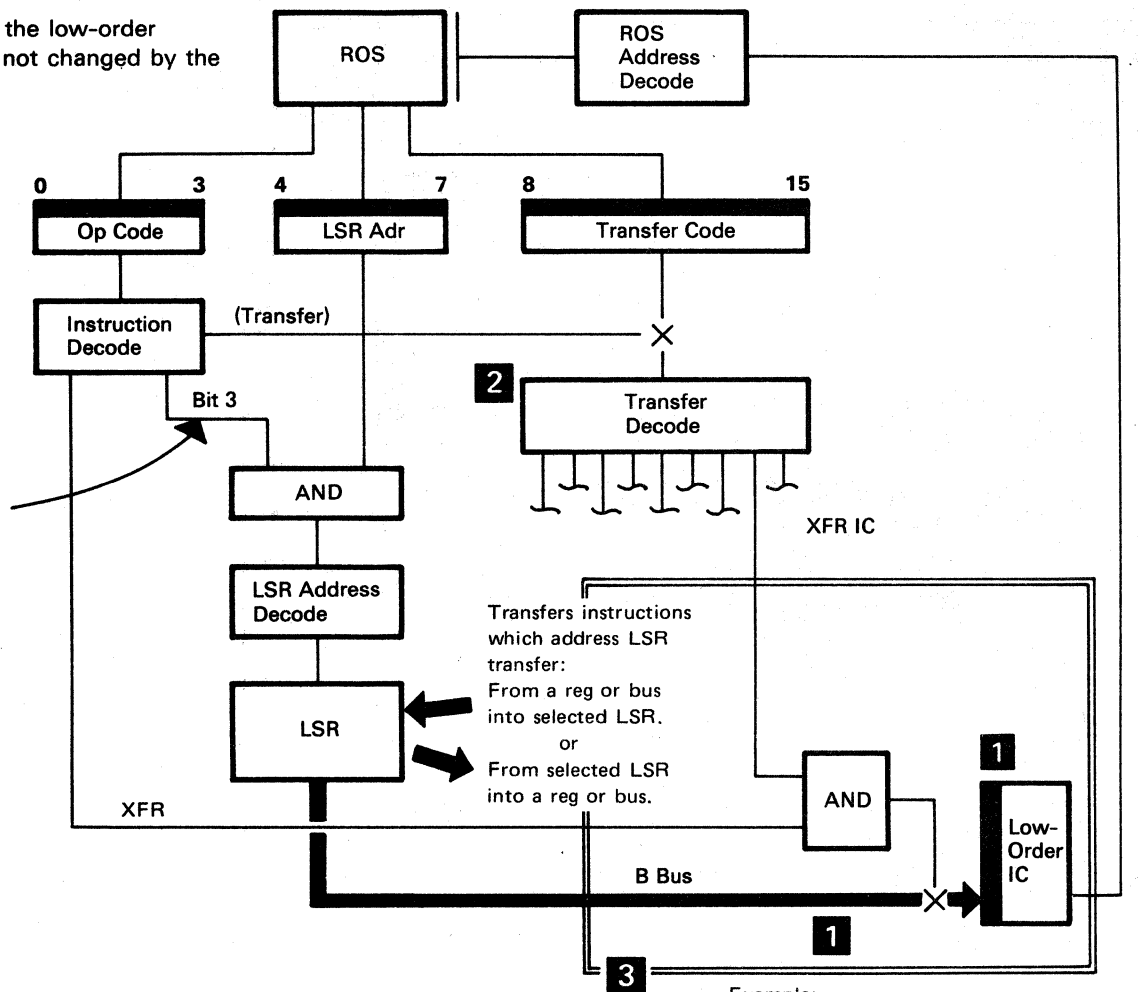
06E7	STO	R6,X'E7'	Store 'E7' in R6
16E7	STO	R22,X'E7'	Store 'E7' in R22

Transfer (XFR)

- 1 A Transfer instruction causes:
 - A. A data transfer from one internal location to another, or:
 - B. A pulse to set or reset a specific latch.
- 2 ROS 8-15, when decoded, selects the specific transfer operation.
- 3 The example shown (XFR IC) transfers the addressed LSR to the low-order Instruction Counter (IC). The Page Register (high-order IC) is not changed by the transfer instruction. (A page is a block of 256 addresses.)

Note: If Bit 8 is on, data is transferred into the LSR; if Bit 8 is off, data is transferred from the LSR.

Transfer instructions addressing LSR use bit 3 to select low LSRs (off), or high LSRs (on).



Transfers instructions which address LSR transfer: From a reg or bus into selected LSR. or From selected LSR into a reg or bus.

Example: Data is transferred from an LSR to IC.

Op Code (XFR)	Field 1 (LSR Adr)	Field 2 (XFR Code)
0 2	3 7	8 15
0 1 0	(x) 0 0 1 1	0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0

Transfer LSR3 (or LSR19) to the Instruction Counter.

In a microprogram listing this appears as:

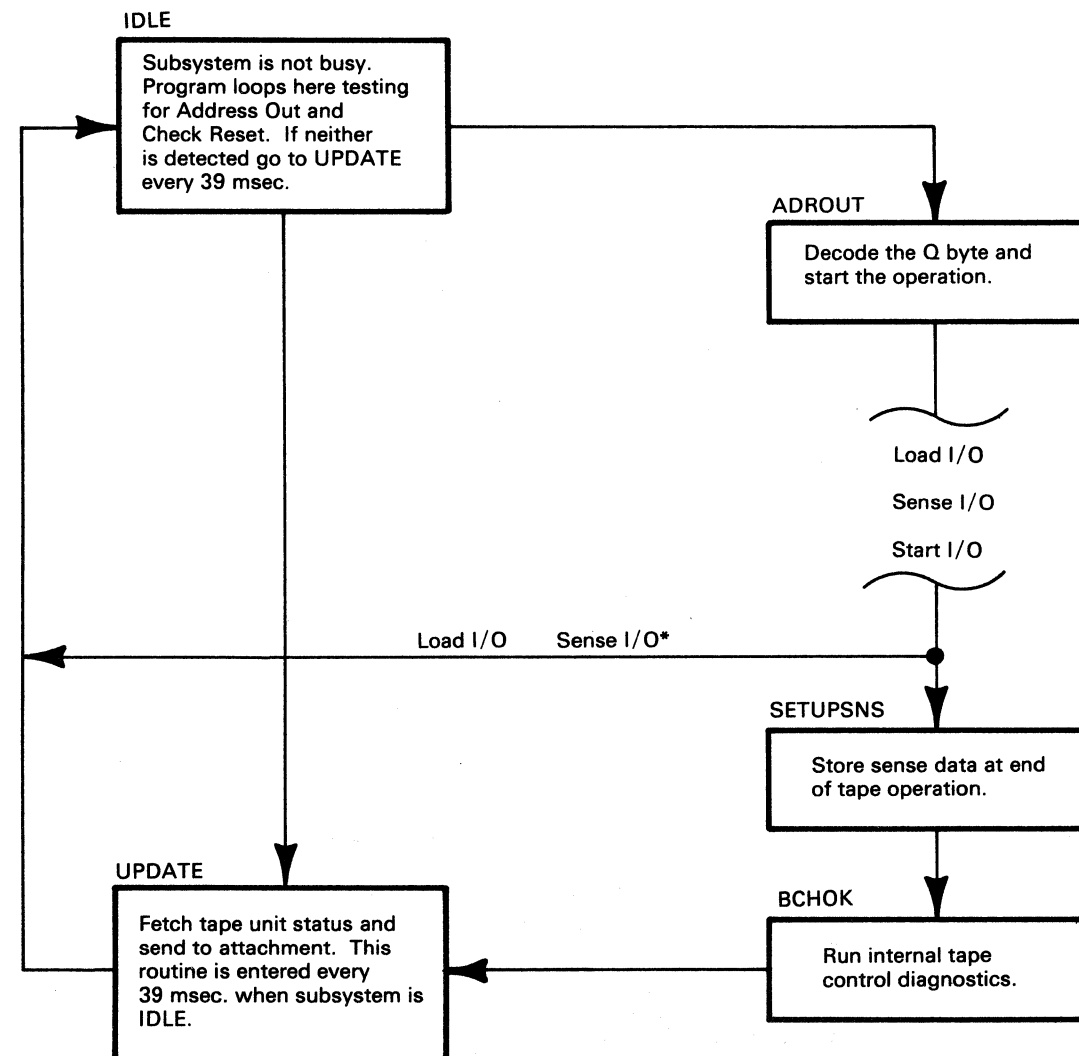
4322	XFR	R3,IC	Transfer LSR3 to IC
5322	XFR	R19,IC	Transfe. LSR19 to IC

Microprocessor

This section contains the microprocessor operational flowcharts. All tape control operations are executed by a microprogram stored in ROS. The flowcharts illustrate the sequence of routines that perform these operations. Program labels are on the flowcharts as reference pointers to the microprogram listing. For the particular details of a routine use the label and the cross-reference list in the back of the program listing.

System/3 Microprogram Overview

The microprogram always executes certain routines in a particular order. The diagram illustrates the sequence.



*Go to UPDATE if sense bytes 6 and 7 are sent to the system.

Sequence Of Operations

Load I/O (LIO)---Loads the byte count into the selected LSRs.

The microprogram loops in the IDLE routine and exits to ADROUT to determine the type of operation. From ADROUT, exit to LOAD to store the byte count. If no errors are found, the program exits to IDLE at the completion of the LOAD routine.

Start I/O (SIO)---Contains the Read, Write, and Control commands.

The microprogram loops in IDLE and exits to ADROUT to determine the type of operation. From ADROUT the program exits to START to execute the command.

At the completion of the operation, exit to SETUPSNS to store sense data and then to BCHOK to run internal diagnostics. If no errors are found, exit to UPDATE to get status of tape units to send to the attachment. From UPDATE, go to IDLE to await the next command.

Sense I/O (SNS)---Gathers the subsystem sense information.

The microprogram loops in IDLE and exits to ADROUT to determine the type of operation. From ADROUT, the program exits to SENSE to get the sense bytes.

At the completion of the sense operation, exit IDLE and await the next command. If the sense command was for bytes 6 and 7, exit to UPDATE to get the tape unit status to send to the attachment. Exit to IDLE to await the next command.

Idle/AdROUT Routines (System/3)

Objectives

- Test for Address Out from CPU

HANG1 A hardware error has occurred. All tape operations are stopped. The subsystem must wait for a Check Reset from CPU before restarting.

CKRST Check Reset is active. Reset all tape control sense bytes and start internal diagnostics.

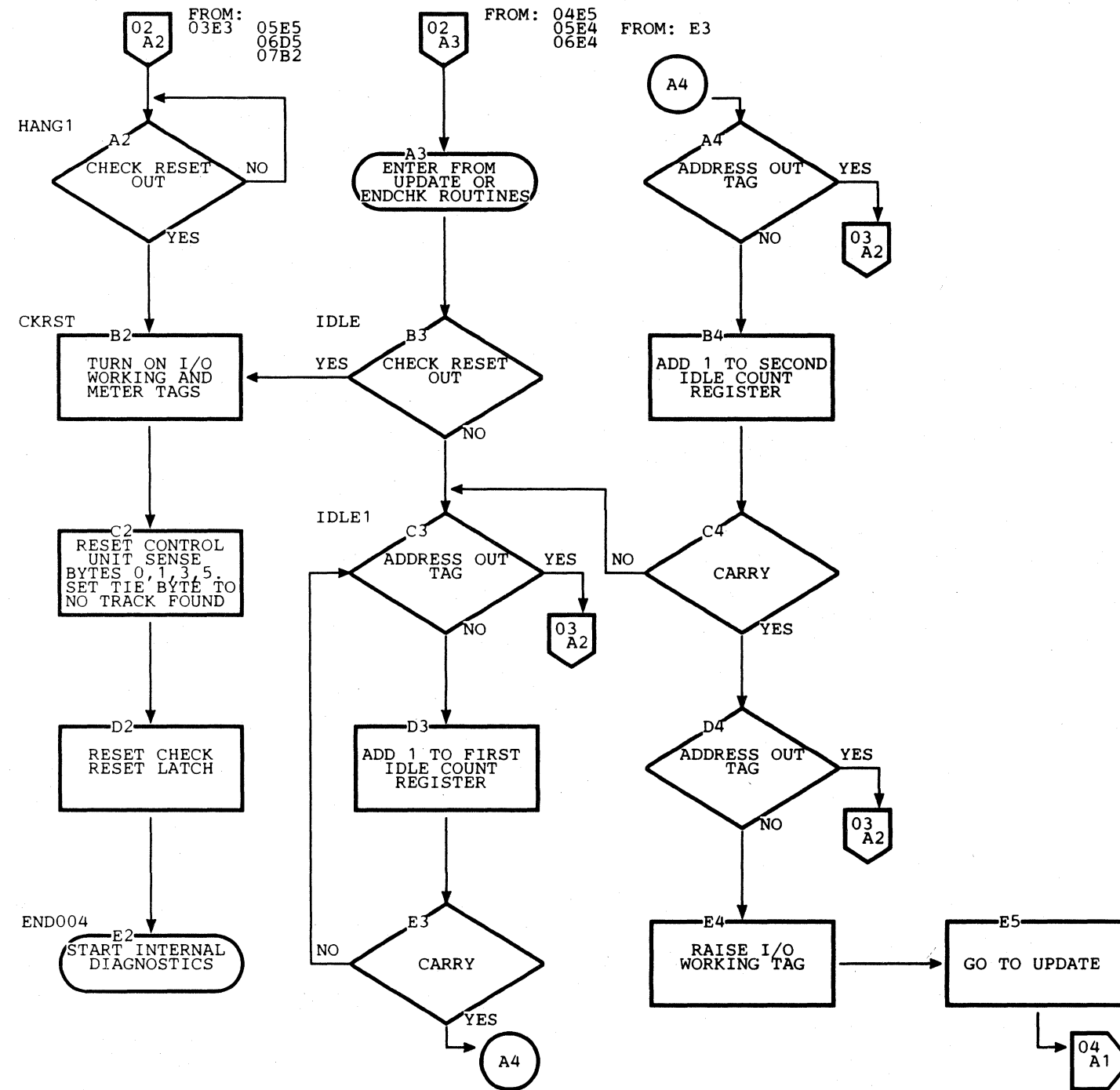
IDLE1 Address out is not active. Loop until Address Out is active or a carry occurs. When a carry occurs, 39 ms have elapsed. Exit to UPDATE to fetch tape unit status.

ADROUT Reads in the Q Byte. Checks Q byte parity and for the I/O instruction tag.

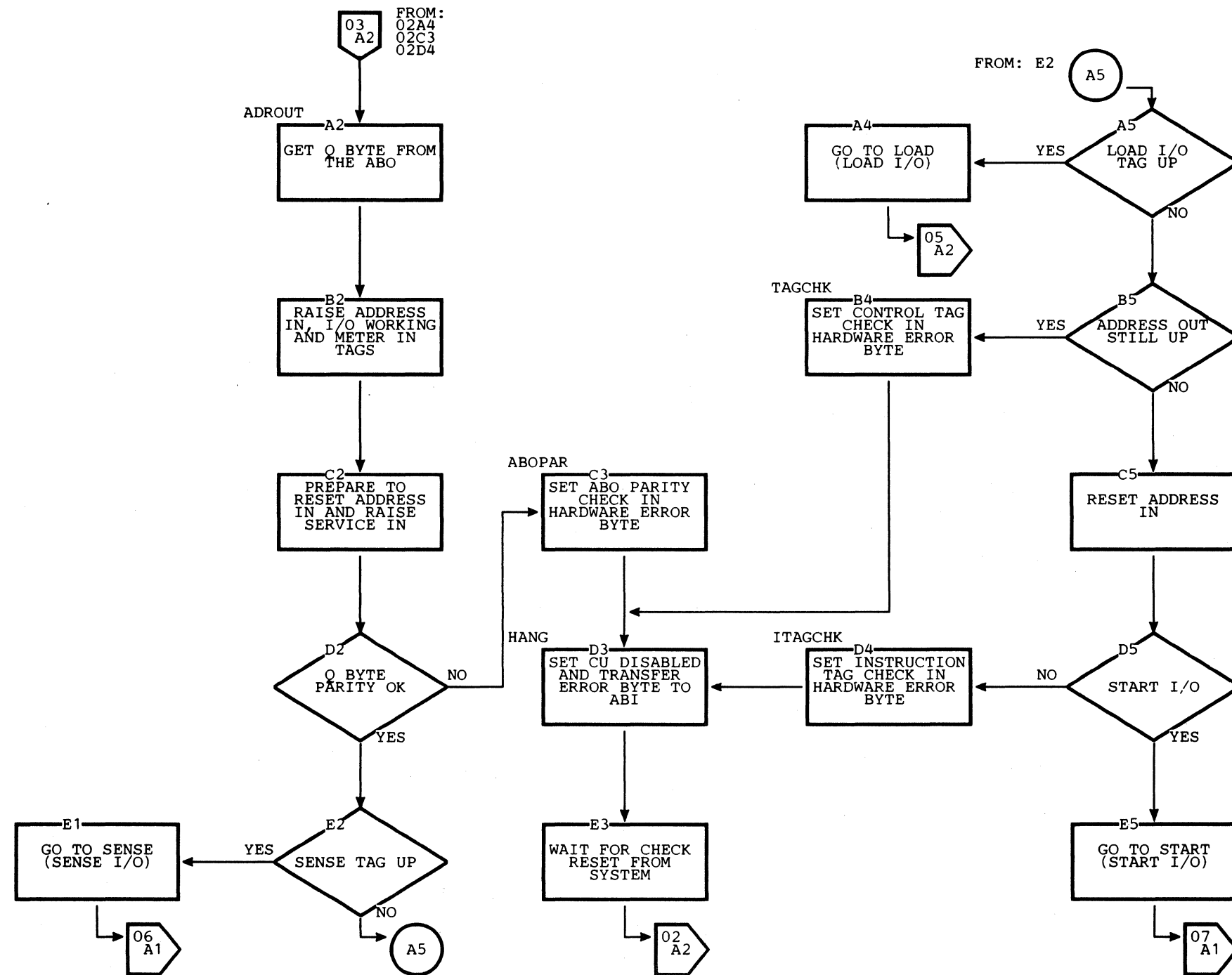
ABOPAR Q byte parity is bad. The ABO Parity Check bit is set in the Hardware Error Byte.

TAGCHK Address Out was not reset. The Control Tag Check bit is set in the Hardware Error Byte.

ITAGCHK No I/O instruction tag was active. The Instruction Tag Check bit is set in the Hardware error byte.



Idle/Adrout Routines (System/3)

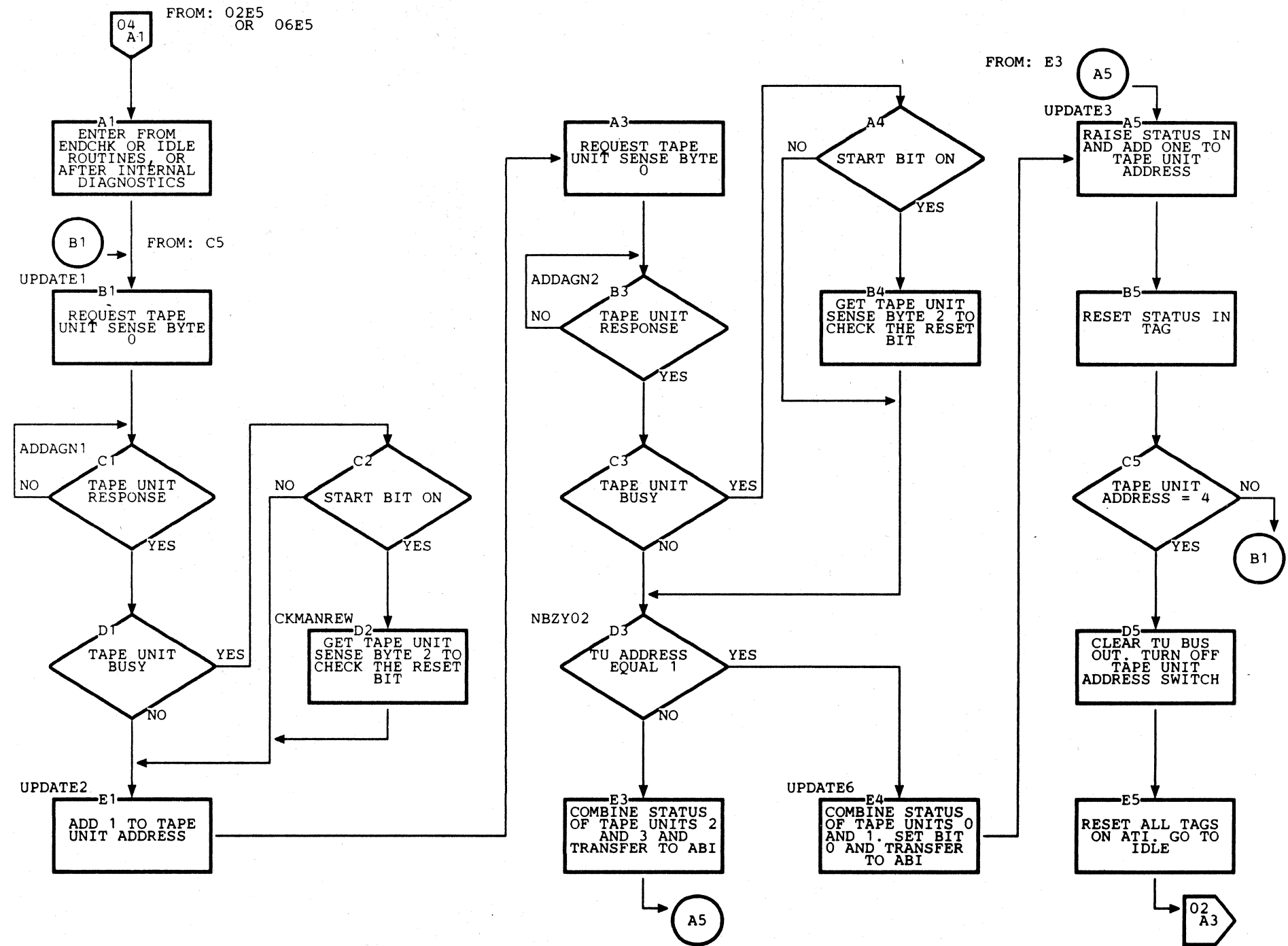


Update (System/3)

Objectives

- To get the status of each tape unit and transfer it to the Device Status Register in the attachment.

- UPDATE1** Get tape unit sense byte 0 (initial status) from the first tape unit.
- ADDAGN1** Wait for tape unit response. When the sense byte is received, save bits 5 and 7. Check the Not busy and Start bits.
- UPDATE2** The tape unit is not busy. Store bits 5 and 7 in an LSR and select the next tape unit.
- CKMANREW** The tape unit is busy and the Start bit is on. If the Reset bit of sense byte 2 is set, the tape unit is manually rewinding, and the Meter In tag can be reset.
- ADDAGN2** Same as ADDAGN1.
- NBZY02** Check the tape unit address to determine which pair of tape units have been updated.
- UPDATE6** Tape units 0 and 1 have been updated. Bit 0 of the status byte is set to indicate the status is from tape units 0 and 1.
- UPDATE3** The status byte is transferred to the attachment. Update the status of tape units 2 and 3.
If the status of all tape units have been updated, reset the interface tags and return to IDLE.



Load I/O (System/3)

Objectives

- Load a byte count into the designated LSRs.

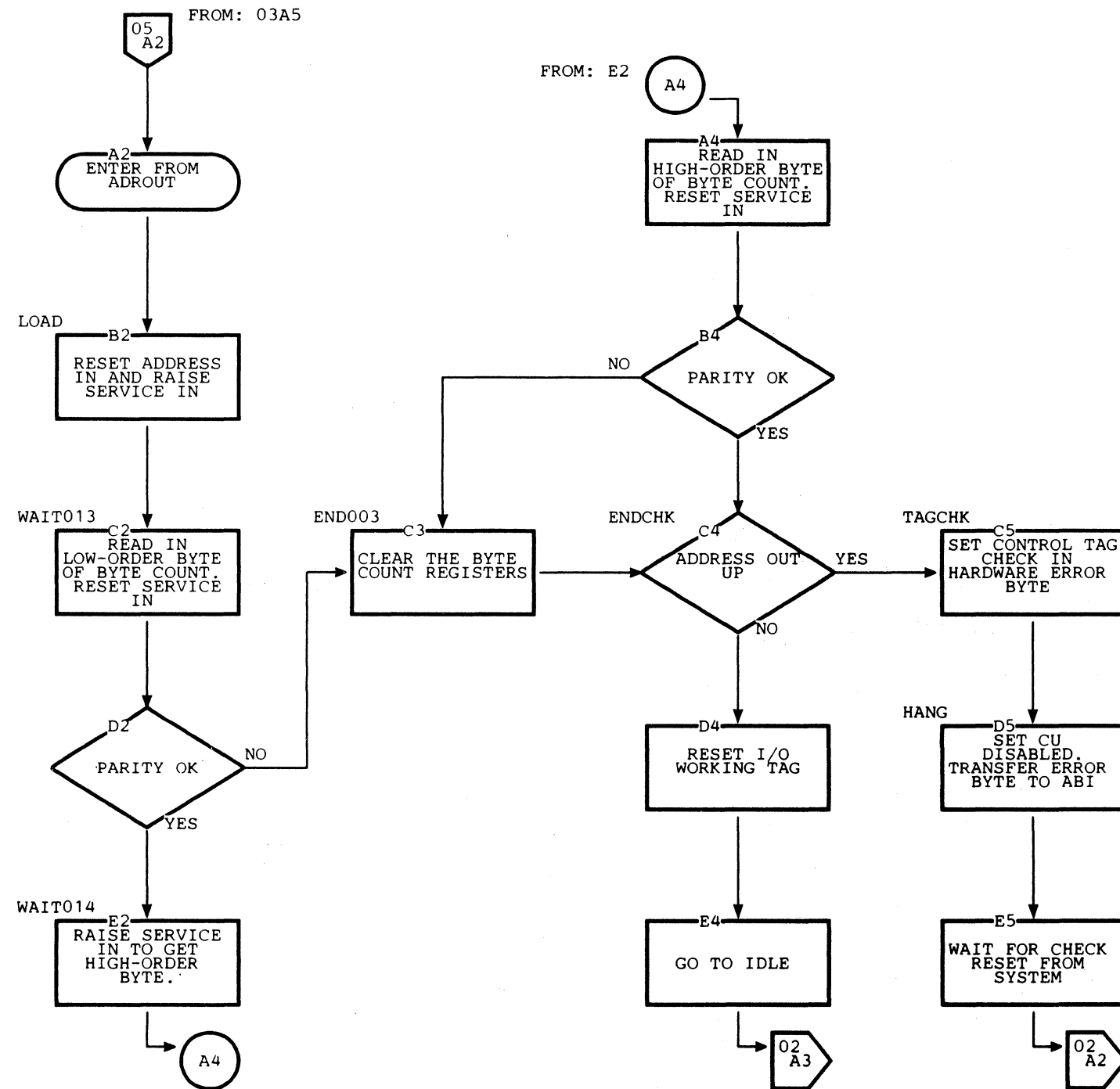
WAIT013 Read in the first byte and check parity as it is received.

END003 Parity is bad. Clear the byte count registers and go to ENDCHK and then to IDLE to await the next command.

WAIT014 Read in the second byte and check parity. If bad, go to END003.

ENDCHK Test for Address Out still active. If Address Out is inactive, reset I/O Working and go to IDLE to await the next command.

TAGCHK Address Out is still active. Set the Control Tag Check bit in the Hardware Error byte. The subsystem then waits for Check Reset from CPU.



Sense I/O (System/3)

Objectives

- To fetch the two sense bytes requested by CPU.

SENSE The Q Byte is decoded for the tape unit address and requested sense bytes.

The tape control responds with the odd-numbered sense byte first followed by the even-numbered one.

REQUEST Get the tape unit sense byte. Tape unit sense bytes 0, 1, and 2 become subsystem sense bytes 2, 4, and 6 when transferred to CPU.

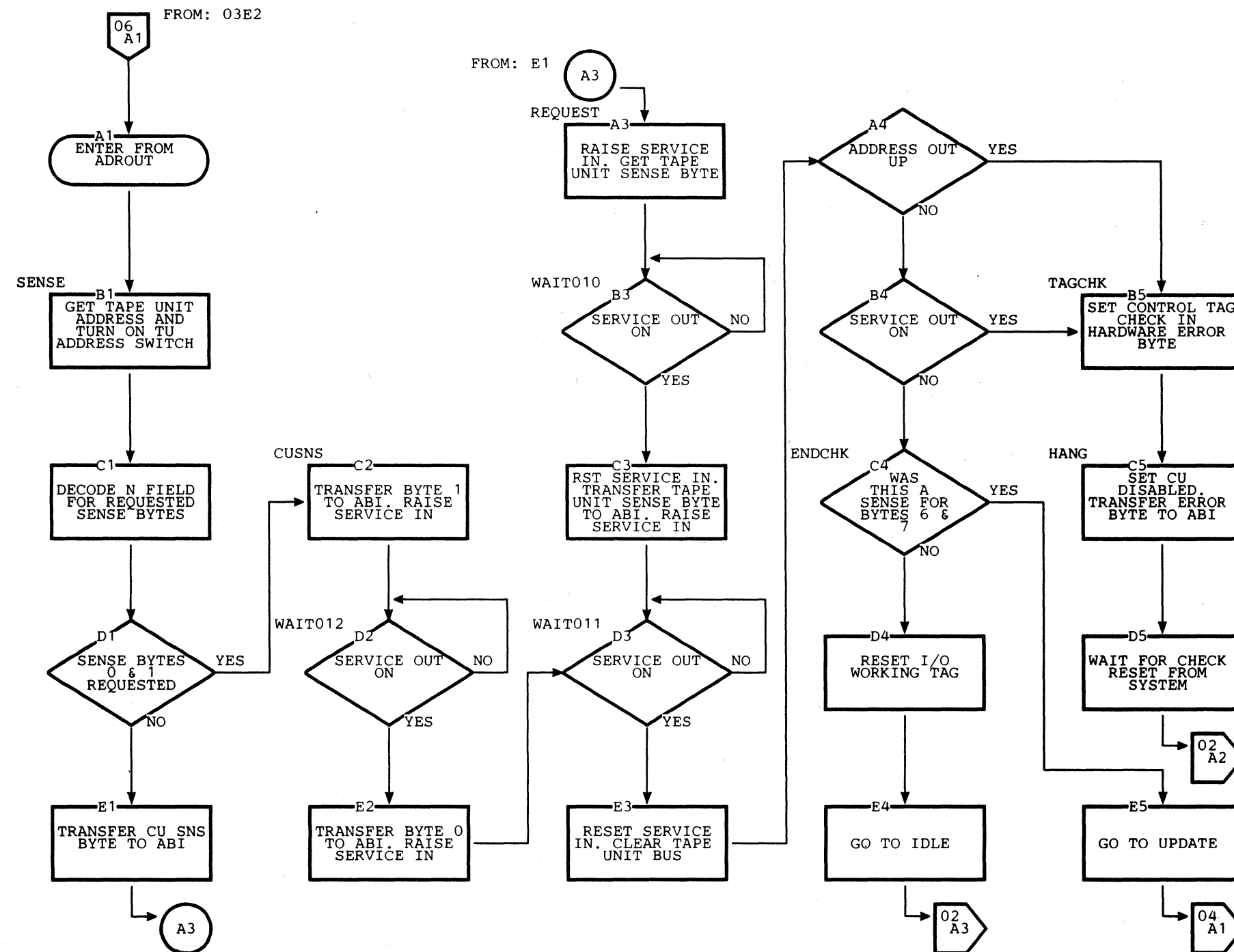
TAGCHK Address Out or Service Out is still active. Set the Control Tag Check bit in the Hardware Error Byte. The subsystem then waits for Check Reset from CPU.

ENDCHK Test for Address Out and determine which sense bytes were sent. If bytes 6 and 7 were sent, the tape unit status is updated. If bytes 6 and 7 were not sent, the subsystem goes to IDLE to await the next command.

Q BYTE

Sub-Sys		TU Adr	N-Field
P	O 1 1	x x	n n n
	0 2	3 4	5 7

Tape Unit	x x	Sense Bytes	n n n
0	0 0	0 & 1	0 0 0
1	0 1	2 & 3	0 0 1
2	1 0	4 & 5	0 1 0
3	1 1	6 & 7	0 1 1



Start I/O (System/3)

Objectives

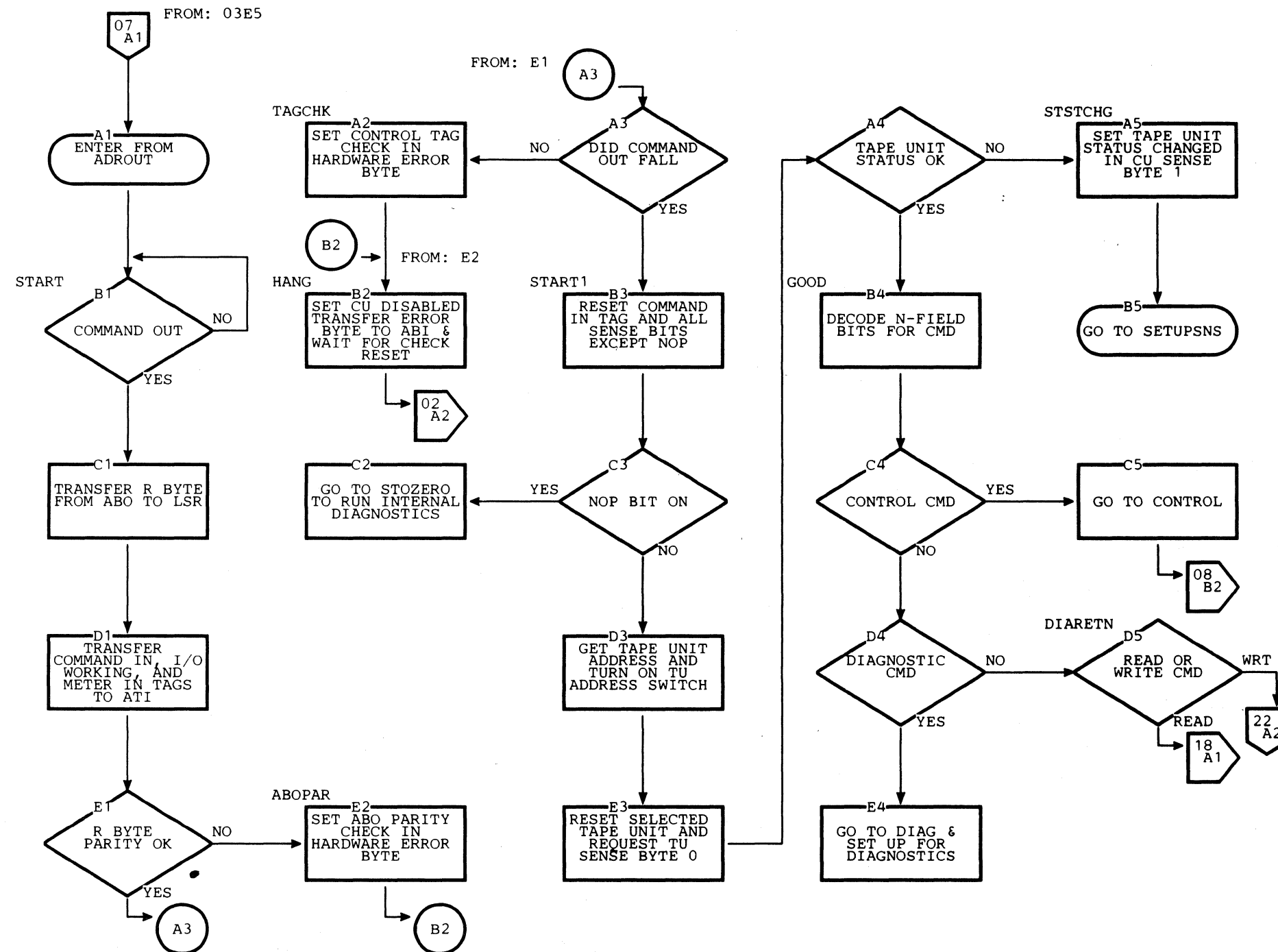
- To initiate a tape operation
- The command is decoded and the selected tape unit reset.

Q BYTE

Sub-Sys	TU Adr	N-Field
P 0 1 1	x x	n n n
0 2	3 4	5 7

Tape Unit	x x	n n n	Command
0	0 0	0 0 0	Control
1	0 1	0 0 0	Read Forward
2	1 0	0 1 0	Write
3	1 1	0 1 1	Read Backward
		1 0 0	Diagnostic Write
		1 0 1	Diagnostic Read

- START** Read in the R byte and check parity.
- ABOPAR** R Byte parity is bad. Set the ABO Parity Check bit in the Hardware Error byte.
- START1** Reset all sense bits except NOP. If NOP is on, the operation is terminated. Go to STOZERO to do internal diagnostics and then to UPDATE before returning to IDLE.
- If NOP is not set, reset the selected tape unit and get the status.
- GOOD** The tape unit status is good. Decode the Q Byte N-field for the command.
- STSTCHG** The tape unit is busy or unit check is on. Store the sense data, run internal diagnostics, update the tape unit status, and return to IDLE.



Control Commands (System/3)

Objectives

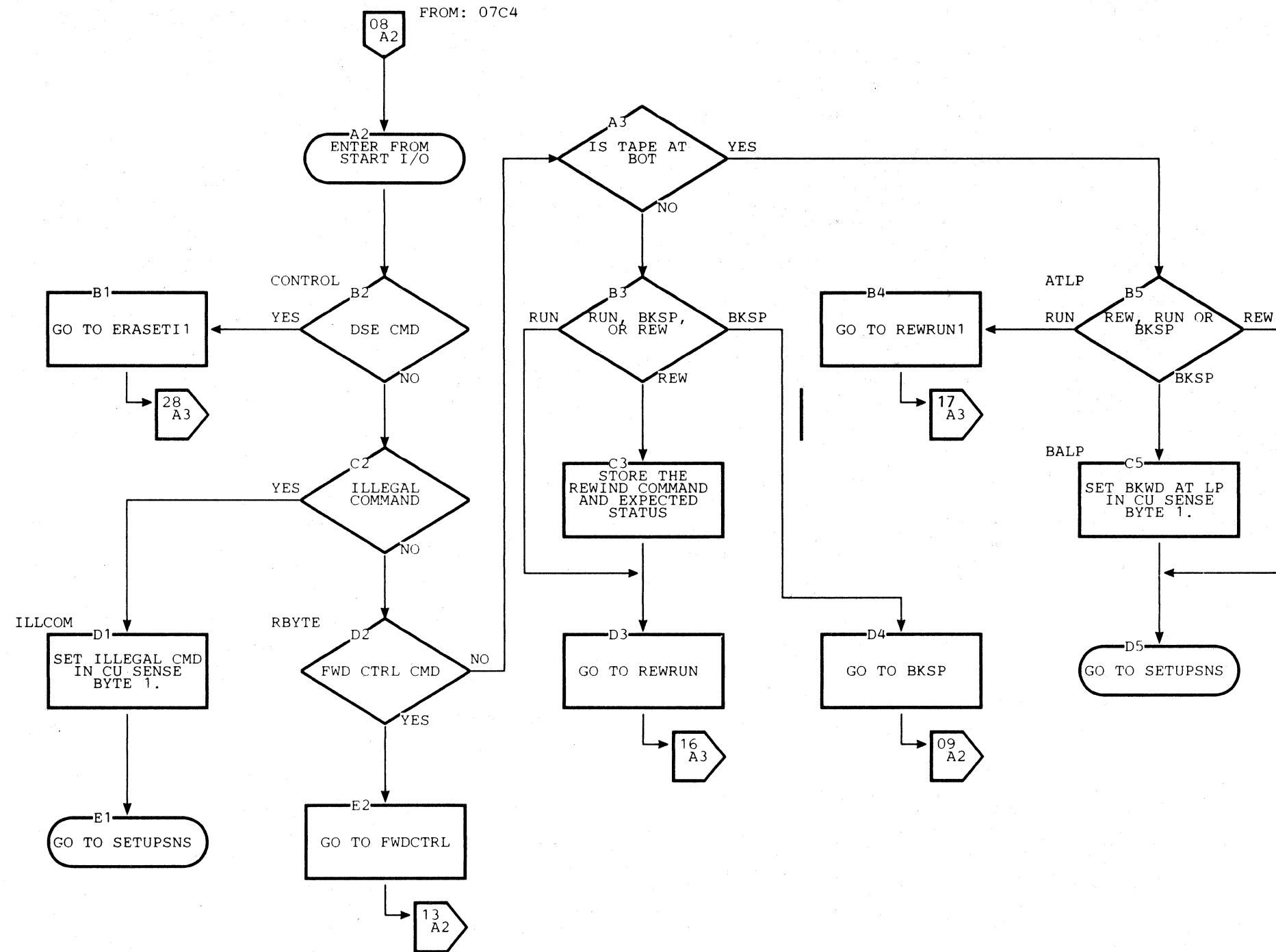
- Decode the R Byte for the particular control-type command.

RBYTE Determine if the command is a forward or backward motion type command. If backward, check for tape at BOT.

ATLP Tape is at BOT. Determine which backward operation is being attempted at BOT. If a Rewind Unload command, the operation will be completed when the tape unit is unloaded.

If a Rewind Command, the operation is complete. Store the sense data, run internal diagnostics, update tape unit status, and return to IDLE.

BALP Tape is at BOT and the command is a Backspace. Set Backward at Load Point. Store the sense data, run internal diagnostics, update the tape unit status, and return to IDLE.

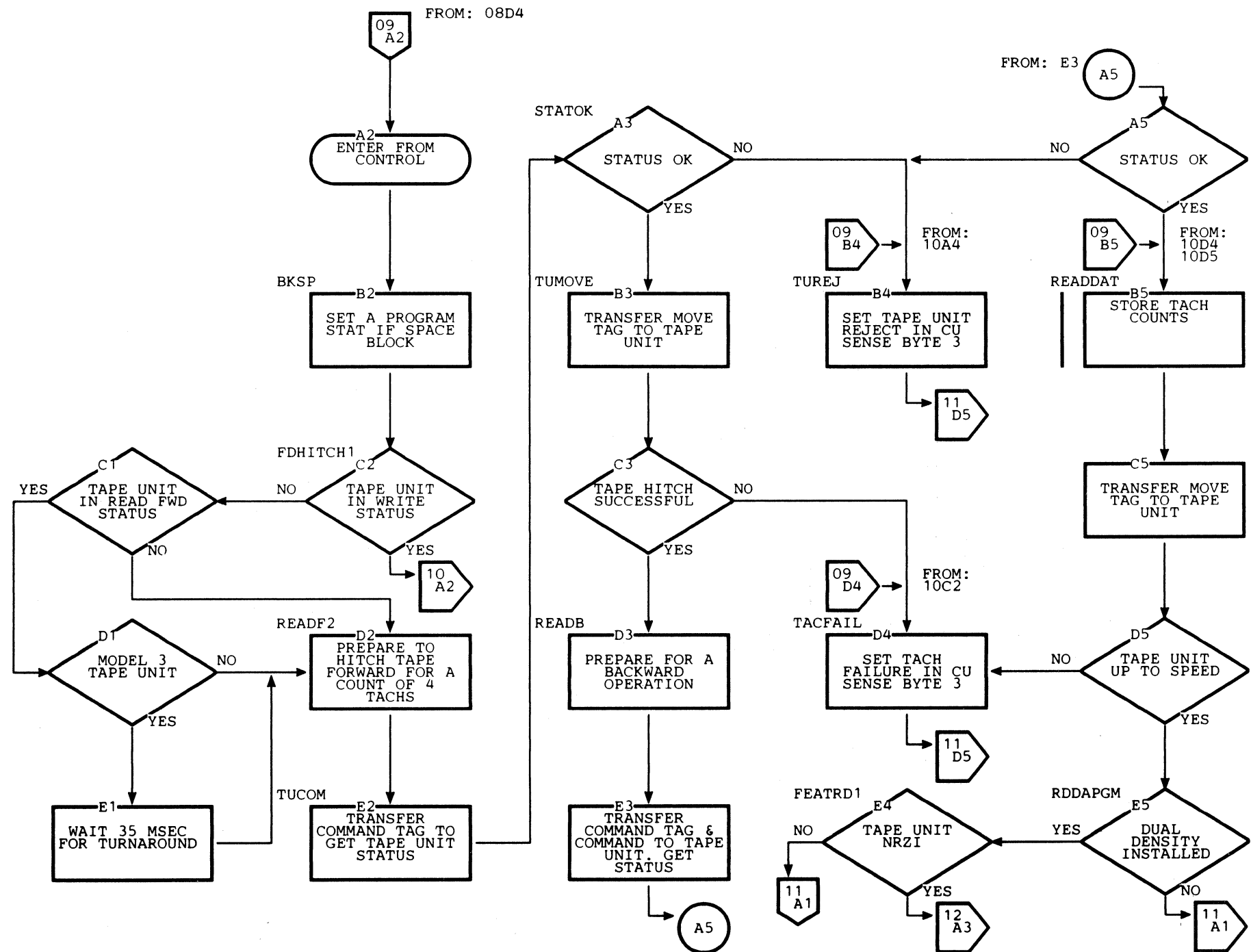


Backspace Block/File (System/3)

Objectives

- To move tape backward over a block or file of data. No data is transferred to CPU.
- The Backspace Block and File commands are decoded by the CONTROL routine.

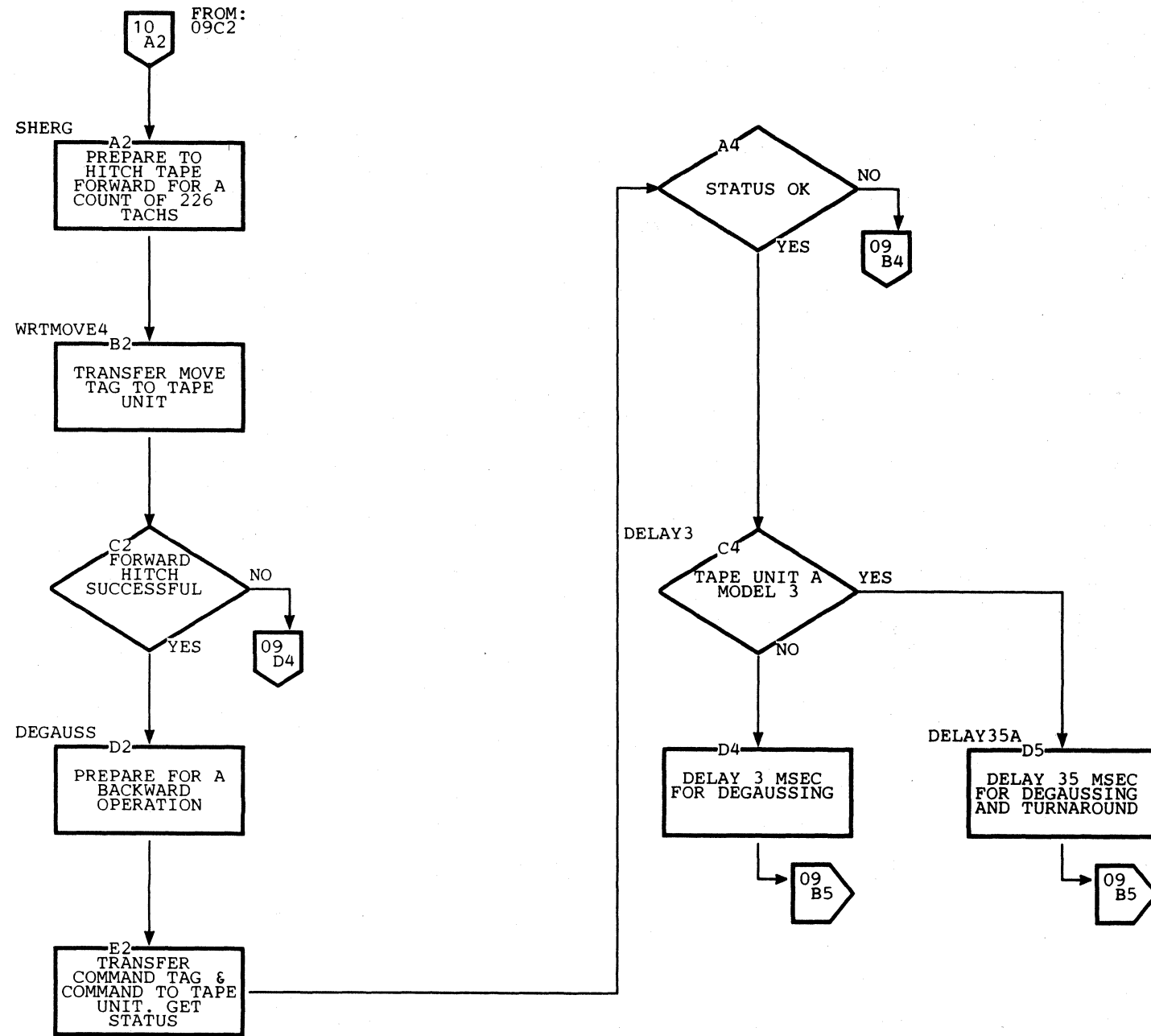
- FDHITCH1** Determine if the tape is in read or write status.
- READ** The tape unit is in read status. Set up to hitch the tape forward for a count of 4 tach pulses.
- TUCOM** Get the tape unit command status. If the status is not good, reject the tape unit and terminate the operation.
- READDAT** Tape has been hitched forward. Compare old and new tape unit status. Set up tach counts.



Backspace Block/File (System/3)

SHERG The tape unit is in write status. Set up to hitch tape forward for a count of 226 tach pulses before changing to read status.

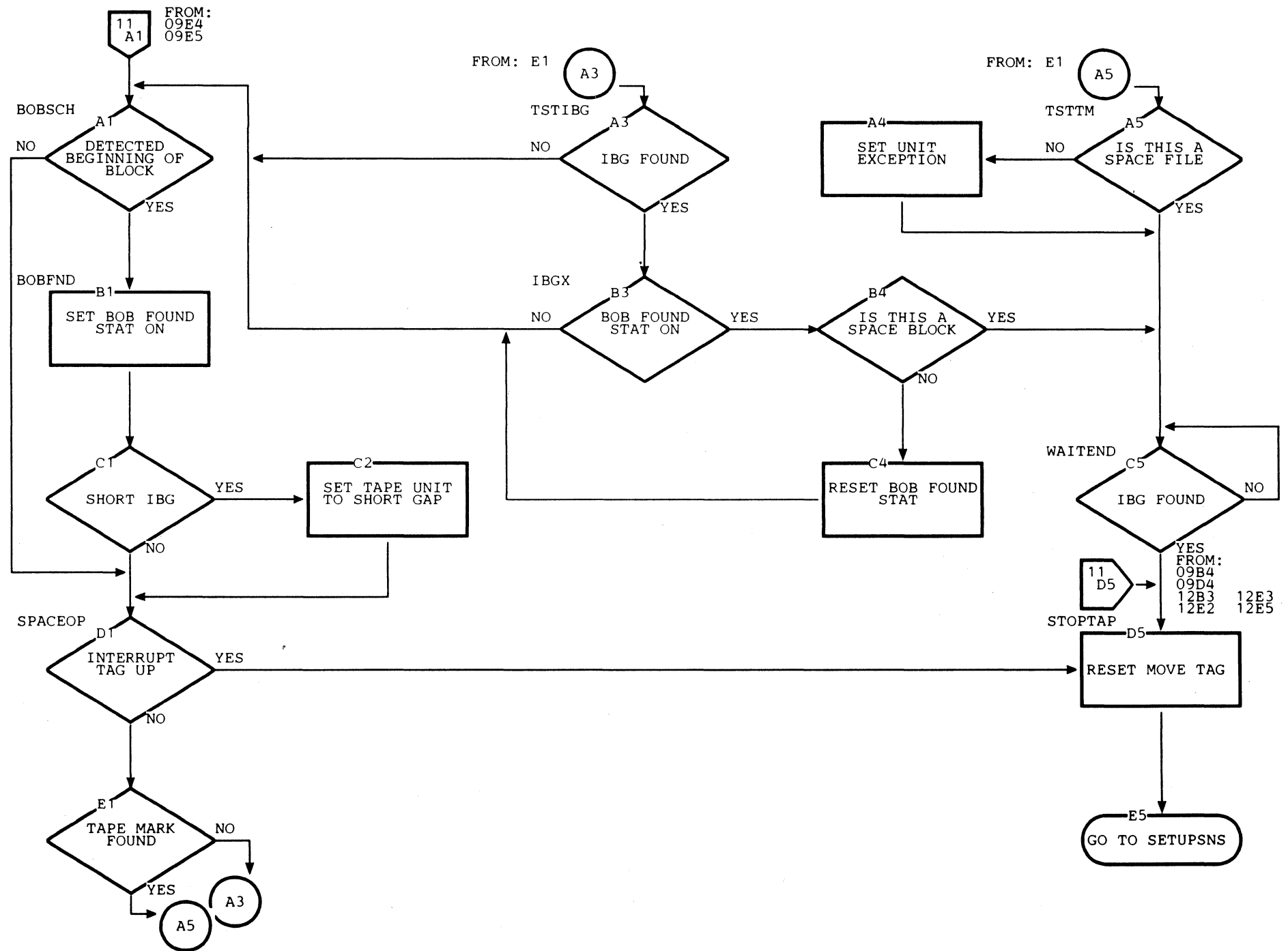
DEGAUSS Set up for a backward operation. Degauss the write head before moving tape backward.



Backspace Block/File (System/3)

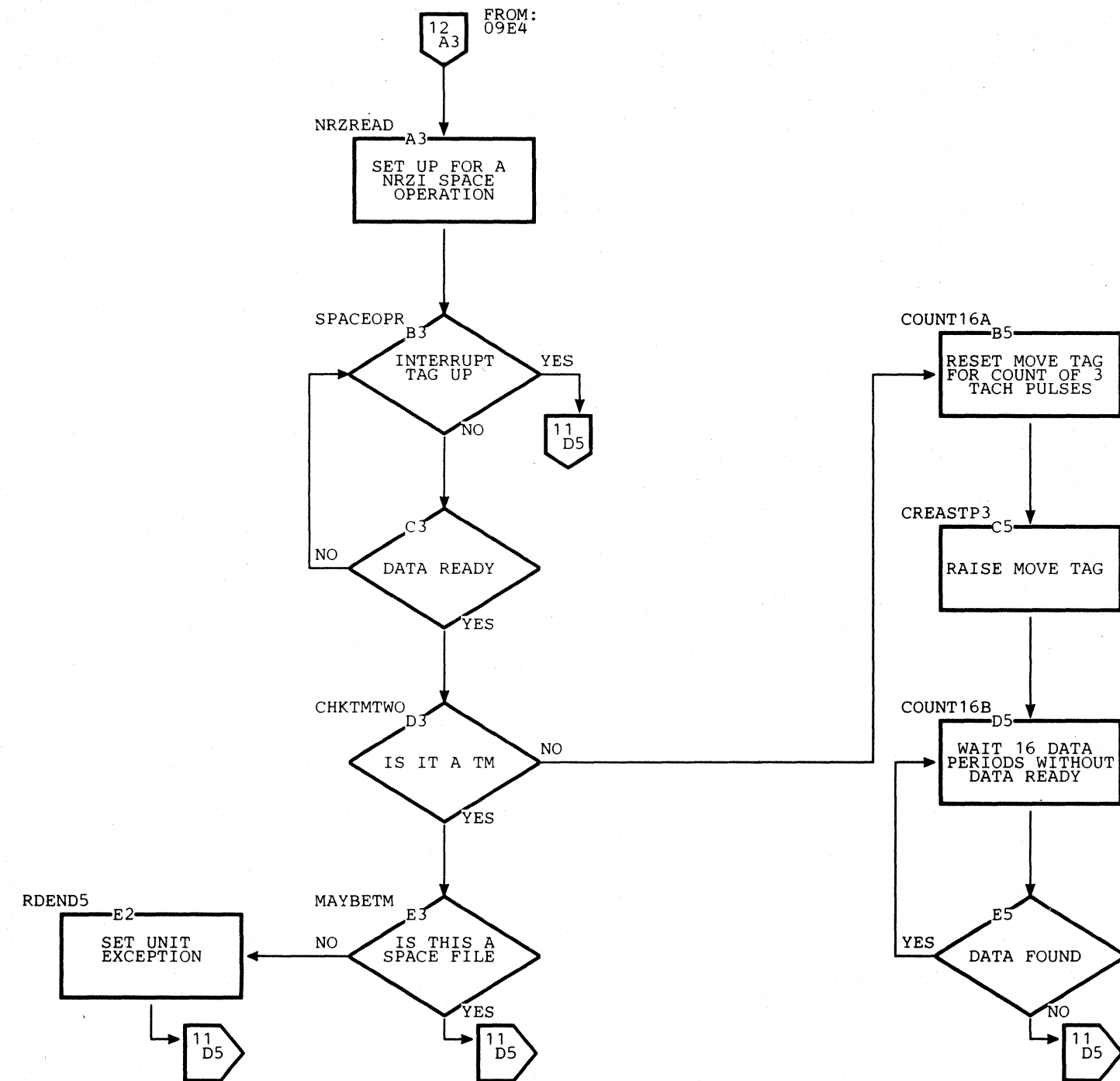
BOBSCH Tape control is in PE mode. Start looking for the beginning of data block.

STOPTAP The IBG or tape mark has been found or an error has occurred. Stop the tape and set up sense data. After running internal diagnostics, update the tape unit status and go to IDLE.



Backspace Block/File (System/3)

- NRZREAD Set up data time counts for a NRZI space operation.
- SPACEOPR Look for data. If found, check it for tape mark configuration.
- COUNT16A The data is not a tape mark. The Move Tag is reset for a count of 3 to signal the tape unit to prepare to stop. The Move Tag is then reactivated to search for data. If no data is found after 16 data periods, the tape unit stops. If data is found, continue looping until no data is found for 16 data periods.

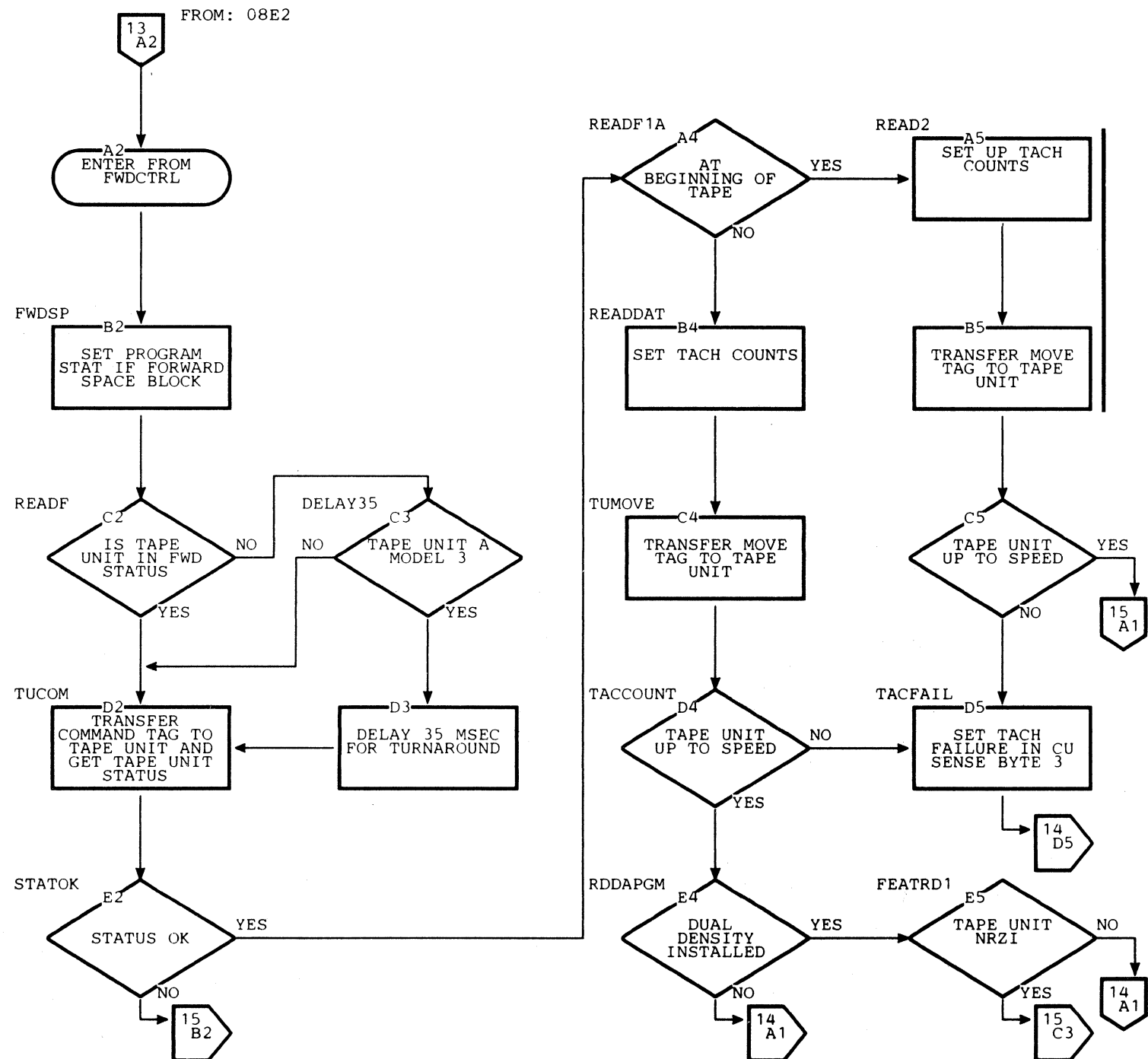


Forward Space Block/File (System/3)

Objectives

- To move tape forward over a block or file of data. No data is transferred to CPU.
- The Forward Space Block and File commands are decoded by the CONTROL routine.

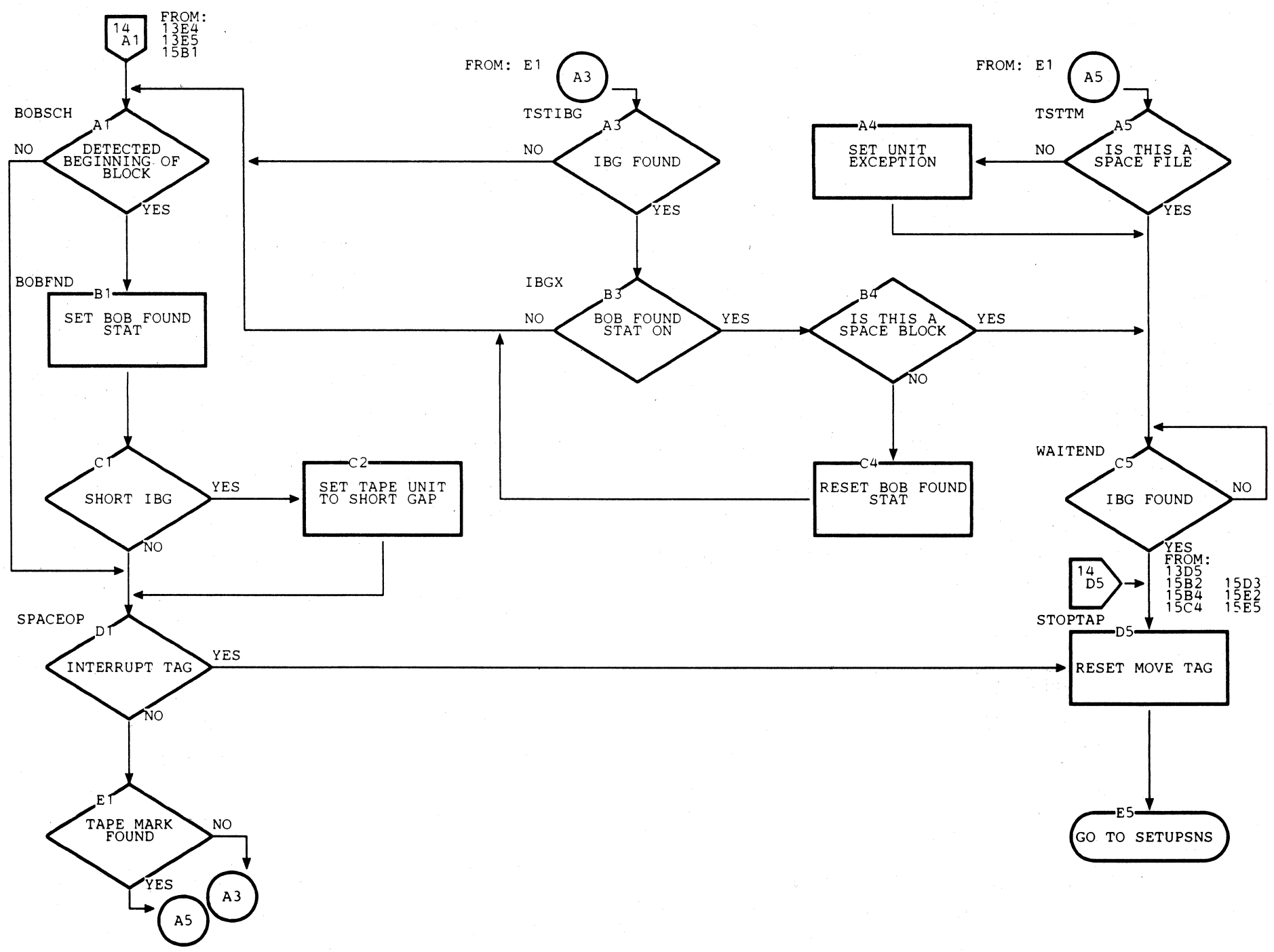
- READF** Determine if the tape unit is in backward or forward status. If backward, initiate turnaround.
- TUCOM** Get tape unit command status. If status is not good, reject the tape unit and terminate the operation.
- READF1A** Tape unit status is good. Check for tape at BOT.
- READDAT** Tape is not at BOT. Compare old and new tape unit status and set tach counts.
- READ2** Same as READDAT except tape is at BOT.
- TACCOUNT** Check for tach pulses to verify tape unit is running.



Forward Space Block/File (System/3)

BOBSCH Tape control is in PE mode. Start looking for beginning of data block.

STOPTAP The IBG or tape mark has been occurred. Stop the tape and set up sense data. After running internal diagnostics, update the tape unit status and go to IDLE.



Forward Space Block/File (System/3)

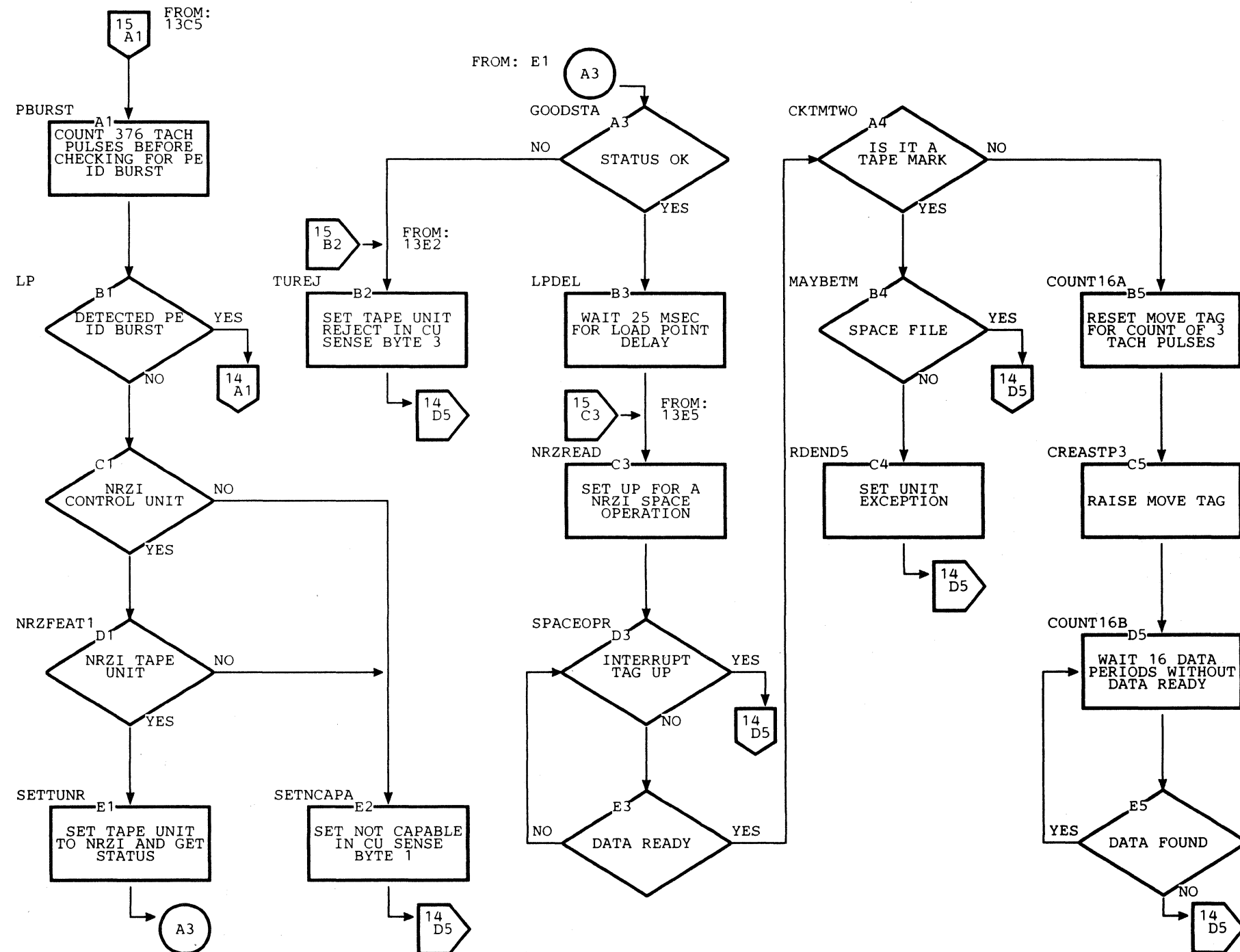
PBURST Tape is at BOT. Start looking for PE ID Burst. If none is found, the tape is recorded in NRZI. Check that the subsystem is capable of reading NRZI.

SETTUNR The tape control is capable of reading NRZI. Set the tape unit to NRZI and get the status.

NRZREAD Set up the data timing counts for a NRZI space operation.

SPACEOPR Look for data. If found, check for tape mark configuration.

COUNT16A The data is not a tape mark. The Move Tag is reset for a count of 3 to signal the tape unit to prepare to stop. The Move Tag is then reactivated to search for data. If no data is found after 16 data periods, the tape unit stops. If data is found, continue looping until no data is found for 16 data periods.

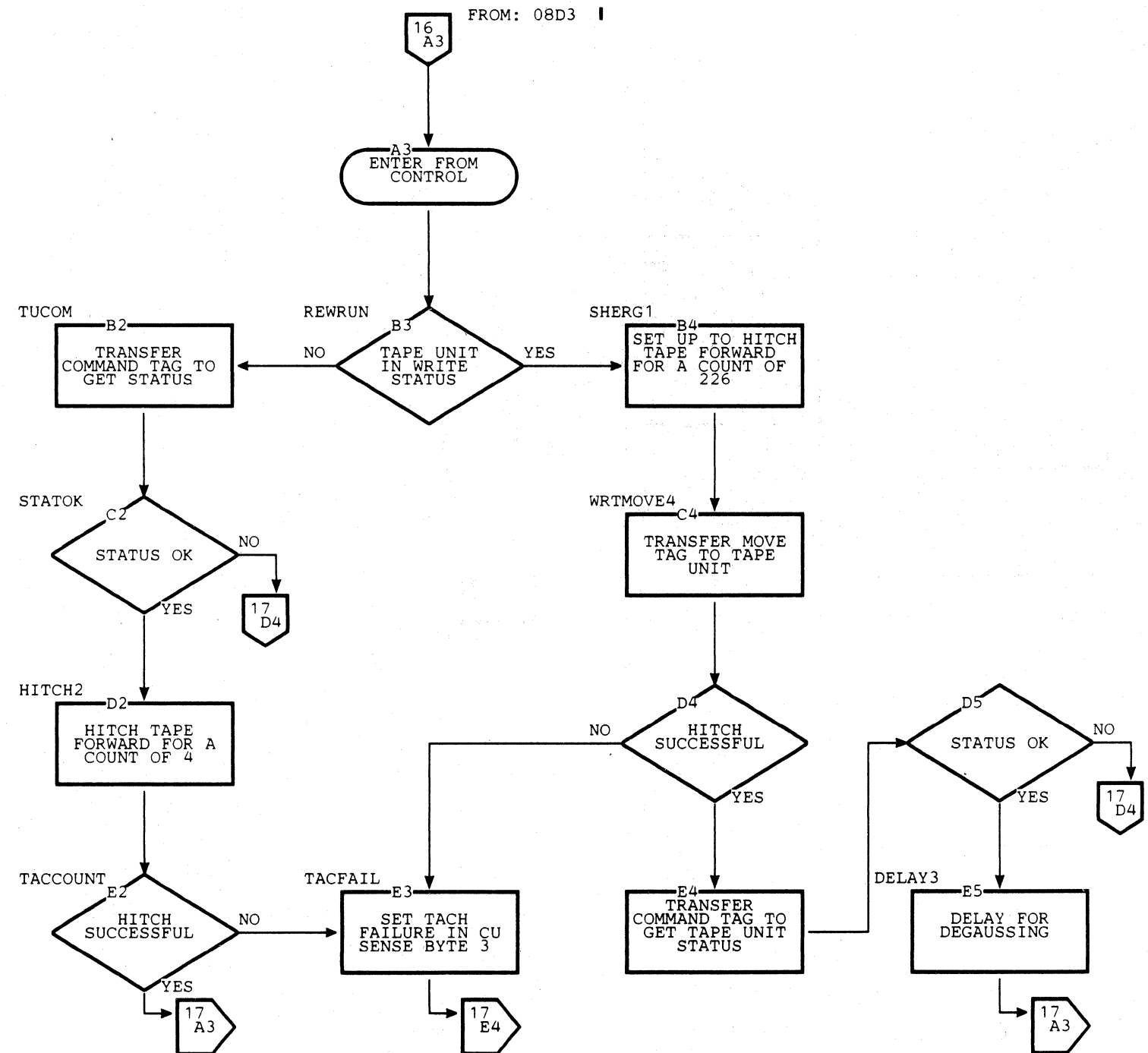


Rewind/Rewind Unload (System/3)

Objectives

- To move tape backwards at high speed to the beginning of tape (BOT) and if a Rewind Unload command, unload the tape unit. Tape is not pulled out of columns during the high speed rewind.

- REWRUN** Determine if the tape unit is in read or write status.
- TUCOM** Transfer the command tag to get the status byte. If status is not good, reject the tape unit and terminate the operation.
- HITCH2** The tape unit is in read status. Set up to hitch the tape unit forward before turnaround. Send the Move Tag to the tape unit.
- TACCOUNT** Check for and time the tach to verify tape forward hitch. If not correct, terminate the operation.
- SHERG1** The tape unit is in write status. Move the tape forward before changing to read status.
- DELAY3** The tape has been moved forward. Dégauss the write head before moving tape backward.

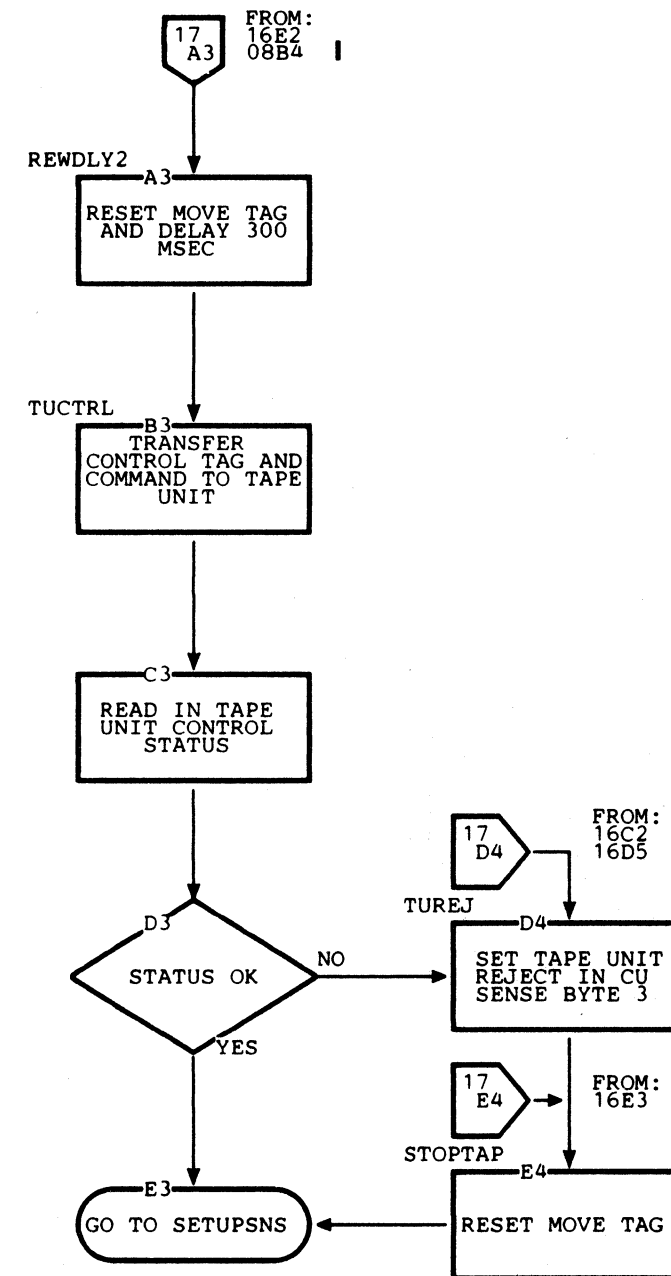


Rewind/Rewind Unload (System/3)

- REWDLY2 Delays 300 msec. to ensure that two or more tape units are not starting to rewind at the same time.

- TUCTRL Transfer the control tag and command to the tape unit. Get the status byte. If status is good, tape control will store the sense data, run internal diagnostics, update tape unit status, and go to IDLE while the tape unit completes the rewind operation.

- STOPTAP The tape unit status is not good or the tape unit tachometer failed. Reset the Move Tag and store the sense data. Run internal diagnostics, update tape unit status, and go to IDLE.

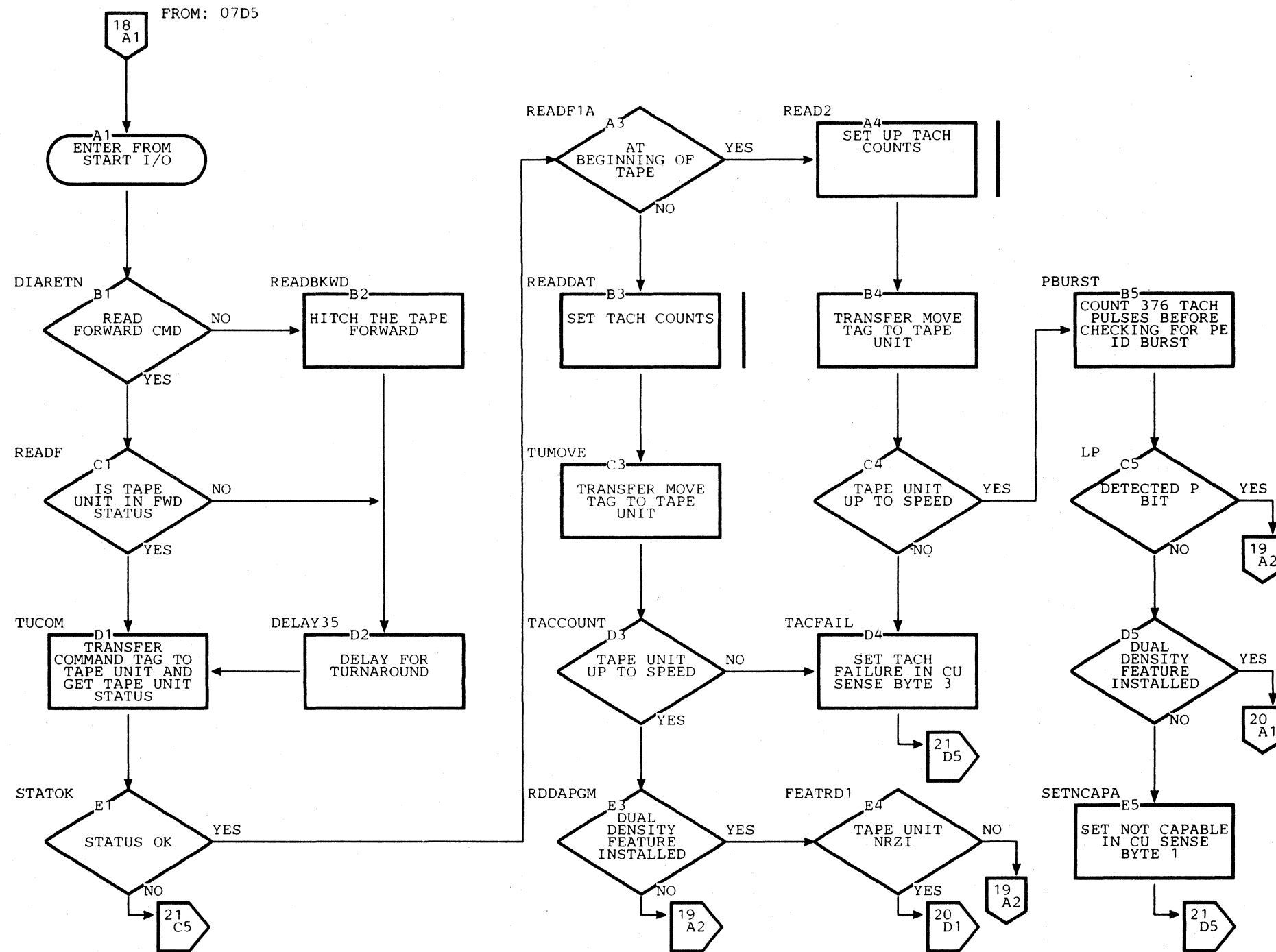


Read Operation (System/3)

Objectives

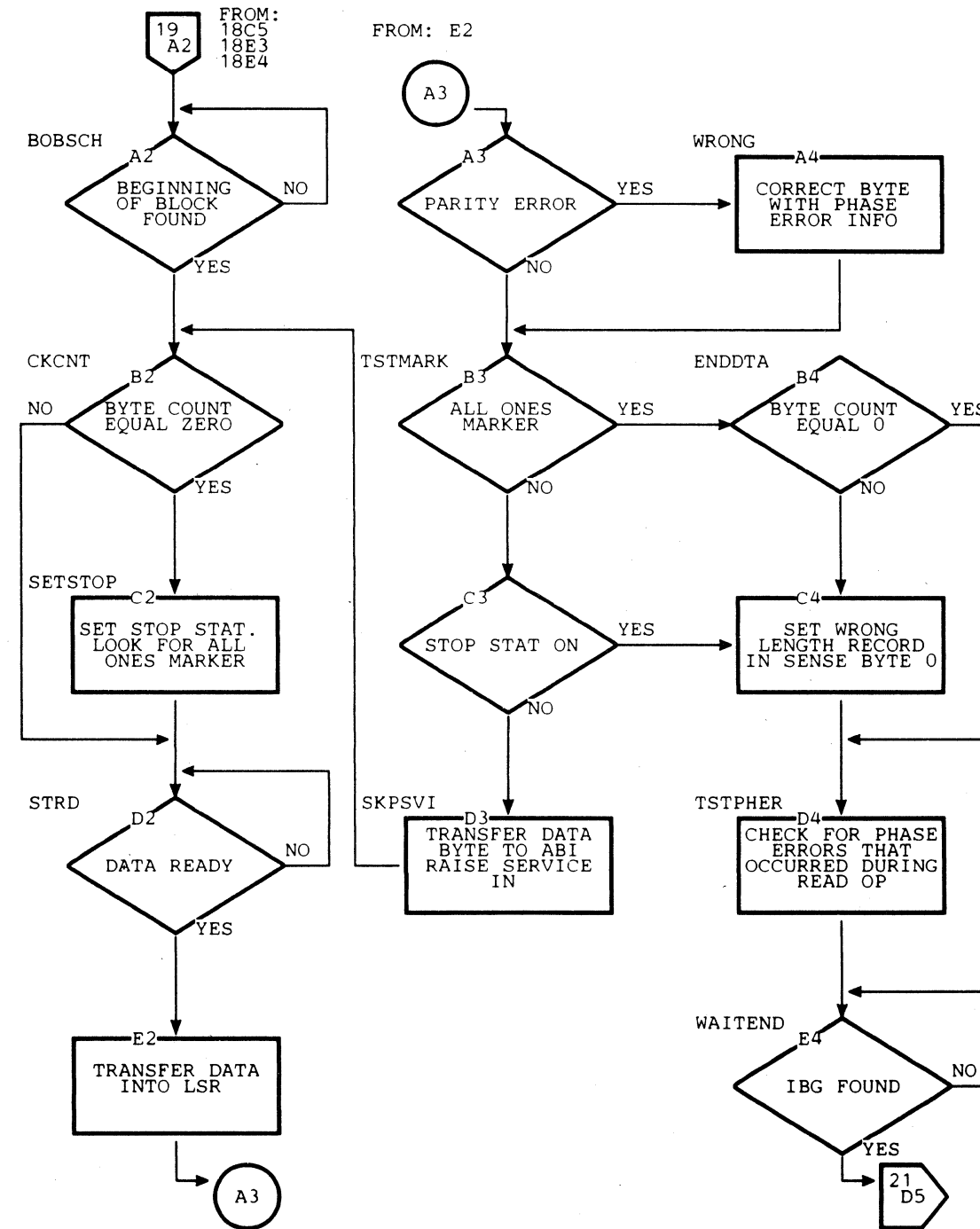
- To read data (PE or NRZI) in either direction.

- DIARETN** Determine the type of read command.
- READF** The command is a Read Forward. Determine if the tape unit is in forward or backward status. Execute a delay for turnaround if backward.
- READBKWD** The command is a Read Backward. The tape must be hitched forward. If in write status, hitch forward for a count of 226. If in read status, hitch forward for a count of 4.
- STATOK** Check the command status byte. If not good, reject the tape unit and terminate the operation.
- READDAT** The tape is not at BOT. Compare old and new tape unit status and use the results to set up tach counts.
- READ2** Same as READDATA except the tape is at BOT.
- TACCOUNT** Verify that tape is moving. If not, reset the Move Tag to stop tape and terminate the operation.
- PBURST** Tape is at BOT. Start looking for PE ID Burst. If no burst is found, the tape is recorded in NRZI. Determine if the tape control and tape unit are capable of reading NRZI.



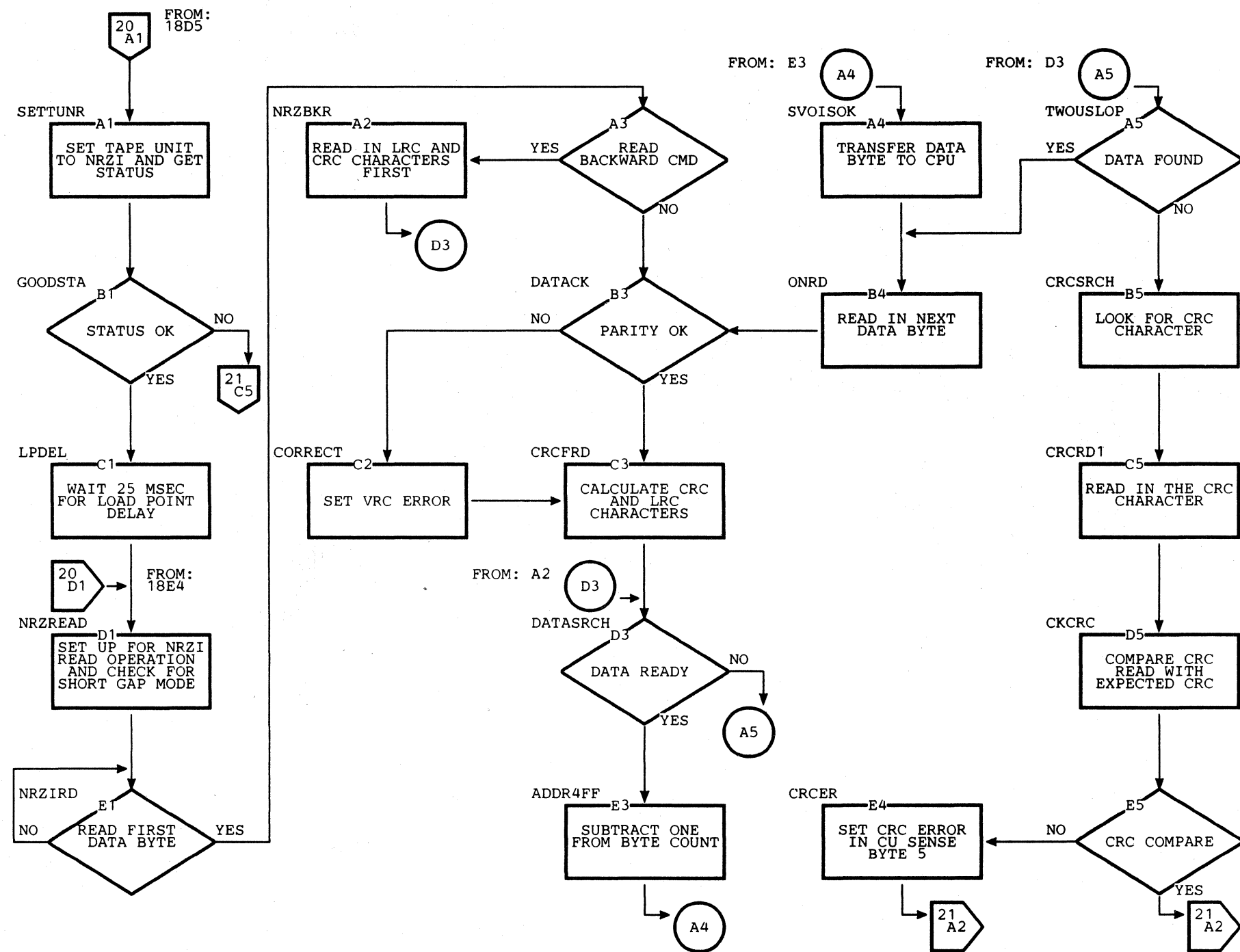
Read Operation (System/3)

- BOBSCH** The tape is recorded in PE. Start searching for the beginning of the data block.
- STRD** Three data bytes are buffered in the LSR. If an error is detected as a phase error, the byte is corrected just before it is sent to ABI. Only single-track errors are corrected.
- ENDDTA** The all-ones marker has been detected. Check that the byte count is zero and for any accumulated phase errors.
- WAITEND** The postamble is being read. When the IBG is detected, reset Service In and stop tape.



Read Operation (System/3)

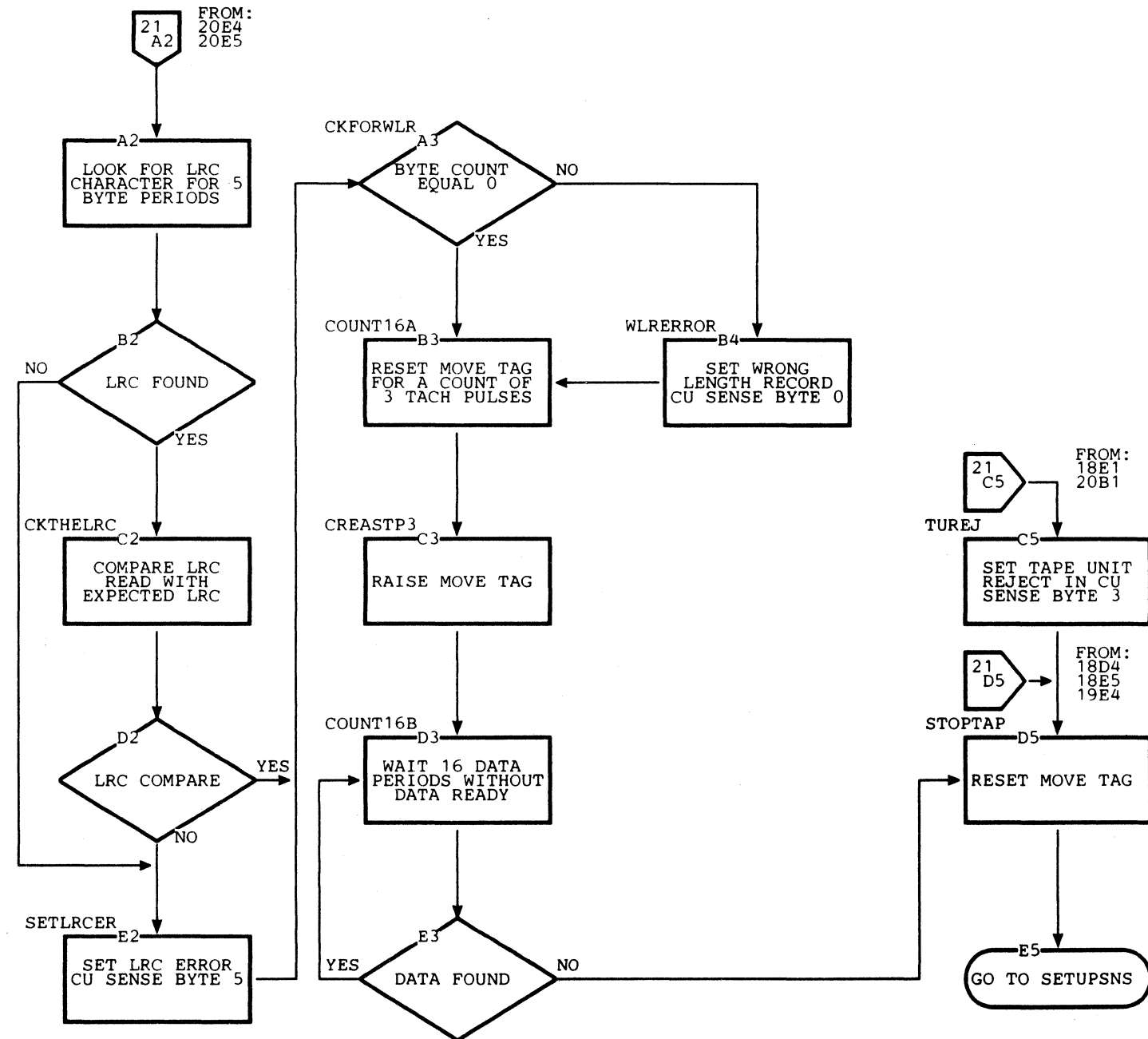
- SETTUNR The tape is at BOT and is a NRZI tape. Start looking for the first data byte.
- NRZREAD The tape is not at BOT and is a NRZI tape. Start looking for the first data byte.
- NRZBKR This is a Read Backward operation. The first bytes read are the LRC and CRC characters. Then start looking for the data bytes.
- CRCFRD A data byte has been read and parity checked. The LRC and CRC characters are calculated each time data is read.
- TWOUSLOP Loop for 1 1/2 byte periods searching for data. If none is found, a byte may have been lost. Loop again for 1 more byte period. If still no data, search for the CRC and LRC characters. If reading backward, send the last byte read to CPU.



Read Operation (System/3)

COUNT16A The data is not a tape mark. The Move Tag is reset for a count of 3 to signal the tape unit to prepare to stop. The Move Tag is then reactivated to search for data. If no data is found after 16 data periods, the tape unit stops. If data is found, continue looping until no data is found for 16 data periods.

STOPTAP The operation is completed or an error has occurred. Reset Service In and the Move tag. Store the sense data, run the internal diagnostics, and update tape unit status before returning to IDLE.



Write Operation (System/3)

Objectives

- To write data (PE or NRZI) on tape.

WRITE Determine if tape unit is file protected. If it is, set Command Reject and terminate the operation.

WRITE08 Check the status of the tape unit. If in write status, store the write command.

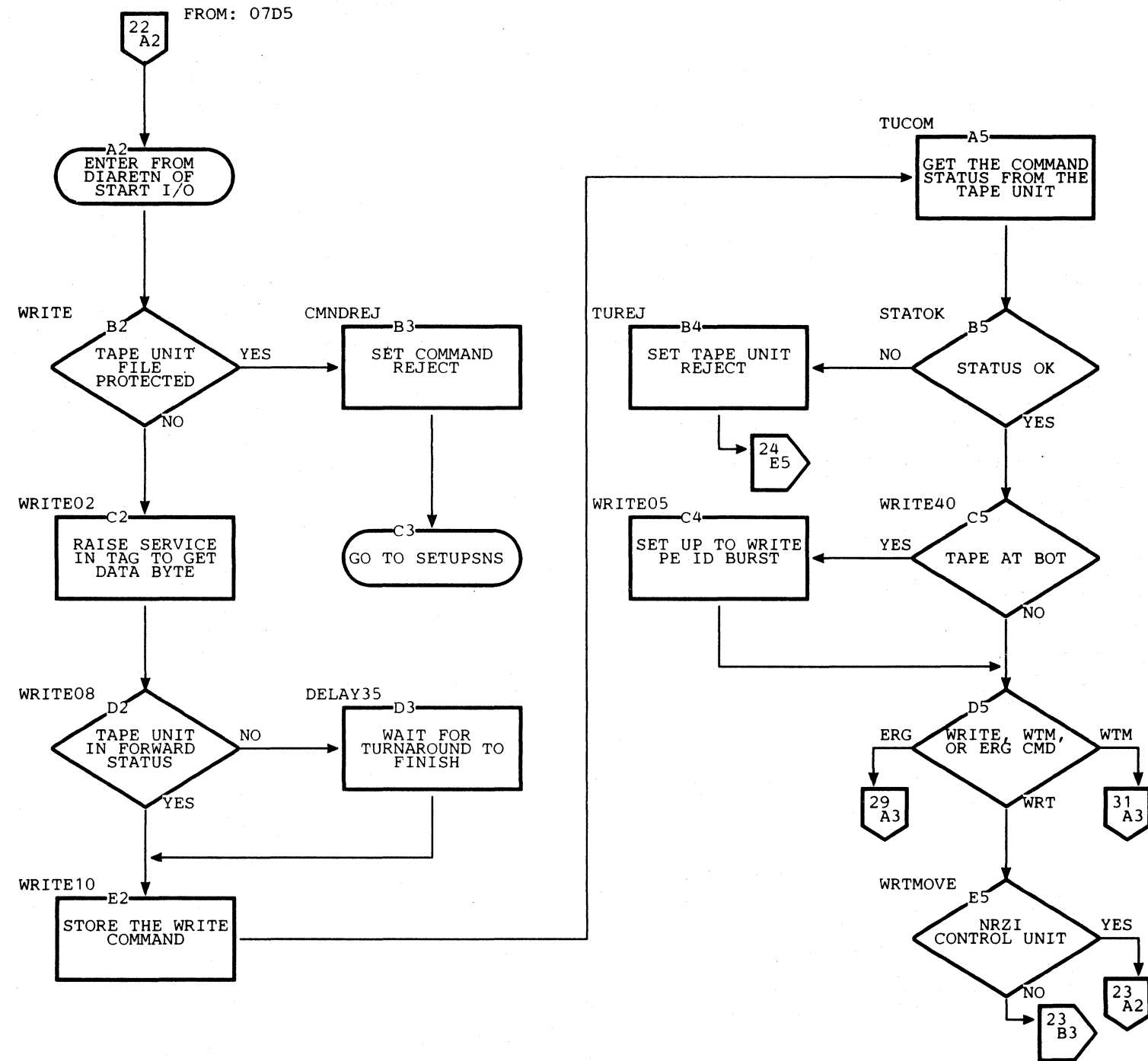
If in backward status, wait for turnaround sequence before storing write command.

If in read forward status and not at BOT, hitch tape backward before storing write command.

TUCOM The tape unit is not file protected. Get the command status and set the tape unit to write status. If command status is not good, reject the tape unit and terminate the operation.

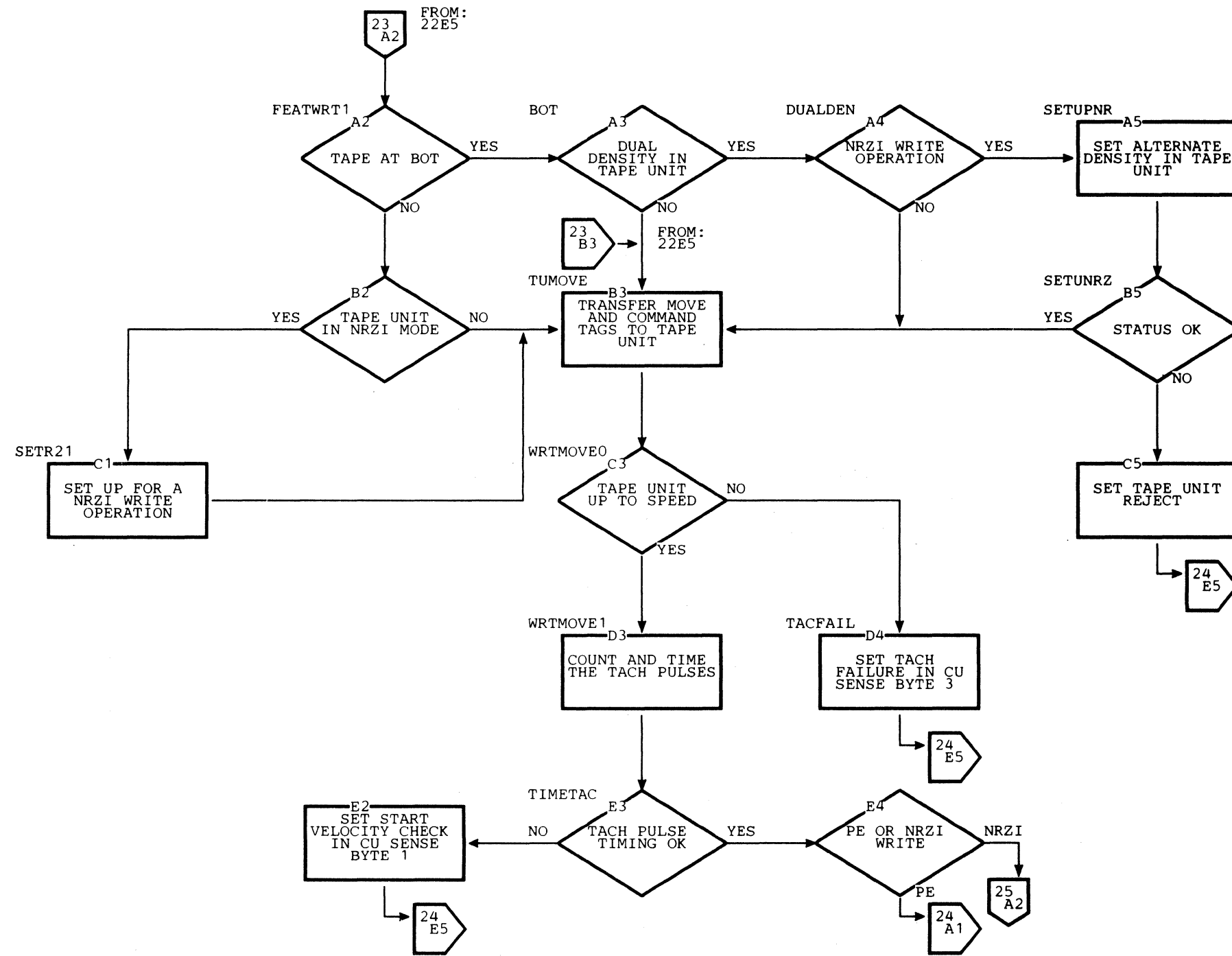
WRITE40 Check that tape is at BOT. If it is, set up to write the PE ID Burst.

WRTMOVE Determine if NRZI is installed in tape control. If not, go to TUMOVE.



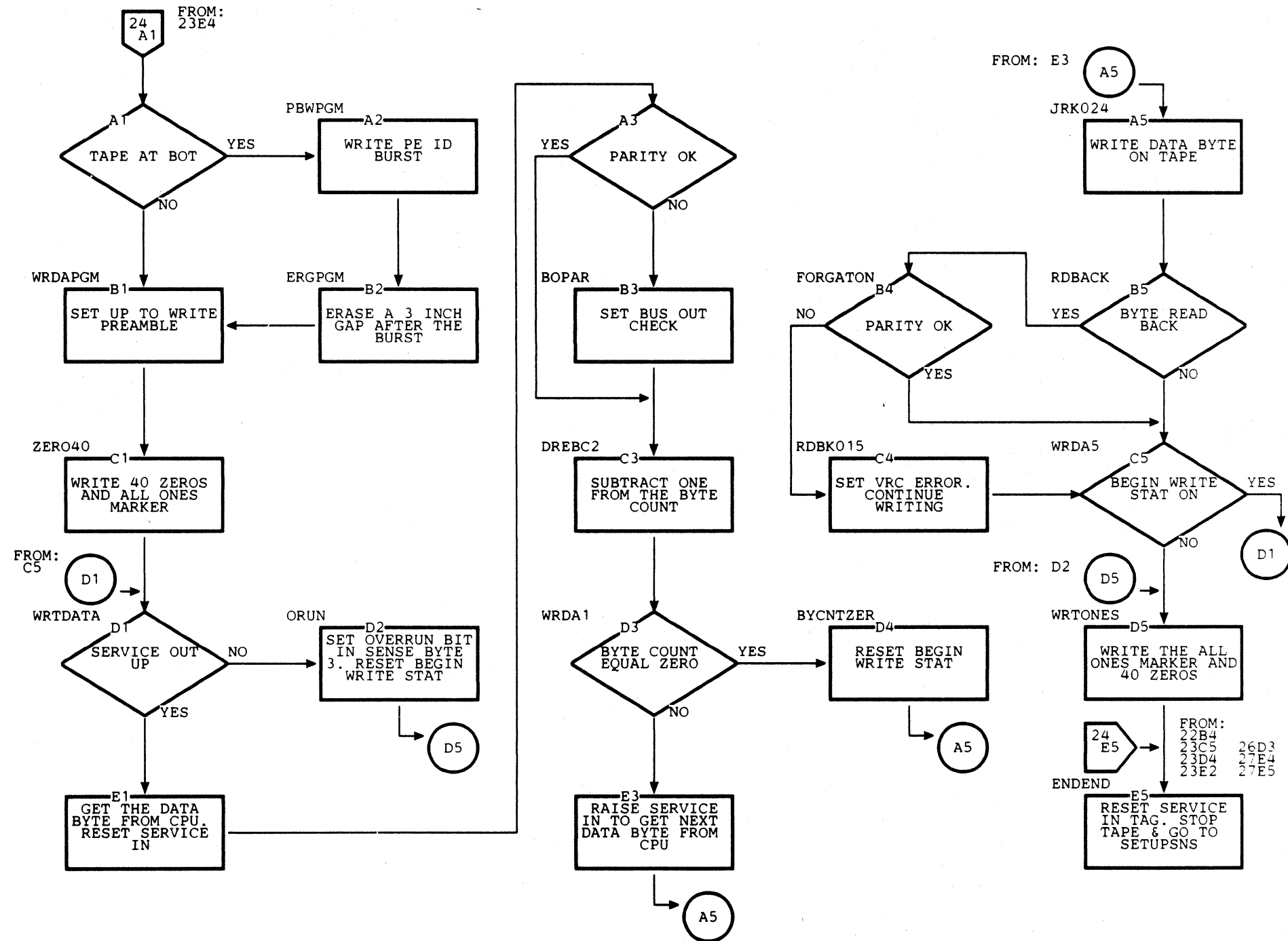
Write Operation (System/3)

- FEATWRT1 Tape control has NRZI installed. Determine if tape is at BOT. If not at BOT, check that the tape unit unit is already set to NRZI mode. If at BOT, check that tape unit has Dual Density feature.
- DUALDEN Tape unit has dual density installed and is at BOT. Check Mode Set of the Tape control.
- SETUPNR A Mode Set command was executed. Set the tape unit to NRZI and check the status.
- TUMOVE The tape unit status is good and ready to write (PE or NRZI). Transfer Move Tag to get tape moving.
- WRTMOVE0 The tape unit is in write status and Move Tag transferred. When Gap Control is detected the the tape unit is up to speed.
- WRTMOVE1 Set up to count and time tach pulses to verify tape speed. If tach count is bad, set tachometer failure; if tach timing is bad, set Start Velocity Check. Terminate the operation if either condition occurs.



Write Operation (System/3)

- PBWPGM The tape unit is at BOT and in PE Mode. Write the PE ID Burst before writing data on tape.
- WRDAPGM The PE ID burst has been written or the tape is not at BOT. Write a preamble of 40 zeros and all ones marker.
- WRTDATA The preamble is written. Get the data byte from CPU and check it for parity. If parity is bad, set bus out check.
- DREBC2 Decrement the byte count by one.
- BYCNTZER Check the byte count. If the count is zero, reset the Begin Write stat to indicate the last byte has been received. If byte count is not zero, raise Service In to get next byte.
- JRK024 Transfer byte to the tape unit and wait for read back. If a parity error is detected, set VRC Error.
- WRTONES The byte count is zero and the last byte written. Write the postamble. Continue read back until the end of block is sensed.
- ENDEND The operation is completed or an error detected. Reset the Service In and Move Tags. Store the sense data, update the tape unit status and return to IDLE.

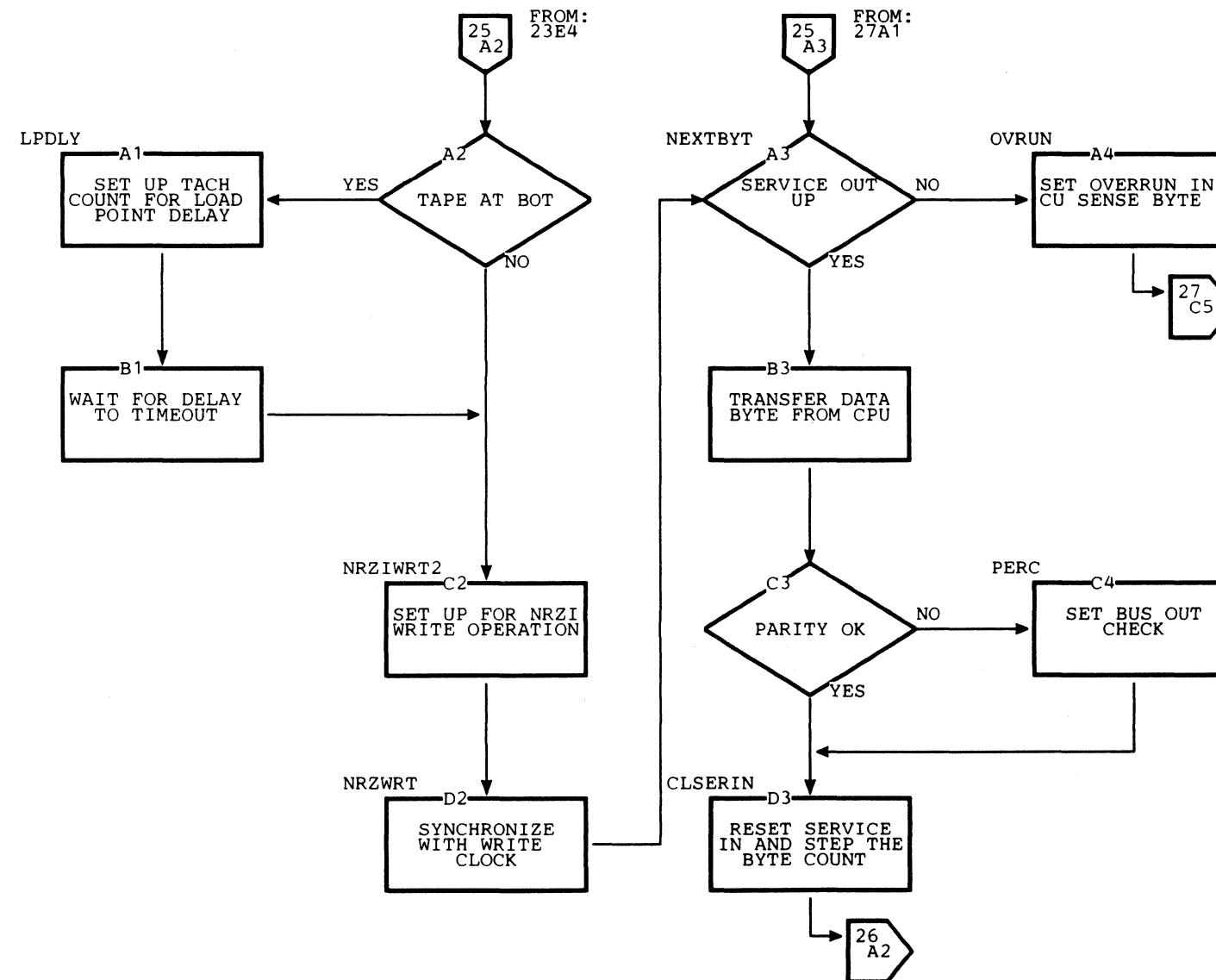


Write Operation (System/3)

LPDLY This is a NRZI write operation and tape is at BOT. Set up for a load point delay.

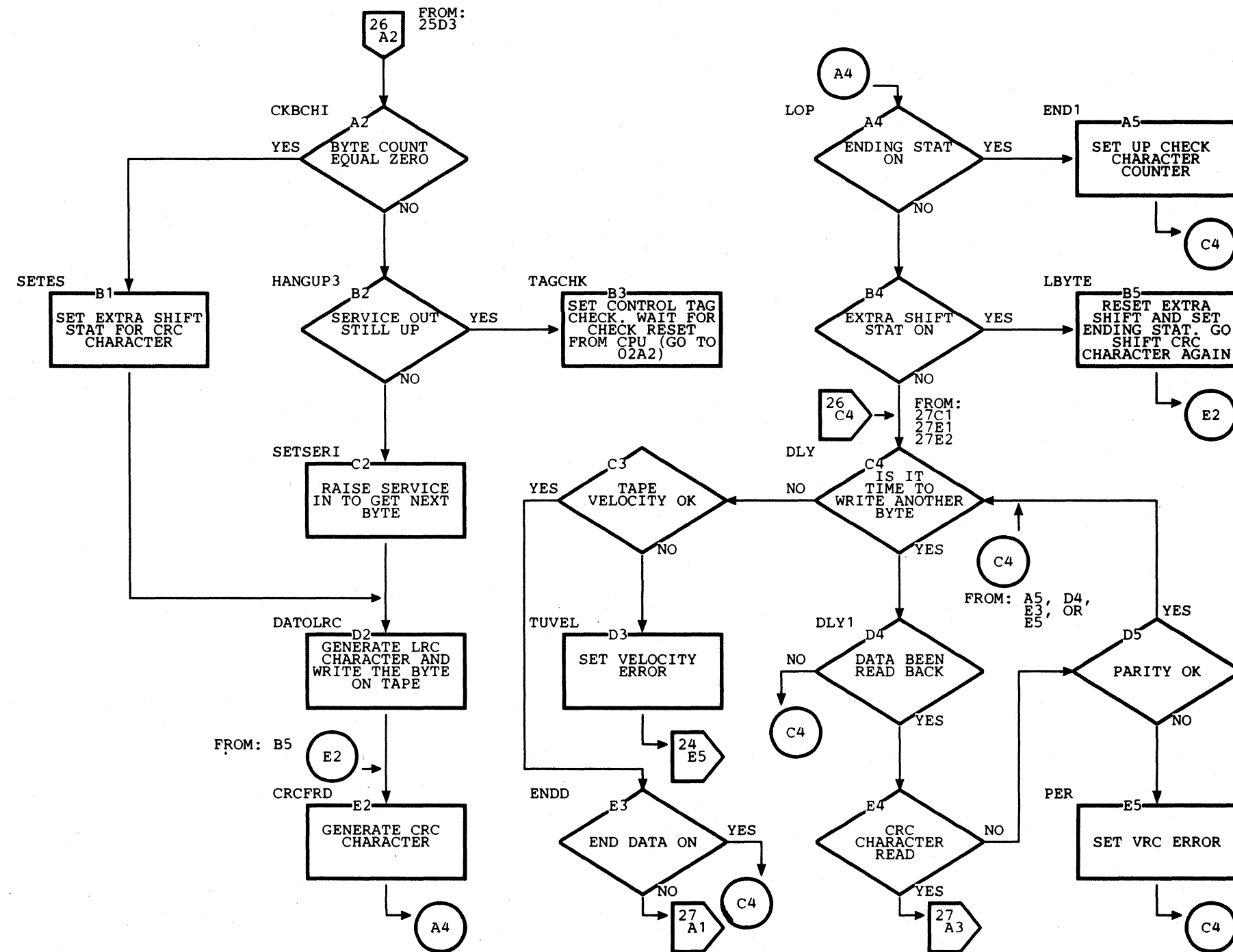
NEXTBYT Get the data byte from CPU. Check for correct parity. If bad, set Bus Out Check.

CLSERIN Reset Service In and decrement byte count. Check if byte count equals zero.



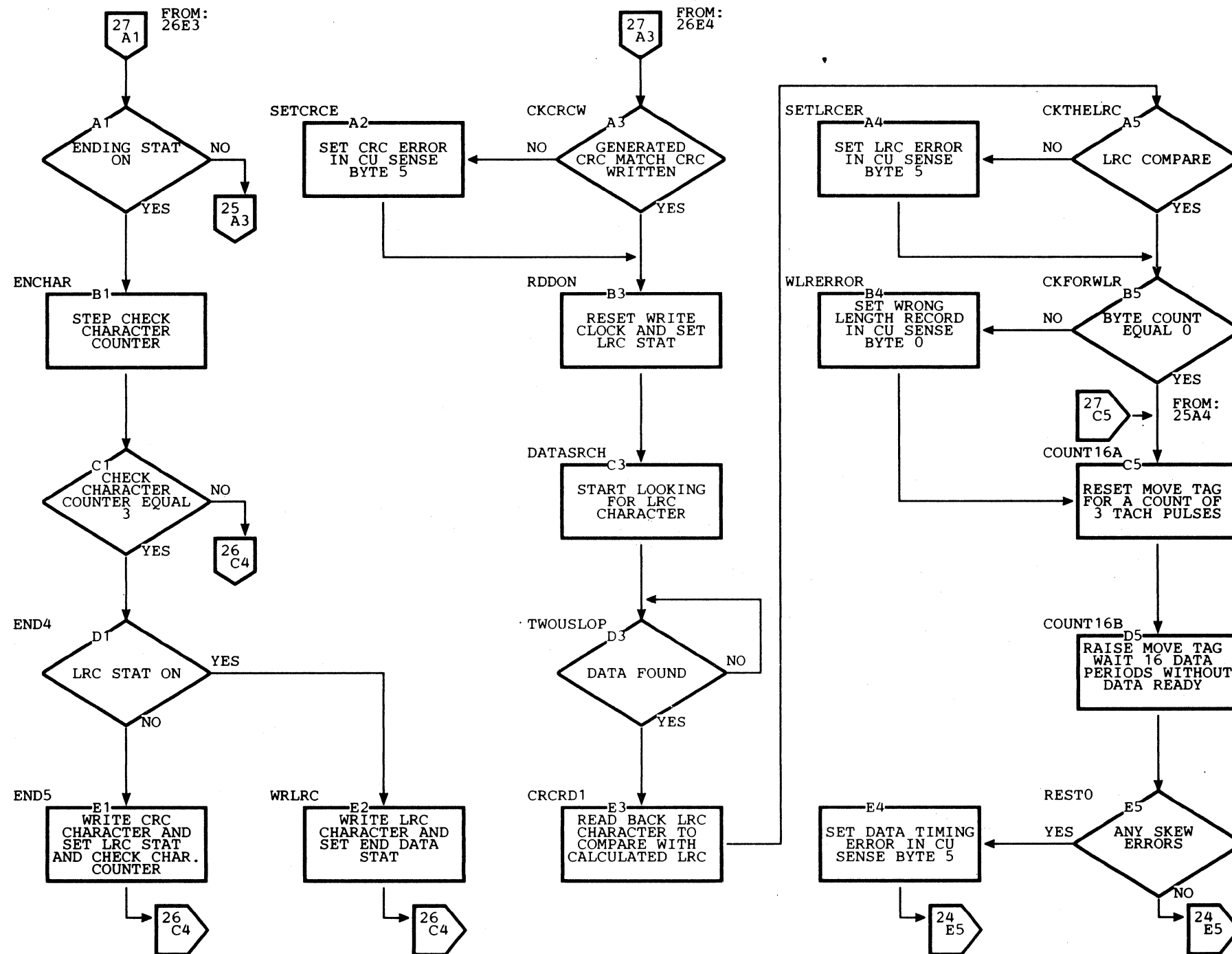
Write Operation (System/3)

- HANGUP3 Determine if Service Out was reset after resetting Service In Tag.
 - TAGCHK Service Out is still active. Set Control Tag Check in Hardware Error byte.
 - SETSERI Service Out is inactive. Raise Service In to get next byte from CPU.
 - LOP Check if Ending Stat bit is on. Ending Stat is set when the byte count equals zero and the last CRC calculation has been made.
 - END1 The Ending Stat is on. Set up a counter to ensure correct spacing between check characters.
 - DLY The LRC and CRC characters have been calculated. Wait until either a byte is read back or another byte is written.
- Each time a byte is written and until it is read back a data counter is stepped. The count is maintained to ensure that tape is moving at the correct speed at the beginning of the operation. The first byte should be read back after writing 112 to 128 bytes. If no data is read back before writing 128 bytes, Tape Velocity Check is set. If data is read back before writing 112 bytes the No Noise stat is set which will set a VRC Error during read back.
- When a byte is read back, parity is checked. If bad parity is detected, set VRC Error.



Write Operation (System/3)

- ENCHAR The Ending Stat is set, step the Check Character Counter. The counter is stepped three times before writing each check character. (See END1.)
- END5 Write the CRC character and set up to write the LRC character.
- WRLRC Write the LRC character and set up to end the write operation.
- CKCRCW The byte read back is the CRC character. Compare the CRC written with the CRC calculated.
- TWOUSLOP Wait for the LRC character.
- CRCRD1 The byte read back is the LRC character. Compare the calculated LRC with the LRC read back.
- COUNT16A The data is not a tape mark. The Move Tag is reset for a count of 3 to signal the tape unit to prepare to stop. The Move Tag is then reactivated to search for data. If no data is found after 16 data periods, the tape unit stops. If data is found, continue looping until no data is found for 16 data periods.



Data Security Erase (DSE) (System/3)

Objectives

- To erase tape from its present position to the end of tape (EOT) marker. When the EOT marker is detected, the Tape Indicate lamp is turned on.

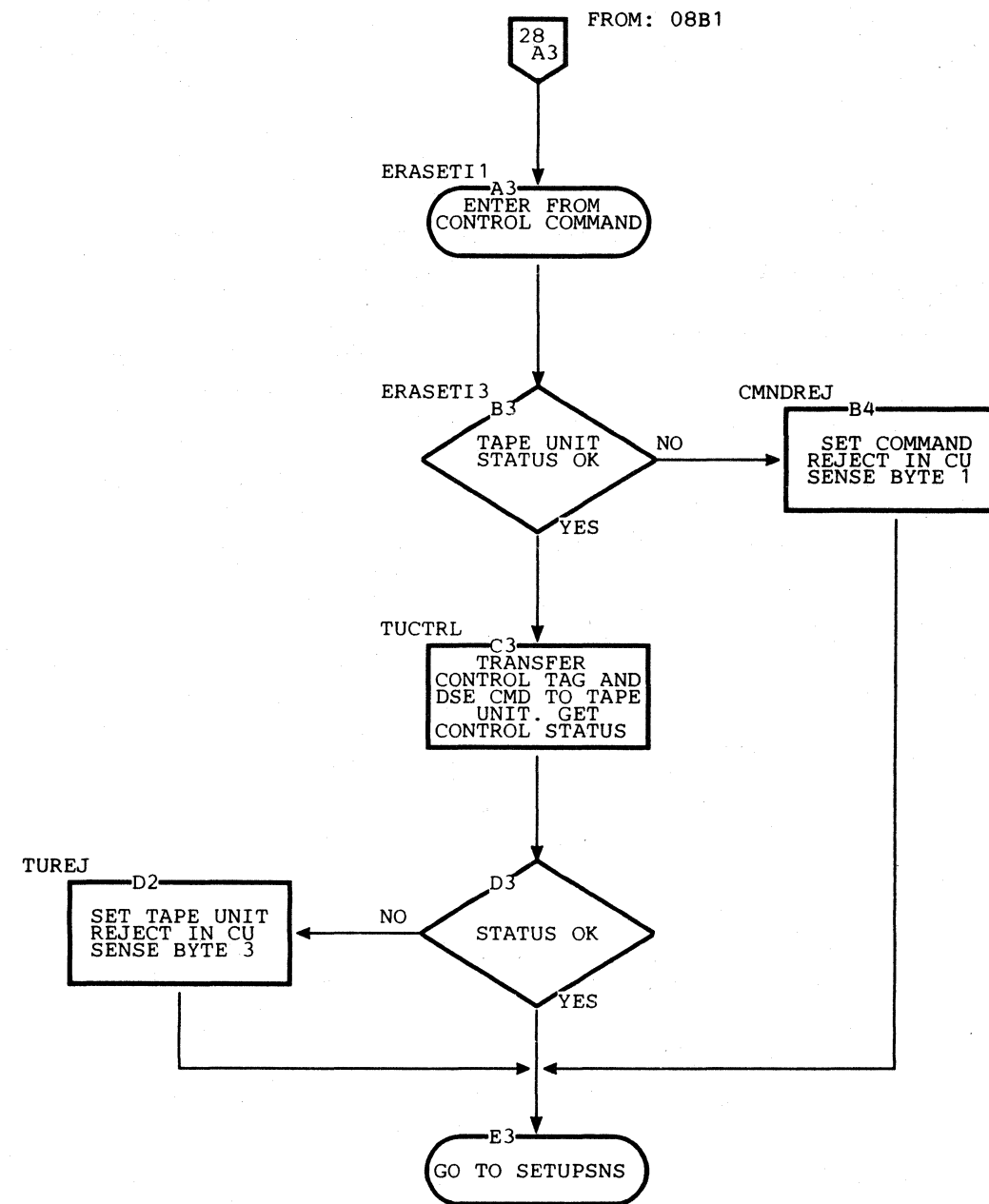
ERASET11 The Data Security Erase command was decoded during the CONTROL routine.

ERASET13 Get tape unit status. Tape unit must be in write status, not busy, and not file protected. If status is not correct, set Command Reject and terminate the operation. If already at EOT, go to SETUPSNS to finish the operation.

TUCTRL Tape unit status is good. Transfer the Control Tag and command to the tape unit. Read in the status byte from the tape unit.

If tape unit status is good, store the sense data, run internal diagnostics and return to IDLE.

TUREJ Tape unit status is bad, set tape unit reject and terminate the operation.



Erase Gap Command (System/3)

Objectives

To erase a 3 inch gap on tape.

WRITE40 Check that tape is at BOT. If it is, set up to write PE ID Burst.

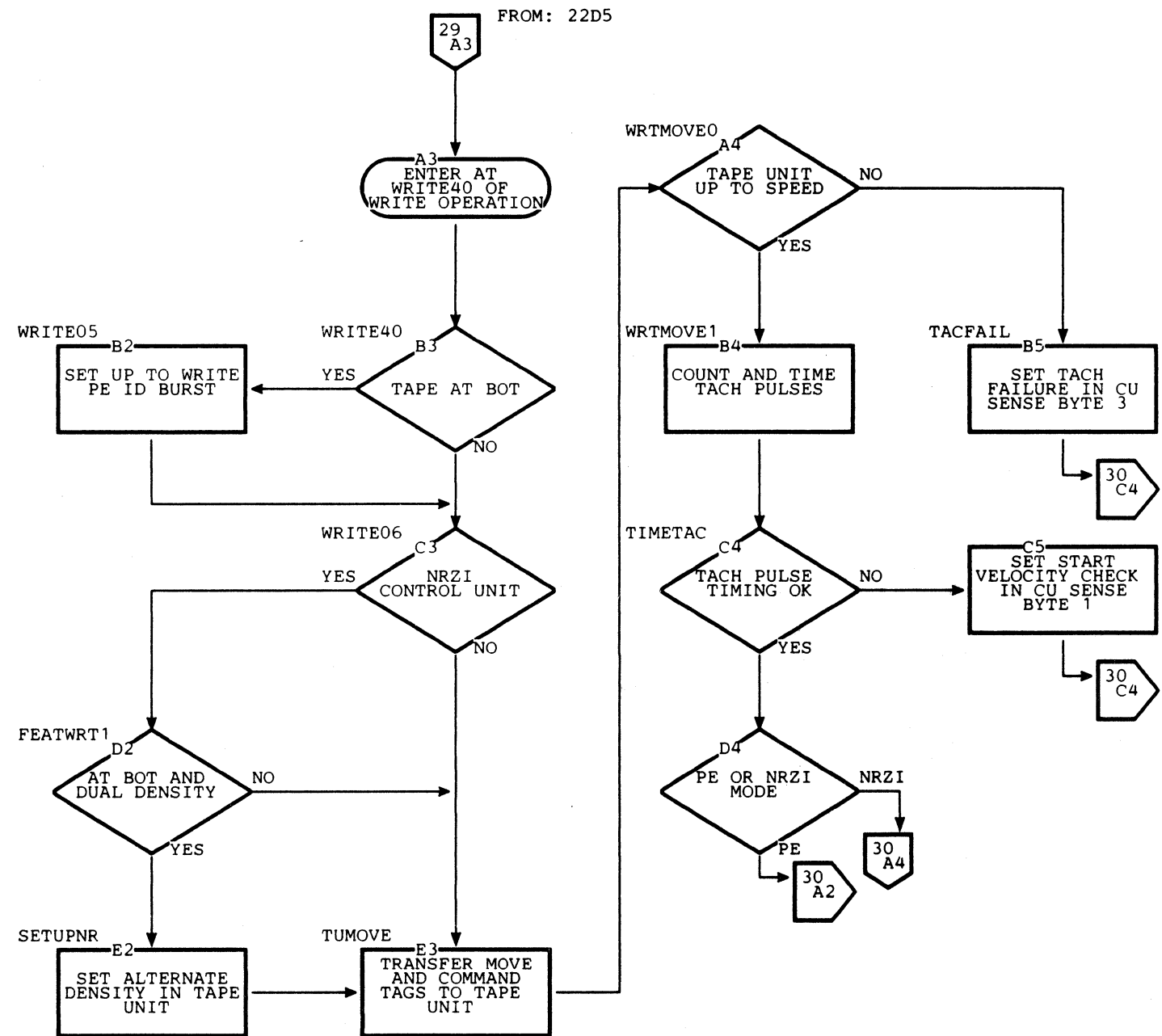
FEATWRT1 Tape control has NRZI installed. Determine if tape is at BOT. If not at BOT, check that the tape unit is already set to NRZI mode.

SETUPNR A Mode Set command was issued Set the tape unit to NRZI and check the status.

TUMOVE The tape unit status is good and ready to erase tape. Transfer Move Tag to the tape unit.

WRTMOVE0 The tape unit is in write status and Move Tag transferred. When Gap Control is detected the the tape unit is up to speed.

WRTMOVE1 Set up to count and time tach pulses to verify tape speed. If tach count is not good, set tachometer failure; if tach timing is bad, set Start Velocity Check. Terminate the operation if either error occurs.

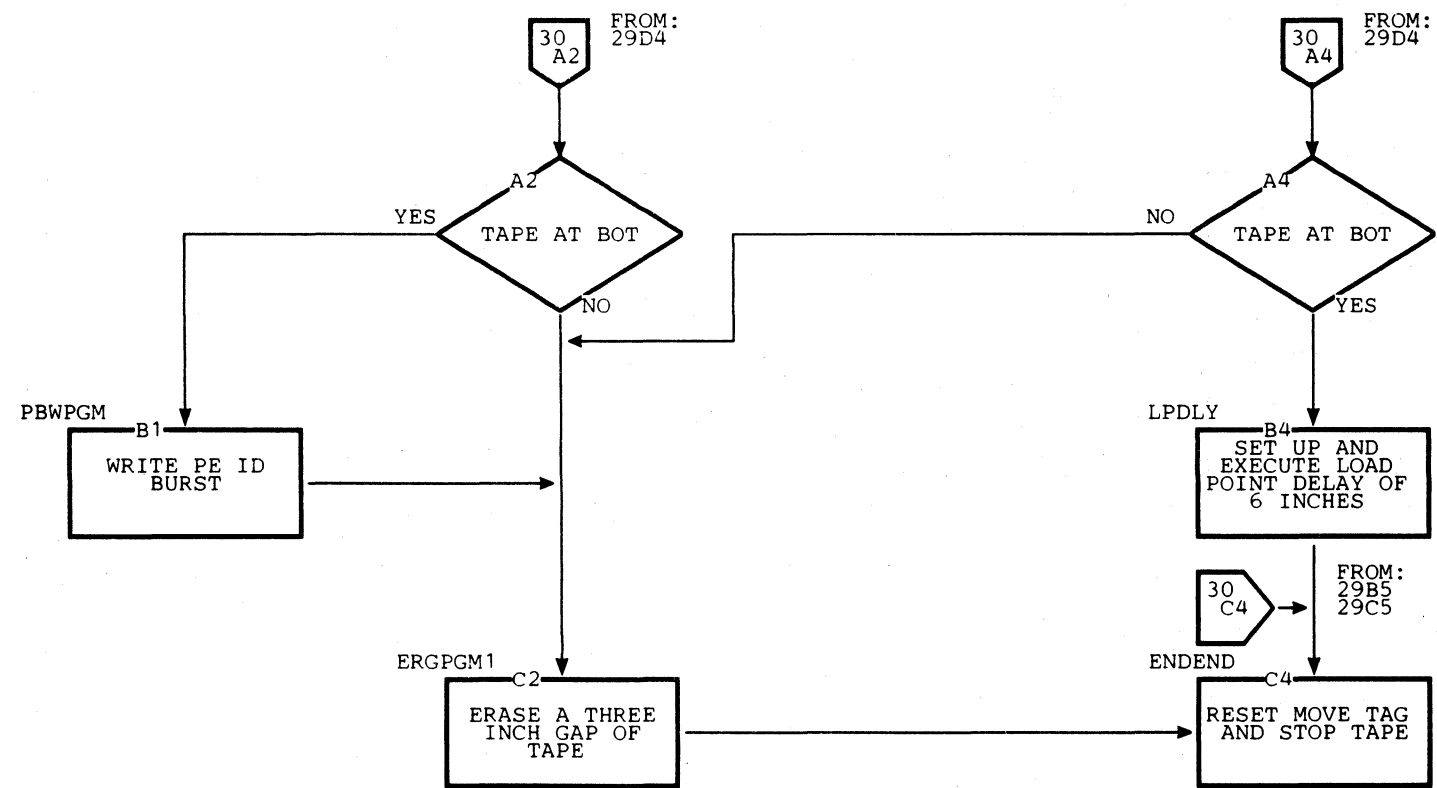


Erase Gap Command (System/3)

PBWPGM The tape unit is at BOT and in PE Mode. Write the PE ID Burst before erasing tape.

LPDLY This is a NRZI operation and tape is at BOT. Set up for a load point delay.

ENDEND The operation is completed or an error detected. Reset the Service In and Move tags. Store the sense data, update the tape unit status and return to IDLE.



Write Tape Mark (WTM) (System/3)

Objectives

- To write a PE or NRZI tape mark.
- The subsystem generates the tape mark; no data is transferred between CPU and the subsystem.

WRITE40 Check that tape is at BOT. If it is set up to write PE ID Burst.

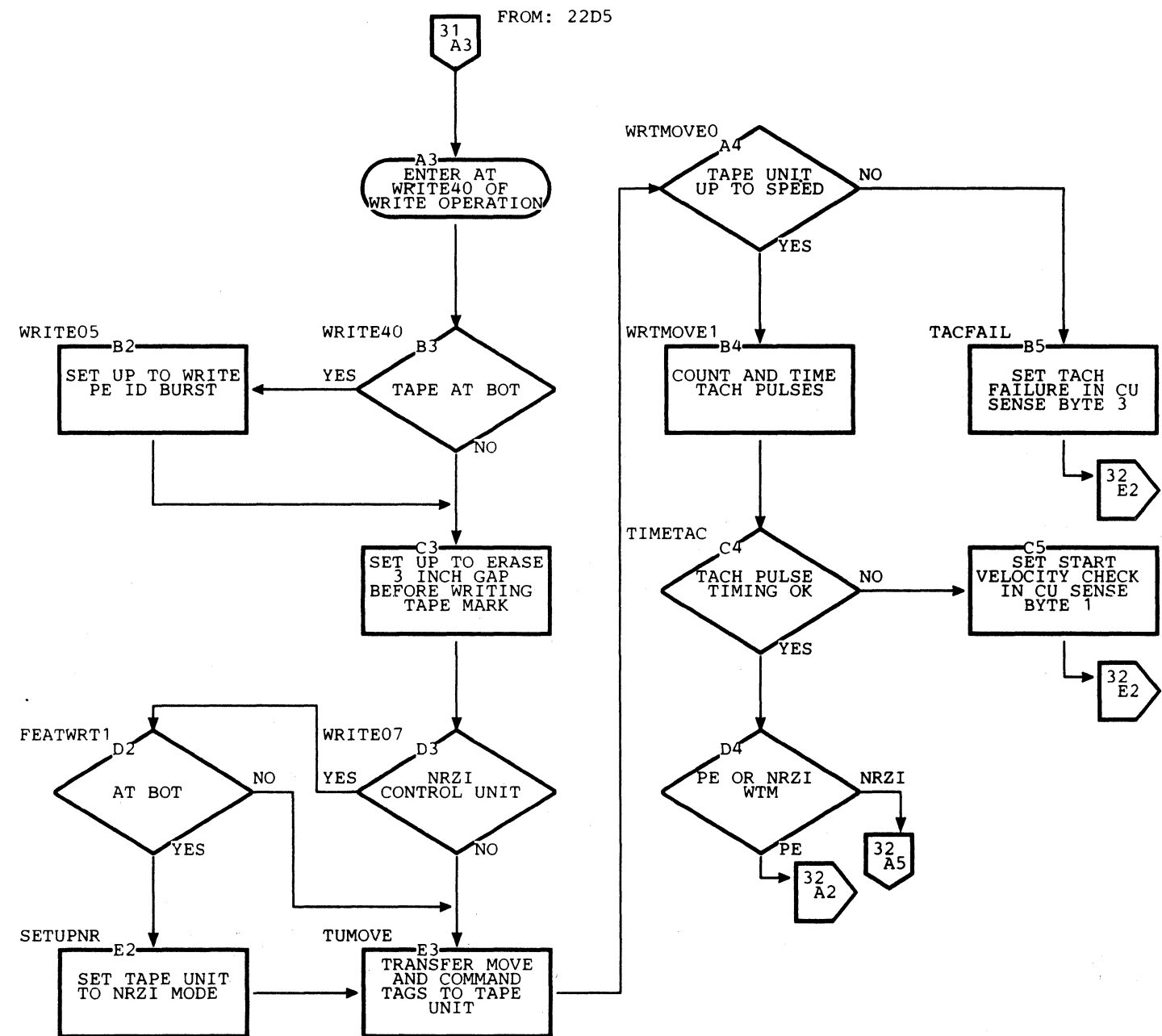
FEATWRT1 Tape control has NRZI installed. Determine if tape is at BOT. If not at BOT, check that the tape unit is already set to NRZI mode.

SETUPNR A Mode Set command was issued. Set the tape unit to NRZI and check the status.

TUMOVE The tape unit status is good and ready to write the tape mark. Transfer the Move tag to the tape unit.

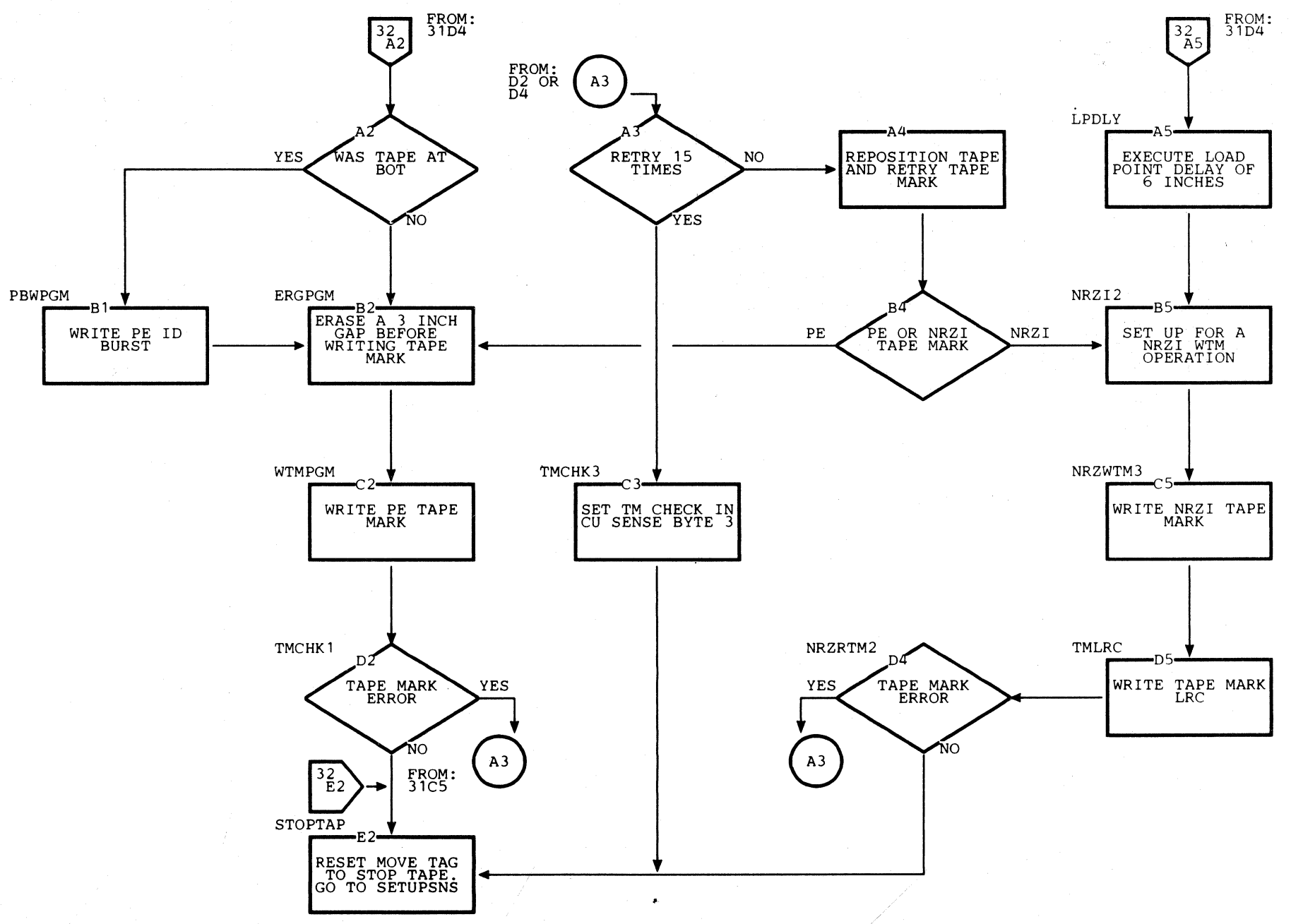
WRTMOVE0 The tape unit is in write status and Move tag transferred. When Gap Control is detected the tape unit is up to speed.

WRTMOVE1 Set up to count and time tach pulses to verify tape speed. If tach count is bad, set tachometer failure; if tach timing is bad, set Start Velocity Check. Terminate the operation if either error occurs.



Write Tape Mark (WTM) (System/3)

- PBWPGM The tape unit is at BOT and in PE Mode. Write the PE ID Burst before writing the tape mark.
- LPDLY This is a NRZI operation and tape is at BOT. Set up for a load point delay.
- TMCHK3 Tape control could not write a tape mark after 15 tries. Set Tape Mark Check and terminate the operation.
- STOPTAP The operation is completed or error detected. Reset the Move tag to stop tape. Store the sense data, update the tape unit status, and return to IDLE.

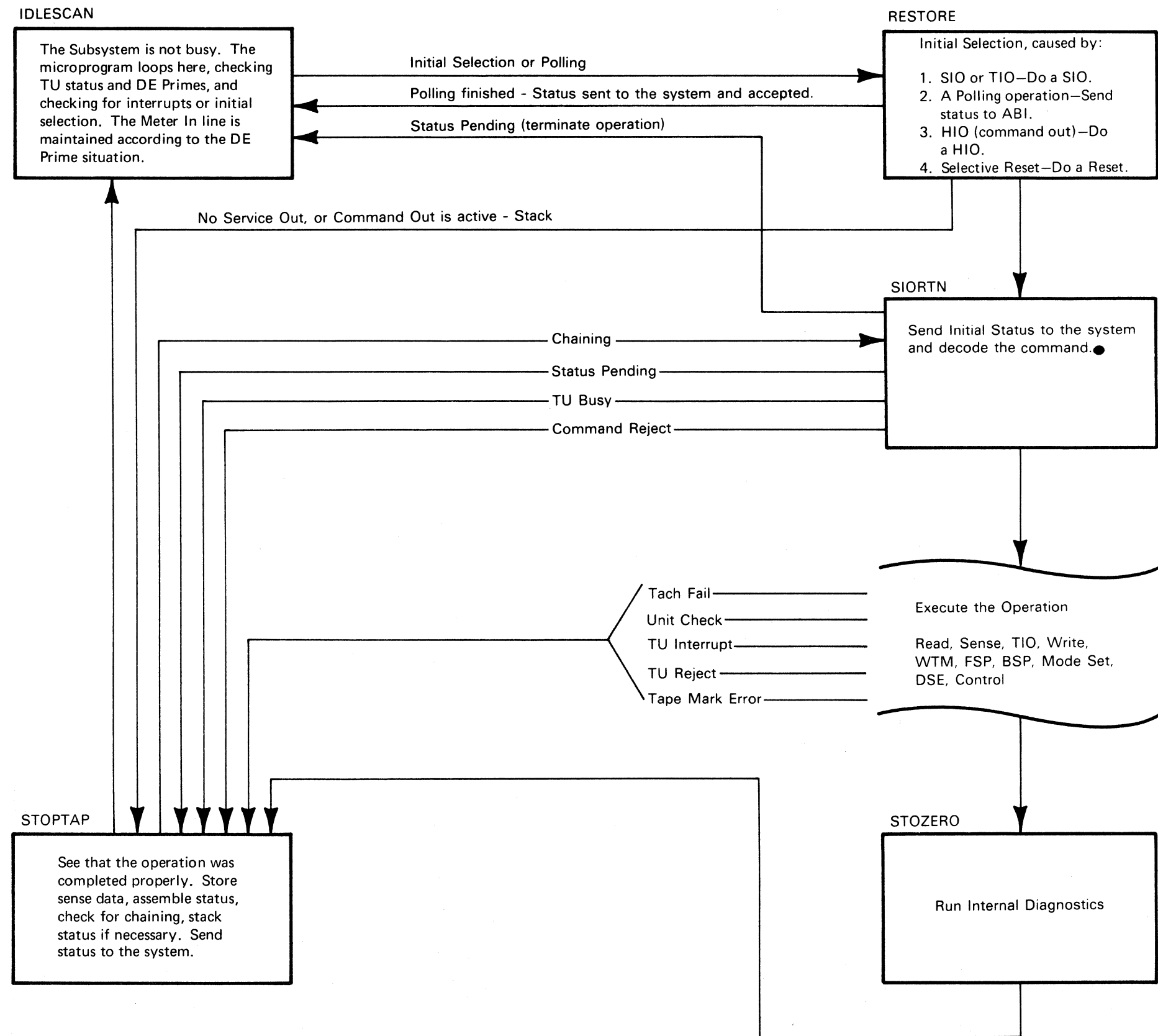


Microprogram Overview (System/360/370)

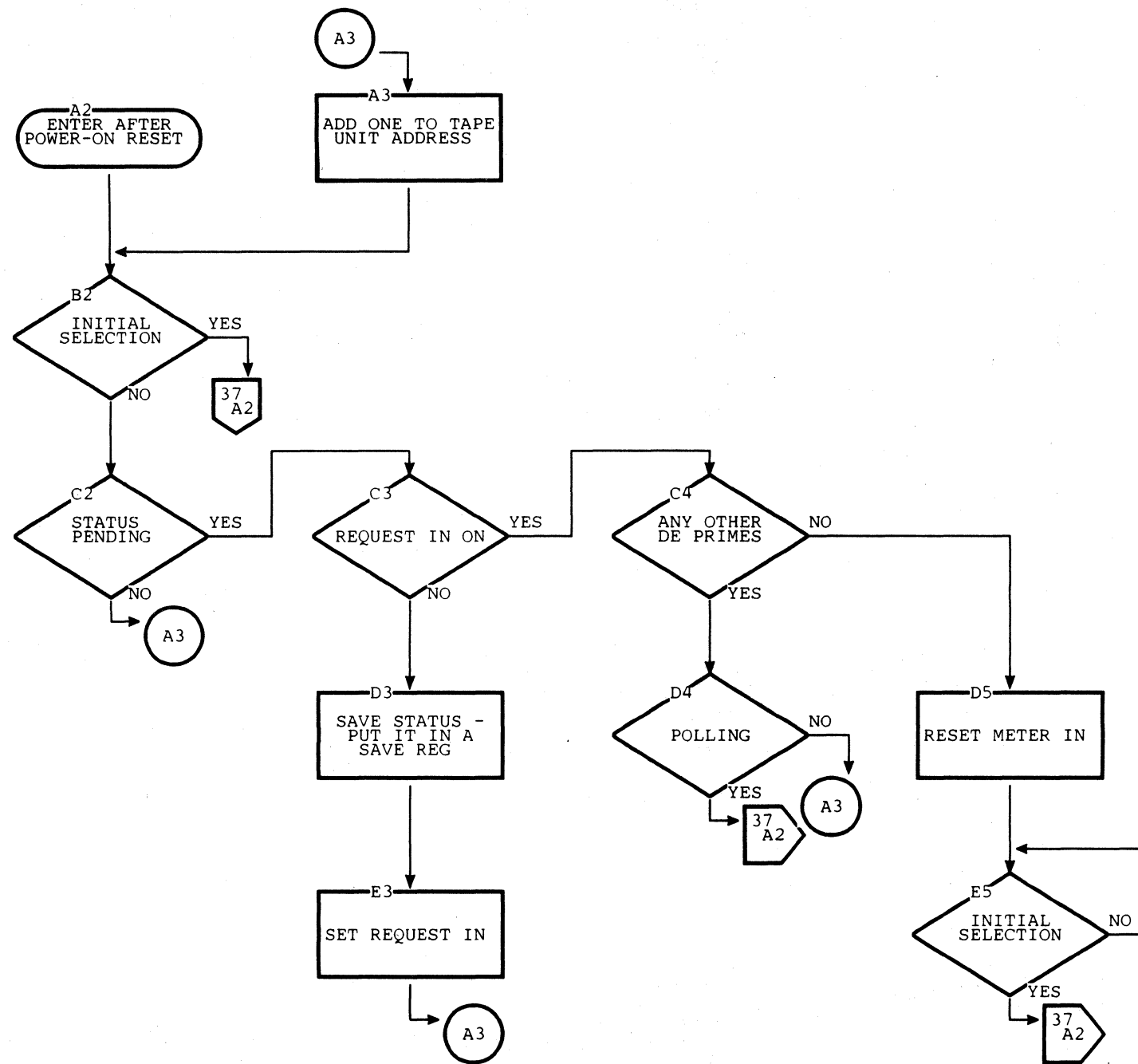
This section contains the tape control operational flowcharts used when the tape control is attached to a System/360 or System/370. All tape control operations are executed by a microprogram stored in ROS. The flowcharts illustrate the sequence of routines that perform the operations.

Program labels are included on the flowcharts as reference pointers to the microprogram listing. For the particular details of a routine, use the label and the cross-reference list in the back of the program listing.

Note: If the 3410/3411 is attached to System/370 Model 125, see flowcharts starting at MicroProcessor 67.



IDLESCAN Overview (System/360/370)



IDLESCAN (System/360/370)

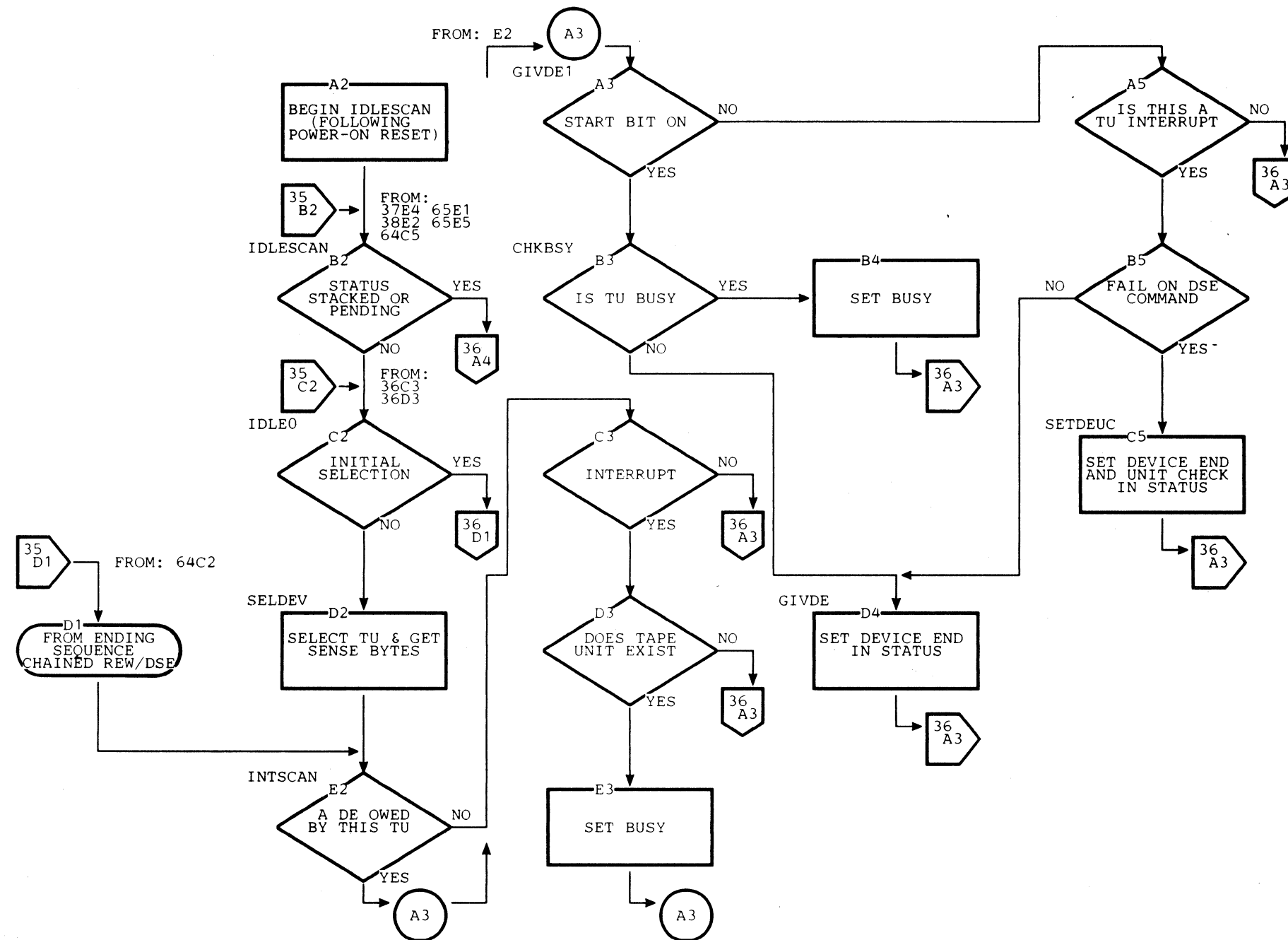
Objectives

- Monitor Device End Primes for all tape units and keep the Meter In line in the proper state.
- Detect an Initial Selection or Polling sequence and branch to the proper microprogram location.
- Detect interrupts from tape units and set Device End and Unit Check in status when appropriate.

IDLE0 There is no status pending (no bits on in the pending status register). This is the return point (from 36C3 or 36D3) of the scanning loop.

SETDEUC A DSE operation failed.

GIVEDI A DSE or Rewind is properly completed.

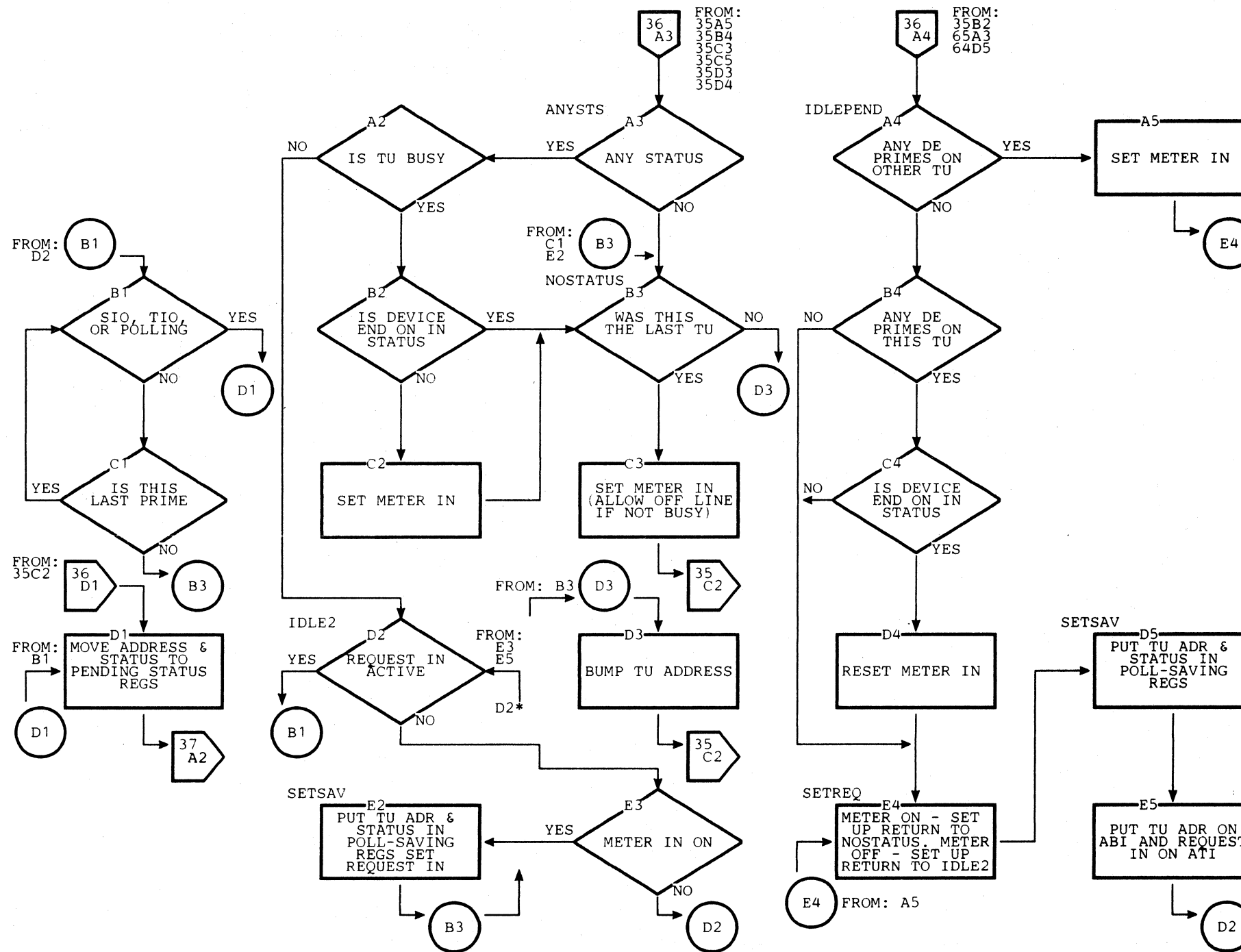


IDLESCAN (System/360/370)

NOSTATUS There is no status pending, Device-End interrupts, or Initial Selection. If this is not the last TU, step the address. Continue the scanning loop.

RESTORE Either Initial Selection or Polling has been detected, or status is pending.

SETSAV Status is pending. Send it to ABI if Request In is active.

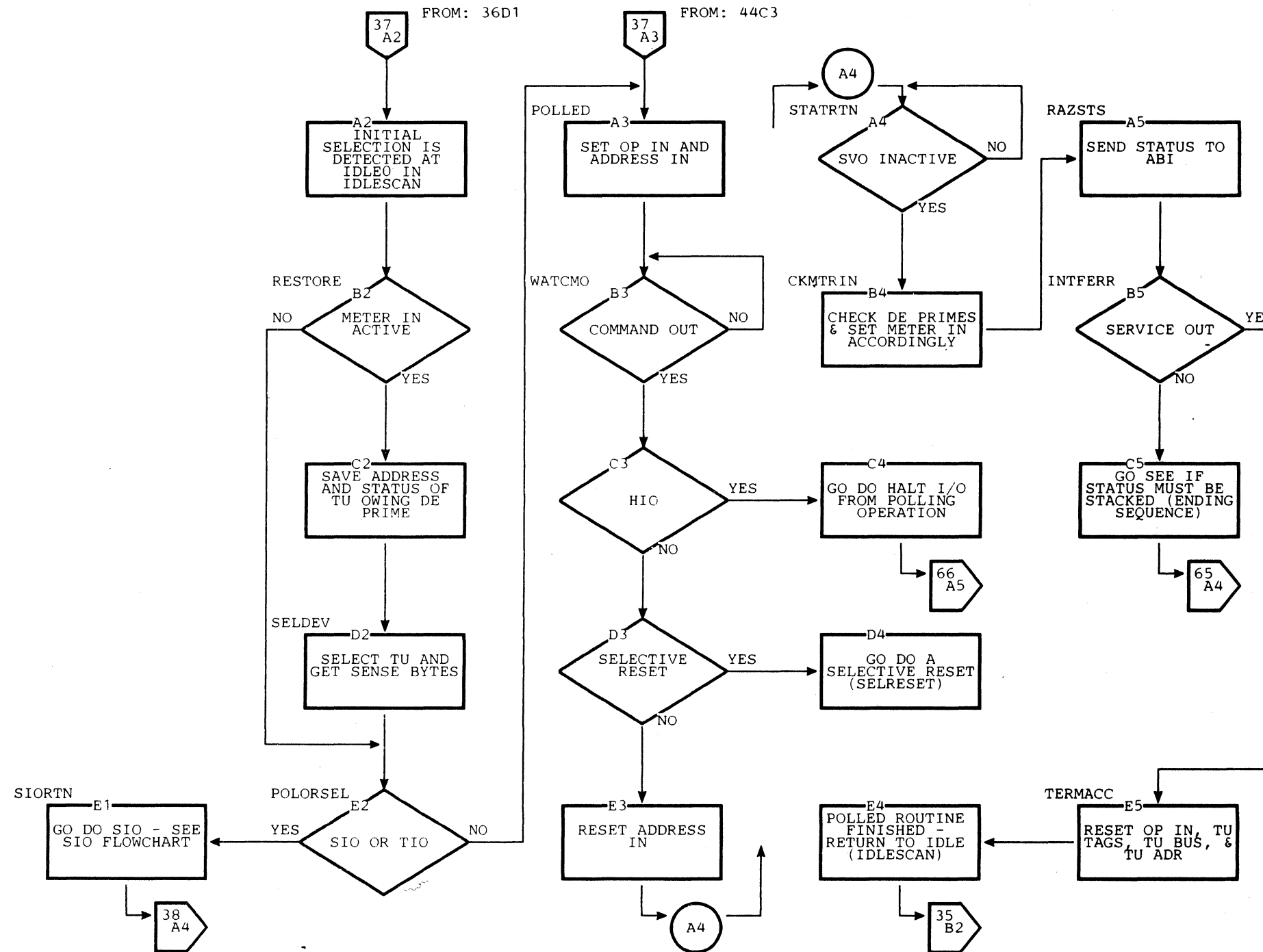


Initial Selection (System/360/370)

Objectives

- Save any stacked or pending status.
- Send status to ABI during a polling sequence.
- Branch to SIO, TIO, HIO, or Reset.

CKMTRIN Meter In is kept on as long as any DE Primes are outstanding.



START I/O and TEST I/O (System/360/370)

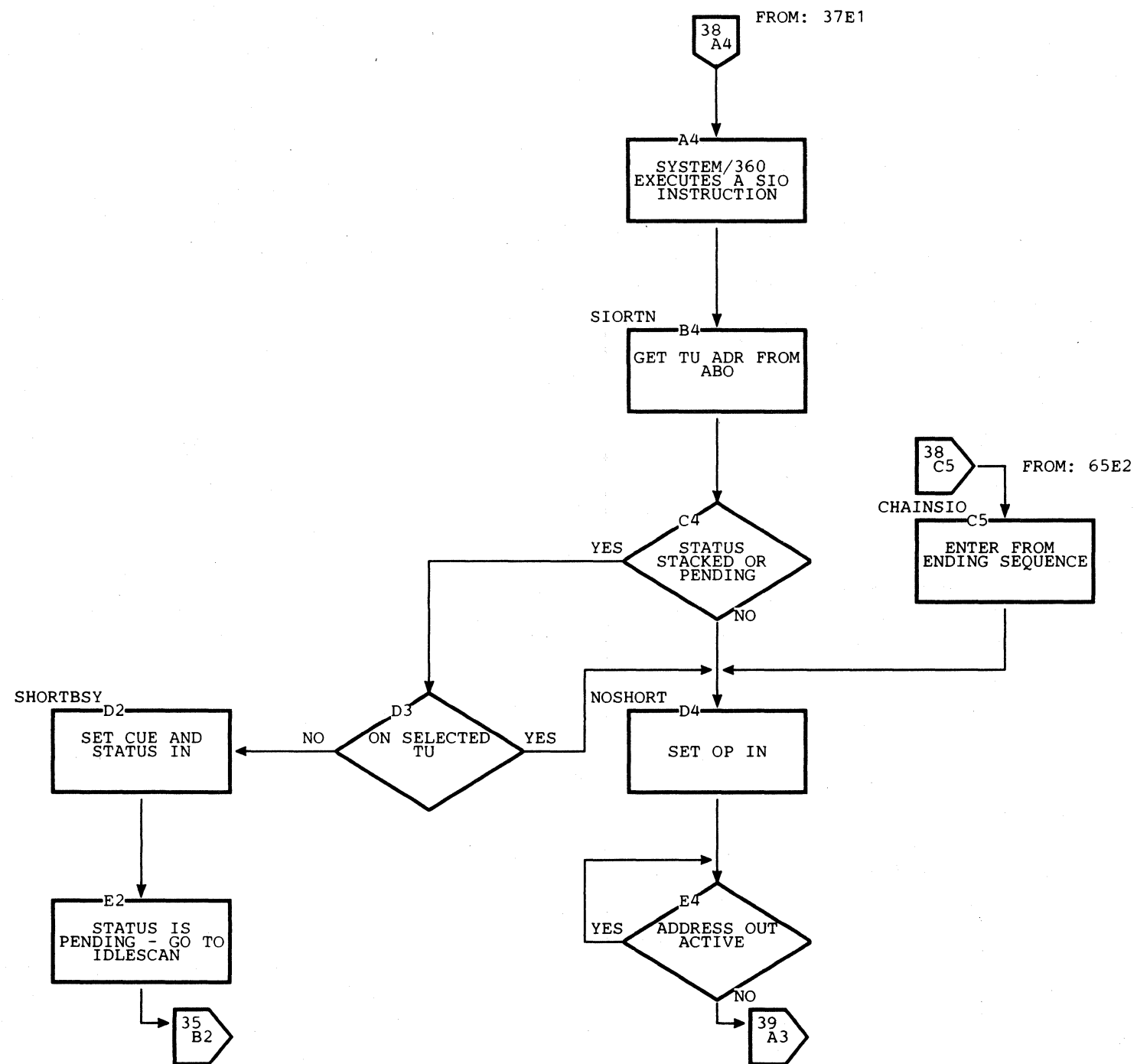
Objectives

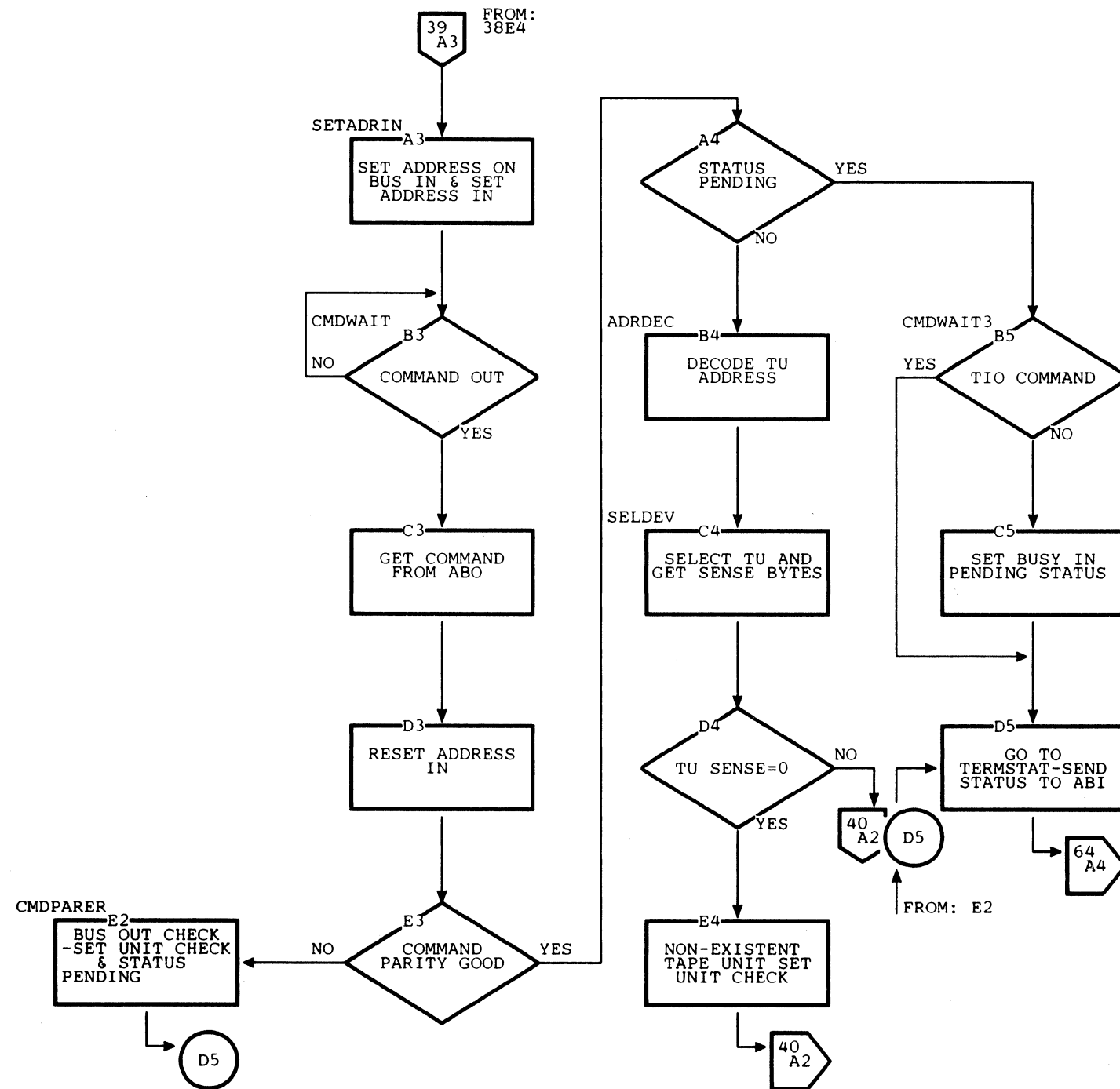
- Prevent the loss of pending status (SHORTBUSY).
- Get the command from ABO and check its parity.
- Decode the command and branch to the proper microprogram location.
- Reject any invalid commands.

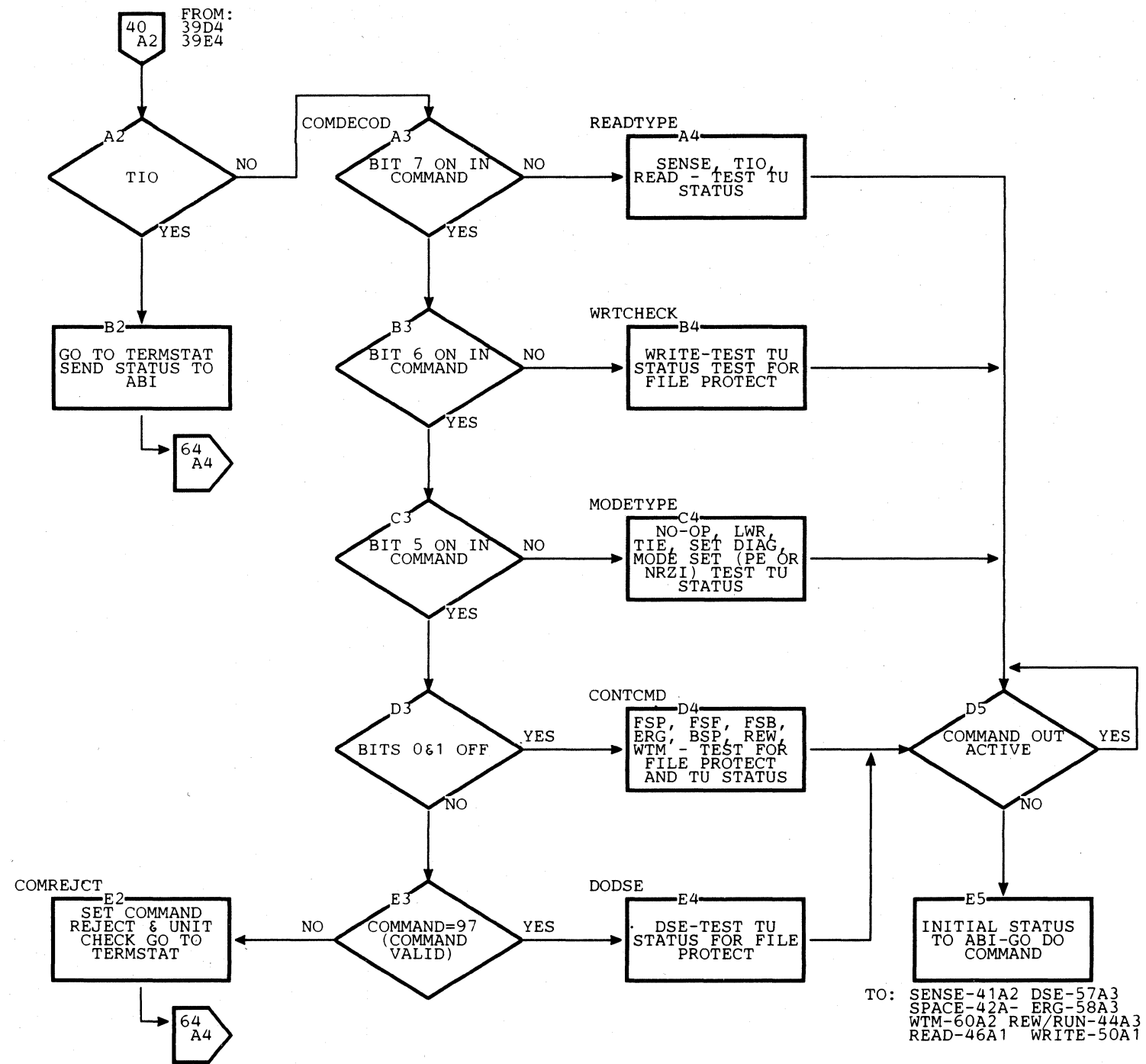
SHORTBUSY Status is stacked or pending for a tape unit other than the selected one. This status must be sent to ABI first.

SELDEV Test the tape unit status and set Unit Check if required.

COMDECOD Tape unit status is good. Decode the command and set up links to exit the status handling routine.







Sense Operation (System/360/370)

Objectives

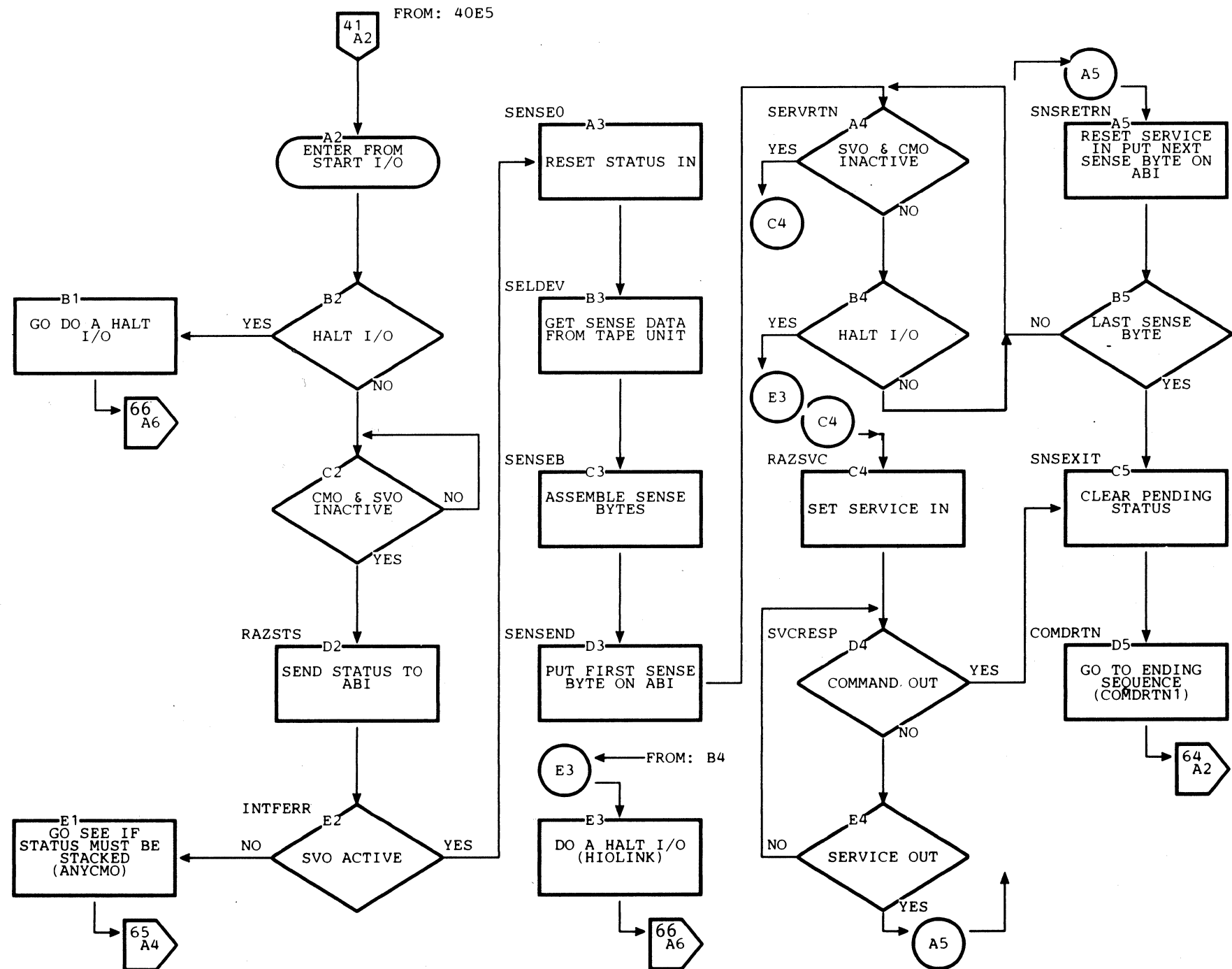
- Send Status and eight Sense Bytes to the System.

RAZSTS Initial Selection is completed, and Command Out and Service In are both inactive.

INTFERR If Service Out is active the system accepted the status. If not, the status may have to be stacked and the Sense operation terminated.

SENSEND The system accepted the status and the control unit assembled the sense bytes. The control unit puts the first Sense Byte on the ABI.

SNSRETRN The system accepted the previous sense byte. The control unit puts the next one on the ABI.

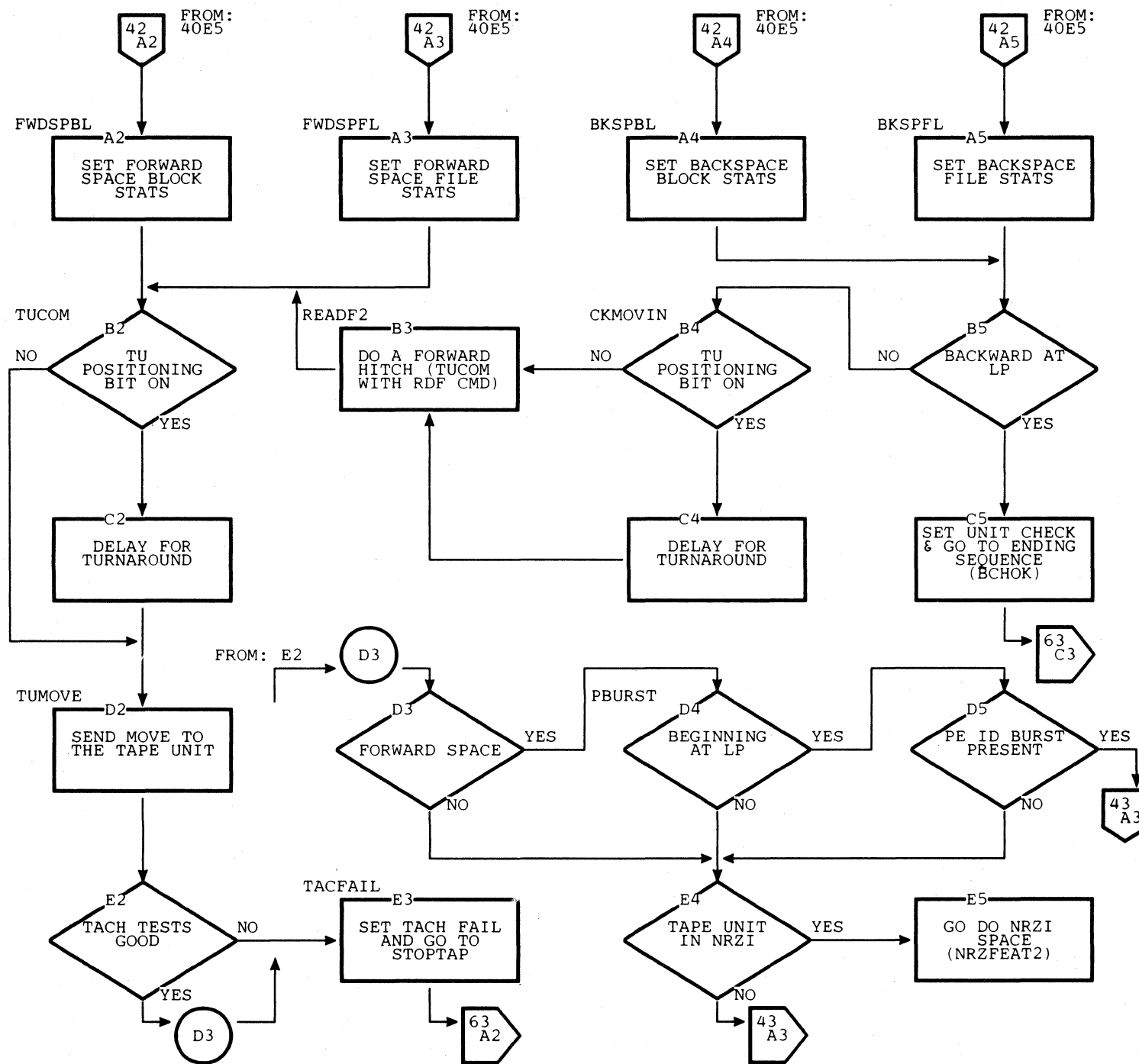


Space Operation (System/360/370)

Objectives

- FWDSPBL The microprogram decoded a Forward-Space-Block command. Enter from CONTCMD (40E5).
- FWDSPFL The microprogram decoded a Forward-Space-File command. Enter from CONTCMD (40E5).
- BKSPBL The microprogram decoded a Backward-Space-Block command. Enter from CONTCMD (40E5).
- BKSPFL The microprogram decoded a Backward-Space-File command. Enter from CONTCMD (40E5).
- CKMOVIN The command is a Backward Space. A forward read command is sent to the tape unit to cause a forward hitch. If the tape unit is in backward status the microprogram delays while the tape unit changes to forward status.
- TUCOM Forward Space: The Forward Space command is sent to the tape unit. No forward hitch was executed. If the tape unit is in backward status, the microprogram delays while the tape unit changes to forward status.

Backward Space: The backward space command is sent to the tape unit following a forward hitch. A delay is needed while the tape unit changes to backward status.
- TUMOVE The tape unit is in the proper directional status. Send 'Move' to the tape unit to start tape motion.
- TACFAIL The tach pulses indicate the capstan is not moving at the correct speed.
- PBURST The capstan is moving forward at the correct speed. If the tape started at load point, test for a PE identification burst.



Space Operation (System/360/370)

BOBSCH Entry from 42D5: A PE Identification Burst is present (the tape unit is spacing a PE tape forward, starting at load point).

Entry from 42E4: The tape unit is spacing a tape forward which was not positioned at load point, or was not in NRZI mode.

(TSTIBG) Entry from TSTIBG: An inter-block gap, tape unit interrupt, or tape mark has not been found. Continue to loop.

(IBGX) Entry from IBGX: An inter-block gap has been detected but Beginning-of-Block has not. Continue looping until a block has been spaced over.

Entry from 43A4: An inter-block gap and a Beginning-of-Block have been detected, but this is a space file operation. Continue looping until a tape mark is detected.

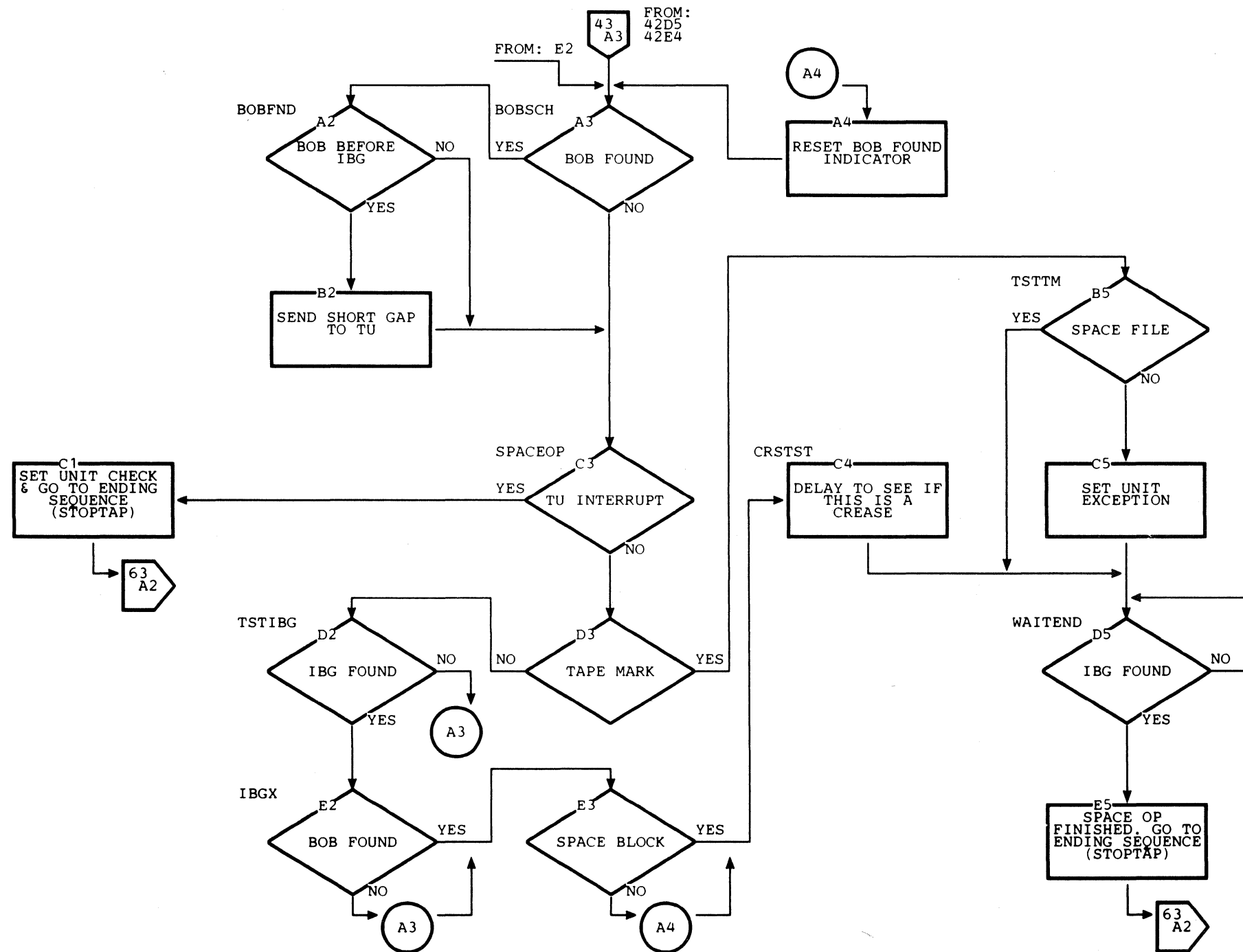
SPACEOP If a Tape Unit Interrupt is detected, the tape unit has become 'not ready.'

TSTTM A tape mark has been detected.

CRSTST An inter-block gap has been detected during a space block operation. The delay allows the IBG indication time to become inactive if the indication was caused by a crease.

WAITEND Space File: A tape mark has been detected. Wait for IBG before stopping tape.

Space Block: Wait until the IBG indication is valid (part of crease check) and stop the tape.



Rewind/Rewind Unload (System/360/370)

Objectives

- To move tape forward a short distance (forward hitch) and then backward at high speed to the beginning of tape (BOT).
- If in a Rewind Unload command, unload the tape unit when BOT is reached.
- Tape is not pulled out of the columns during the high speed rewind.

REWUNL The command is a Rewind Unload. If tape is at BOT, no forward hitch is needed; go to RUN4 to unload.

SHERG The tape unit is in write status. Prepare for degauss before rewinding.

WRTMOVE4 Move tape 1.5 inches beyond the last block written before degaussing.

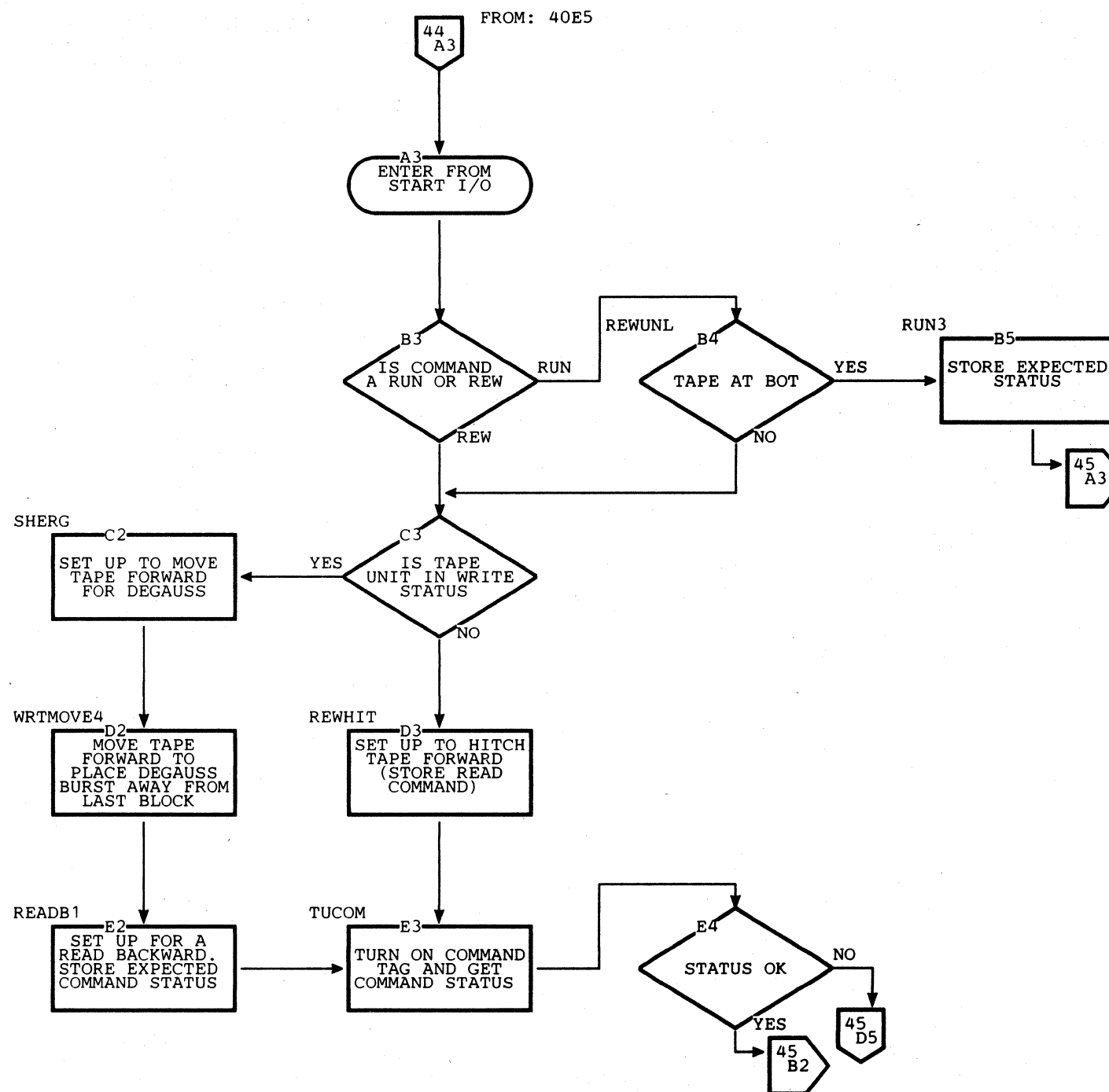
READB1 Tape has been positioned beyond the last block written. Set up to move tape backward. Degauss will occur when tape unit status is switched from write to read status (TUCOM).

REWHIT Tape unit is in read status. Set up for a forward hitch before rewinding.

TUCOM Turn on Command Tag and get the command status. If status is bad, set Tape Unit Reject and terminate the operation.

DELAY3 Wait 3 milliseconds for degauss to finish.

HITCH2 Hitch tape forward.

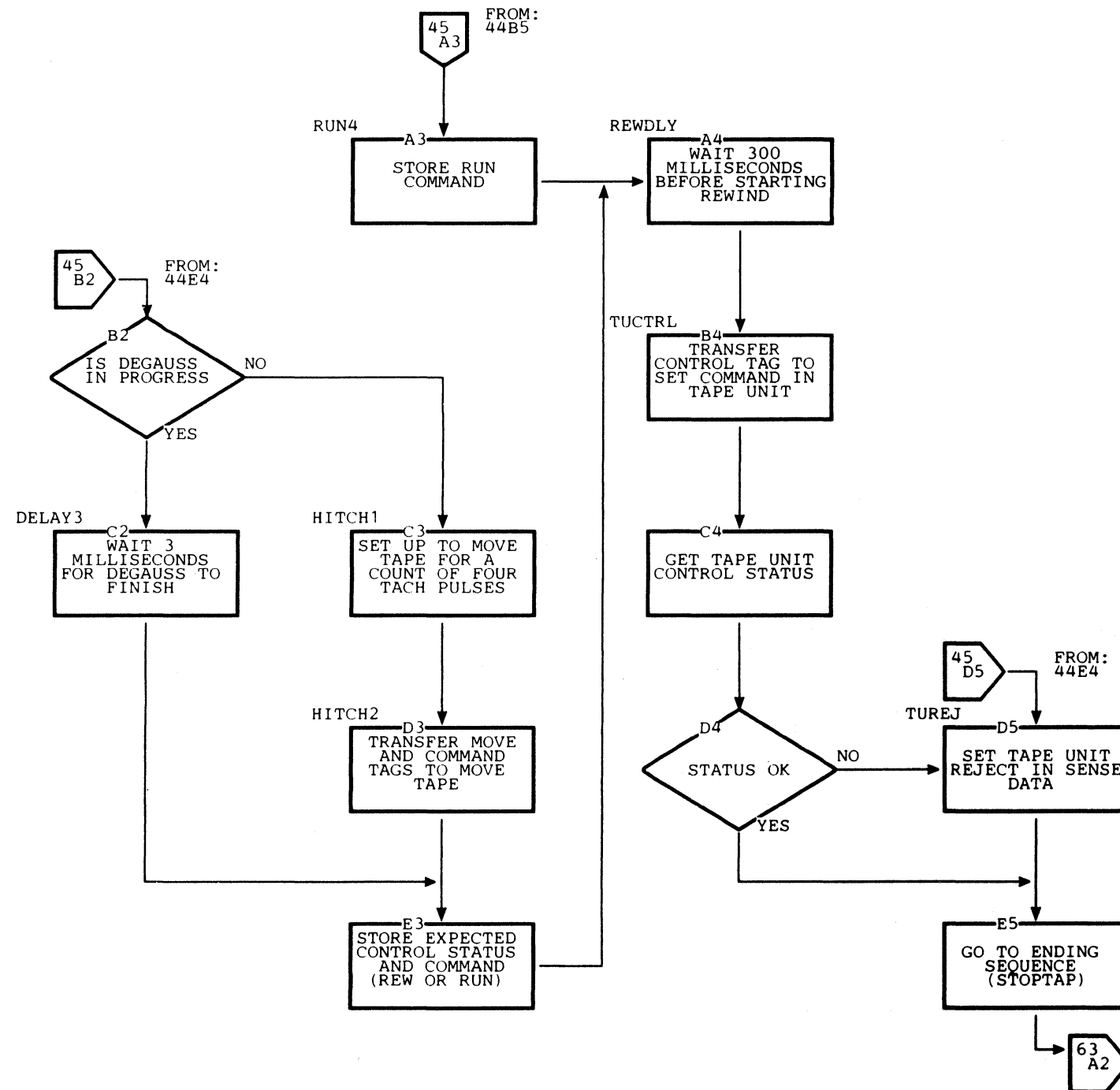


Rewind/Rewind Unload

REWDLY Wait 300 milliseconds to ensure that multiple tape units do not start to rewind simultaneously.

TUCTRL Transfer Command and Control Tags to start tape rewinding. Get the tape unit control status. If status is bad, set Tape Unit Reject and terminate the operation.

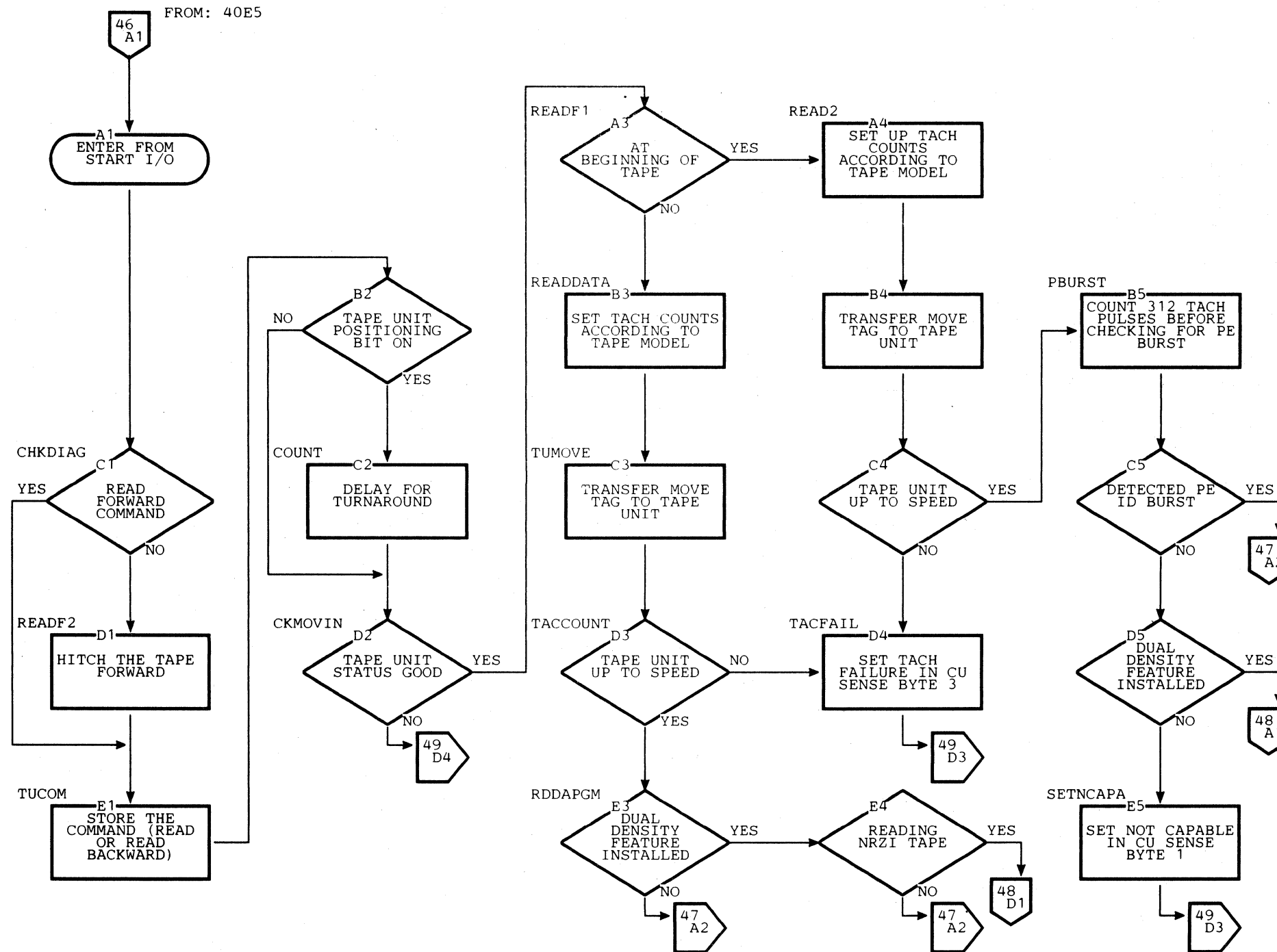
If status is good, run internal diagnostics and return to IDLESCAN. The tape control releases the tape unit. Independent circuits in the tape unit cause tape movement to continue until the operation is completed.



Read Operation (System/360/370)

Objectives

- To read data (PE or NRZI) in either direction.
- CHKDIAG** Determine the type of read command.
- READF2** The command is a Read backward. The tape must be hitched forward. Send the Move tag to the tape unit with a Read-forward command.
- TUCOM** If the command is Read-backward, the forward hitch is completed. Send the Read-backward command to the tape unit. If the command is Read-forward send it to the tape unit.
- CKMOVIN** Check the command status byte. If it is not good reject the tape unit and terminate the operation.
- READDATA** The tape is not at BOT. Compare old and new tape unit status and use the results to set up tach counts according to tape model.
- READ2** Same as READDATA except the tape is at BOT.
- TACCOUNT** Verify that tape is moving and at correct speed. If not, reset the Move tag to stop tape and terminate the operation.
- PBURST** Tape is at BOT. Start looking for PE ID Burst. If no burst is found, the tape is recorded in NRZI. Determine if the tape control and tape unit are capable of reading NRZI.



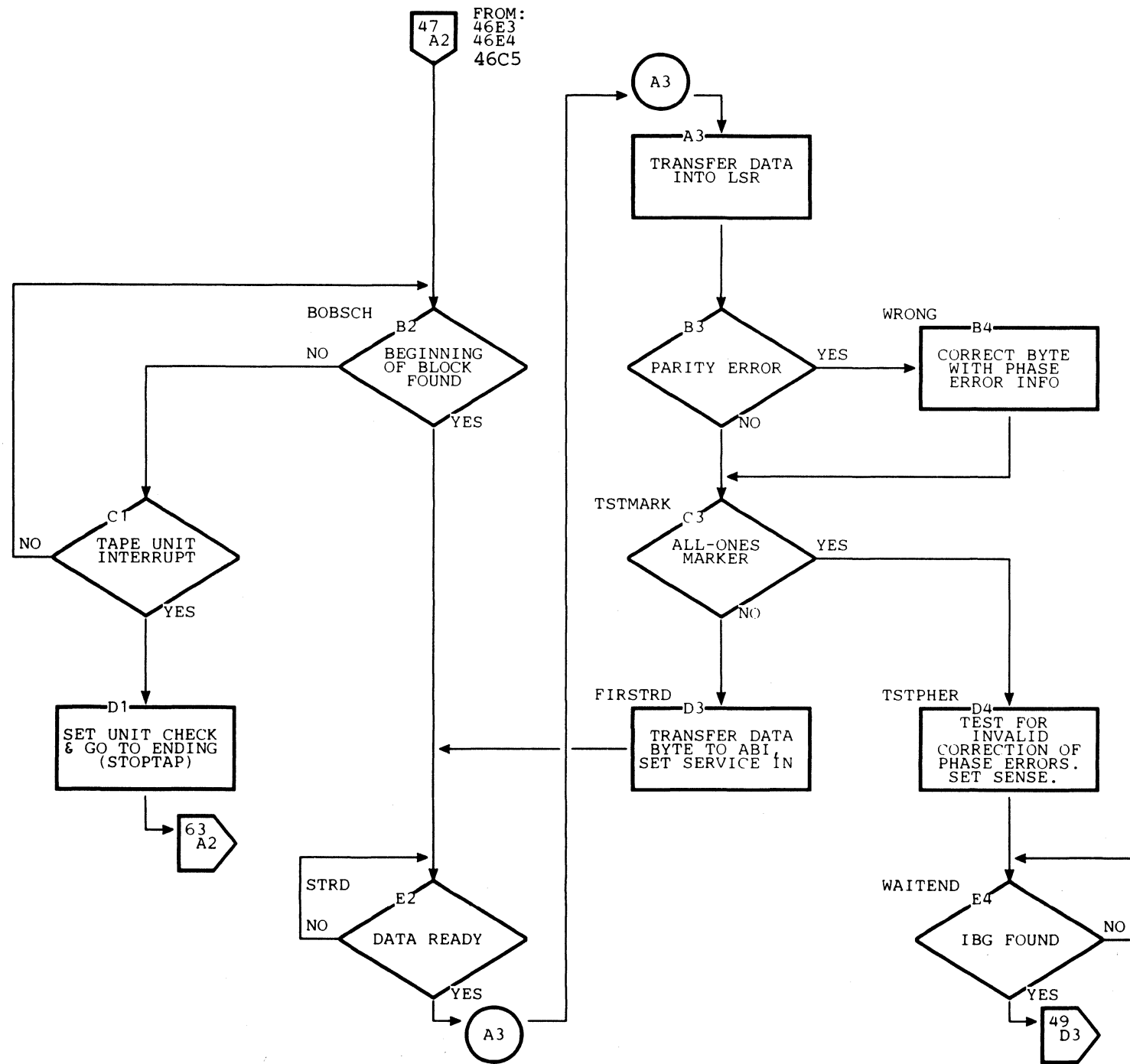
Read Operation (System/360/370)

BOBSCH The tape is recorded in PE. Start searching for the beginning of the data block.

STRD Three data bytes are buffered in the LSR. If an error is detected as a phase error, the byte is corrected just before it is sent to ABI. Only single-track errors are corrected.

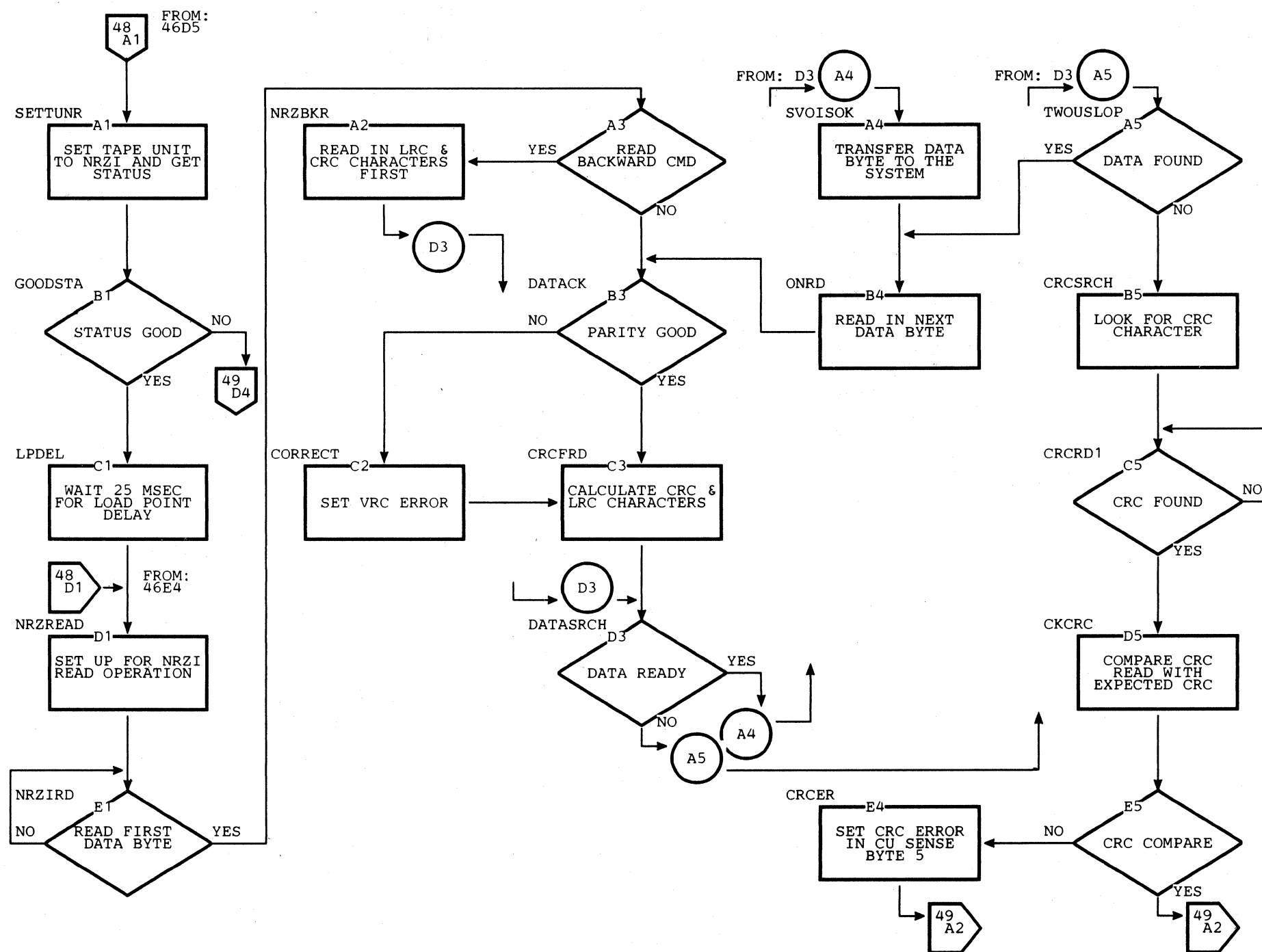
TSTPHER The all-ones marker has been detected. Check for any accumulated phase errors.

WAITEND The postamble is being read. When the IBG is detected, reset Service In and stop tape.



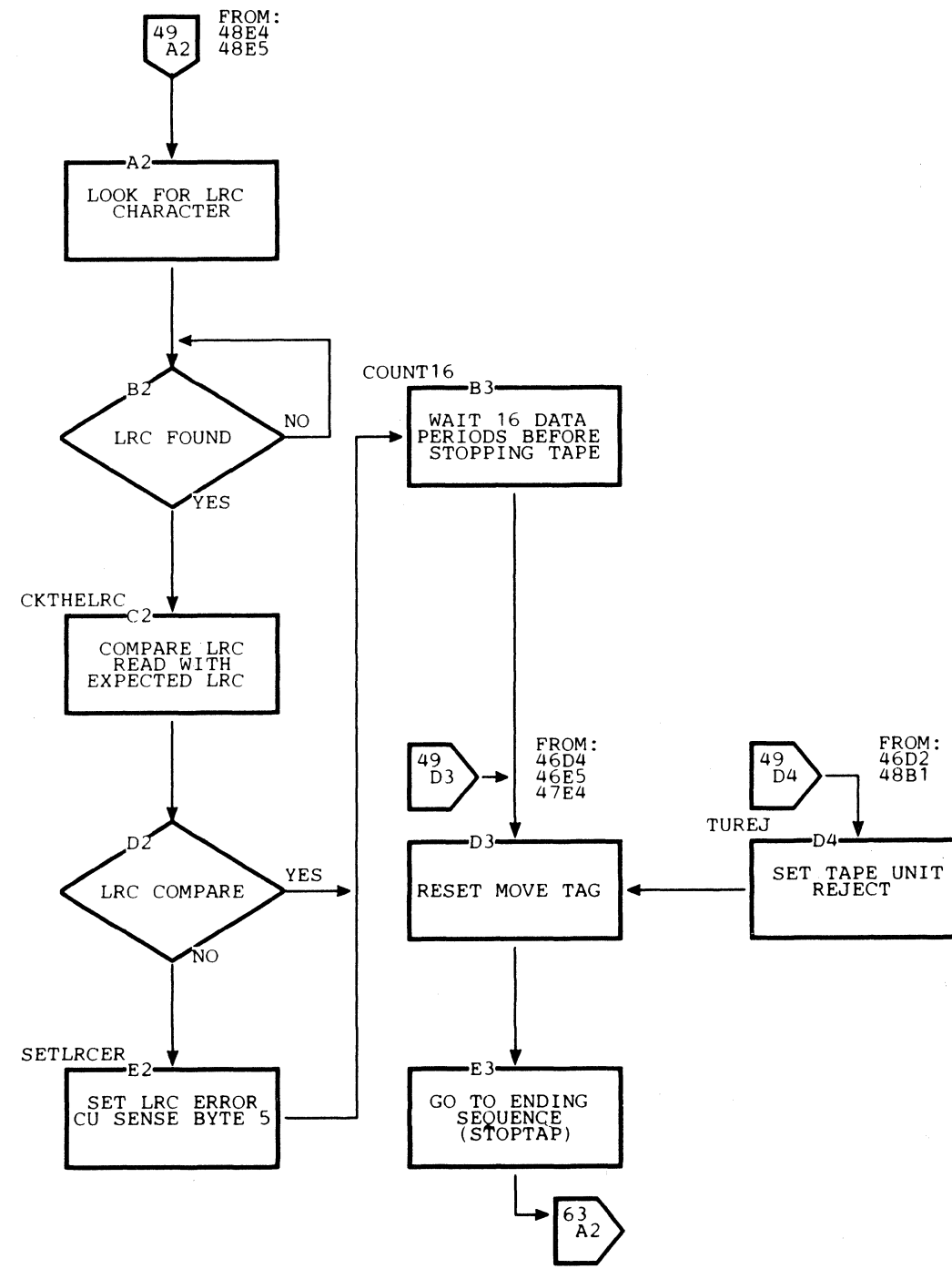
Read Operation (System/360/370)

- SETTUNR The tape is at BOT and is a NRZI tape. Start looking for the first data byte.
- NRZREAD The tape is not at BOT and is a NRZI tape. Start looking for the first data byte.
- NRZBKR This is a NRZI Read-backward operation. The first bytes read are the LRC and CRC characters. Store the check characters for use at the end of the read operation. Then start looking for the data bytes.
- CRCFRD A data byte has been read and parity checked. The LRC and CRC characters are calculated each time data is read.
- TWOUSLOP Loop for two microseconds searching for data. If none is found, a byte may have been lost. Loop again for two microseconds. If still no data, search for the CRC and LRC characters. If reading backward, send the last byte read to ABI.



Read Operation (System/360/370)

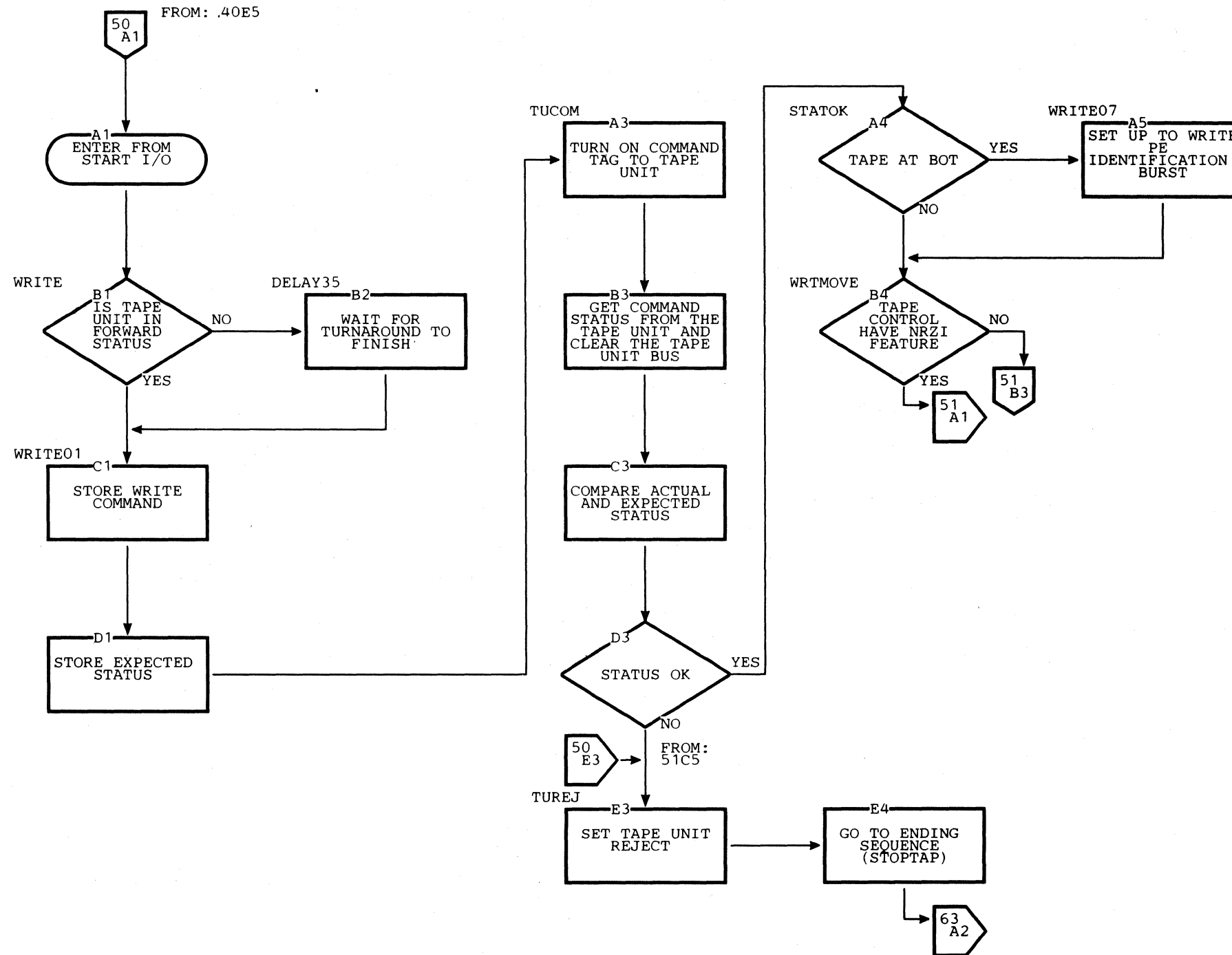
STOPTAP The operation is completed or an error has occurred. Reset Service In and the Move tag. Store the sense data, run the internal diagnostics, and update tape unit status before returning to Idle.



Write Operation (System/360/370)

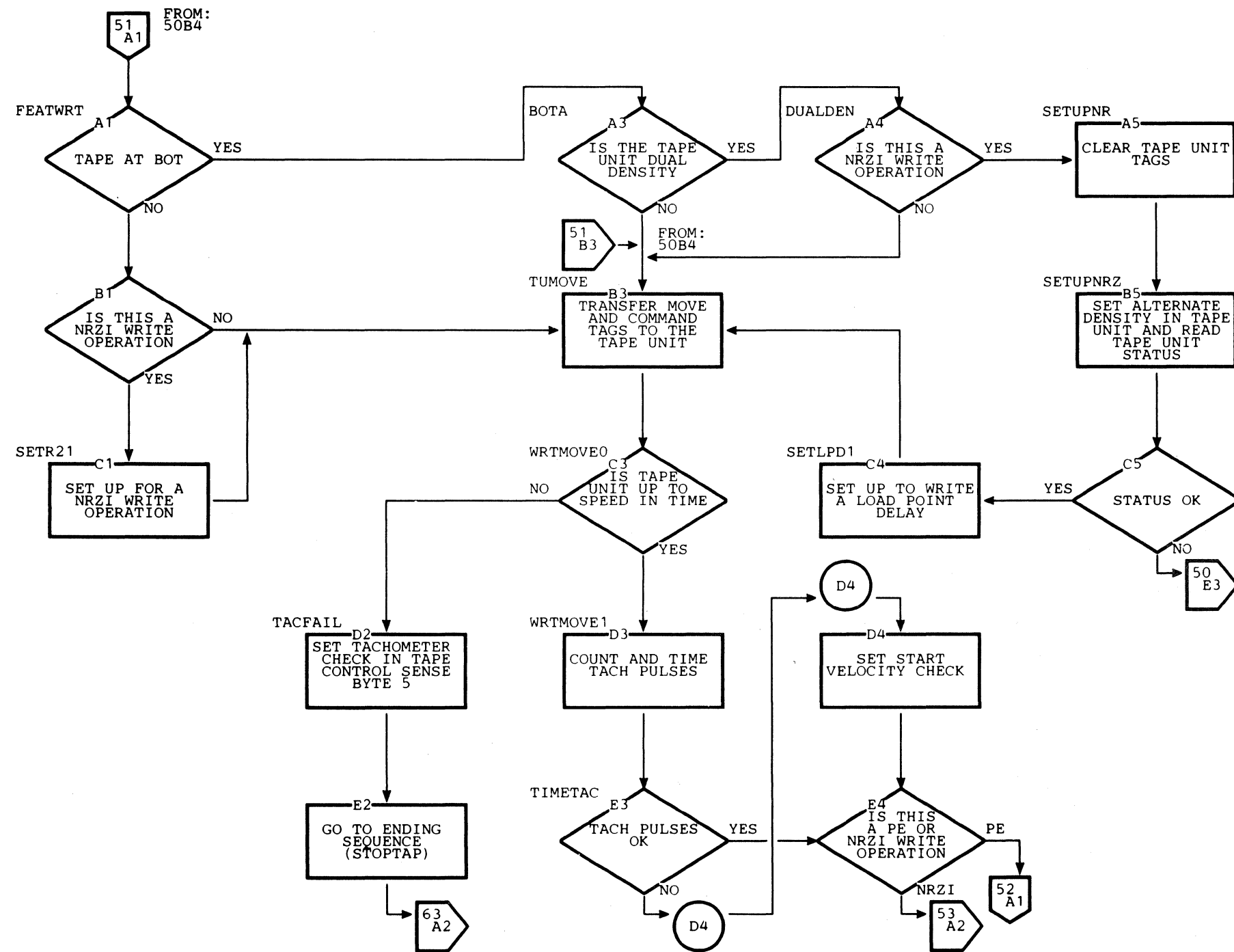
Objectives

- To write data (PE or NRZI) on tape.
- WRITE** Check the status of the tape unit. If in forward status, store the write command. If in backward status, wait for turnaround sequence before storing write command.
- TUCOM** Get the command status and set the tape unit to write status. If command status is not good, reject the tape unit and terminate the operation.
- STATOK** Check if tape is at BOT. If it is, set up to write PE ID Burst.
- WRTMOVE** Determine if NRZI is installed in tape control. If not, go to TUMOVE.



Write Operation (System/360/370)

- FEATWRT Tape control has NRZI installed. Determine if tape is at BOT. If not at BOT, check if this is a NRZI operation. If it is, set up controls for a NRZI write. If not, go to TUMOVE.
- DUALDEN Tape unit has dual density feature and is at BOT. Check that a Mode Set command has been issued.
- SETUPNR A Mode Set command was issued. Set the tape unit to NRZI and check the status.
- SETLPD1 Set controls to cause a load point delay before the first data block is written (NRZI only).
- TUMOVE The tape unit status is good and ready to write (PE or NRZI). Transfer Move Tag to get tape moving.
- WRTMOVE0 The tape unit is in write status and Move Tag transferred. When gap control is detected, the tape unit is up to speed. The tach pulses from the capstan motor are measured to determine when the capstan is up to speed. If the capstan does not reach full speed within a predetermined time, go to TACFAIL.
- WRTMOVE1 Set up to count and time tach pulses to verify tape speed. If tape speed is not good, set tachometer check and terminate the operation, or set Start Velocity Check and continue the operation.



Write Operation (System/360/370)

PBWPGM The tape unit is at BOT and in PE Mode. Write the PE ID Burst before writing data on tape.

WRDAPGM The PE ID Burst has been written or the tape is not at BOT. Write a preamble of 40 zeros and an all ones marker.

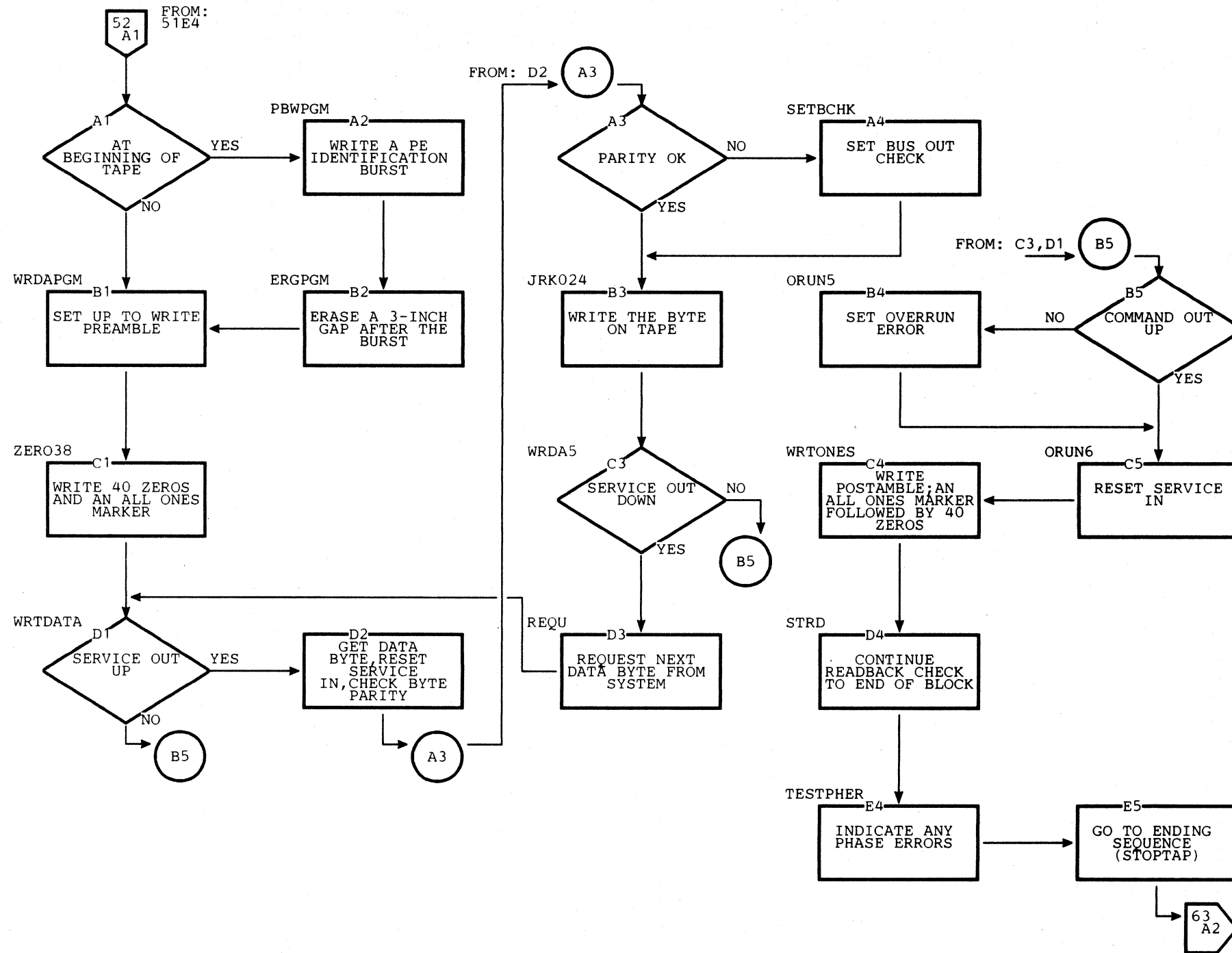
WRTDATA The preamble is written. Service Out up indicates a data byte is ready to be written. Get the data byte from the channel and check it for parity. If parity is bad, set Bus Out Check.

WRDA5 Make sure Service Out is down before requesting another data byte. If Service Out is up, go to ORUN.

JRK024 Write the byte on tape and perform a parity check on any byte which has been read back. If parity is bad, set VRC error.

REQU Raise Service In to get another byte from the channel.

WRTONES The last data byte has been written. Write the postamble and continue readback check until the end of the block is sensed.



Write Operation (System/360/370)

LPDLY2 This is a NRZI write operation and tape is at BOT. Set up for a load point delay.

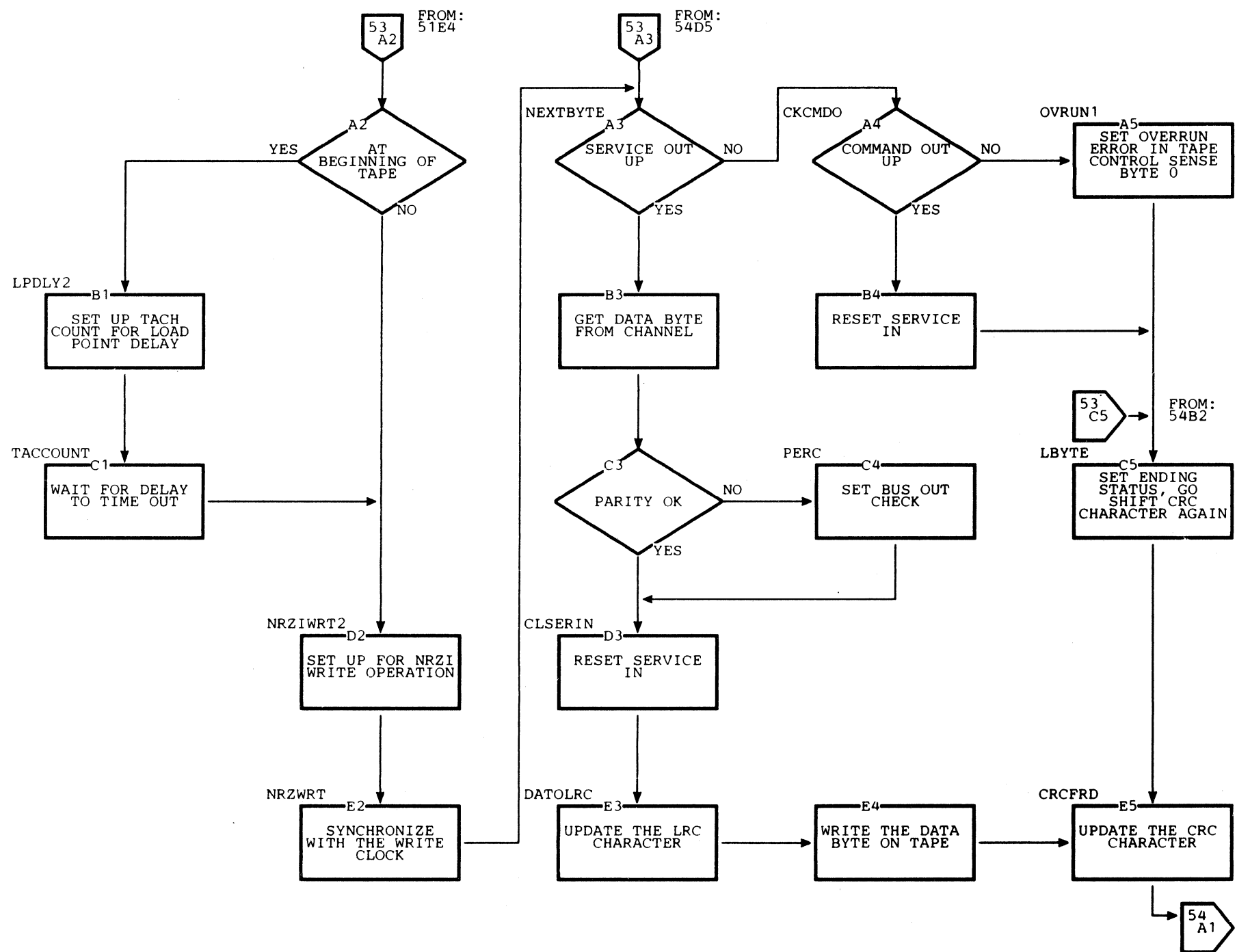
NEXTBYT Check the condition of Service Out. If down, and Command Out is also down, go to LBYTE to finish up. If Command Out is up, set Overrun Error and go to LBYTE.

If Service Out is up, get the next data byte from the channel.

Check for correct parity. If bad, set Bus Out Check.

CLSERIN Reset Service In.

DATOLRC Update the LRC and CRC characters. Write the data byte on tape.



Write Operation (System/360/370)

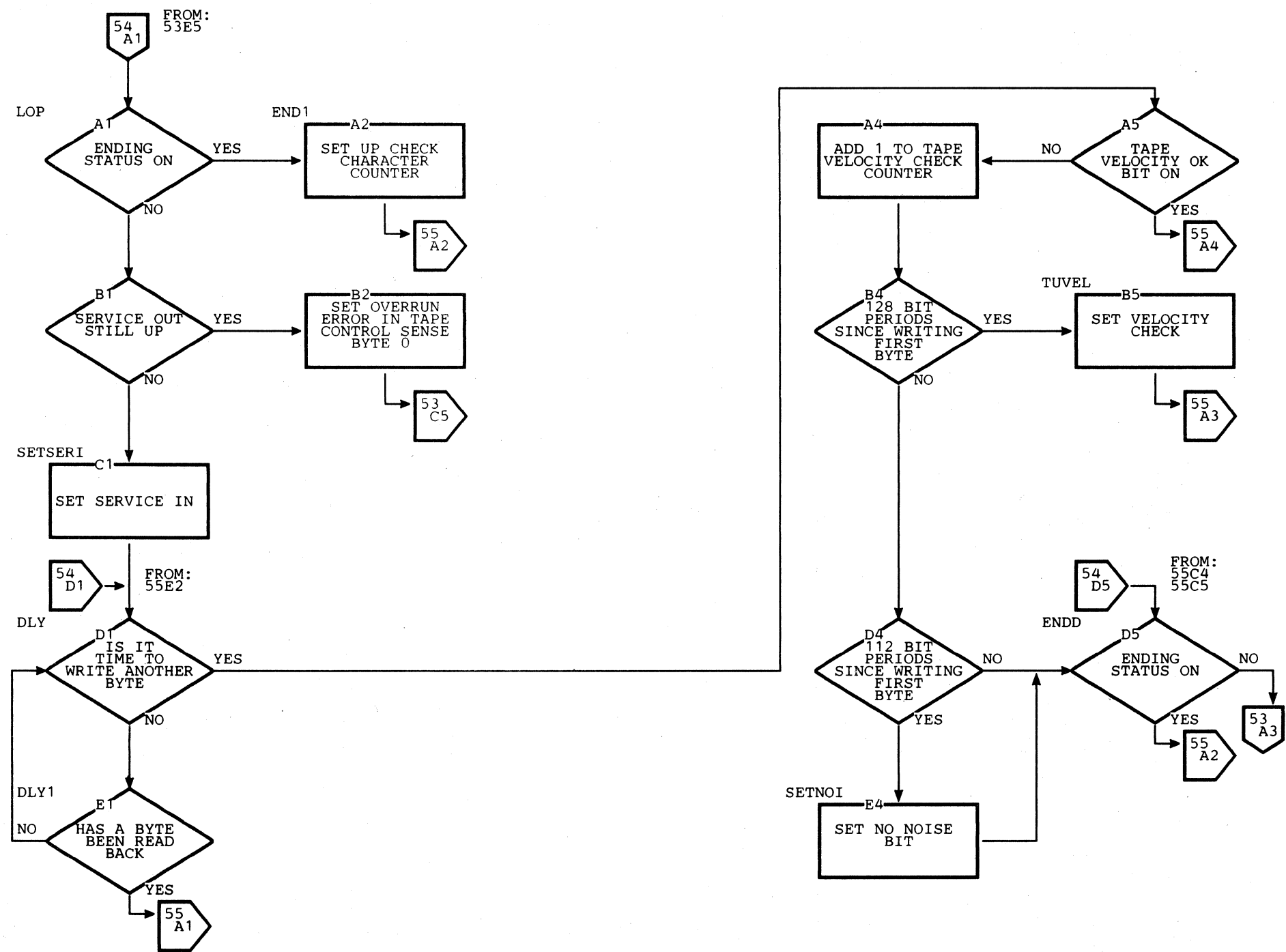
LOP Check if Ending Status bit is on. Ending Status is set when the last data byte has been written (LBYTE).

END1 Ending Status is on. Set up a counter to ensure correct spacing between check characters.

DLY Wait until either a byte is read back or another byte is to be written.

Each time a byte is written until the first byte is read back, a counter is stepped. The counter is maintained to ensure that tape is moving at the proper speed in the early stages of the write operation. The first byte should be read back after writing 112-128 byte. If no data has been read back (tape velocity OK bit not on) before 128 bytes have been written, Tape Velocity Check is set. If a byte arrives before 112 bytes have been written, the No Noise Bit is not turned on, causing VRC error to be set during readback check of the byte.

When a byte is read back, parity is checked. If parity is bad, or if the No Noise bit is not set, VRC error is set.

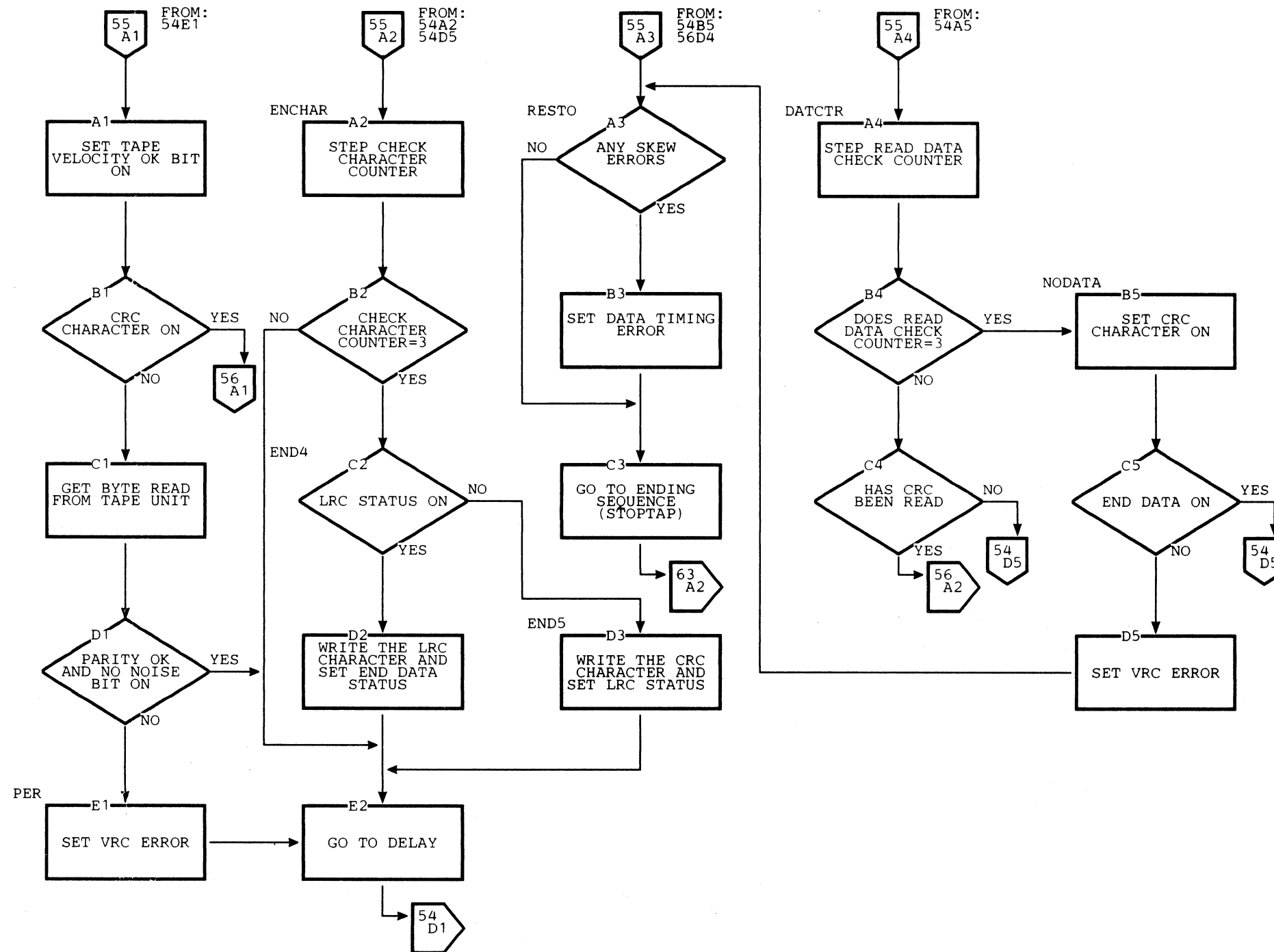


Write Operation (System/360/370)

ENCHAR Ending Status is set; step the check character counter. The counter is stepped three times before writing each check character. (See END1.)

END4 If LRC Status is off, write the CRC character and turn on LRC status.

If LRC Status is on, write the LRC character and set End Data Status. Return to DLY.



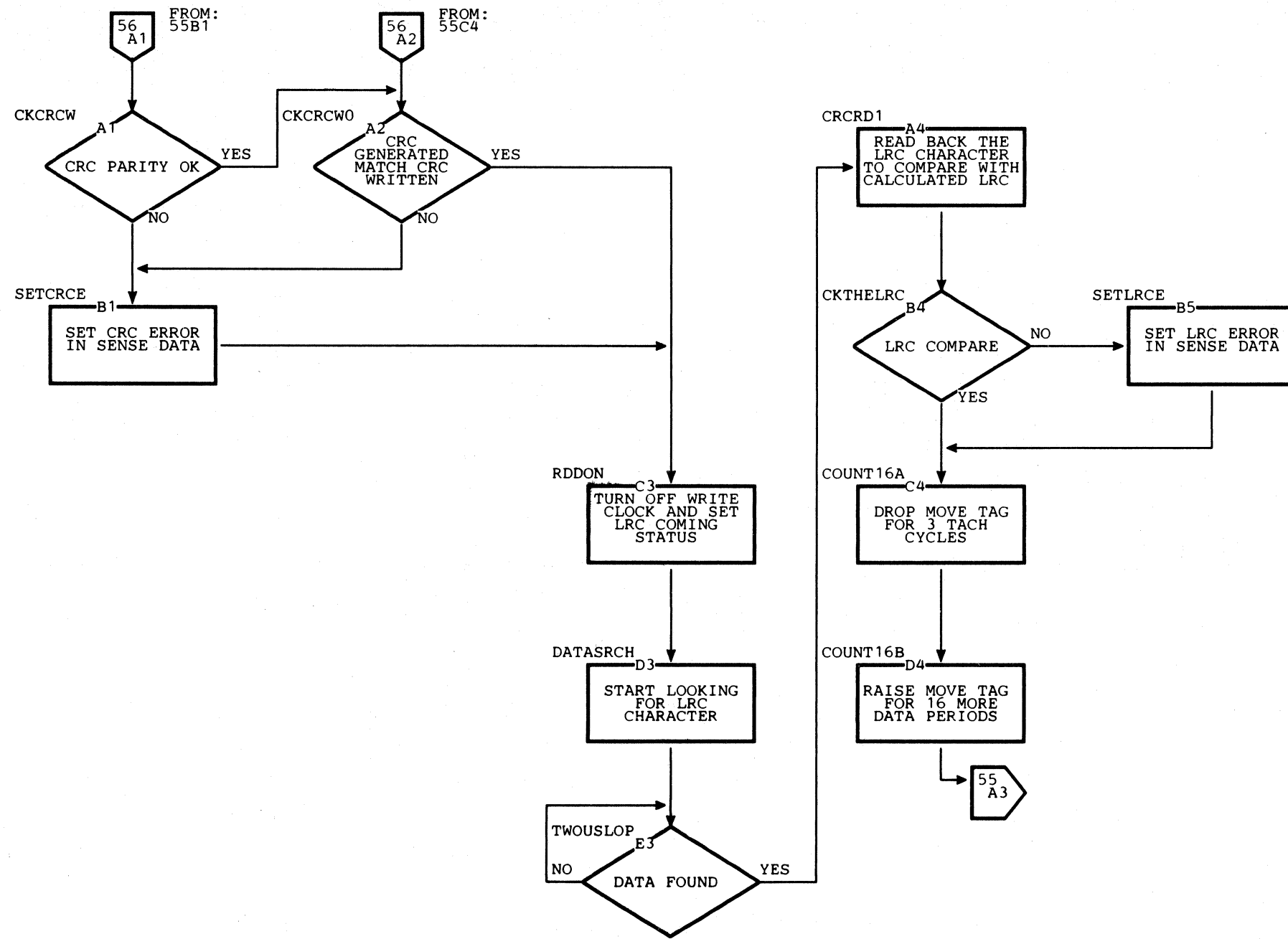
Write Operation (System/360/370)

CKCRCW The byte read back is the CRC character. Compare the CRC written with the CRC calculated.

TWOUSLOP Wait for the LRC character.

CRCRD1 The byte read back is the LRC character. Compare the calculated LRC with the LRC read back.

COUNT16A Loop for 16 data periods before stopping tape. If no more data is read back check for any skew errors and go to STOPTAP to terminate the operation.



Data Security Erase (DSE)

Objectives

- To erase tape from its present position to the end of tape (EOT) marker.

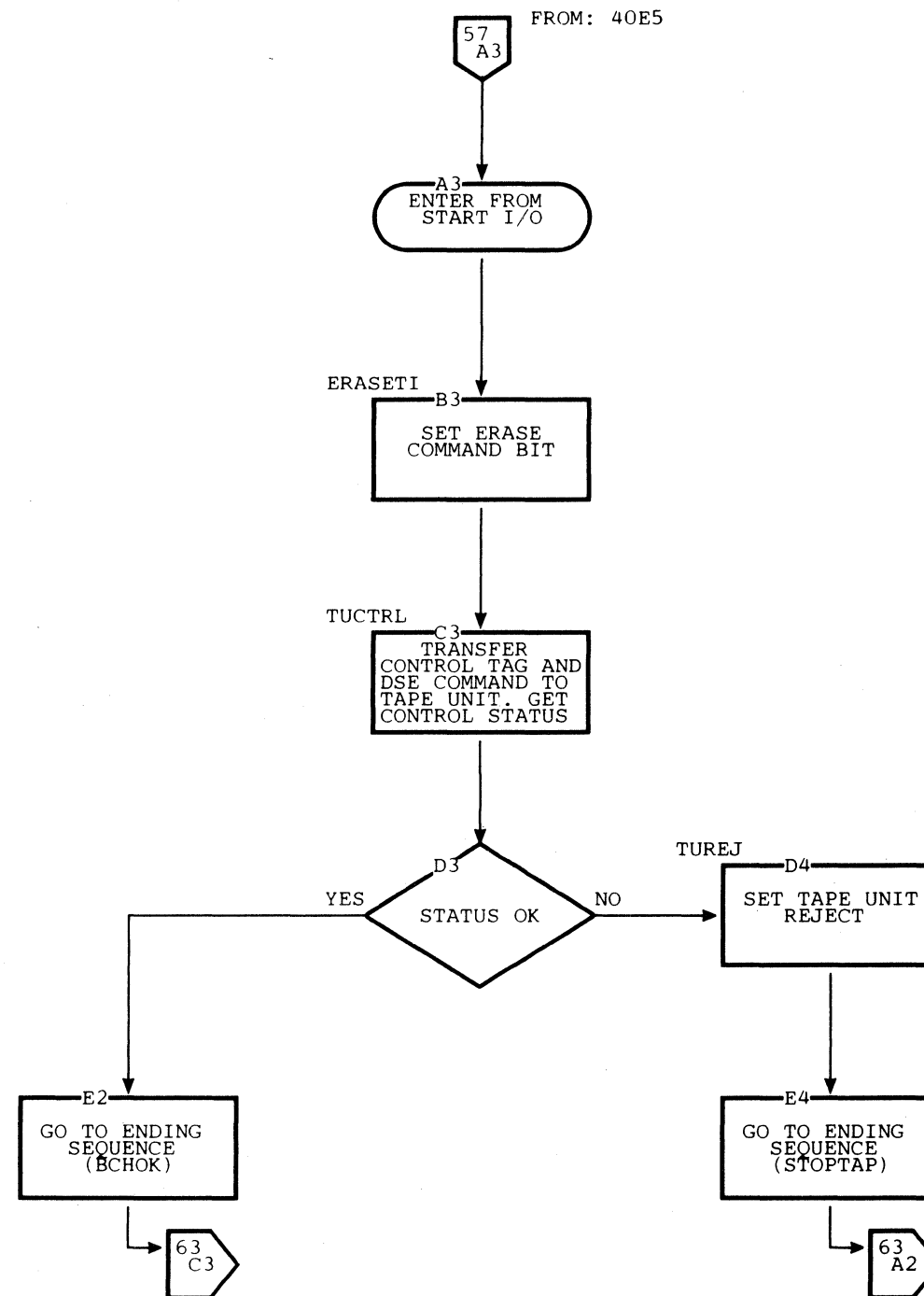
ERASETI The Data Security Erase command was decoded during the CONTROL routine. To enter the DSE routine, tape unit status must indicate write status, not at EOT, and not file protected.

TUCTRL Tape unit status is good. Transfer the Control tag and Command to the tape unit. Read in the status byte from the tape unit.

If tape unit status is good, store the sense data, run internal diagnostics, and return to IDLE.

The tape control releases the tape unit. Independent circuits in the tape unit cause tape movement to continue until EOT is sensed.

TUREJ Tape unit status is bad. Set tape unit reject and terminate the operation.



Erase Gap Command (System/360/370)

Objectives

- To erase a 3 inch gap on tape.

STATOK Check that tape is at BOT. If it is set up to write PE ID Burst.

FEATWRT Tape control has NRZI installed. Determine if tape is at BOT, if the tape unit has NRZI feature, and if this is a NRZI operation. If so, go to SETUPNR to prepare for a load point delay.

SETUPNR Set the tape unit to NRZI mode, and check status. If status is bad, set Tape Unit Reject and terminate the operation.

TUMOVE The tape unit status is good and ready to erase tape. Transfer Move Tag to get tape moving.

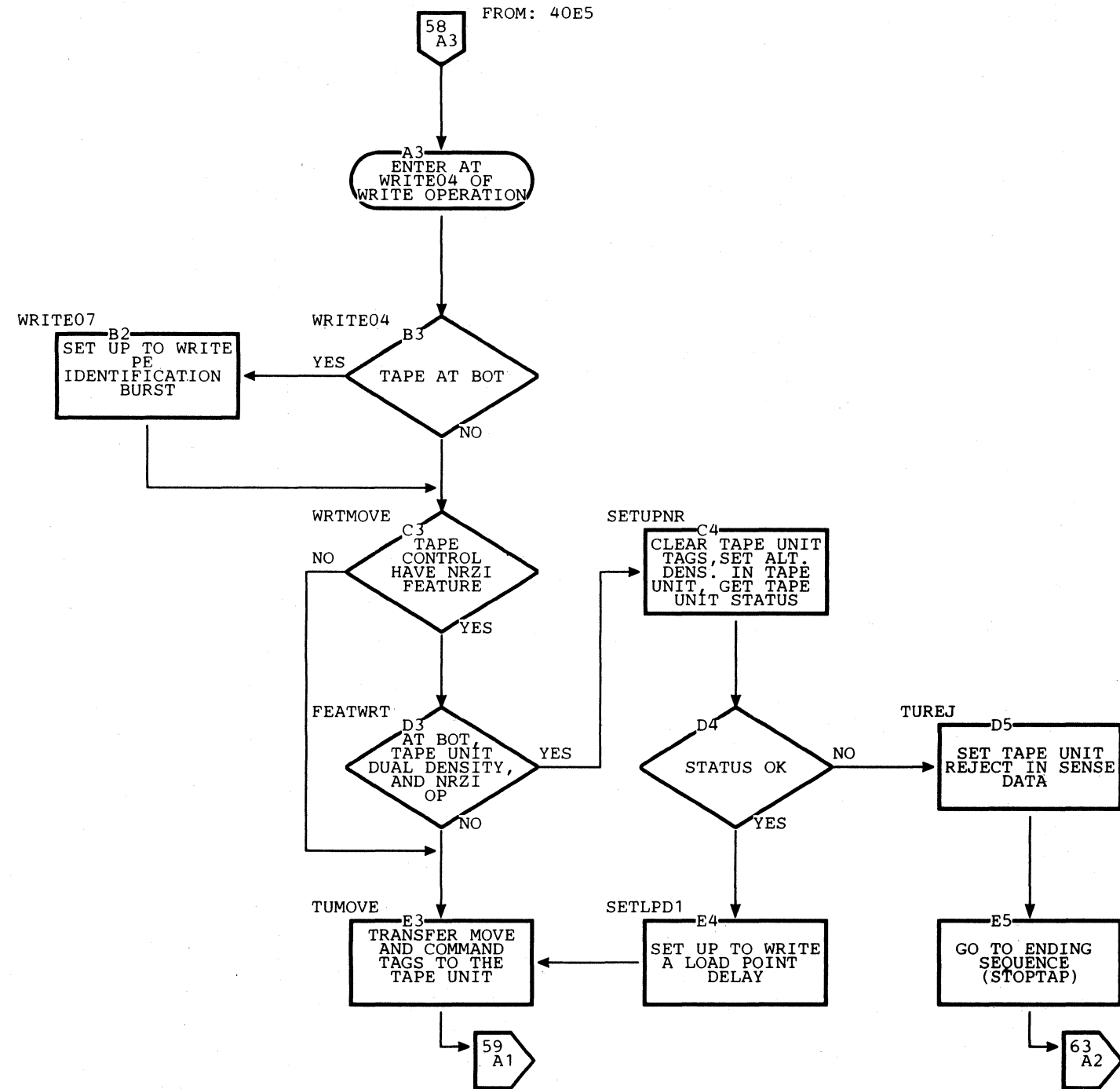
WRTMOVE0 The tape unit is in write status and Move Tag transferred. When gap control is detected the the tape unit is up to speed.

WRTMOVE1 Set up to count and time tach pulses to verify tape speed. If tape speed is not good, set Tachometer Check and terminate the operation, or set Start Velocity Check and continue the operation.

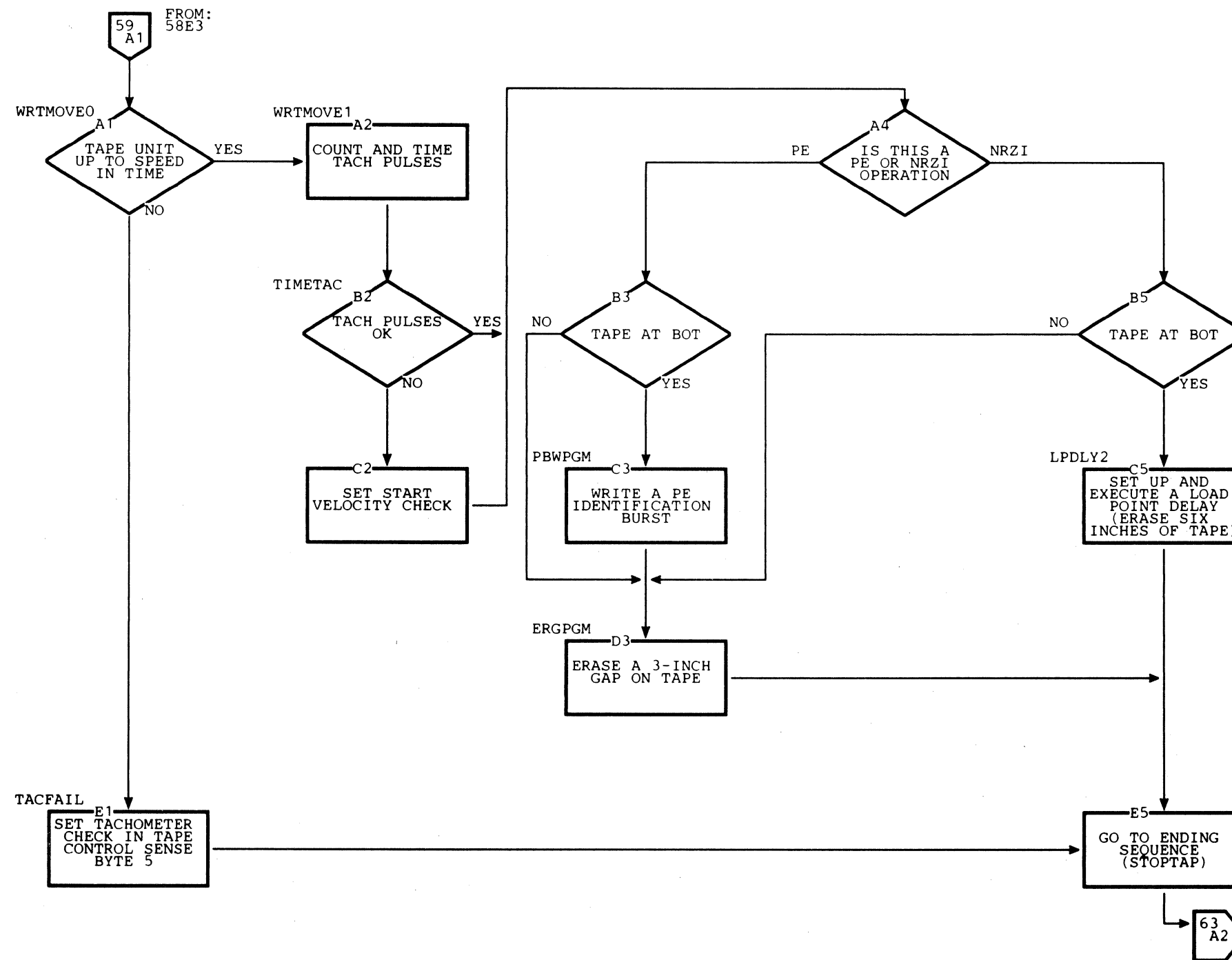
PBWPGM The tape unit is at BOT and in PE Mode. Write the PE ID Burst before erasing tape.

ERGPGM Erase 3 inches of tape and go to ending sequence.

LPDLy2 This is a NRZI operation and tape is at BOT. Perform a load point delay and go to ending sequence.



Erase Gap Command (System/360/370)



Write Tape Mark (System/360/370)

Objectives

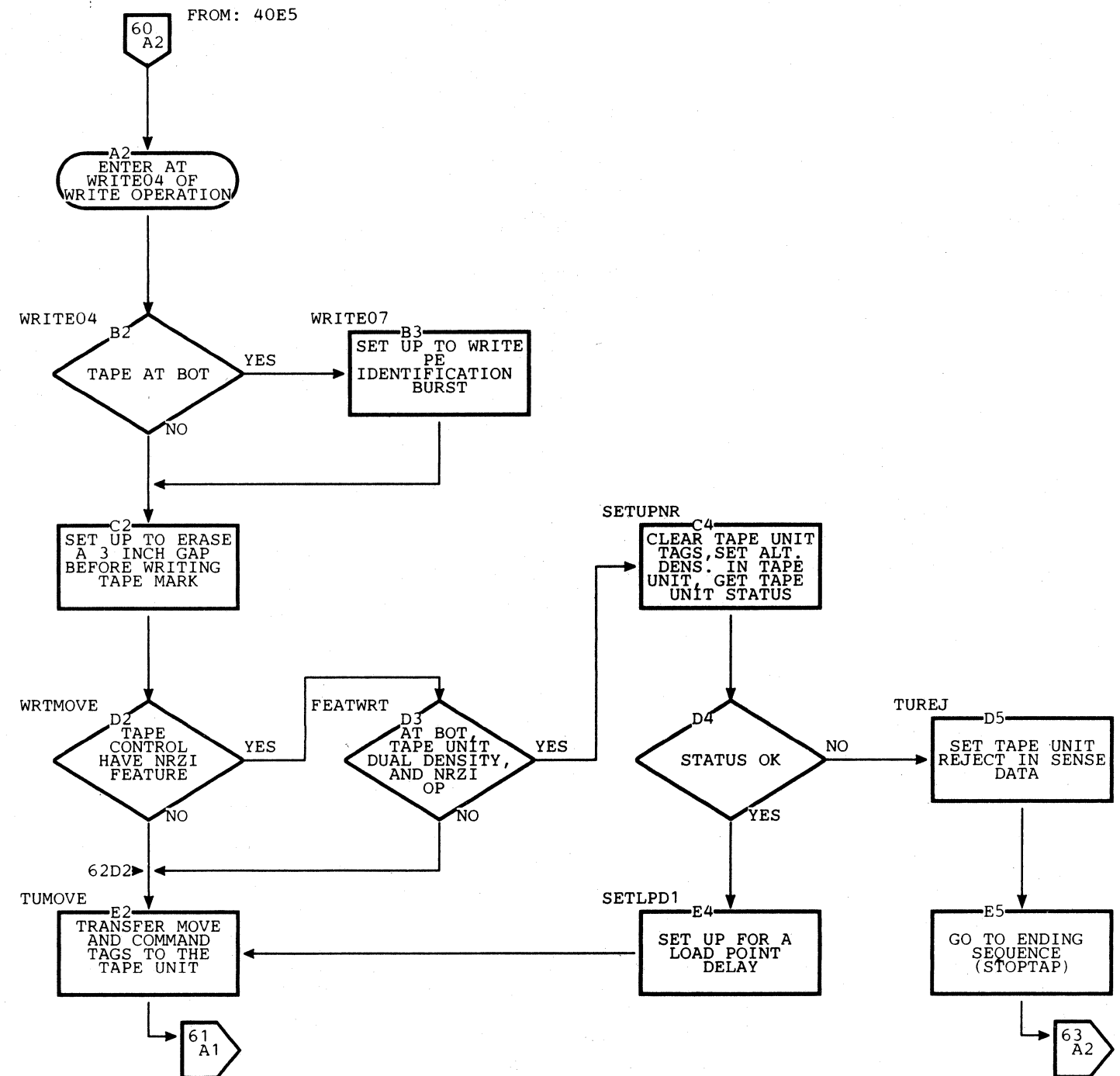
- To write a PE or NRZI tape mark.
- The subsystem generates the tape mark; no data is transferred between CPU and the subsystem.

STATOK Check that tape is at BOT. If it is set up to write PE ID Burst.

FEATWRT Tape control has NRZI installed. Determine if tape is at BOT, if tape unit has NRZI feature, and if this is a NRZI operation. If so, go to SETUPNR to prepare for a NRZI operation beginning with a load point delay.

SETUPNR Set the tape unit to NRZI mode, and check status. If status is bad, set tape unit reject and terminate the operation.

TUMOVE The tape unit status is good and ready to write the tape mark. Transfer the Move Tag to get tape moving.



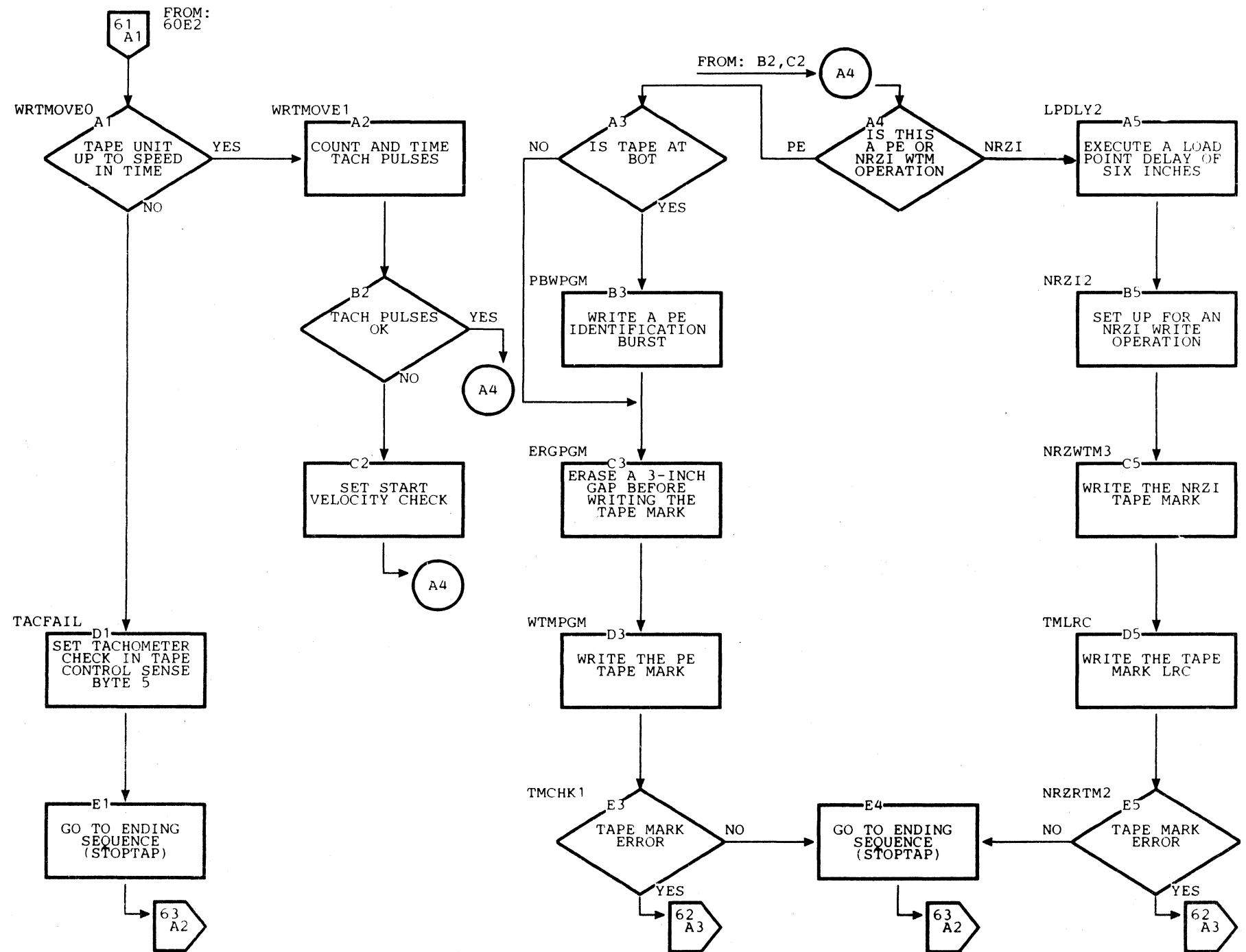
Write Tape Mark (System/360/370)

WRTMOVE0 The tape unit is in write status and Move tag transferred. When gap control is detected the tape unit is up to speed. Go to TACFAIL if full speed is not reached in a predetermined time.

WRTMOVE1 Set up to count and time tach pulses to verify tape speed. If tape speed is not good, set Tachometer Check and terminate the operation, or set Start Velocity Check and continue the operation.

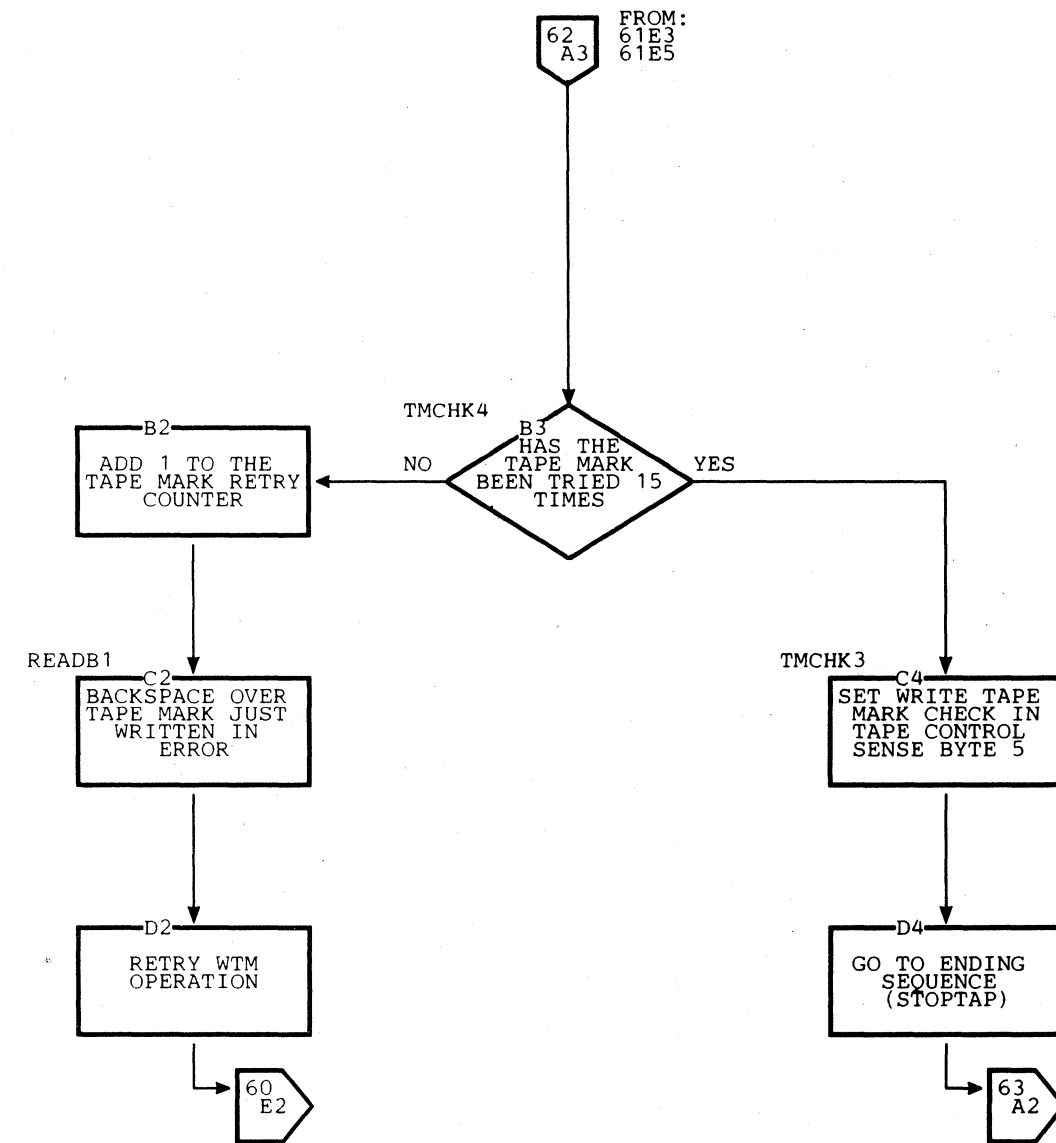
PBWPGM The tape unit is at BOT and in PE Mode. Write the PE ID Burst before writing the tape mark.

LPDLY2 This is a NRZI operation and tape is at BOT. Perform a load point delay.



Write Tape Mark (System/360/370)

TMCHK3 Tape Control could not write a tape mark after 15 tries. Set Tape Mark Check and terminate the operation.



Ending Sequence (System/360/370)

Objectives

- Stop tape when the next IBG is found.
- Generate ending status and send it to ABI.
- Reset all busses and tags.
- Return to the proper location in the microprogram. (IDLESCAN, IDLEPEND, INTSCAN, CHAINSIO)

STOPTAP The operation is completed or an error has occurred. Reset Service In and the Move tag. Store the sense data, run internal diagnostics, and update the tape unit status before returning to IDLESCAN.

SETREJ The tape unit went not ready or the start bit is not on.

ENVEL No tach pulse was detected in 5 msec. Tach is not running.

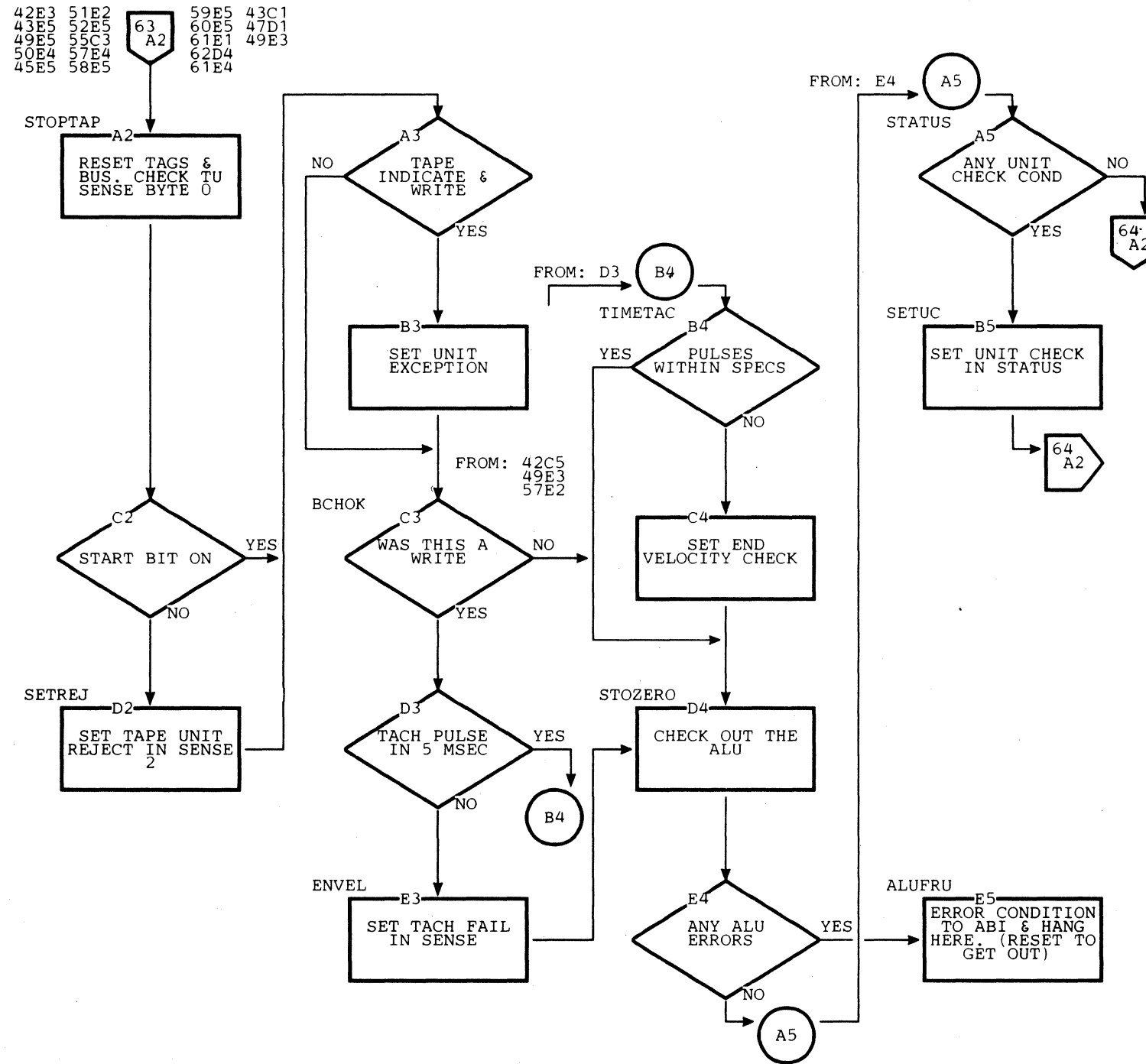
BKLP A backward command issued at Load Point.

TIMETAC Set End Velocity Check if tach pulses are too close together or too far apart.

STOZERO Tape unit sense byte 0 has been checked and errors set. The tach has been checked and errors set. Now check out the ALU.

SETUC The subsystem has a Unit Check in its sense bytes.

ALUFRU An ALU operation failed during internal diagnostics.

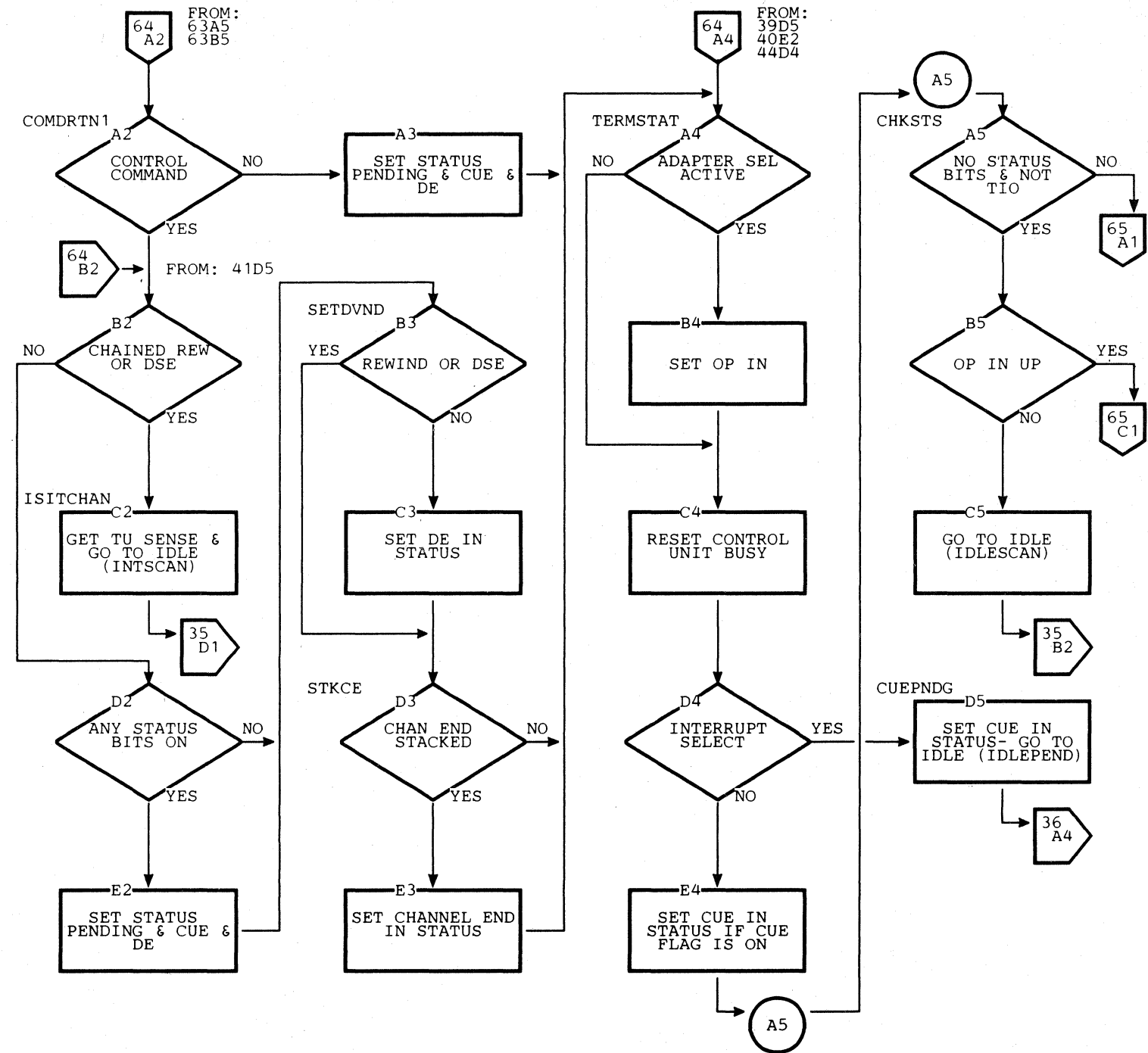


Ending Sequence (System/360/370)

ISITCHAN Don't send ending status; wait for the chained operation to continue.

SETDVND Set DE unless command is a Rewind or DSE. DE is not set on a Rewind or DSE until the tape unit is finished.

TERMSTAT Adapter Select active indicates the system is attempting an Initial Selection.



Ending Sequence (System/360/370)

STATRTN There are bits on in pending status, or this is a TIO. The subsystem presents status to the system during the Ending Sequence.

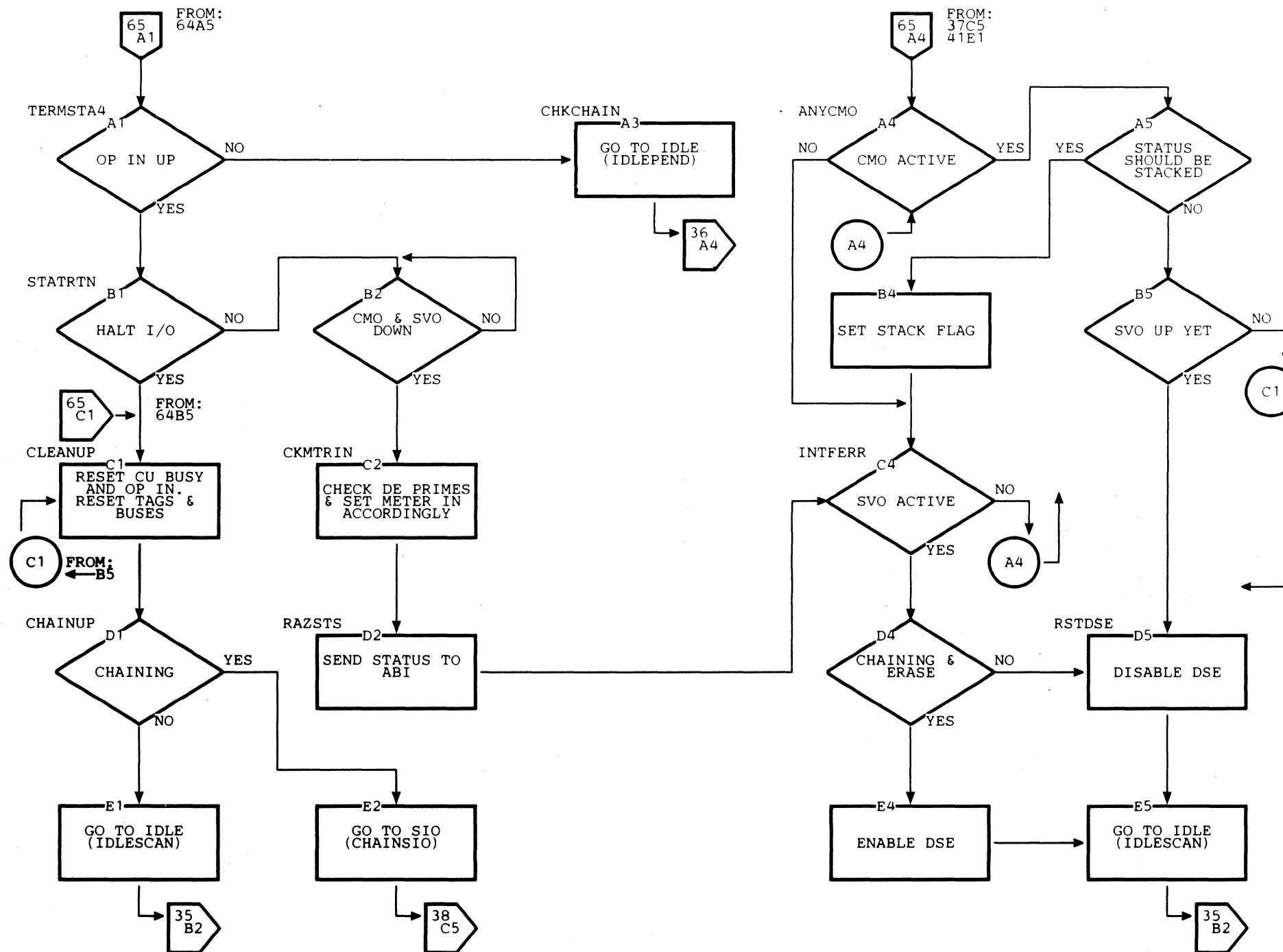
CLEANUP 1. (64B5) There are no bits on in pending status, and this is not a TIO. Reset tags and bus at end of an operation or a Halt I/O.
2. (65B1) There are bits on in pending status, and a HIO has been issued.

CHKCHAIN There are status bits on in pending status, or this is a TIO. The system is not attempting an Initial Selection.

CKMTRIN The meter must run as long as a Rewind or DSE is in progress.

INTFERR Status is sent to ABI. Check whether it is accepted or must be stacked.

RSTDSE A DSE is not legal unless it is chained to an ERG Command.

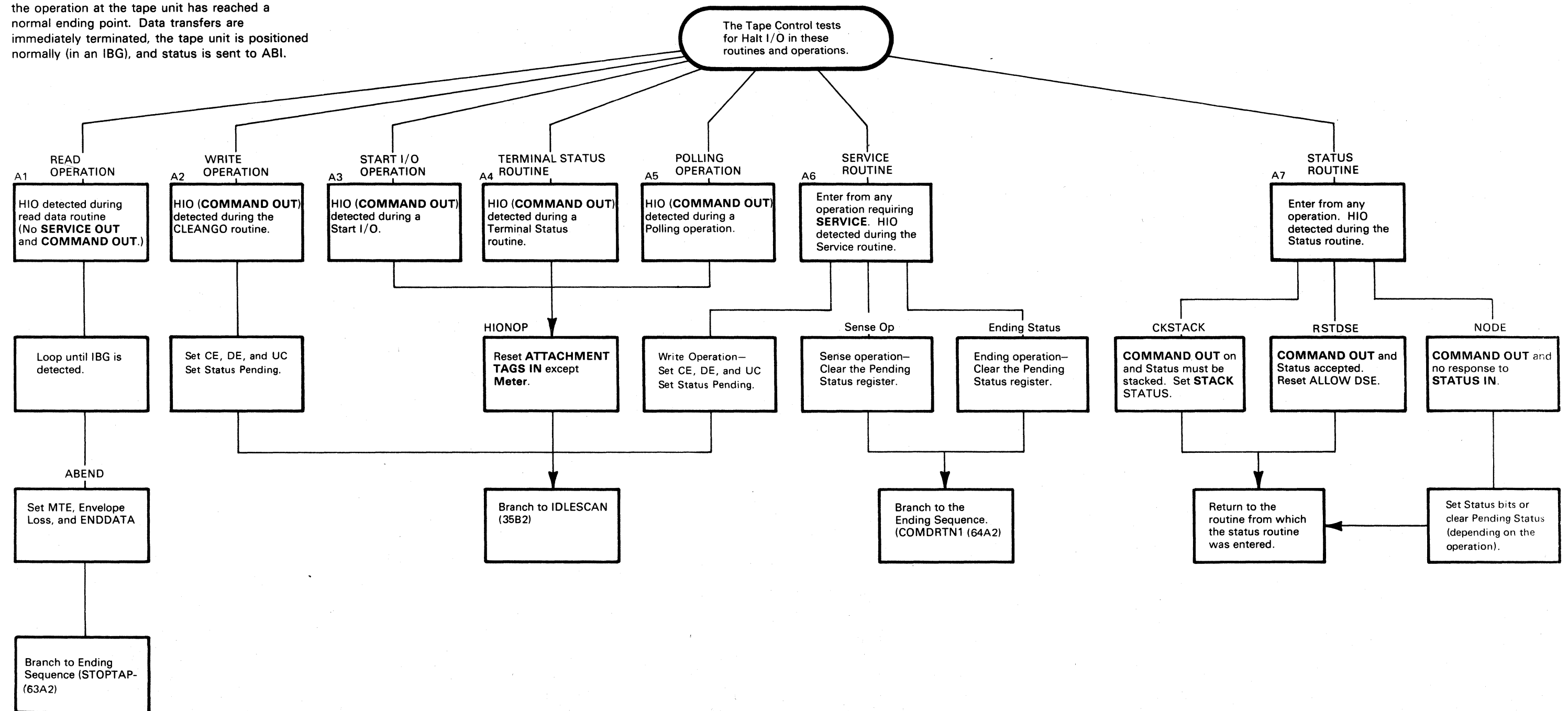


Halt I/O Operation (System/360/370)

The tape control tests for a command out signal at selected times during the execution of an operation. If command out is active at any of these times, the tape control interrogates it for a Halt I/O.

A Halt I/O is issued in order to terminate an operation before all data is transferred, or before the operation at the tape unit has reached a normal ending point. Data transfers are immediately terminated, the tape unit is positioned normally (in an IBG), and status is sent to ABI.

This chart shows the results of detecting a Halt I/O in the different operations and routines. The routines shown here can be entered from, and executed as a part of, any of the operations shown.



Microprogram Flowcharts
 (System/370 Model 125)

This section contains the tape control operational flowcharts used when the tape control is attached to a System/370 Model 125. All tape control operations are executed by a microprogram stored in ROS. The flowcharts illustrate the sequence of routines that perform the operations.

Program labels are included on the flowcharts as reference pointers to the microprogram listing. For the particular details of a routine, use the label and the cross-reference list in the back of the program listing.

IDLESCAN (System/370 Model 125)

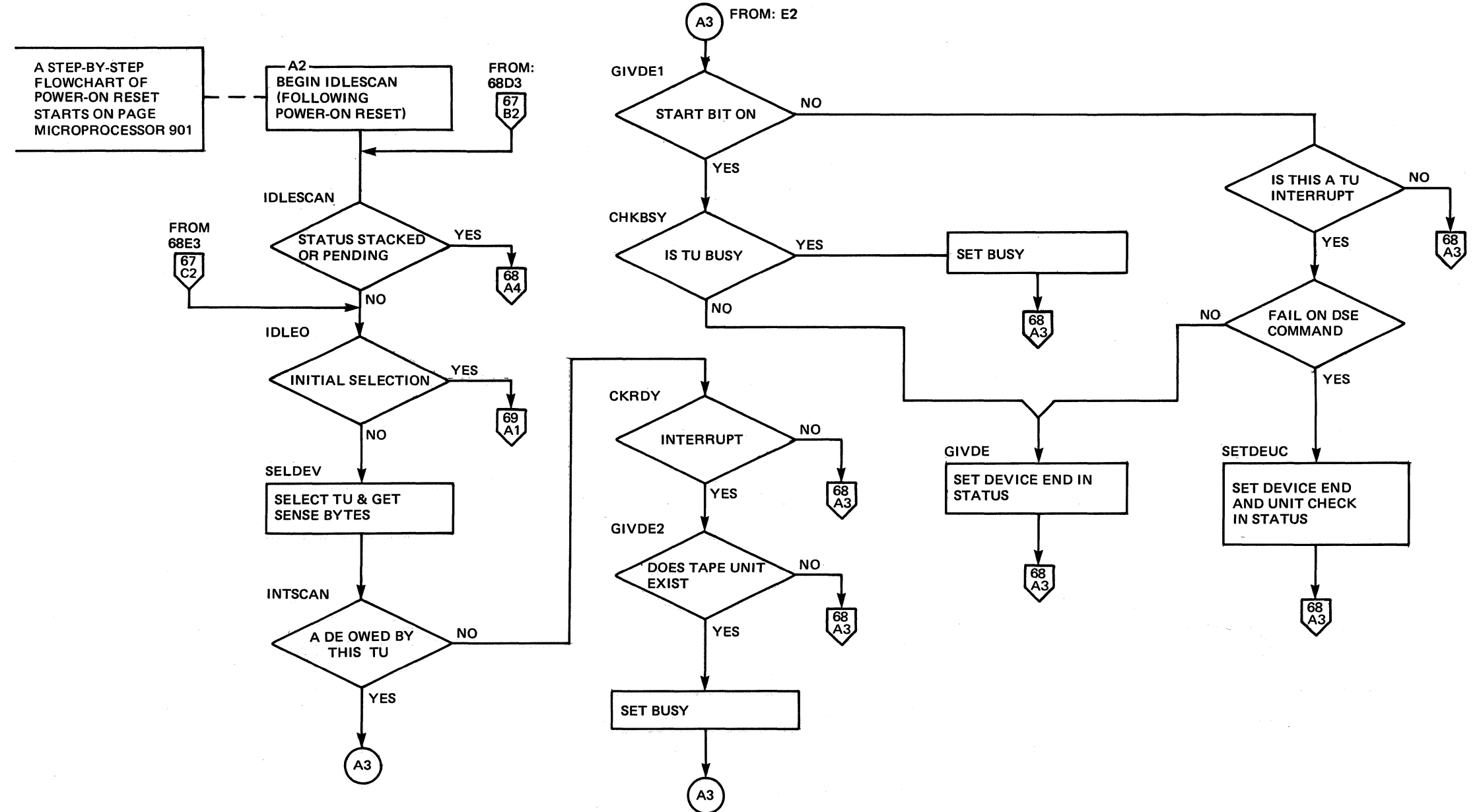
Objectives

- Monitor Device End Primes for all tape units and set the METER IN line accordingly.
- Detect an Initial Selection or Polling sequence and branch to the proper microprogram location.
- Detect interrupts from tape units and set Device End and Unit Check in unit status byte when appropriate.

IDLEO There is no stacked or pending status (no bits on in the Pending Status register). This is the return point for the scanning loop.

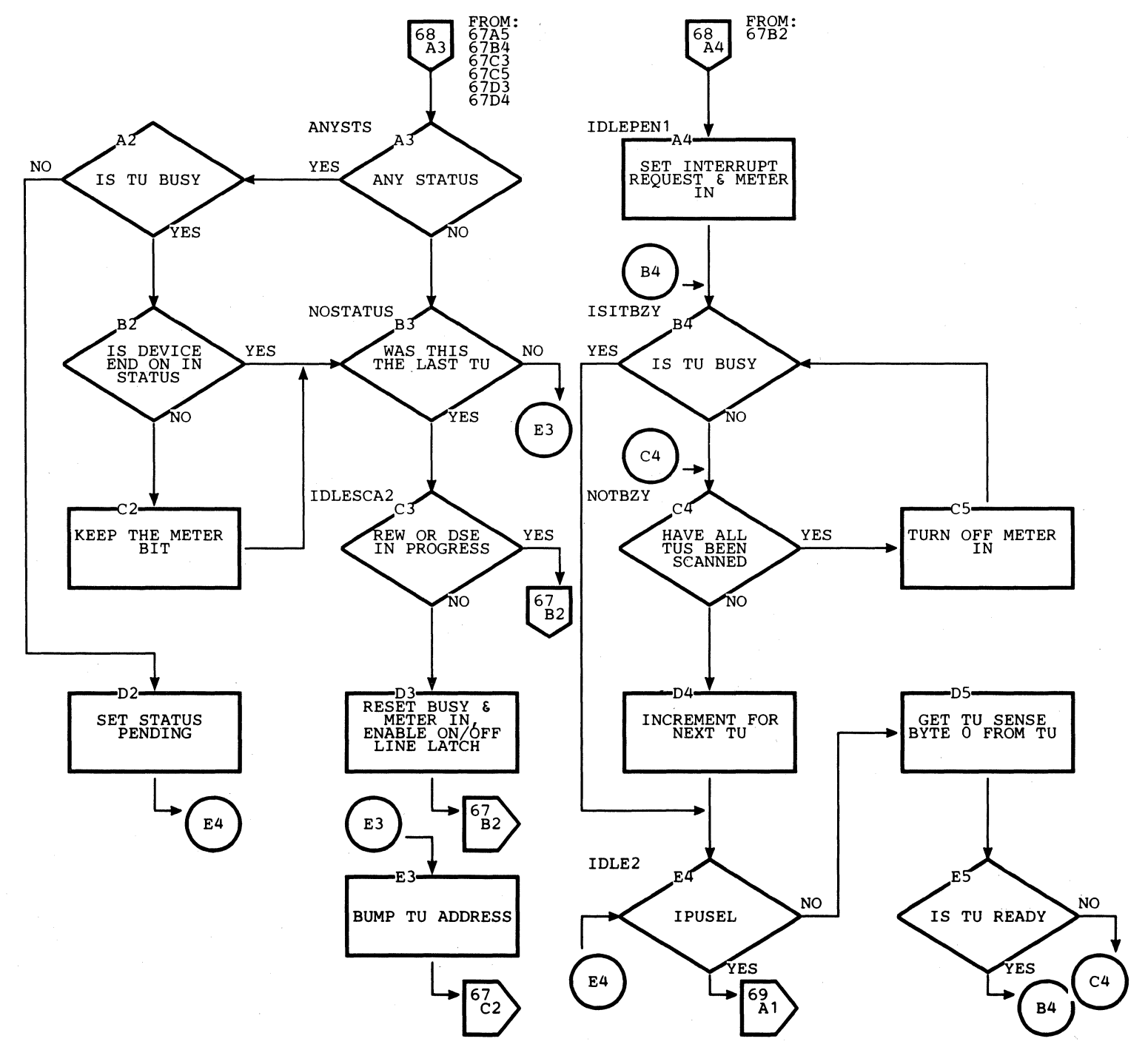
SETDEUC A DSE operation failed.

GIVEDE A DSE or Rewind is properly completed.



IDLESCAN (System/370 Model 125)

NOSTATUS Initial Selection is not active; and there are no status pending or device-end interrupt indicators active. If this is not the last TU, step the address. Continue the scanning loop.



Initial Selection (System/370 Model 125)

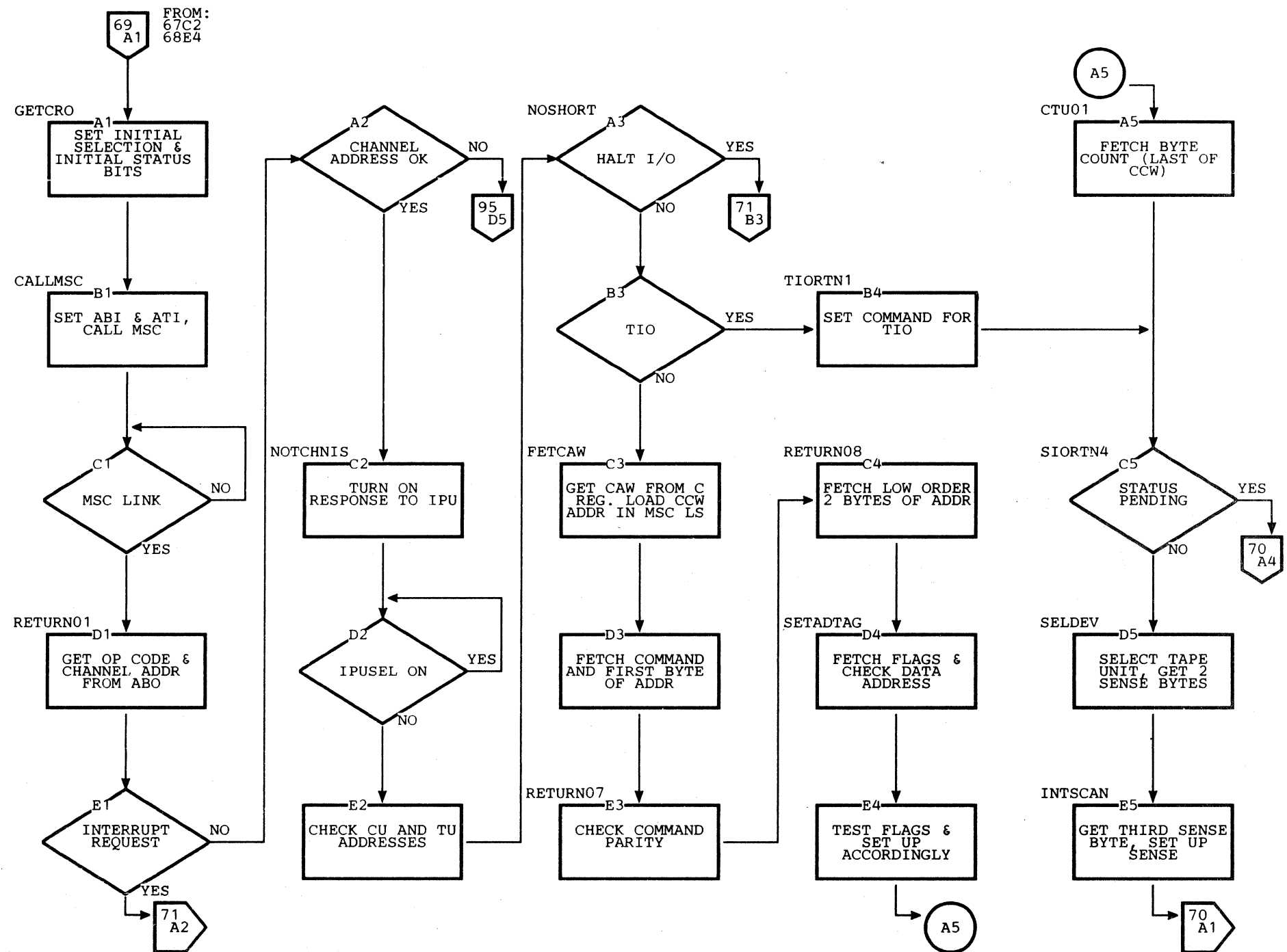
Objectives

- Control the Meter In line.
- Save any stacked or pending status.
- Send status to ABI during a polling sequence.
- Prevent the loss of pending status.
- Get the command from ABI and check its parity.
- Decode the command and branch to the proper microprogram location.
- Reject any invalid commands.

GETCRO IPUSEL has been detected indicating an Initial Selection sequence is being prepared.

FETCAW This is not an Interrupt, HIO, or TIO. Get the CAW and CCW for this operation.

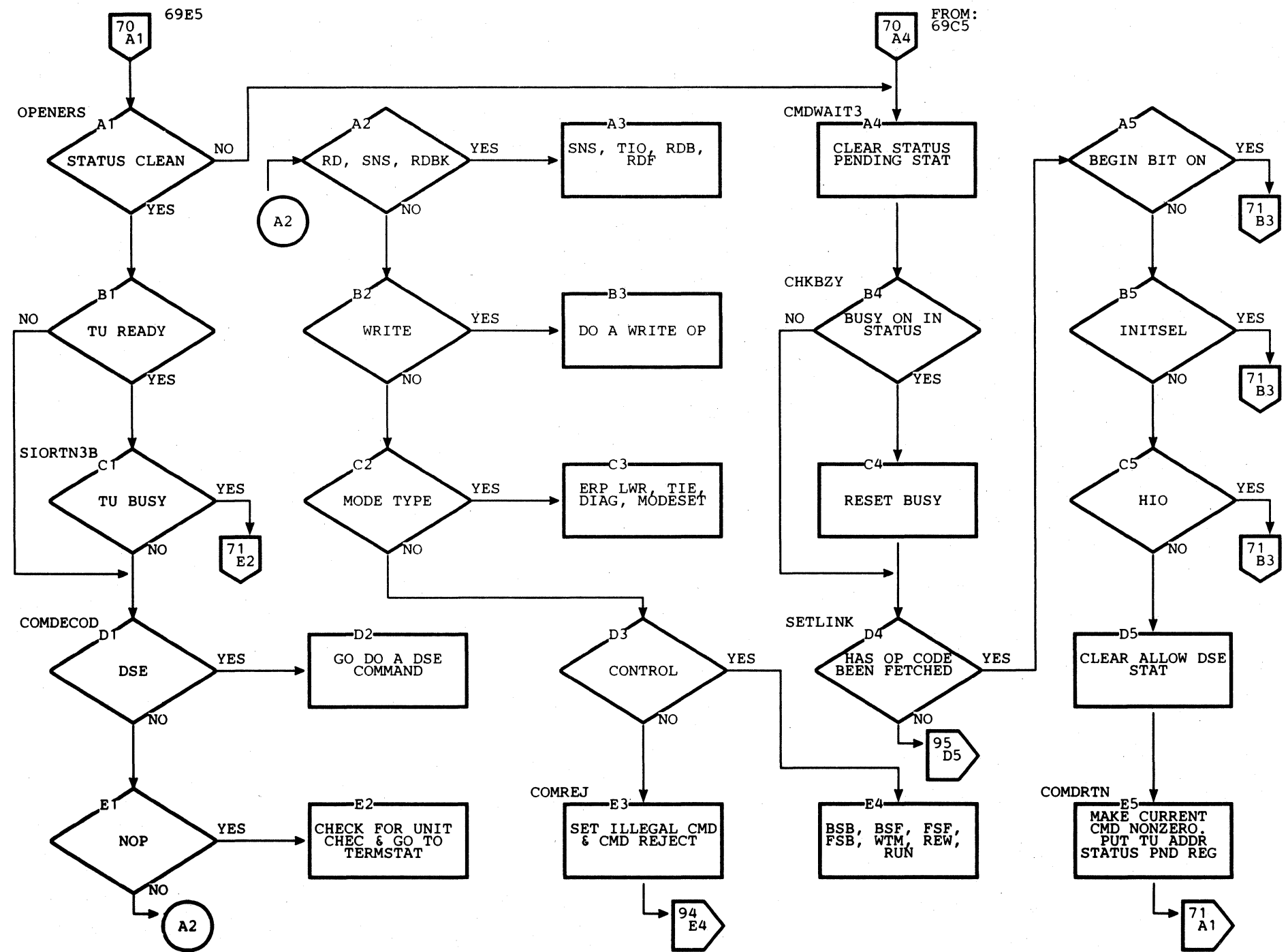
SELDEV Selection is successful so far, so select the tape unit and get sense information.



Initial Selection (System/370 Model 125)

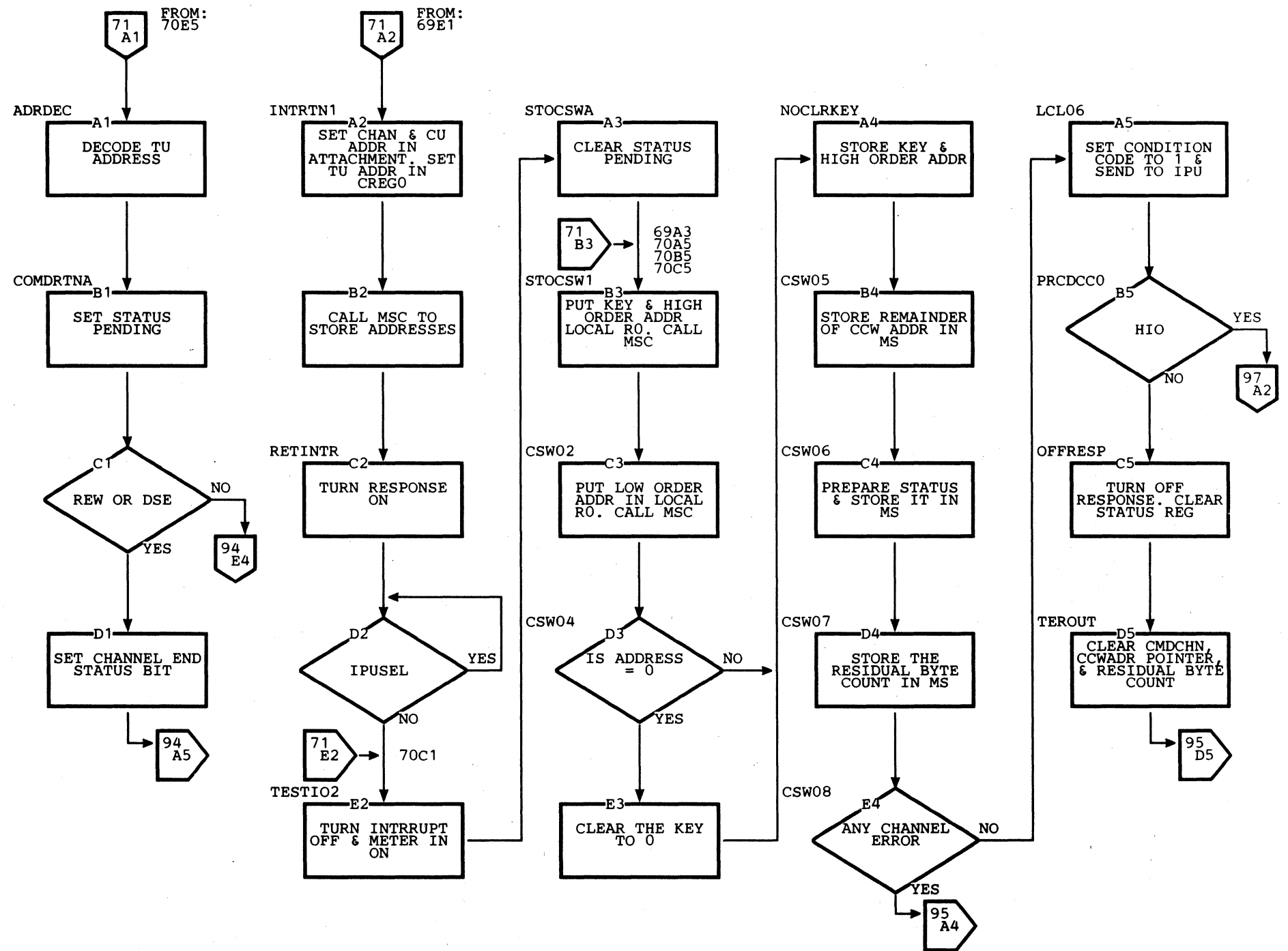
COMDECOD Selection is successful and tape unit status is clean, so decode the command.

CMDWAIT3 Send Pending Status to ABI.



Initial Selection (System/370 Model 125)

ADRDEC Prepare to send status to ABI.
 INTRTN1 This is an interrupt routine. Store the CAW.
 TEROUT The CSW has been stored, so return to the IDLESCAN loop.



Sense Operation (System/370 Model 125)

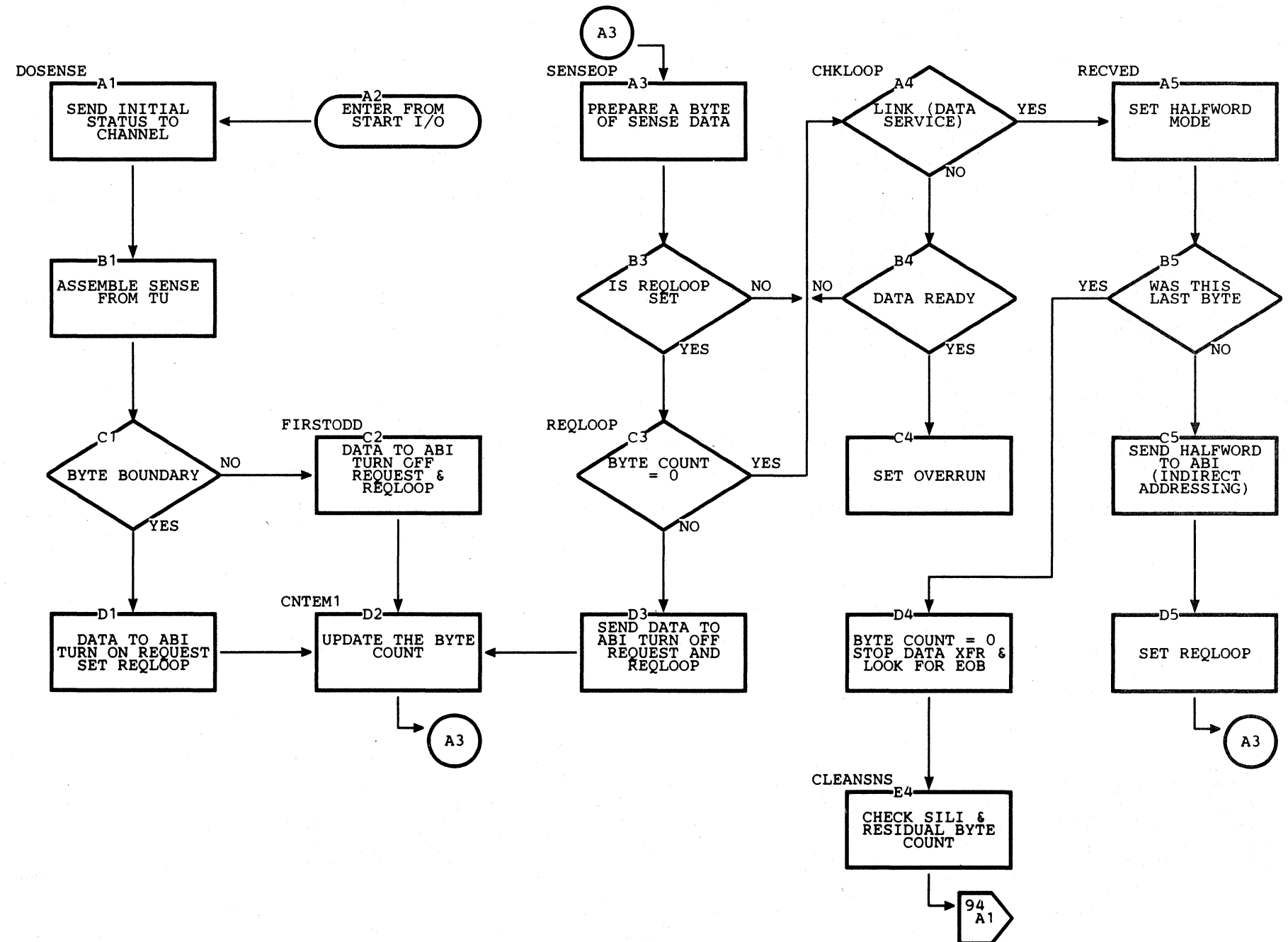
Objectives

- Send Unit Status Byte and the number of Sense Bytes indicated in the CCW to the System.

DOSENSE Initial Selection is completed, so send status to ABI.

SENSEOP The system accepted the previous sense byte. The tape control prepares the next one.

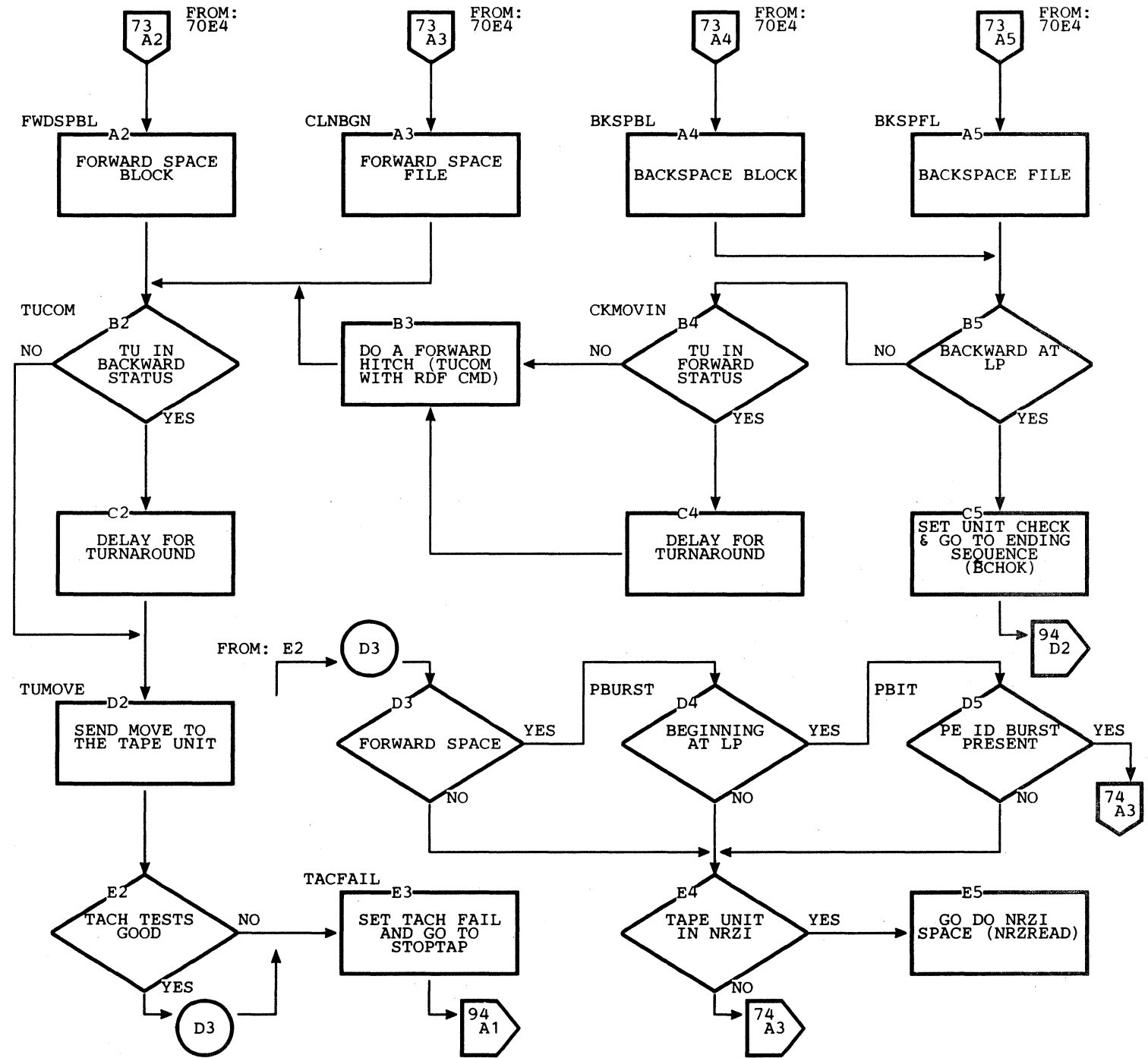
CLEANSNS All the requested sense bytes have been sent to ABI, so terminate the operation.



Space Operation (System/370 Model 125)

Objectives

- FWDSPBL The microprogram decoded a Forward Space Block command.
- CLNBGN The microprogram decoded a Forward Space File command.
- BKSPBL The microprogram decoded a Backspace Block command.
- BKSPFL The microprogram decoded a Backspace File command.
- CKMOVIN The command is a Backspace. A forward read command is sent to the tape unit to cause a forward hitch. If the tape unit is in backward status, the microprogram delays while the tape unit changes to forward status.
- TUCOM Forward Space: The Forward space command is sent to the tape unit. No forward hitch was executed. If the tape unit is in backward status, the microprogram delays while the tape unit changes to forward status.
Backspace: The backspace command is sent to the tape unit following a forward hitch. A delay is needed while the tape unit changes to backward status.
- TUMOVE The tape unit is in the proper directional status. Send the Move tag to the tape unit to start tape motion.
- TACFAIL The tach pulses indicate the capstan is not moving at the correct speed.
- PBURST The capstan is moving forward at the correct speed. If the tape started at load point, test for a PE Identification Burst.



Space Operation (System/370 Model 125)

BOBSCH Entry from 73D5: A PE Identification Burst is present (the tape unit is spacing a PE tape forward, starting at load point).
 Entry from 73E4: The tape unit is spacing a tape forward which was not positioned at load point, or was not in NRZI mode.

Entry from TSTIBG: An interblock gap, tape unit interrupt, or tape mark has not been found, so continue to loop.

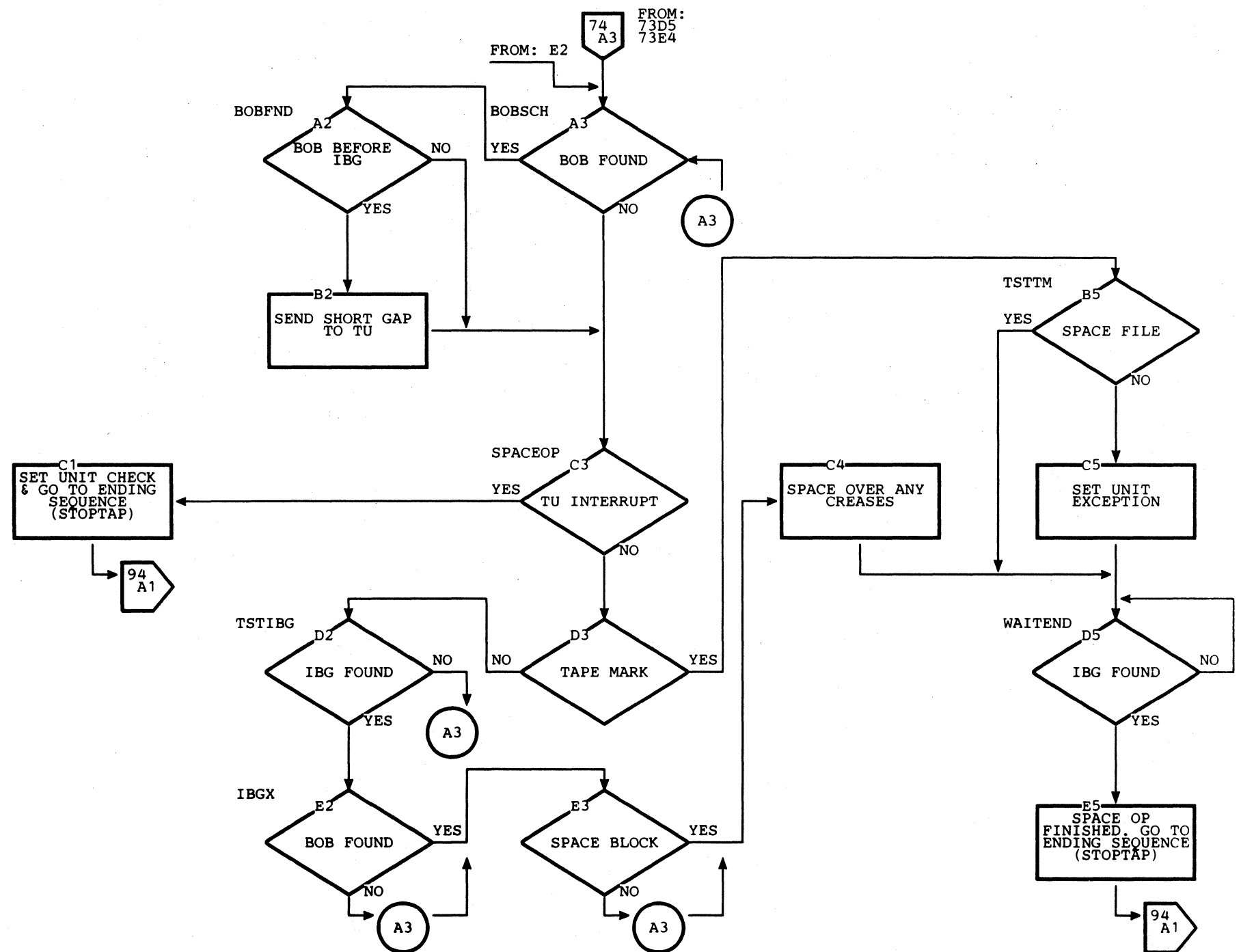
Entry from IBGX: An interblock gap has been detected, but beginning of block has not. Continue looping until a block has been spaced over.

SPACEOP If a Tape Unit Interrupt is detected, the tape unit has become Not Ready.

TSTTM A tape mark has been detected.

WAITEND Space File: A tape mark has been detected. Wait for IBG before stopping tape.

Space Block: Wait until the IBG indication is valid (part of crease check) and stop the tape.



**Rewind/Rewind Unload
(System/370 Model 125)**

Objectives

- To move tape forward a short distance (forward hitch) and then backward at high speed to the beginning of tape (BOT).
- If a Rewind Unload command, unload the tape unit when BOT is reached.
- Tape is not pulled out of the columns during the high speed rewind.

REWUNL The command is a Rewind Unload. If tape is at BOT, no forward hitch is needed. Store the expected status and unload the tape.

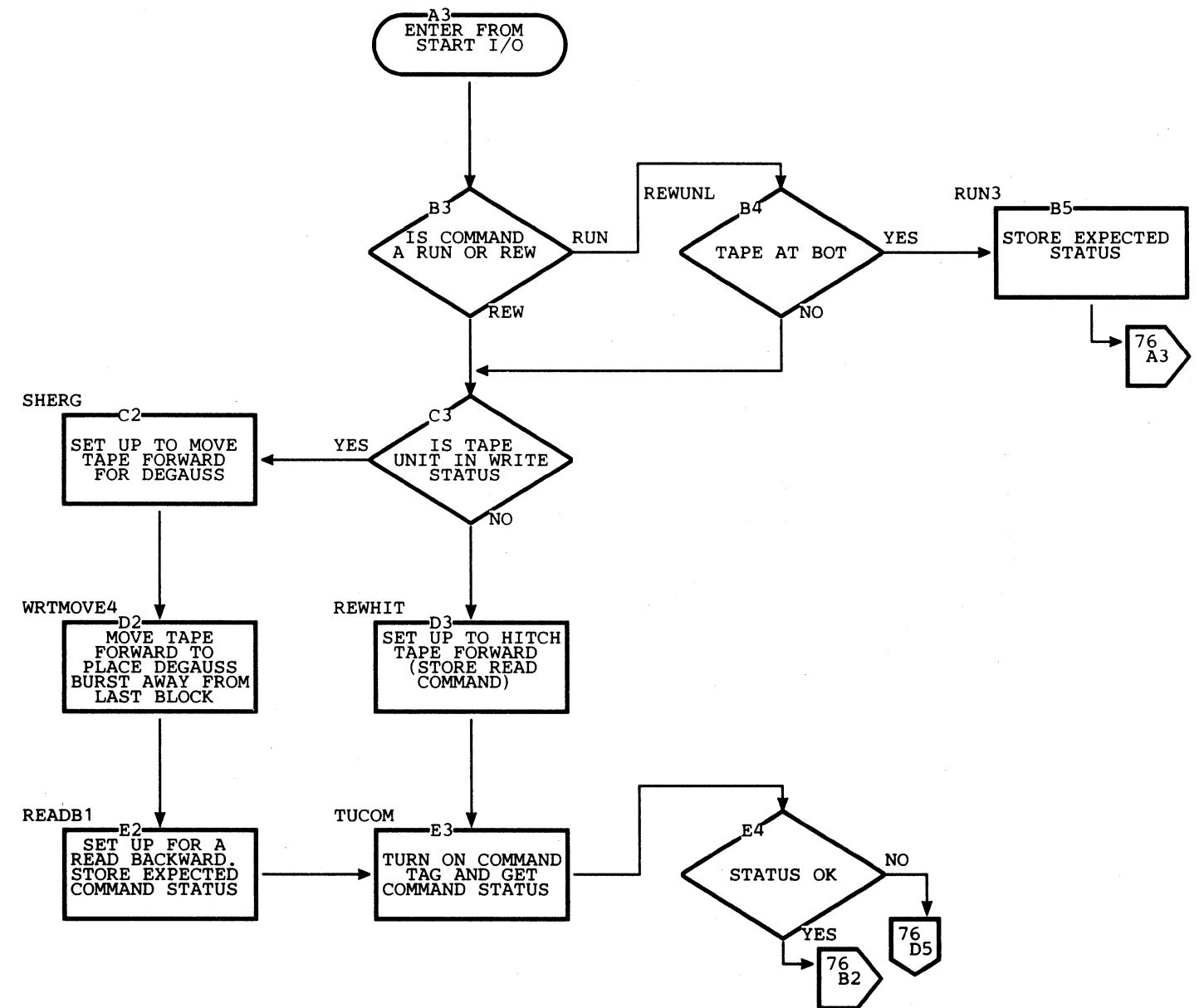
SHERG The tape unit is in write status. Prepare to degauss before rewinding.

WRTMOVE4 Move tape 1.5 inches beyond the last block written before degaussing.

READB1 Tape has been positioned beyond the last block written. Set up to move tape backward. Degauss occurs when tape unit status is switched from write to read status (TUCOM).

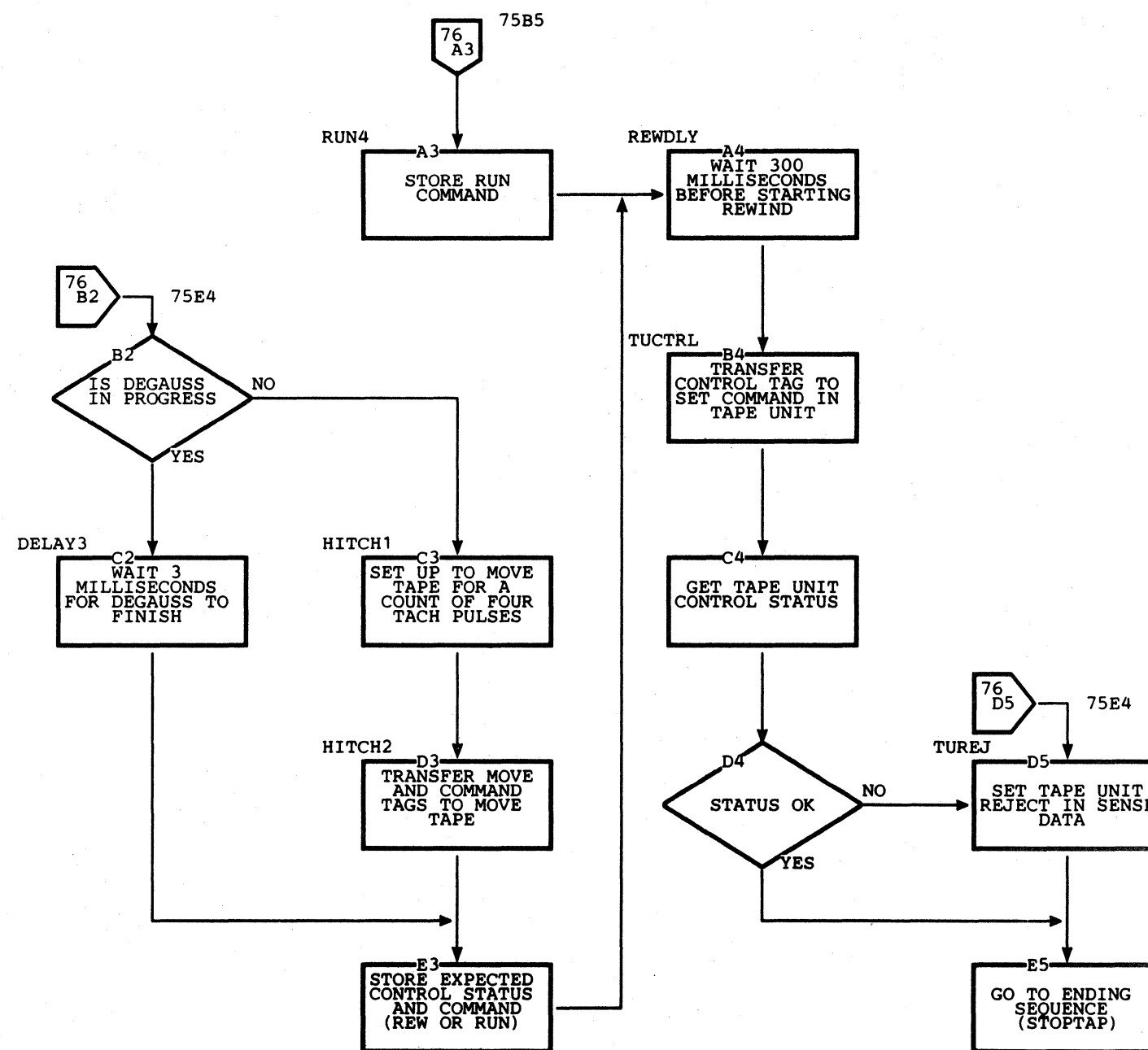
REWHIT Tape unit is in read status. Set up for a forward hitch before rewinding.

TUCOM Turn on Command Tag and get the command status. If status is bad, set Tape Unit Reject and terminate the operation.



Rewind/Rewind Unload
(System/370 Model 125)

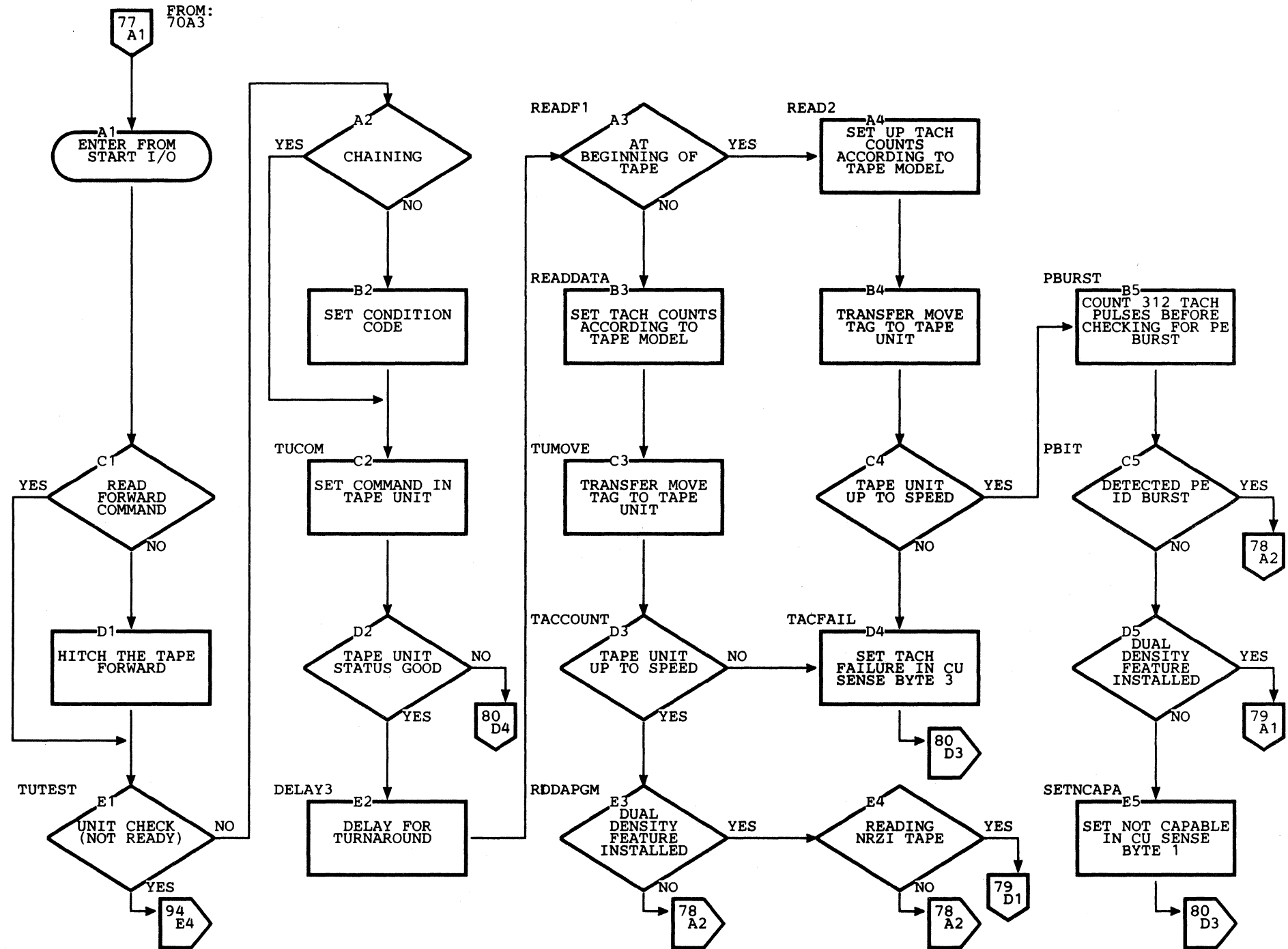
- DELAY3 Wait 3 milliseconds for degauss to finish.
 - HITCH2 Hitch tape forward.
 - REWDLY Wait 300 milliseconds to ensure that multiple tape units do not start to rewind simultaneously.
 - TUCTRL Transfer Command and Control Tags to start tape rewinding. Get the tape unit control status. If status is bad, set Tape Unit Reject and terminate the operation.
- If status is good, tape control releases the tape unit and runs internal diagnostics before returning to IDLESCAN. The tape unit continues to move tape until the rewind is completed.



Read Operation (System/370 Model 125)

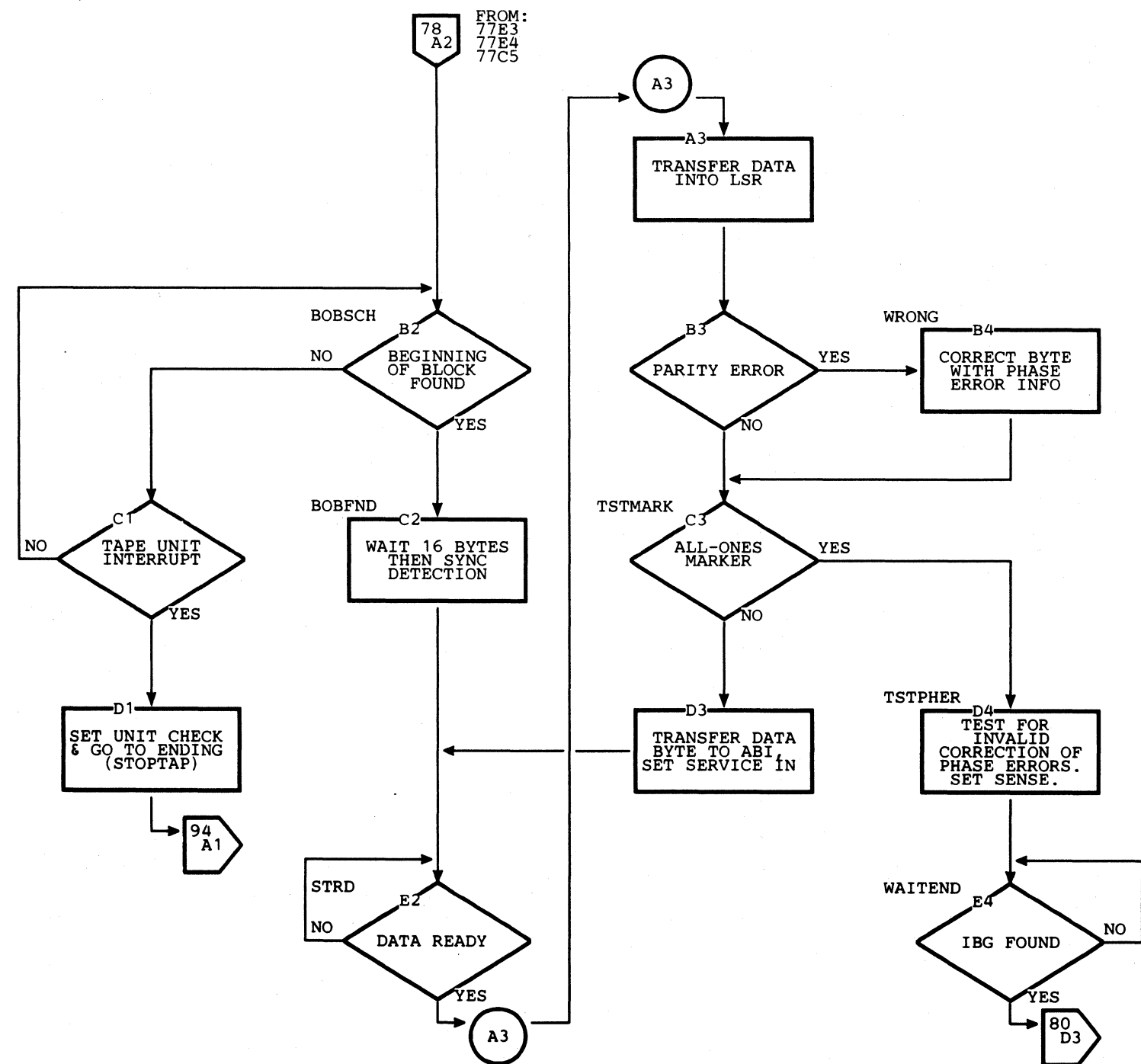
Objectives

- To read data (PE or NRZI) in either direction.
- 77C1 Determine the type of read command (forward/backward).
- 77D1 The command is a Read Backward, so the tape must be hitched forward. Send the Move tag to the tape unit with a Read Forward command.
- TUCOM If the command is Read Backward, the forward hitch is completed. Send the Read Backward command to the tape unit. If the command is Read Forward send it to the tape unit.
- 77D2 Check the Command Status Byte, and if it is not good reject the tape unit and terminate the operation.
- READDATA The tape is not at BOT. Compare old and new tape unit status and use the results to set up tach counts according to tape model.
- READ2 Same as READDATA except the tape is at BOT.
- TACCOUNT Verify that tape is moving and at correct speed. If not, reset the Move tag to stop tape and terminate the operation.
- PBURST Tape is at BOT, causing the microprogram to look for PE ID Burst. If no burst is found, the tape is recorded in NRZI. Determine if the tape control and tape unit are capable of reading NRZI.



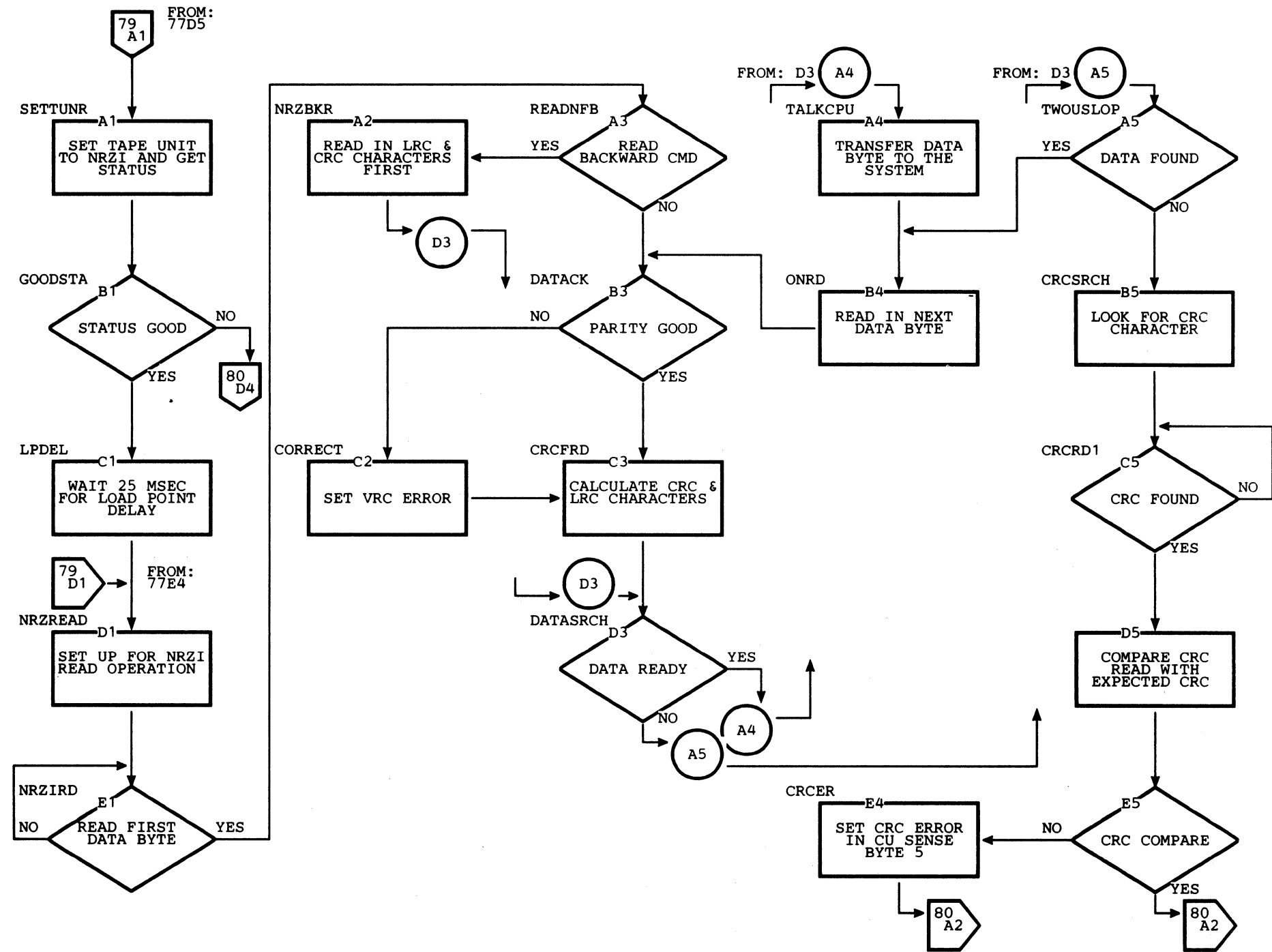
Read Operation (System/370 Model 125)

- BOBSCH The tape is recorded in PE, causing the microprogram to search for the beginning of the data block.
- STRD Three data bytes are buffered in the LSR. If a phase error is detected, the byte is corrected just before it is sent to ABI. Only single-track errors are corrected.
- TSTPHER The all-ones marker has been detected, causing the microprogram to check for any accumulated phase errors.
- WAITEND The postamble is being read. When the IBG is detected, stop tape.



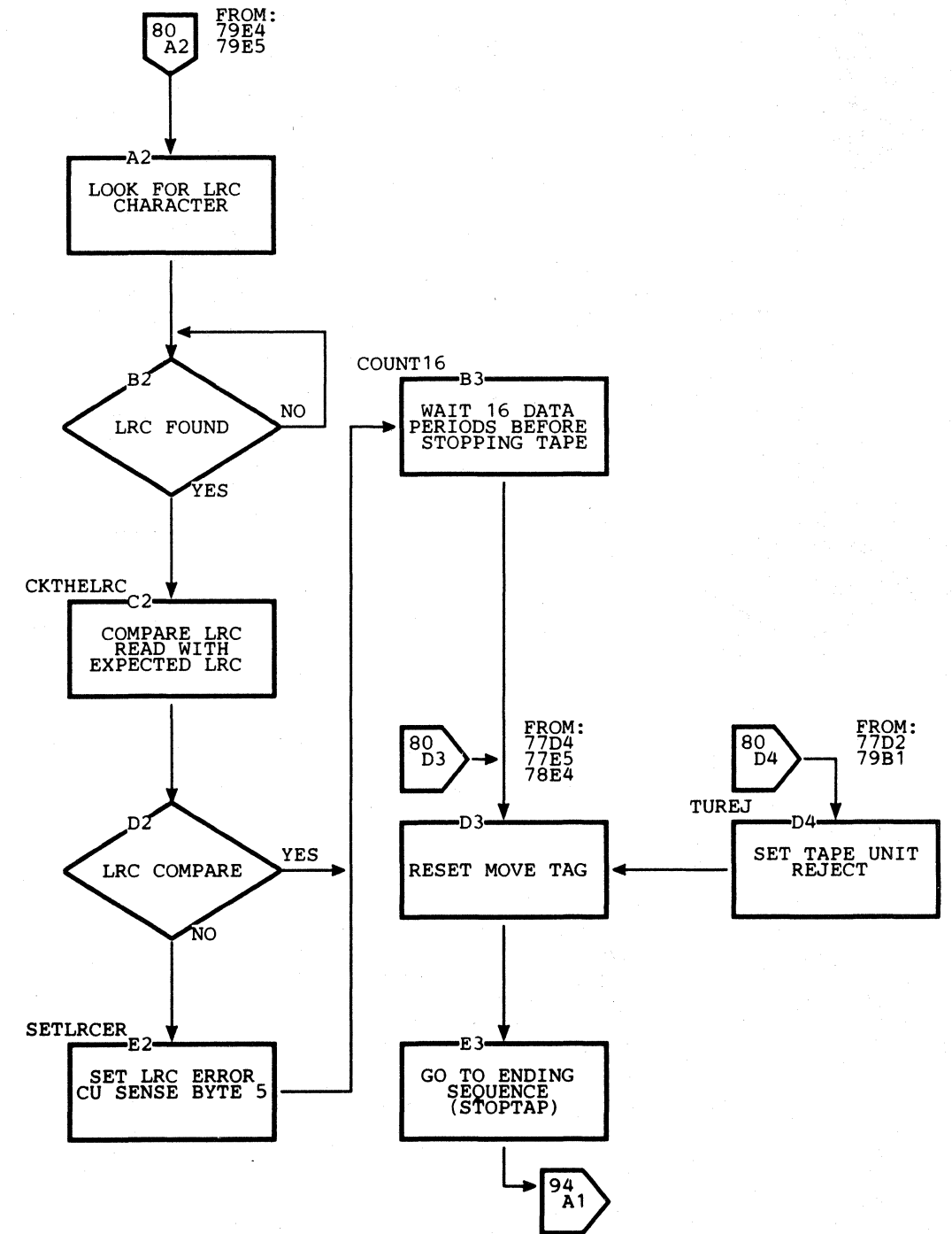
Read Operation (System/370 Model 125)

- SETTUNR The tape is at BOT and is a NRZI tape. Start looking for the first data byte.
- NRZREAD The tape is not at BOT and is a NRZI tape. Start looking for the first data byte.
- NRZBKR This is a NRZI Read Backward operation, so the first bytes read are the LRC and CRC characters. Store the check characters for use at the end of the read operation, then start looking for the data bytes.
- CRCFRD A data byte has been read and parity checked. The LRC and CRC characters are calculated each time data is read.
- TWOUSLOP Loop for two microseconds searching for data. If none is found, a byte may have been lost. Loop again for two microseconds, and if data is still not found, search for the CRC and LRC characters. If reading backward, send the last byte read to ABI.



Read Operation (System/370 Model 125)

80D3 The operation is completed or an error has occurred. Reset the Move tag.



Write Operation (System/370 Model 125)

Objectives

- To write data (PE or NRZI) on tape.

WRT1 Check the status of the tape unit. If in forward status, store the write command.

If in backward status, wait for turnaround sequence before storing write command.

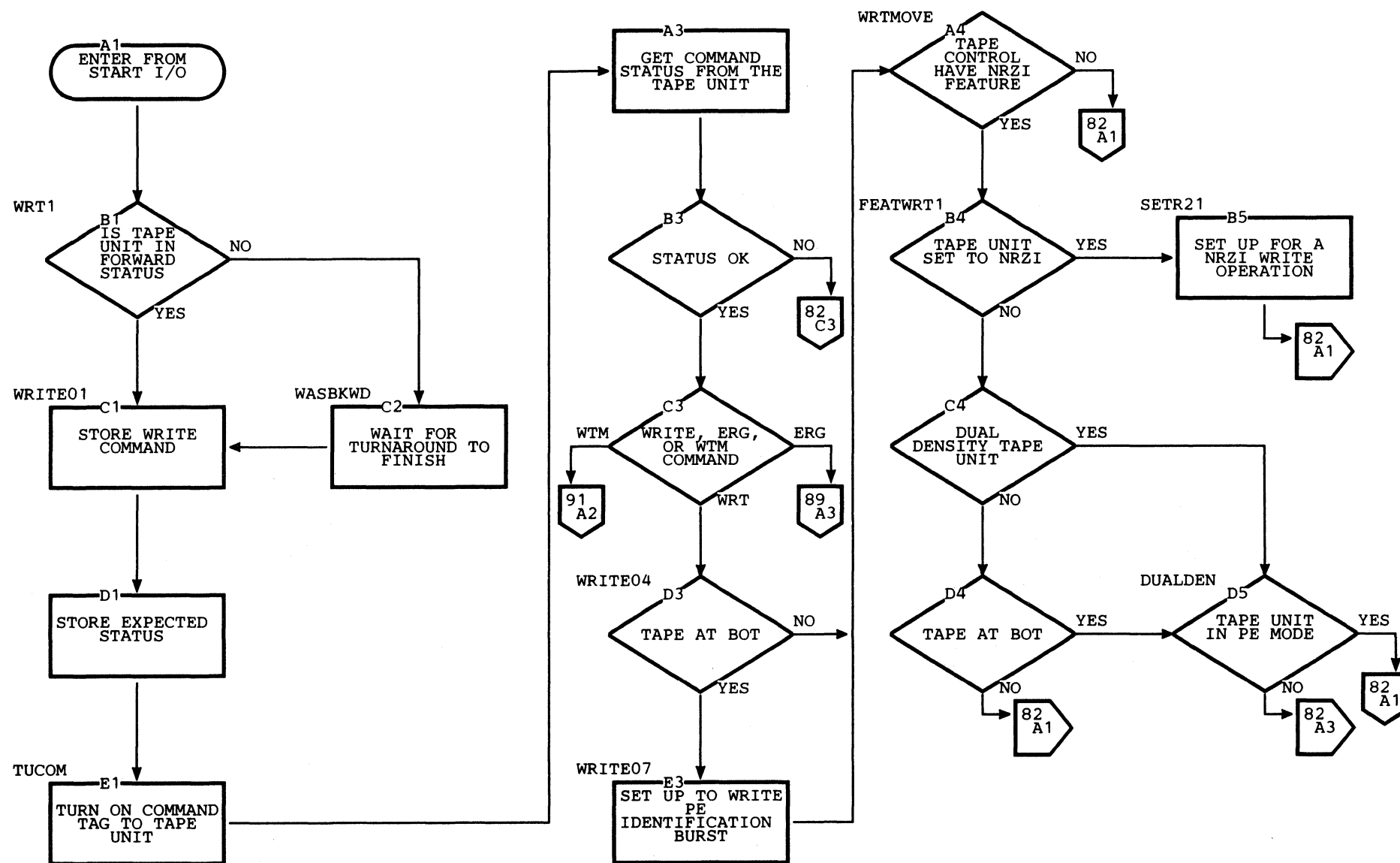
TUCOM Get the command status and set the tape unit to write status. If command status is not good, reject the tape unit and terminate the operation.

If status is good, check that tape is at BOT. If it is, set up to write PE ID Burst.

WRTMOVE Determine if NRZI is installed in tape control. If not, go to TUMOVE.

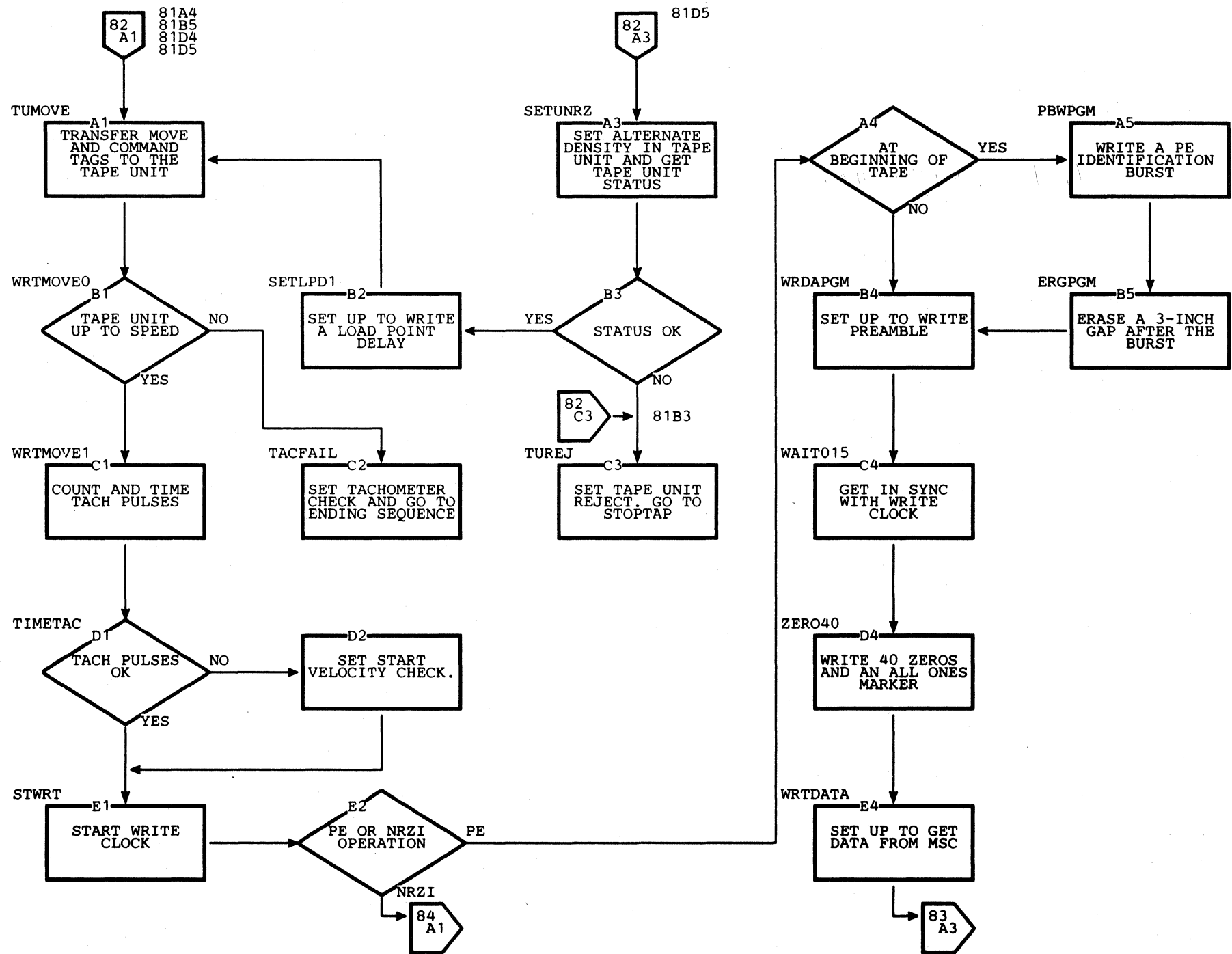
FEATWRT1 Tape control has NRZI installed. Check if the tape unit is set to NRZI. If it is, set up controls for a NRZI write. If not, check if tape unit has dual density feature and is at BOT. If not at BOT, go to TUMOVE.

DUALDEN Tape unit has dual density feature and is at BOT. Check that a Mode Set command has been issued.



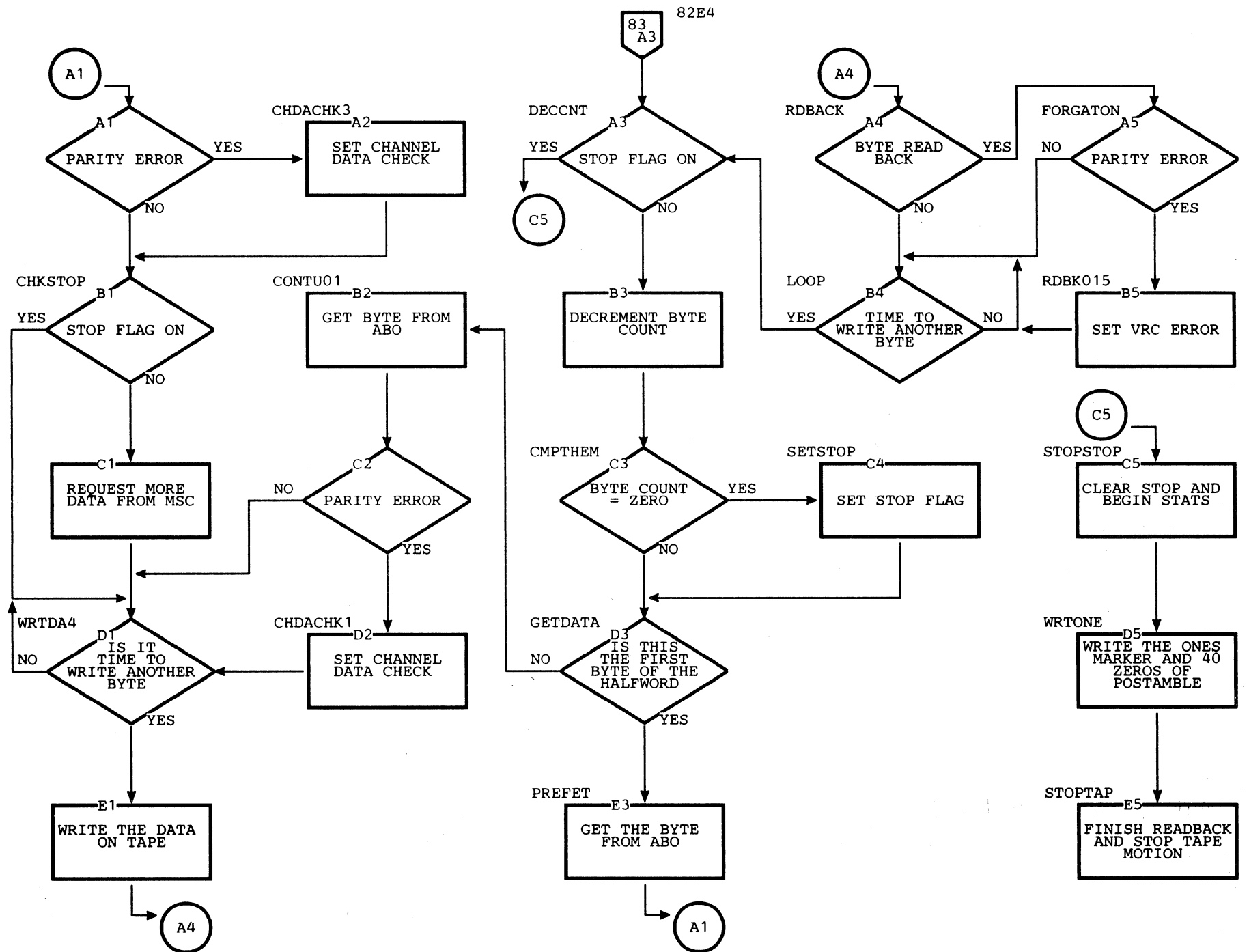
Write Operation (System/370 Model 125)

- SETUNRZ A Mode Set command was issued. Set the tape unit to NRZI and check the status.
- SETLPD1 Set controls to cause a load point delay before the first data block is written (NRZI only).
- TUMOVE The tape unit status is good and tape unit is ready to write (PE or NRZI). Transfer Move tag to get tape moving.
- WRTMOVE0 The tape unit is in write status and Move tag transferred. When Gap Control is detected, the tape unit is up to speed. The tach pulses from the capstan motor are measured to determine when the capstan is up to speed. If the capstan does not reach full speed within a predetermined time, go to TACFAIL.
- WRTMOVE1 Set up to count and time tach pulses to verify tape speed. If no tach pulses are counted, set tachometer check and terminate the operation. If tach timing is bad, set Start Velocity Check and continue the operation.
- PBWPGM The tape unit is at BOT and in PE Mode. Write the PE ID Burst before writing data on tape.
- WRDAPGM The PE ID Burst has been written or the tape is not at BOT. Write a preamble of 40 zeros and an all-ones marker.



Write Operation (System/370 Model 125)

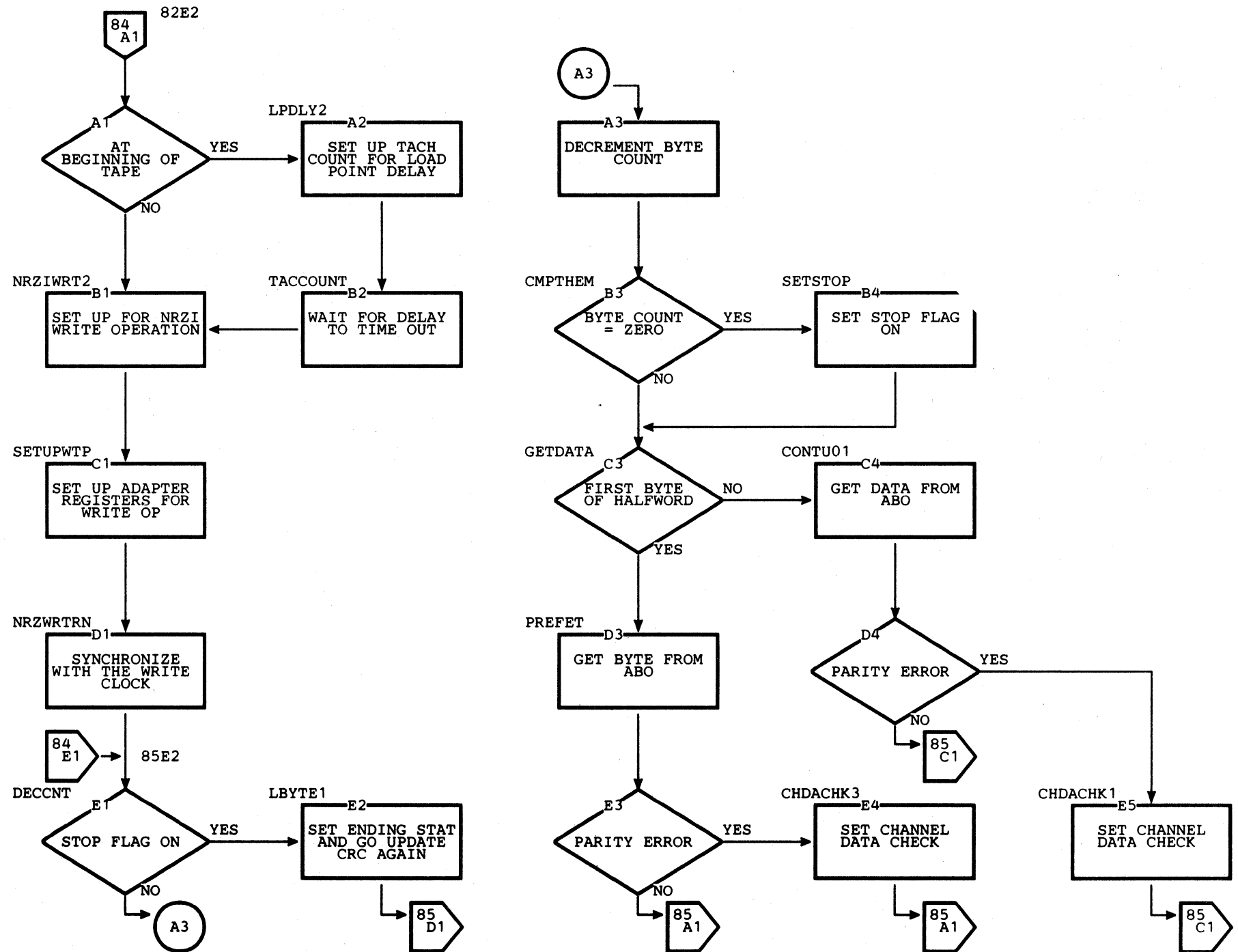
- DECCNT Check for the Stop flag. If on, go finish up. If off, decrement the byte count and get the data from the tape adapter.
- GETDATA The tape adapter gets the data from MSC one halfword at a time and sends it to the tape control a byte at a time. Get the byte from the ABO and check for parity. If parity is bad, set Channel Data Check.
- WRTDA4 Write the byte on tape and perform a parity check on any byte which has been read back. If parity is bad, set VRC error.
- CHKSTOP Check again for any stop conditions. If any stop conditions are on, go finish up the operation. If no stop conditions are on, request more data from MSC.
- WRTONE The last data byte has been written. Write the postamble and continue readback check until the end of the block is sensed.



Write Operation (System/370 Model 125)

LPDLY2 This is a NRZI write operation and tape is at BOT. Set up for a load point delay.

DATOLRC Update the LRC and CRC characters. Write the data byte on tape.



Write Operation (System/370 Model 125)

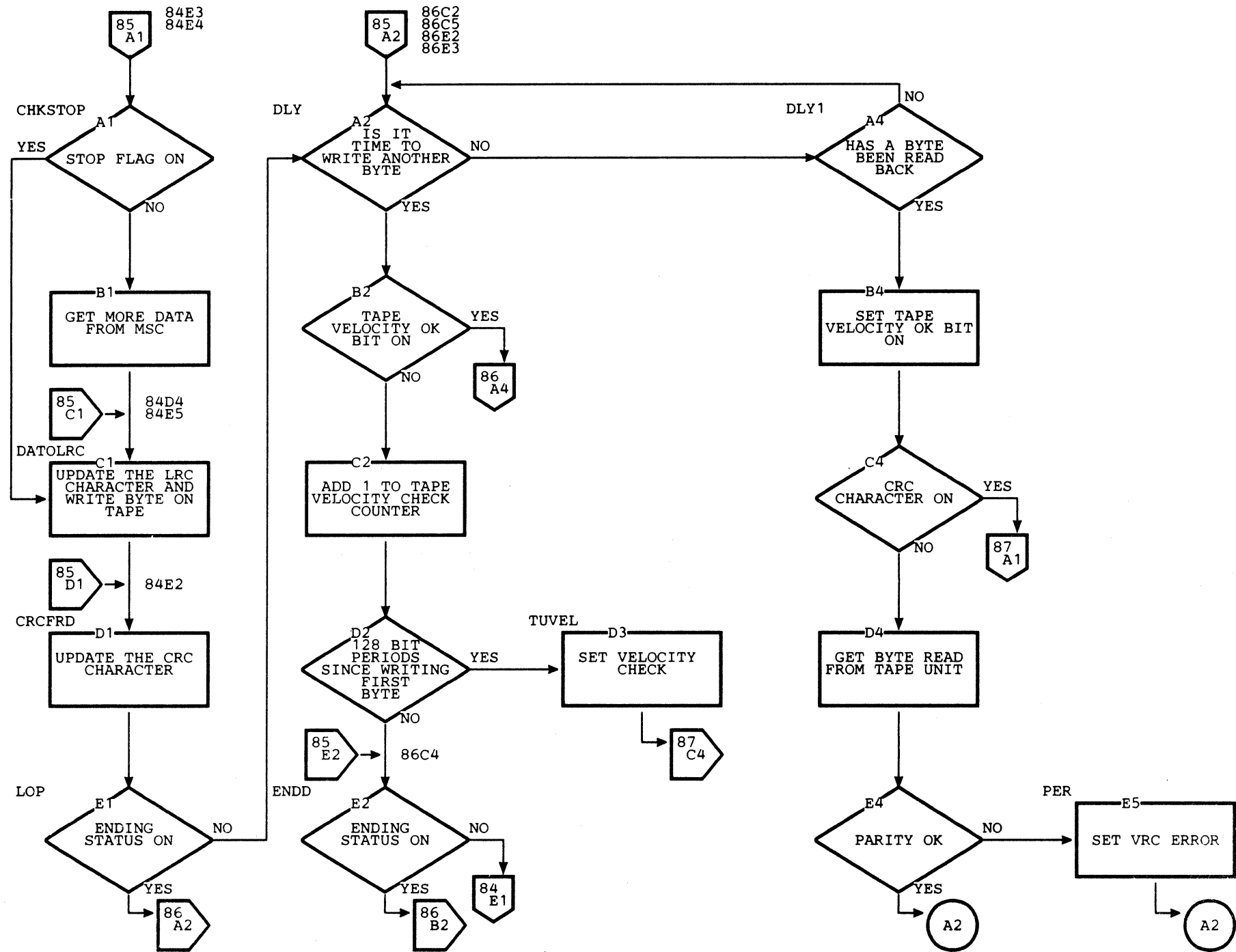
LOP Check if Ending Status bit is on. Ending Status is set when the last data byte has been written (LBYTE1).

DLY Wait until either a byte is read back or another byte is to be written.

A counter is used to ensure that tape is moving at the correct speed in the early stages of the write operation. The counter is stepped each time a byte is written.

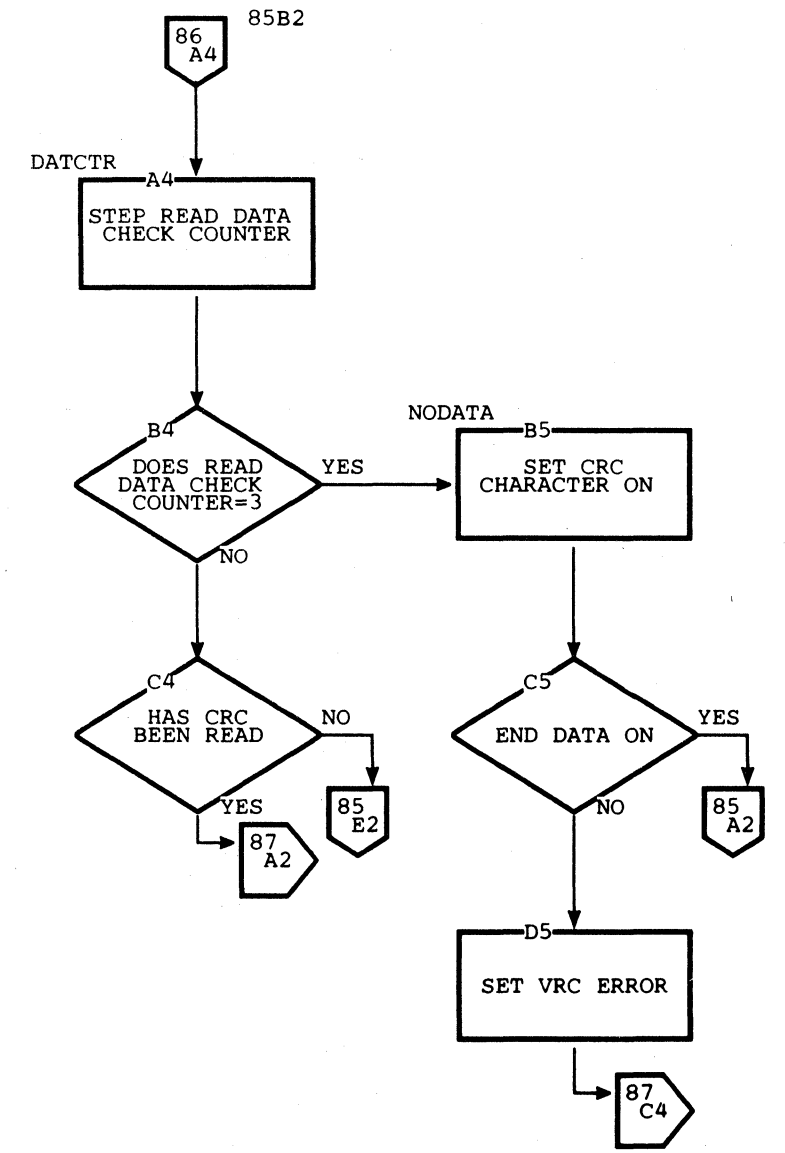
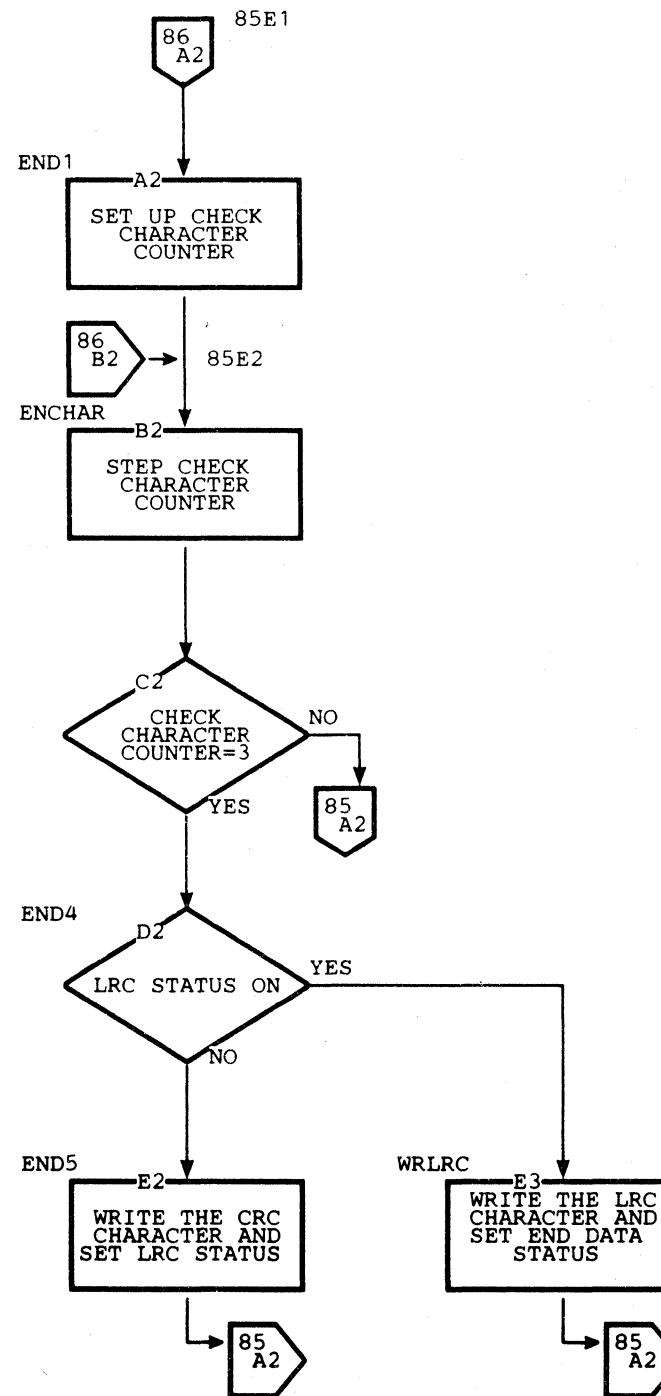
If no data has been read back (Tape Velocity OK bit not on) before 128 bytes have been written, Tape Velocity Check is set.

When a byte is read back, parity is checked. If parity is bad, VRC Error is set.



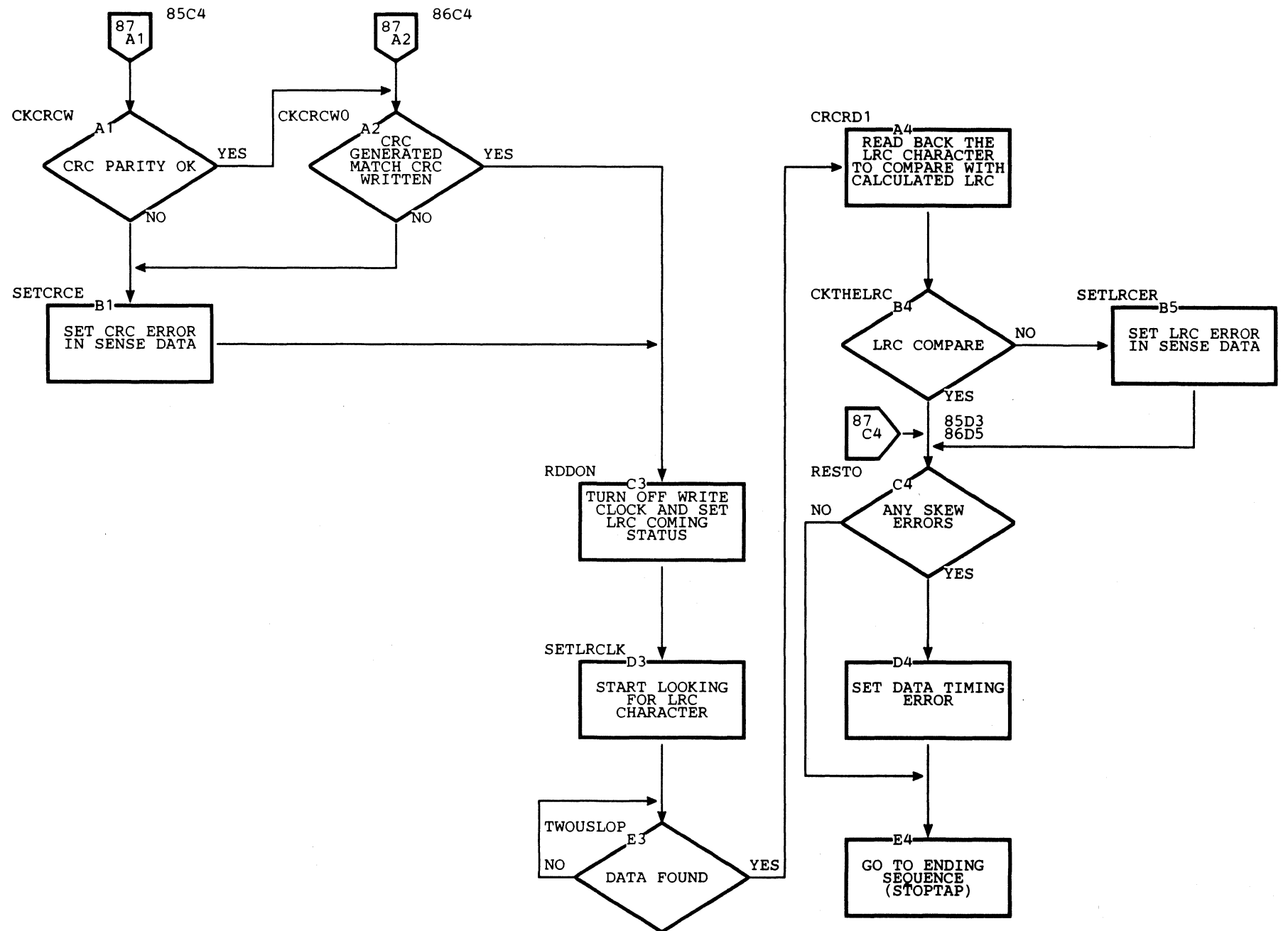
Write Operation (System/370 Model 125)

- END1 Ending Status is on. Set up a counter to ensure correct spacing between check characters.
- ENCHAR Ending Status is set; step the check character counter. The counter is stepped three times before writing each check character.
- END4 If LRC Status is off, write the CRC character and turn on LRC status.
If LRC Status is on, write the LRC character and set End Data Status. Return to DLY.



Write Operation (System/370 Model 125)

- CKCRCW The byte read back is the CRC character. Compare the CRC written with the CRC calculated.
- TWOUSLOP Wait for the LRC character.
- CRCRD1 The byte read back is the LRC character. Compare the calculated LRC with the LRC read back.
- RESTO Check for any skew errors and go to STOPTAP of ending sequence to finish the operation.



**Data Security Erase (DSE)
(System/370 Model 125)**

Objectives

- To erase tape from its present position to the end of tape (EOT) marker.

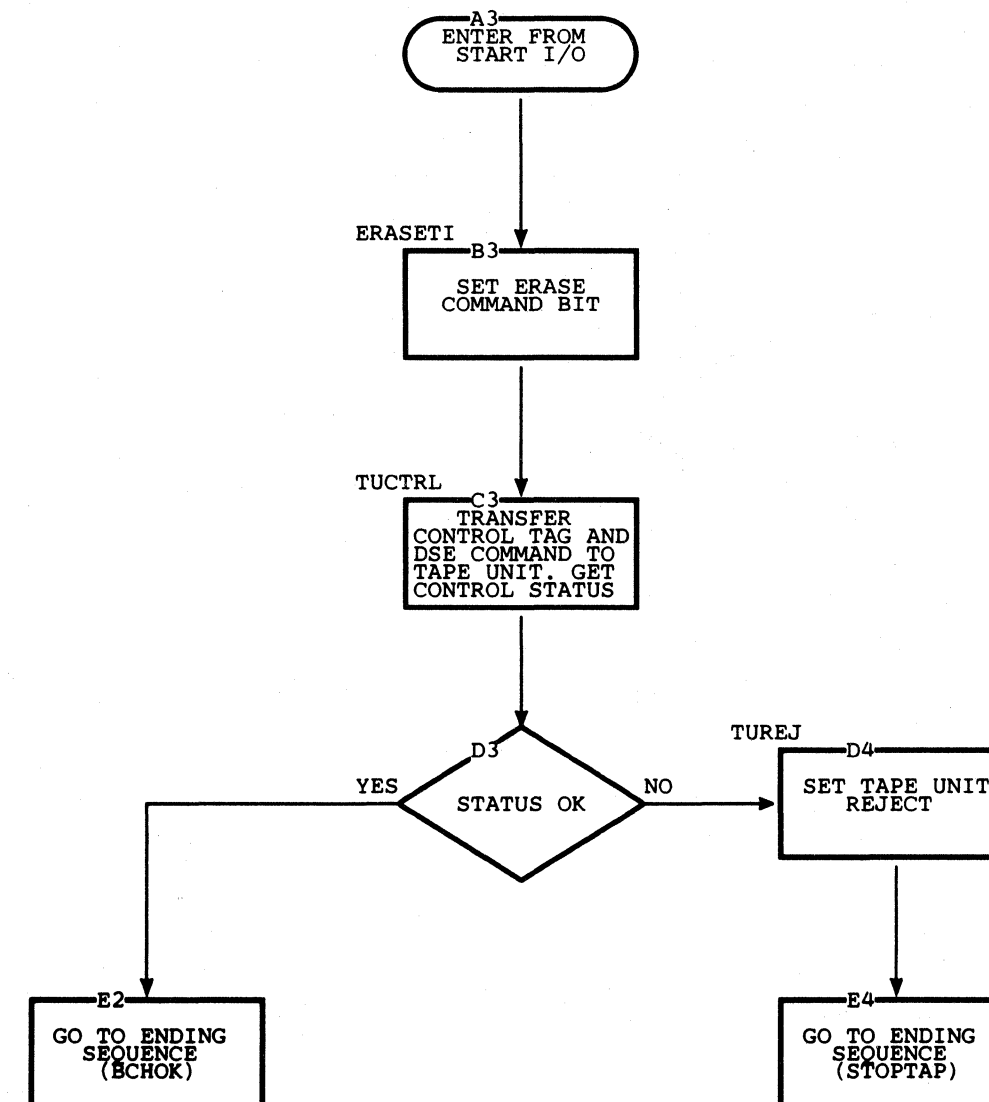
ERASETI The Data Security Erase command was decoded by the COMDECOD routine. To enter the DSE routine, tape unit status must indicate Write Status, Not at EOT, and Not File Protected.

TUCTRL Tape unit status is good. Transfer the Control tag and Command to the tape unit. Read in the status byte from the tape unit.

If tape unit status is good, store the sense data, run internal diagnostics, and return to IDLESCAN.

The tape control releases the tape unit. Tape motion continues until EOT is sensed.

TUREJ Tape unit status is bad. Set Tape Unit Reject and terminate the operation.



Erase Gap Command (System/370 Model 125)

Objectives

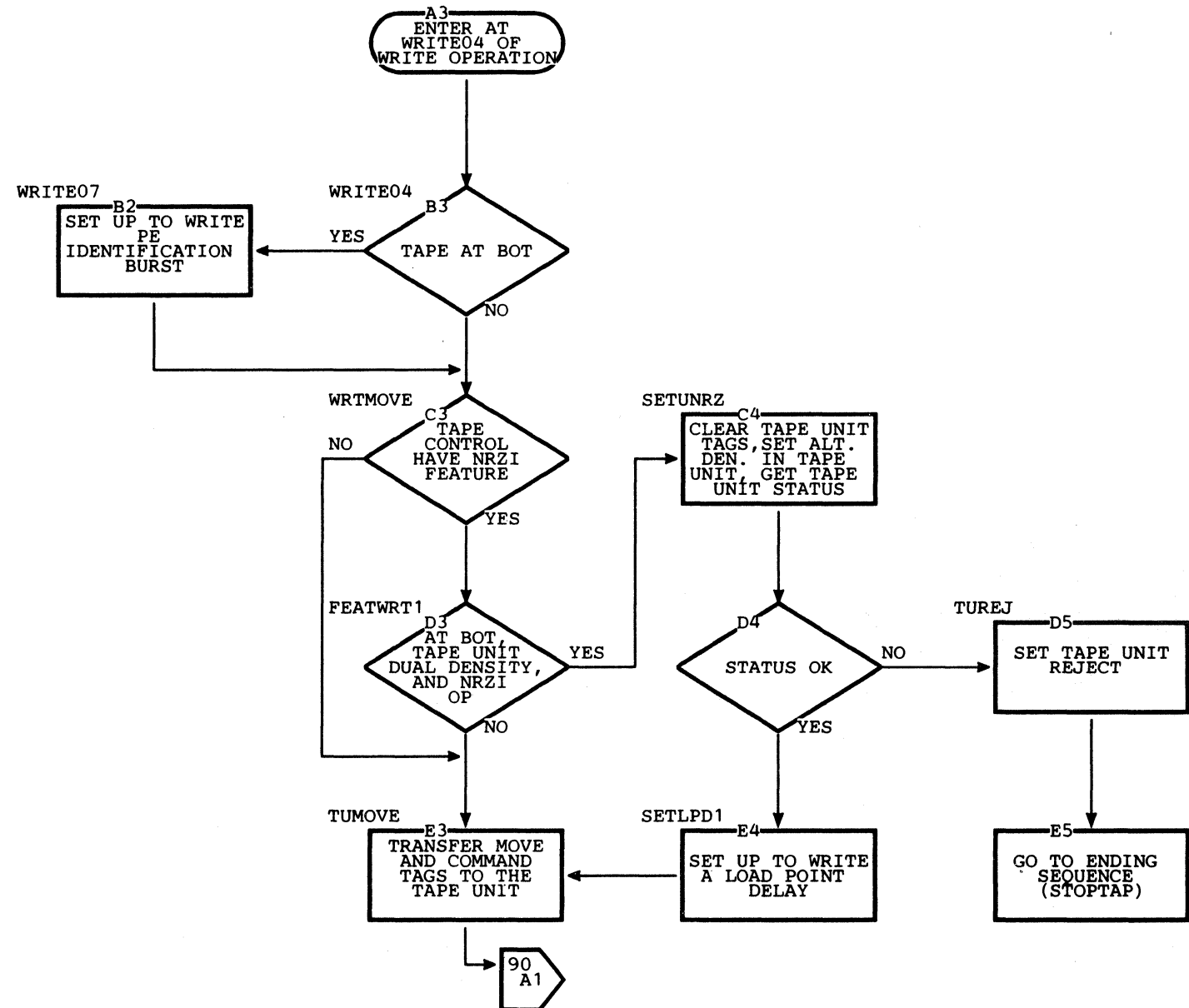
- To erase a 3-inch section of tape.

WRITE04 Check that tape is at BOT. If it is, set up to write PE ID Burst before erasing tape.

FEATWRT1 Tape control has NRZI installed. Determine if tape is at BOT, if the tape unit has NRZI feature, and if this is a NRZI operation. If all conditions are met, go to SETUNRZ to prepare for a load point delay.

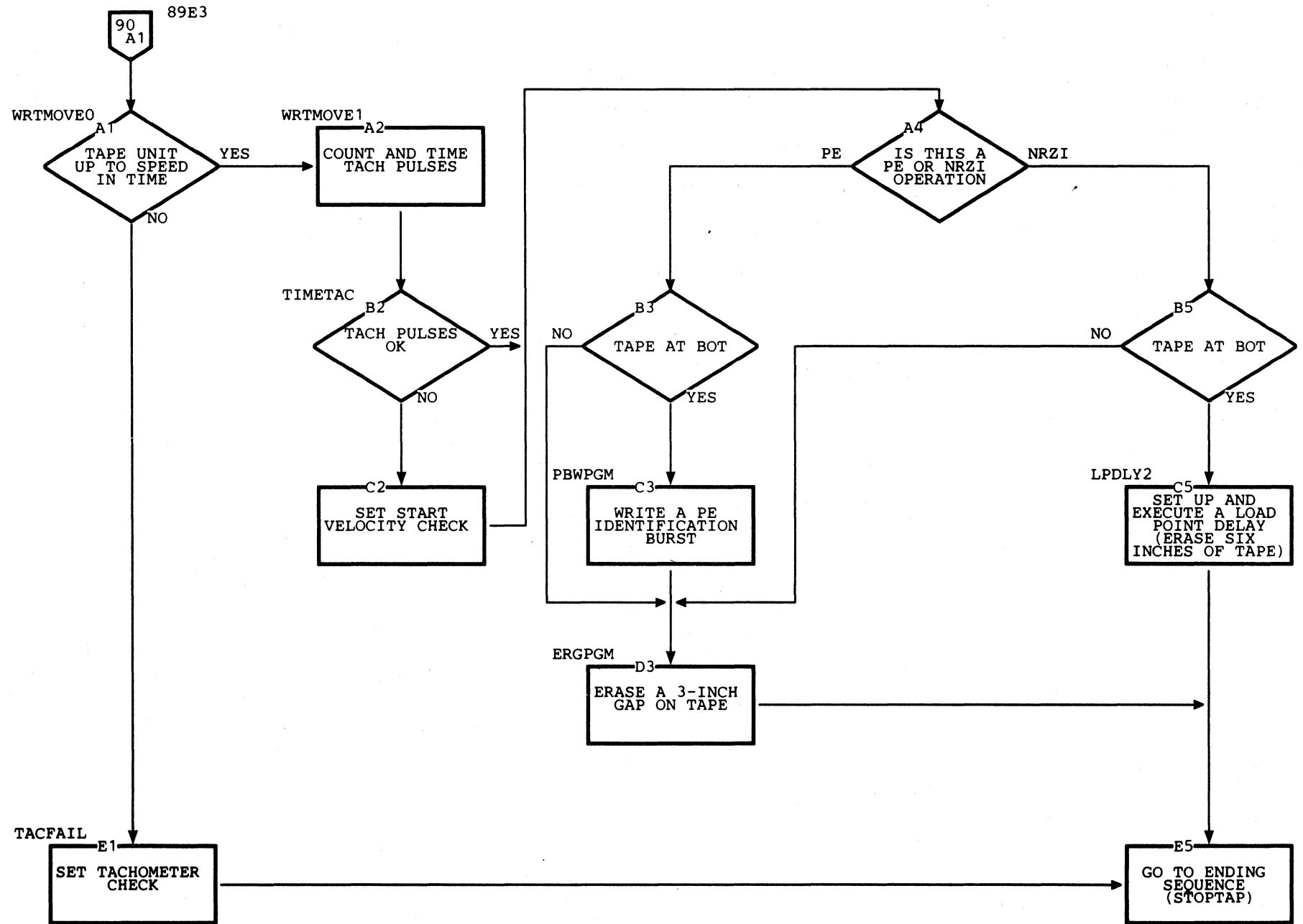
SETUNRZ Set the tape unit to NRZI mode, and check status. If status is bad, set Tape Unit Reject and terminate the operation.

TUMOVE The tape unit status is good and tape unit is ready to erase tape. Transfer the Move tag to get tape moving.



Erase Gap Command (System/370 Model 125)

- WRTMOVE0 The tape unit is in write status and Move tag transferred. When Gap Control is detected, the tape unit is up to speed.
- WRTMOVE1 Set up to count and time tach pulses to verify tape speed. If no tach pulses are counted, set Tachometer Check and terminate the operation. If tach timing is not good, set Start Velocity Check and continue the operation.
- PBWPGM The tape unit is at BOT and in PE Mode. Write the PE ID Burst before erasing tape.
- ERGPGM Erase 3 inches of tape and go to ending sequence.
- LPDLY2 This is a NRZI operation and tape is at BOT. Perform a load point delay to erase tape, then go to ending sequence.



Write Tape Mark (System/370 Model 125)

Objectives

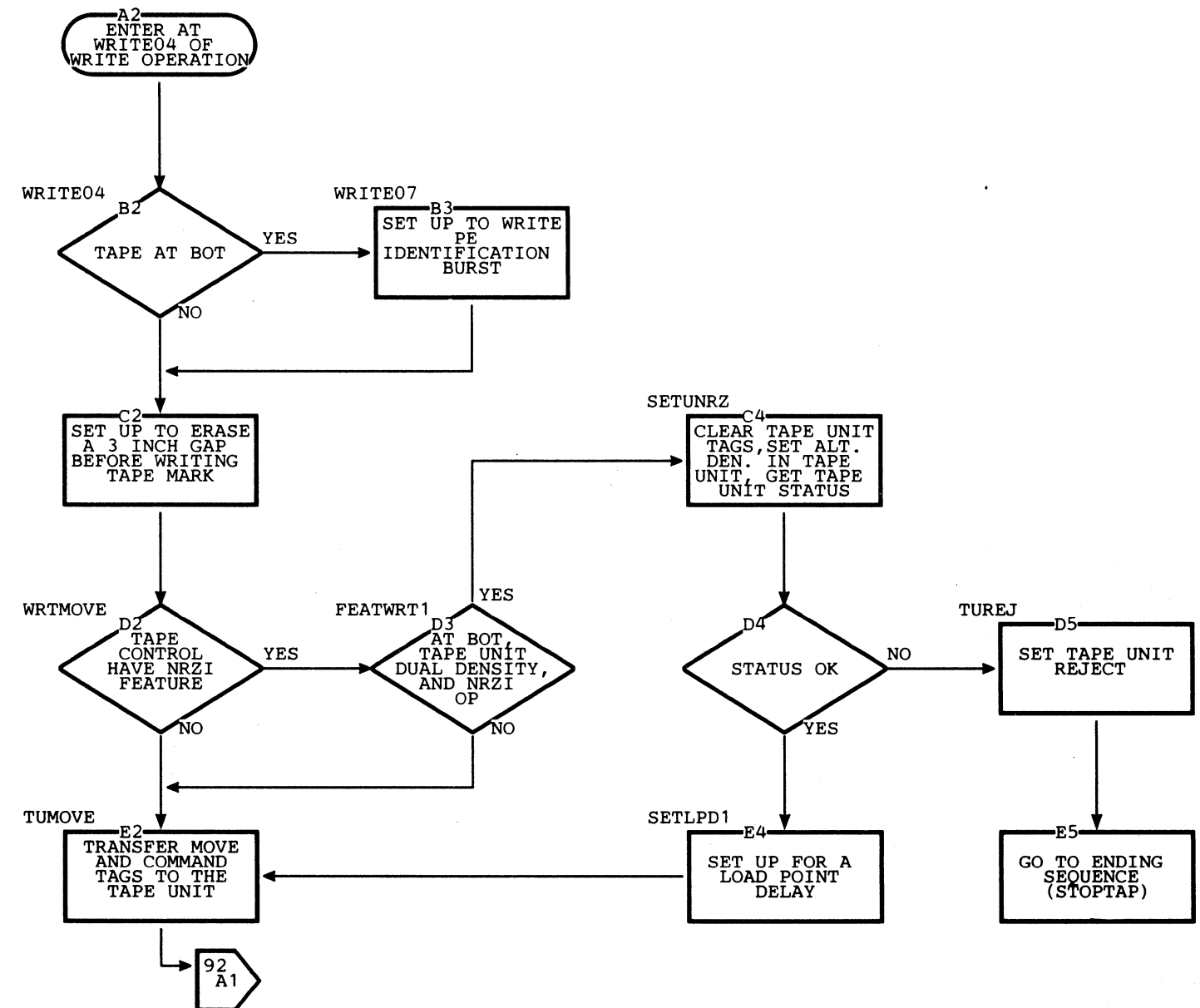
- To write a PE or NRZI tape mark.
- The subsystem generates the tape mark; no data is transferred between the system and the subsystem.

WRITE07 Check that tape is at BOT. If it is, set up to write PE ID Burst.

FEATWRT1 Tape control has NRZI installed. Determine if tape is at BOT, if tape unit has NRZI feature, and if this is a NRZI operation. If so, go to SETUNRZ to prepare for a NRZI operation beginning with a load point delay.

SETUNRZ Set the tape unit to NRZI mode, and check status. If status is bad, set Tape Unit Reject and terminate the operation.

TUMOVE The tape unit status is good and tape unit is ready to write the tape mark. Transfer the Move tag to get tape moving.



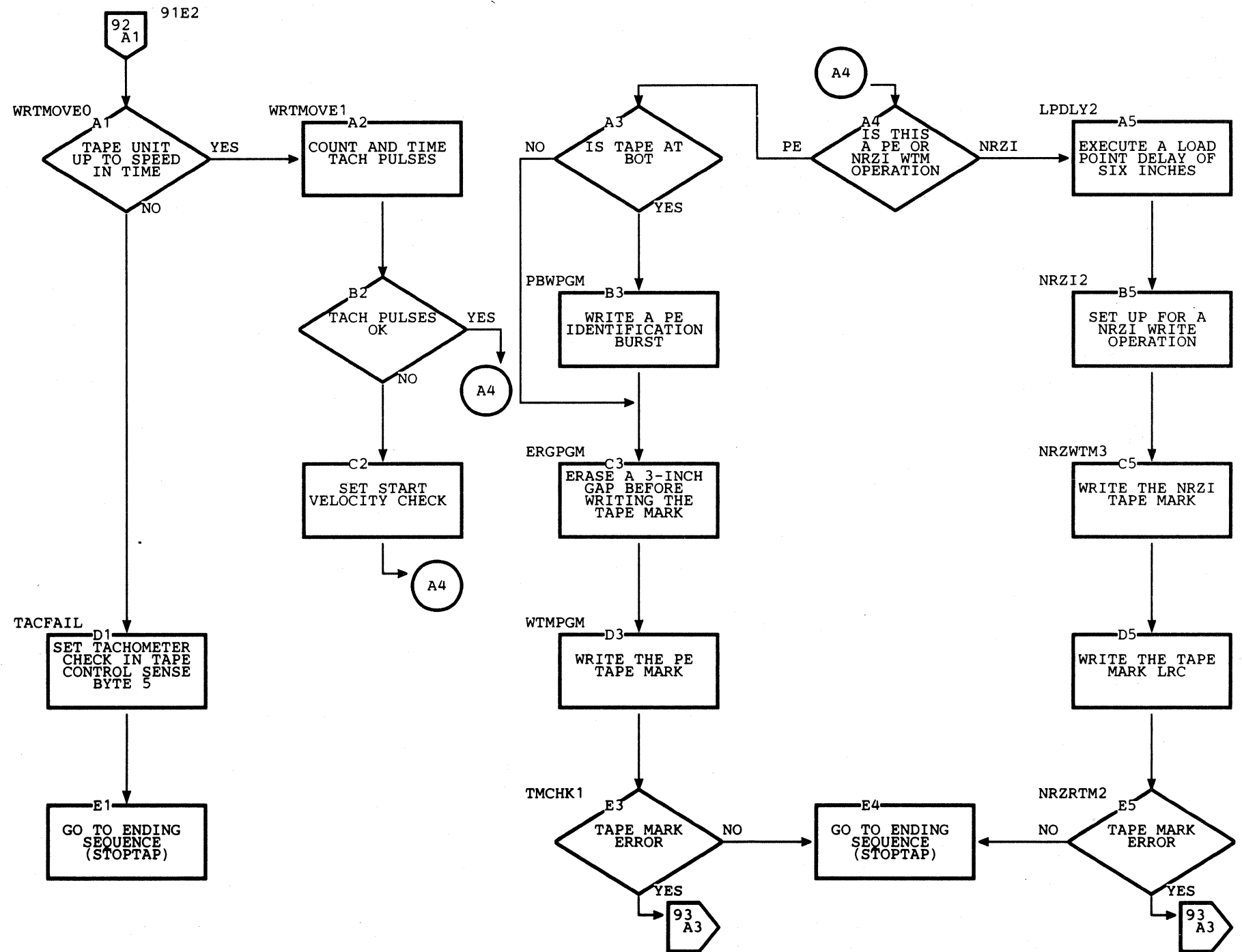
Write Tape Mark (System/370 Model 125)

WRTMOVE0 The tape unit is in write status and Move tag transferred. When gap control is detected the tape unit is up to speed. Go to TACFAIL if full speed is not reached in a predetermined time.

WRTMOVE1 Set up to count and time tach pulses to verify tape speed. If no tach pulses are counted, set Tachometer Check and terminate the operation. If tach timing is not good, set Start Velocity Check and continue the operation.

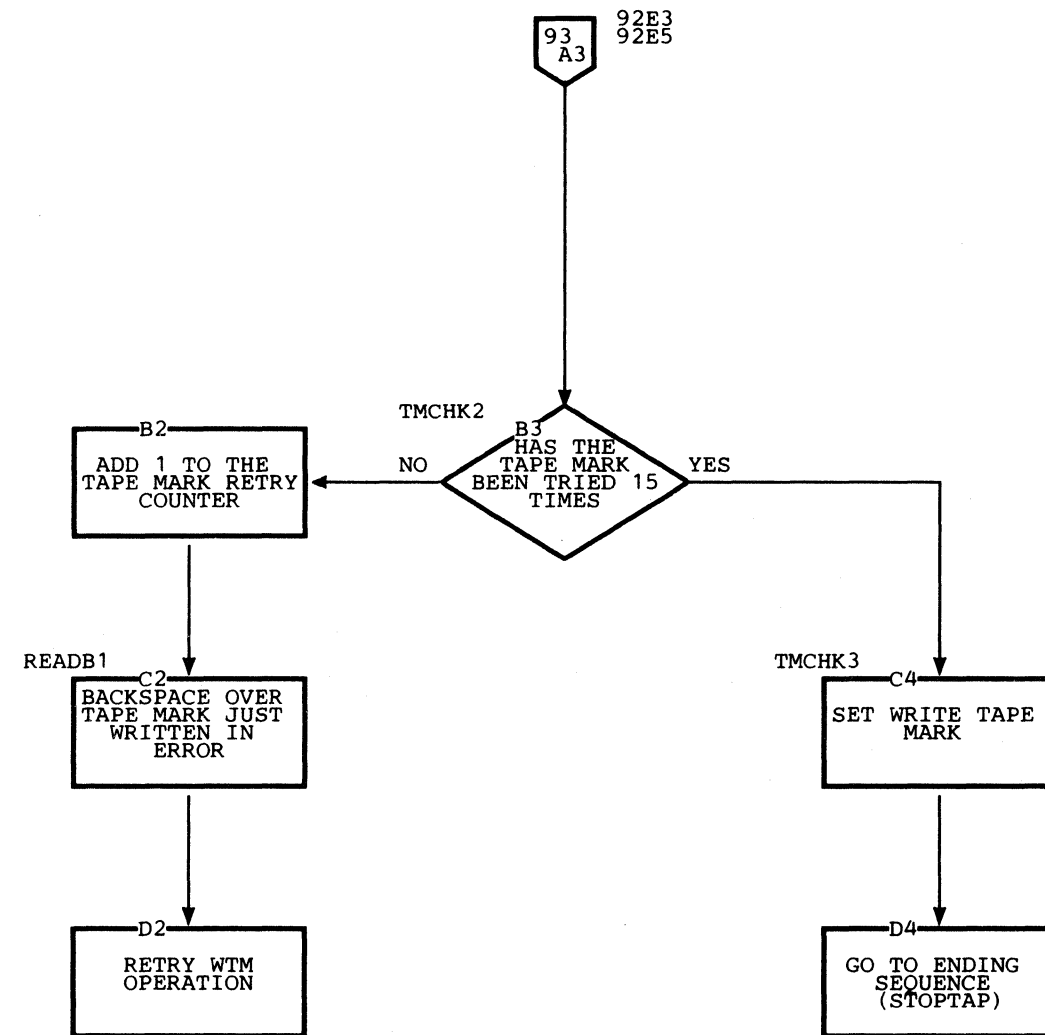
PBWPGM The tape unit is at BOT and in PE Mode. Write the PE ID Burst before writing the tape mark.

LPDLY2 This is a NRZI operation and tape is at BOT. Perform a load point delay.



Write Tape Mark (System/370 Model 125)

TMCHK3 Tape Control could not write a tape mark after 15 tries. Set Tape Mark Check and terminate the operation.



Ending Sequence (System/370 Model 125)

Objectives

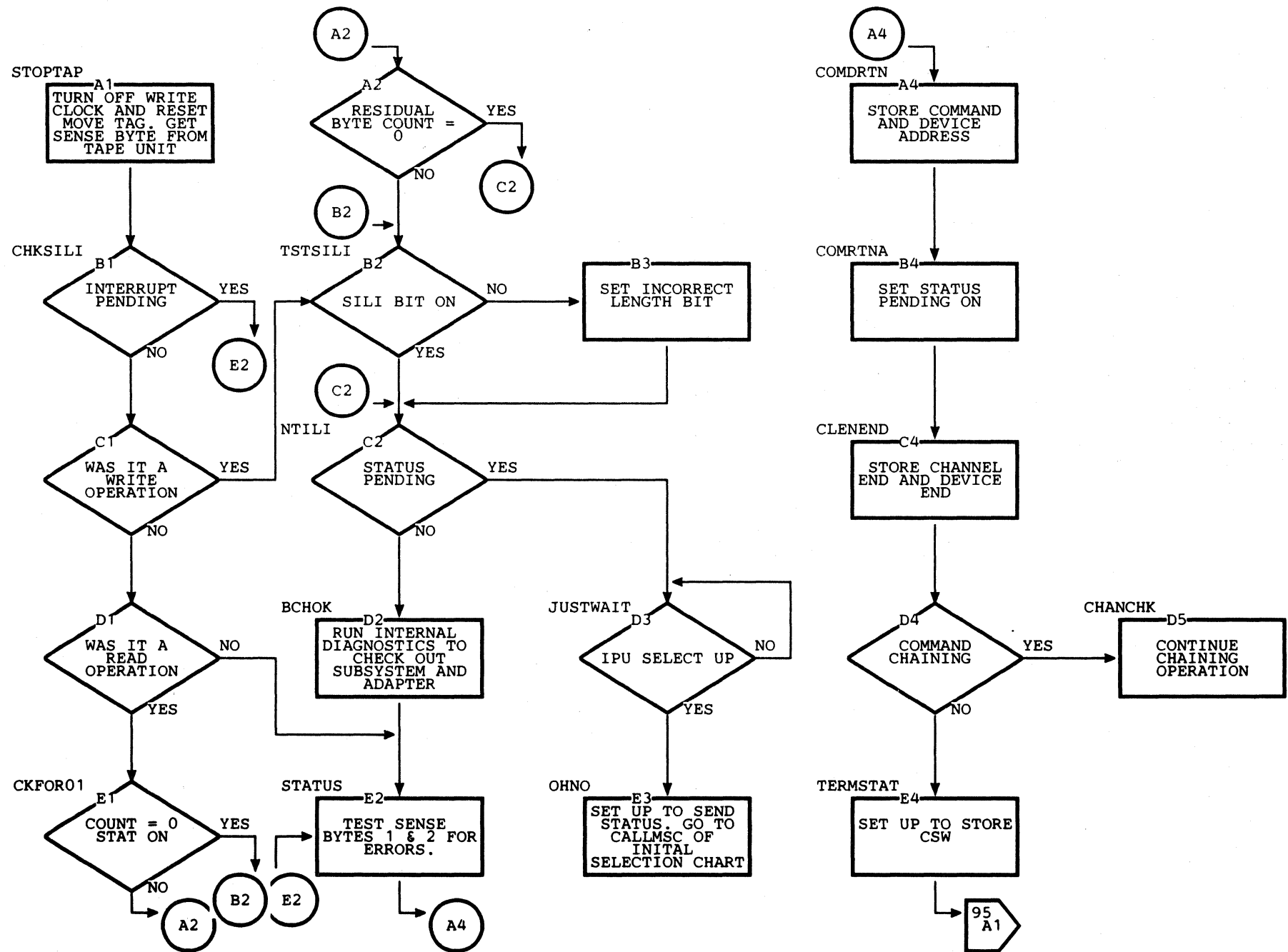
- Stop tape when the next IBG is found.
- Generate ending status and send it to ABI.
- Reset all busses and tags.

STOPTAP The operation is completed or an error has occurred. Reset the Move tag and check the sense data.

CHKSILI Check the byte count and the SILI bit. If the SILI bit is not on and the byte count is not zero, set Incorrect Length in the CSW.

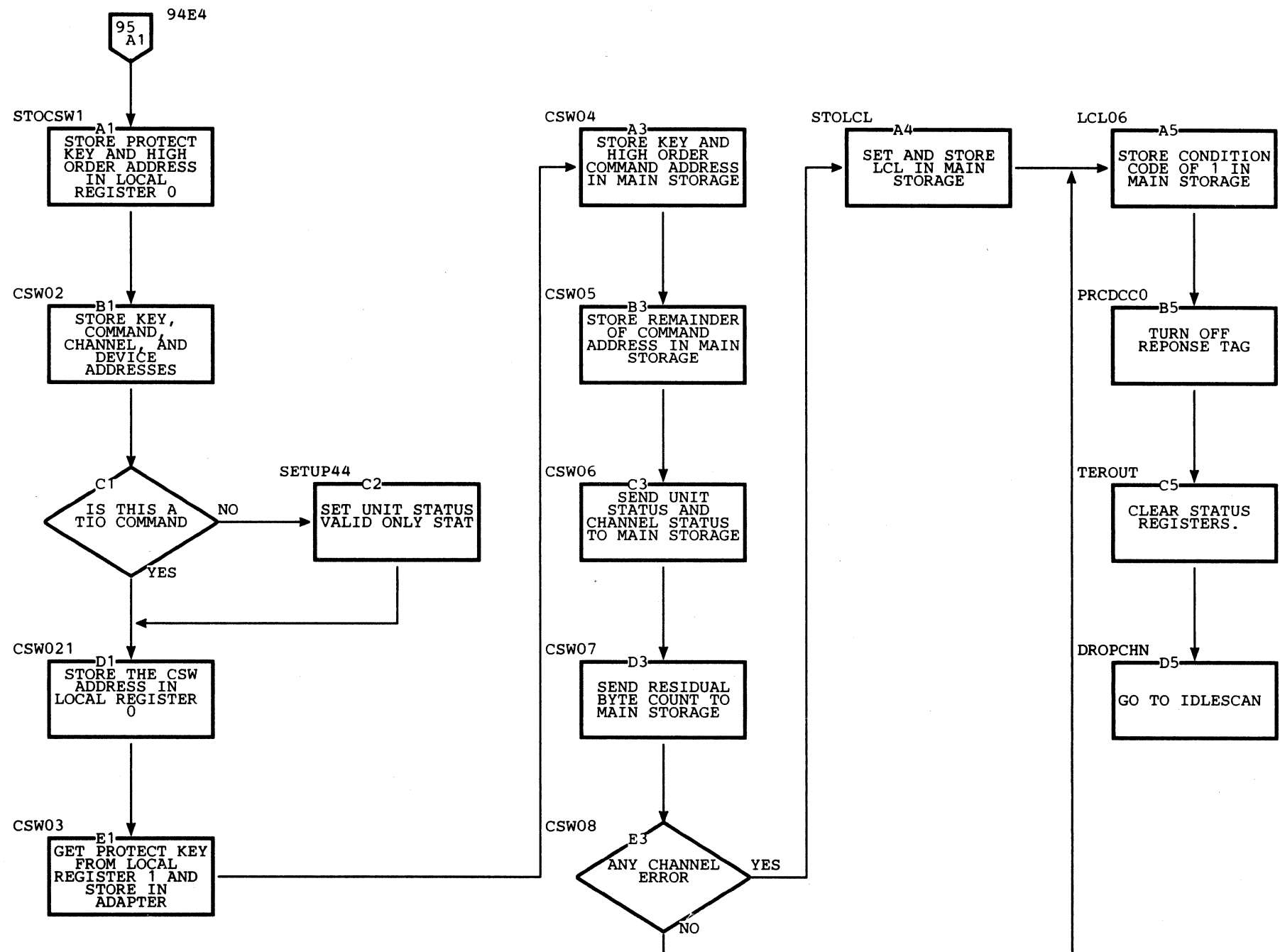
STATUS Check for any errors. If any sense bit in sense bytes 1 or 2 is on, set Unit Check.

TERMSTAT Set up to store CSW. If a Test I/O is being executed, store only the unit and channel status in the CSW.



Ending Sequence (System/370 Model 125)

LCL06 Store the condition code in MSC Common Register 1.



**Halt I/O and Halt Device
(System/370 Model 125)**

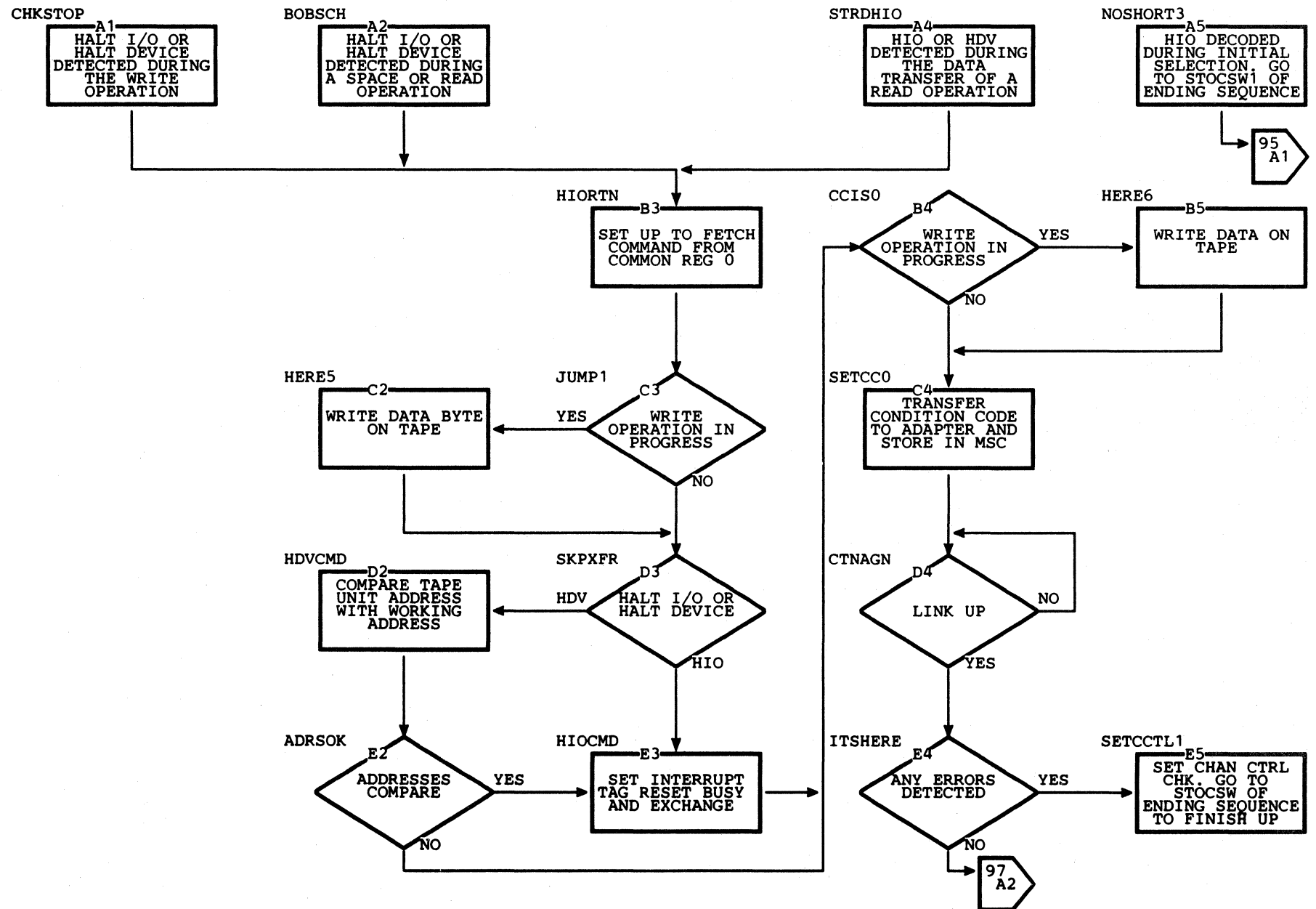
Objectives

- The subsystem checks for Halt I/O (HIO) and Halt Device (HDV) at selected times during the execution of an operation.
- A HIO or HDV is issued to terminate an operation before all data is transferred, or before the operation has reached a normal ending at the tape unit. Data transfers are terminated, tape is positioned in the IBG, and status is sent to the system.

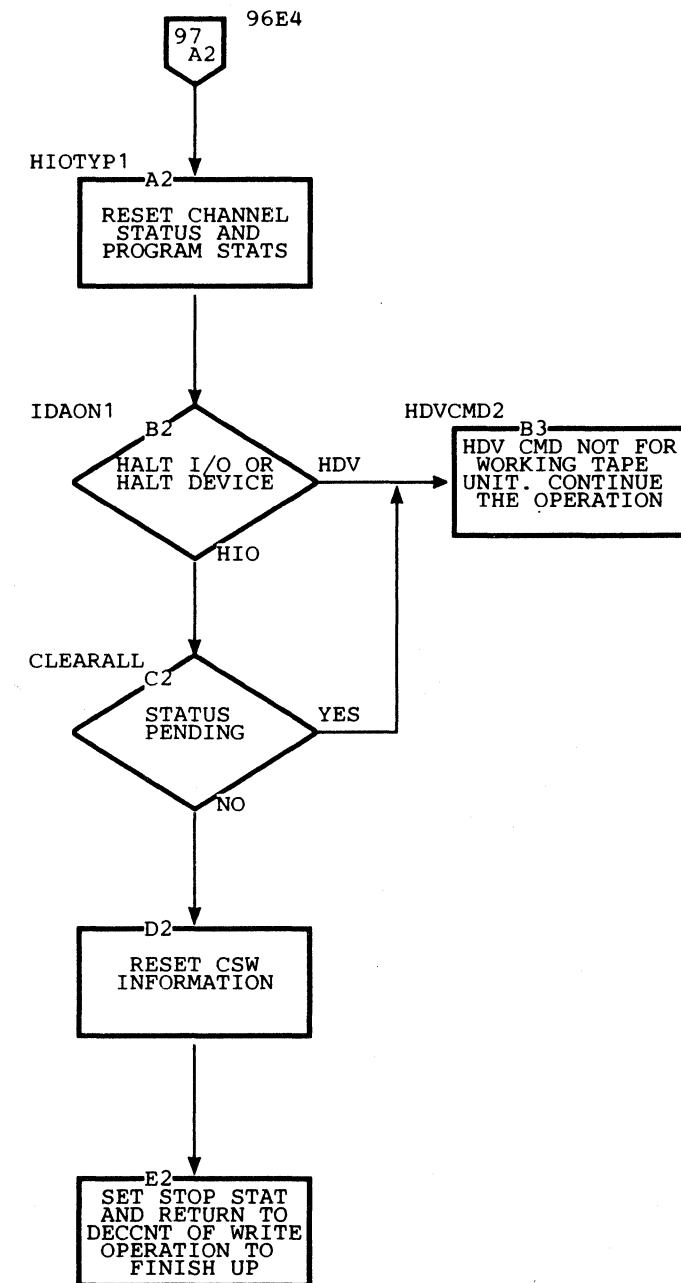
HIORTN A HIO or HDV command has been placed in the Common Register by the IPU. Go get the command.

HDVCMD The command is a Halt Device. Compare device address of the command with the address of the tape unit being worked. If the addresses compare, go to HIOCMD to finish up the operation. If the addresses do not compare, continue the operation in progress but halt the tape unit addressed.

HIOCMD The Halt I/O or Halt Device command has addressed the working tape unit. Set up to store the condition code and terminate the operation.



Halt I/O and Halt Device (System/370 Model 125)



**Seven-Track Microprogram Flowcharts
(System/3 and System/360/370)**

This section contains flowcharts representing the read and write operations when the subsystem is capable of seven-track operation. The Translate and Data Convert modes are included. In the 3411, data conversion and translation are carried out by the microprogram rather than by hard-wired circuitry.

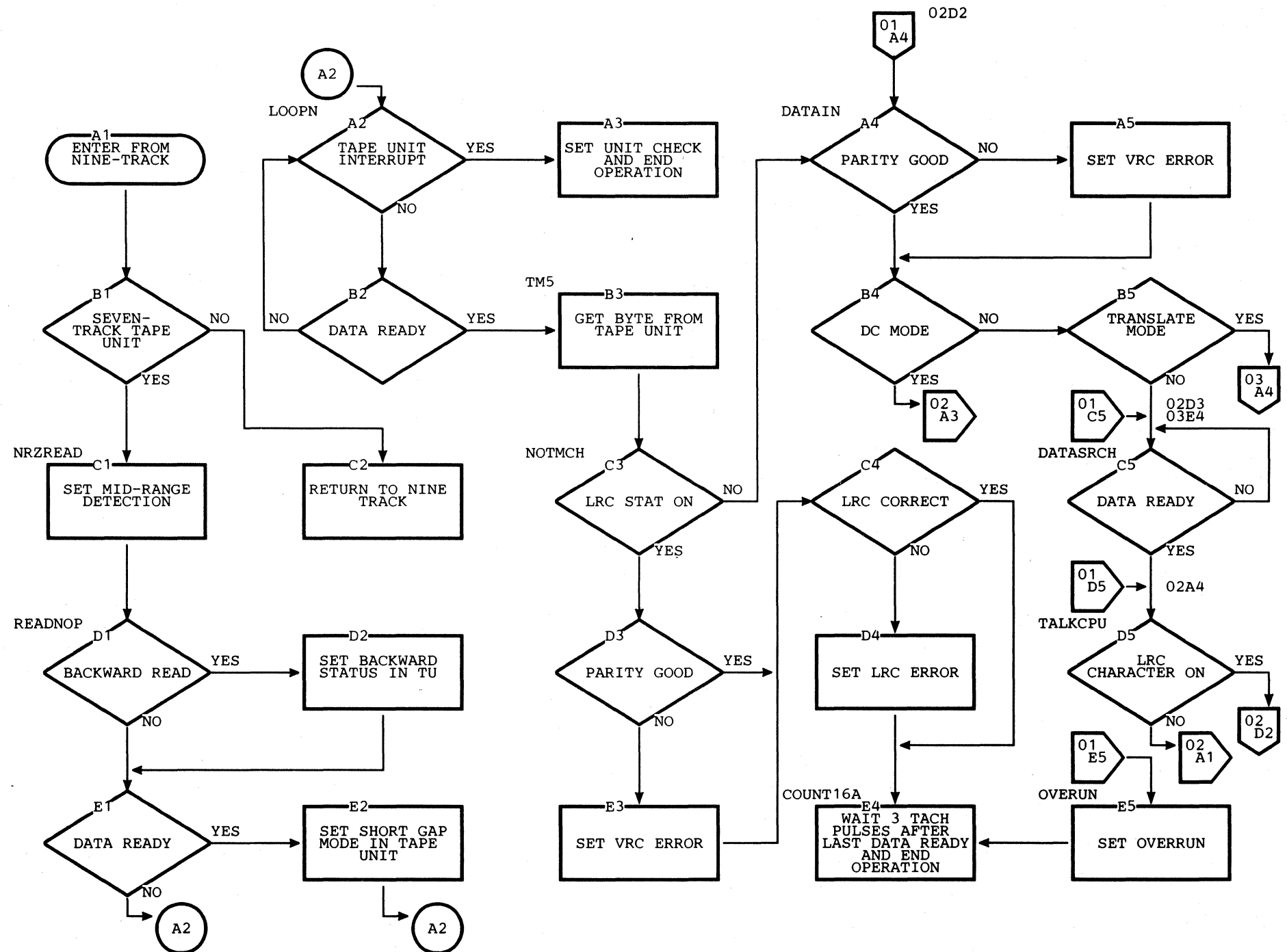
Program labels are included on the flowcharts as reference pointers to the microprogram listing. For details of a routine, use the labels and the cross-reference list in the back of the program listing which is at the same EC level as your tape control microprogram.

**Seven-Track Read Operation
(System/3 and System/360/370)**

NRZREAD Both the tape control and the tape unit are capable of seven-track operation. Prepare to read tape in seven-track mode.

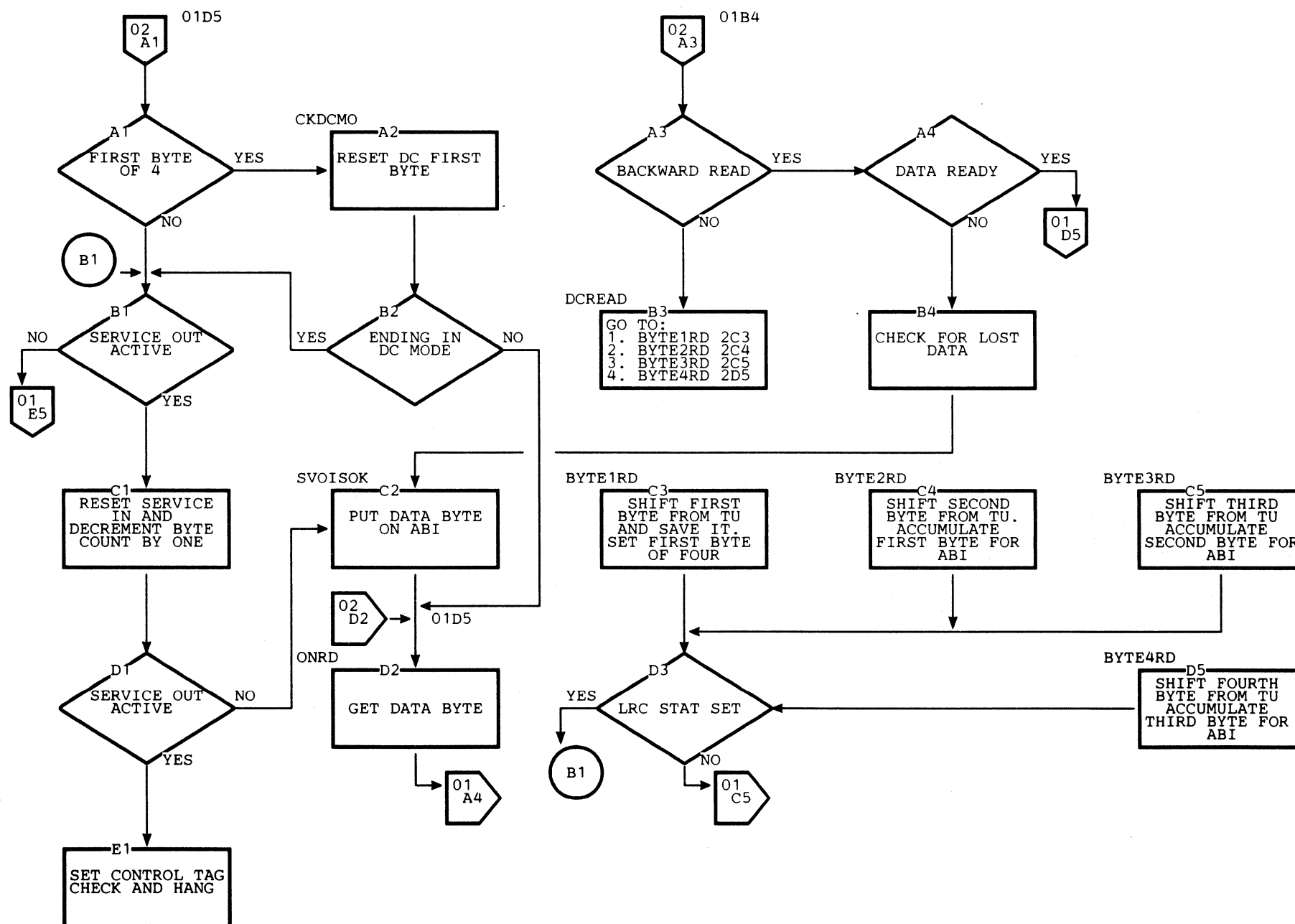
DATAIN A byte of data has been received from the tape unit. The tape control now checks parity and whether Translate or Data Convert mode is set.

DATASRCH Neither Translate nor Data Convert mode is set.



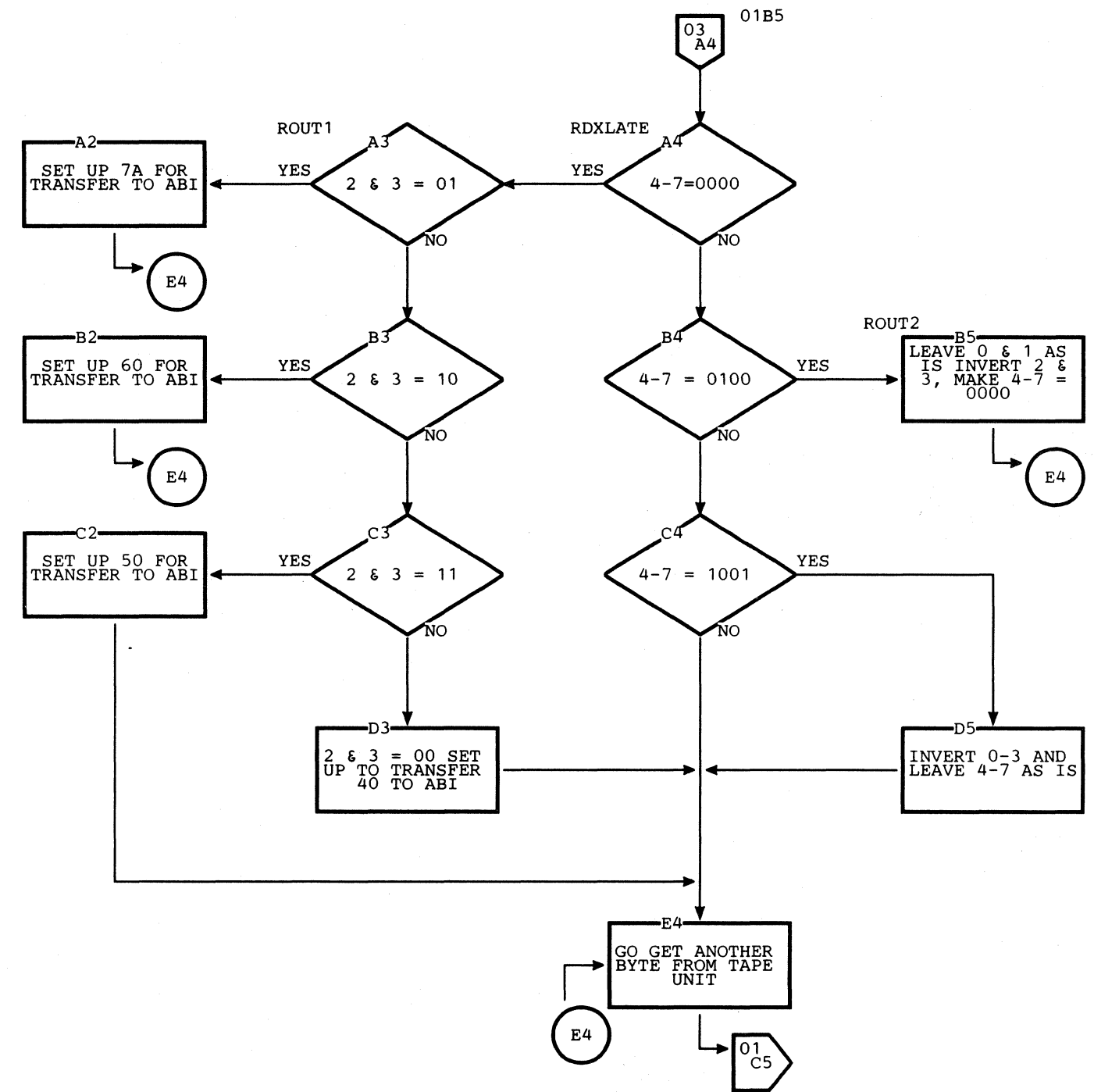
**Seven-Track Read Operation
(System/3 and System/360/370)**

- DCREAD Data Convert mode is set and the command is Read Forward.
- BYTE1RD The first byte of a group of four is being read.
- BYTE2RD The second byte of a group of four is being read.
- BYTE3RD The third byte of a group of four is being read.
- BYTE4RD The fourth byte of a group of four is being read.



Seven-Track Read Operation
(System/3 and System/360/370)

RDXLATE This is a Read operation with Translate ON.

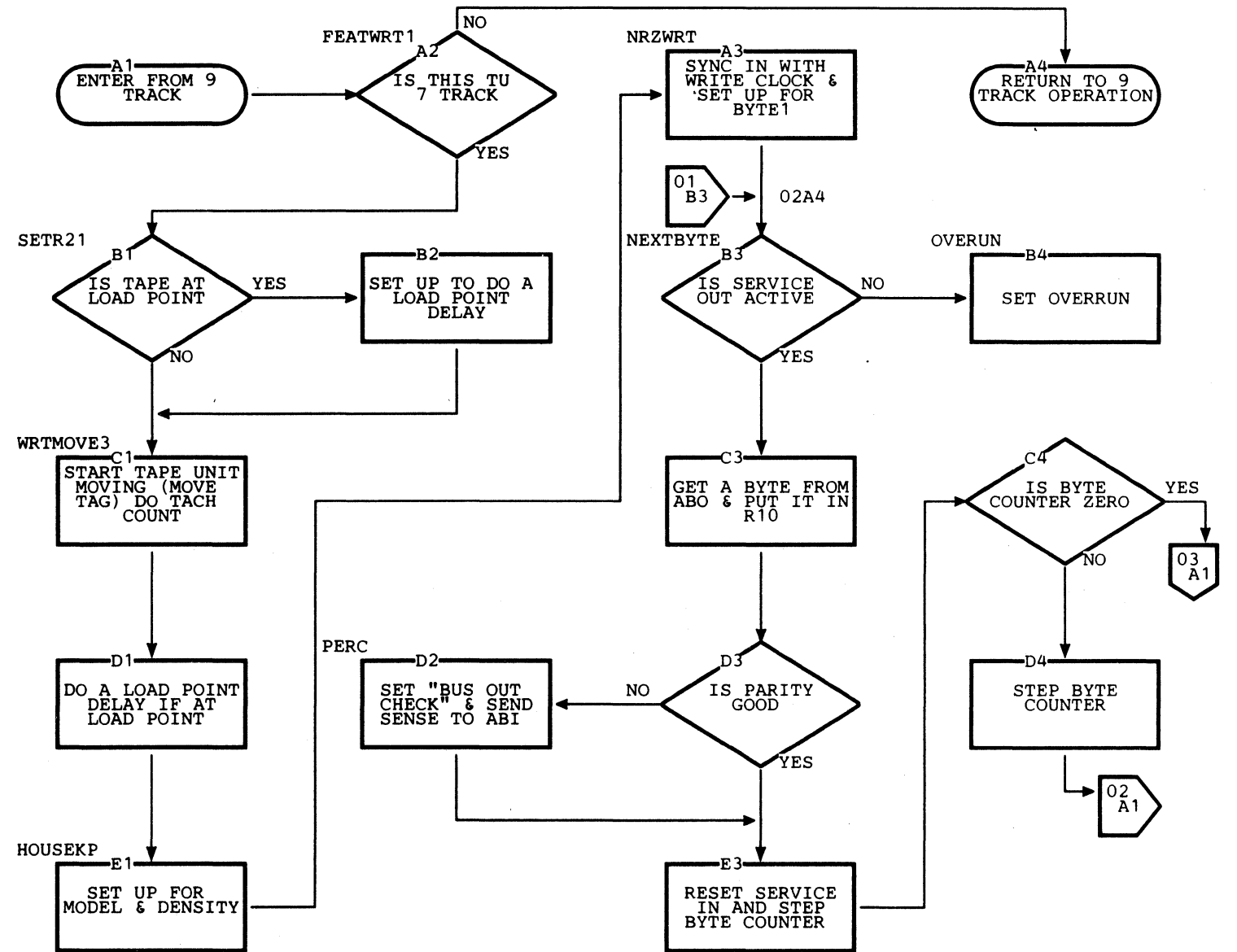


**Seven-Track Write Operation
(System/3 and System/360/370)**

SETR21 The tape control and tape unit are both capable of seven-track operation. This is a Write operation, so do a load point delay if tape unit is at load point.

NEXTBYTE SERVICE OUT should be active by now. If not, the system is not sending data fast enough.

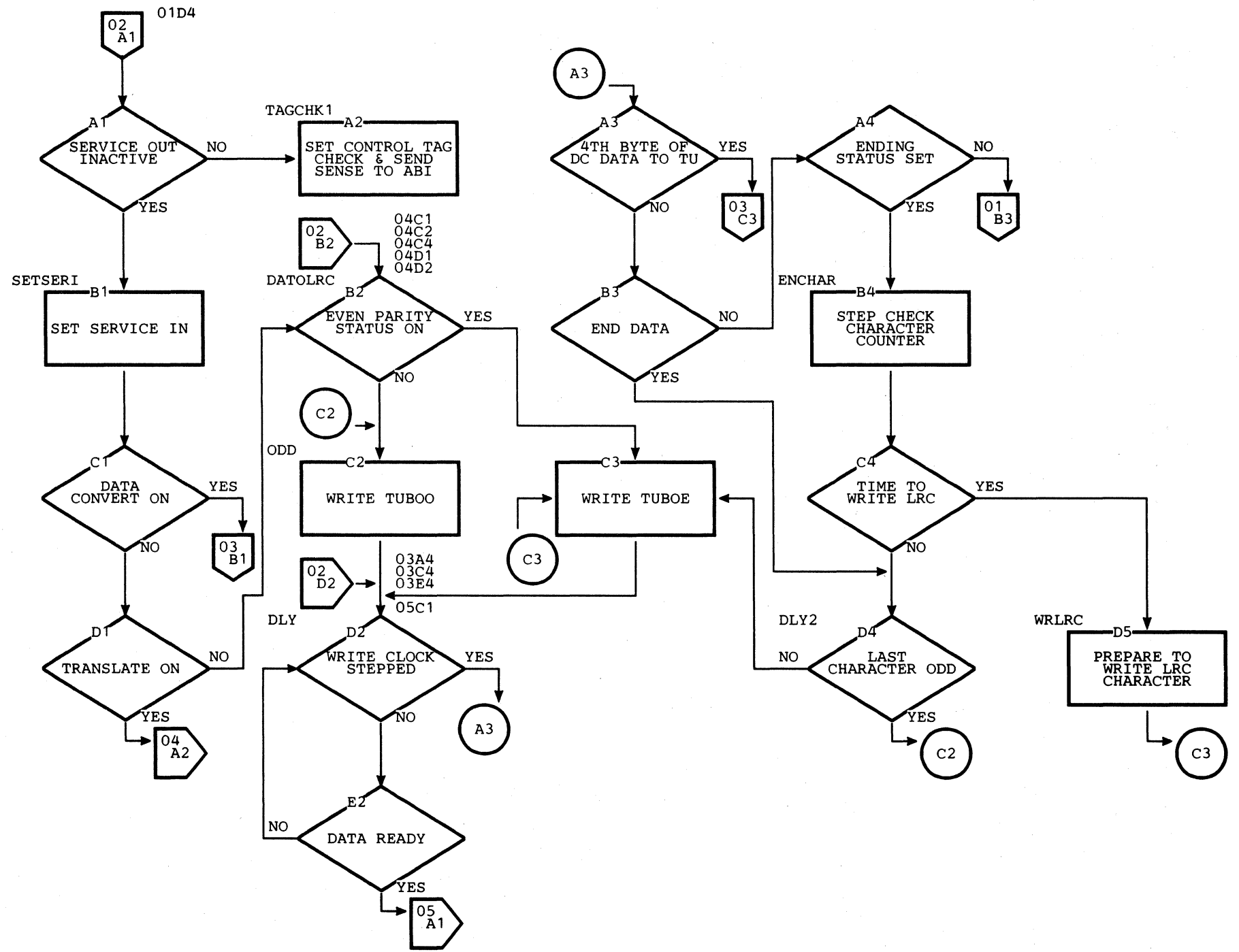
E3,C4,D4 When attached to a System/360, the tape control does not use byte count. The end of the data block is signaled by COMMAND OUT.



Seven-Track Write Operation
(System/3 and System/360/370)

SETSERI A byte of data has been received from ABO. The tape control sets SERVICE IN to indicate it is ready for another byte.

DLY The tape control waits here until the byte of data is written on tape, or a DATA READY signals that the read head is passing over a previously written part of the data block.



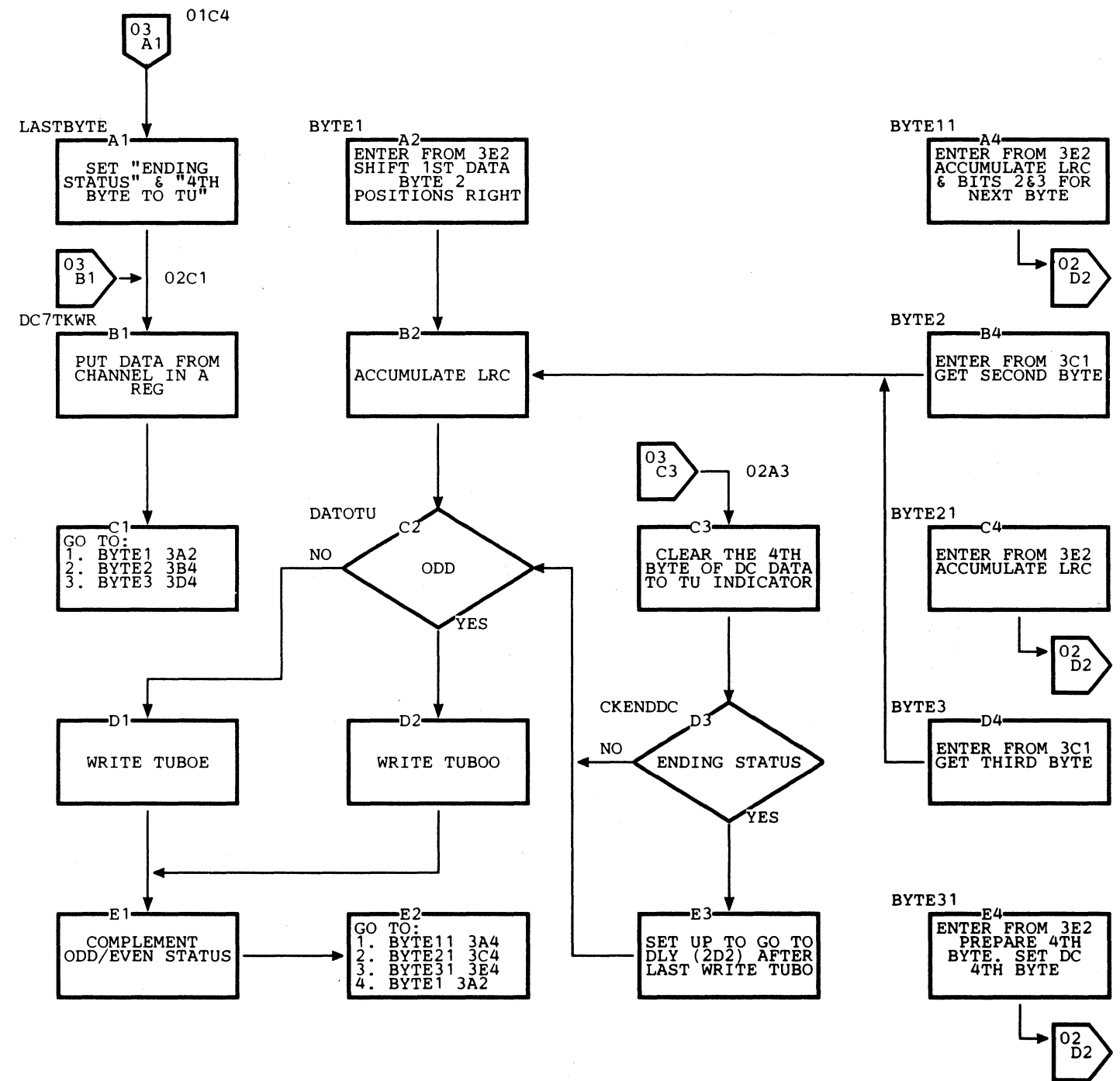
Seven-Track Write Operation
(System/3 and System/360/370)

DC7TKWR The tape control is in Data Convert mode. Data bytes from the system must be shifted and accumulated to form bytes in Data Convert format.

C1 The first time through here, go to BYTE1, the second time go to BYTE2, and the third time go to BYTE3.

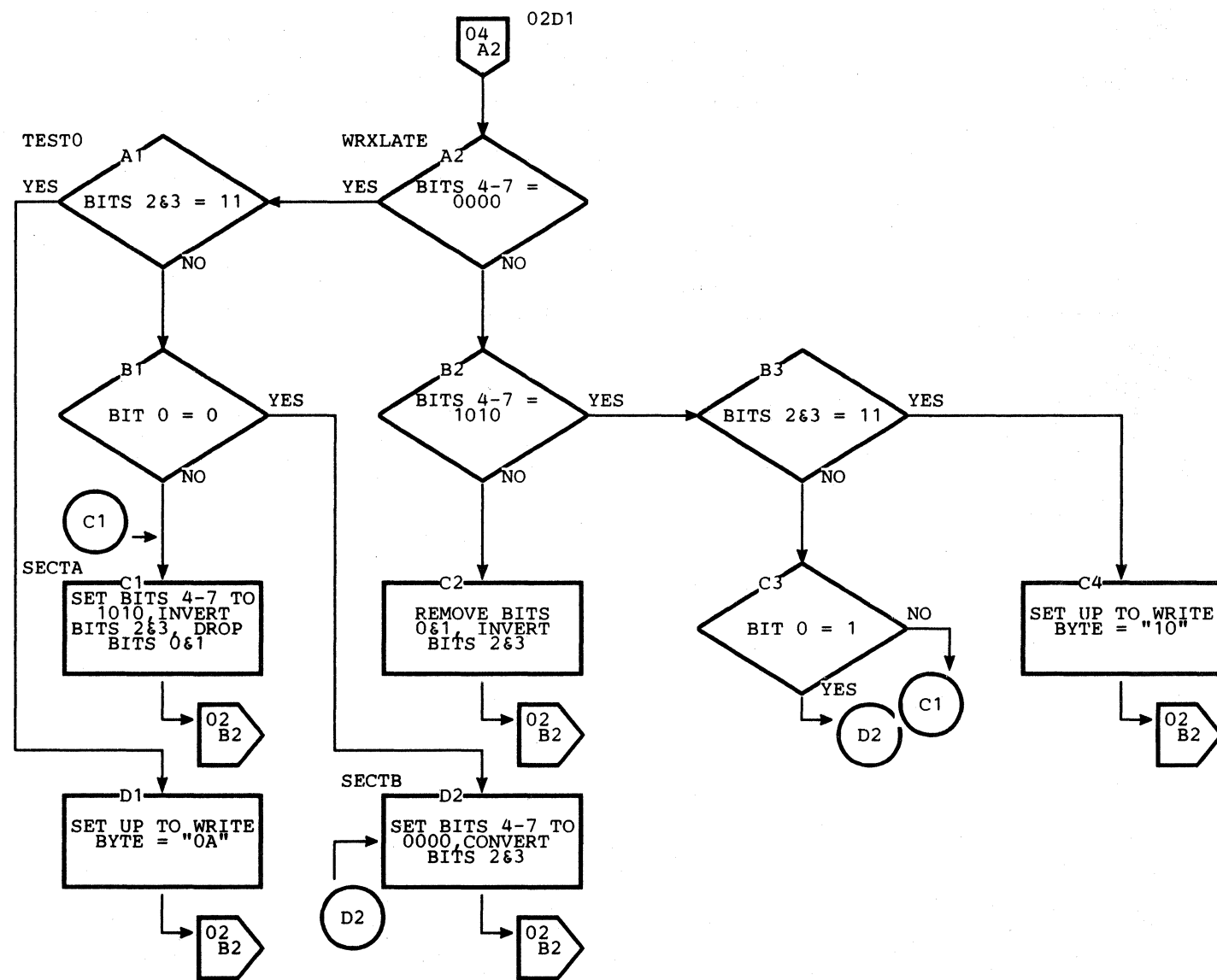
E2 The first time through here, go to BYTE11, the second time go to BYTE21, the third time go to BYTE31, and the fourth time go to BYTE1 to start the next series of four bytes.

CKENDDC A series of four bytes has been written, so check if it is time to end the Write operation.



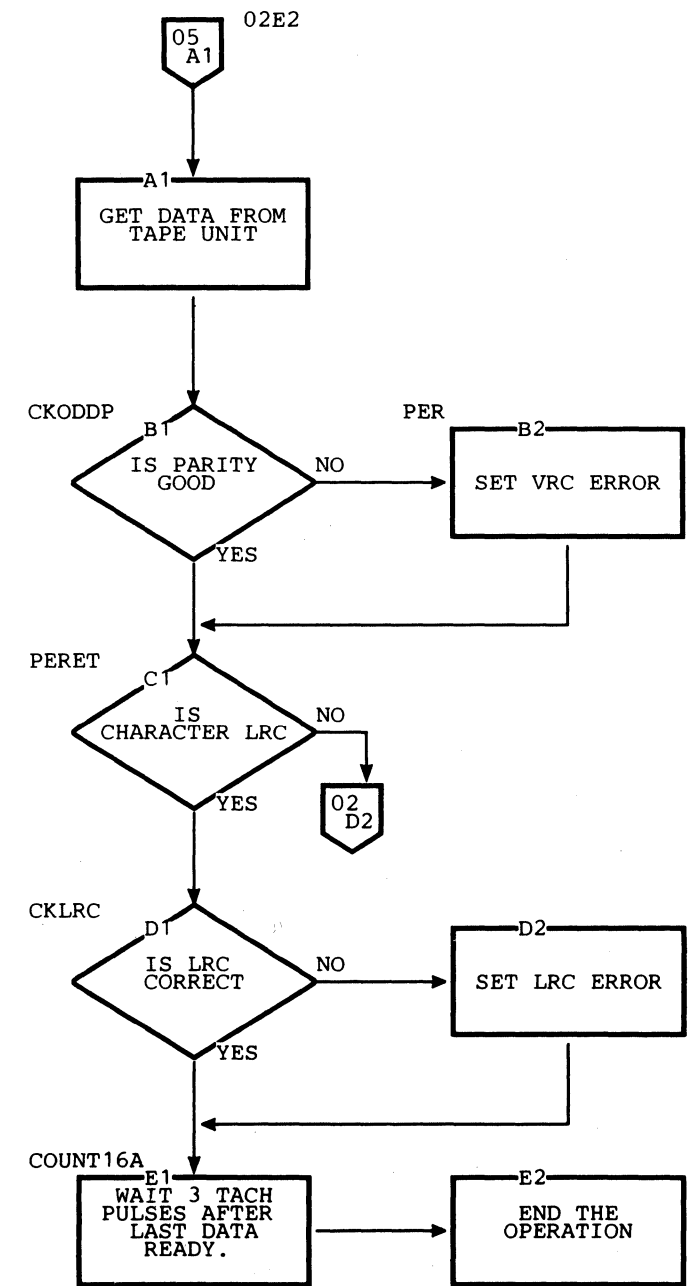
**Seven-Track Write Operation
(System/3 and System/360/370)**

WRXLATE The tape control is in Translate mode. Data bytes from the system must be translated before they are written on tape.



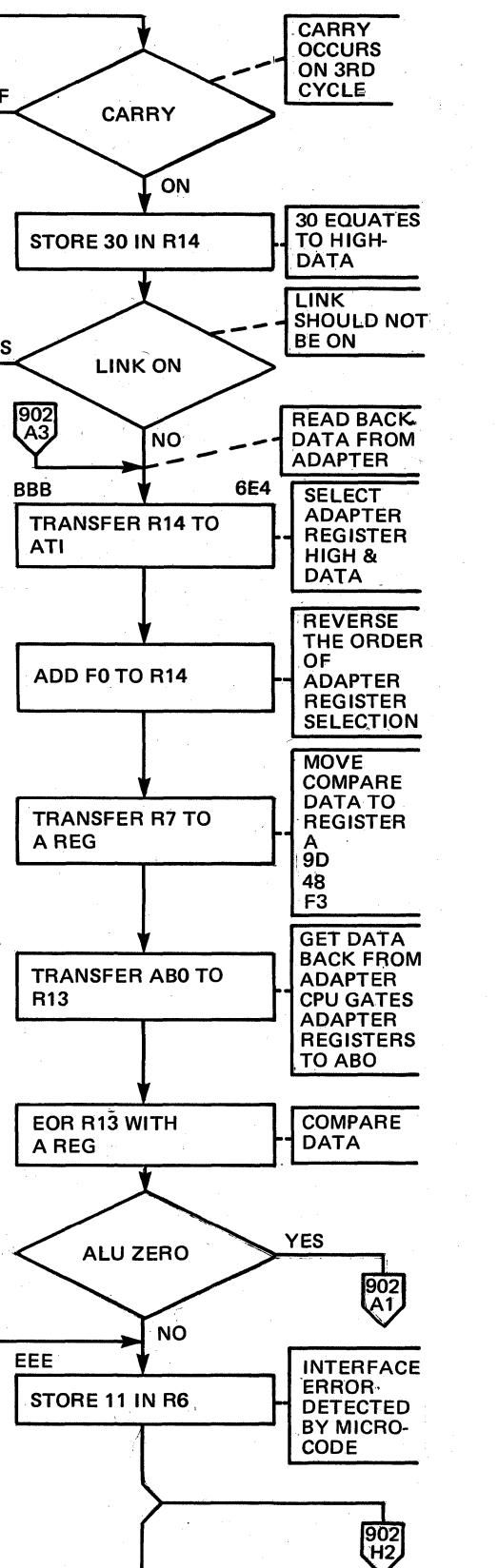
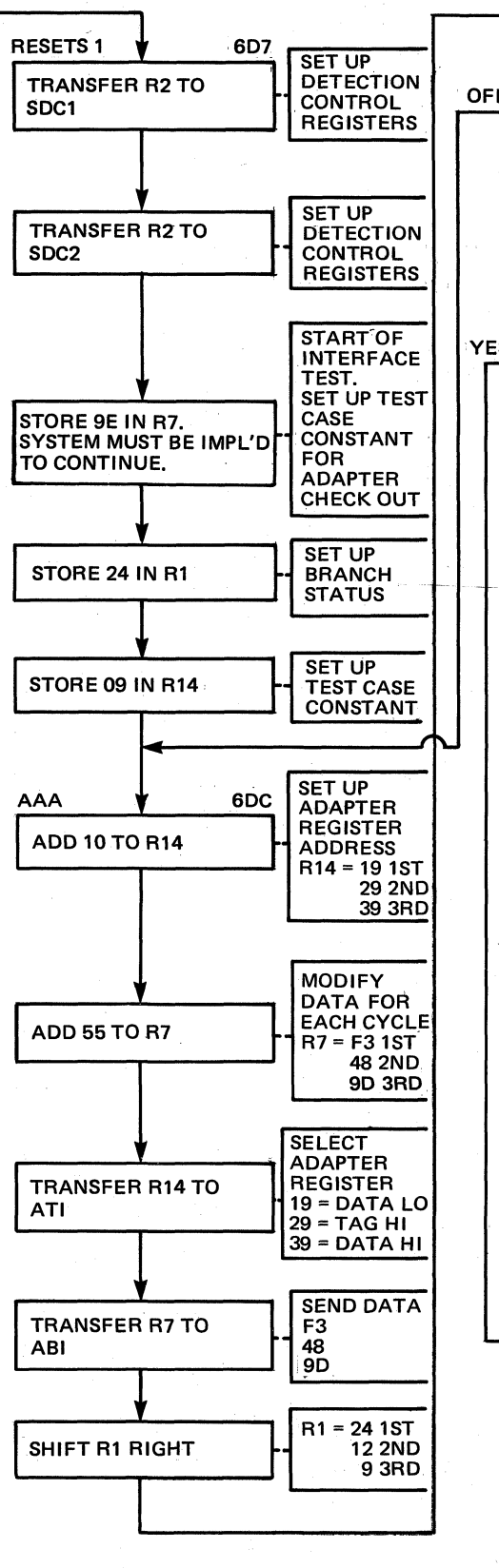
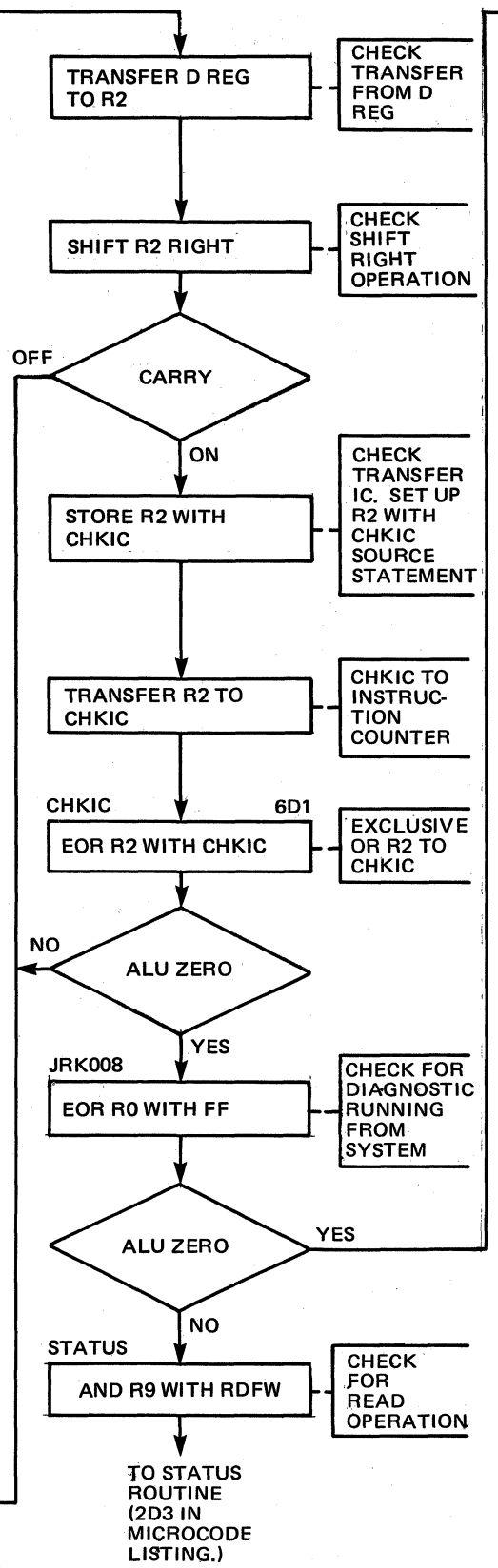
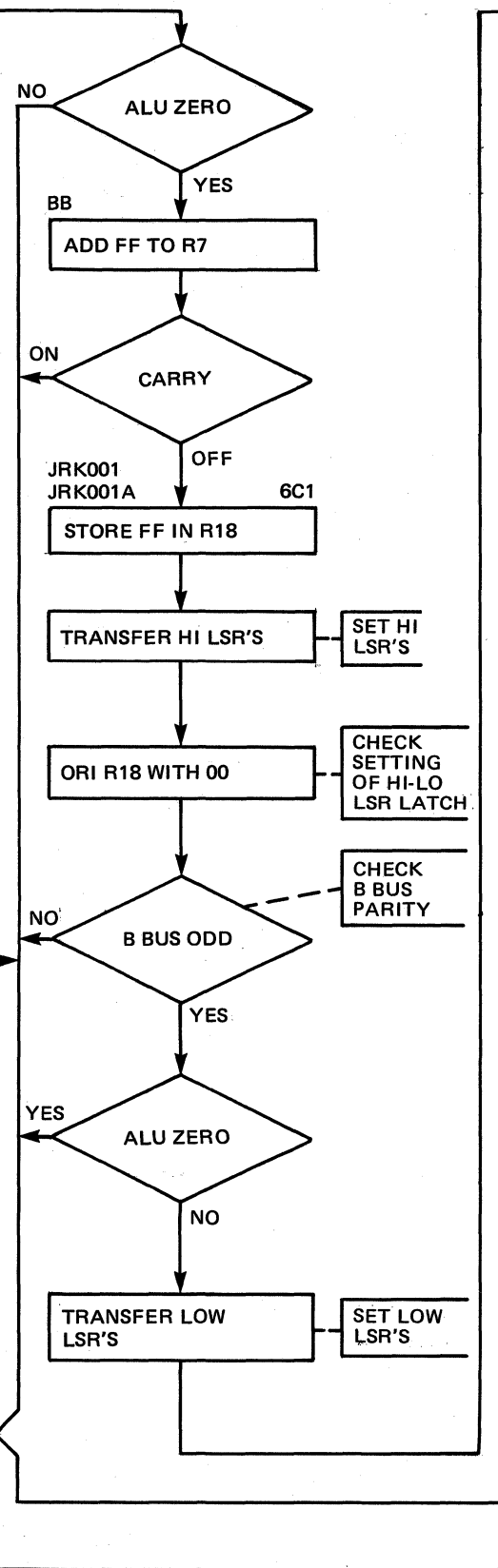
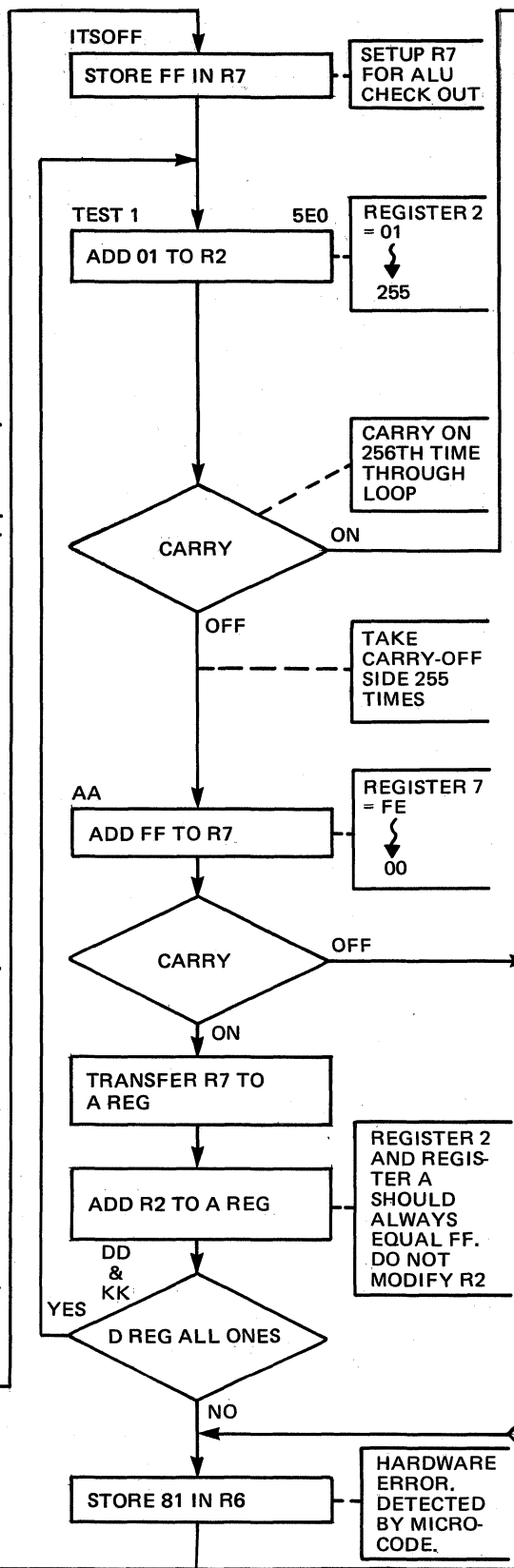
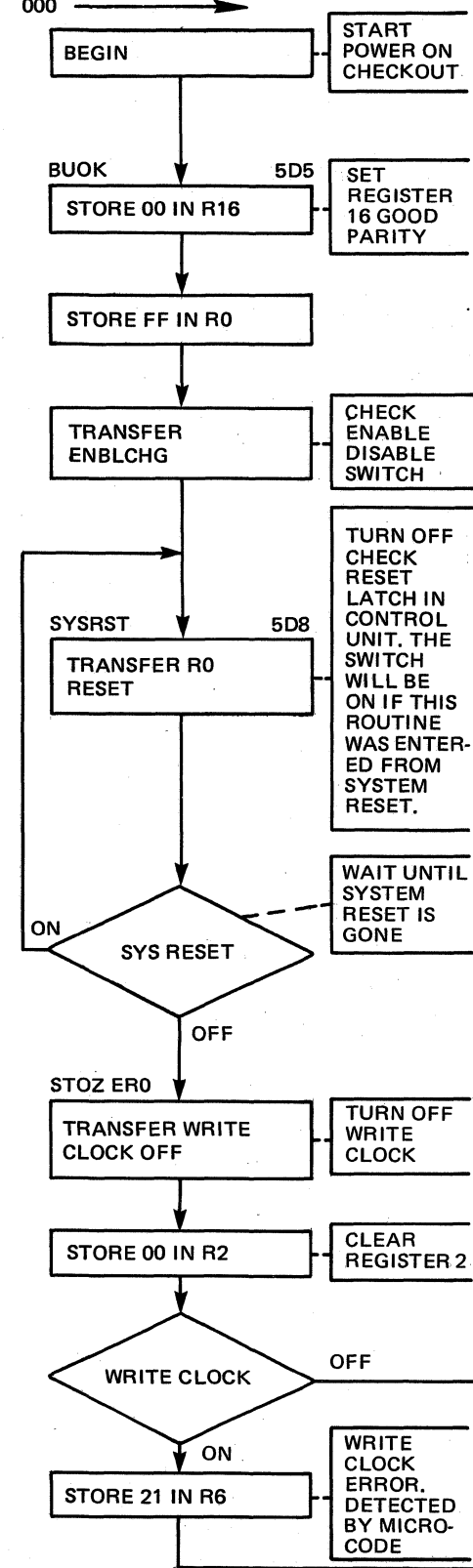
**Seven-Track Write Operation
(System/3 and System/360/370)**

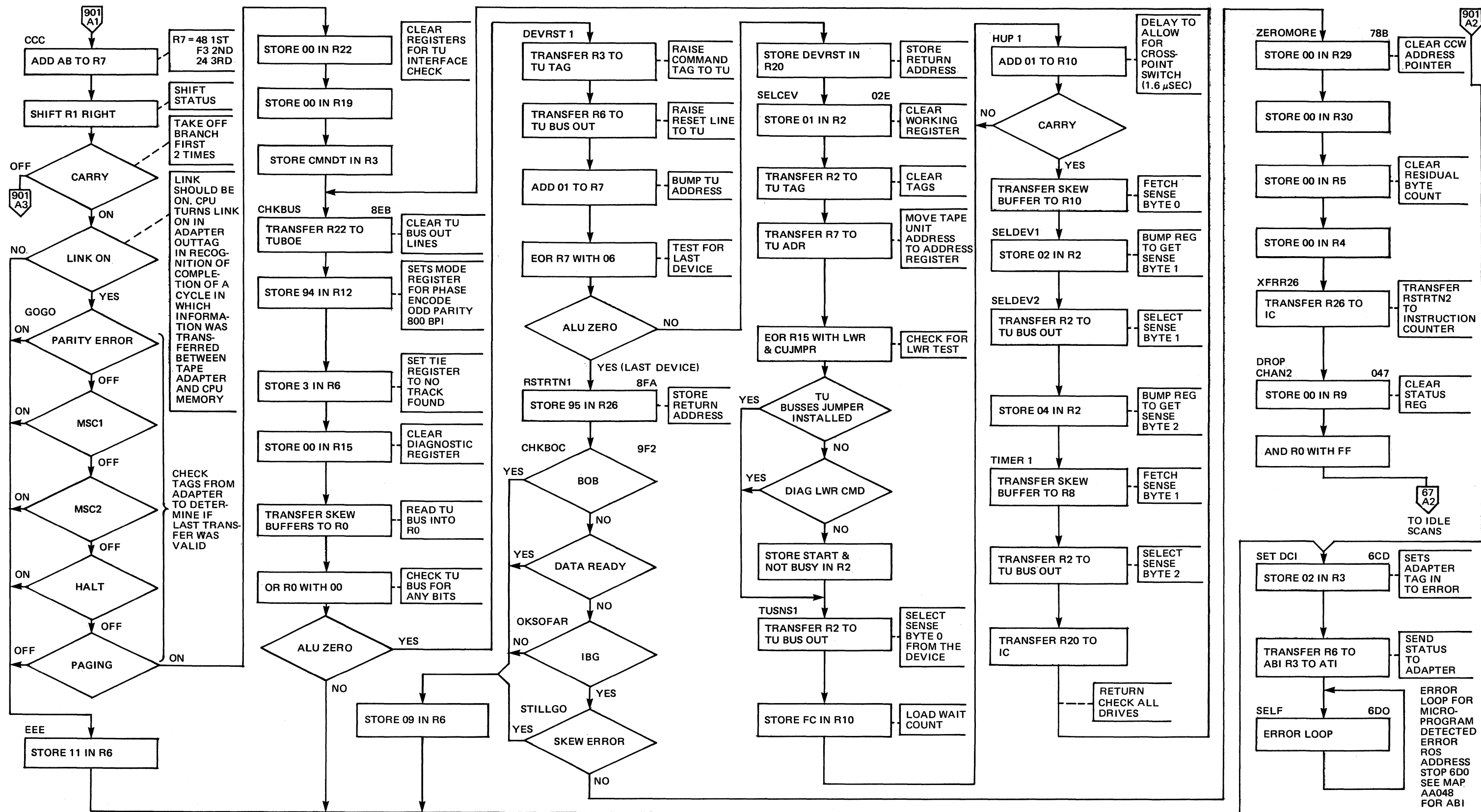
CKODDP The tape unit is reading back the block being written. The tape control checks the parity of each byte and terminates the Write operation when the LRC character is read.



Power-On Reset (System 115/125)

ADDRESS (ADDRESS APPLICABLE TO EC736039)







System/3 Model 10 Attachment

Note: For System/3 Models 8, 12, and 15, see pages A47 through A92.

The magnetic tape attachment is located in the CPU, on channel bank 2, board location B-2 of the feature gate.

The purpose of the attachment is to adapt the subsystem interface to the CPU channel interface. The attachment interprets the signals between the system and subsystem. The attachment also handles data during read, write, and sense operations, and holds tape unit status until it is needed by the CPU.

Data Flow (System/3 Model 10 Attachment Data Flow Diagram)

System/3 Model 10 to Attachment

Instructions Causing Data Flow

There are four I/O instructions which cause data flow between the system and subsystem, through the attachment.

Sense I/O: A Sense instruction causes two bytes of sense information to be sent to the system. Bits 5-7 of the "Q" byte select the sense bytes.

Load I/O (LIO): A Load I/O instruction places two bytes of information in the Magnetic Tape Data Address Register (MTDAR) in CPU, or the Byte Count Register in the subsystem. Only that information going to the Byte Count Register passes through the attachment. Bits 5-7 of the "Q" byte select the destination of the information.

Test I/O (TIO): A Test I/O instruction tests the busy or not ready/unit check status of the tape unit. The attachment holds the tape unit status in the Device Status Register, and the subsystem is not addressed. Bits 5-7 of the "Q" byte select the status condition to be tested.

Start I/O (SIO): A Start I/O instruction initiates a read, write, or motion control operation in the subsystem. Bits 5-7 of the "Q" byte select the type of operation. When the "Q" byte contains a control or diagnostic command, the "R" byte selects which command the subsystem is to execute.

Inputs to Attachment from System

Instruction Tag Out: There are four instruction tag lines to indicate the presence of an instruction in the CPU Operations Register.

SIO Instr indicates a Start I/O instruction.

LIO Instr indicates a Load I/O instruction.

TIO Instr indicates a Test I/O instruction.

SNS Instr indicates a Sense I/O instruction.

Cycle Tag Lines: There are four cycle tag lines which indicate which cycle the CPU is executing during an I/O instruction: IQ Cycle, IR Cycle, EB 1 Cycle, and EB Not 1 Cycle.

Attachment Tags Out: The attachment converts System/3 interface signals and puts them on Attachment Tags Out Bus for use by tape control.

Bus Out: The Bus Out (DBO P, 0-7) transmits data from CPU to the attachment. The data is identified by the Instruction Tag and Cycle Tag lines. Device Address Decode receives the address field of the "Q" byte from DBO to determine which tape unit to select. Attachment Bus Out transfers data from DBO to the tape control.

Data on DBO:

DBO contains a "Q" byte when an Instruction tag and the IQ Cycle tag are up.

DBO contains an "R" byte when SIO Instr and IR Cycle tags are up.

DBO contains the contents of the Main Store location addressed by LIO when LIO Instr and EB Cycle are up.

DBO contains the contents of the Main Store location addressed by LIO, minus 1, when LIO Instr and EB Not 1 Cycle are up.

(In each case the information is available at Clock 6 time.)

I/O Cycle

Read or Write data is transmitted between CPU and the subsystem during I/O cycles. When the attachment requires an I/O cycle, it activates cycle steal request to CPU. When an I/O cycle is granted to an attachment, DBO contains information at Clock 5 of the I/O cycle during a write operation.

Attachment to System/3 Model 10

Sense I/O and Start I/O cause data flow from the subsystem to the system, through the attachment. The sense bytes and data read by the tape unit are transmitted through the Data Bus In to the Bus In (DBI P, 0-7).

Interrupt Requests: When the Interrupt Poll line is up, all interrupt requests are placed on the DBI.

Clock 0-8: CPU clock pulses provided for attachment timing.

Sample DBO (SDBO): A clock pulse which samples the data on DBO.

Early Phase C (EPHASEC): A clock pulse providing a delayed sampling of DBO.

Set ABO Register: A clock pulse generated by the fall of EPHASEC.

Attachment Tags In: The attachment converts the tape control Tags In signals for use by the CPU. The CPU uses these signals to keep track of the tape control working status.

Control In: Control In lines control the data flow of the CPU during an I/O cycle. They are: Store Data, Block SDR, Binary Subtract, and Inhibit LSR Load.

Status In: Status In lines indicate to CPU the status of the tape unit. They are I/O Condition A, and I/O Condition B and are used in combination. These lines are generated from the Device Status Register which keeps track of the tape unit status (ready or busy) and DBO parity check circuits. Any error condition detected by the attachment or the tape control sets the I/O Conditions.

Select Bus In: Select Bus In consists of five lines -- LSR Select 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. The attachment uses 5 and 7 to select the MTDAR.

Error Checking

The attachment checks the data it receives from CPU and the data it receives from and sends to the subsystem. In addition, the attachment monitors the operation of its interface with the subsystem.

Bad parity detected in data received from the CPU will terminate the operation and turn on the PROCESSOR CHECK and CHAN DBO indicators on the system console. Errors in data transferred to and from the subsystem and in the interface operation activate I/O Check to CPU and set Adapter Check and Unit Check in the attachment. The I/O Check to CPU turns on the I/O Check indicator on the System CE Panel. The Adapter Check/Unit Check will activate I/O Condition A to CPU when a Test I/O is executed.

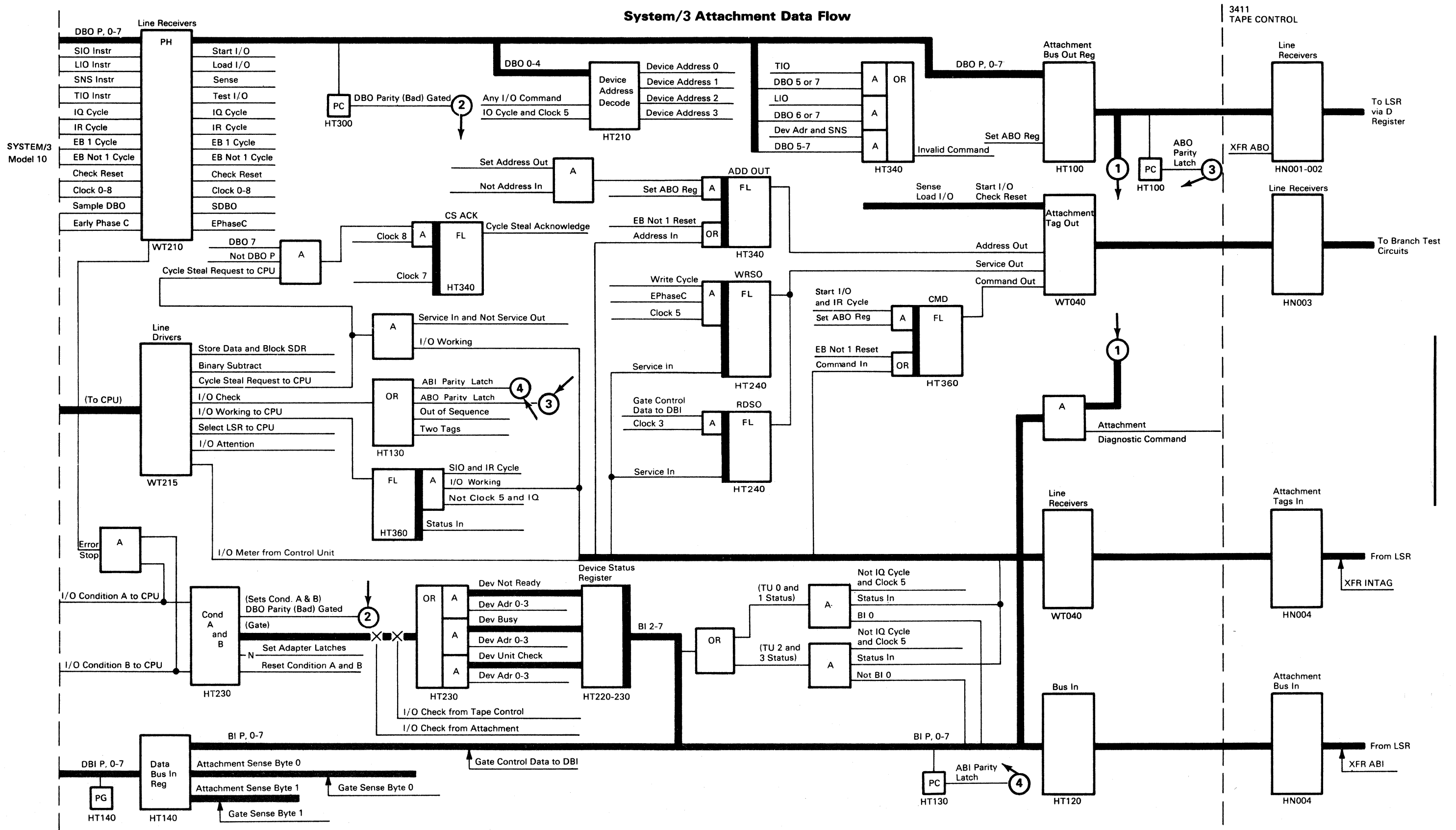
Two other error conditions that can occur set Adapter Check/Unit Check only. The first is an I/O Check from the subsystem. This I/O Check occurs if the microprogram (in the tape control) detects a bit set in subsystem sense byte 0. The second condition is if the subsystem becomes disabled by a hardware error or by the subsystem being taken offline.

The following table defines the errors in more detail.

ERROR SUMMARY

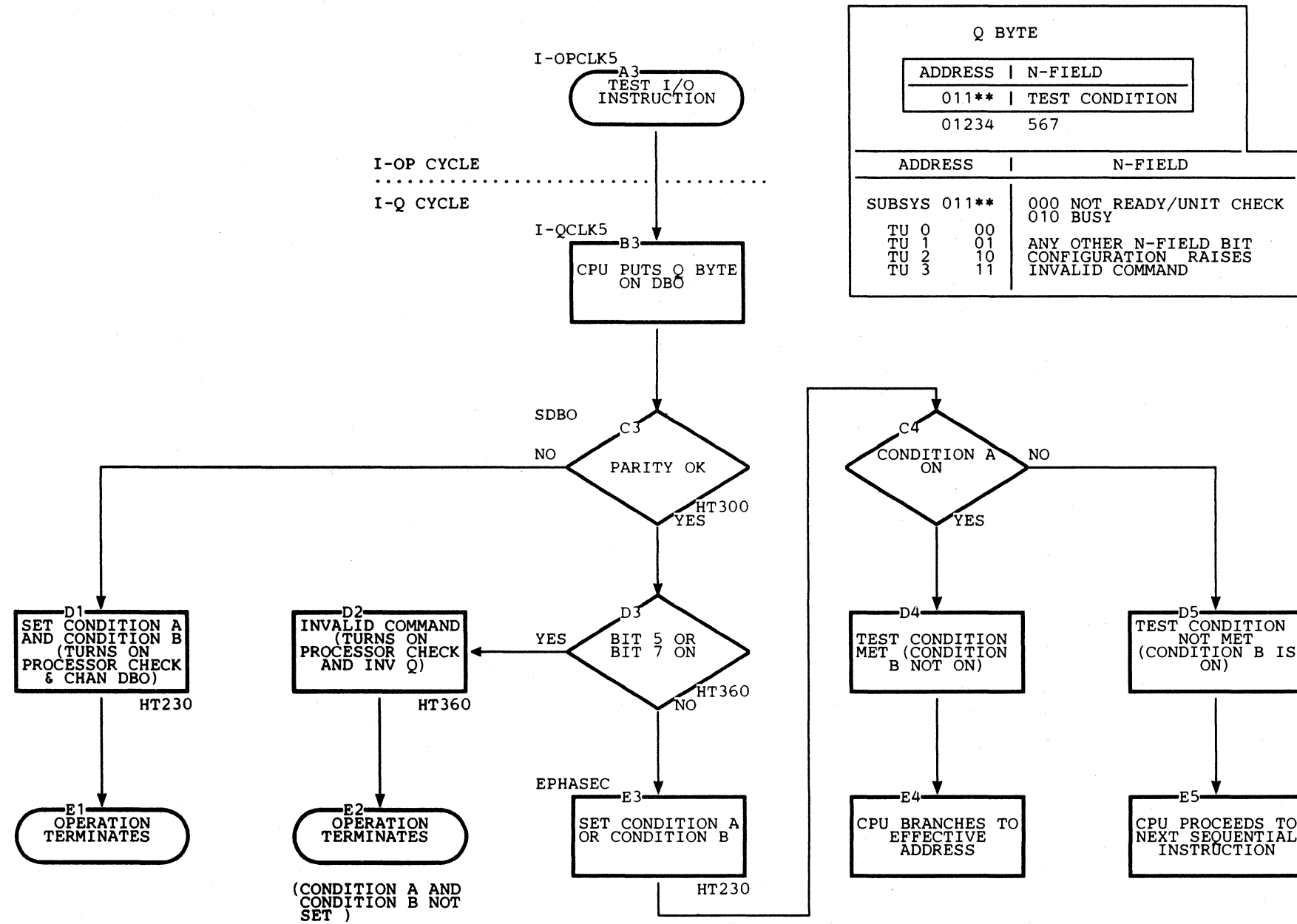
Error Indication	Cause	Comment
PROCESSOR CHECK and CHAN DBO on.	Bad parity detected in byte received from CPU.	Operation terminated. Manual intervention required to restart.
PROCESSOR CHECK and INV Q on.	Invalid command received from CPU.	
I/O CHECK	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Data byte received from tape subsystem had bad parity on the ABI. 2. Detected bad parity in the data byte being sent to the subsystem on the ABO. 3. Two 'in tags,' status, service, command, or address were active simultaneously. 4. The subsystem did not respond with the correct 'in tag.' 	<p>Also sets 'Adapter Check' and 'Unit Check' in the attachment.</p> <p>The System will execute a sense instruction to determine the error condition.</p>
Adapter Check/ Unit Check	1. Subsystem is disabled.	1. The ENABLE/DISABLE switch may be in the DISABLE position or a hardware error has occurred. Check the switch. The System will execute a sense instruction to get the hardware error byte.
	2. I/O Check from the subsystem.	2. The microprogram has detected a bit set in Subsystem Sense Byte 0. The System will execute a sense instruction to determine the error.

System/3 Attachment Data Flow



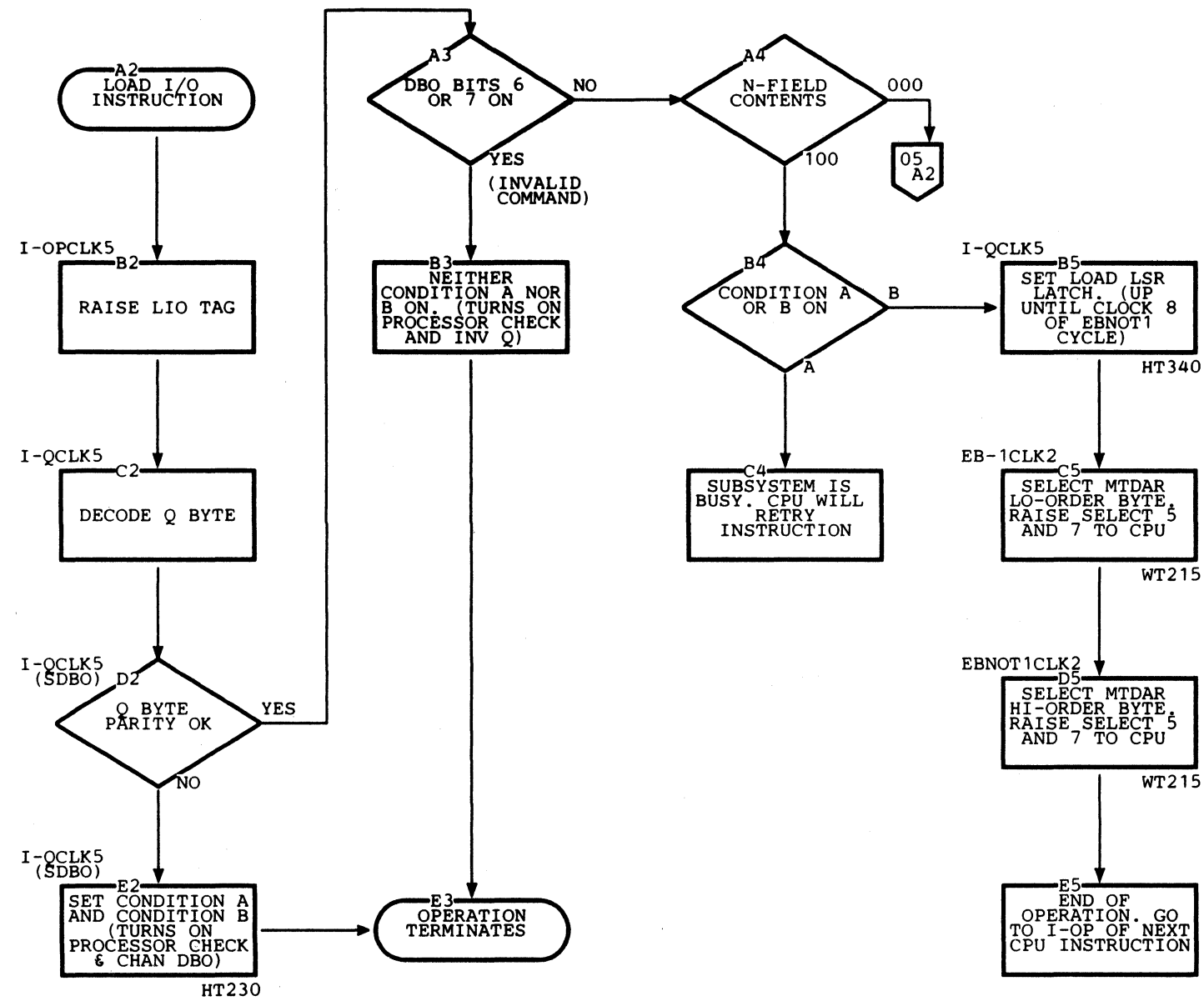
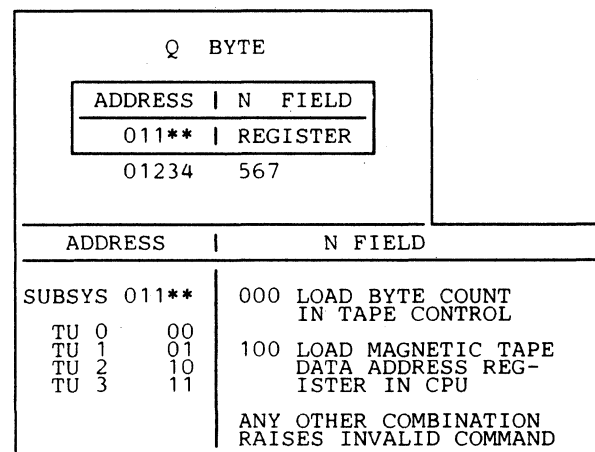
Test I/O

Test I/O checks for the Busy or Not Ready/Unit Check status of the addressed tape unit. The test conditions are contained in the N-Field of the Q Byte. If the condition is met the CPU program branches to the address specified by the Test I/O instruction. If the condition is not met, the CPU program proceeds to the next instruction.

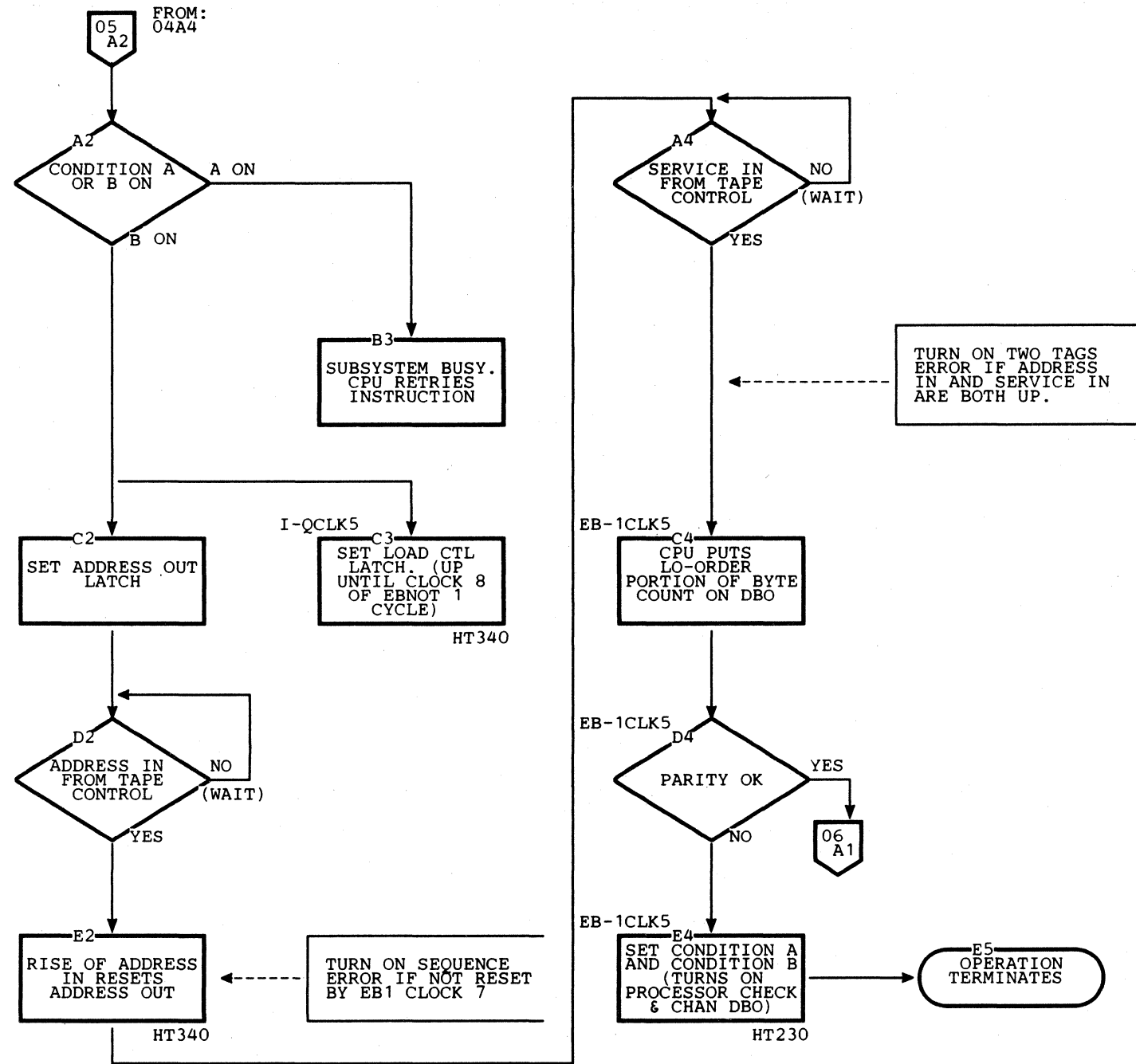


Load I/O

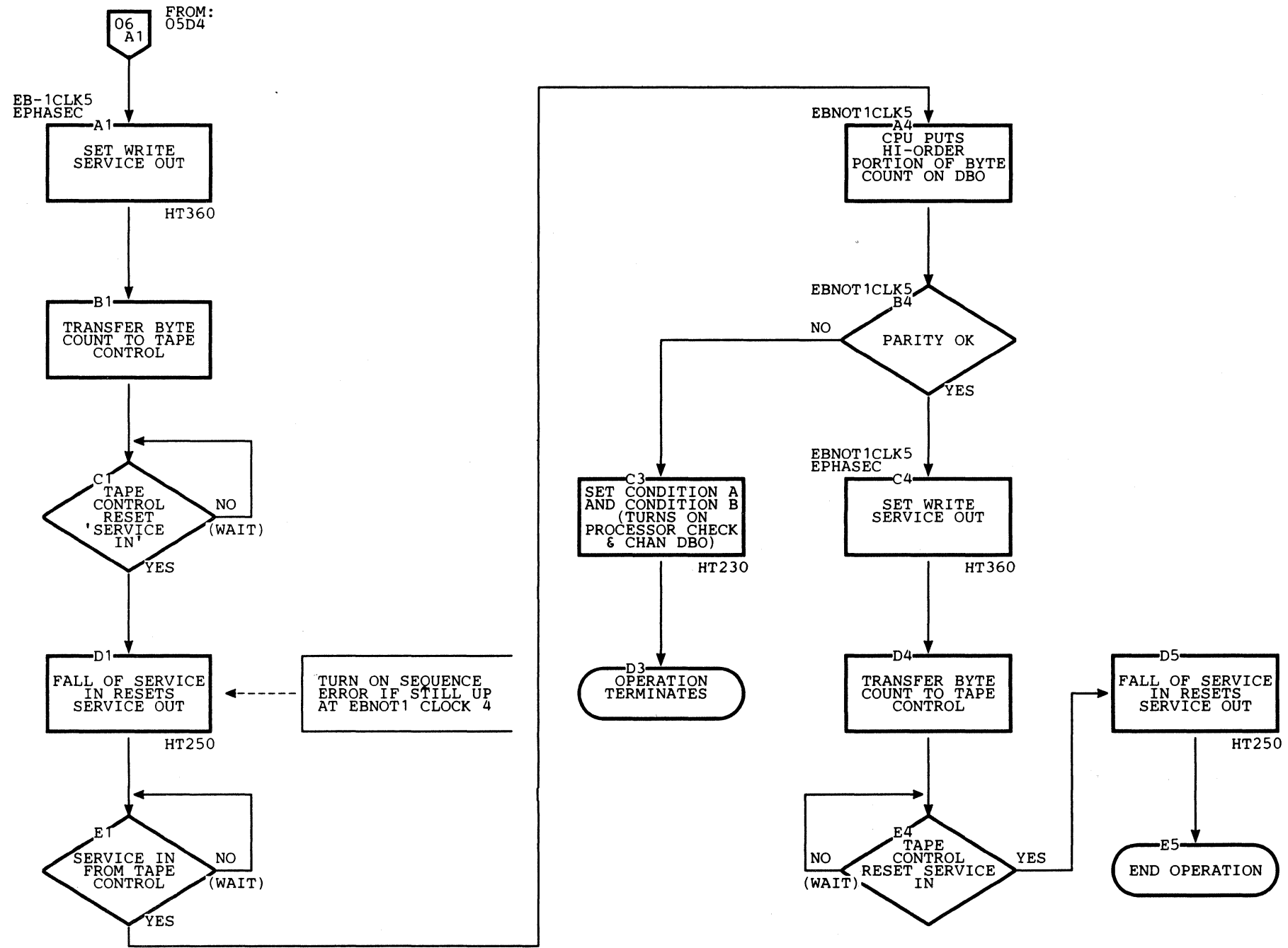
The Load I/O (LIO) instruction stores two bytes of data in the Magnetic Tape Data Address Register (MTDAR) or in the tape control LSR. The bytes stored in the MTDAR contain the main storage address where data is to be stored or fetched. The bytes stored in the tape control LSR contain the byte count for a subsequent data operation.



Load I/O



Load I/O

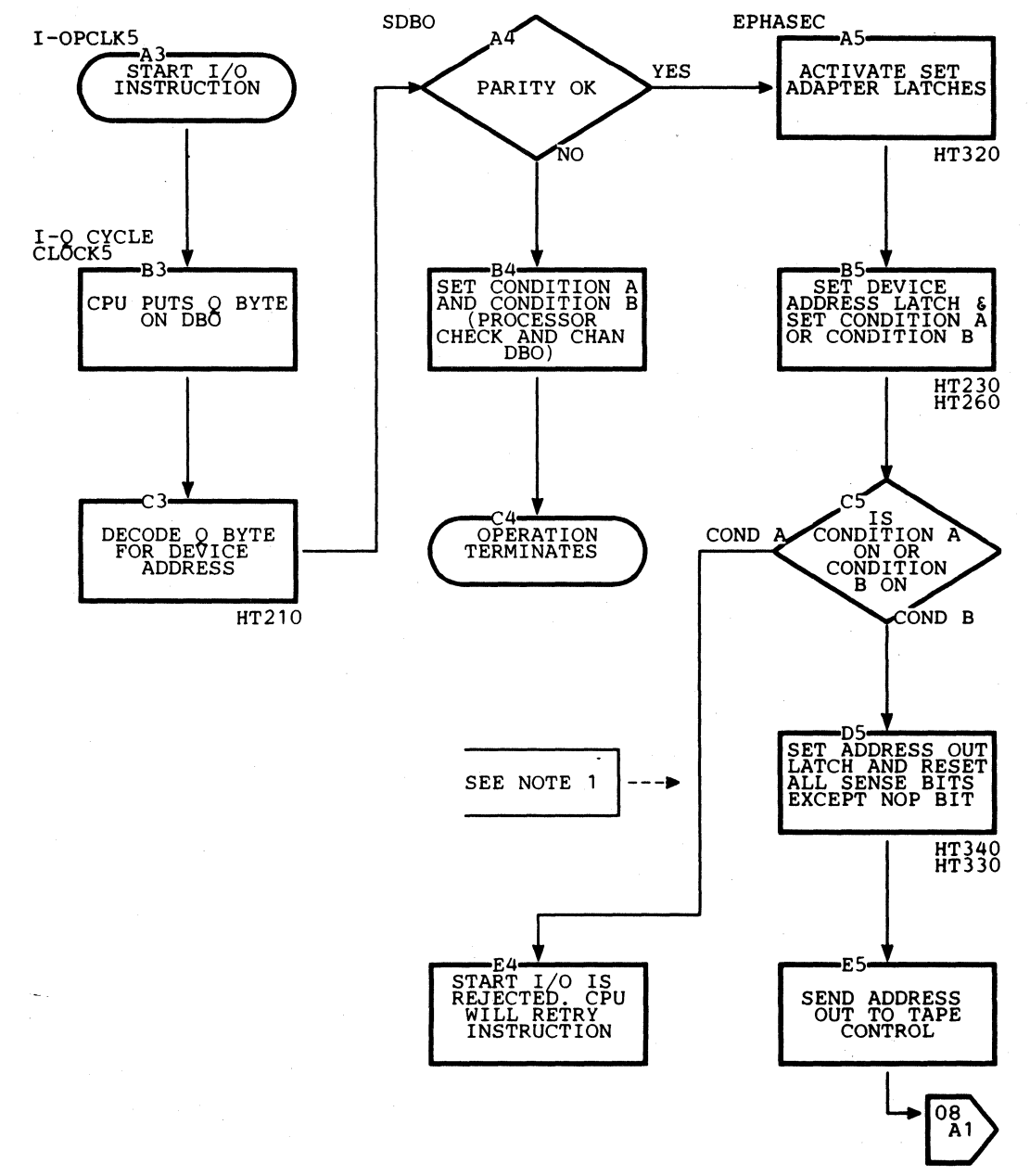


Start I/O (SIO)

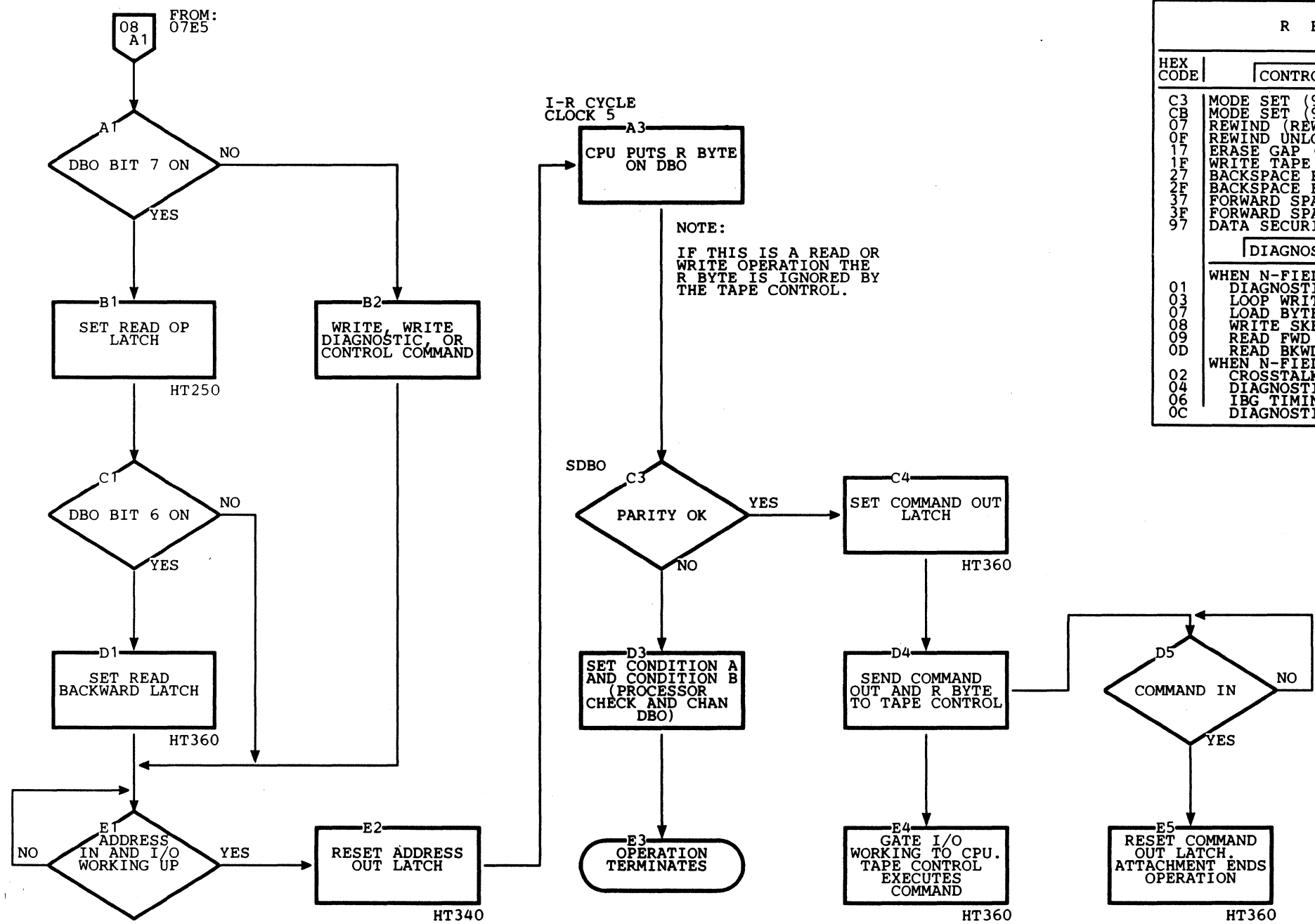
Start I/O initiates a tape operation. During the I-Q Cycle, the Q Byte is decoded for the tape unit address and command. If the command is the Control or Diagnostic type, an R Byte is received during the I-R Cycle. The R Byte contains the specific Control or Diagnostic command. For a Read or Write command the R Byte is not used. However the I-R Cycle is still executed.

Q BYTE			
ADDRESS		N-FIELD	
011**		COMMAND	
01234		567	
ADDRESS		N-FIELD	
SUBSYS	011**	COMMAND	
TU 0	00	000	CONTROL
TU 1	01	001	READ FORWARD
TU 2	10	010	WRITE
TU 3	11	011	READ BACKWARD
		100	WRITE DIAGNOSTIC (SUBSYSTEM)
		101	READ DIAGNOSTIC (SUBSYSTEM)
		110	WRITE DIAGNOSTIC (ATTHMNT)
		111	READ DIAGNOSTIC (ATTHMNT)

NOTE 1
 CONDITION A IS ON WHEN:
 (1) I/O WORKING IS ACTIVE, OR
 (2) DEVICE HAS GONE NOT READY, OR
 (3) THE DEVICE IS BUSY.



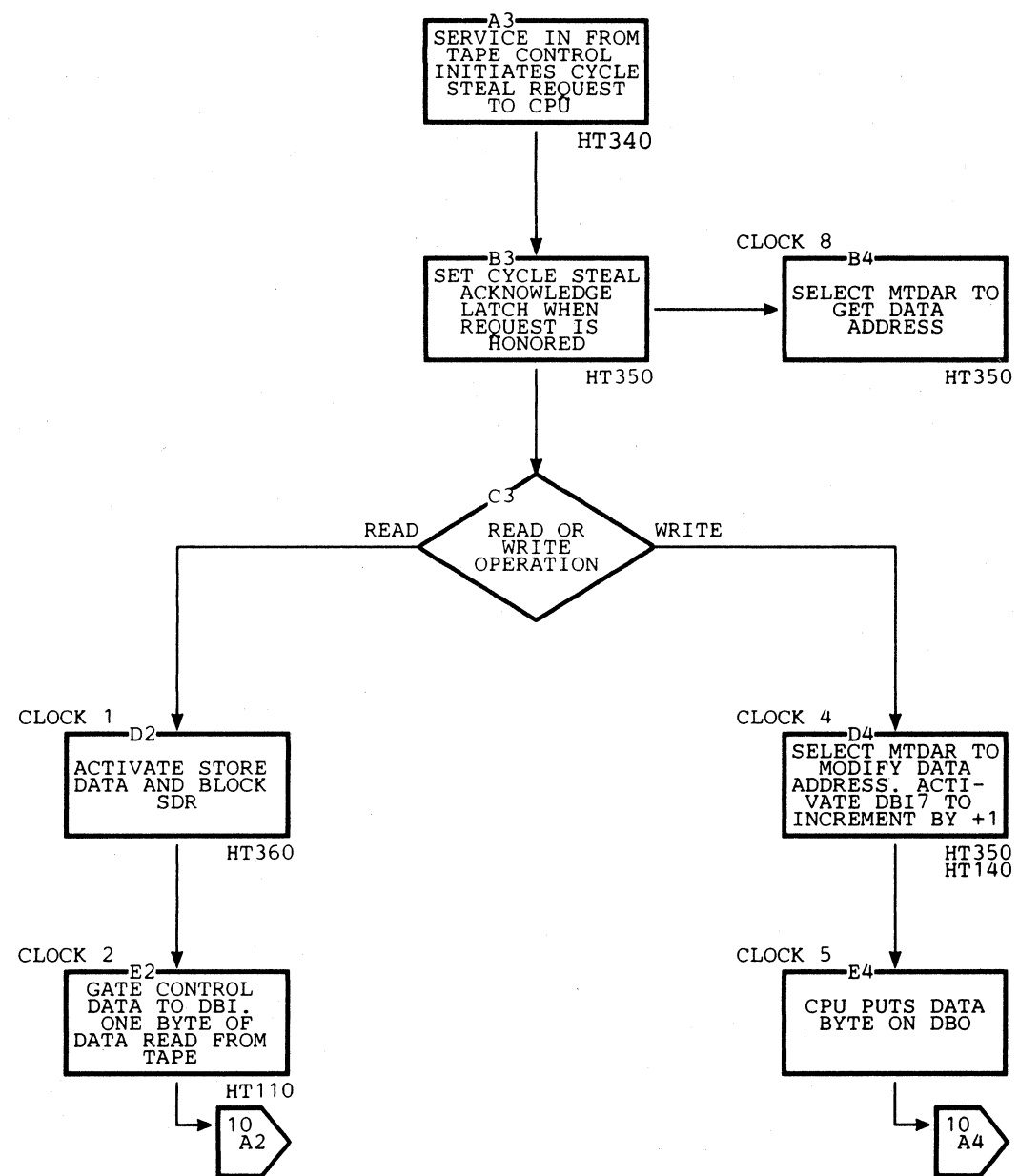
Start I/O (SIO)



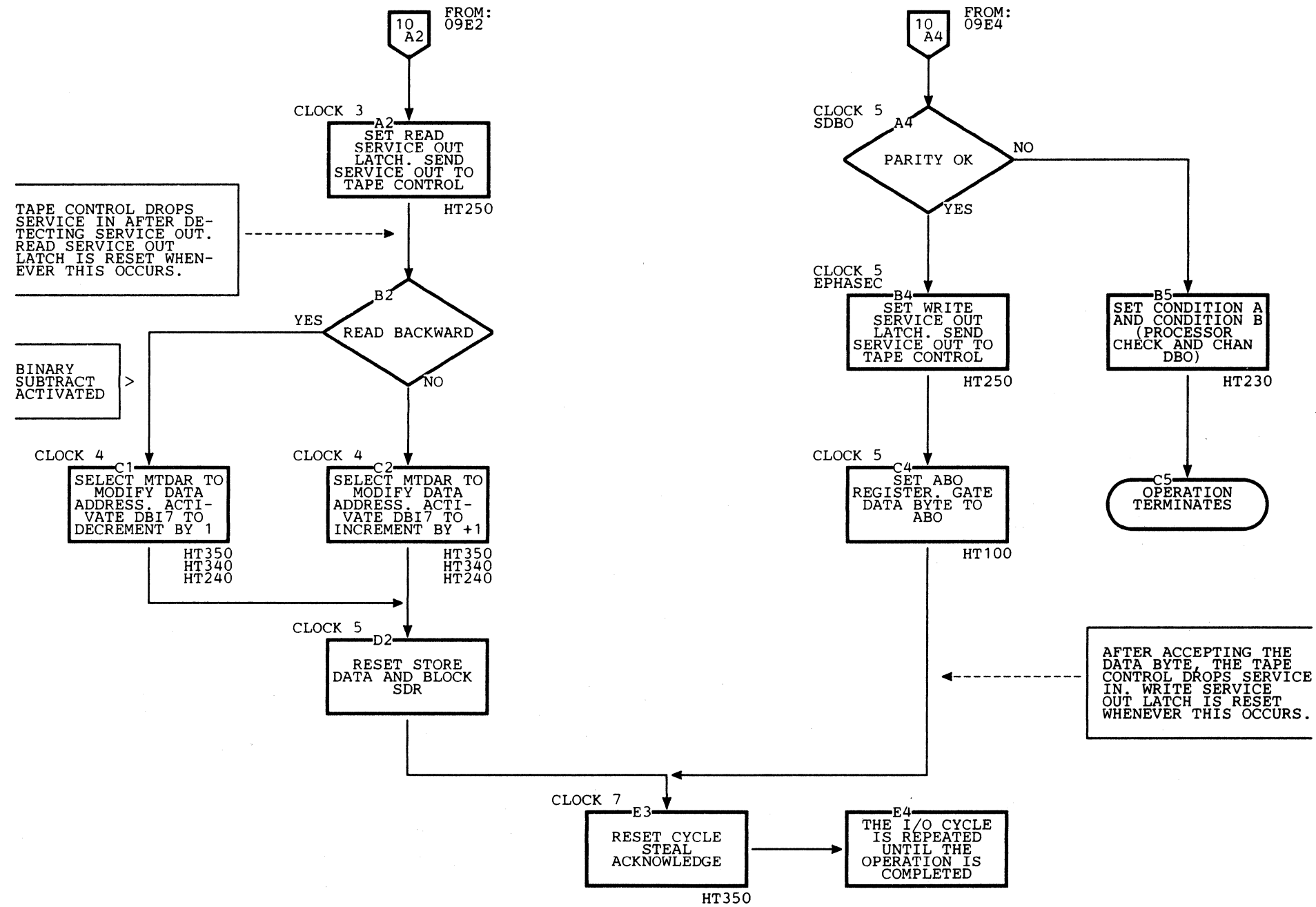
R BYTE	
HEX CODE	CONTROL COMMAND
C3	MODE SET (9-TRACK PE)
CB	MODE SET (9-TRACK NRZI)
07	REWIND (REW)
0F	REWIND UNLOAD (RUN)
17	ERASE GAP (ERG)
1F	WRITE TAPE MARK (WTM)
27	BACKSPACE BLOCK (BSB)
2F	BACKSPACE FILE (BSF)
37	FORWARD SPACE BLOCK (FSB)
3F	FORWARD SPACE FILE (FSF)
97	DATA SECURITY ERASE (DSE)
DIAGNOSTIC COMMAND	
WHEN N-FIELD IS 100	
01	DIAGNOSTIC WRITE
03	LOOP WRITE TO READ
07	LOAD BYTE
08	WRITE SKEW CHECK
09	READ FWD SKEW CHECK
0D	READ BKWD SKEW CHECK
WHEN N-FIELD IS 101	
02	CROSSTALK CHECK
04	DIAGNOSTIC MEASURE (FWD)
06	IBG TIMING TEST
0C	DIAGNOSTIC MEASURE (BKWD)

I/O Cycles

I/O Cycles are the result of the Start I/O instruction. The tape control requests the I/O Cycle by raising Service In to the attachment. The attachment then issues a Cycle Request 7 to CPU. After the CPU acknowledges the cycle steal request, the data transfer begins. One byte of data is transferred each I/O Cycle. When tape control is ready to receive or send the next byte, another Cycle Steal Request is made to CPU.



I/O Cycles

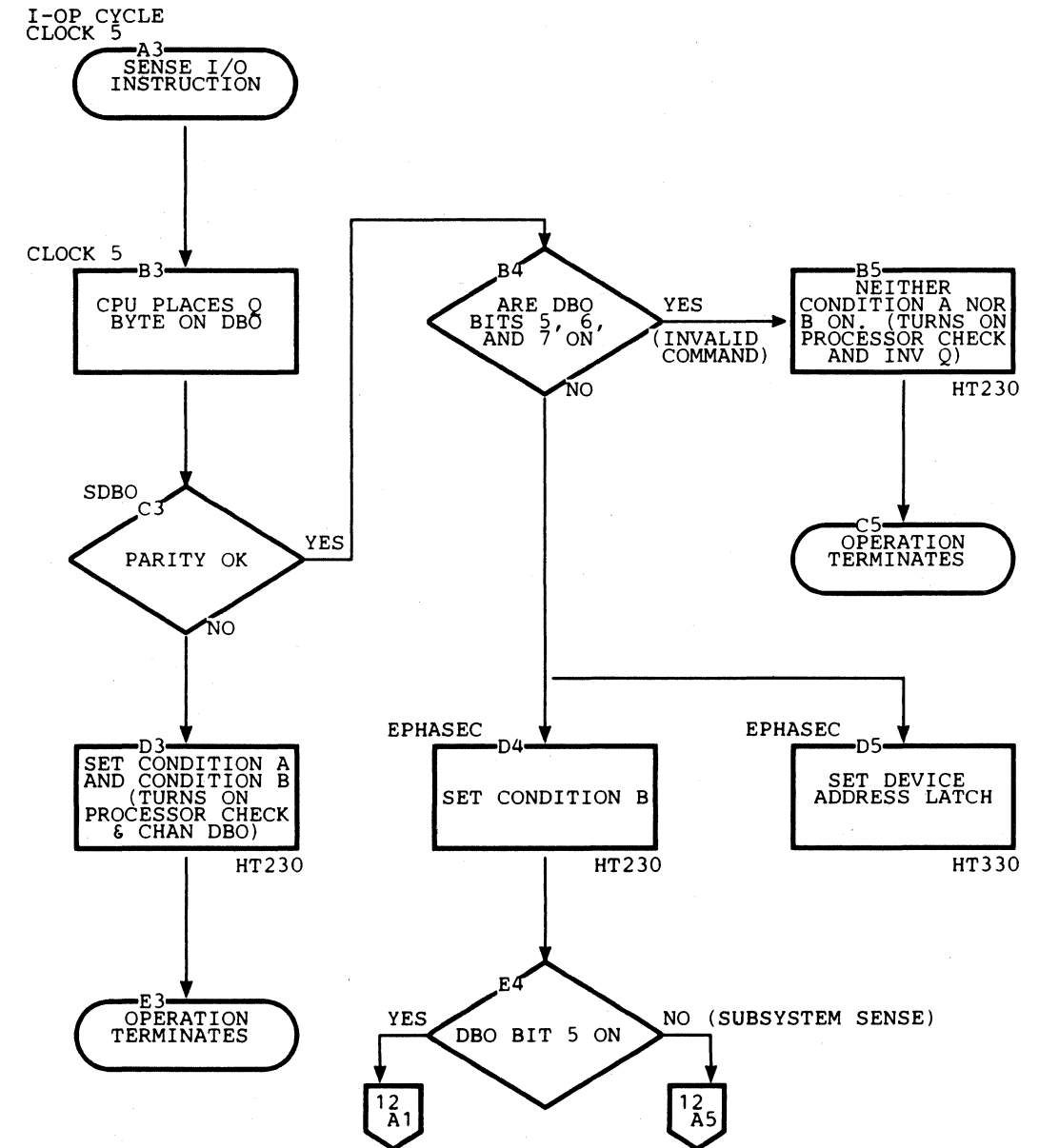


Sense I/O

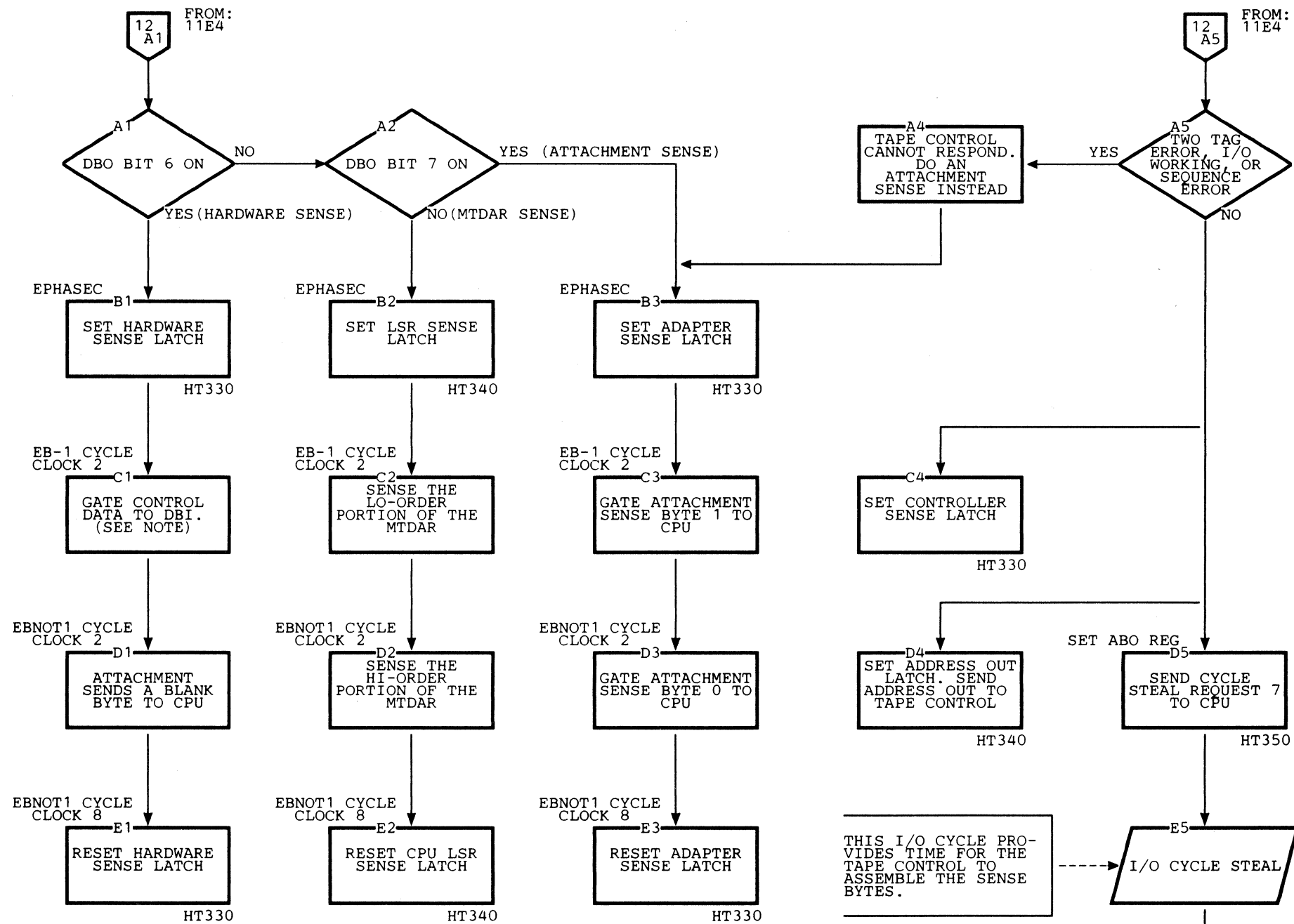
The Sense I/O (SNS) instruction requests sense data from the Attachment, the MTDAR, or the subsystem. During the I-Q Cycle, the Q Byte is decoded for the address and the unit being sensed. During the following EB-1 and EB-Not 1 Cycles, the requested sense data is sent to the CPU. If the subsystem is sensed, an I/O Cycle is taken but no data is transferred. The I/O Cycle is taken to provide time for the subsystem to assemble the requested sense data.

Q BYTE			
ADDRESS		N FIELD	
011**		UNIT	
01234		567	
ADDRESS		N FIELD	
SUBSYS	011**		
TU 0	00	000	SUBSYSTEM 0/1
TU 1	01	001	SUBSYSTEM 2/3
TU 2	10	010	SUBSYSTEM 4/5
TU 3	11	011	SUBSYSTEM 6/7
		100	*MTDAR SENSE
		101	ATTMNT SENSE
		110	HARDWARE SENSE
		111	INVALID

*THE MTDAR (MAGNETIC TAPE DATA ADDRESS REGISTER) IS THE CPU LSR ASSIGNED TO THE SUBSYSTEM



Sense I/O

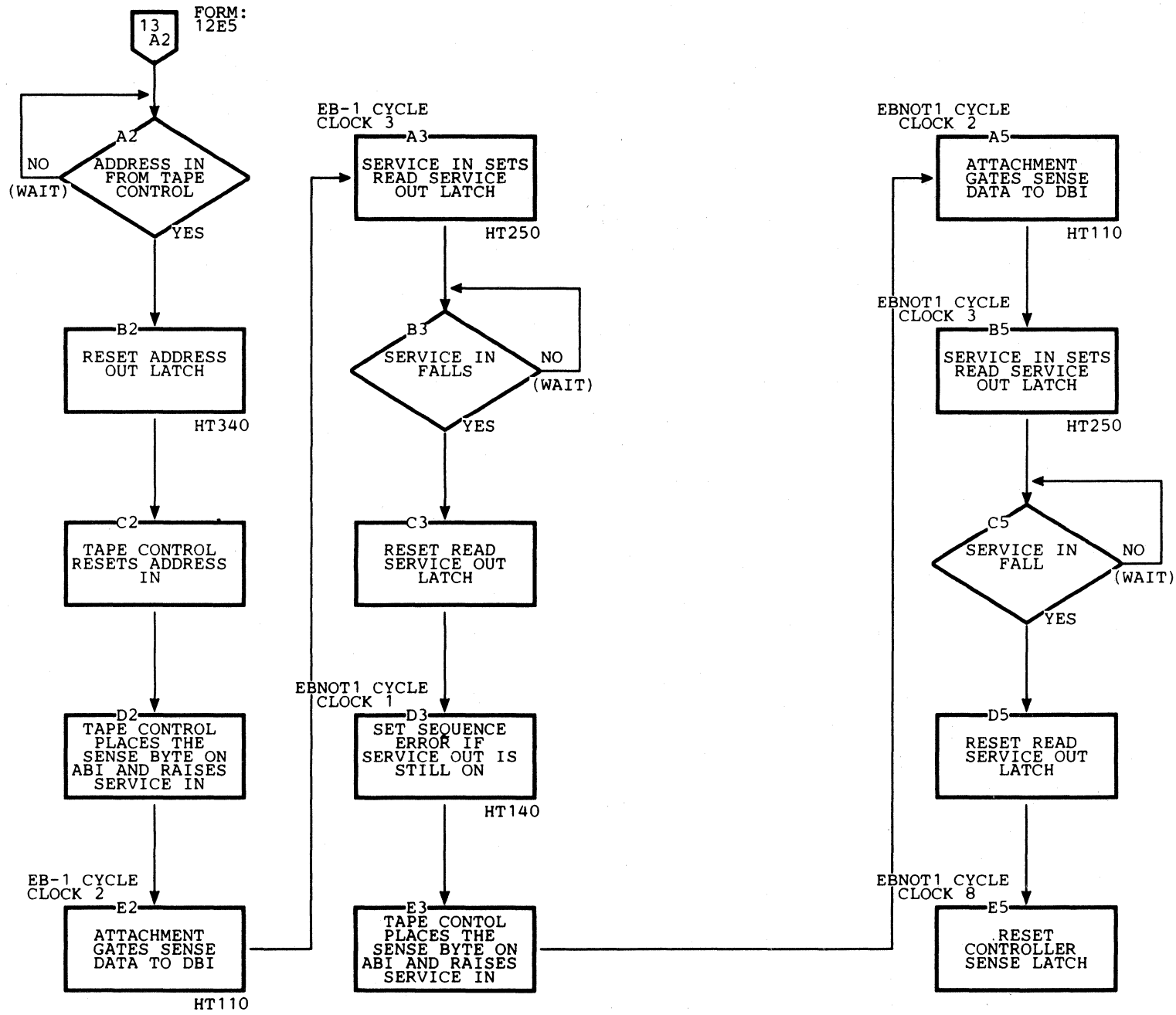


NOTE:

TAPE CONTROL FORCES EITHER THE HARDWARE DETECTED OR MICROPROGRAM DETECTED (NOT BOTH) HARDWARE ERROR BYTE ONTO THE ABI. IT IS GATED TO THE CPU AT THIS TIME.

Sense I/O

NOTE
A SUBSYSTEM SENSE FOR
BYTES 0 AND 1 WILL
RESET THE NOP BIT IN
BYTE 0



System/3 Attachment Diagrams

The following charts graphically describe the internal operations of the System/3 attachment for the 3410-3411 Tape Subsystem. Each operation is described at a basic level stressing the overall concept. If necessary, the reader can proceed from the concept-level charts to charts having more detail. Refer to the table of contents, the scheme of which is shown below.

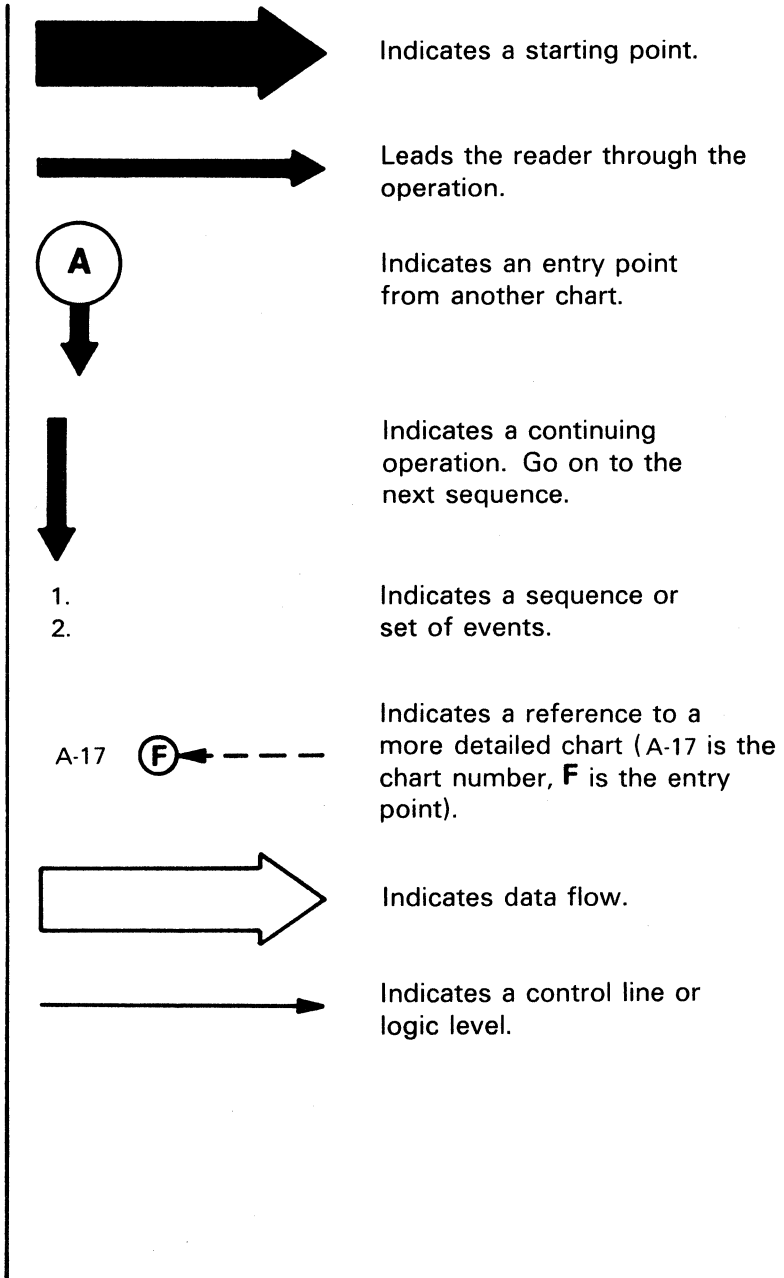
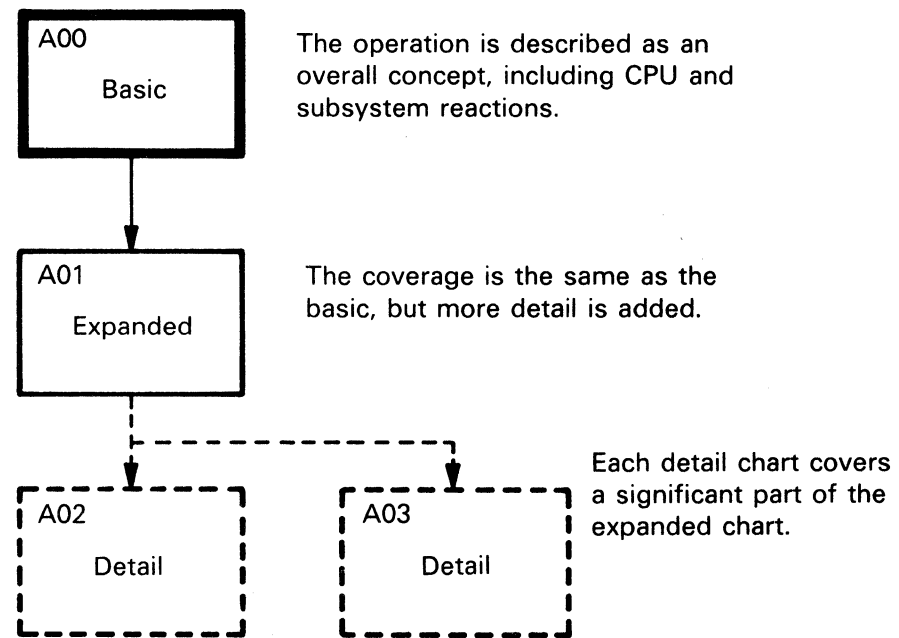
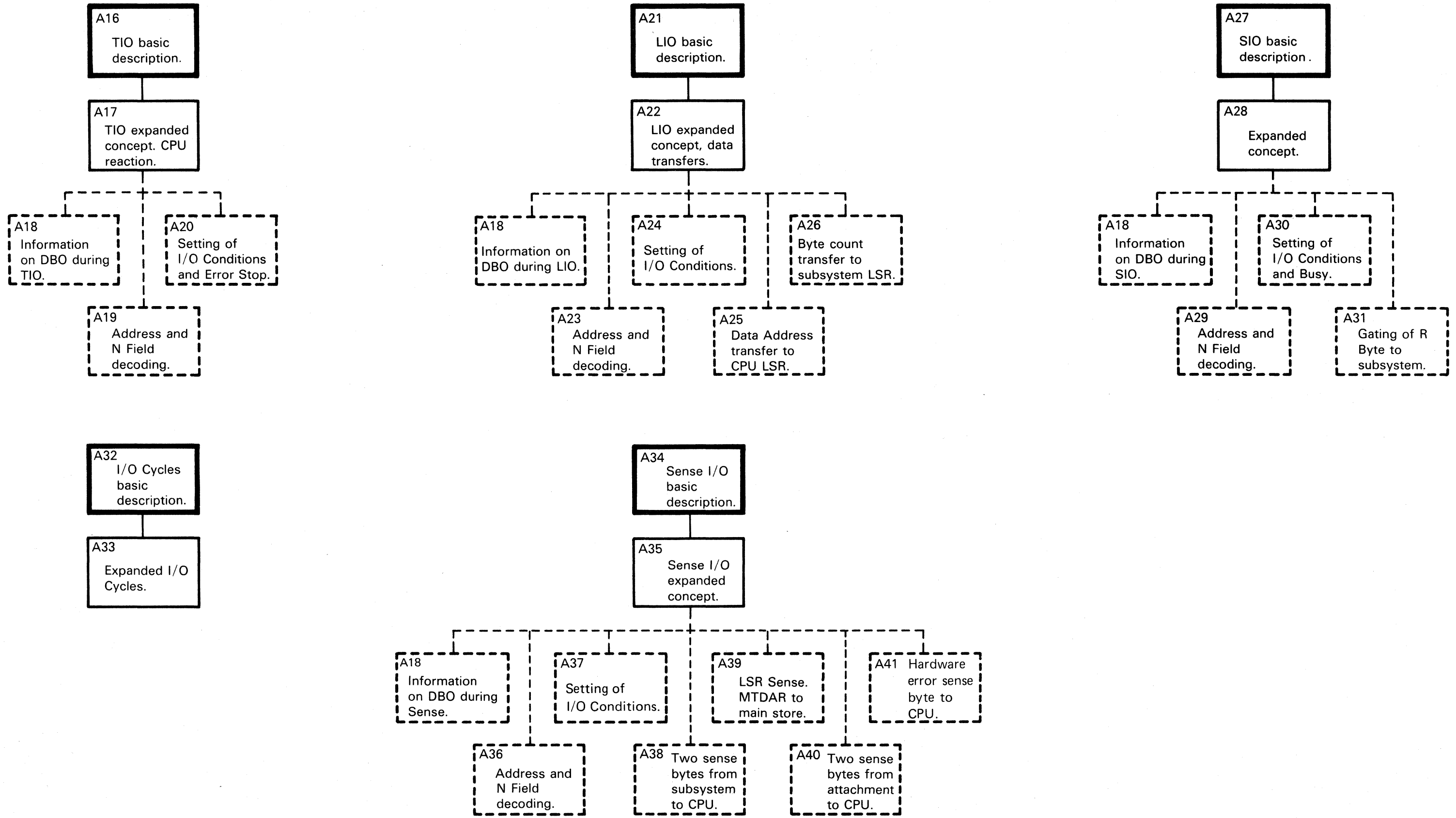
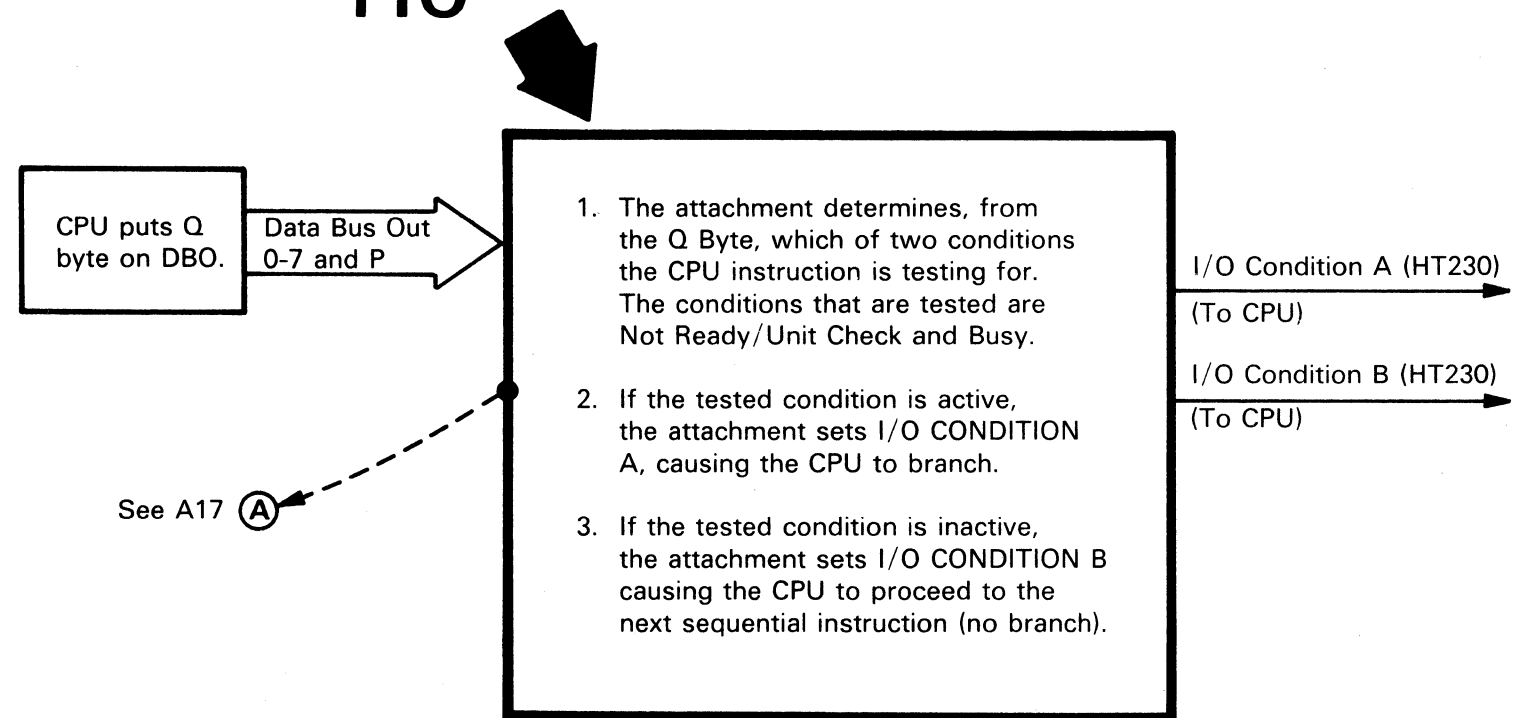
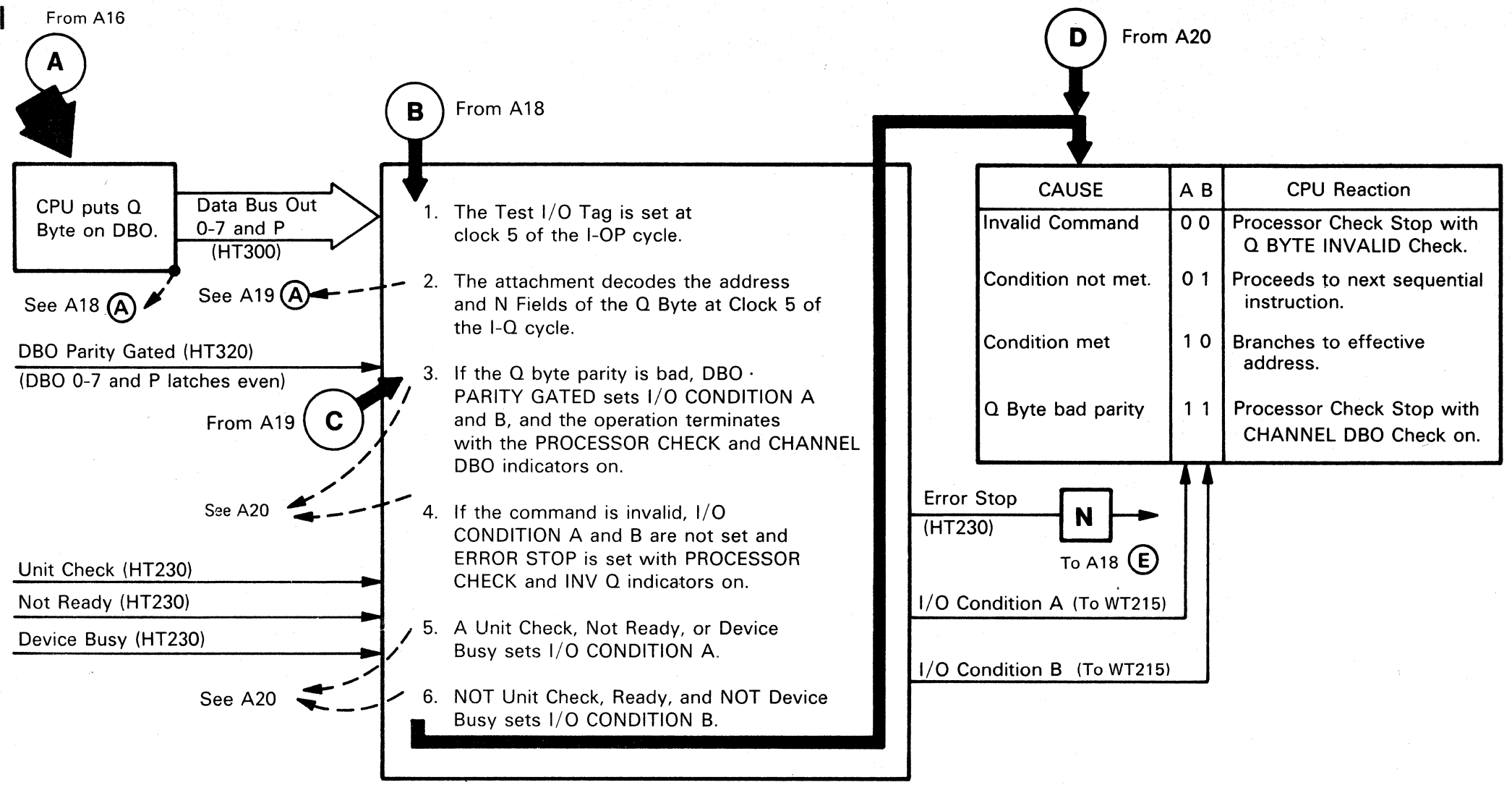


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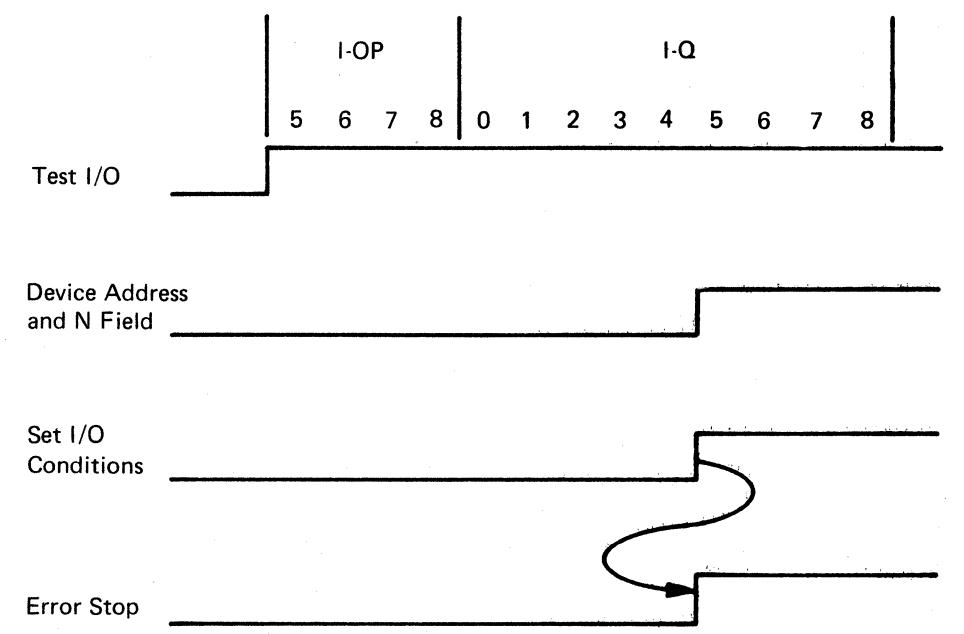
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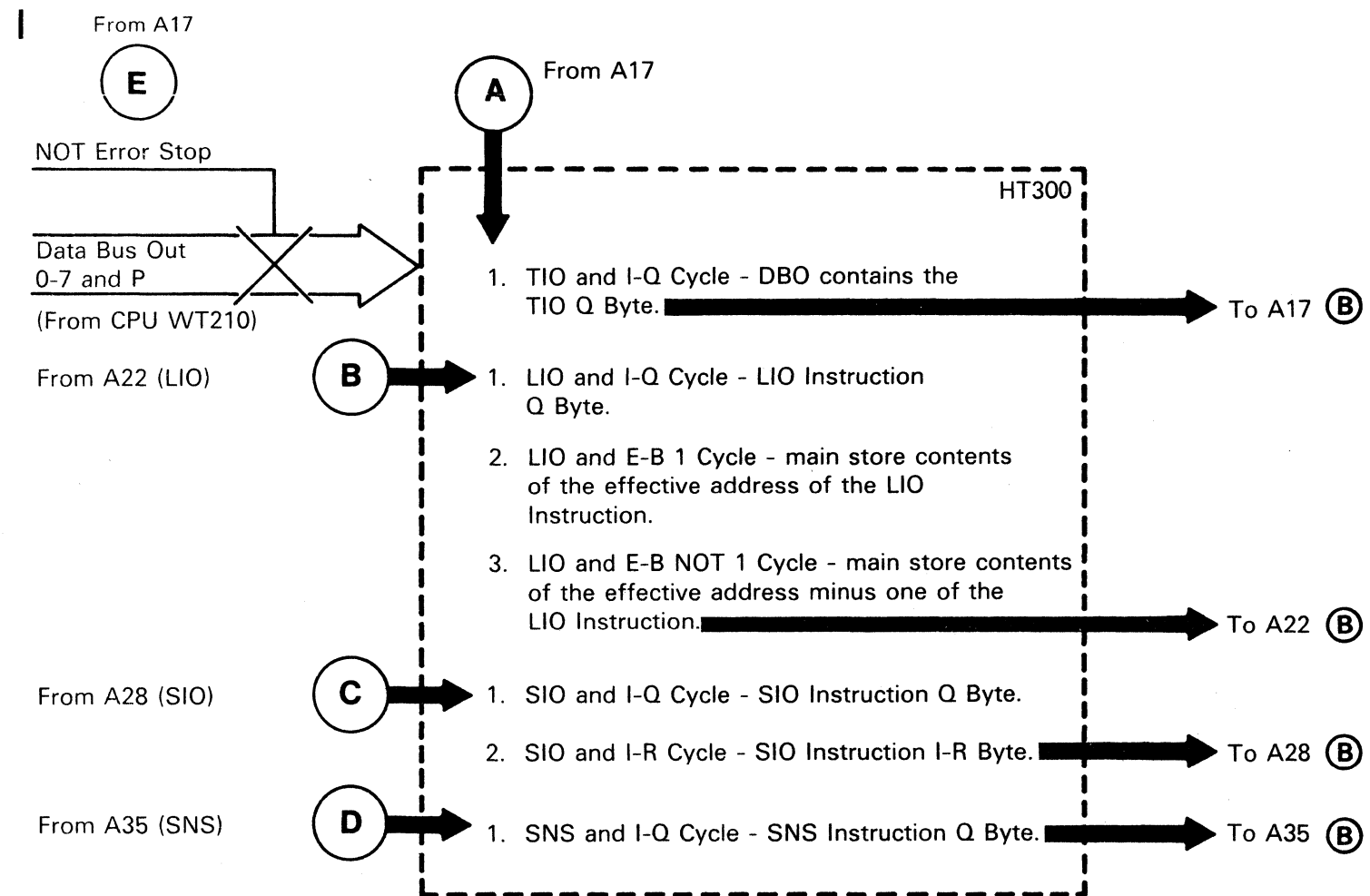


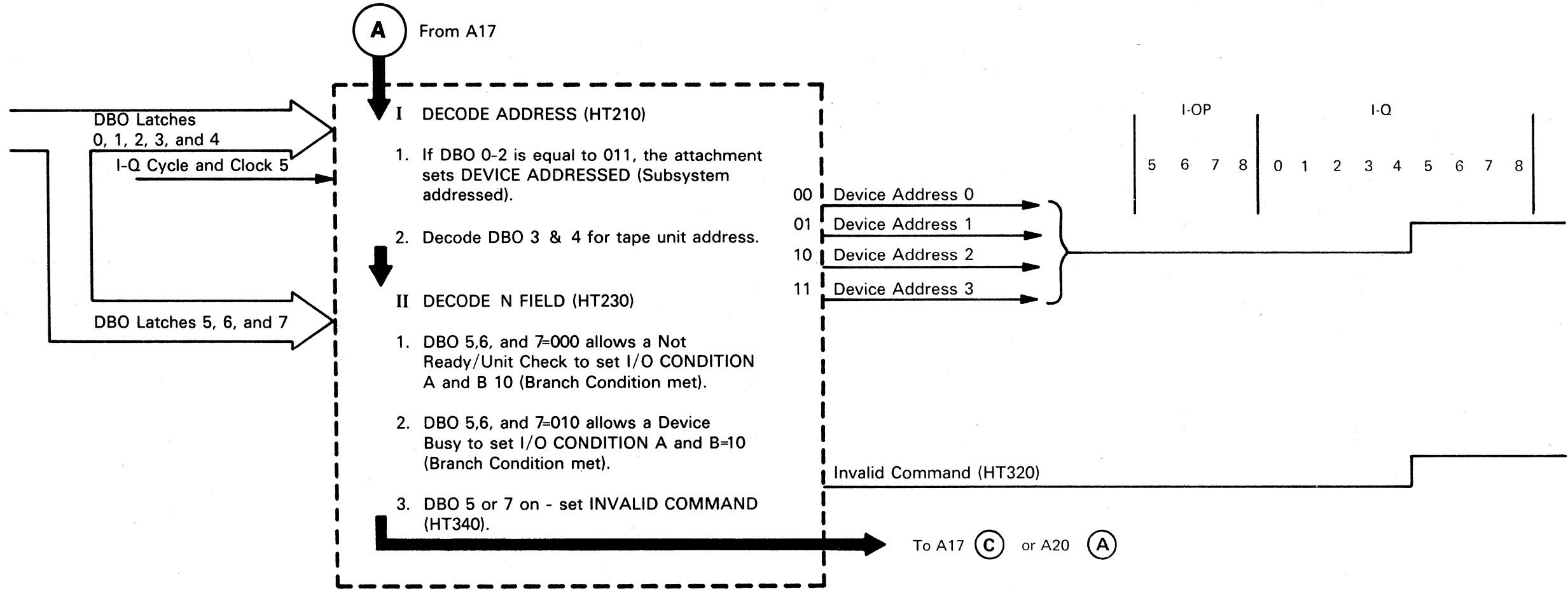


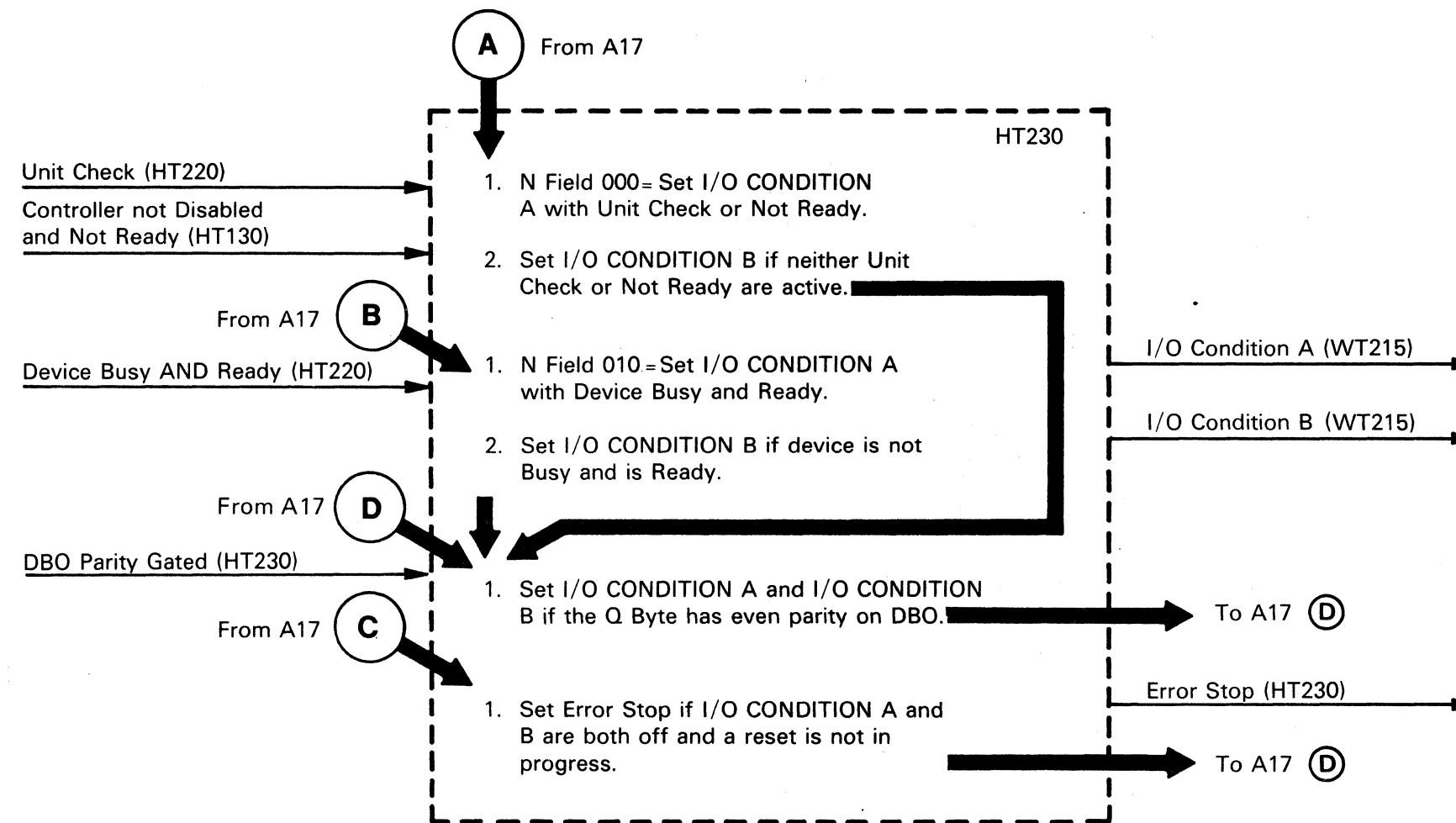
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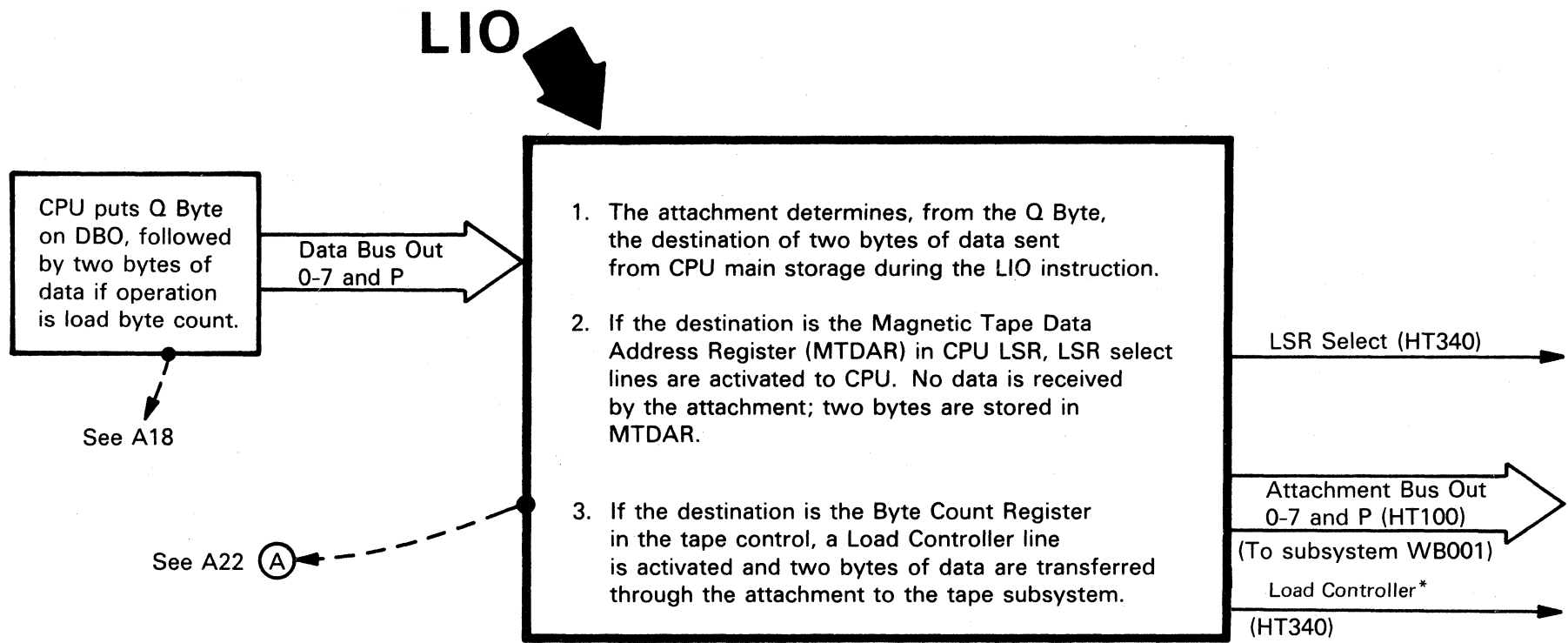
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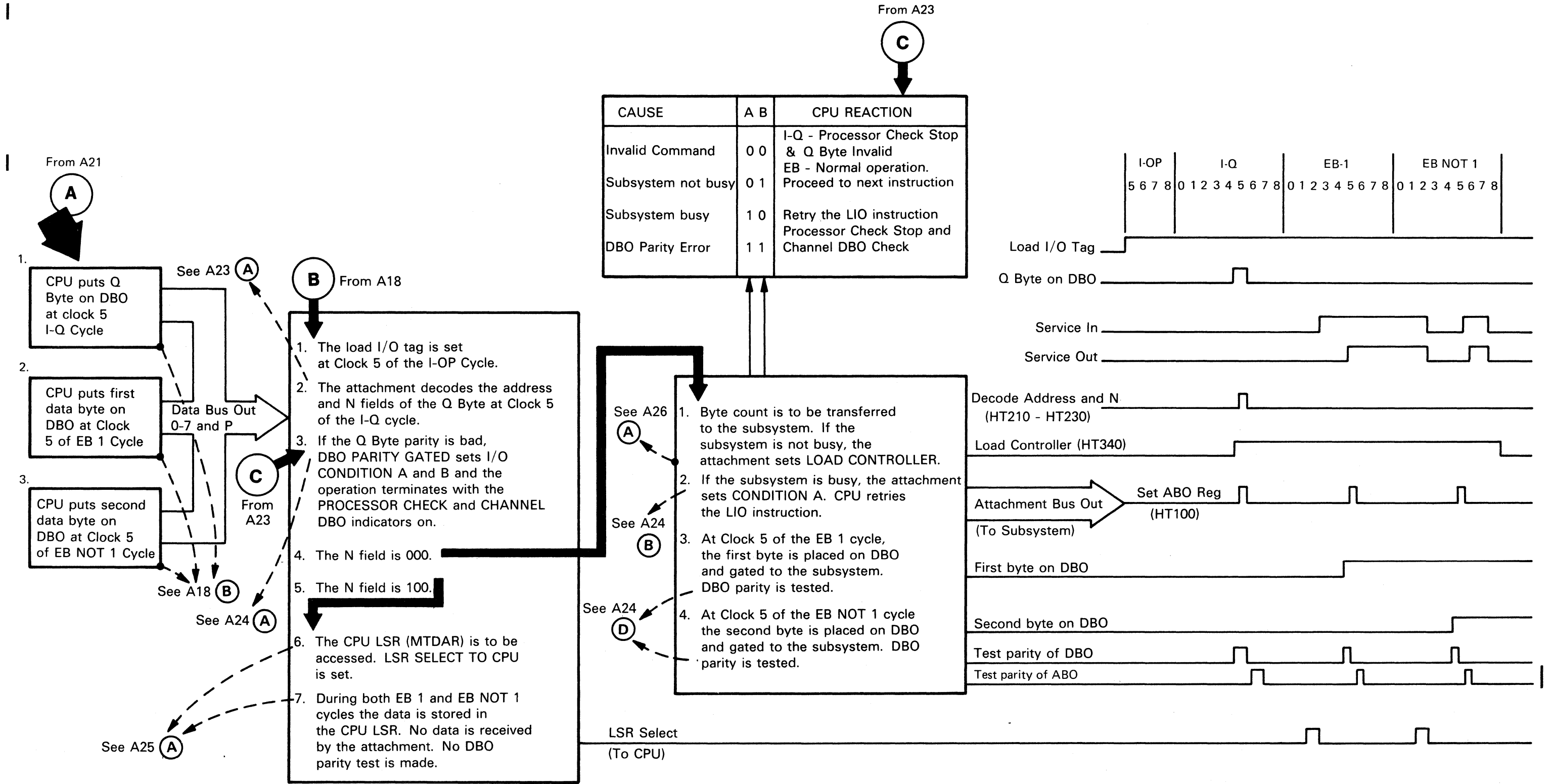


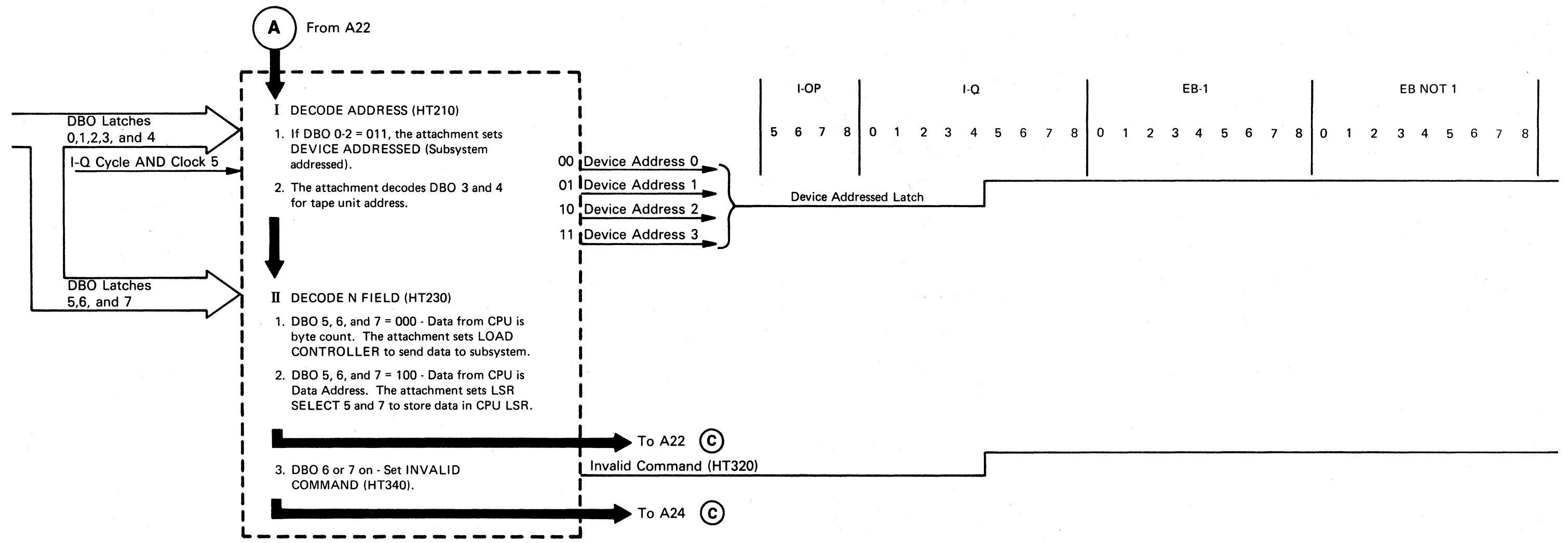


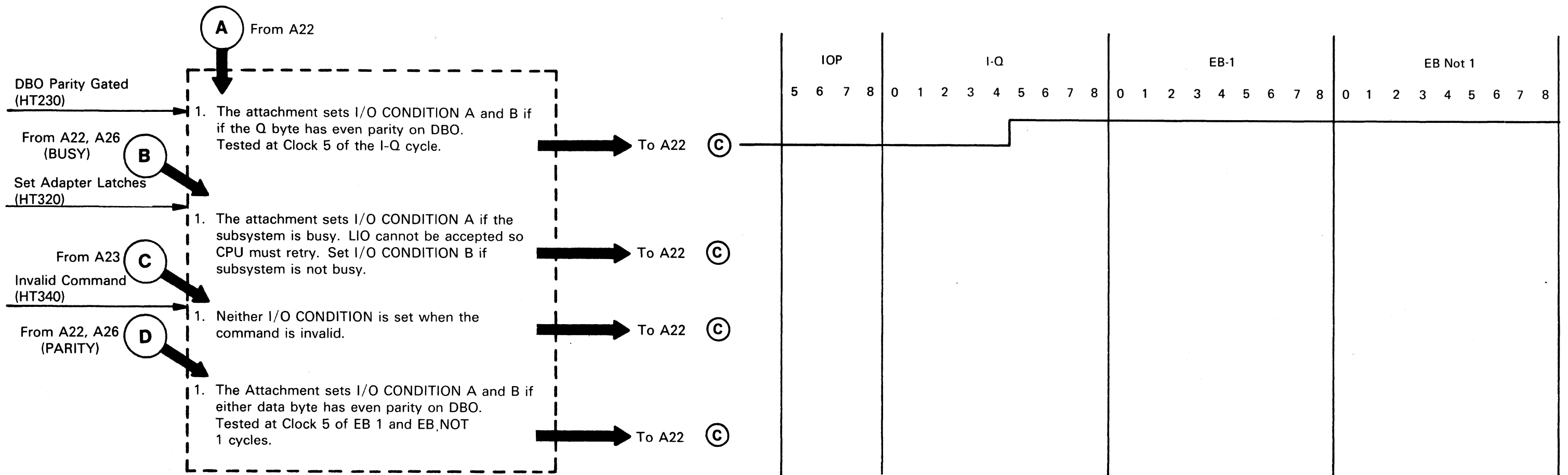


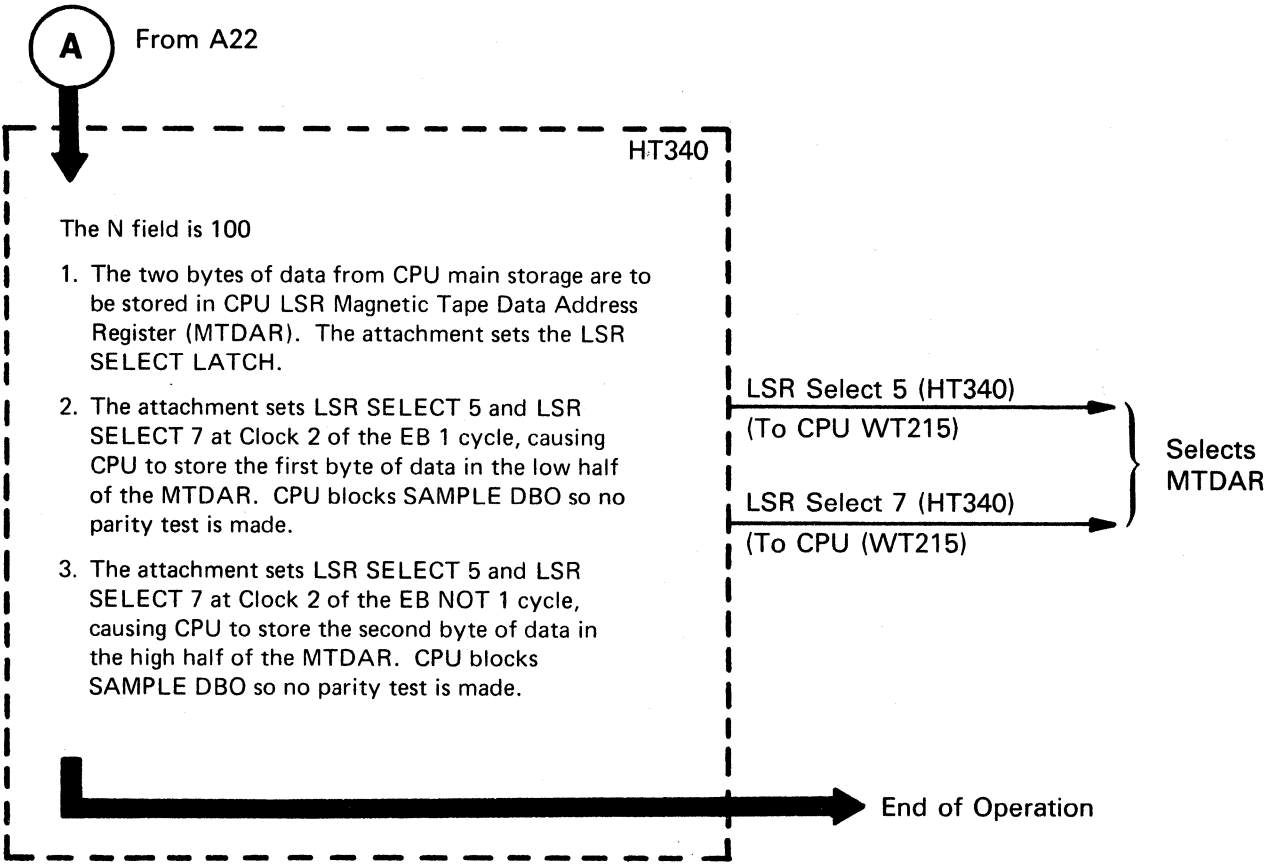


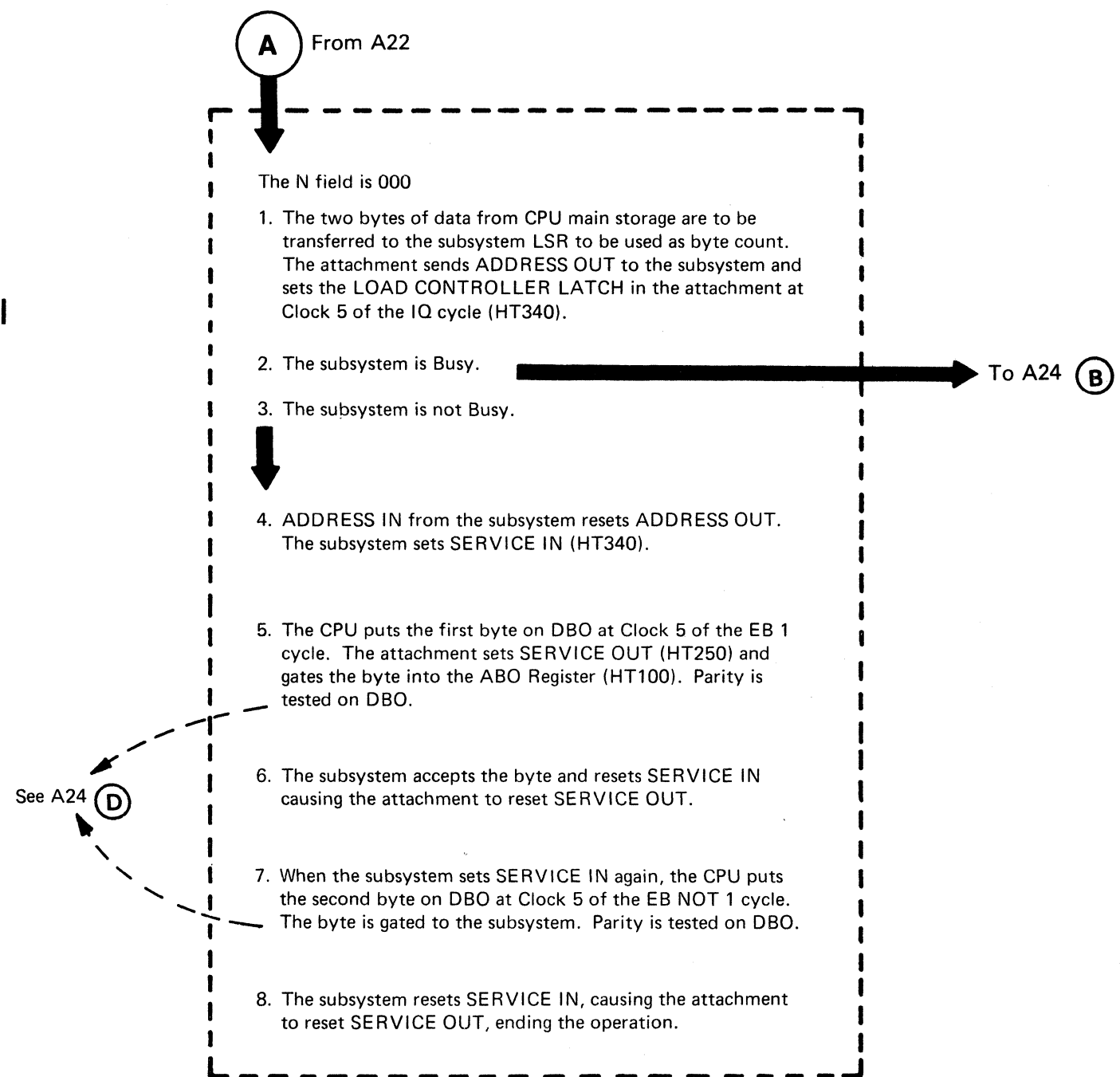
*The Load Controller line is used only by the attachment, it does not go to CPU.

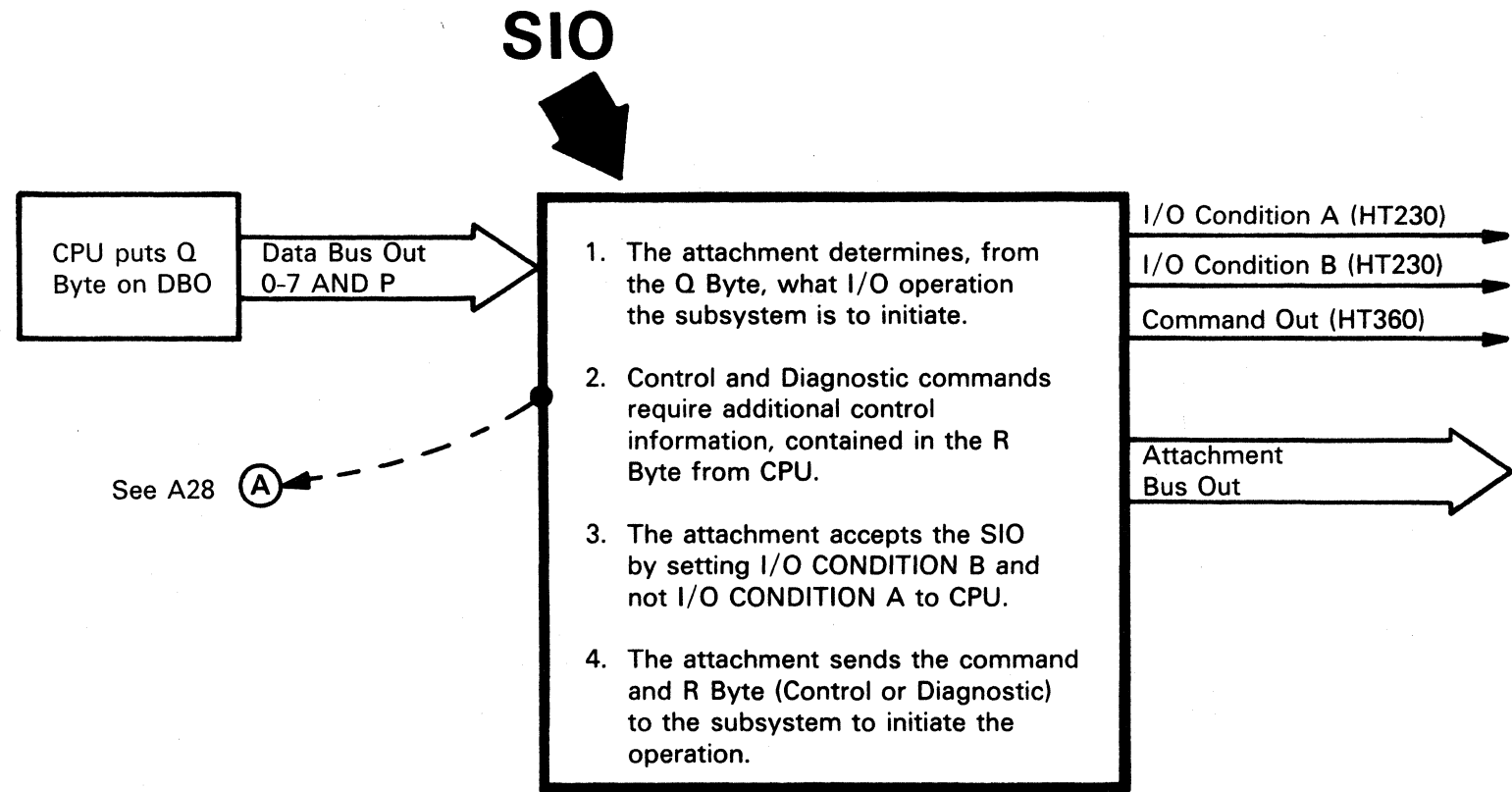


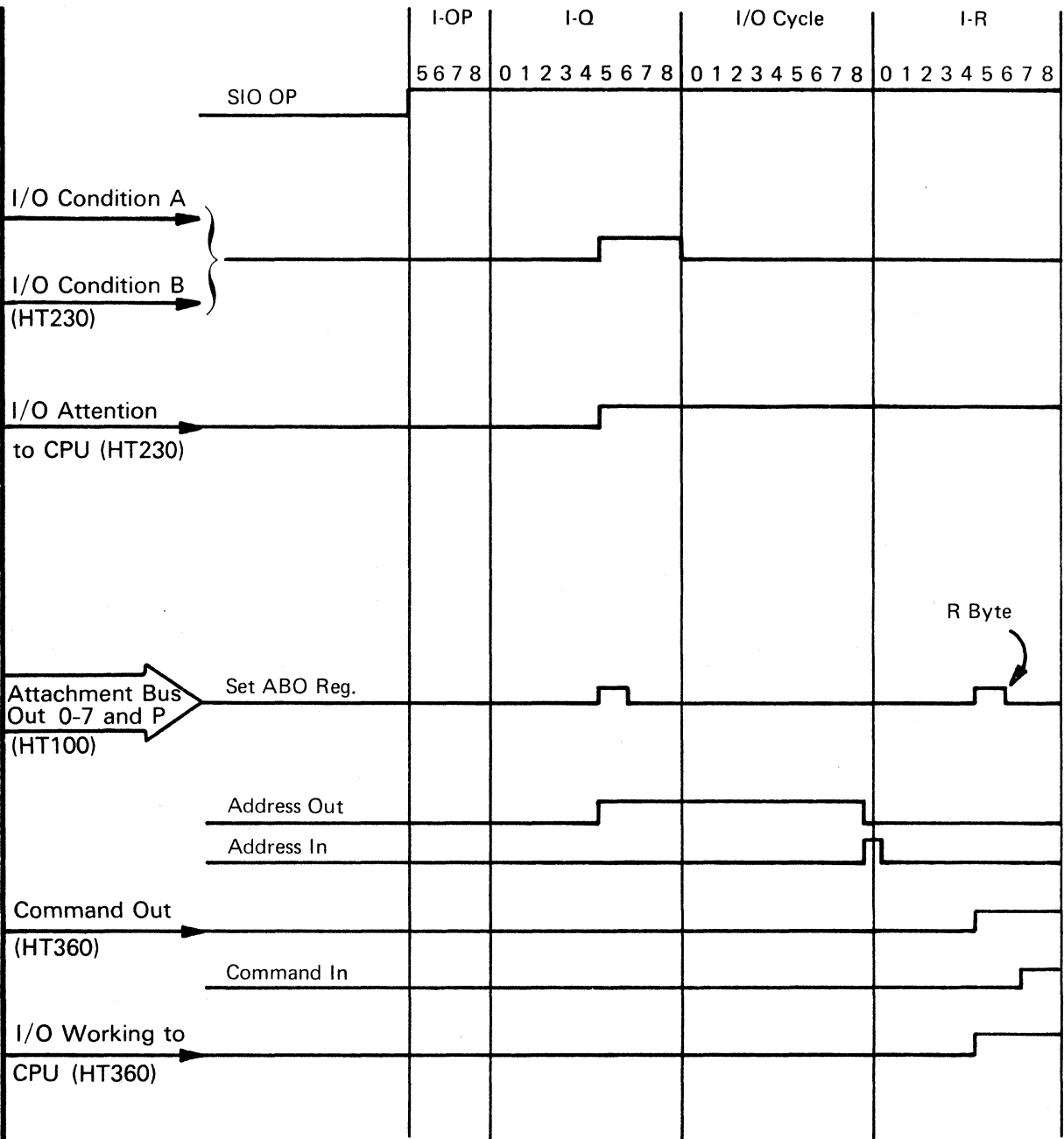
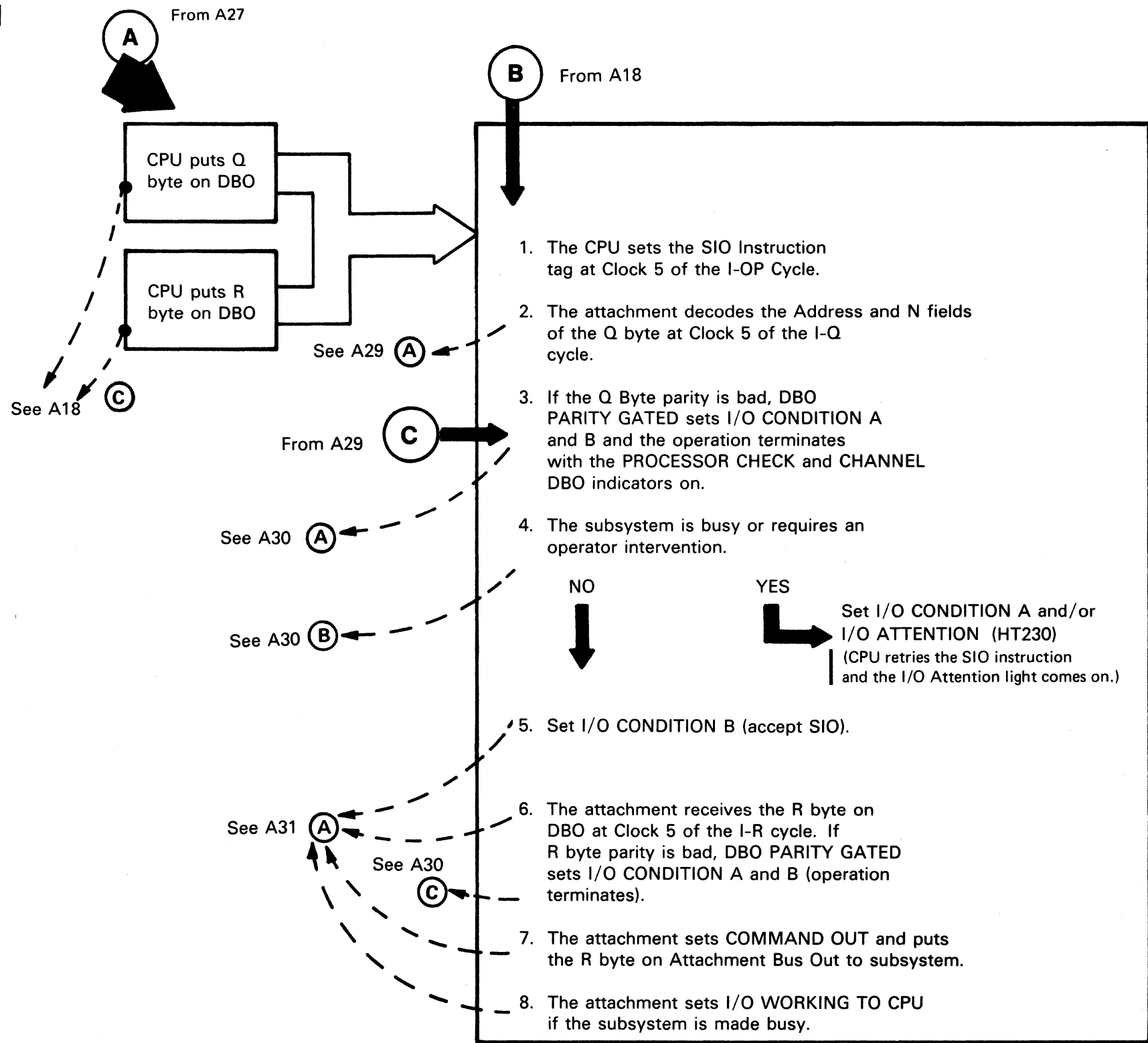


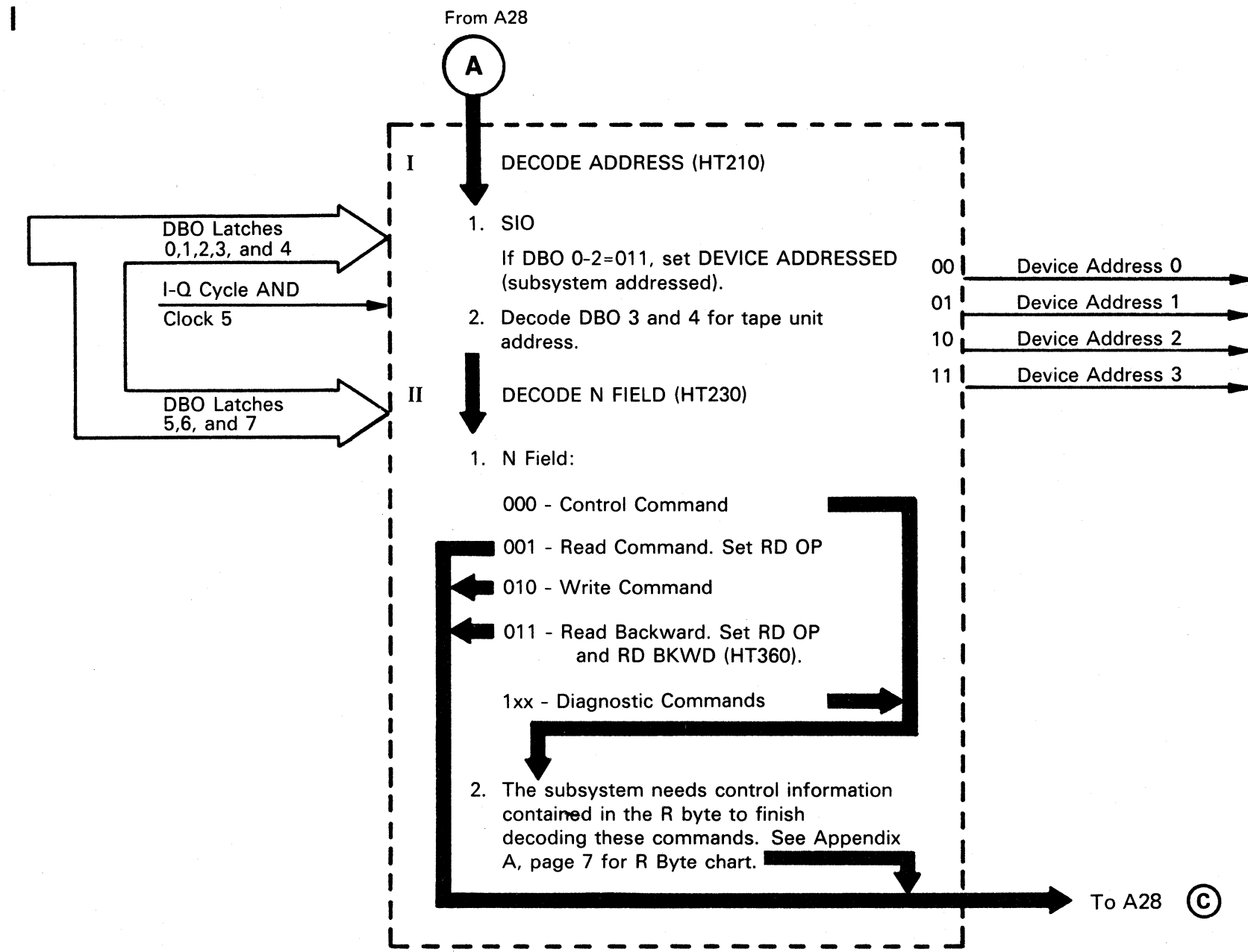


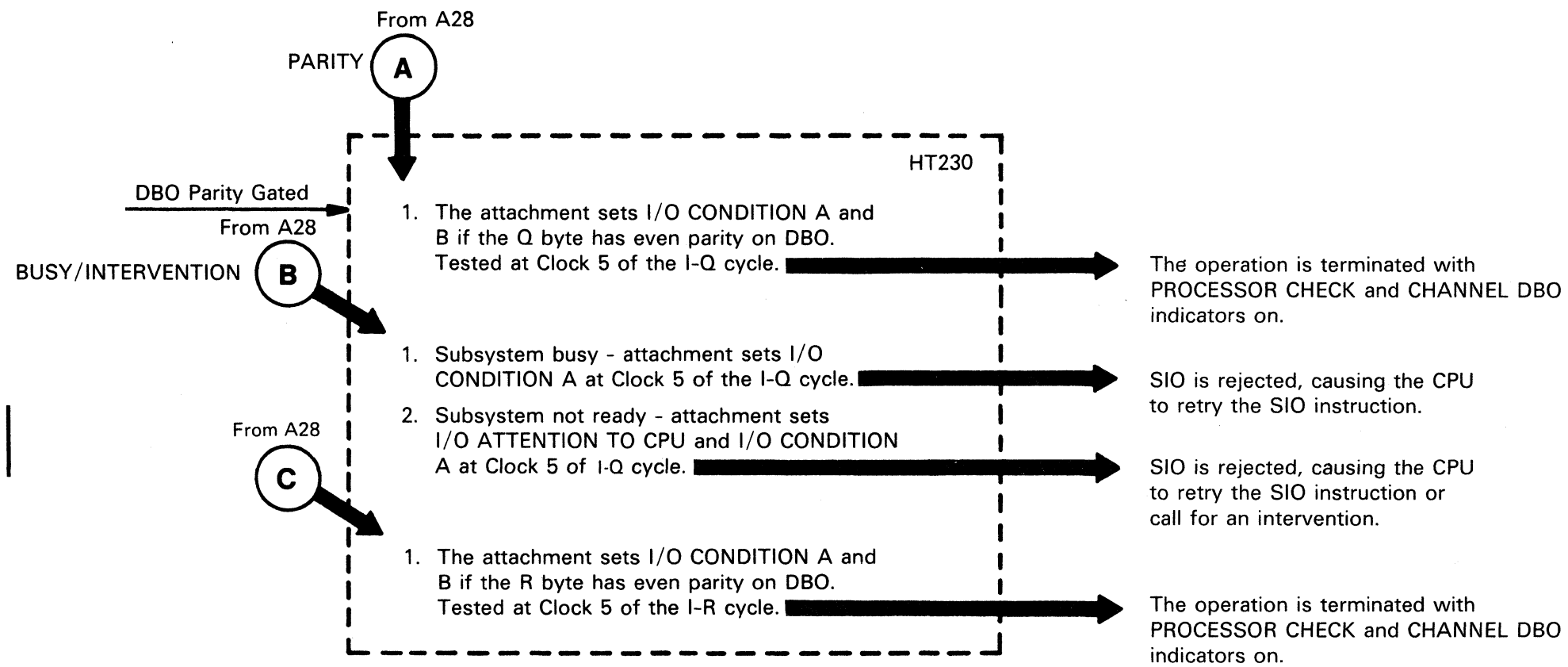


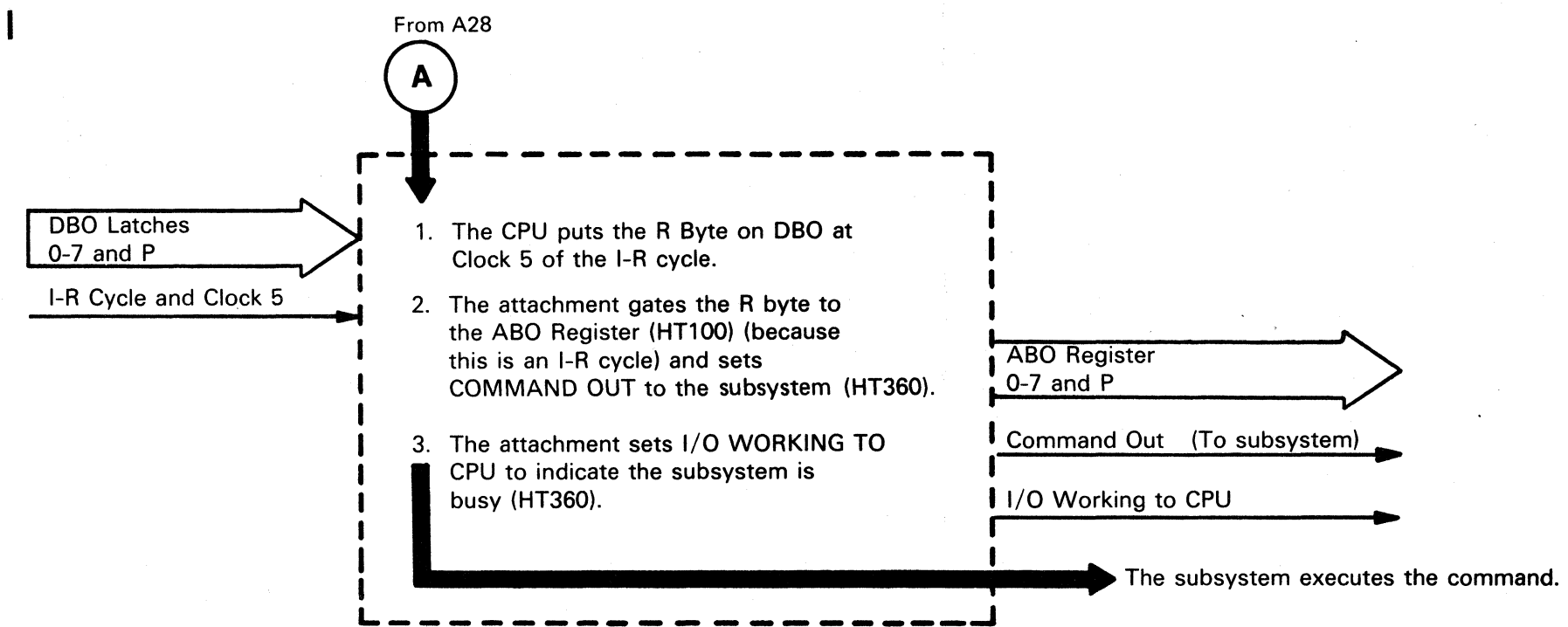












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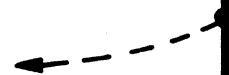
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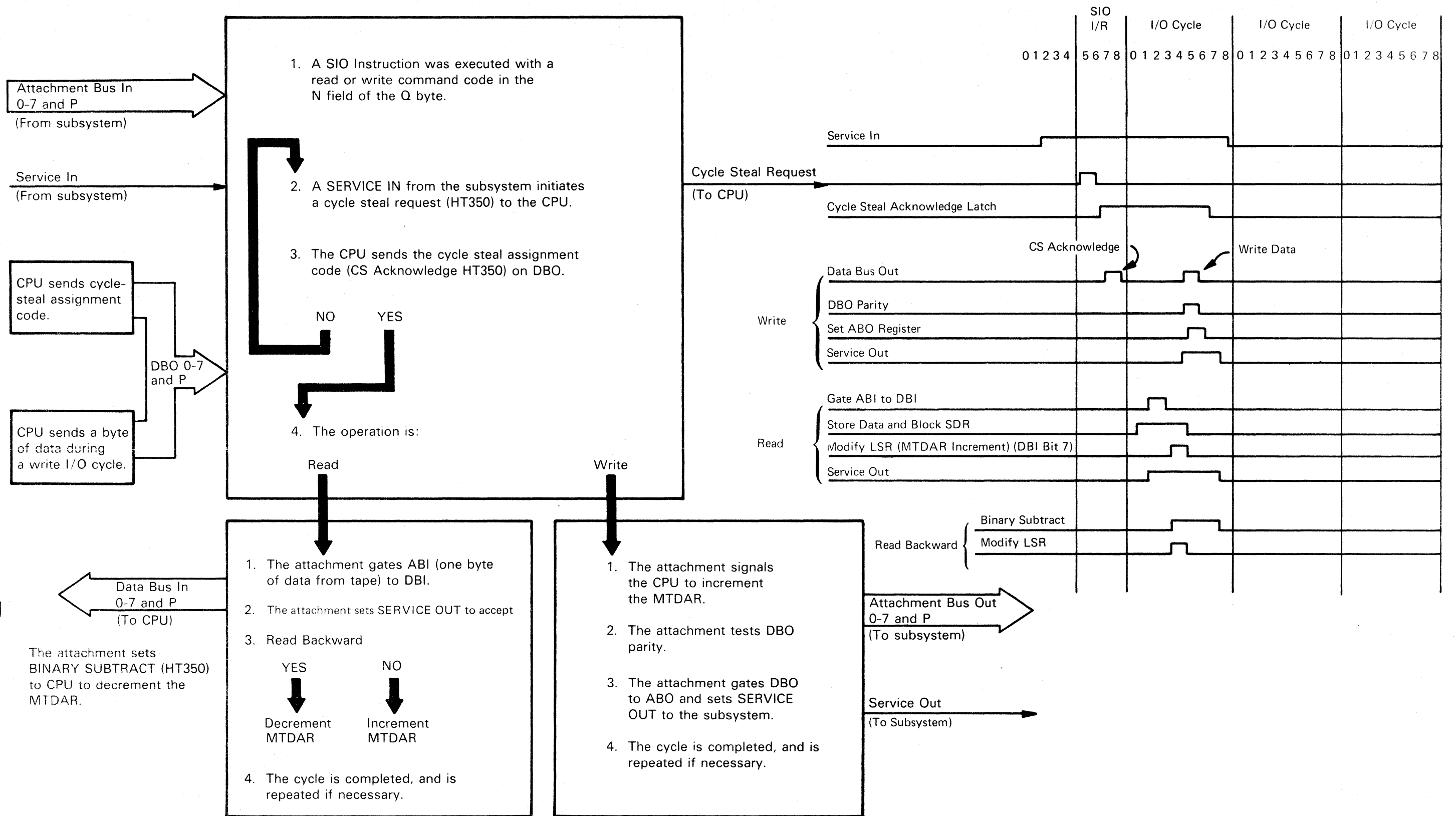
I/O CYCLES



1. An SIO instruction initiates the need for I/O Cycles to move data to or from CPU main storage (a read or write command).
2. The attachment requests a cycle steal.
3. The CPU grants the request, temporarily suspending its normal processing.
4. The data is moved to or from CPU, as required.

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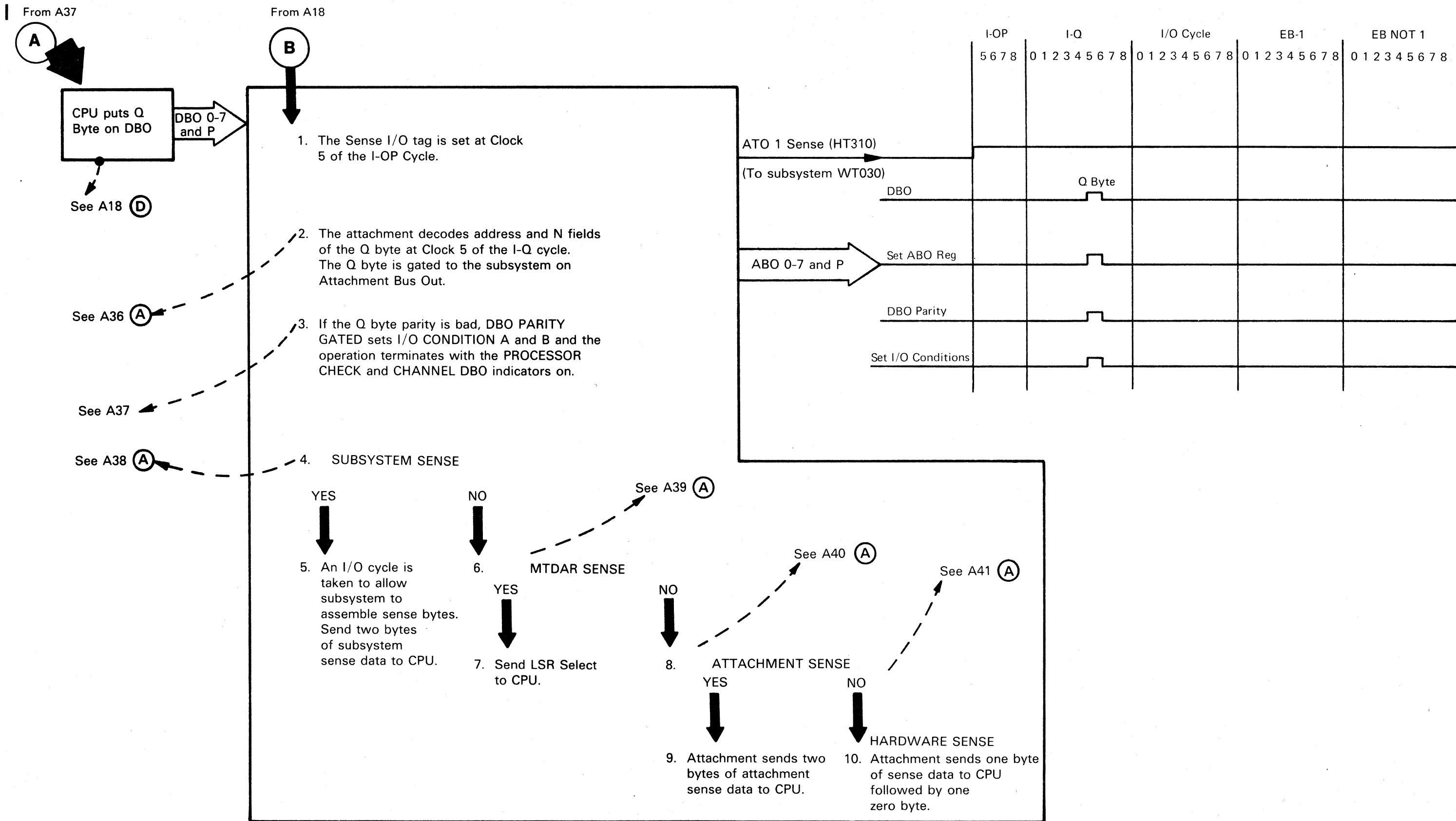
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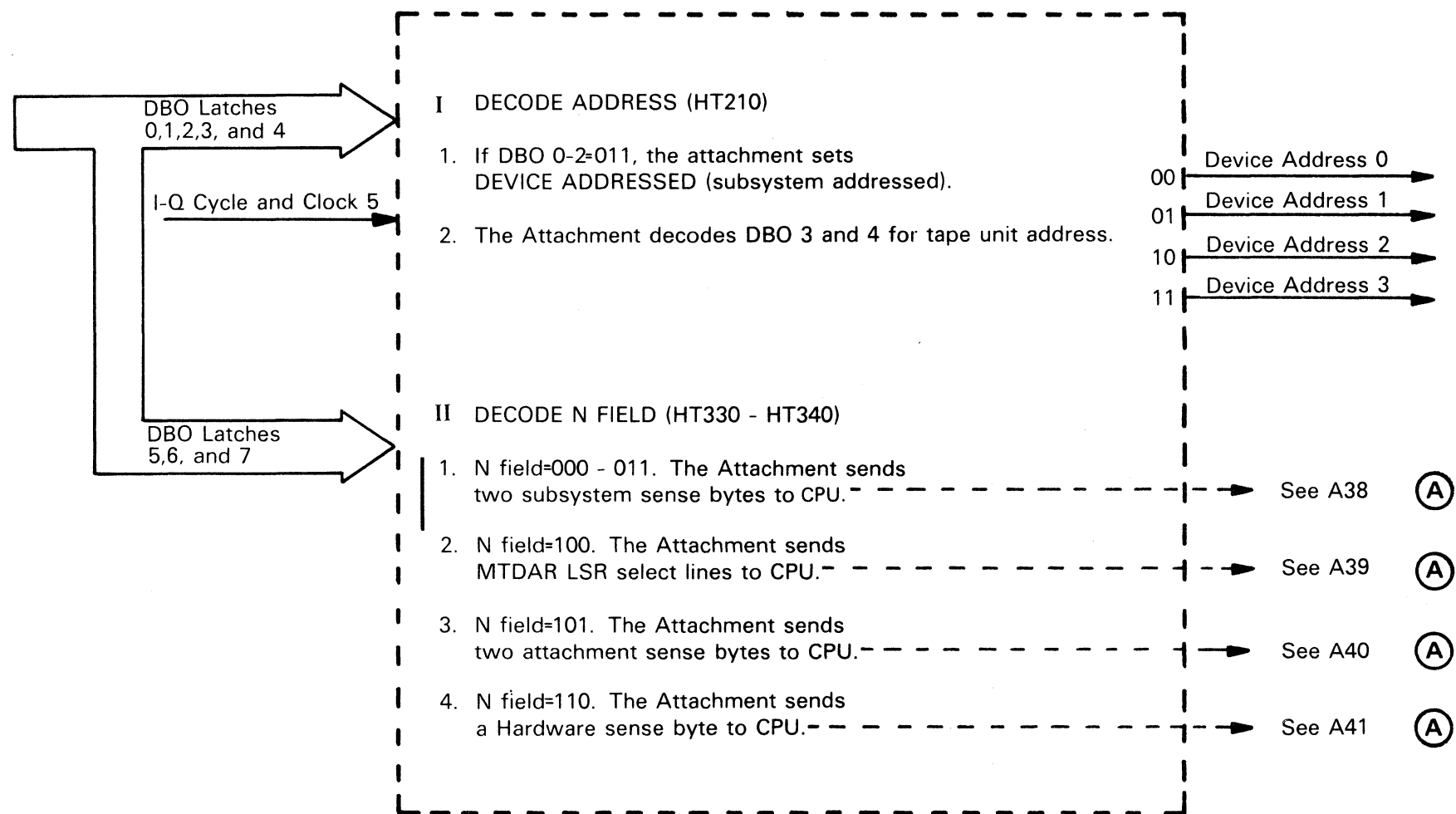


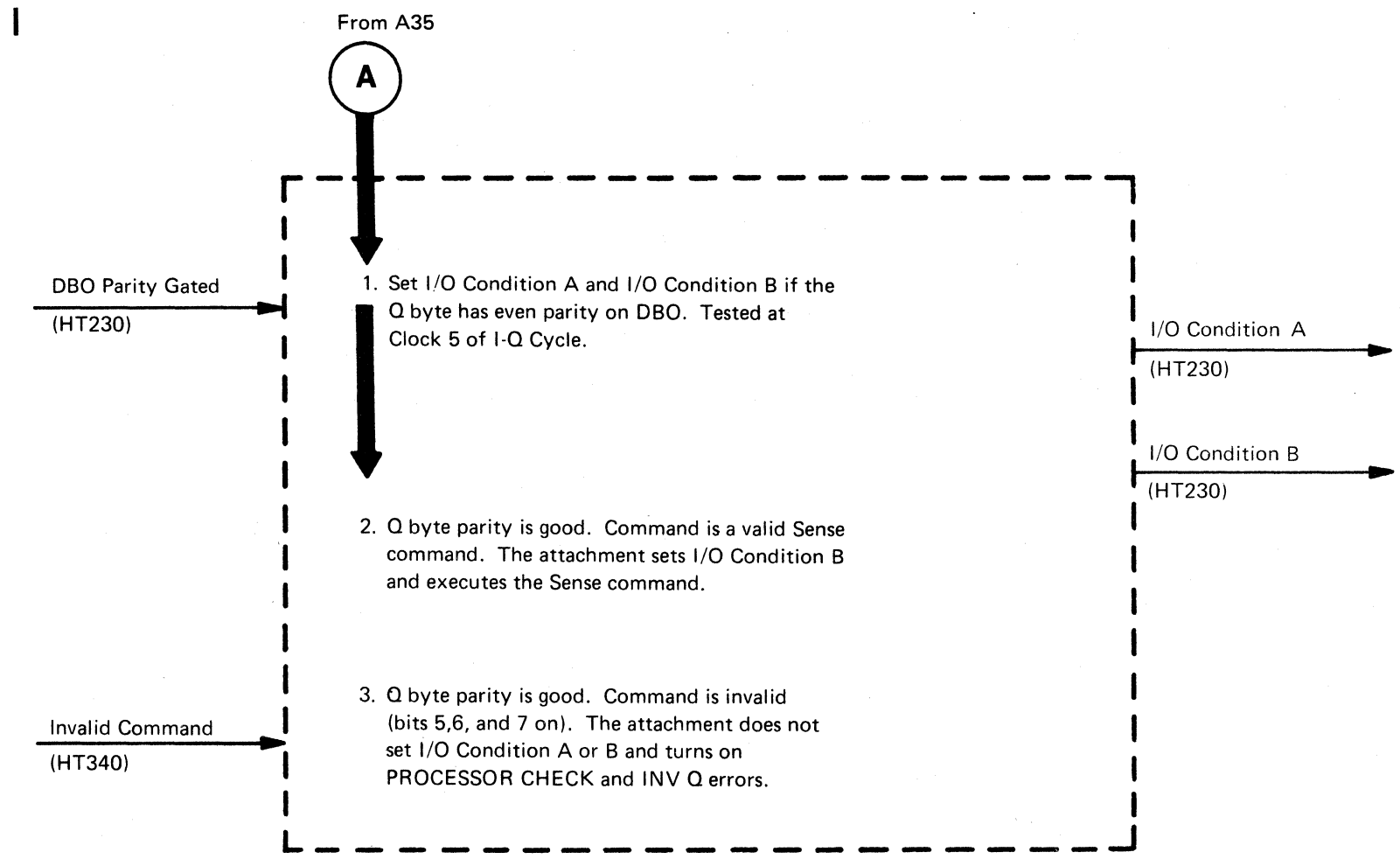
1. The attachment determines, from the Q byte, the source of two bytes of sense information to be stored in CPU main storage. The Sense bytes can come from the subsystem, the MTDAR, the attachment, or hardware.
2. The attachment sends the two bytes to CPU. The CPU stores them in two main storage locations designated by the Sense instruction.

See A35 (A)

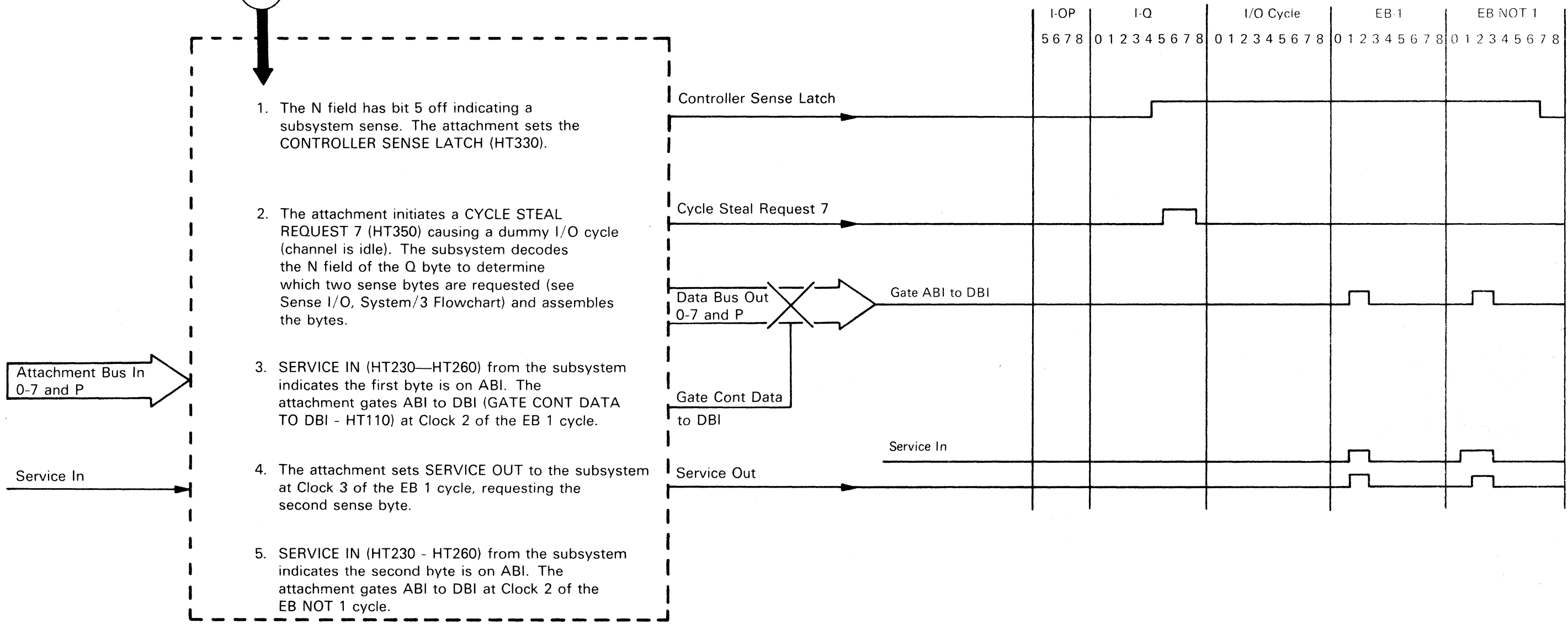


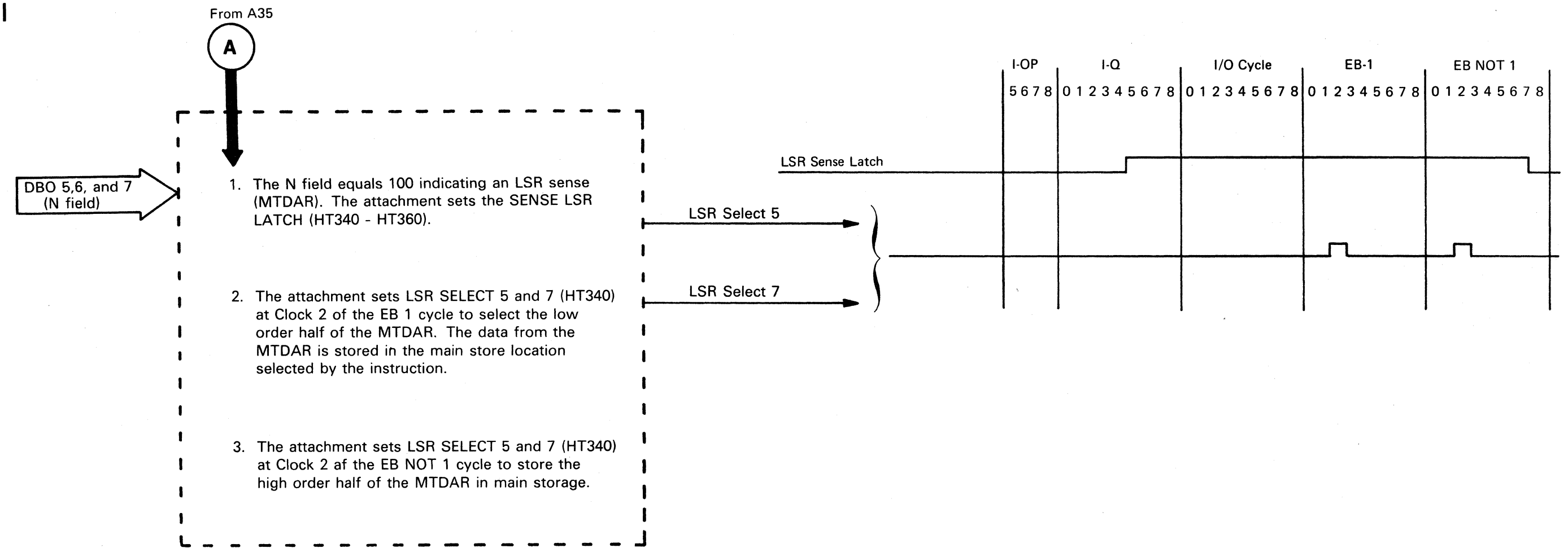






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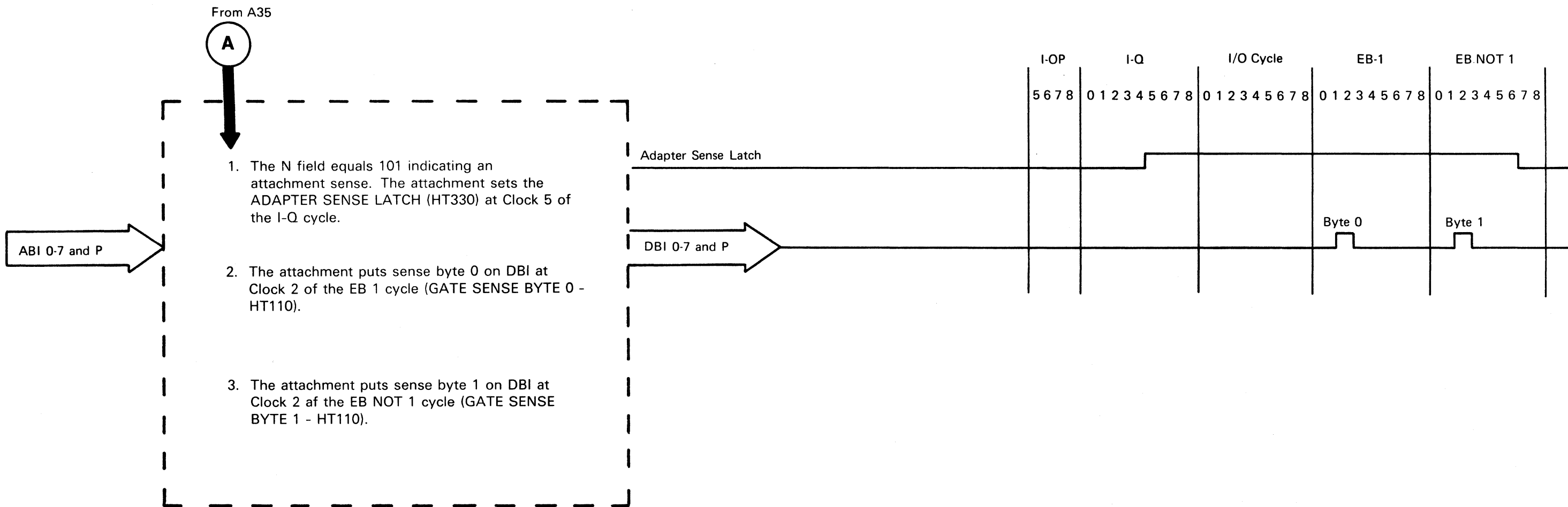


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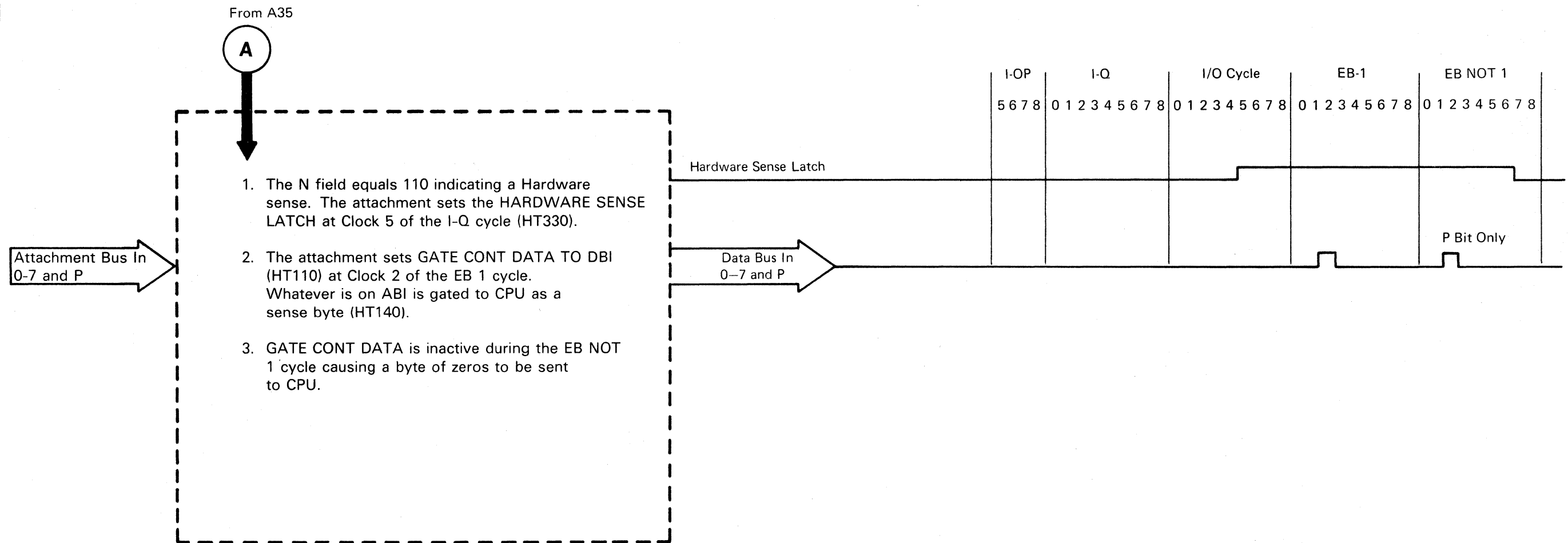
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DBO 5,6, and 7 (N field)

1. The N field equals 100 indicating an LSR sense (MTDAR). The attachment sets the SENSE LSR LATCH (HT340 - HT360).
2. The attachment sets LSR SELECT 5 and 7 (HT340) at Clock 2 of the EB 1 cycle to select the low order half of the MTDAR. The data from the MTDAR is stored in the main store location selected by the instruction.
3. The attachment sets LSR SELECT 5 and 7 (HT340) at Clock 2 of the EB NOT 1 cycle to store the high order half of the MTDAR in main storage.



NOTES:		
Sense Byte 0	Sense Byte 1	DBO Bits
	Address out of Sequence	0
ABI Parity	Service Out of Sequence	1
ABO Parity	Command out of Sequence	2
Controller Disabled	Address In Error	3
Two Tags Error	Service In Error	4
I/O Working Gated	Command In Error	5
Sequence Error	Status In Error	6
(Not used)	(Not used)	7



NOTE:

A Hardware Sense operation stores the state of the Attachment Bus In at the time of the error.

System/360/370 Attachment

The System/360/370 magnetic tape attachment for all models, except the 370-125, is located in the 3411. The purpose of the attachment is to adapt the subsystem interface to the CPU channel interface. The attachment interprets the signals between the system and subsystem. The attachment also handles data during read, write, and sense operations, and holds tape unit status until it is needed by the CPU.

Instructions Causing Data Flow

There are three I/O instructions which cause data flow between the system and subsystem, through the attachment.

Start I/O (SIO): A Start I/O Instruction initiates burst commands, non-motion control commands, or motion control commands in the subsystem. Burst commands transfer information across the channel/tape control interface. Channel end and device end are signaled when the burst operation is completed. Non-motion control commands do not move tape and do not transfer information across the channel/tape control interface. Channel end and device end are signaled when non-motion control commands are accepted. Motion control commands move tape but do not transfer information across the channel/tape control interface. Status varies for different motion control commands.

Test I/O (TIO): This instruction causes the tape control to send the selected tape unit's status byte to the channel for analysis. If the selected tape unit is available, the status byte is all zeros. If status is pending or stacked for a device other than the one being addressed, the subsystem responds with a control unit busy sequence. If no status is stacked, and if the addressed device is not ready, Unit Check is set in the unit status byte. If the addressed tape unit is rewinding, BUSY is set in the status byte.

Halt I/O (HIO): This instruction stops data transfer (interface disconnect). The tape control disconnects from the channel and completes the operation in progress. When the operation is completed, the tape control tries to reestablish connection with the channel to transfer ending status. If an interface disconnect becomes effective before initial selection is complete, no operation is performed. If addressed after a Halt I/O is issued and the tape control is completing an operation, the tape control appears busy. If a Halt I/O is executed before transfer of the first data byte during a write operation, the operation is canceled, and channel end, device end, unit check, and word count zero are set.

Inputs to Attachment from System

Bus Out: The bus out lines are used to transmit addresses, commands, control orders, and data to the control units. The outbound tag lines indicate the type of information transmitted over bus out.

Attachment Tags Out: The attachment converts the System 360/370 interface signals and puts them on Attachment Tags Out Bus for use by the tape control.

Operational Out: OPERATIONAL OUT is a line from the channel to all attached control units and is used for interlocking purposes. Except for SUPPRESS OUT, all lines from the channel are significant only when OPERATIONAL OUT is active.

Address Out: ADDRESS OUT is a tag line from the channel to all attached control units. It provides two functions:

1. I/O Device Selection: ADDRESS OUT signals all the control units to decode the I/O device address on BUS OUT.
2. Disconnect operation: If HOLD OUT is down and ADDRESS OUT rises, or ADDRESS OUT is active and HOLD OUT drops, the presently connected control unit must drop its OPERATIONAL IN, thus disconnecting from the interface. ADDRESS OUT remains active until OPERATIONAL IN drops.

Select Out/Hold Out and Select In: SELECT OUT, SELECT IN, and HOLD OUT control selection of the tape control. SELECT OUT and SELECT IN form a loop from the channel through each control unit to the cable terminator block (SELECT OUT), again through each control unit back to the channel (SELECT IN).

Command Out: COMMAND OUT is a tag line from the channel to all attached control units and is used to signal the selected I/O device in response to ADDRESS IN, STATUS IN or SERVICE IN. COMMAND OUT as a response to ADDRESS IN during the initial-selection sequence indicates to the selected I/O device that the channel has placed a command byte on BUS OUT. COMMAND OUT in response to STATUS IN means stack. COMMAND OUT in response to SERVICE IN always means stop. COMMAND OUT must stay up until the fall of the associated ADDRESS IN, STATUS IN, or SERVICE IN.

Service Out: SERVICE OUT is a tag line from the channel to all attached control units and signals the selected I/O device in recognition of a signal on SERVICE IN or STATUS IN.

Suppress Out: SUPPRESS OUT is a line from the channel to all attached control units and is used both alone and in conjunction with the out-tag lines to provide the following special functions: suppress data, suppress status, command chaining, and selective reset.

Clock Out: CLOCK OUT is a line from the channel to all attached control units and provides the CPU interlock control necessary for changing the enable/disable states of the units (signal must be down to permit changing states).

Metering Out: METERING OUT is a line from the channel to all attached control units and conditions all other meters in assignable units and I/O units.

Outputs from Attachment to System/360/370

The three I/O commands cause data flow from the subsystem, through the attachment to the system. The data read by the tape unit and the sense bytes are transmitted through the Data Bus In Register to the Bus In (DBI P,0-7).

Bus In: BUS IN is used to transmit addresses, status, sense information, and data to the channel. A control unit can place and maintain information on BUS IN only when its OPERATIONAL IN is active.

The type of information transmitted over BUS IN is indicated by the inbound tag lines.

Request In: REQUEST IN is a line from all attached I/O control units to the channel and indicates that the control unit is ready to present status information or data and is therefore requesting a selection sequence.

Operational In: OPERATIONAL IN is a line from all attached control units to the channel, and signals the channel that an I/O device has been selected. It must stay up for the duration of the selection. The selected I/O device is identified by the address byte transmitted over BUS IN.

Address In: ADDRESS IN is a tag line from all attached control units to the channel and signals the channel when the address of the currently selected I/O device has been placed on BUS IN. The channel responds to ADDRESS IN by COMMAND OUT.

Status In: STATUS IN is a tag line from all attached control units to the channel and signals the channel when the selected control unit has placed status information on BUS IN.

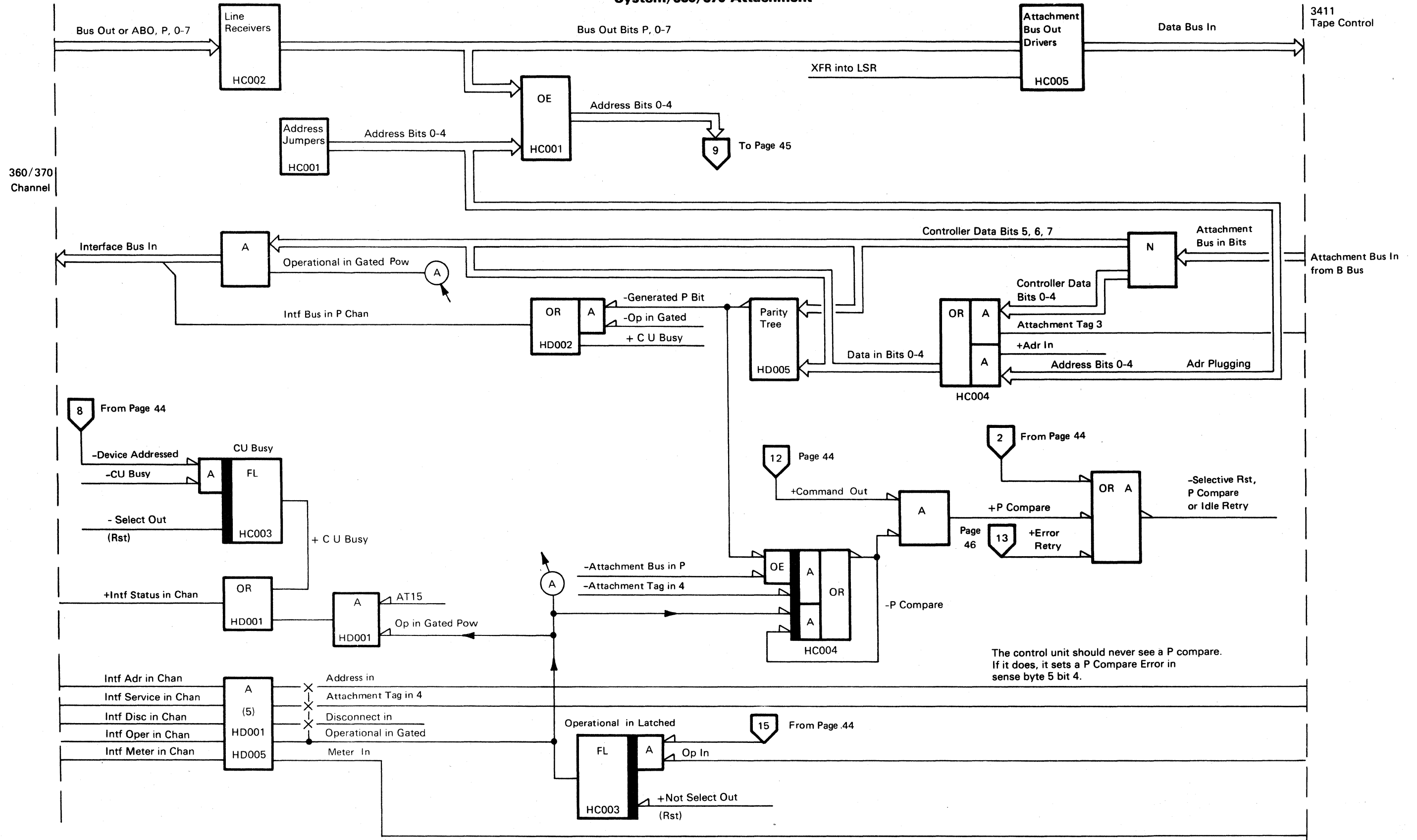
Service In: SERVICE IN is a tag line from all attached control units to the channel and signals to the channel when the selected I/O device wants to transmit or receive a byte of information.

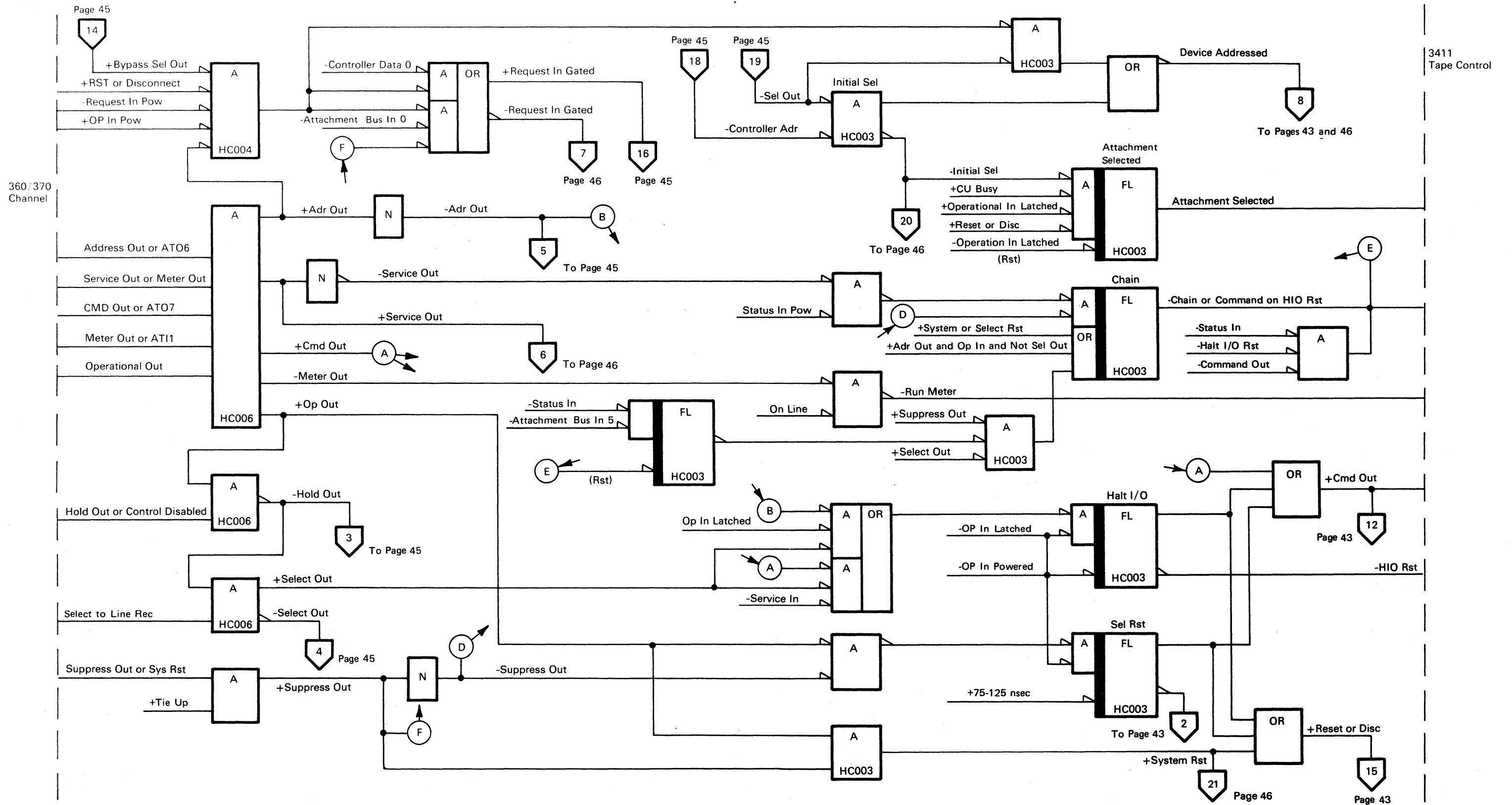
Metering In: METERING IN is a line from all attached control units and conditions the CPU meter for operation.

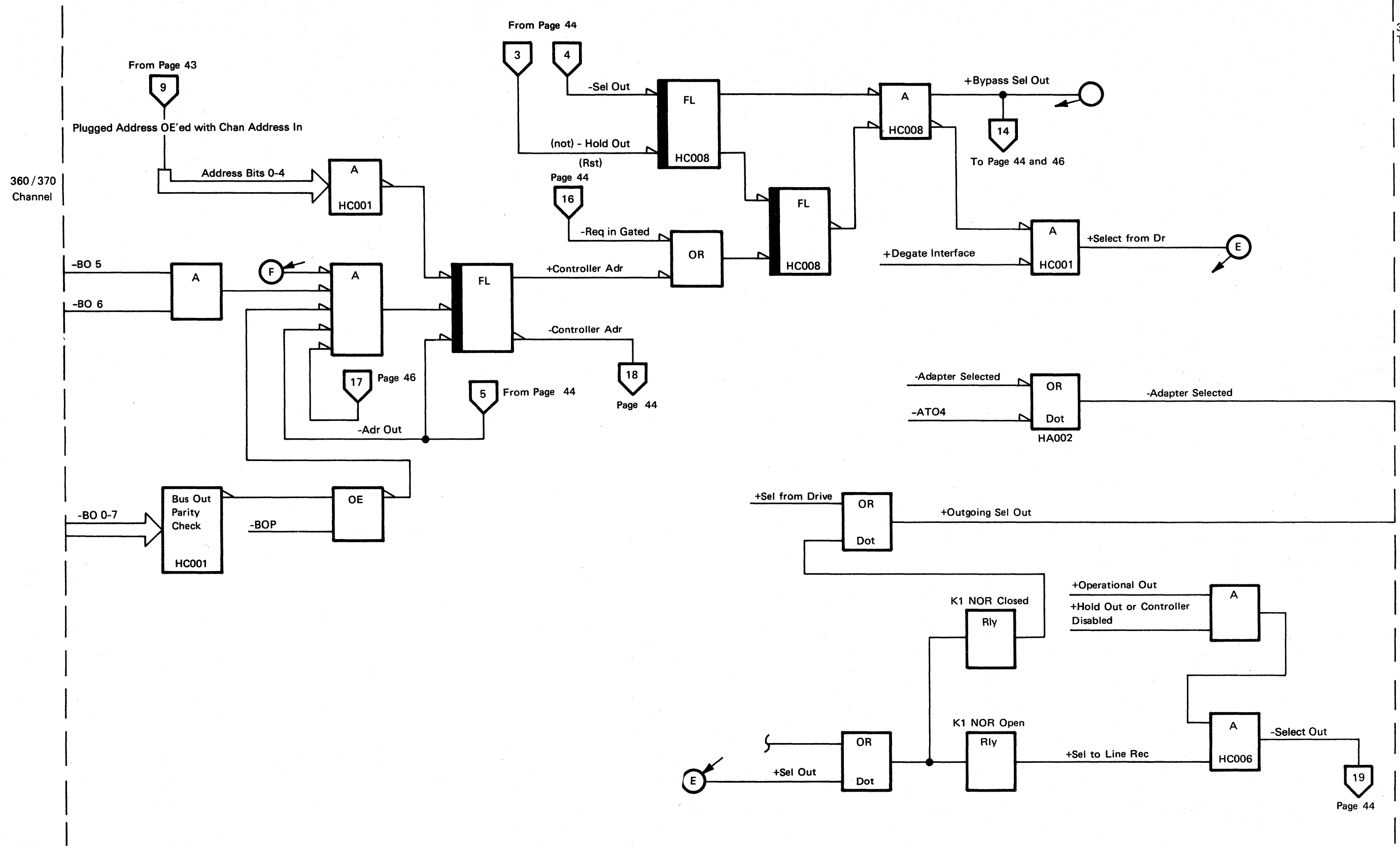
ATTACHMENT TAG IN (ATI) and ATTACHMENT TAG OUT (ATO) are 3411 line names which are converted to System/360/370 line names and functions by the 360/370 attachment.

In Tags 3411	360/370 Chan
ATI0	Meter In
ATI1	Address In
ATI2	C U Busy
ATI3	Operational In
ATI4	Service In
ATI5	Status In
ATI6	Disconnect In
ATI7	Request In
Out Tags 3411	360/370
ATO0	Interrupt Select
ATO1	Halt I/O Reset
ATO2	Suppress Out
ATO3	Chain or Command on HIO
ATO4	Adapter Selected
ATO5	Command Out
ATO6	Ctrl Addressed or Service Out
ATO7	Select Reset or P Compare

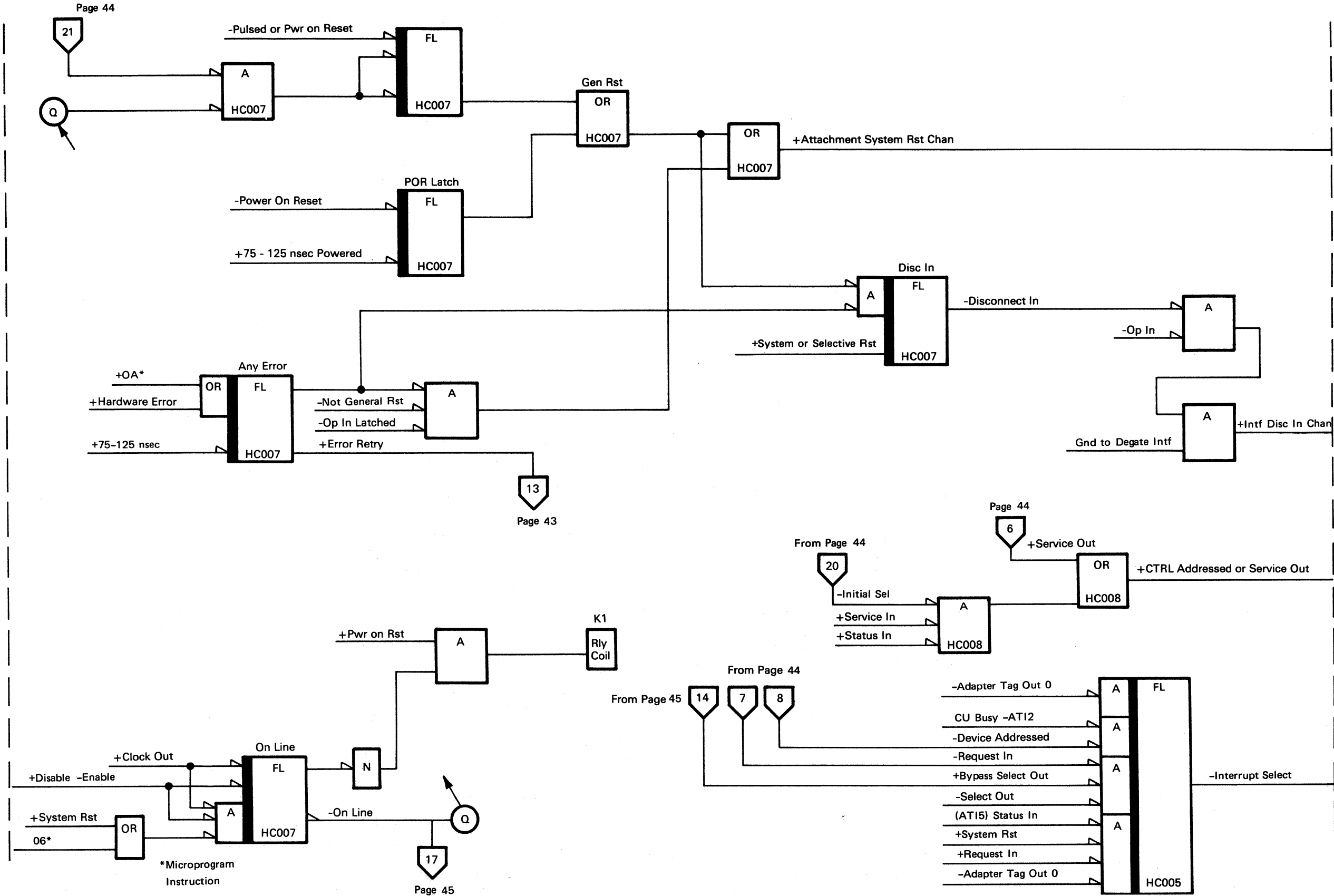
System/360/370 Attachment







360/370 Channel



3411 Tape Control

System/3 Models 8, 12, and 15 Attachment

Note: See Appendix A1 through A41 for System/3 Model 10.

All information located in Appendix pages A47 through A92, applies to System/3 Models 8, 12, and 15 unless noted otherwise. The magnetic tape attachment cards (four MST cards) are located in the CPU. The attachment card location for each model is as follows:

Model 8 — board location 01A-A2
Models 12 and 15 — channel bank 2,
board location 01B-B2

The purpose of the attachment is to adapt the subsystem interface to the CPU channel interface. The attachment interprets the signals between the system and subsystem. The attachment also handles data during read, write, and sense operations, and holds tape unit status until it is needed by the CPU.

The magnetic tape attachment for the System/3 Model 10 requires three cards. The magnetic tape attachment for System/3 Models 8, 12, and 15 requires four cards. The fourth card contains the Op-End Interrupt circuitry. This circuitry is used primarily in the Model 15 because the CPU will accept the request for interrupt. The Op-End Interrupt circuitry also functions in the attachment for Models 8 and 12, but the respective CPUs will not accept the request for interrupt. However, it is possible to program all three models to test the Op-End Interrupt condition.

Data Flow (System/3 Models 8, 12, and 15 Attachment)**Instructions Causing Data Flow**

There are four I/O instructions which cause data flow between the system and subsystem, through the attachment.

Sense I/O: A Sense instruction causes two bytes of sense information to be sent to the system. Bits 5-7 of the "Q" byte select the sense bytes.

Load I/O (LIO): A Load I/O instruction places two bytes of information in the Magnetic Tape Data Address Register (MTDAR) in CPU, or the Byte Count Register in the subsystem. Only

that information going to the Byte Count Register passes through the attachment. Bits 5-7 of the "Q" byte select the designation of the information.

The Load I/O instruction also enables, disables or resets interrupts. In the 5415 an additional LIO is used for Interrupt Control. On the 5408 and 5412 this interrupt handling capability is not normally used because the tape attachment cannot cause an interrupt in either CPU.

Test I/O (TIO): A Test I/O instruction tests the busy or not ready/unit check status of the tape unit. The attachment holds the tape unit status in the Device Status Register, and the subsystem is not addressed. Bits 5-7 of the "Q" byte select the status condition to be tested. An additional TIO can be used to test for Op-End Interrupt pending; however, it is not normally used for the 5408 and 5412. In the 5415 an additional TIO is used to test Interrupt Pending.

Start I/O (SIO): A Start I/O instruction initiates a read, write, or motion control operation in the subsystem. Bits 5-7 of the "Q" byte select the type of operation. When the "Q" byte contains a control or diagnostic command, the "R" byte selects which command the subsystem is to execute.

Inputs to Attachment from System

Instruction Tag Out: There are four instruction tag lines to indicate the presence of an instruction in the CPU Operations Register.

SIO Instr indicates a Start I/O instruction.

LIO Instr indicates a Load I/O instruction.

TIO Instr indicates a Test I/O instruction.

SNS Instr indicates a Sense I/O instruction.

Cycle Tag Lines: There are four cycle tag lines which indicate which cycle the CPU is executing during an I/O instruction: IQ Cycle, IR Cycle, EB 1 Cycle, and EB Not 1 Cycle.

Attachment Tags Out: The attachment converts System/3 interface signals and puts them on Attachment Tags Out Bus for use by tape control.

Bus Out: The Bus Out (DBO P, 0-7) transmits data from CPU to the attachment. The data is identified by the Instruction Tag and Cycle Tag lines. Device Address Decode receives the address field of the "Q" byte from DBO to determine which tape unit to select. Attachment Bus Out transfers data from DBO to the tape control.

Data on DBO:

DBO contains a "Q" byte when an Instruction tag and the IQ Cycle tag are up.

DBO contains an "R" byte when SIO Instr and IR Cycle tags are up.

DBO contains the contents of the Main Store location addressed by LIO when LIO Instr and EB Cycle are up.

DBO contains the contents of the Main Store location addressed by LIO, minus 1, when LIO Instr and EB Not 1 Cycle are up.

In each case the information is available at Clock 6 time.

Clock 0-8: CPU clock pulses provided for attachment timing.

Sample DBO (SDBO): A clock pulse which samples the data on DBO.

Early Phase C (EPHASEC): A clock pulse providing a delayed sampling of DBO.

I/O Cycle

Read or Write data is transmitted between CPU and the subsystem during I/O cycles. When the attachment requires an I/O cycle, it activates cycle steal request to CPU. When an I/O cycle is granted to an attachment, DBO contains information at Clock 5 of the I/O cycle during a write operation.

Outputs from Attachment to System/3 Models 8, 12, and 15

Sense I/O and Start I/O cause data flow from the subsystem to the system, through the attachment. The sense bytes and data read by the tape unit are transmitted through the Data Bus In Register (DBI P, 0-7).

Interrupt Requests: When the Interrupt Poll line is up, all interrupt requests are placed on the DBI.

Attachment Tags In: The attachment converts the tape control Tags In signals for use by the CPU. The CPU uses these signals to keep track of the tape control working status.

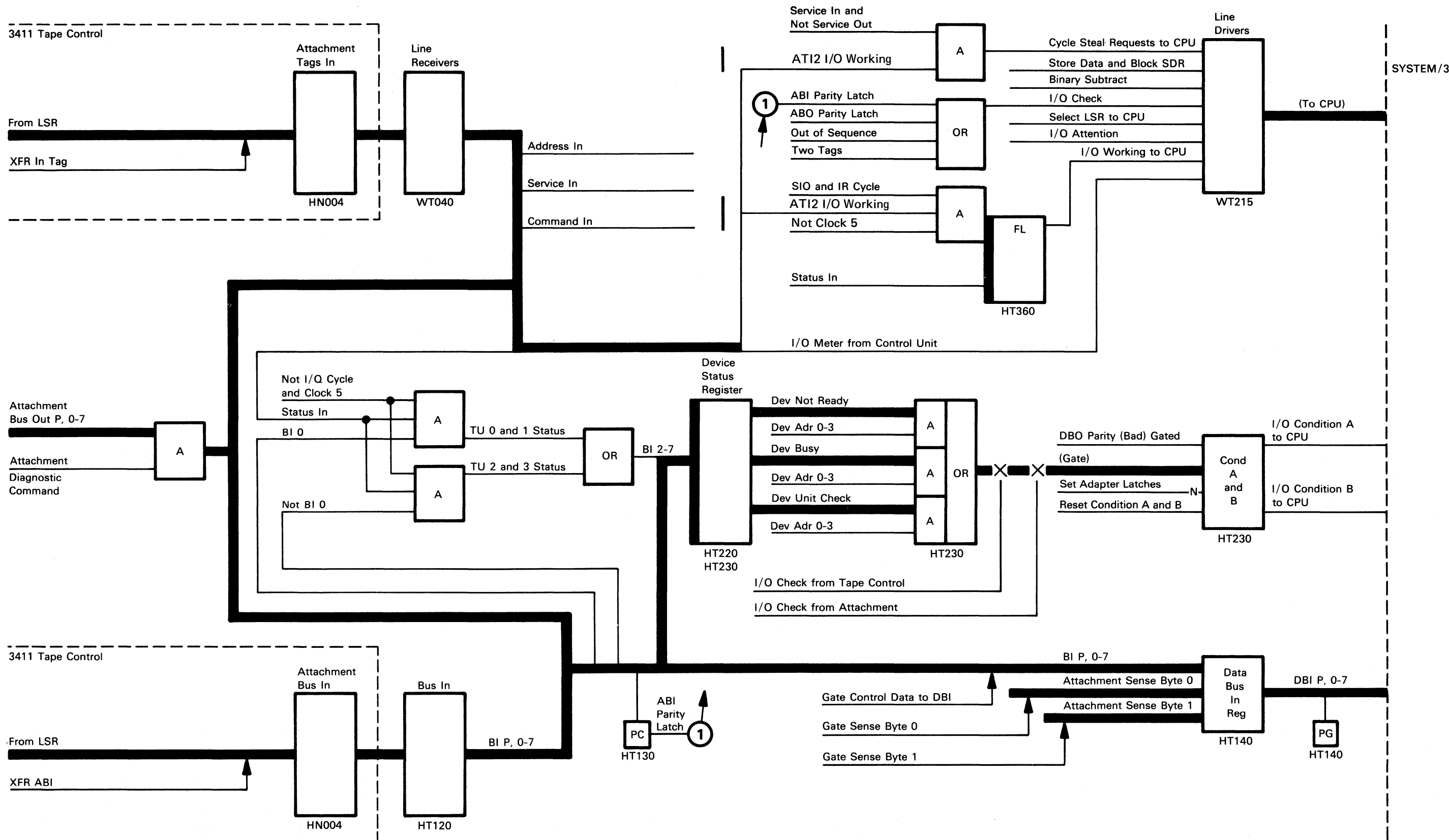
Control In: Control In lines control the data flow of the CPU during an I/O cycle. They are: Store Data, Block SDR, Binary Subtract, and Inhibit LSR Load.

Status In: Status In lines indicate to CPU the status of the tape unit. They are I/O Condition A, and I/O Condition B and are used in combination. These lines are generated from the Device Status Register which keeps track of the tape unit status (ready or busy) and DBO parity check circuits. Any error condition detected by the attachment or the tape control sets the I/O Conditions.

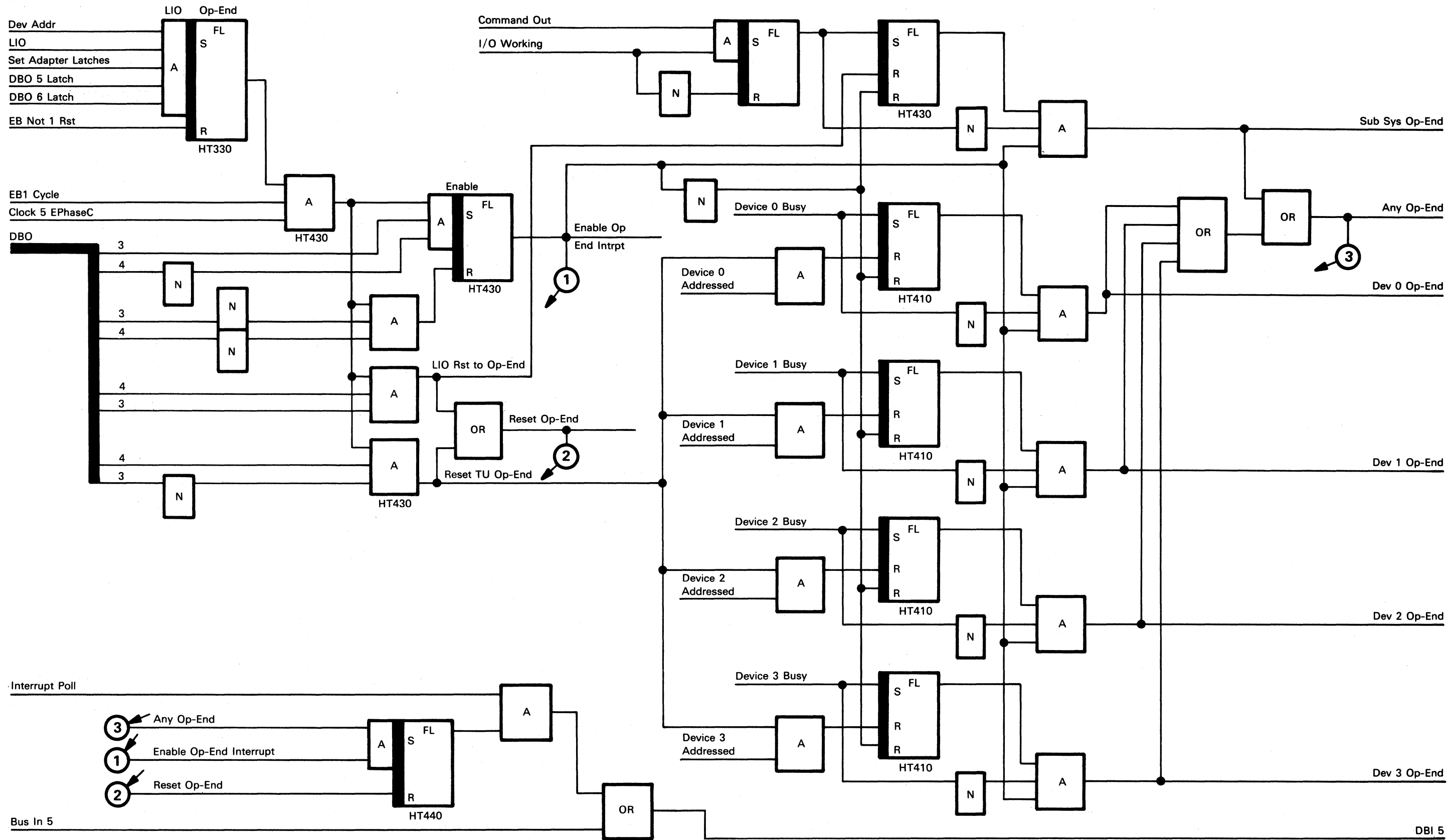
Select Bus In: Select Bus In consists of five lines -- LSR Select 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. The attachment uses 5 and 7 to select the MTDAR.

Op-End Interrupts: For the model 15 the op-end interrupt is a means to tell the system when an operation is complete. It relieves the program from continually using TIOs to test a device busy status. When an operation is complete the attachment will send a request for interrupt to the CPU. In the tape attachment an interrupt is requested at the completion of every SIO except the diagnostic commands. The attachment request interrupts for five different reasons. A subsystem interrupt will occur for every SIO except the diagnostic SIOs. A tape unit interrupt will occur whenever a TU has completed a SIO rewind or Data Security Erase. The interrupt function only operates when it has been enabled by a LIO interrupt control. If interrupts are not enabled, then no interrupt requests occur at the completion of SIOs. For additional information on LIO, see page Appendix A53.

The Op-End Interrupt Circuitry also functions in the attachment for both Models 8 and 12. However, the CPUs will not accept the request for interrupt.

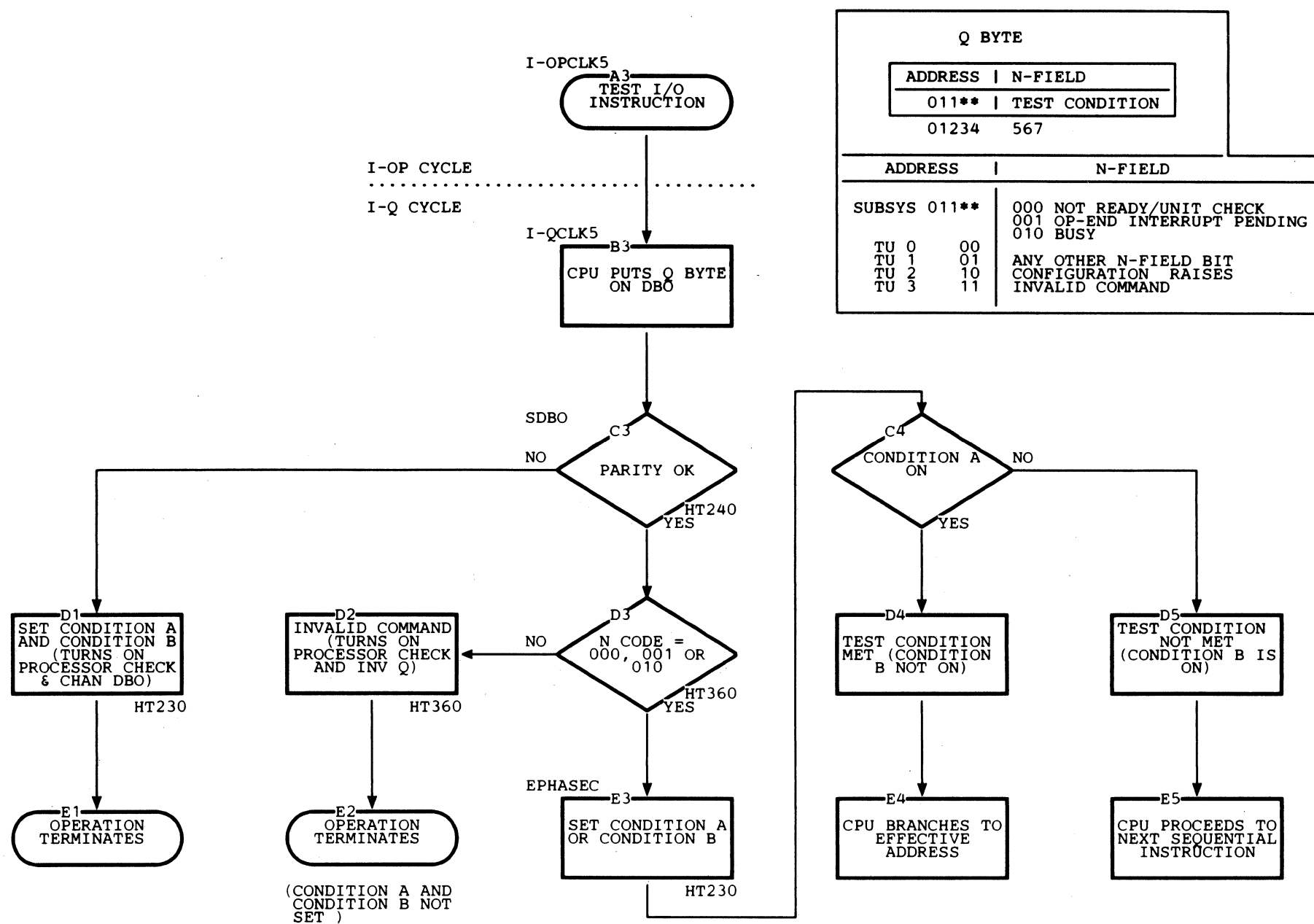


Interrupt Control



Test I/O

Test I/O checks for the Busy or Not Ready/Unit Check status of the addressed tape unit. The test conditions are contained in the N-Field of the Q Byte. If the condition is met the CPU program branches to the address specified by the Test I/O instruction. If the condition is not met, the CPU program proceeds to the next instruction. For the Model 15 an additional TIO is used for Interrupt Pending. It can also be used for Models 8 and 12, but normally is not.



Q BYTE	
ADDRESS	N-FIELD
011**	TEST CONDITION
01234	567

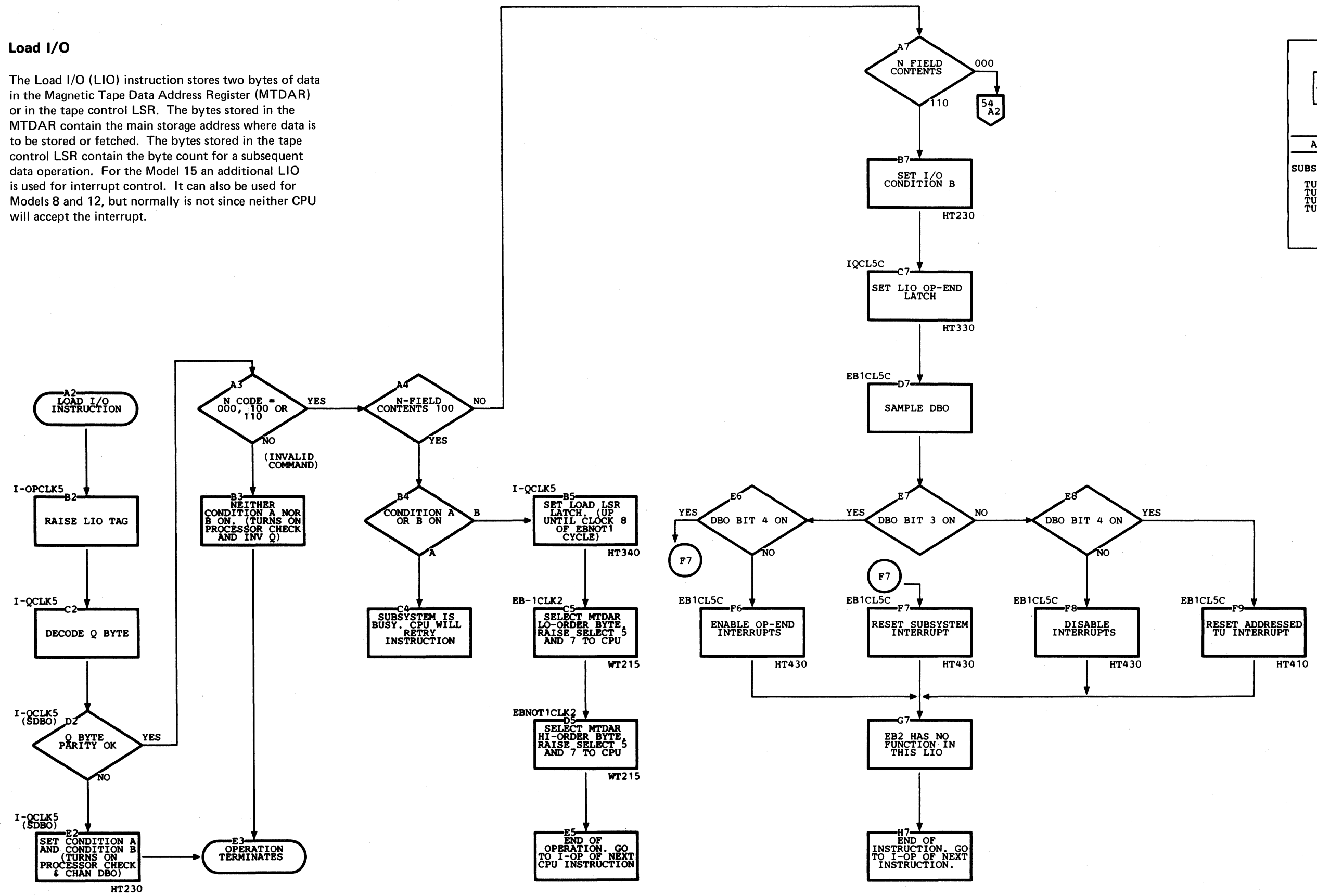
ADDRESS	N-FIELD
SUBSYS 011**	000 NOT READY/UNIT CHECK 001 OP-END INTERRUPT PENDING 010 BUSY
TU 0	00
TU 1	01
TU 2	10
TU 3	11
	ANY OTHER N-FIELD BIT CONFIGURATION RAISES INVALID COMMAND

Load I/O

The Load I/O (LIO) instruction stores two bytes of data in the Magnetic Tape Data Address Register (MTDAR) or in the tape control LSR. The bytes stored in the MTDAR contain the main storage address where data is to be stored or fetched. The bytes stored in the tape control LSR contain the byte count for a subsequent data operation. For the Model 15 an additional LIO is used for interrupt control. It can also be used for Models 8 and 12, but normally is not since neither CPU will accept the interrupt.

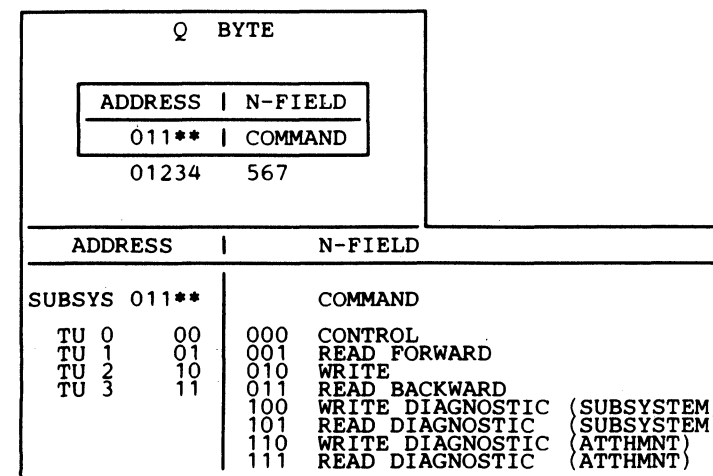
Q BYTE	
ADDRESS	N FIELD
011**	REGISTER
01234	567

ADDRESS	N FIELD
SUBSYS 011**	000 LOAD BYTE COUNT IN TAPE CONTROL
TU 0 00	100 LOAD MAGNETIC TAPE DATA ADDRESS REGISTER IN CPU
TU 1 01	
TU 2 10	
TU 3 11	110 INTERRUPT CONTROL ANY OTHER COMBINATION RAISES INVALID COMMAND



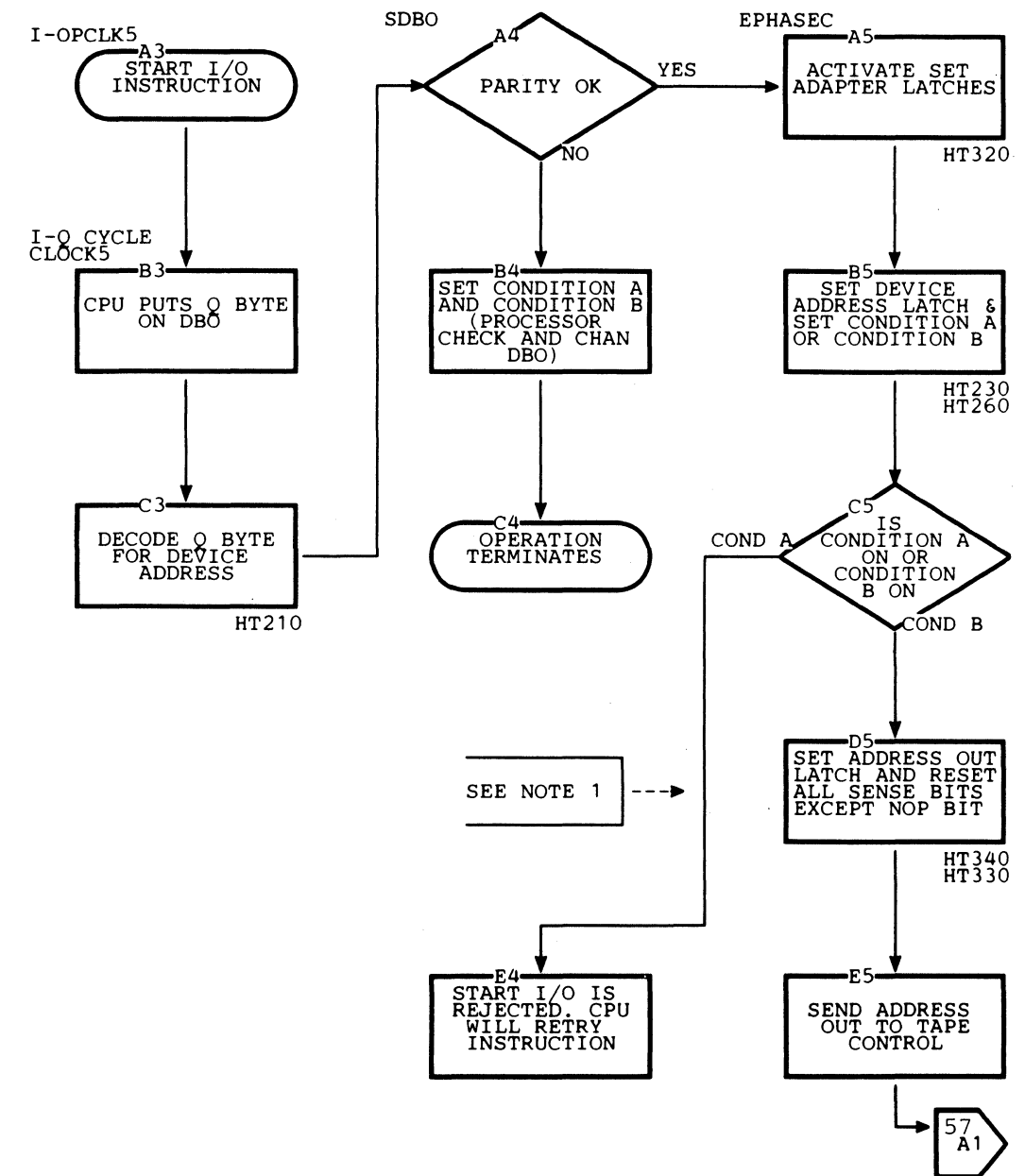
Start I/O (SIO)

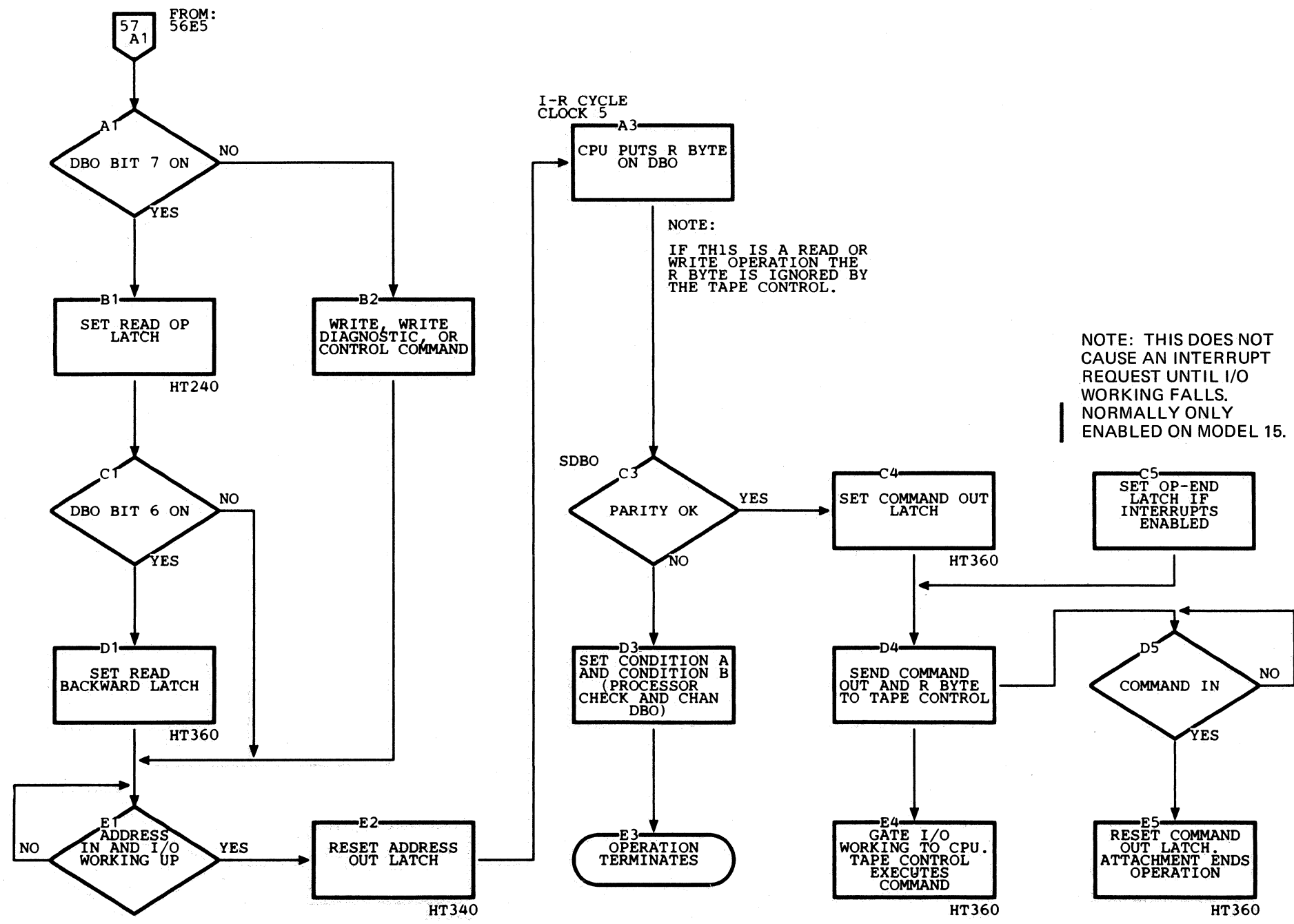
Start I/O initiates a tape operation. During the I-Q Cycle, the Q Byte is decoded for the tape unit address and command. If the command is the Control or Diagnostic type, an R Byte is received during the I-R Cycle. The R Byte contains the specific Control or Diagnostic command. For a Read or Write command the R Byte is not used. However the I-R Cycle is still executed.



NOTE 1

- CONDITION A IS ON WHEN:
- (1) I/O WORKING IS ACTIVE, OR
 - (2) DEVICE HAS GONE NOT READY, OR
 - (3) THE DEVICE IS BUSY.

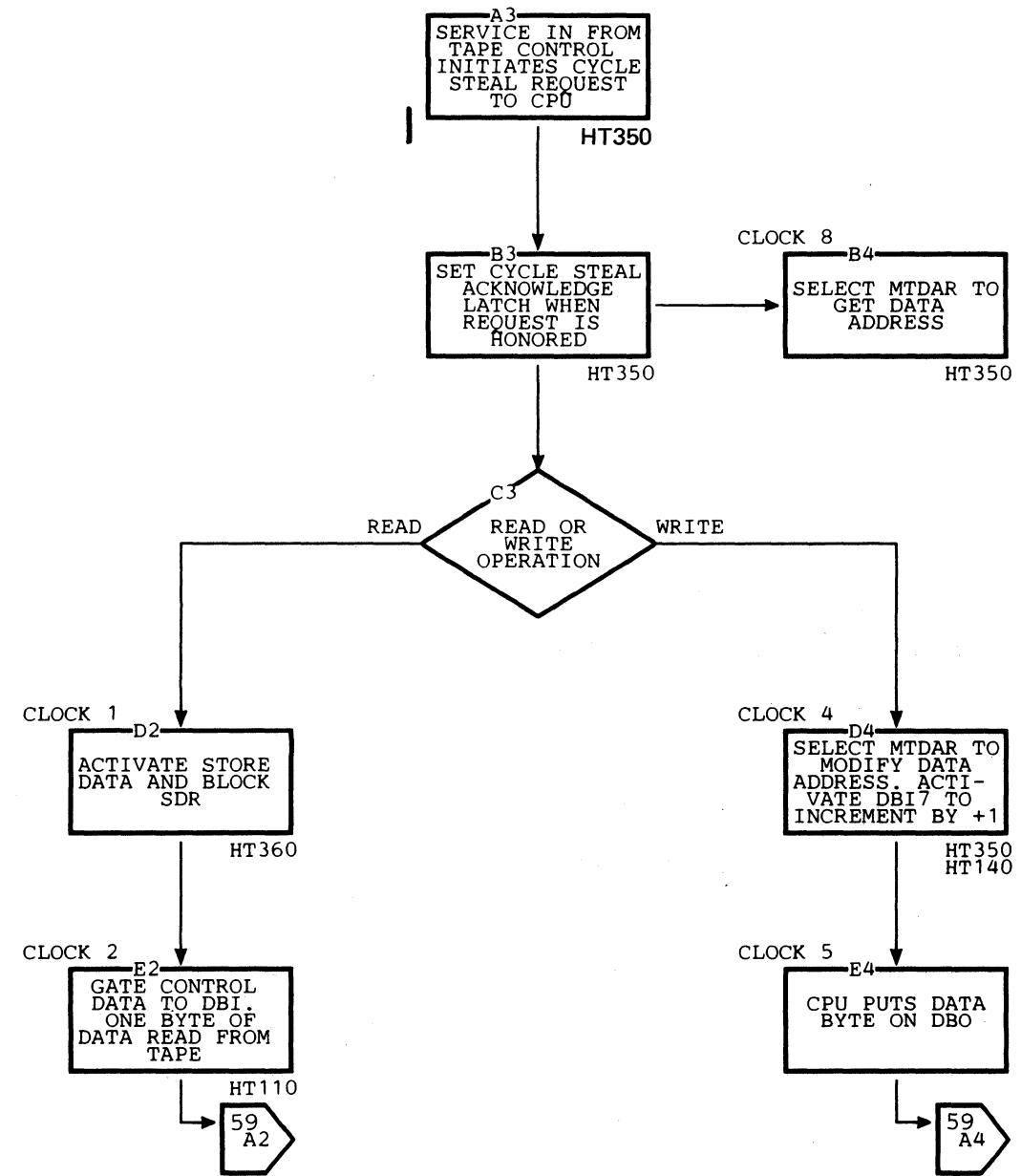




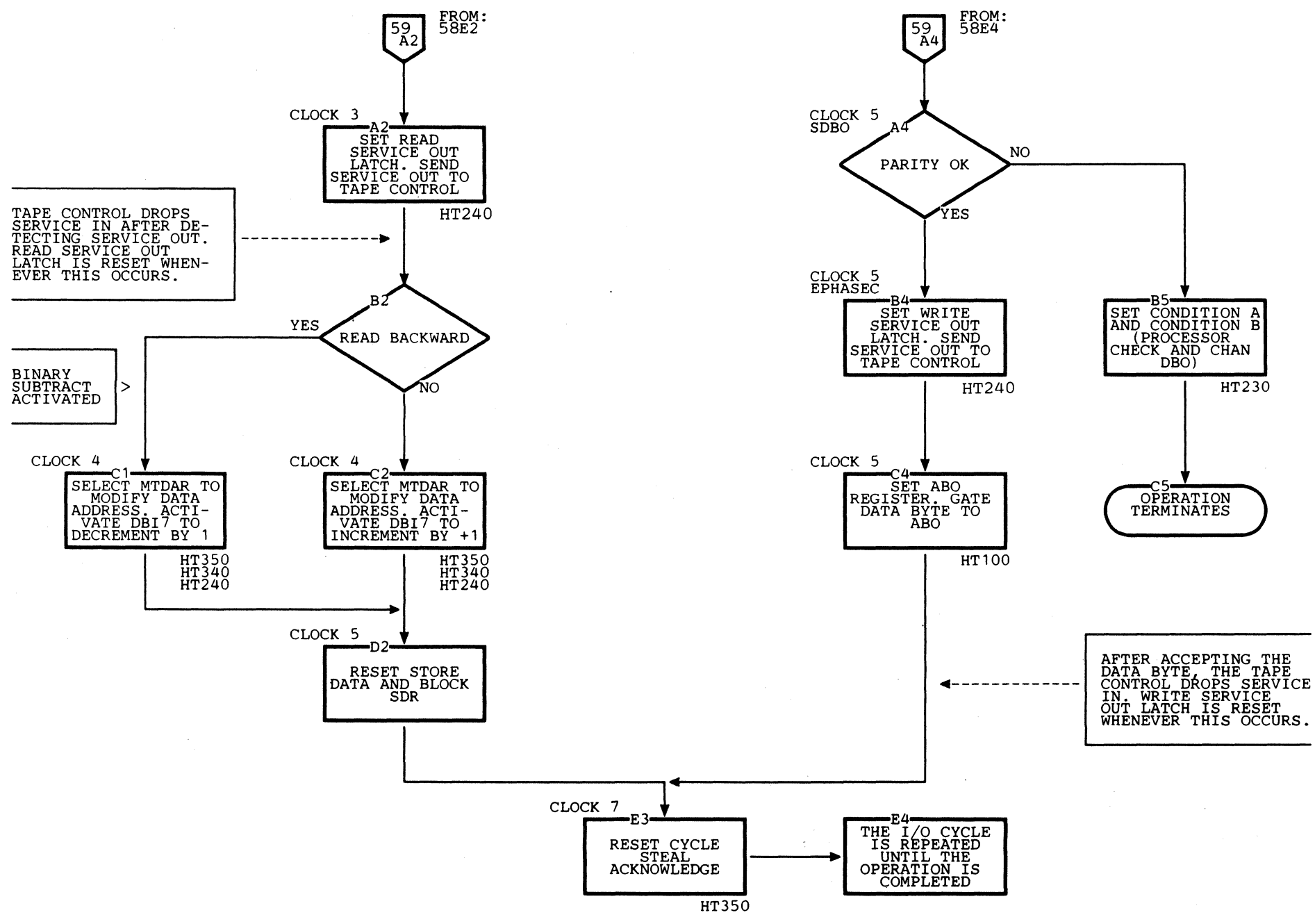
R BYTE	
HEX CODE	CONTROL COMMAND
C3	MODE SET (9-TRACK PE)
CB	MODE SET (9-TRACK NRZI)
07	REWIND (REW)
0F	REWIND UNLOAD (RUN)
17	ERASE GAP (ERG)
1F	WRITE TAPE MARK (WTM)
27	BACKSPACE BLOCK (BSB)
2F	BACKSPACE FILE (BSF)
37	FORWARD SPACE BLOCK (FSB)
3F	FORWARD SPACE FILE (FSF)
97	DATA SECURITY ERASE (DSE)
DIAGNOSTIC COMMAND	
01	WHEN N-FIELD IS 100
03	DIAGNOSTIC WRITE
07	LOOP WRITE TO READ
08	LOAD BYTE
09	WRITE SKEW CHECK
0D	READ FWD SKEW CHECK
0D	READ BKWD SKEW CHECK
02	WHEN N-FIELD IS 101
02	CROSSTALK CHECK
04	DIAGNOSTIC MEASURE (FWD)
06	IBG TIMING TEST
0C	DIAGNOSTIC MEASURE (BKWD)

I/O Cycles

I/O Cycles are the result of the Start I/O instruction. The tape control requests the I/O Cycle by raising Service In to the attachment. The attachment then issues a Cycle Steal Request 5 to the Model 15 CPU (Cycle Steal Request 7 for all other models). After the CPU acknowledges the cycle steal request, the data transfer begins. One byte of data is transferred each I/O Cycle. When tape control is ready to receive or send the next byte, another Cycle Steal Request is made to CPU.

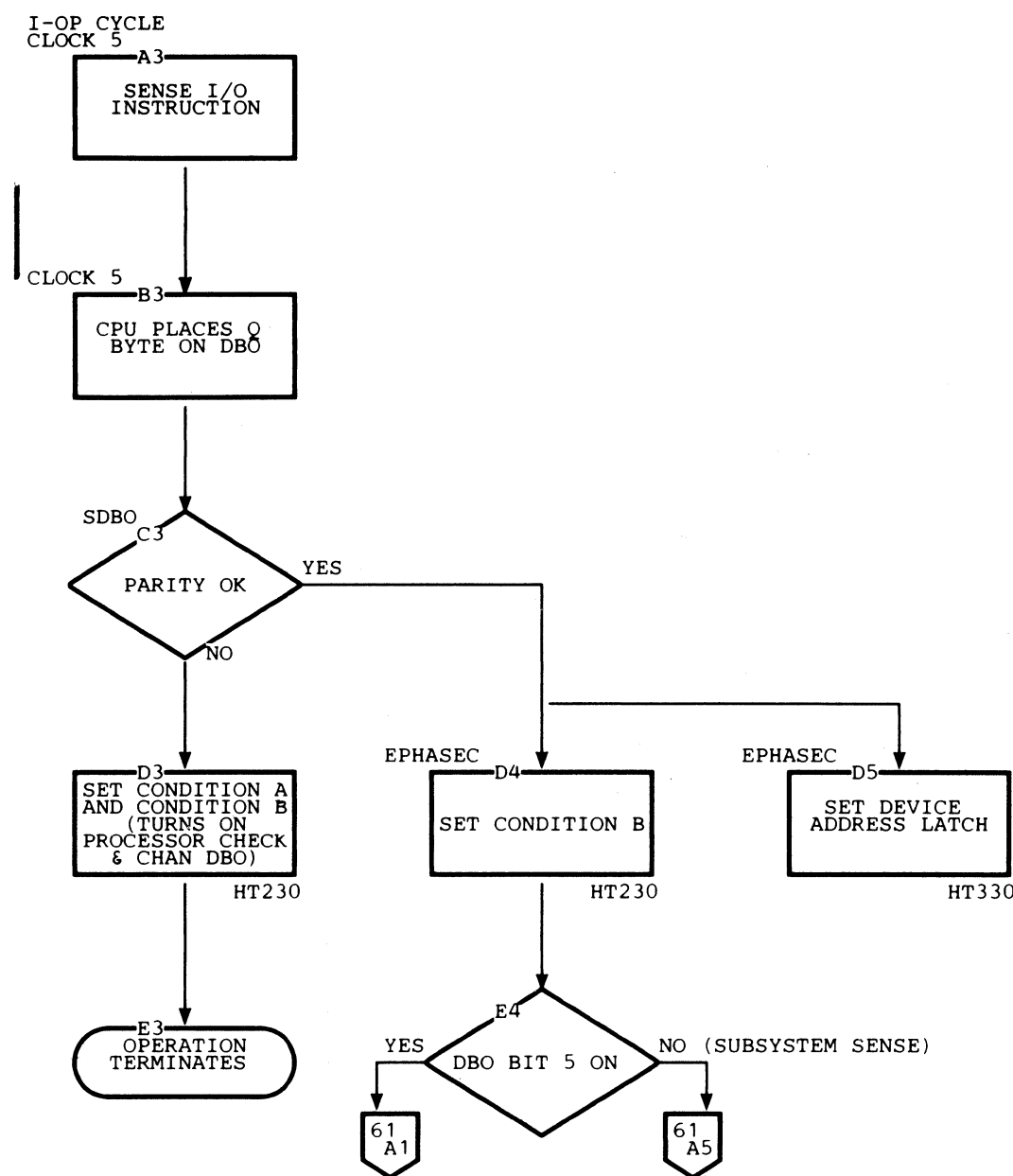


I/O Cycles



Sense I/O

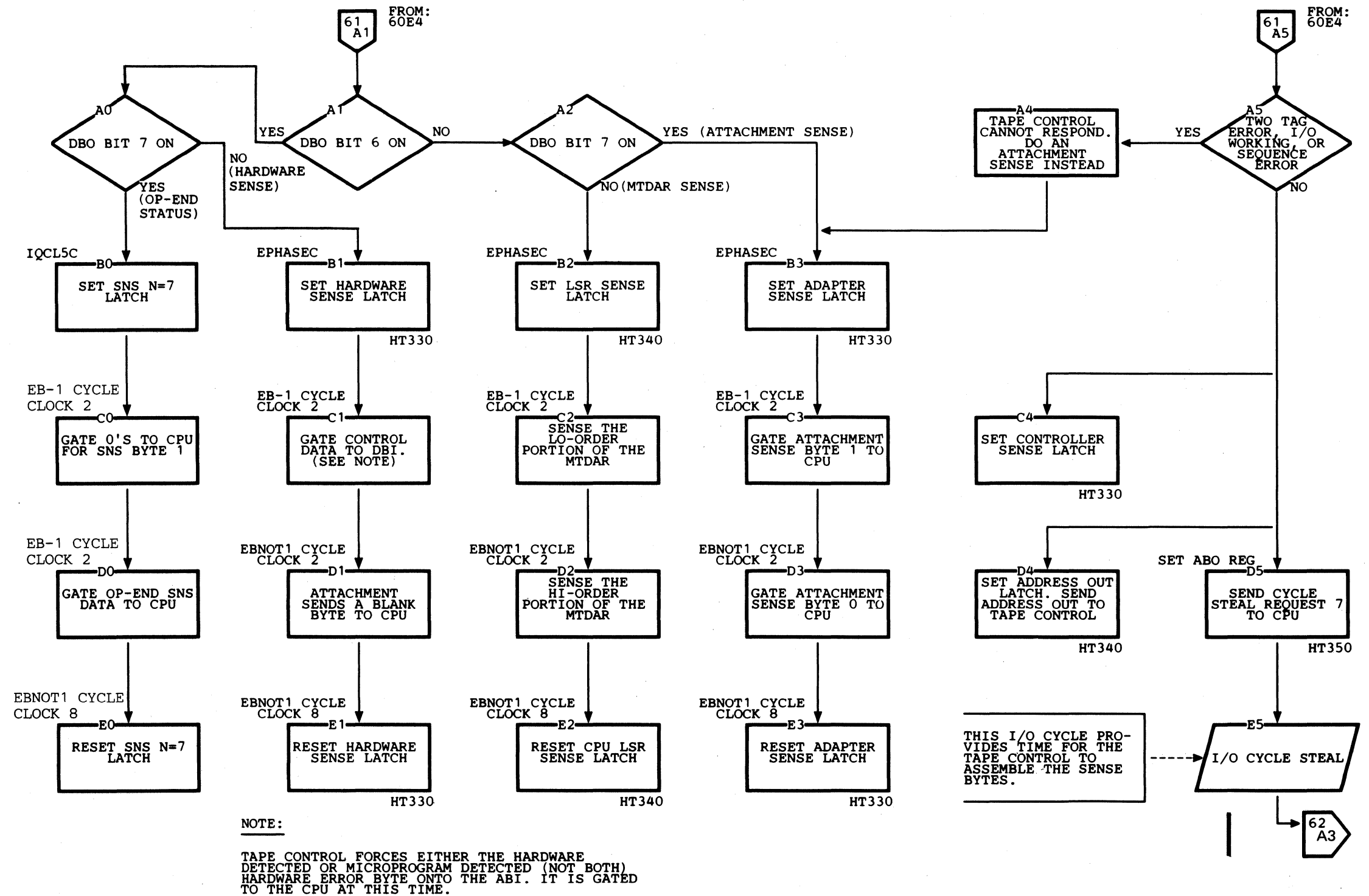
The Sense I/O (SNS) instruction requests sense data from the Attachment, the MTDAR, or the subsystem. During the I-Q Cycle, the Q Byte is decoded for the address and the unit being sensed. During the following EB-1 and EB-Not 1 Cycles, the requested sense data is sent to the CPU. If the subsystem is sensed, an I/O Cycle is taken but no data is transferred. The I/O Cycle is taken to provide time for the subsystem to assemble the requested sense data.

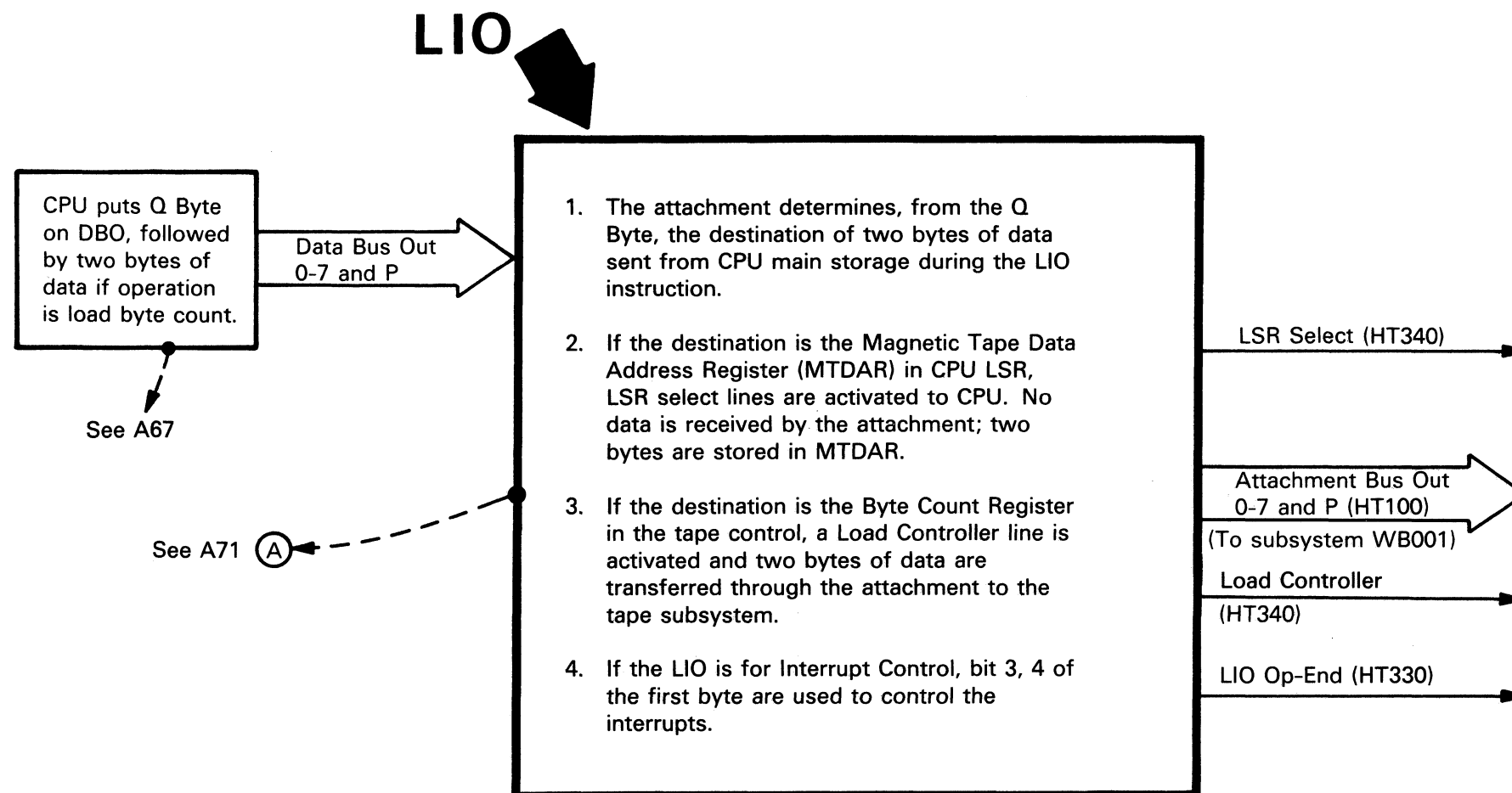


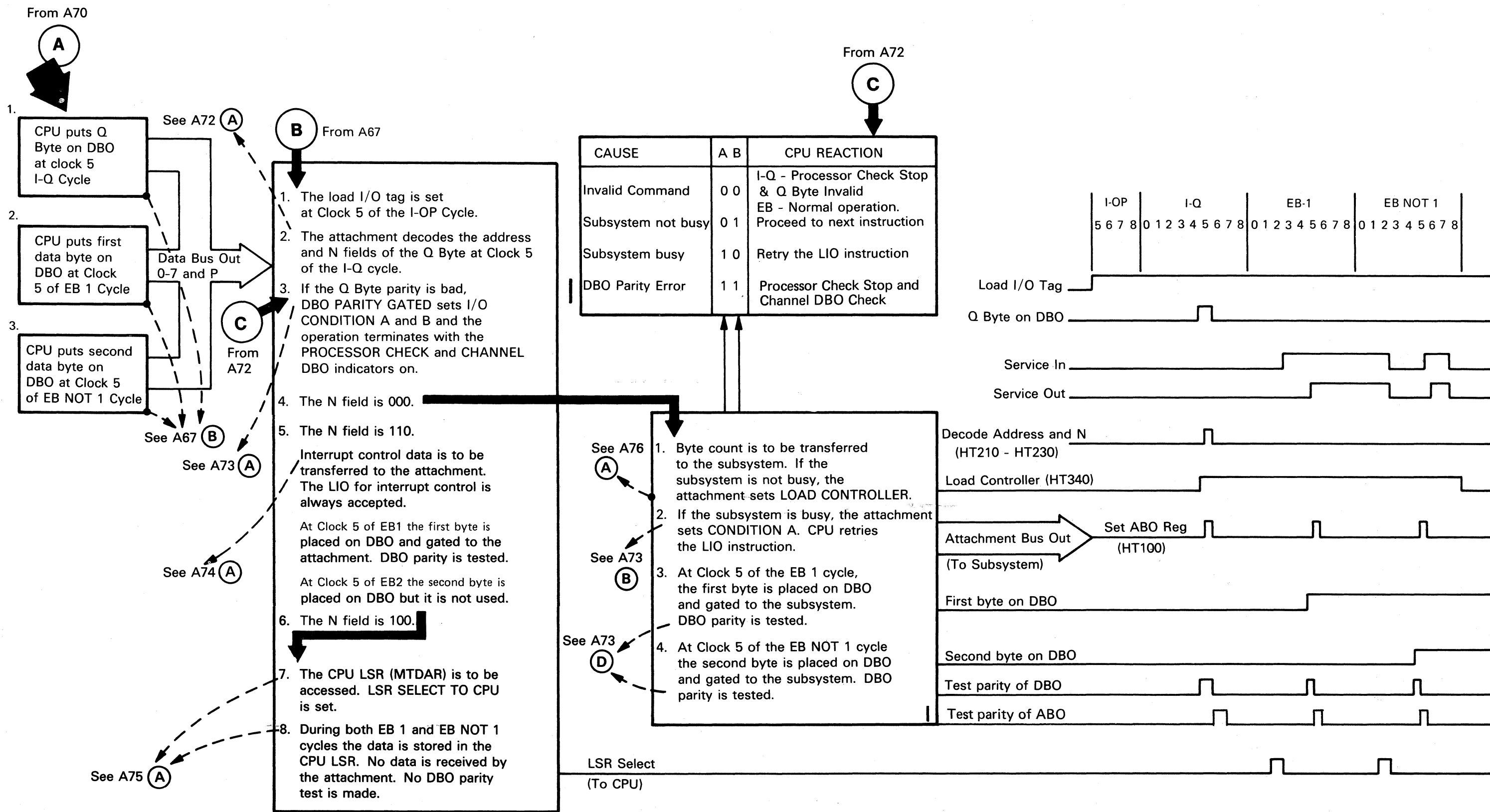
Q BYTE	
ADDRESS	N FIELD
011**	UNIT
01234	567

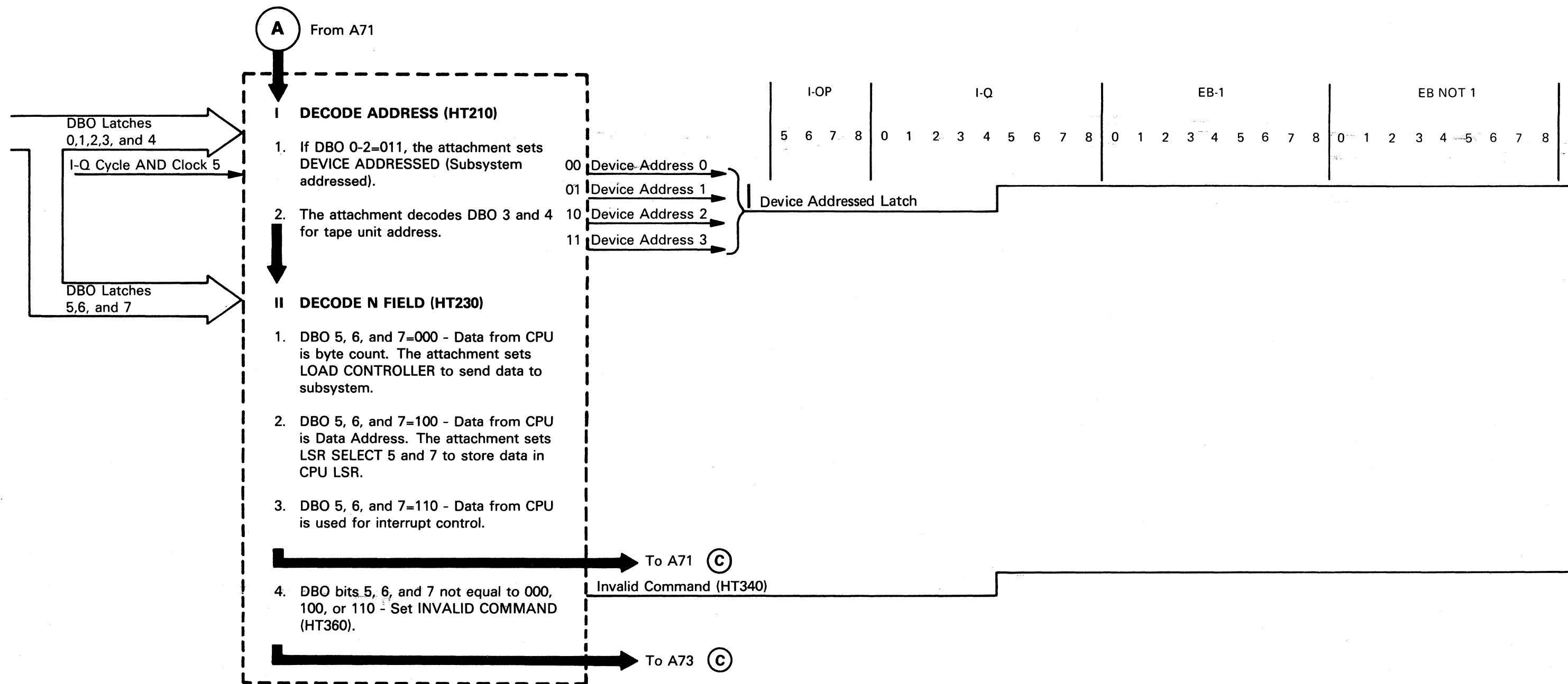
ADDRESS	N FIELD
SUBSYS 011**	000 SUBSYSTEM 0/1
	001 SUBSYSTEM 2/3
TU 0 00	010 SUBSYSTEM 4/5
TU 1 01	011 SUBSYSTEM 6/7
TU 2 10	100 *MTDAR SENSE
TU 3 11	101 ATTHMNT SENSE
	110 HARDWARE SENSE
	111 OP-END INT. STATUS

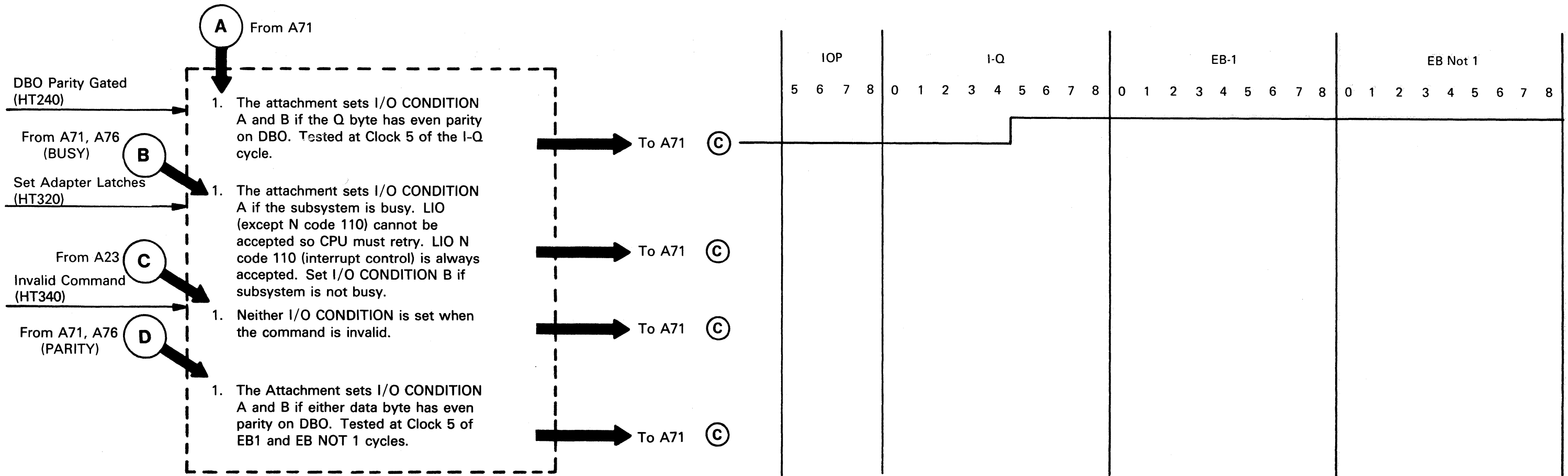
*THE MTDAR (MAGNETIC TAPE DATA ADDRESS REGISTER) IS THE CPU LSR ASSIGNED TO THE SUBSYSTEM

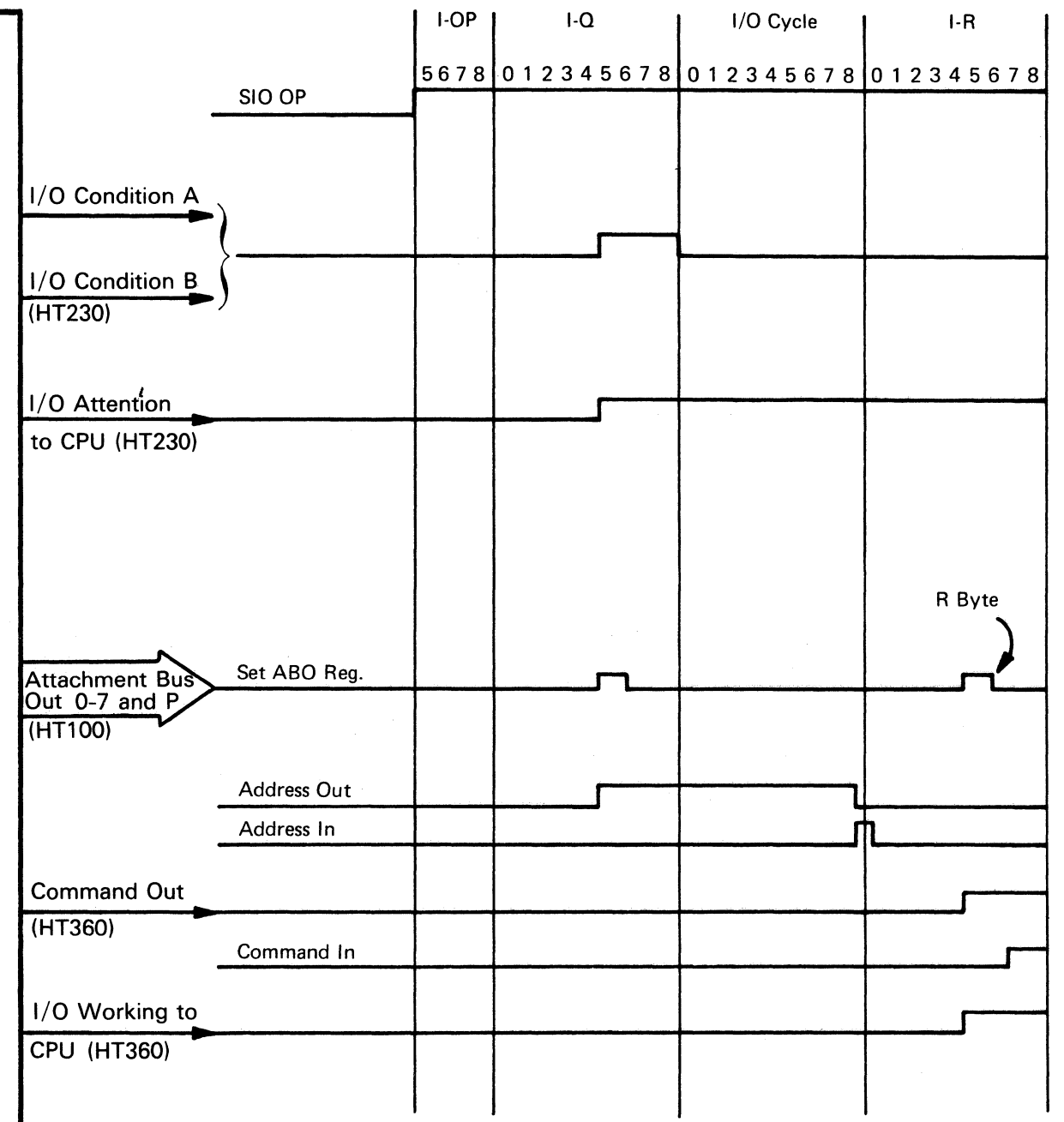
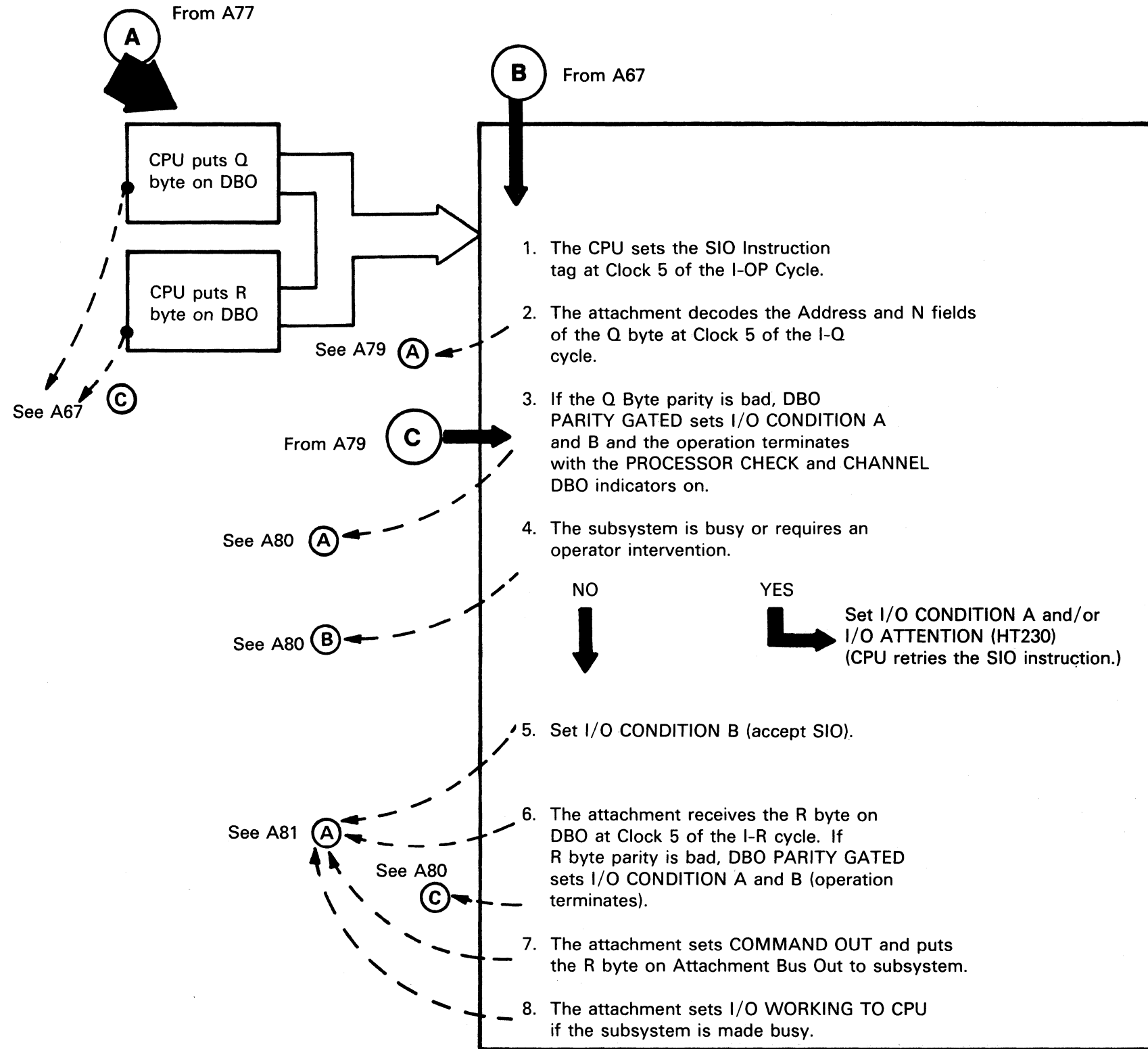


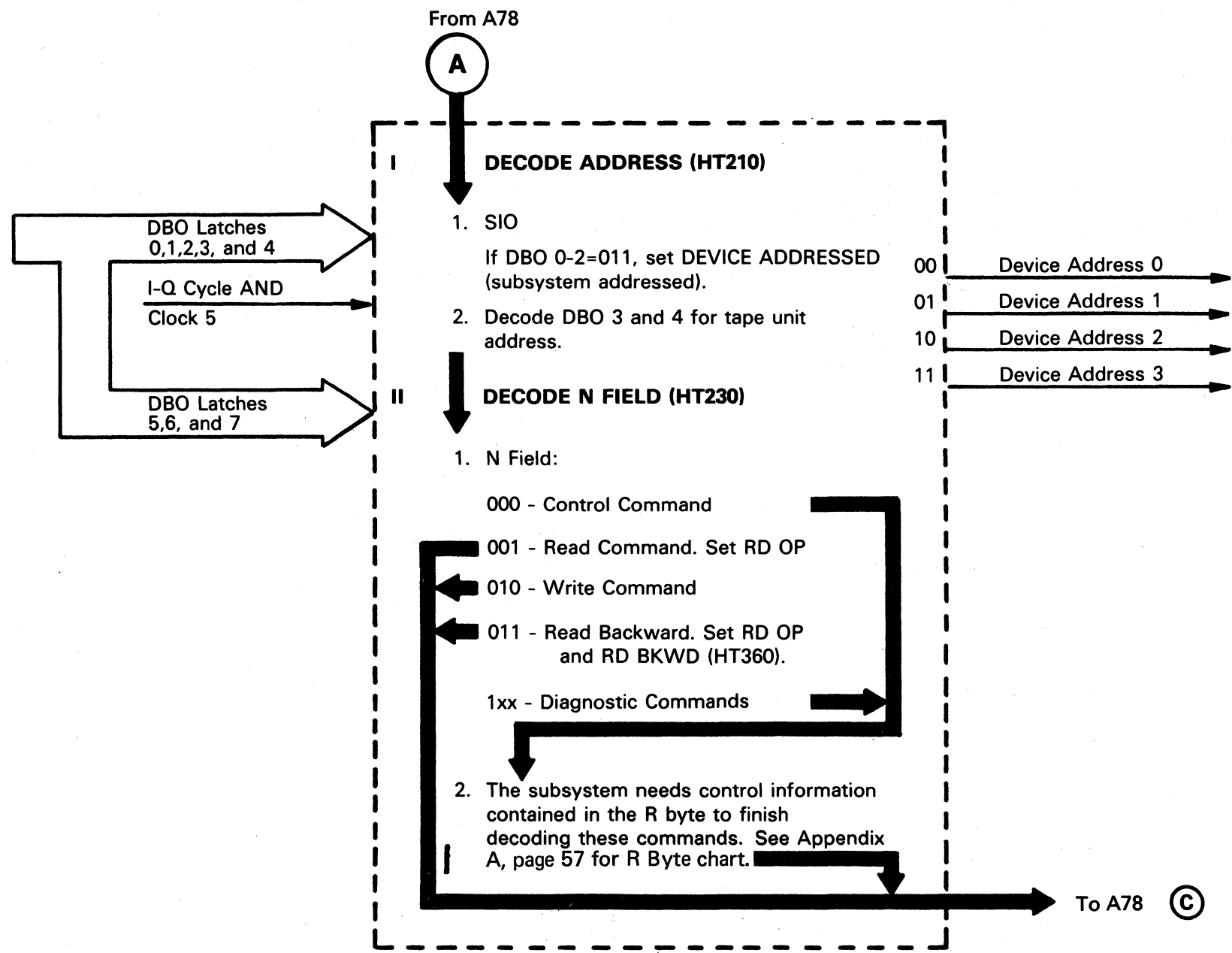


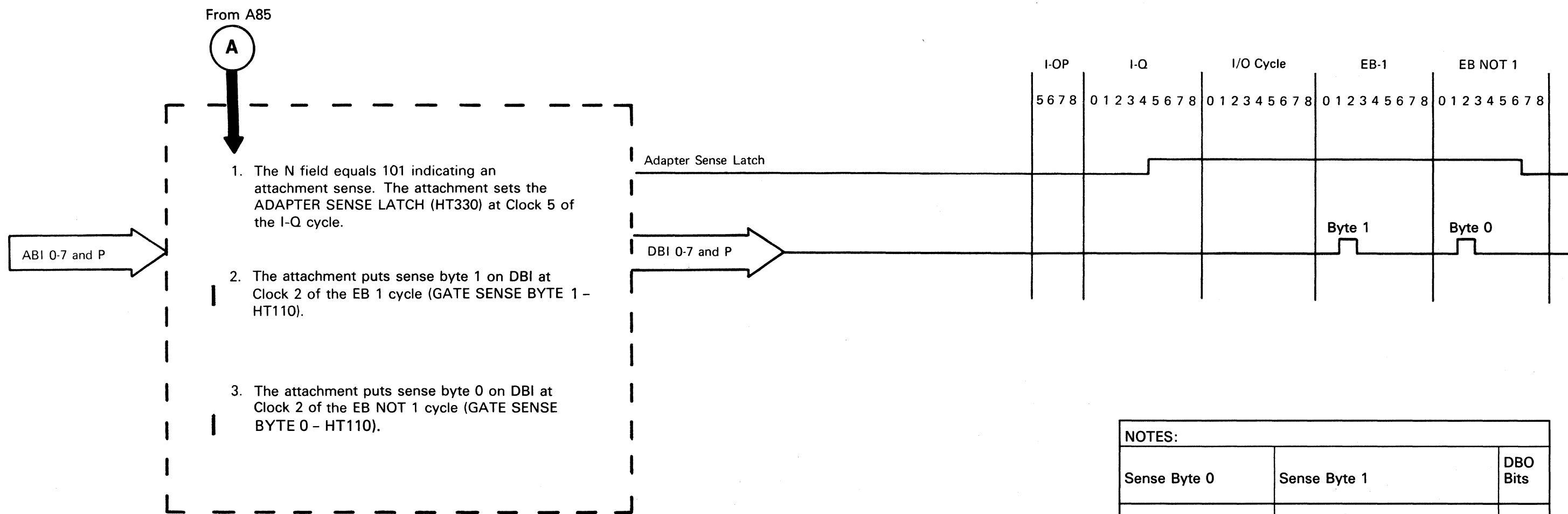






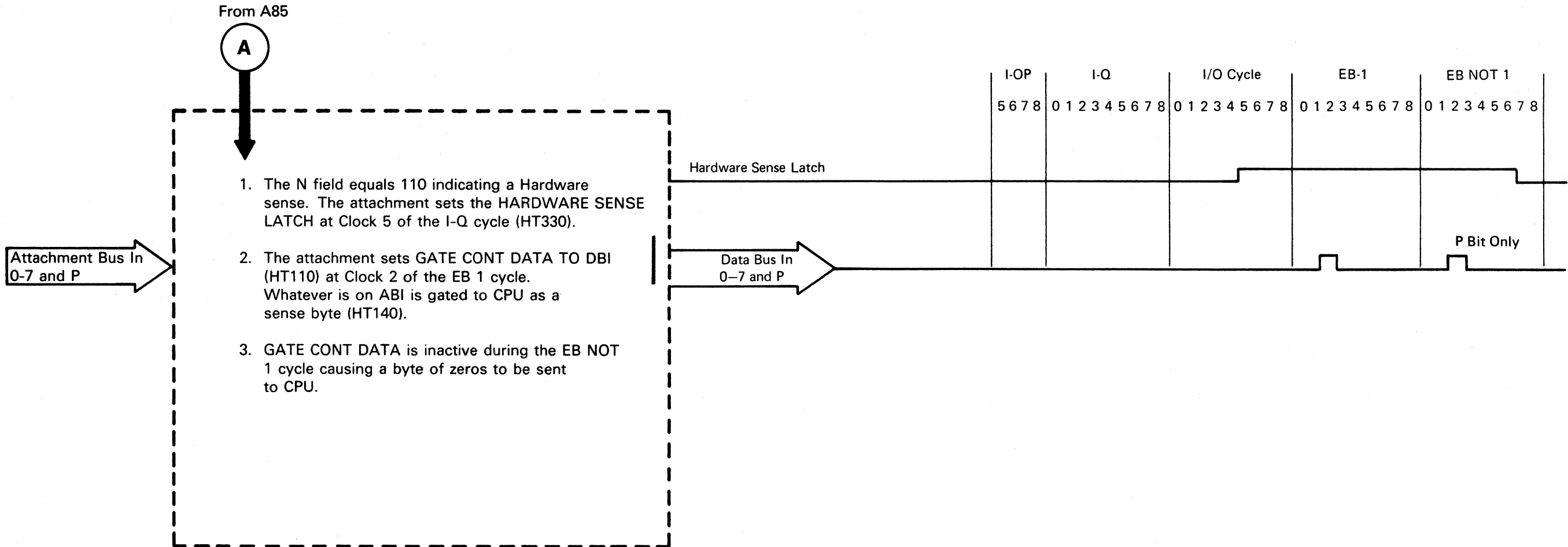






NOTES:

Sense Byte 0	Sense Byte 1	DBO Bits
	Address Out of Sequence	0
ABI Parity	Service Out of Sequence	1
ABO Parity	Command Out of Sequence	2
Controller Disabled	Address In Error	3
Two Tags Error	Service In Error	4
I/O Working Gated	Command In Error	5
Sequence Error	Status In Error	6
(Not used)	(Not used)	7



NOTE:

A Hardware Sense operation stores the state of the Attachment Bus In at the time of the error.

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1. The N field equals 111 indicating op-end status SNS. Attachment sets the SNS N=7 latch (AT330) at C5 of the I-Q cycle.
2. The attachment puts a byte of zeros on DBI at EB-1 C2.
3. The attachment puts interrupt status on DBI at EB-2 C2.

Sense Byte 0	Bit
TU 0 Interrupt	0
1	1
2	2
3	3
Subsystem Interrupt	4
Unused	5
Unused	6
Unused	7



Appendix B: Microprogram Sample Listing

LOC	OBJECT CODE	ADDR1	ADDR2	STMT	SOURCE STATEMENT	12/13/71	1
				103+*	TRANSFER ADDRESSES	2	
000005				104+LSRS	EQU X'05' SELECT THE HIGH OR LOW LSR'S	3	
000006				105+TRNSP	EQU X'06' TRANSFER FUNCTION DEPENDS ON BIT	3 4	
000009				106+SPOUT1	EQU X'09' SPARE OUTBOUND REGISTER	5	
00000A				107+DETDERR	EQU X'0A' DISABLE CU--CODE DETECTED ERROR	6	
000011				108+WRTCLOCK	EQU X'11' ACTIVATE OR DE-ACTIVATE WRITE CLOCK	7	
000012				109+SDC3	EQU X'12' THIRD SKEW DETECTION AND CONTROL	8	
000014				110+SPOUT2	EQU X'14' SPARE OUTBOUND REGISTER	9	
000018				111+SDC2	EQU X'18' SECOND SKEW DETECTION AND CONTROL	10	
000021				112+AR	EQU X'21' ALU INPUT REGISTER	11	
000022				113+IC	EQU X'22' INSTRUCTION COUNTER	12	
000024				114+TUADR	EQU X'24' TAPE UNIT ADDRESS SELECTION	13	
000028				115+TUTAG	EQU X'28' TAPE UNIT OUT TAG REG	14	
000041				116+TUBOE	EQU X'41' TAPE UNIT BUS OUT WITH EVEN PARITY	15	
000042				117+TUBOO	EQU X'42' TAPE UNIT BUS OUT WITH ODD PARITY	16	
000044				118+RESET	EQU X'44' RESET THE CHECK/SYSTEM RESET LATCH	17	
000048				119+SDC1	EQU X'48' FIRST SKEW DETECTION AND CONTROL	18	
000050				120+INTAG	EQU X'50' IN TAGS TO ATTACHMENT	19	
000060				121+ABI	EQU X'60' DATA BUS INTO ATTACHMENT	20	
000081				122+DREG	EQU X'81' TRANSFER THE D REGISTER TO AN LSR	21	
000082				123+SPIN1	EQU X'82' SPARE INBOUND REGISTER	22	
000084				124+SHIFTRT	EQU X'84' SHIFT RIGHT ONE POSITION	23	
000088				125+PET	EQU X'88' PHASE ERRORS BY TRACK	24	
000090				126+SKB	EQU X'90' SKEW BUFFERS OUTPUT	25	
0000A0				127+ABO	EQU X'A0' DATA BUS OUT FROM ATTACHMENT	26	
				129+*	BRANCH ON CONDITION	28	
000000				130+#ALU0	EQU X'00' ALU OUTPUT IS EQUAL TO 0	29	
000001				131+#NC	EQU X'01' NOT ALU CARRY OUT	30	
000002				132+#BBUS	EQU X'02' B BUS PARITY ODD	31	
000003				133+#DBUS	EQU X'03' D BUS PARITY ERROR	32	
000004				134+#INTRPT	EQU X'04' INTERRUPT FROM THE TAPE UNIT	33	
000005				135+#SP1	EQU X'05' SPARE BRANCH ON CONDITION	34	
000006				136+#TACH	EQU X'06' TACH	35	
000007				137+#XFRWTD	EQU X'07' TRANSFER THE WRITE DATA	36	
000008				138+#CRO	EQU X'08' CHECK RESET OUT	37	
000009				139+#SNS	EQU X'09' SENSE TAG	38	
00000A				140+#SIO	EQU X'0A' START I/O TAG	39	
00000B				141+#LIO	EQU X'0B' LOAD I/O TAG	40	
00000C				142+#PBE	EQU X'0C' P-BIT ENVELOPE	41	
00000D				143+#NDATRDY	EQU X'0D' SKEW BUFFERS EMPTY	42	
00000E				144+#BOB	EQU X'0E' BEGINNING OF BLOCK	43	
00000F				145+#IBG	EQU X'0F' END OF RECORD DETECTED	44	
000010				146+#DREG0	EQU X'10' D REGISTER BIT 0	45	
000011				147+#DREG1	EQU X'11' D REGISTER BIT 1	46	
000012				148+#DREG2	EQU X'12' D REGISTER BIT 2	47	
000013				149+#DREG3	EQU X'13' D REGISTER BIT 3	48	
000014				150+#DREG4	EQU X'14' D REGISTER BIT 4	49	
000015				151+#DREG5	EQU X'15' D REGISTER BIT 5	50	
000016				152+#DREG6	EQU X'16' D REGISTER BIT 6	51	
000017				153+#DREG7	EQU X'17' D REGISTER BIT 7	52	
000018				154+#NCO	EQU X'18' NOT COMMAND OUT TAG	53	
000019				155+#ADO	EQU X'19' ADDRESS OUT TAG	54	
00001A				156+#NSVO	EQU X'1A' NOT SERVICE OUT	55	
00001B				157+#INTSEL	EQU X'1B' INTERRUPT SELECT	56	
00001C				158+#NSKEW	EQU X'1C' NOT EXCESSIVE SKEW	57	
00001D				159+#TM	EQU X'1D' TAPE MARK	58	
00001E				160+#NCUFEAT	EQU X'1E' NO CONTROL UNIT FEATURE	59	
00001F				161+#JSTENBL	EQU X'1F' ENABLE HAS JUST BEEN SWITCHED ON	60	

LCC	OBJECT CODE	ADDR1	ADDR2	STMT	SOURCE	STATEMENT	F01FEB69	12/13/71
000002	6065			361	TAGCHK1	BU TAGCHK		00001050
000003	0800			364	IDLE	STO R8,ZERO		00001060
000004	0900			367		STO R9,ZERO	CLEAR IDLE	00001070
000005	28F6			370		BQC CR0,CKRST	COUNTER	00001080
000006	3951			373	IDLE1	BQC ADD,ADROUT	BRANCH ON CHECK RESET	00001090
000007	A901			376		ADD R8,X'01'	BRANCH ON ADDRESS OUT	00001100
000008	2106			379		BQC NC,IDLE1	ADD ONE TO COUNT	00001110
000009	3951			382		BQC ADD,ADROUT	BRANCH IF NO CARRY	00001120
00000A	A901			385		ADD R9,X'01'	BRANCH ON ADDRESS OUT	00001130
00000B	2106			388		BQC NC,IDLE1	ADD ONE TO COUNT	00001140
							BRANCH IF NO CARRY	
00000C	3951			392		BQC ADD,ADROUT	BRANCH ON ADDRESS OUT	00001160
00000D	4350			395		XFR R3,INTAG	TURN ON I/O WORKING	00001170
00000E	9000			398		NOP1		00001180
00000F	3951			401		BQC ADD,ADROUT	BRANCH ON ADDRESS OUT	00001190
000010	66FF			404		BU IDLE2		00001200

LCC	OBJECT CODE	ADDR1	ADDR2	STMT	SOURCE	STATEMENT	F01FEB69	12/13/71
				1158		*****		00004470
				1159		*		00004480
				1160		* SYSTEM 3 TAPE SYSTEM CHECK RESET *		00004490
				1161		*		00004500
				1162		*****		00004510
				1163		*		00004520
				1164		* WHEN A CHECK RESET IS ISSUED *		00004530
				1165		* THE TAPE SYSTEM WILL RESET ALL *		00004540
				1166		* SENSE BYTES. *		00004550
				1167		* THE STATUS OF EACH TAPE UNIT *		00004560
				1168		* WILL THEN BE UPDATED. *		00004570
				1169		*		00004580
				1170		*****		00004590
0000E6	5F50			1173	CKRST	XFR R30,INTAG	I/O METER ON	00004610
0000E7	0603			1176	CKRST1	STO R6,X'03'	SET TIF BYTE TO NO TRK FOUND	00004620
0000E8	0C00			1179		STO R12,X'00'	SET TO PE	00004630
0000E9	0D01			1182		STO R13,X'01'	CLEAR SNS 0	00004640
0000EA	0E00			1185		STO R14,X'00'	CLEAR SNS 5	00004650
0000EB	0E00			1188		STO R15,ZERO	CLEAR DIAG REG	00004660
0000EC	1100			1191		STO R17,X'00'	CLEAR SNS 3	00004670
0000ED	1200			1194		STO R18,X'00'	CLEAR SNS 1	00004680
0000EE	5148			1197		XFR R17,SDC1		00004690
0000EF	5118			1200		XFR R17,SDC2		00004700
0000F0	5144			1203		XFR R17,RESET	RESET CHECK RESET LATCH	00004710
0000F1	1000			1206		STO R16,ZERO	GOOD PARITY TO R16	00004720
0000F2	1700			1209		STO R23,ZERO	& R23	00004730
0000F3	63AD			1212	END004	BU STOZERO		00004740

LCC	PROJECT CODE	ADDR1	ADDR2	STMT	SOURCE STATEMENT	F01FEB69	12/13/71
				1766	*****		00007090
				1767	* * * * *		00007100
				1768	* COUNT TIME * * * * *		00007110
				1769	* * * * *		00007120
				1770	* NORMAL EXIT IS VIA R22 * * * * *		00007130
				1771	* ERROR EXIT IS VIA R16 * * * * *		00007140
				1772	* * * * *		00007150
				1773	*****		00007160
000196	5005			1776	COUNT XFR HI,LSRS		00007180
000197	A801			1779	COUNT1 ADD R27,X'01'	ADD ONE TO LO COUNT	00007190
000198	219D			1782	BBC NC,COUNT2		00007200
000199	A001			1785	ADD R28,X'01'	ADD ONE TO HI COUNT	00007210
00019A	219E			1788	BBC NC,COUNT3		00007220
00019B	4005			1791	XFR LD,LSRS		00007230
00019C	5022			1794	XFR R16,IC	COUNT RAN OUT	00007240
00019D	209E			1798	COUNT2 NOP2		00007260
00019E	209E			1801	NOP2		00007270
00019F	4005			1804	COUNT3 XFR LD,LSRS		00007280
0001A0	5622			1807	XFR R22,IC	RETURN	00007290

LCC	OBJECT CODE	ADDR1	ADDR2	STMT	SOURCE STATEMENT	F01FEB69	12/13/71
				1810	*****		00007310
				1811	*		00007320
				1812	* WRITE TACH COUNT CONTROL		00007330
				1813	*		00007340
				1814	*****		00007350
0001A1	12FC			1816	ENDVEL1 STO R18,X'FC'	SFT CNT 4 FOR TIME TACH	00007360
0001A2	09F0			1819	STO R9,X'F0'	SFT CNT 16 FOR TIME TACH	00007370
0001A3	1814			1822	ENDVEL2 STO R27,X'14'	WAIT 5.0MSEC FOR FIRST TACH	00007380
0001A4	10FA			1825	STO R28,X'FA'	WRITE OPS	00007390
0001A5	16A6			1828	TACCNT22 STO R22,TACCOUNT		00007400
				1832	*****		00007430
				1833	*		00007440
				1834	* TACH COUNT ROUTINE		00007450
				1835	*		00007460
				1836	* NORMAL EXIT IS VIA R20		00007470
				1837	*		00007480
				1838	*****		00007490
0001A6	5005			1842	TACCOUNT XFR HI,LSRS		00007520
0001A7	26AA			1845	BDC TACH,TACHUP	TACH UP	00007530
0001A8	8810			1848	ORI R24,X'10'	SFT STAT	00007540
0001A9	33AC			1851	BDC DREG3,TACHDOWN		00007550
0001AA	9800			1855	TACHUP ORM R24,X'00'	CHECK STAT	00007570
0001AB	3382			1858	BDC DREG3,CNTTACH		00007580
0001AC	17FF			1861	TACHDOWN STO R23,X'FF'	SFT UP NOP WAIT	00007590
0001AD	A701			1864	WAITC17 ADD R23,X'01'		00007600
0001AE	21A0			1867	BDC NC,WAIT017	WAIT OVER	00007610
0001AF	9000			1870	NOP1		00007620
0001B0	9000			1873	NOP1		00007630
0001B1	6197			1876	BU COUNT1	TO COUNT ROUTINE	00007640
0001B2	09FF			1880	CNTTACH AND R24,X'FF'	CLEAR STAT	00007660
0001B3	A001			1883	ADD R25,X'01'	1 TO TACH COUNT	00007670
0001B4	2188			1886	BDC NC,CLRCNTN	CARRY	00007680
0001B5	AA01			1889	ADD R26,X'01'	1 TO HI TACH COUNT	00007690
0001B6	2180			1892	BDC NC,CLRCNT	CARRY	00007700
0001B7	4005			1895	XFR LO,LSRS		00007710
0001B8	9F00			1898	ORM R15,ZERO	IS THIS	00007720
0001B9	34E7			1901	BDC DREG4,SKEWCMD1	A SKEW COMMAND	00007730
0001BA	5422			1904	XFR R20,IC	RETURN	00007740
0001BB	208C			1908	CLRCNTN NOP2		00007760
0001BC	2080			1911	NOP2		00007770
0001BD	1800			1914	CLRCNT STO R27,X'00'	CLEAR COUNT	00007780
0001BE	1C00			1917	STO R28,X'00'	CLEAR COUNT	00007790
0001BF	6197			1920	BU COUNT1	TO COUNT ROUTINE	00007800

00022F 9800	2225 TIMFTAC	DRM	R8,X'00'	TU SENSE BYTE 1	000C8990
000230 5005	2228	XFR	HI,LSRS		00009000
000231 3746	2231	B0C	DREG7,WINPAR	WINTER PARK	00009010
000232 3642	2234	B0C	DREG6,FIR3	FIR 3	00009020
000233 8860	2237	ADDM	R27,X'60'	LO COUNT	00009030
000234 2137	2240	B0C	NC,RESET4	TO SMALL - LESS THAN 474.5 MICROSEC	00009040
000235 8850	2243	ADDM	R27,X'50'	LO COUNT	00009050
000236 2154	2246 CHKLOW1	B0C	NC,ADD4	OK	00009060
000237 12FC	2250 RESET4	STO	R18,X'FC'	LO COUNT MORE THAN 527.8 MICROSEC	00009080
000238 4005	2253 ADD16	XFR	LO,LSRS		00009090
000239 A901	2256	ADD	R9,X'01'	1 TO 16 COUNT	00009100
00023A 214F	2259	B0C	NC,TIMEMORE	NO BRANCH IF 16 TACHS COUNTED	00009110
00023B FFF7	2262	XDM	R15,X'F7'	IS THIS A END VELOCITY CHECK	00009120
00023C 204A	2265	B0C	ALU0,ENDVELCK	BRANCH IF SO	00009130
00023D 1210	2268	STO	R18,X'10'	SET START VELOCITY CHECK	00009140
00023E FA10	2271	XDM	P10,X'10'	TAPE UNIT	00009150
00023F 3341	2274	B0C	DREG3,STOPTAP0	AT LOAD POINT	00009160
000240 8E02	2277	ORI	R14,X'02'	SET P-BURST CHECK	00009170
000241 6448	2280 STOPTAP0	BU	STOPTAP		00009180
000242 8808	2284 FIR3	ADDM	R27,X'D8'		00009200
000243 2137	2287	B0C	NC,RESET4	GO COUNT	00009210
000244 8806	2290	ADDM	R27,X'D6'	TOO SMALL	00009220
000245 6236	2293	BU	CHKLOW1	LO COUNT	00009230
000246 8887	2297 WINPAR	ADDM	R27,X'B7'	LO COUNT	00009250
000247 2137	2300	B0C	NC,RESET4	TOO SMALL	00009260
000248 88AD	2303	ADDM	R27,X'AD'	LO COUNT	00009270
000249 6236	2306	BU	CHKLOW1		00009280
00024A 0E00	2310 ENDVELCK	STO	R15,7ER0	CLEAR THE DIAGNOSTIC REGISTER	00009300
00024B 8010	2313	ORI	R13,X'10'	SET DATA CHECK	00009310
00024C 5005	2316	XFR	HI,LSRS	SET THE HIGH LSRS	00009320
00024D 8140	2319	ORI	R17,X'40'	SET END VELOCITY CHECK	00009330
00024E 63AA	2322 CTUDIAG1	BU	CTUDIAG	GET OUT	00009340
00024F 19FF	2326 TIMEMORE	STO	R25,X'FF'	TACH COUNT	00009360
000250 1AFF	2329	STO	R26,X'FF'	EQUAL 1	00009370
000251 1800	2332	STO	R27,X'00'	CLEAR	00009380
000252 1000	2335	STO	R28,X'00'	COUNT	00009390

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070253	6196			2338	PRWRT6	BU COUNT	TO COUNT ROUTINE		00009400
000254	FC00			2341	ADD4	XOM R28,ZERO	HIGH COUNT		0000941C
000255	2057			2344		BQC ALU0,ADD4A	OK		00009420
000256	6237			2347		BU RESET4	BAD		00009430
070257	A201			2350	ADD4A	ADD R18,X'01'	1 TO 4 COUNT		00009440
070258	2138			2353		BQC NC,ADD16	4 COUNT NOT 4		00009450
000259	0210			2356		STO R2,X'10'	STORE COMMAND TAG OFF		00009460
00025A	4005			2359		XFR LO,LSRS			00009470
00025B	5011			2362		XFR ON,WRTCLOCK	TURN ON THE WRITE CLOCK		00009480
00025C	0900			2365		STO R9,ZERO	CLEAR TO BYPASS END VEL ON WTM/ERG		0000949C
07025D	5522			2368		XFR R21,IC	4 COUNT EQUALS 4 TACHS OK		00009500
0006FF	5005			6359	IDLE2	XFR HI,LSRS			00026770
0706F0	9700			6362		ORM R23,ZERO	I/O CHECK		00026780
0706F1	4705			6365		XFR LO,LSRS	STAT		00026790
0006F2	37F4			6368		BQC DREG7,IDLE3	ON		00026800
0006F3	5006			6371		XFR FNBLCHG,TRNSF	ENABLE OFF LINE		00026810
0006F4	6011			6374	IDLE3	BU UPDATE			00026820

SYMBOL	LEN	VALUE	CROSS-REFERENCE	
			DEFN	REFERENCES
AA	00001	0003B8	3489	3471
ADD16	00001	000238	2253	2353
ADD4	00001	000254	2341	2246
ADD4A	00001	000257	2350	2344
ADROUT	00001	000051	0638	0373 0382 0392 0401
BOT	00001	000815	6538	6525
CHKIC	00001	0003D3	3571	3559
CHKLOW1	00001	000236	2246	2293 2306
CKTUVEL	00001	000899	6979	
CKRST	00001	0000E6	1193	0730 2852
CKRST1	00001	0000E7	1176	1228
CLRCNT	00001	0001BD	1914	1892
CLRCNTN	00001	0001BB	1908	1886
CMNDREJ	00001	000139	1439	2548
CNTTACH	00001	0001B2	1880	1858
CONTROL	00001	000093	0874	0849 5083
COUNTHI	00001	000627	5731	5725
COUNT1	00001	000197	1779	1876 1920
COUNT2	00001	00019D	1798	1782
COUNT3	00001	00019F	1804	1788
CRCEVENP	00001	00090F	7339	7333 8948
CTUDIAG	00001	0003AA	3447	2012 2322
CTUDIAG1	00002	00024E	2322	3428
ENDEND	00001	0004A7	4451	1275 3821 4445 4771
ENDVELCK	00001	00024A	2310	2265
ENDVEL1	00001	0001A1	1816	1717 3443
ENDVEL2	00001	0001A3	1822	1711 2528 2725 3839
END004	00002	0000F3	1212	0730
FIRST	00001	000454	4144	4593 4602
FIR3	00001	000242	2284	2234
IDLE	00001	000003	0364	0572 1149
IDLE1	00001	000006	0373	0379 0388
IDLE2	00001	0006EF	6359	0404
IDLE3	00001	0006F4	6374	6368
PBVRT6	00002	000253	2338	2478
PET	00001	000088	0125	4244 4315 4334
REQUEST	00001	0000B3	0983	0963 0973
RESET4	00001	000237	2250	2240 2287 2300 2347
REWDLY1	00001	0004EA	4675	4678 4684 4690
STOPTAPO	00002	000241	2280	2274
TACCNT22	00001	0001A5	1828	1257 1506 4634 4658
TACCOUNT	00001	0001A6	1842	1263 1665 1828 2206 2649 2688 2694 5594
TACFAIL	00001	0001D7	1994	1699 1747 1967 5556 5559 8781
TACHDOWN	00001	0001AC	1861	1851
TACHUP	00001	0001AA	1855	1845
TIMEMORE	00001	00024F	2326	2259
TIMETAC	00001	00022F	2225	1991
TIMETACH	00002	0001D6	1991	1687 3440
WAITHERE	00001	00065C	5897	5897
WAIT011	00001	0000BA	1005	1005
WAIT017	00001	0001AD	1864	1867
WINPAR	00001	000246	2297	2231
WRDA4	00001	000349	3134	3125

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Appendix C: Statistical Recording and Analysis

The maintenance strategy of the 3410/3411 Magnetic Tape Subsystem is dependent upon statistical information recorded by the host system. This statistical information is used at two separate times in the repair cycle. The information is first used by a program called Log Analysis which uses the statistics for data reduction and analysis. Later in the repair cycle, if the problem is not isolated, the Statistical Information is again used when you are told to print and interpret the statistics.

This section discusses the statistics which are recorded, Log Analysis and its role, and the utility programs used to print the statistics. This section assumes that you are host system trained, and summarizes information that exists in other publications. The recording and processing of statistical information is discussed in greater detail in both the OS and DOS libraries. See *OS Service Aids*, GC28-6719, Chapter 2: EREPO, and the *DOS System Control and Service Manual*, GC24-5056. Read the "Supervisor" section entitled "Recovery Management Support Recorder (RMSR)" and "System/370 DOS Volume Statistics" and the "Problem Determination" section entitled "The System/370 Environmental Recording, Exhibiting, and Printing" (EREP) program.

Additional operating information is contained in the *DOS Operating Guide*, GC24-5022 under the sections entitled "Problem Determination" and "Operator Reference Information: Commands and Statements." Message information is contained in the *DOS Messages Manual*, GC24-5074.

Statistical Information: What It Is and Why It Is Needed

The performance of the 3410/3411 Magnetic Tape Subsystem is affected by the condition of the magnetic tape. During use, tape is stretched, flexed, and rubbed, causing its oxide coating to crack or to be eroded. Particles of oxide, fingerprints, and dust contaminate its surface, multiplying erosion and breaking contact between the tape and the read/write head.

With statistical information, tape problems can often be separated from device problems. Also, the customer can determine when a reel of tape is causing an excessive number of errors and take the proper corrective action.

If the problems are attributed to a device, statistics can determine the cause of the problem. Temporary errors can be traced and a deteriorating subsystem performance detected. This allows corrective action to be taken before the customer experiences serious problems.

Statistical information is available in two forms: volume statistics and tape unit statistics. The statistics can be obtained in a detail or summary printout.

Following is an explanation of the detail and summary concepts.

Assume five tape volumes, A through E, were used a total of nine times in this order: A, B, C, D, A, D, C, A, E. The detail printout would contain nine entries—three for A, one for B, two for C, etc.—showing the activity (statistics) for each use. The summary printout would contain five entries, one for each volume. The printout would show the three runs with tape A summarized, the one run with tape B, the two runs with tape C summarized, etc. The same scheme is used for the detail and summary printouts of a tape unit's statistics.

Statistics: What Is Recorded

Volume statistics indicate the number, severity, and type of I/O errors that occurred while processing a particular volume (reel of tape), thus providing a tool to assist the customer in maintaining his library and to assist in determining whether a problem is tape or hardware.

System/360 and System/370, through OS and DOS, and System/3, through the Diagnostic Control Program (DCP), provide facilities to record volume and tape unit statistics.

The OS facility is Media Error Statistics (MES), and the DOS facility is Tape Error Statistics (TES). The following information is recorded whenever:

1. A volume is dismounted.
 2. A permanent error occurs.
 3. The counter overflows.
- The date the record was collected. (Serial number, CPU ID, and machine check extended logout for this CPU).
 - The Channel Status Word (CSW).
 - The address of the unit on which the volume was mounted and the channel to which the unit was attached.
 - The device type code for this device.
 - The length (in bytes) of the SDR area.
 - The physical unit address.
 - The number of I/O retries performed before a good read or good write operation occurred.
 - The number of sense bytes used by this device.
 - The volume serial number of standard labeled volumes (blank for nonstandard and unlabeled volumes).

- The block length of each record if the volume has fixed-length blocked records. When the type of record is undefined or of variable length, or if the program terminates abnormally (ABEND), a zero appears in the space allocated for block length. A zero also appears when physical IOCS is being used.
- The number of temporary read errors that occurred.
- The number of temporary write errors that occurred.
- The number of Start I/O instructions issued to the tape unit (does not include SIOs issued for or during error recovery).
- The number of permanent read errors that occurred.
- The number of permanent write errors that occurred.
- The number of noise blocks encountered (records less than 12 bytes on a read operation, or less than 18 bytes on a write operation).
- The bit density of the volume (800/1600 for 9-Track tape).
- The number of erase gaps (three inch lengths of erased tape) executed while in write error recovery.
- The number of cleaner actions (passing the record in error back and forth over the cleaner blade) taken while trying to correct read errors.
- The SDR counter area.
- The sense byte data.

How Statistical Information Is Used

Log Analysis (System/3)

The Log Analysis program consists of sections designed to analyze the accumulated system/subsystem error log and to determine the most probable failure. The message output will, whenever possible, identify the most probable field replacement unit (FRU) or, at most, the three most likely FRU's in the order of probability. In some cases a condition other than a failed FRU will be identified and a suggested corrective action given. If further analysis or a more detailed instruction is required the message output will identify a specific MAP entry point, or the loading and execution of another diagnostic program.

On System/3, Log Analysis is executed under control of the Diagnostic Control Program (DCP). The Log Analysis section, FORMAT, reads in the accumulated error log and puts it into a more usable form. The errors are cataloged and analyzed by section LOGANL in the following sequence:

PERMANENT ERRORS

1. Hardware Errors
2. Adapter Checks
3. Equipment Checks
4. Permanent write errors where Loop Write to Read failed
5. Permanent write errors where Loop Write to Read passed
6. Permanent read errors

TEMPORARY ERRORS

1. Temporary errors per volume
2. Temporary errors per unit

LOGANL begins by interrogating the hardware error table. If any hardware entries are found, the specific FRU is isolated and identified. In some cases the hardware error indication is due to a probable adapter (attachment) failure. In this case LOGANL will call the Adapter Fault Locator section. If no hardware errors are found, the Adapter Check table is interrogated. If any adapter check entries are found, the Adapter Fault Locator is executed. If no adapter check entries are found, the Equipment Check table is interrogated. If any Equipment Check entries are found, the most recent entries are analyzed first. Analysis will find and identify the most probable FRU failure or at most, the three most likely. In this manner, table analysis continues according to the established sequence.

If there are no permanent errors and Log Analysis cannot identify a probable FRU failure, suggest another diagnostic, or a MAP entry, section STEP is called. STEP (Statistical Tape Error Printout) will provide the error log with statistics arranged by volume and unit for your interpretation.

Processing Tape Statistical Data

In System/360 and System/370 the operating systems, OS and DOS, provide a program which processes the tape error statistics. In System/3, the program is a part of the diagnostic package and runs under the Diagnostic Control Program (DCP). The programs are IFCEREPO, EREP, and STEP in OS, DOS and System/3, respectively.

OS

In OS the read and write errors along with all environmental records are recorded by the error environment recording program OBR (see Page C-5), and by the recovery management programs SER0, SER1, MDR, CCH, and MCH, and by the Reliability Data Extractor program RDE on SYSI.LOGREC.

Use the utility program IFCEREPO to retrieve the selected environmental records from the SYSI.LOGREC data set, and to edit and send them to an output device.

To print statistical information certain keywords must be used in the PARM field of the EXEC statement. A summary of the keywords needed to obtain a printout follows:

```
PARM = TYPE=0,
        MES=Y
        VOLID=(VOLID1,...,VOLID4),
        DEV=3410,
        CUA=xxx,xxx
```

TYPE=0

Indicates the I/O Outboard records, to be processed.

MES=Y

Indicates that error statistics for tape volumes are to be summarized and printed. This parameter is only valid for the 3410 and 3420 tape units, and when Type=0 is coded.

VOLID=xxxxxx,xxxxxx,

Indicates specific tape volumes for error statistics processing. A maximum of four volumes can be specified. If this parameter is omitted and MES=Y is coded, all volumes are processed.

DEV=3410

Indicates that selected record types — indicated in the TYPE parameter — for all 3410 tape units are processed. Only one tape unit designation can be specified.

CUA=xxx

Indicates the specific tape unit, by address, for which selected record types are to be processed. A maximum of two tape units can be specified.

There are other parameters which you should know about but may not use because the system defaults provide what is needed. The parameters are:

PRINT, which provides a detail printout, a summary printout, a detail and summary printout, or no printout at all.

PRINT=xx

- PS Provides detail and summary printouts
- SU Provides summary printout only
- PT Provides detail printout only
- NO Suppresses both detail and summary printouts

System default is PS which provides both the detail and summary printouts.

ZERO and ACC, which copy the statistical information in the system data set on a history tape and then clear the system data set. The information is copied on a history tape to prevent overlaying the old information when the data set is full. It is usually copied at the customer's option, for example once a day, or when a LOGREC FULL message is printed. When these parameters are not used, the statistical information is printed out. ZEROY causes 0 (hex) of the input data set (SYS1.LOGREC).

DATE, which prints statistics recorded within a specific time frame.

DATE=yy.ddd

where yy is the year (00-99) and
ddd is the day (001-366)

System default causes the printing of all statistics in the data set.

The following table shows examples of what you might request, followed by the PARM field to use. In all cases, a detail and summary printout result through default.

Example	Volume		Device	
	All	Specific	All	Specific
1			X	
2	X			
3		123456		
4				181

Example 1: PARM='TYPE=0,MES=Y,DEVICE=3410'

Example 2: PARM='TYPE=0,MES=Y'

Example 3: PARM='TYPE=0,MES=Y,VOLID=123456'

Example 4: PARM='TYPE=0,MES=Y,CUA=181'

A typical JCL statement using the PARM of Example 1 would be:

```
//JOBA JOB
// EXEC PGM=IFCEREPO,PARM='TYPE=0,MES=Y,DEVICE=3410'
//SERLOG DD DSN=SYS1.LOGREC,DISP=(OLD,KEEP)
//EREPT DD SYSOUT=A
```

DOS

In DOS the read and write errors per volume and tape unit are monitored by the Tape Error Statistics portion of the Recovery Management Support Recorder (RMSR). The RMSR records all environmental data on the SYSREC file. The tape statistics can be edited and printed or summarized, or the tape error records may be selected or summarized from the complete file through EREP.

The options used to print the statistical information are shown below.

The EREP options are:

```
OPTION TES ,NOTAPE
           ,PRINT
           ,SUM
           ,VOL

SELECT   FORMAT=TES
         VOL=xxxxxx
         DEVICE=3410
```

TES

Indicates that tape error statistics are to be processed.

NOTAPE

Indicates that the statistical information is to be printed only; there is no transfer of data to the history data set.

PRINT

Indicates that the statistics are to be printed in detail form.

SUM

Indicates that the statistics are to be printed in summary form.

VOL

Indicates that the statistics are for all tape volumes that are to be processed. If this parameter is omitted the statistics for 2 tape units are processed. For the 3410, to get a specific volume and a specific tape unit, use the SELECT option with the appropriate search parameters (see following discussions).

SELECT

Indicates the type of records that are to be processed. Several record types can be specified. Those listed below are the ones you must use.

VOLUME=xxxxxx

Indicates the specific tape volumes for error statistic processing. Only one volume can be specified.

DEVICE=3410

Indicates that the statistics for all 3410 tape units are to be processed.

CUA=xxx

Indicates that the statistics for a specific tape unit, by address, are to be processed. Only one device can be specified.

There are parameters, similar to those in OS, which allow the printing of statistics recorded in a specific time frame. When the parameters are not used, all the statistics in the system data set are printed.

This table shows examples of what you might request. Check marks indicate the type of statistics and printout format you may wish to obtain. Following the table are the statements required.

Example	Volume		Device		Printout	
	All	Specific	All	Specific	Detail	Summary
1			X		X	
2			X			X
3	X				X	X
4		X			X	X

Example 1: // EXEC EREP
OPTION TES,NOTAPE,PRINT

Example 2: // EXEC EREP
OPTION TES,NOTAPE,SUM

Example 3: // EXEC EREP
OPTION TES,NOTAPE,PRINT,SUM,VOL

Example 4: // EXEC EREP
OPTION TES,NOTAPE,PRINT,SUM,VOL
SELECT=VOLUME 123456

System/3

Magnetic Tape Error Summary Utility (\$TVES)

This program provides a printed summary of magnetic tape error statistics by volume and by unit. When it is run periodically, it allows the customer to define and analyze deteriorating tape or subsystem performance.

The tape error statistics logged on the CE tracks on disk storage unit F1 are read into core storage. The statistics (counters) are sorted by tape volume serial number and tape unit. When all available core storage is filled, or when all the statistics have been read from F1, the system print routine, \$\$\$YP1, prints the summary as follows.

Summary Magnetic Tape Error Statistics by Volume

Volume Serial	SIO Count	Temp Read	Temp Write	Write Skip
T1T1T1	00206	0000	0002	0002
T1	00256	0000	0002	0002
.....	00040	0002	0001	0001
BB1	00007	0000	0001	0001

..... Under volume serial stands for all unlabeled tapes and all 1st volumes (other than last) of a multivolume job with more than 2 volumes/unit

* * * * * Under volume serial stands for all nonstandard labeled tapes

Summary Magnetic Tape Error Statistics by Tape Unit

Tape Unit	SIO Count	Temp Read	Temp Write	Write Skip	Diag Track
T1	00469	0000	0005	0005	0000
T2	00014	0000	0001	0001	0000
T4	00026	0002	0000	0000	0000

Tape Units which received no SIO commands are not included in the summary.

The program \$TVES is a dedicated program and is loaded from the object library of the system or program disk pack.

```
// LOAD $TVES,xx (xx=address of system
// RUN          or program unit.)
```

Printout Analysis

Sample printouts which are available through the utility programs are shown on the following pages.

SUMMARY OF I/C OUTBOARD ENVIRONMENT RECORDS FOR DEVICE 000202 DEVICE TYPE 3410 TU SERIAL N/A CPU MODEL 0155 CPU SERIAL 111111

CUTBOARD DATE RANGE - 001 70 TO 001 70

TOTAL NUMBER OF RECORDS 002

VOLUME LABELS ENCOUNTERED (MAXIMUM OF 10 ENTRIES)

VOL. LABEL DUMCNE 002

CCW COMMAND CODES ENCOUNTERED (MAXIMUM OF 24 ENTRIES)

CMND TGTAL 03 002
SENSE BYTES SUMMARY

BYTE 0	BYTE 1	BYTE 2	BYTE 3	BYTE 4	BYTE 5
CMND REJ 000	NOISE 000	TRK ERR 0 000	VRC 000	TU POS CHK 000	NEW SUBSY 000
INTV REQ 000	TL STAT A 000	TRK ERR 1 000	MTE/LRCR 000	TU REJECT 000	NEW SUBSY 000
BUS O CHK 000	TU STAT B 000	TRK ERR 2 000	SKEW 002	ECT 000	WRT TM CHK 000
EQUIP CHK 000	RESERVED 000	TRK ERR 3 000	EDC/CRCR 000	RESERVED 000	PE ID BUR 000
DATA CHK 000	LOAD PT 000	TRK ERR 4 000	ENV CHECK 000	RESERVED 000	ERG CHECK 000
CVERRUN 000	WRT STA 000	TRK ERR 5 000	1600 BPI 002	D TRK ERR 002	TACH ERK 002
WRD CNT 000	FILE PROT 002	TRK ERR 6 000	BACKWARD 000	TU CHECK 000	FALSE END 002
RESERVED 002	NOT CAP 000	TRK ERR 7 000	RESERVED 000	ILL CMND 002	RPQ 000

BYTE 6	BYTE 7	BYTE 8
RESERVED 000	LAMP FAIL 000	RESERVED 000
SHORT GAP 000	LFT CL CHK 000	FEED THRU 000
DUAL DEN 000	RHT CL CHK 000	RESERVED 000
800 BPI 000	RES-DCCR 000	END V CHK 000
	DSE 002	TAPE V CHK 002
	RESERVED 000	ST VEL CHK 000
	RESERVED 000	RESERVED 000
	RESERVED 000	VEL RETRY 002

SDR AREA	RESERVED	END V CHK	BACKWARD
NOISE 0002	RESERVED 0000	END V CHK 0002	BACKWARD 0000
VRC 0002	WRT TM CHK 0002	TAPE V CHK 0002	BUS O CHK 0000
MTE/LRCR 0002	ERG CHK 0002	ST V CHK 0002	TU POS CHK 0000
EDC/CRCR 0002	TACH CHK 0002	RESERVED 0002	
ENV CHECK 0002	FALSE END 0002	VEL RETRY 0002	
CVERRUN 0000	RESERVED 0002	RESERVED 0002	
SKEW 0000	FEED THRU 0002	PE ID CHK 0002	
RESERVED 0000			

DEVICE DEPENDENT COUNTERS

TEMP RDS	00004
TEMP WRTS	00006
SIG COUNT	032767
ERASE GAPS	00000
CLEAN ACTS	49744
NOISE RCD	00004

NO REQUESTED CPU RECORDED SINCE LAST EDIT
NO REQUESTED CCH RECORDED SINCE LAST EDIT
NO REQUESTED IPL RECORDED SINCE LAST EDIT
NO REQUESTED EGD RECORDED SINCE LAST EDIT
NO REQUESTED TP RECORDED SINCE LAST EDIT

--- RECORD ENTRY SOURCE - OBR TYPE -OUTBOARD MODEL- 0155 SERIAL NO. 111111

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DEVICE TYPE	PRIMARY CUA	SECONDARY CUA	PROGRAM IDENTITY	VOLUME SERIAL	MODE SET	DATE DAY YR	TIME HH MM SS TH
3410	000202	000352	NLTS	JUMUNE	02	001 70	00 35 54 84

FAILING CCW	CC	CA	FL	CT	CSW	K	CA	US	CS	CT
03	003450	80	00	0289	00	00	654320	00	00	0069

UNIT STATUS	BYTE 0	BYTE 1	BYTE 2	BYTE 3	BYTE 4	BYTE 5
ATTENTION	0 CMND REJECT	0 NOISE	0 TRK ERR 0	0 VRC	0 TU POSN CHK	0 NEW SUBSY
STATUS MODIF	0 INTV REQUEST	0 TU STAT A	0 TRK ERR 1	0 MTE/LRCR	0 TU REJECT	0 NEW SUBSY
CCNT UN ENC	0 BUS OUT CHK	0 TU STAT B	0 TRK ERR 2	0 SKEW	1 EOT	0 WRT TM CHK
BUSY	0 EQUIP CHK	0 RESERVED	0 TRK ERR 3	0 EDC/CRCR	0 RESERVED	0 PE ID BUR
CHANNEL END	1 DATA CHECK	0 LCAD PCINT	0 TRK ERR 4	0 ENV CHECK	0 RESERVED	0 ERG CHECK
DEVICE END	1 CVERRUN	0 WRITE STA	0 TRK ERR 5	0 1600 BPI	1 DIAG TRK ERR	1 TACH CHK
UNIT CHECK	0 WRD CCUNT	0 FL PROT	1 TRK ERR 6	0 BACKWARD	0 TU CHECK	0 FALSE END CHK
UNIT EXCEP	0 RESERVED	1 NOT CAPABLE	0 TRK ERR 7	0 RESERVED	0 ILLEGAL CMND	1 RPQ

BYTE 6	BYTE 7	BYTE 8
RESERVED 0	LAMP FAIL 0	RESERVED 0
SHORT GAP 0	LEFT CCL CHK 0	FEED THRU 0
DUAL DEN 0	RHT CCL CHK 0	RESERVED 0
800 BPI 0	RES-DCCR 0	END VEL CHK 0
	DSE 1	TAPE VEL CHK 1
	RESERVED 0	ST VEL CHK 0
	RESERVED 0	RESERVED 0
	RESERVED 0	VEL RETRY 1

SDR AREA	RESERVED	TAPE VEL CHK	DEVICE DEPENDENT INFORMATION
NOISE 0001	RESERVED 0000	TAPE VEL CHK 0001	BLOCK LENGTH 00016
VRC 0001	WRT TM CHK 0001	ST VEL CHK 0001	TEMP RDS 0004
MTE/LRCR 0001	ERG CHECK 0001	RESERVED 0001	TEMP WRTS 0006
EDC/CRCR 0001	TACH CHK 0001	RESERVED 0001	SIG COUNT 32767
ENV CHECK 0001	FALSE END CHK 0001	VEL RETRY 0001	ERASE GAPS 00006
CVERRUN 0000	RESERVED 0001	RESERVED 0001	CLEAN ACTS 00007
SKEW 0000	FEED THRU 0001	RESERVED 0000	
RESERVED 0000	RESERVED 0000	RESERVED 0000	

HEX DUMP	GF	RECCRC	HEX DUMP	GF	RECCRC	HEX DUMP	GF	RECCRC
0000	E5E4E3E2	40404040	0000	00000000	0070001F	00355484	00111111	01550000
0020	14000202	00080018	0000	00000000	0030C3450	80000289	00000000	03000352
0040	00010101	01010000	0000	00000000	04E40406	05000010	00000000	02030402
			0000	00000000	80FF1111	11011111	01000000	05060208
								00008003
								00060007
								09

ID 0F00. PR0G 7130-01. SSWS

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Q	BYTE 0	BYTE 1	BYTE 2	BYTE 3	BYTE 4	BYTE 5
01100010	NOISE 0	RESERVED 0	BACKWARD 0	TM CHECK 0	RESERVED 0	RESERVED 0
	WLR 0	CMND REJ 0	N FILE PT 1	ED VEL CK 0	SHT GAP 0	MTE/LRCR 0
	UNIT EXC 0	BCK LP PT 0	EOT 0	TU POS CK 0	DUAL DEN 0	DATA T ER 0
VOLUME	DATA CHK 1	ST VEL CK 0	BOT 0	REJECT TU 0	NRZI DEN 0	EDC/CRC 0
M4272	DIA TK ER 0	ILL CMD 0	WRT STAT 1	WR FED CK 0	TU MODEL 0	ENV CK 1
	NO OP 0	TU STA CH 0	START KY 1	TP VEL CK 0	TU MODEL 0	FALS E MK 0
R	EQUIP CHK 0	WRD CNT 0 0	UNIT CHK 0	TACH FAIL 0	TU MODEL 0	PE ID CHK 0
BYTE	SENSE VAL 1	NOT CAP 0	NOT BUSY 1	OVERRUN 0	TU MODEL 1	VRC ERROR 1

The example printout for System/3, in the area of summary and detail by tape unit and detail by volume, have one position reserved for tape unit address. To accomplish this the address portion of the Q byte is shifted left and the results follow:

Address Command

01100 010 = TU0 = C
 01101 010 = TU1 = D
 01110 010 = TU2 = E
 01111 010 = TU3 = F

The Q bytes are shown in the upper left corner of the permanent error printout. The volume in error is right below the Q byte.

This example was run on a System/3 and the error indicates two permanent error logouts. After analyzing all available data the conclusion is that the error is probably track four on tape unit E.

The method for determining the error follows:

1 The permanent errors indicated both tape units C and E had failed, however the same volume (M4272) is shown in error on both tape units. A premature conclusion might be that volume M4272 is the source of the error. Further analysis will change this conclusion.

BYTE 6	BYTE 7	BYTE 8	BYTE 9
LAMP FAIL 0	TRK ERR 0 0	RESERVED 0	ADD OUT 0
TP BOT LF 0	TRK ERR 1 0	ABI PAR 0	SER OUT 0
TP BOT RH 0	TRK ERR 2 0	ABD PAR 0	CMND OUT 0
RESET KEY 0	TRK ERR 3 0	CU O/L 0	ADD IN 0
DSE 0	TRK ERR 4 1	Z TAG ERR 0	SER IN 0
RESERVED 0	TRK ERR 5 0	CU BUSY 0	CMND IN 0
RESERVED 0	TRK ERR 6 0	SEQ ER 0	STAT IN 0
RESERVED 0	TRK ERR 7 0	SEN INVAL 0	RESERVED 0

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Q	BYTE 0	BYTE 1	BYTE 2	BYTE 3	BYTE 4	BYTE 5
01110010	NOISE 0	RESERVED 0	BACKWARD 0	TM CHECK 0	RESERVED 0	RESERVED 0
	WLR 0	CMND REJ 0	N FILE PT 1	ED VEL CK 0	SHT GAP 0	MTE/LRCR 0
	UNIT EXC 0	BCK LP PT 0	EOT 0	TU POS CK 0	DUAL DEN 0	DATA T ER 0
VOLUME	DATA CHK 1	ST VEL CK 0	BOT 0	REJECT TU 0	NRZI DEN 0	EDC/CRC 0
M4272	DIA TK ER 0	ILL CMD 0	WRT STAT 1	WR FED CK 0	TU MODEL 0	ENV CK 1
	NO OP 0	TU STA CH 0	START KY 1	TP VEL CK 0	TU MODEL 0	FALS E MK 0
R	EQUIP CHK 0	WRD CNT 0 0	UNIT CHK 0	TACH FAIL 0	TU MODEL 0	PE ID CHK 0
BYTE	SENSE VAL 1	NOT CAP 0	NOT BUSY 1	OVERRUN 0	TU MODEL 1	VRC ERROR 1

BYTE 6	BYTE 7	BYTE 8	BYTE 9
LAMP FAIL 0	TRK ERR 0 0	RESERVED 0	ADD OUT 0
TP BOT LF 0	TRK ERR 1 0	ABI PAR 0	SER OUT 0
TP BOT RH 0	TRK ERR 2 0	ABD PAR 0	CMND OUT 0
RESET KEY 0	TRK ERR 3 0	CU O/L 0	ADD IN 0
DSE 0	TRK ERR 4 1	Z TAG ERR 0	SER IN 0
RESERVED 0	TRK ERR 5 0	CU BUSY 0	CMND IN 0
RESERVED 0	TRK ERR 6 0	SEQ ER 0	STAT IN 0
RESERVED 0	TRK ERR 7 0	SEN INVAL 0	RESERVED 0

ID FF00. PR0G 7130-01. SSWS
DCP-SECTION TERMINATED.

ID 0F00. PRUG 7140-01. SSWS

SUMMARY TAPE ERROR STATISTICS BY

VOLUME

2

VOLUME	SIJ CNT	WRIT SKIP	TEMP WRIT	TEMP RDF	TEMP RDB	NOISE
D4920	00005DC4	00000000	00000000	00000000	00000006	00000000
D4909	00005DC4	00000000	00000000	00000000	00000005	00000000
D4463	00001B5A	00000000	00000000	00000000	00000001	00000000
D4876	00001B5A	00000000	00000000	00000000	00000002	00000001
D5020	00002EE2	00000000	00000000	00000000	00000001	00000000
D5019	00002EE2	00000000	00000000	00000000	00000001	00000000
D4899	00005DC4	00000000	00000000	00000000	00000005	00000000
D4372	000038A5	00000009	00000009	00000000	00000003	00000000
D5015	00002DE4	00000001	00000001	00000000	00000000	00000000
D5014	0000A854	00000001	00000001	00000000	00000008	00000000
D4373	0000E768	00000005	00000005	00000000	00000000	00000000
D4610	00007478	00000000	00000000	00000000	00000005	00000000
J4890	00003684	00000000	00000000	00000000	00000003	00000000

2 The summary of Tape Error Statistics by volume shows no errors on volume M4272.

DETAIL TAPE ERROR STATISTICS BY

VOLUME

3

VOLUME	DATE	Q	SIJ CNT	WRIT SKIP	TEMP WRIT	TEMP RDF	TEMP RDB	DEN- SITY	DEV TYP	BLK LNTH	NOISE
D4920	021072	E	2EE2	00	00	00	04	1600	01	0800	00
	021072	E	2EE2	00	00	00	02	1600	01	0800	00
D4909	021072	E	2EE2	00	00	00	04	1600	01	0800	00
	021072	D	2EE2	00	00	00	01	1600	01	0800	00
D4463	021172	D	1B5A	00	00	00	01	1600	01	0800	00
D4876	021172	D	1B5A	00	00	00	02	1600	01	0800	01
D5020	021172	E	2EE2	00	00	00	01	1600	01	0800	00
D5019	021172	E	2EE2	00	00	00	01	1600	01	0800	00
D4899	021172	E	2EE2	00	00	00	02	1600	01	0800	00
	021172	E	2EE2	00	00	00	03	1600	01	0800	00
D4372	020872	E	38A5	09	09	00	03	1600	01	0800	00
D5015	020872	D	2DE4	01	01	00	00	1600	01	0800	00
D5014	020972	F	381C	01	01	00	00	1600	01	0800	00
	020972	E	381C	00	00	00	06	1600	01	0800	00
	020972	E	381C	00	00	00	02	1600	01	0800	00
D4373	020972	E	39A7	00	00	00	07	1600	01	0800	00
	020972	E	39EB	05	05	00	00	1600	01	0800	00
	020972	E	39EB	00	00	00	04	1600	01	0800	00
	020972	E	39EB	00	00	00	02	1600	01	0800	00
D4610	020972	E	3A3C	00	00	00	03	1600	01	0800	00
	020972	E	3A3C	00	00	00	02	1600	01	0800	00
J4890	021572	C	1B5A	00	00	00	02	1600	01	0800	00
	021572	C	1B5A	00	00	00	01	1600	01	0800	00

3 The detail by volume shows no error records for volume M4272. Tape unit E shows more errors on other volumes.

SUMMARY TAPE ERROR STATISTICS BY TAPE UNIT

4

Q	SIO	WRIT	TEMP	TEMP	TEMP	DIAG	TAPE	TAPE	NO	OVER	SHRT	MULT	END	ENVP	FLSE	PEID	VRC	CRSS
	CNT	SKIP	WRIT	RDF	RDB	TRAK	VEL	MARK	RDBD	RUN	GAPS	TRAK	DATA	CHEK	END	BRST	ERR	TALK
C	000036B4	0000	0000	0000	0003	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0002	0000	0000	0000	0002	0000
D	0000937A	0001	0001	0000	0004	0000	0001	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0002	0001	0000	0001	0001	0000
E	00034CEB	000E	000E	0000	002E	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0002	0002	003C	0000	0000	003B	0000
F	0000381C	0001	0001	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0001	0000	0000	0001	0000

4 The summary by tape unit analysis indicates that the predominate errors are on tape unit E. The SIO count is high compared to other tape units, therefore the error count would be higher and is inconclusive. Also note that tape unit C, one of the units with a permanent error recorded, shows practically no errors at all.

DETAIL TAPE ERROR STATISTICS BY TAPE UNIT

5

Q	DATE	SIO	DEN-	BLOK	NV N	WS	TW	TR	TR	DT	SV	EV	TM	CT	NB	OR	SG	MTE	ED	EC	FE	PB	VE	TIE
		CNT	SITY	LNTH	UO O	RK	ER	ED	ED	IR	TE	NE	AA	RA	OA	VU	HA	URR	NA	NH	LN	ER	RR	BYTE
					L I	TI	MT	MF	MB	AA	RL	DL	PR	SL	RC	EN	RP	LAR	DT	VE	SD	IS	CR	TRACK
					S S	P P	P P	P P	GK	T			EK	SK	DK	R	TS	TK	A	PK	E	DT		01234567
C	021572	1B5A	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	02 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	01	00	00	00	01	00100000
C	021572	1B5A	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	01 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	01	00	00	00	01	00010000
D	021172	1B5A	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	01 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	01	00	00	00	00	00000000
D	021172	1B5A	1600	0800	01 01	00	00	00	00	02 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	01	00	00	00	00	00000000
D	020872	2DE4	1600	0800	01 00	01	01	00	00	00 00	00	01	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	00	00	01	00	00000000
D	021072	2EE2	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	01 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	01	00	00	01	00000100
E	021072	2EE2	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	04 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	04	00	00	04	00004000
E	021072	2EE2	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	04 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	04	00	00	04	00003100
E	021172	2EE2	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	01 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	01	00	00	01	00001000
E	021172	2EE2	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	01 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	01	00	00	01	00001000
E	021172	2EE2	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	02 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	02	00	00	02	00002000
E	021172	2EE2	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	03 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	03	00	00	03	00003000
E	020872	38A5	1600	0800	01 00	09	09	00	03	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0001	01	0C	00	00	0B	0000B000
E	020972	39A7	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	07 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	07	00	00	07	00007000
E	020972	3A3C	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	03 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0001	01	03	00	00	03	00002000
E	020972	3A3C	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	02 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	02	00	00	02	00002000
E	020972	39EB	1600	0800	01 00	05	05	00	00	00 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	05	00	00	05	00004100
E	020972	381C	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	06 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	06	00	00	06	00006000
E	020972	381C	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	02 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	02	00	00	02	00002000
E	020972	39EB	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	04 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	04	00	00	04	00004000
E	020972	39EB	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	02 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	02	00	00	02	00002000
E	021072	2EE2	1600	0800	01 00	00	00	00	00	02 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	02	00	00	02	00002000
F	020972	381C	1600	0800	01 00	01	01	00	00	00 00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0000	00	01	00	00	01	00010000

5 The detail Tape Error Statistics by tape unit shows that there are only two failures on tape unit C and tape unit E has the highest count of failures. Analysis of tape unit E TIE byte shows track four consistently has more errors, concluding that track four, tape unit E is the error.

The permanent error on tape unit C with the same volume (M4272) is only a coincidence.

ID FF00. PR06 7140-04. SSWS
DCP-SECTION TERMINATED.

--- RECCRD ENTRY SOURCE - CBR

TYPE -OUTBOARD

MODEL- 0145

SERIAL NO. 010528

RELEASE 21

DEVICE TYPE	PRIMARY CUA	SECONDARY CUA	PROGRAM IDENTITY	VOLUME SERIAL	MODE SET	DATE DAY YR	TIME HH MM SS.TH
3410	0003A1	0003A1	OSCCS	EMU3A1	CB	103 72	19 52 49 49

FAILING CCW	CC	DA	FL	CT	K	CA	US	CS	CT
01	040978	20	00	03EC	00	0408C0	0E	00	01A4

UNIT STATUS	BYTE 0	BYTE 1	BYTE 2	BYTE 3	BYTE 4	BYTE 5
ATTENTION	0 CMND REJECT	0 NOISE	1 TRK ERR 0	0 VRC	1 TU POSN CHK	0 NEW SUBSY
STATUS MODIF	0 INTV REQ	1 TU STAT A	0 TRK ERR 1	0 MTE/LRCR	1 TU REJECT	1 NEW SUBSY
CONT UN END	0 BUS OUT CHK	0 TU STAT B	1 TRK ERR 2	0 SKEW	0 ECT	0 WRT TM CHK
BUSY	0 EQUIP CHK	1 RESERVED	0 TRK ERR 3	0 EDC/CRCR	1 RESERVED	0 PE ID BUR
CHANNEL END	1 DATA CHECK	1 LOAD POINT	0 TRK ERR 4	0 ENV CHECK	1 RESERVED	0 ERG CHECK
DEVICE END	1 OVERRUN	0 WRITE STA	0 TRK ERR 5	0 1600 BPI	1 DIAG TRK ERR	0 TACH CHK
UNIT CHECK	1 WRD COUNT	0 FL PROT	1 TRK ERR 6	1 BACKWARD	0 TU CHECK	0 FALSE END CHK
UNIT EXCEP	0 RESERVED	0 NOT CAPABLE	0 TRK ERR 7	1 RESERVED	0 ILLEGAL CMND	0 RPQ

BYTE 6	BYTE 7	BYTE 8
RESERVED	0 LAMP FAIL	0 RESERVED
SHORT GAP	1 LEFT COL CHK	0 FEED THRU
DUAL DEN	0 RHT COL CHK	0 RESERVED
900 BPI	0 RDY/RST	0 END VEL CHK
	DSE	0 TAPE VEL CHK
MODEL	3 RESERVED	0 ST VEL CHK
	RESERVED	0 RESERVED
	RESERVED	0 VEL RETRY

SDR AREA

NOISE	0001	RESERVED	CCCC	TAPE VEL CHK	C000
VRC	0011	WRT TM CHK	0000	ST VEL CHK	CC00
MTE/LRCR	0001	ERG CHECK	C000	RESERVED	C000
EDC/CRCR	0001	TACH CHK	CCCC	RESERVED	C000
ENV CHECK	0011	FALSE END CHK	C0C0	VEL RETRY	CC00
OVERRUN	0000	RESERVED	0000	RESERVED	C000
SKEW	0C00	FEED THRU	CCCC	RESERVED	0000
RESERVED	0000	RESERVED	CCCC	RESERVED	C0C0

DEVICE DEPENDENT INFORMATION

BLCK LENGTH	00000
TEMP RDS	0000
TEMP WRTS	001C
SIC COUNT	09634
ERASE GAPS	00010
CLEAN ACTS	00000

HEX DUMP OF RECORD

HEADER	30150800	CCCCCCCC	CC72103F	19524949	00C10528	014500C0
0000	D6E2C4D6	E2404040	01040978	200003EC	000408C0	0E0C01A4
CC20	14CC03A1	00000009	C5D4E4F3	C1F10000	00000000	000A25A2
0040	01010B01	010B0000	009B0000	CCCCCCCC	00000000	58A203DC
						030003A1
						34208003
						0000CCB
						000ACGGC
						C0

This example is used to analyze a customer reported problem of occasionally dropping READY. The printout verifies that the customer information was accurate and also leads us to a conclusion regarding the problem.

The printout was analyzed as follows:

- 1 The failure occurred during a write operation. Failing CCW Op Code 01
- 2 Taking a quick scan of the sense data to find a possible cause for the error it appears byte 1 bit 2 (TU Stat B) is significant as it indicates a loss of READY.
- 3 In byte zero, INTERVENTION REQUIRED is also on, which indicates that the operator had to do some manual operation, such as make the tape unit ready.
- 4 In byte 1, the FILE PROTECT bit is on which indicates that there is no ring in the tape reel, or the unit is not ready.
- 5 In byte 4, TAPE UNIT REJECT is on which indicates that READY dropped while tape was in motion.

The above indications show that the tape unit dropped READY while doing a write operation. All other error conditions are a result of dropping READY during the write operation.

Possible causes for dropping READY are sometimes shown in Byte 7, but in this case there are none. Since TAPE UNIT CHECK is not on and TAPE UNIT REJECT is on, a possibility is that someone hit the Reset key or the door interlock opened.

--- RECCRD ENTRY SOURCE - OBR TYPE -OUTBOARD MODEL- 0145 SERIAL NO. 010528 RELEASE 21

DEVICE TYPE	PRIMARY CUA	SECONDARY CUA	PROGRAM IDENTITY	VOLUME SERIAL	MODE SET	DATE DAY YR	TIME HH MM SS.TH
3410	000381	C00381	CSCOS	SYSIN	CB	123 72	15 57 34 77

FAILING CCM	CC	DA	FL	CT	K	CA	US	CS	CT
02	037FC4	00	00	0064	CSM	00	037550	OF	40 0064

UNIT STATUS	BYTE 0	BYTE 1	BYTE 2	BYTE 3	BYTE 4	BYTE 5
ATTENTION	0 CMND REJECT	0 NOISE	0 TRK ERR 0	0 VRC	0 TU POSN CHK	0 NEW SUBSY
STATUS MODIF	0 INTV REQUEST	0 TU STAT A	1 TRK ERR 1	0 MTE/LRCR	0 TU REJECT	0 NEW SUBSY
CONT UN END	0 BUS OUT CHK	1 TU STAT B	0 TRK ERR 2	0 SKEW	0 EOT	0 WRT TM CHK
BUSY	0 EQUIP CHK	0 RESERVED	0 TRK ERR 3	0 EDC/CRCR	0 RESERVED	0 PE-ID BUR
CHANNEL END	1 DATA CHECK	0 LOAD POINT	0 TRK ERR 4	0 ENV CHECK	0 RESERVED	0 ERG CHECK
DEVICE END	1 OVERRUN	0 WRITE STA	0 TRK ERR 5	0 1600 BPI	1 DIAG TRK ERR	0 TACH CHK
UNIT CHECK	1 WRD COUNT	0 FL PROT	0 TRK ERR 6	0 BACKWARD	0 TU CHECK	0 FALSE END CHK
UNIT EXCEP	0 RESERVED	0 NCT CAPABLE	0 TRK ERR 7	0 RESERVED	0 ILLEGAL CMND	0 RPQ

BYTE 6	BYTE 7	BYTE 8
RESERVED	0 LAMP FAIL	0 RESERVED
SHORT GAP	0 LEFT COL CHK	0 FEED THRU
DUAL DEN	0 RHT COL CHK	0 RESERVED
800 BPI	0 RES-DOOR	0 END VEL CHK
	DSE	0 TAPE VEL CHK
MODEL	1 RESERVED	0 ST VEL CHK
	RESERVED	0 RESERVED
	RESERVED	0 VEL RETRY

SDR AREA

NOISE	0000	RESERVED	CCCC	TAPE VEL CHK	CC00
VRC	0000	WRT TM CHK	0000	ST VEL CHK	CC00
MTE/LRCR	0000	ERG CHECK	0000	RESERVED	0000
EDC/CRCR	0000	TACH CHK	CCCC	RESERVED	0000
ENV CHECK	0000	FALSE END CHK	0000	VEL RETRY	CC00
OVERRUN	0000	RESERVED	0000	RESERVED	0000
SKEW	0000	FEED THRU	CCCC	RESERVED	0000
RESERVED	0000	RESERVED	CCCC	RESERVED	CC00

DEVICE DEPENDENT INFO RMATION

BLOCK LENGTH	CC000
TEMP RCS	0000
TEMP WRTS	CC0C
SIC COUNT	COCC9
ERASE GAPS	00000
CLEAN ACTS	00000
PE ID CHK	0
TRK IN ERR	100C00000
BACKWARD	CCCC
BUS OUT CHK	0001
TU PCSN CHK	0000

HEX DUMP OF RECCRD HEADER

30150800	CCCC0C00	C072123F	15573477	00010528	014500C0
0000	D6E2C4D6	E2404040	02037FC4	000C0064	0C037550
CC20	14C00381	CCC00018	E2E8E2C9	D5400000	000C0000
0040	01C00CC0	CCCC0CCC	01C0CC01	CCCC0CC0	0C0C0010
					0F4C0064
					00C00009
					00020000
					34008003
					C0CC0CC0
					00

In this example, the customer reported a permanent I/O error. The OBR was logged because of UNIT CHECK in the status byte. A quick scan of the other sense bytes shows that only BUS OUT CHECK (byte 0 bit 2) is set.

1 The failing command code is 02, a Read command.

2 The BUS OUT CHECK is set on a data or command byte transfer to the tape control. Since this is a Read Command the BUS OUT CHECK could only have happened on a command byte transfer during initial selection.

The failure appears to be an ABO parity error during initial selection of the read operation. For a possible solution see the MAPS section of the MM.

Start at tape control entry 360/370, page AA020 and assume the system is not available to run diagnostics. Exit to AA021 (a customer reported problem, an OS/DOS error message, and the system is not available to run diagnostics). On AA021 see D message (BUS OUT CHECK). The codes are explained starting on page AA026. Code D shows possible causes of the error.

--- RECORD ENTRY SOURCE - OBR TYPE -OUTBOARD MODEL- 0145 SERIAL NO. 010528 RELEASE 21

DEVICE TYPE	PRIMARY CUA	SECONDARY CUA	PROGRAM IDENTITY	VOLUME SERIAL	MODE SET	DATE DAY YR	TIME HH MM SS.TH
3410	000381	000381 2	CSCOS	SYSIN	CB	123 72	16 05 09 74

FAILING CCW	CC	DA	FL	CT	CSW	K	CA	US	CS	CT
02	037FC4	CO	CO	0064	00	037550	0E	00	0000	

UNIT STATUS	BYTE 0	BYTE 1	BYTE 2	BYTE 3	BYTE 4	BYTE 5
ATTENTION	0 CMND REJECT	0 NOISE	1 TRK ERR 0	0 VRC	1 TU POSN CHK	0 NEW SUBSY
STATUS MODIF	0 INTV REQUEST	0 TU STAT A	1 TRK ERR 1	0 MTE/LRCR	0 TU REJECT	0 NEW SUBSY
CONT UN END	0 BUS OUT CHK	0 TU STAT B	0 TRK ERR 2	0 SKEW	0 EOT	0 WRT TM CHK
BUSY	0 EQUIP CHK	0 RESERVED	0 TRK ERR 3	0 EDC/CRCR	0 RESERVED	0 PE ID BUR
CHANNEL END	1 DATA CHECK	1 LOAD POINT	0 TRK ERR 4	1 ENV CHECK	0 RESERVED	0 ERG CHECK
DEVICE END	1 OVERRUN	0 WRITE STA	0 TRK ERR 5	0 1600 BPI	1 DIAG TRK ERR	0 TACH CHK
UNIT CHECK	1 WRD COUNT	0 FL PRCT	0 TRK ERR 6	0 BACKWARD	0 TU CHECK	0 FALSE END CHK
UNIT EXCEP	0 RESERVED	0 NOT CAPABLE	0 TRK ERR 7	0 RESERVED	0 ILLEGAL CMND	0 RPQ

BYTE 6	BYTE 7	BYTE 8
RESERVED	0 LAMP FAIL	0 RESERVED
SHORT GAP	0 LEFT CCL CHK	0 FEED THRU
DUAL DEN	0 RHT COL CHK	0 RESERVED
800 BPI	0 RES-DOOR	0 END VEL CHK
	DSE	0 TAPE VEL CHK
MODEL	1 RESERVED	0 ST VEL CHK
	RESERVED	0 RESERVED
	RESERVED	0 VEL RETRY

SDR AREA						DEVICE DEPENDENT INFORMATION			
NOISE	0001	RESERVED	0000	TAPE VEL CHK	0000	BLOCK LENGTH	00000		
VRC	0000	WRT TM CHK	0000	ST VEL CHK	0000	TEMP RDS	0000		
MTE/LRCR	0000	ERG CHECK	0000	RESERVED	0000	TEMP WRTS	0000		
EDC/CRCR	0000	TACH CHK	0000	RESERVED	0000	SIO COUNT	00010		
ENV CHECK	0000	FALSE END CHK	0000	VEL RETRY	0000	ERASE GAPS	00000		
OVERRUN	0000	RESERVED	0000	RESERVED	0000	CLEAN ACTS	00018		
SKEW	0000	FEED THRU	0000	RESERVED	0000				
RESERVED	0000	RESERVED	0000	RESERVED	0000				

HEX DUMP OF RECORD										
HEADER	30150800		00000000		0072123F		16050974		00010528 014500C0	
0000	D6E2C4C6	E2404040	02037FC4	C00C0064	C0037550	0E000000	03000381	34008003		
0020	14000381	CCC00018	E2E8E2C9	D5400000	00000000	0000000A	010000CB	00000012		
0040	01010000	CCCC0000	01CC0001	C00C0000	CCCC0000	08C00884	00000000	00		

In this example, the customer reported two permanent read errors on two different tape units using the same tape volume.

1 The failing command code is 02, a Read Command.

2 The OBRs show that there are two tape units involved, 000381 and 0003A0, and the tape volume is SYS IN.

3 The track-in-error in both OBRs is track 4.

--- RECCRD ENTRY SOURCE - CBR TYPE -OUTBOARD MODEL- C145 SERIAL NC. 010528 RELEASE 21

DEVICE TYPE 3410 PRIMARY CUA 0003A0 SECONDARY CUA 0003A0 2 PROGRAM IDENTITY OSDOS VOLUME SERIAL SYSIN MODE SET CB DATE DAY YR 124 72 TIME HH MM SS.TH 11 05 02 68

1 FAILING CCW 02 037FC4 CC DA FL CT 00 00 0064 K CA US CS CT 00 037550 0E 00 C000

UNIT STATUS BYTE 0 BYTE 1 BYTE 2 BYTE 3 BYTE 4 BYTE 5 ATTENTION 0 CMND REJECT 0 NCISE 1 TRK ERR 0 0 VRC 1 TU POSN CHK 0 NEW SUBSY 0 STATUS MODIF 0 INTV REQUEST 0 TU STAT A 1 TRK ERR 1 0 MTE/LRCR 0 TU REJECT 0 NEW SUBSY 0 CONT UN END 0 BUS OUT CHK 0 TU STAT B 0 TRK ERR 2 0 SKEW 0 ECT 0 WRT TM CHK C BUSY 0 EQUIP CHK 0 RESERVED 0 TRK ERR 3 0 EDC/CRCR 0 RESERVED 0 PE ID BUR 0 CHANNEL END 1 DATA CHECK 1 LCAD POINT 0 TRK ERR 4 1 ENV CHECK 0 RESERVED 0 ERG CHECK 0 DEVICE END 1 OVERRUN 0 WRITE STA 0 TRK ERR 5 0 1600 BPI 1 DIAG TRK ERR 0 TACH CHK C UNIT CHECK 1 WRD COUNT 0 FL PROT 0 TRK ERR 6 0 BACKWARD 0 TU CHFK 0 FALSE END CHK 0 UNIT EXCEP 0 RESERVED 0 NCT CAPABLE 0 TRK ERR 7 0 RESERVED 0 ILLEGAL CMND 0 RPQ 0

BYTE 6 BYTE 7 BYTE 8 RESERVED 0 LAMP FAIL 0 RESERVED 0 SHORT GAP 0 LEFT COL CHK 0 FEED THRU 0 DUAL DEN 0 RHT COL CHK 0 RESERVED 0 800 BPI 0 RES-DOOR C END VEL CHK 0 DSE 0 TAPE VEL CHK 0 MODEL 1 RESERVED 0 ST VEL CHK 0 RESERVED C RESERVED 0 RESERVED 0 VEL RETRY 0

SDR AREA NOISE 0001 RESERVED 0000 TAPE VEL CHK 0000 VRC 0000 WRT TM CHK CCCC ST VEL CHK CCCC MTE/LRCR 0000 ERG CHECK 0000 RESERVED CCCC PE ID CHK 0 EDC/CRCR 0000 TACH CHK 0000 RESERVED CCCC 3 TRK IN ERR 000001000 SIC COUNT CCCC ENV CHECK 0000 FALSE END CHK 0000 VEL RETRY CCCC ERASE GAPS CCCC OVERRUN 0000 RESERVED 0000 RESERVED CCCC BACKWARD CCCC CLEAN ACTS 00018 SKEW 0000 FEED THRU C000 RESERVED C000 BUS OUT CHK CCCC RESERVED 0000 RESERVED CCCC TU POSN CHK 0000

HEX DUMP OF RECORD HEADER 30150800 00000000 0072123F 16050974 00010528 014500C0 0000 D6E2C4D6 E2404040 02037FC4 CC000064 00000000 00000000 03000381 34008003 0020 14000381 00000018 E2E8E2C9 D5400000 00000000 00000000 01000000 00000012 0040 01010000 CCCC0000 01CCCC01 00000000 00000000 08000884 00000000 00

4 DETAIL BY DEVICE

CUA	TU SERIAL	DATE DAY YR	VOLUME SERIAL	TIME HH MM SS TH	--TEMP-- RDS	WRTS	SIO COUNT	DEN- SITY	NRZI NOISE	R/W VRC	WR TG VRC	LRC MTE	CRC EDC	ECC ENV	SKEW ERR	ERLY BOR	VEL CHG	TIE
000381	N/A	133 72	PENLY	16 15 52 52	0000	0000	00005	1600	N/A	0000	N/A	0000	0000	0000	0000	N/A	N/A	000000000
000381	N/A	123 72	SYSIN	15 57 34 77	0000	0000	00C09	1600	N/A	0000	N/A	0000	0000	0000	0000	N/A	N/A	000000000
000381	N/A	123 72	SYSIN	16 05 09 74	0000	0000	00010	1600	N/A	0000	N/A	00C0	C0C0	0000	0000	N/A	N/A	000001000
0003A0	N/A	124 72	SYSIN	11 05 02 68	0000	0000	00010	1600	N/A	0000	N/A	0000	0000	0000	0000	N/A	N/A	000001000

4 The DETAIL BY DEVICE printout shows there were no temporary errors on either 000381 or 0003A0 when using tape volume SYS IN.

5 The DETAIL BY VOLUME printout shows volume SYS IN ran error free on tape unit 000381 at 15:57 on day 123. (Third record from the top.) At 16:05 of the same day (123) volume SYS IN had a permanent read error on tape unit 000381.

On day 124 volume SYS IN recorded the identical error on tape unit 0003A0.

The logical conclusion is that tape volume SYS IN has physical damage on track 4 (outside edge).

Retracing the history of SYS IN, note that it did run error free on tape unit 000381 but failed on the second pass. There is a possibility that tape unit 000381 is causing tape damage.

5 DETAIL BY VOLUME ID

VOLUME SERIAL	DATE DAY YR	TIME HH MM SS TH	CUA	TU SERIAL	RD/ WRT	--PERM-- RDS	WRTS	--TEMP-- RDS	WRTS	SIO COUNT	BLOCK LENGTH	PROGRAM ID	----CPU---- ID	SERIAL	MOD NUMBER	DENSITY
SCRTH2	056 72	22 35 40 65	0003A0	N/A	R	0000	0000	0000	0000	00023	00132		0050	000000	1	556
SCRTH2	122 72	17 40 19 44	0003A0	N/A	R	0000	0000	0000	0000	00023	00132		0065	000000	1	556
SYSIN	123 72	15 57 34 77	000381	N/A	R	0000	0000	0000	0000	00009	00064	OSDOS	0145	010528	1	1600
SYSIN	123 72	16 05 09 74	000381	N/A	R	0001	0000	0000	0000	00010	00000	OSDOS	0145	010528	1	1600
SYSIN	124 72	11 05 02 68	0003A0	N/A	R	0001	0000	0000	0000	00010	00000	OSDOS	0145	010528	1	1600
SYSIN	124 72	14 40 25 07	0003A0	N/A	R	0000	0000	0000	0000	00000	00001		0065	000000	1	556
SYSIN	124 72	14 41 08 78	0003A0	N/A	R	0000	0000	0000	0000	00000	00001		0065	000000	1	556
SYSIN	124 72	15 32 15 37	0003A0	N/A	R	0000	0000	0000	0000	00000	00001		0065	000000	1	556
SYSIN	124 72	15 35 40 13	0003A0	N/A	R	0000	0000	0000	0000	00000	00001		0065	000000	1	556
SYSIN	124 72	15 35 40 41	0003A0	N/A	R	0000	0000	0000	0000	00000	00001		0065	000000	1	556



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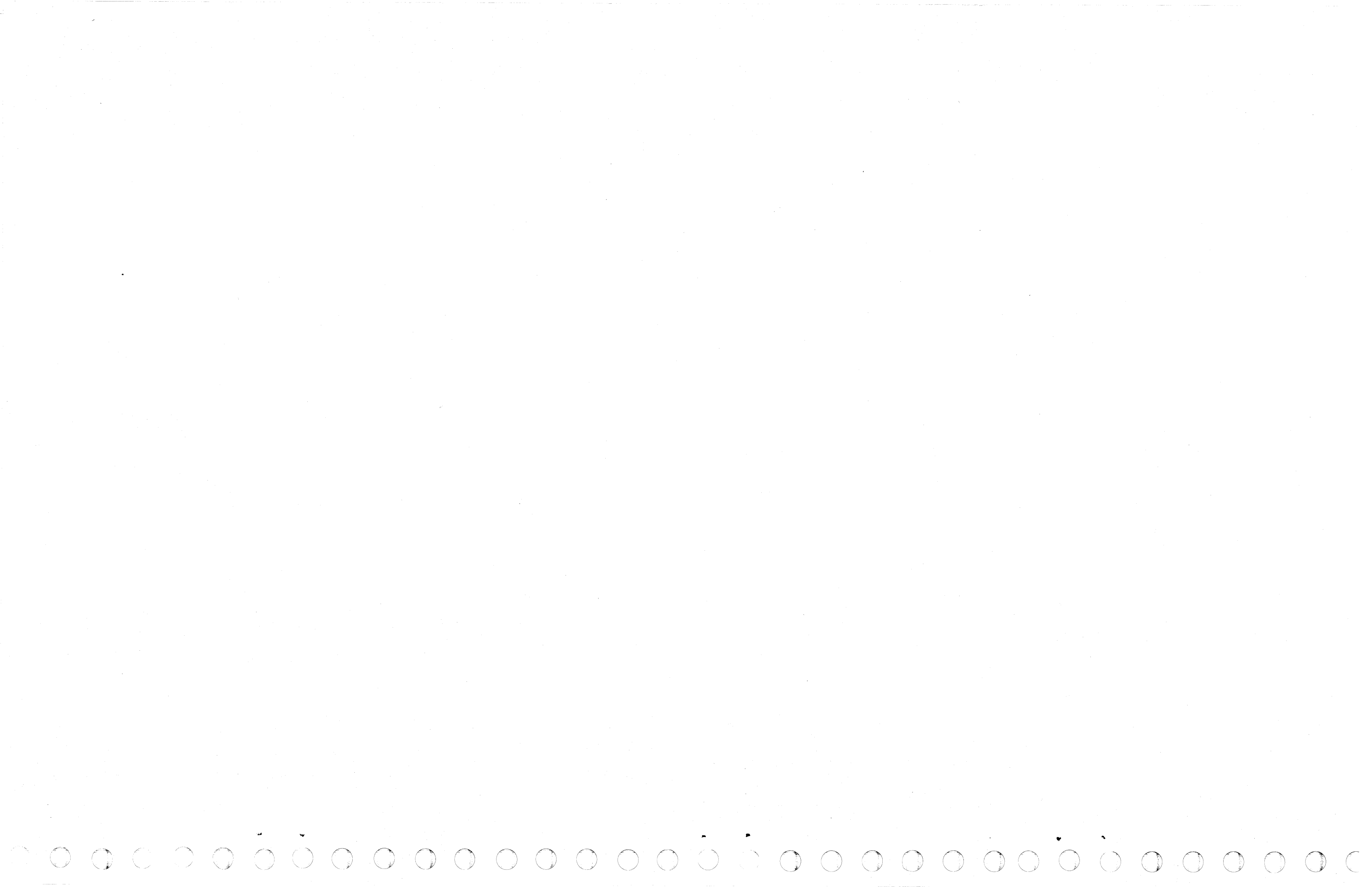
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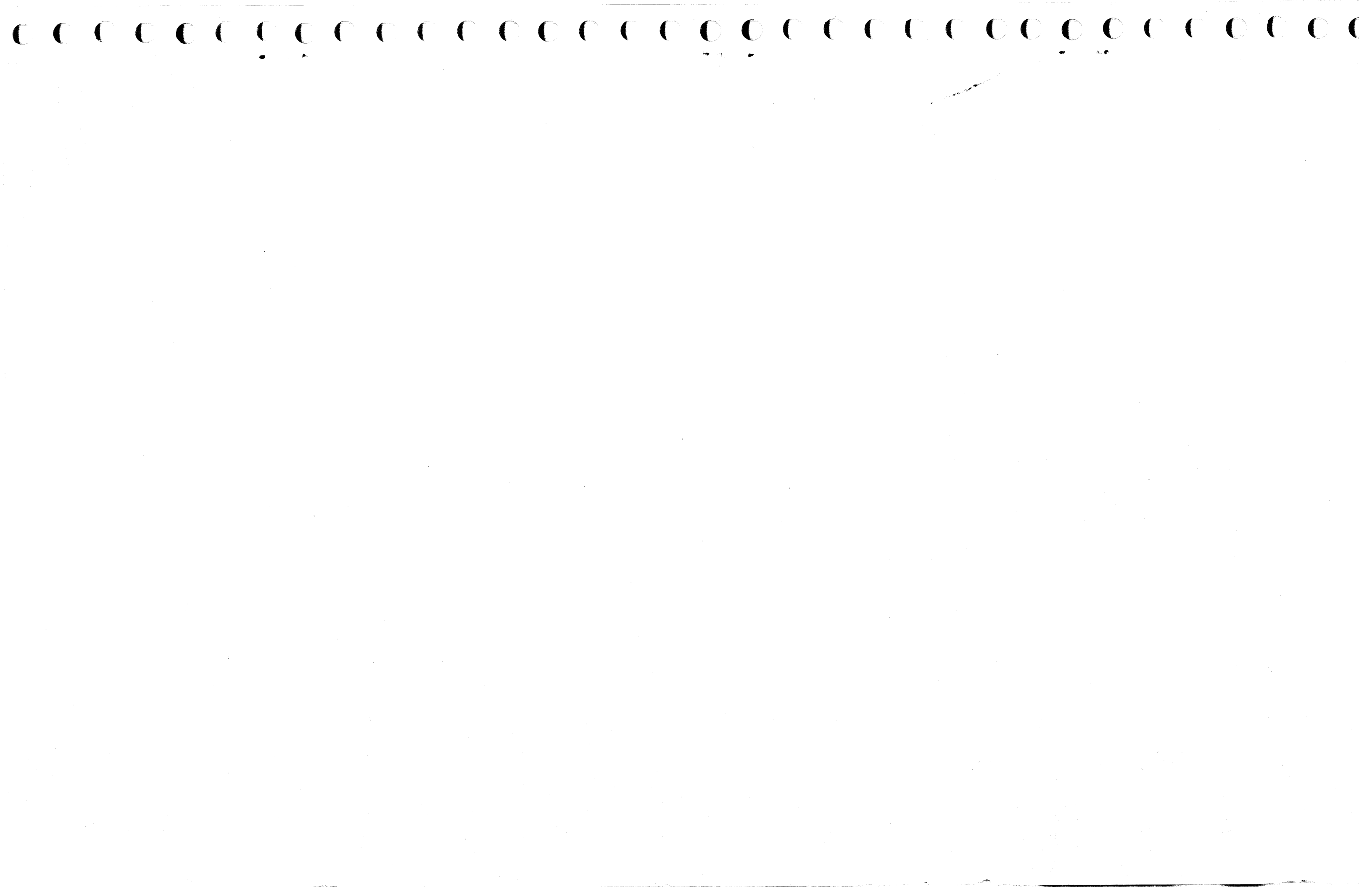
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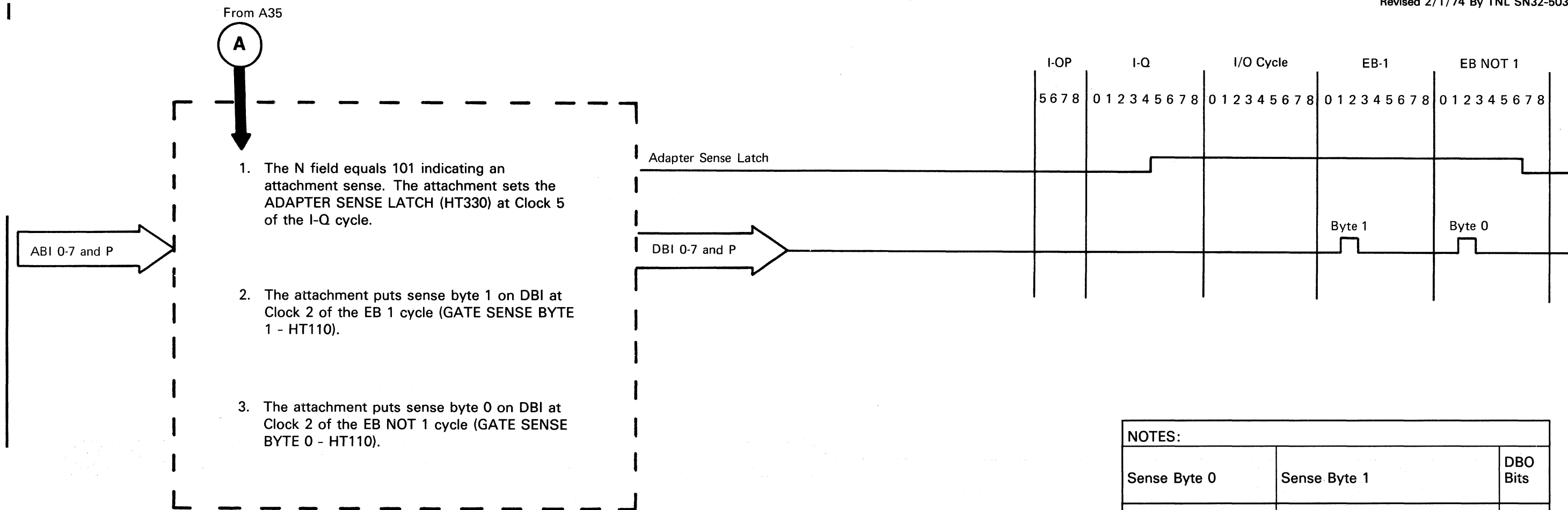
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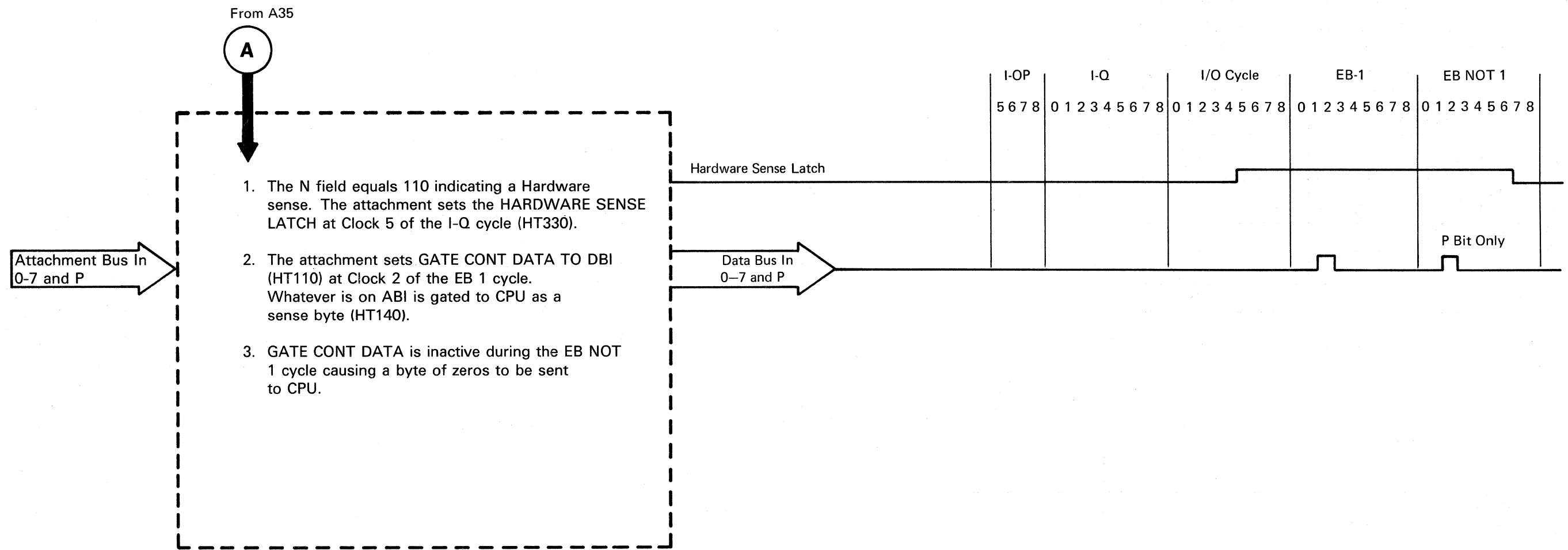
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NOTES:

Sense Byte 0	Sense Byte 1	DBO Bits
	Address Out of Sequence	0
ABI Parity	Service Out of Sequence	1
ABO Parity	Command Out of Sequence	2
Controller Disabled	Address In Error	3
Two Tags Error	Service In Error	4
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NOTE:

A Hardware Sense operation stores the state of the Attachment Bus In at the time of the error.

Error Checking

The attachment checks the data it receives from CPU and the data it receives from and sends to the subsystem. In addition, the attachment monitors the operation of its interface with the subsystem.

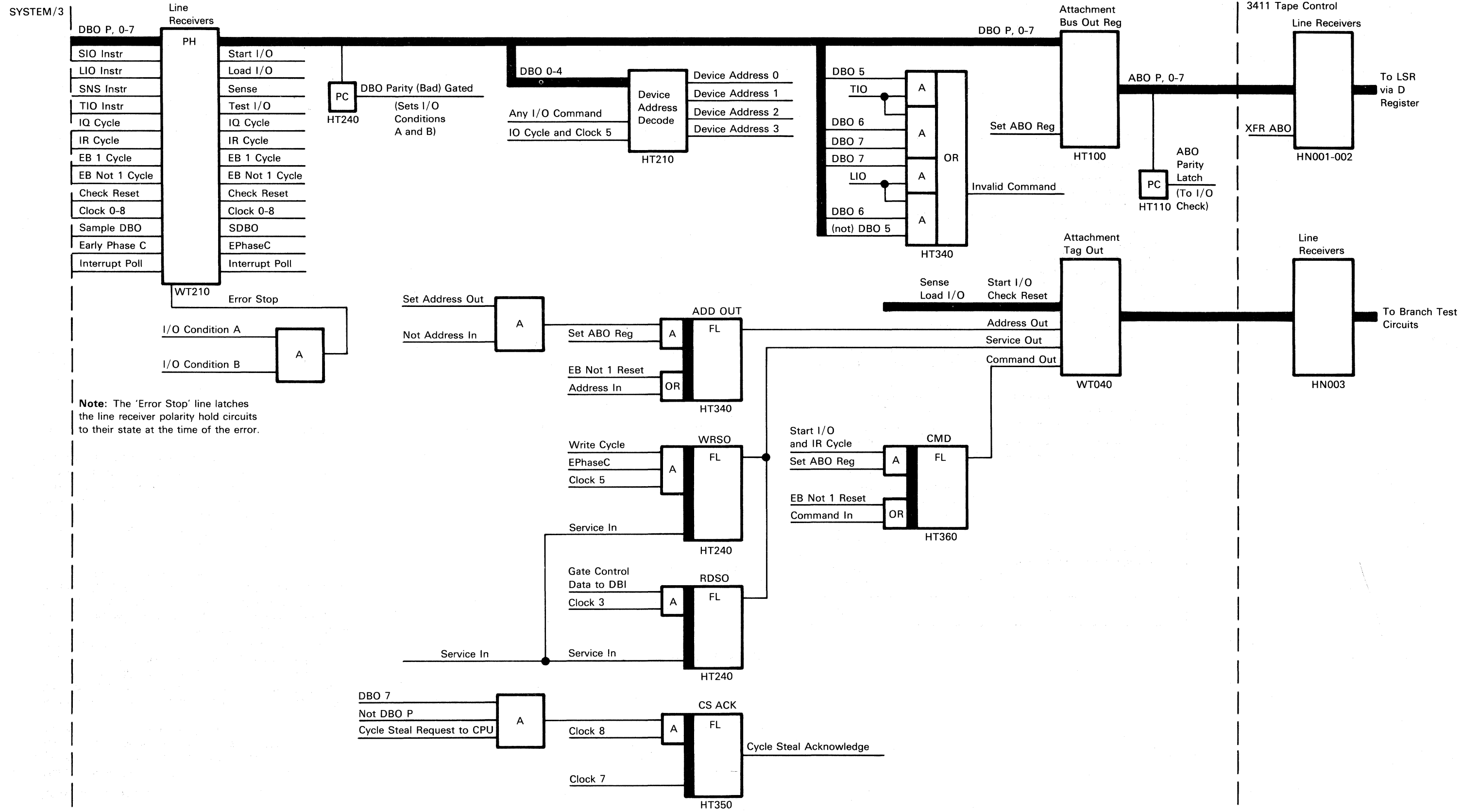
Bad parity detected in data received from the CPU will terminate the operation and turn on the PROCESSOR CHECK and CHAN DBO indicators on the system console. Errors in data transferred to and from the subsystem and in the interface operation activate I/O Check to CPU and set Adapter Check and Unit Check in the attachment. The I/O Check to CPU turns on the I/O Check indicator on the System CE Panel. The Adapter Check/Unit Check will activate I/O Condition A to CPU when a Test I/O is executed.

Two other error conditions that can occur set Adapter Check/Unit Check only. The first is an I/O Check from the subsystem. This I/O Check occurs if the microprogram (in the tape control) detects a bit set in subsystem sense byte 0. The second condition is if the subsystem becomes disabled by a hardware error or by the subsystem being taken offline.

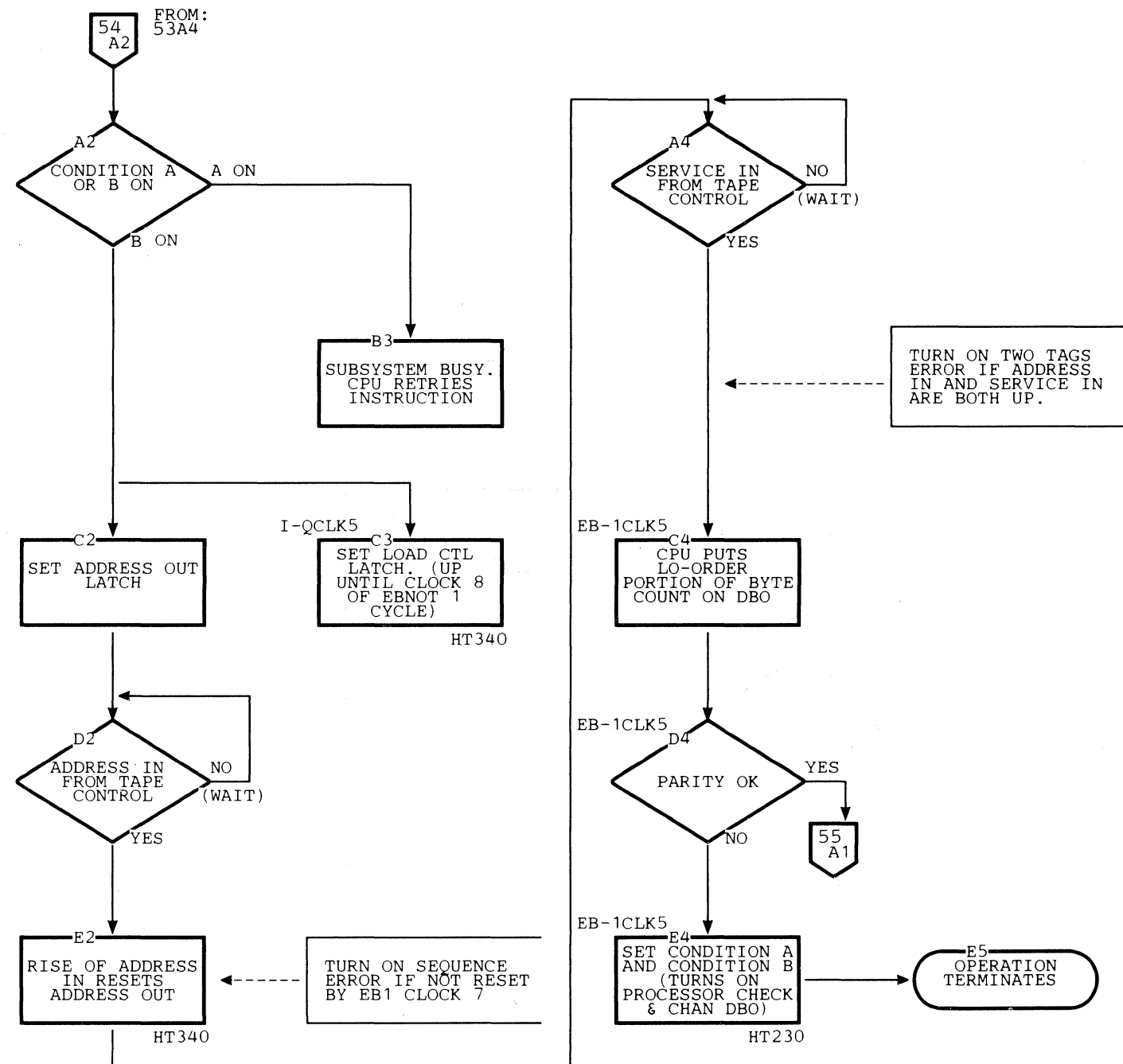
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ERROR SUMMARY

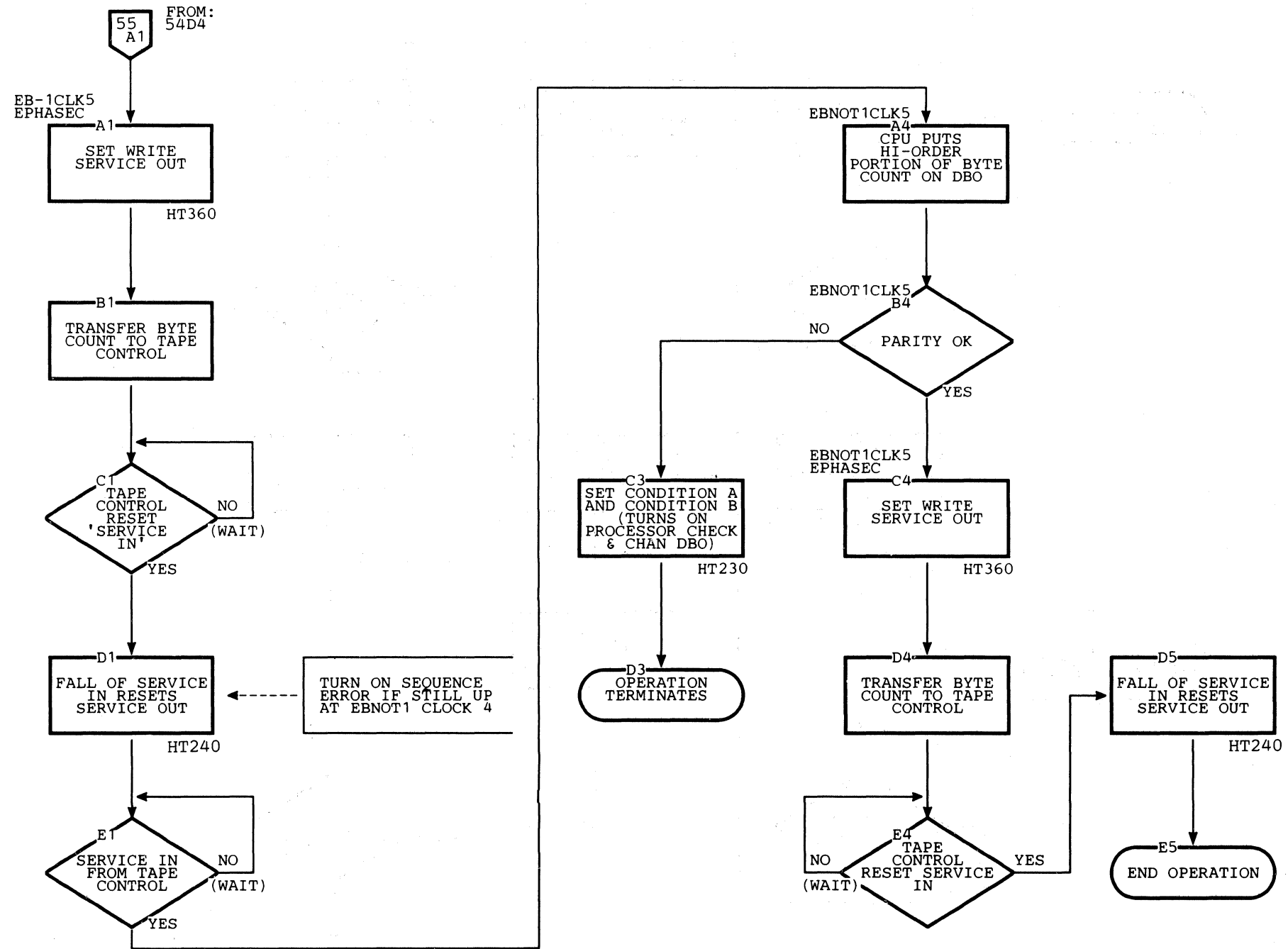
Error Indication	Cause	Comment
PROCESSOR CHECK and CHAN DBO on.	Bad parity detected in byte received from CPU.	Operation terminated. Manual intervention required to restart.
PROCESSOR CHECK and INV Q on.	Invalid command received from CPU.	
I/O CHECK	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Data byte received from tape subsystem had bad parity on the ABI. 2. Detected bad parity in the data byte being sent to the subsystem on the ABO. 3. Two 'in tags,' status, service, command, or address were active simultaneously. 4. The subsystem did not respond with the correct 'in tag.' 	<p>Also sets 'Adapter Check' and 'Unit Check' in the attachment.</p> <p>The System will execute a sense instruction to determine the error condition.</p>
Adapter Check/ Unit Check	1. Subsystem is disabled.	1. The ENABLE/DISABLE switch may be in the DISABLE position or a hardware error has occurred. Check the switch. The System will execute a sense instruction to get the hardware error byte.
	2. I/O Check from the subsystem.	2. The microprogram has detected a bit set in Subsystem Sense Byte 0. The System will execute a sense instruction to determine the error.



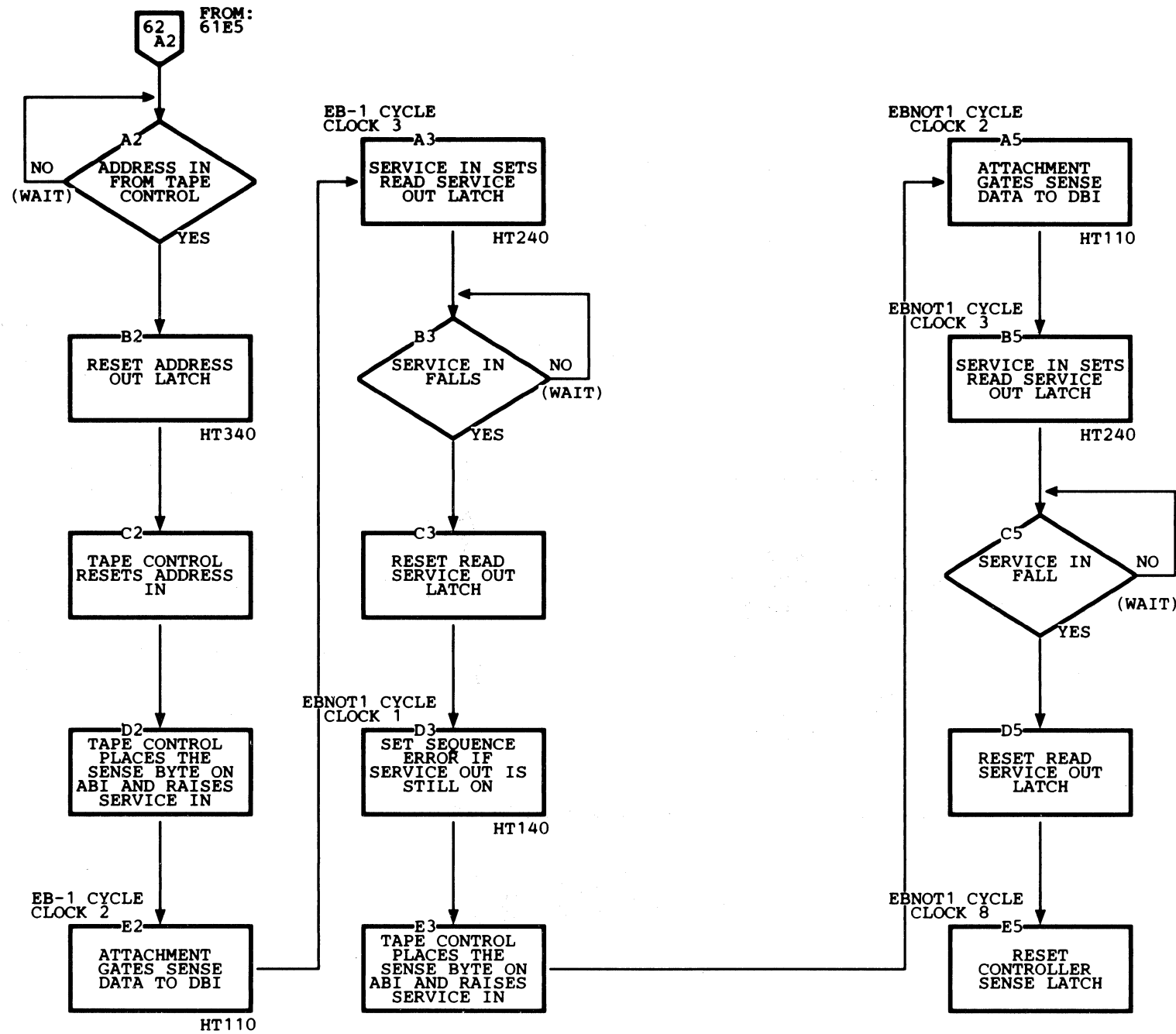
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Load I/O



NOTE
 A SUBSYSTEM SENSE FOR
 BYTES 0 AND 1 WILL
 RESET THE NOP BIT IN
 BYTE 0



System/3 Attachment Diagrams

The following charts graphically describe the internal operations of the System/3 attachment for the 3410-3411 Tape Subsystem. Each operation is described at a basic level stressing the overall concept. If necessary, the reader can proceed from the concept-level charts to charts having more detail. Refer to the table of contents, the scheme of which is shown below.

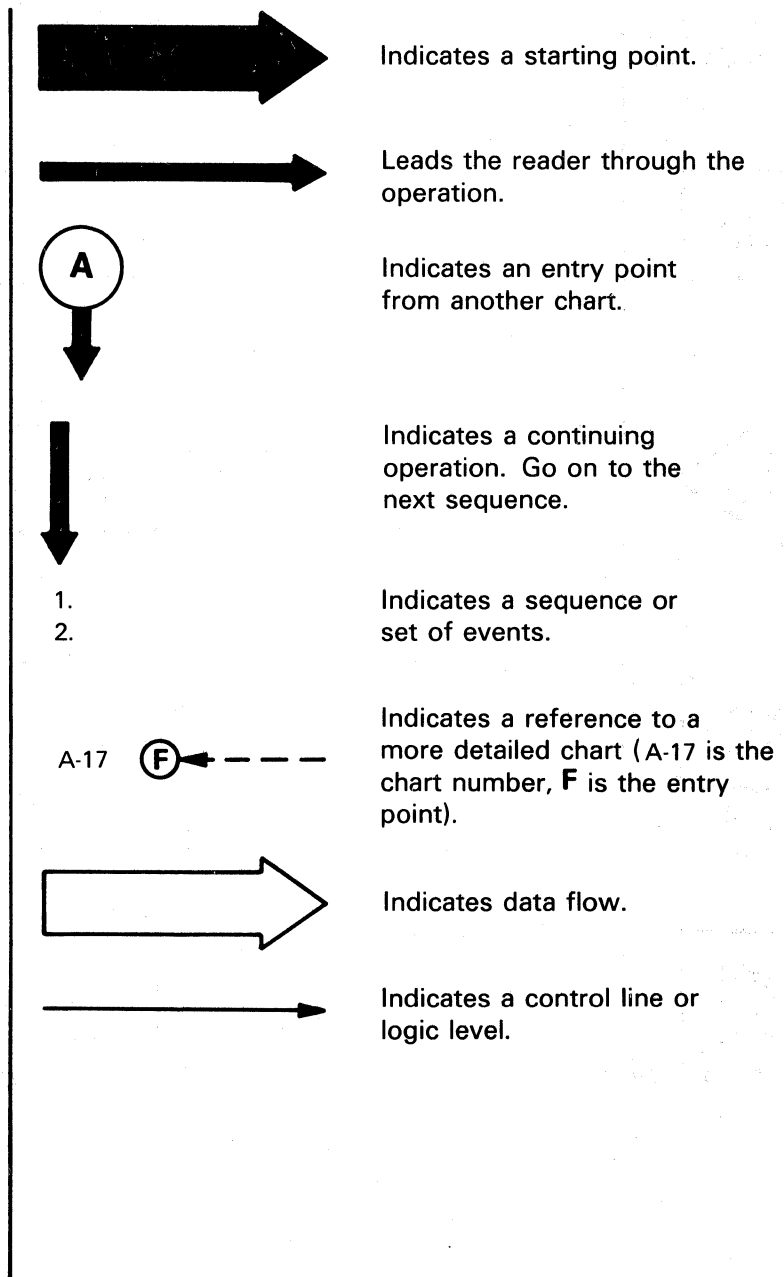
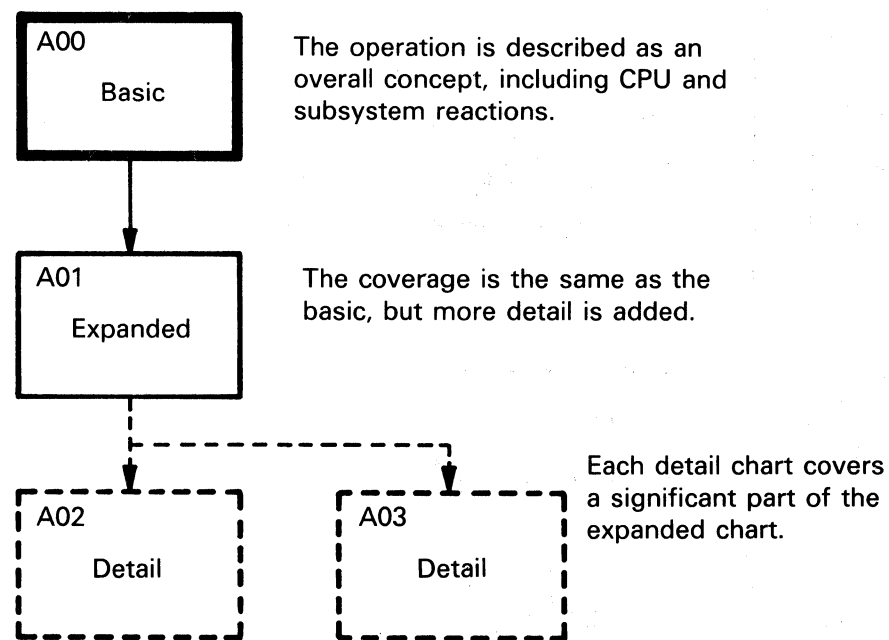
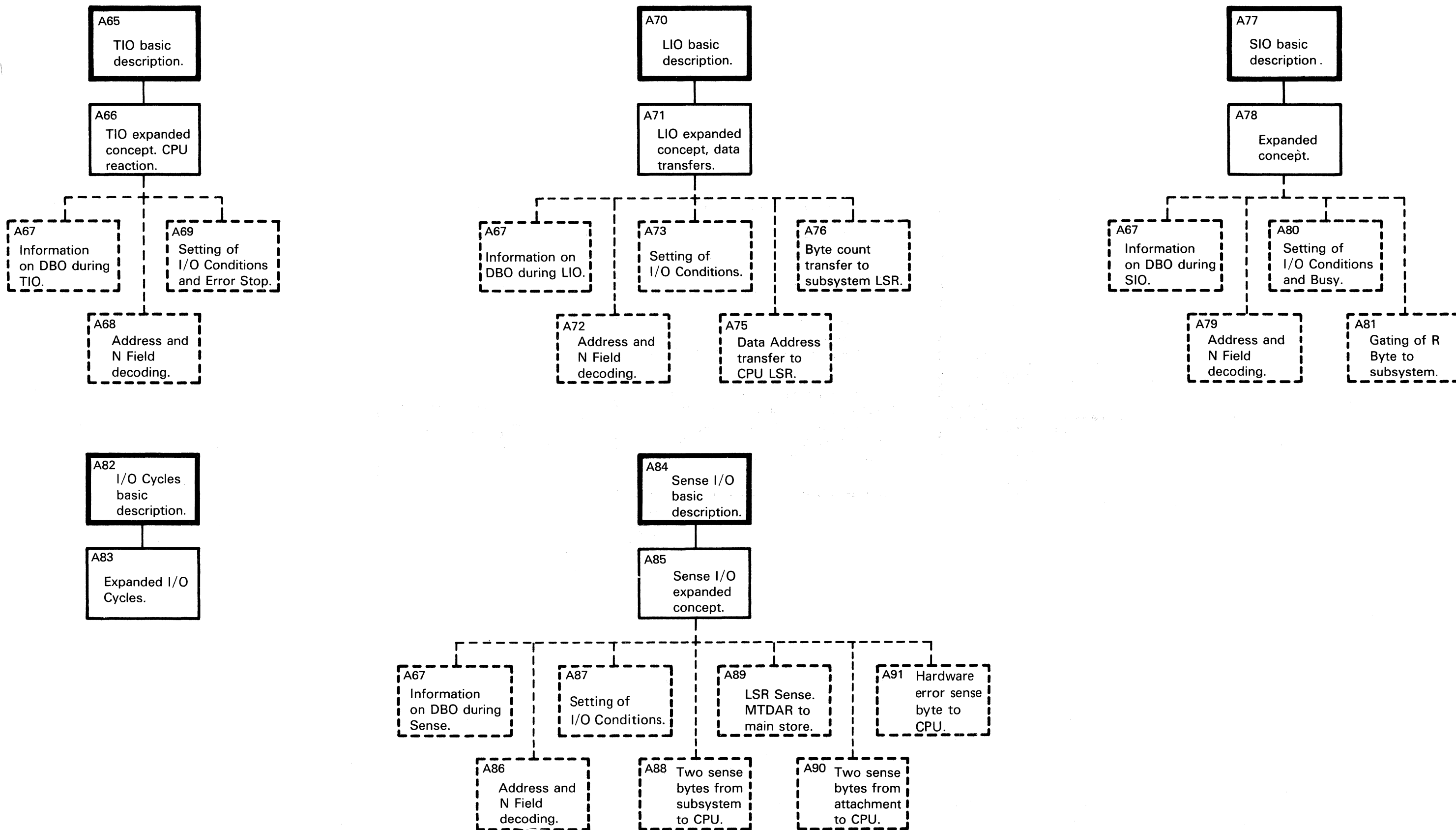
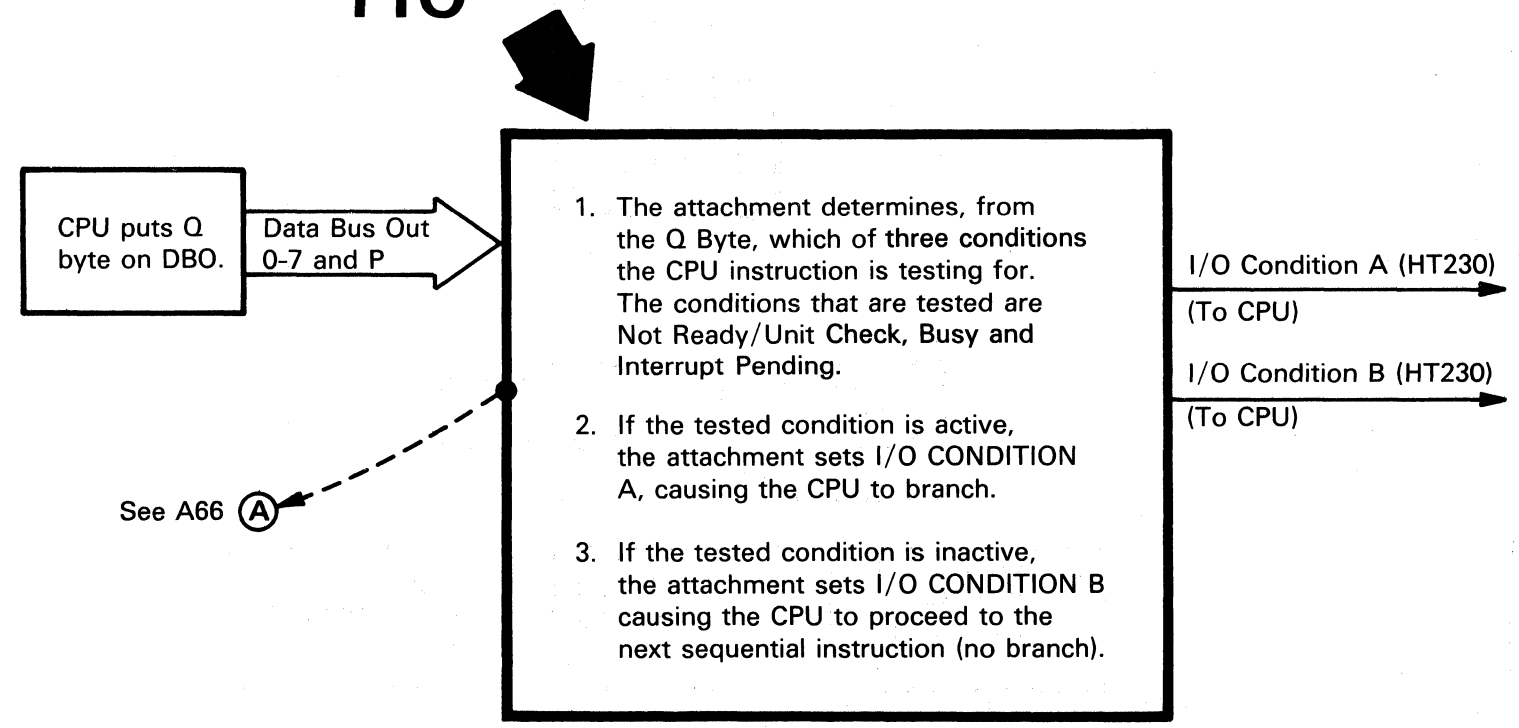


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1. The Test I/O Tag is set at clock 5 of the I-OP cycle.
2. The attachment decodes the address and N Fields of the Q Byte at Clock 5 of the I-Q cycle.
3. If the Q byte parity is bad, DBO PARITY GATED sets I/O CONDITION A and B, and the operation terminates with the PROCESSOR CHECK and CHANNEL DBO indicators on.
4. If the command is invalid, I/O CONDITION A and B are not set and ERROR STOP is set with PROCESSOR CHECK and INV Q indicators on.
5. A Unit Check, Not Ready, Device Busy, or Interrupt Pending sets I/O CONDITION A.
6. NOT Unit Check, Ready, NOT Device Busy, and NOT Interrupt Pending sets I/O CONDITION B.

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CAUSE	A B	CPU Reaction
Invalid Command	0 0	Processor Check Stop with Q BYTE INVALID Check.
Condition not met.	0 1	Proceeds to next sequential instruction.
Condition met	1 0	Branches to effective address.
Q Byte bad parity	1 1	Processor Check Stop with CHANNEL DBO Check on.

Error Stop (HT230) (N)

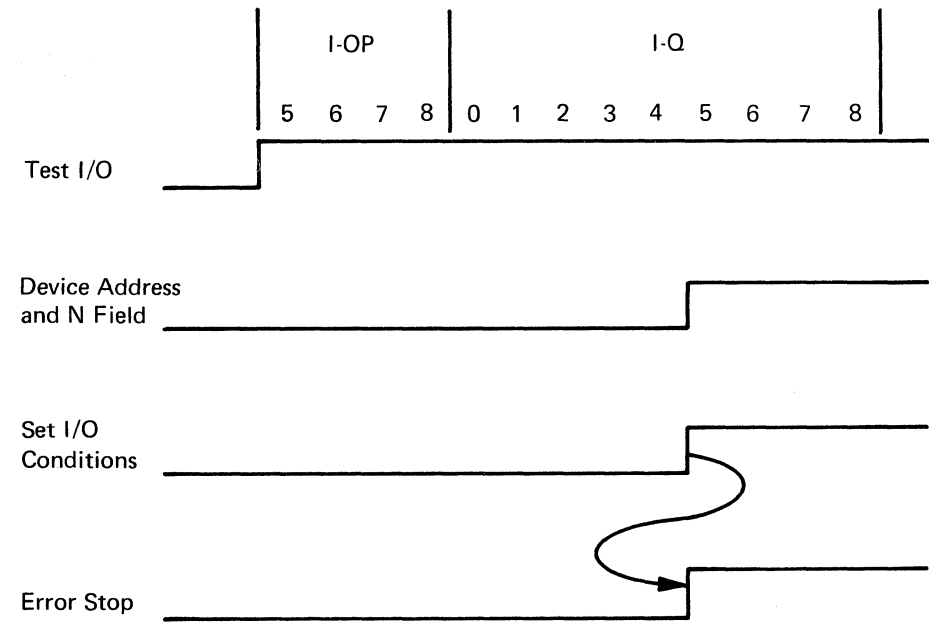
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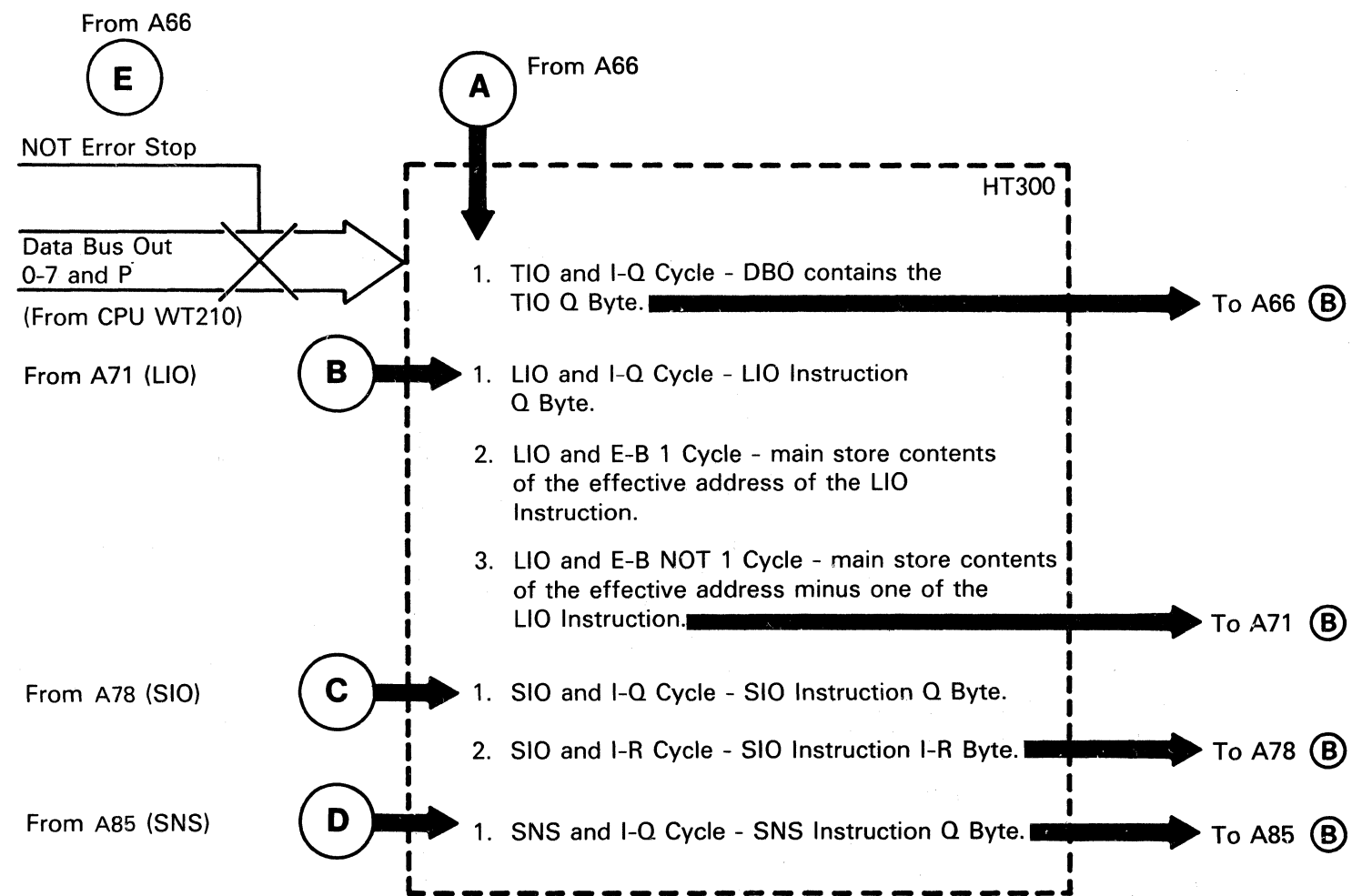
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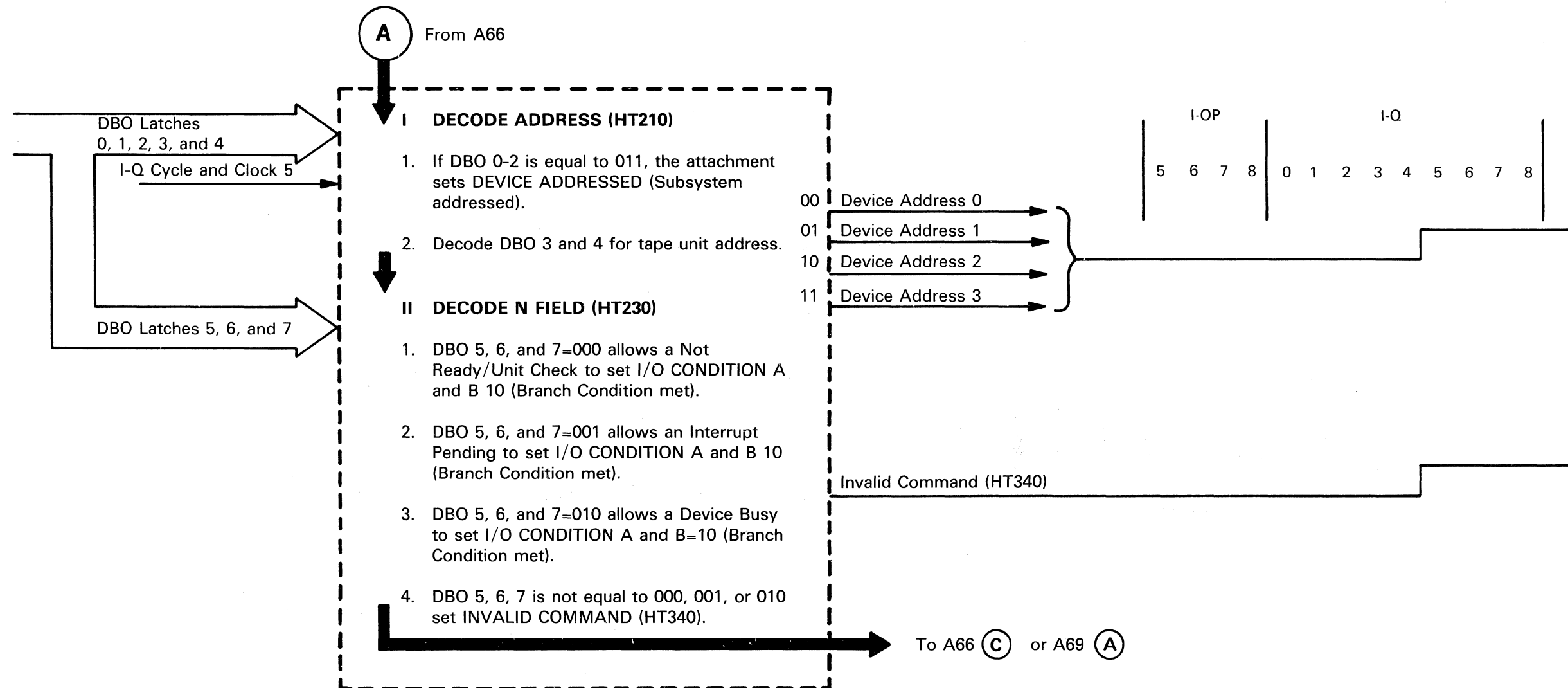
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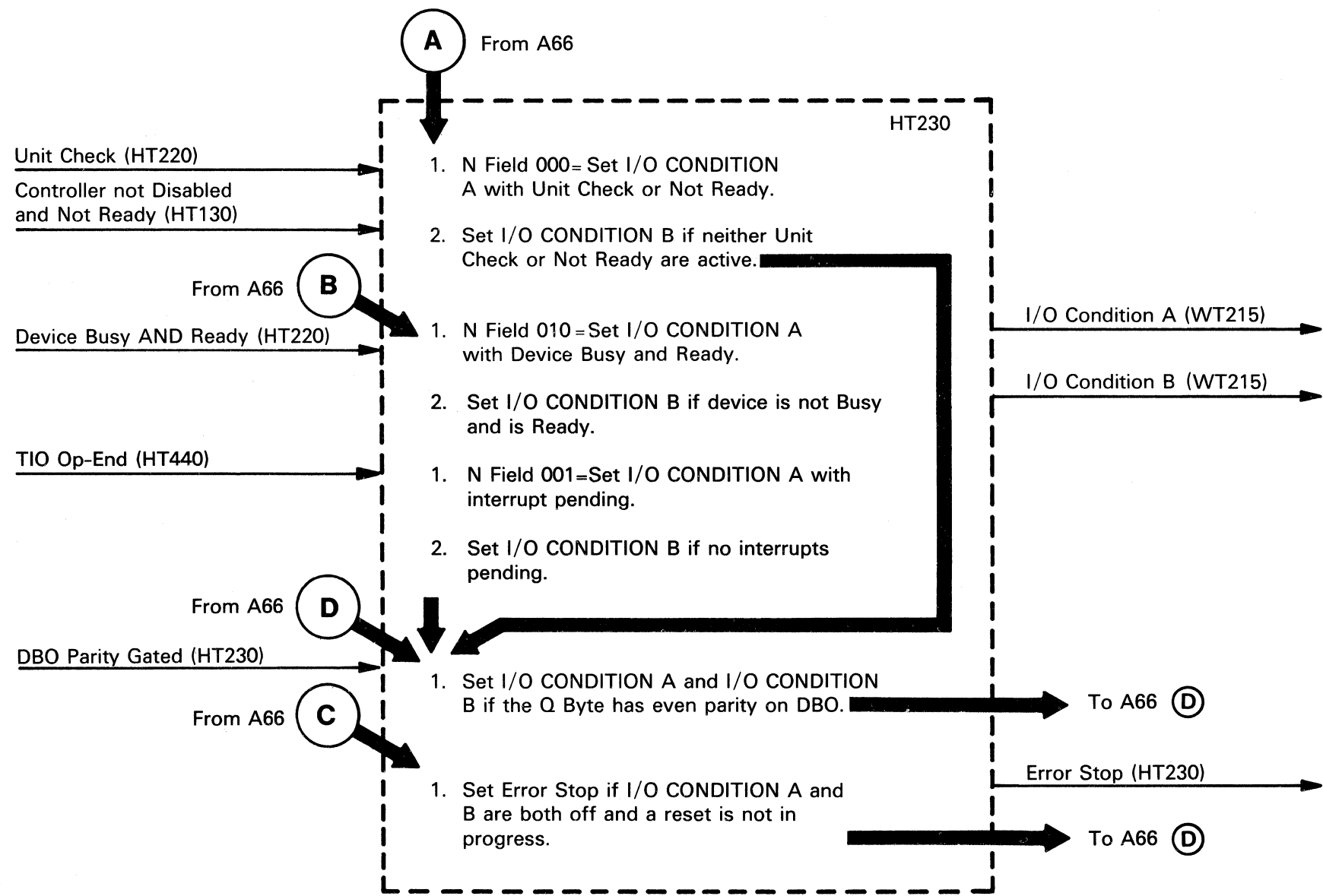
NOTES:

1. Unit Check is set by a Unit Check from a Tape Unit, a Not Ready, an I/O Check during I-Q Cycle at Clock 5, or an Adapter Check (HT230).
2. Interrupt Pending includes any Interrupt-- Subsystem or Tape Unit.









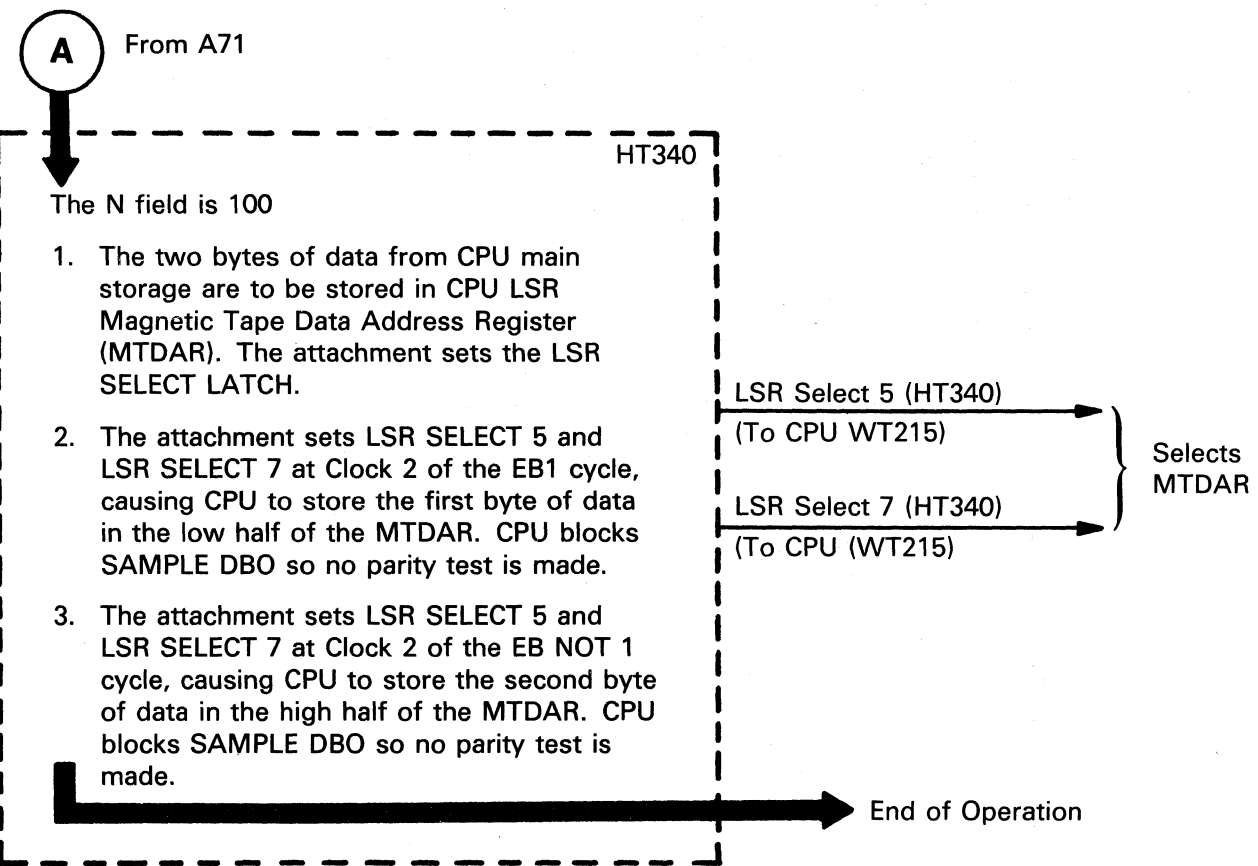
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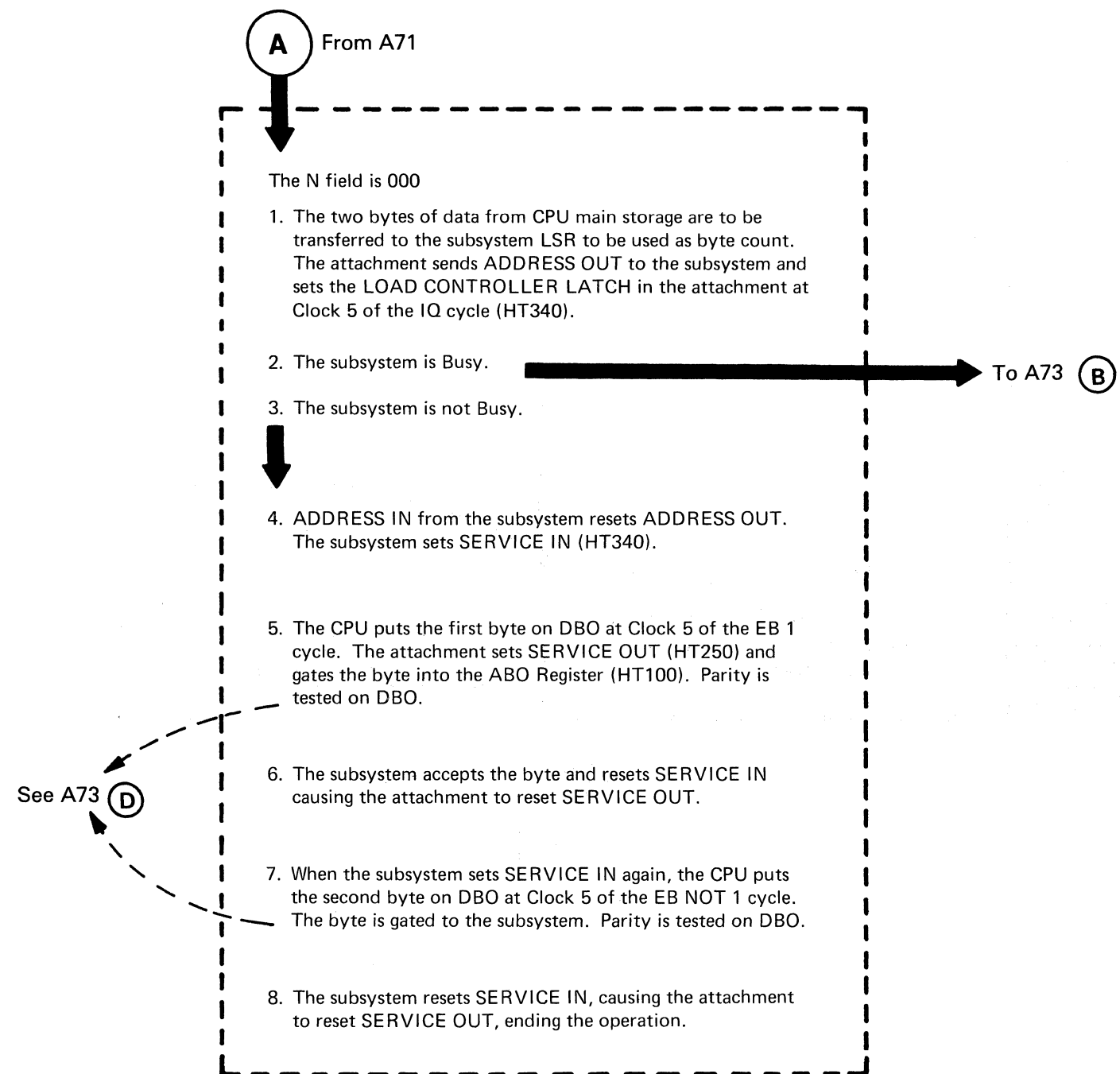
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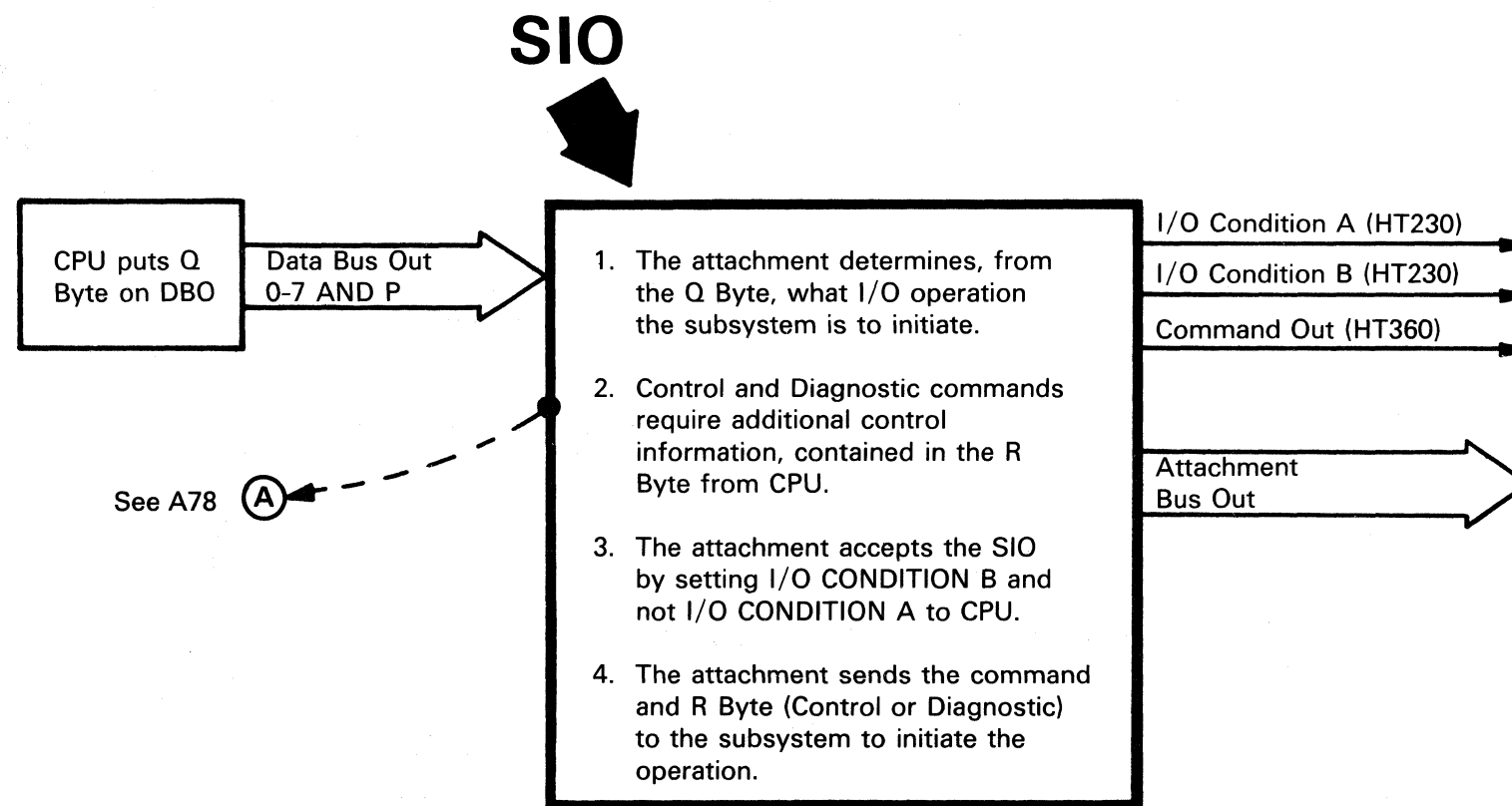
1. Two bytes of data are to be sent to the attachment. The first byte is used to control interrupts; the second byte is not used.
2. The LIO Op-End latch is set at C5 of the I-Q cycle.
3. At C5 of the EB1 cycle DBO bits 3 and 4 are decoded to provide the following functions:

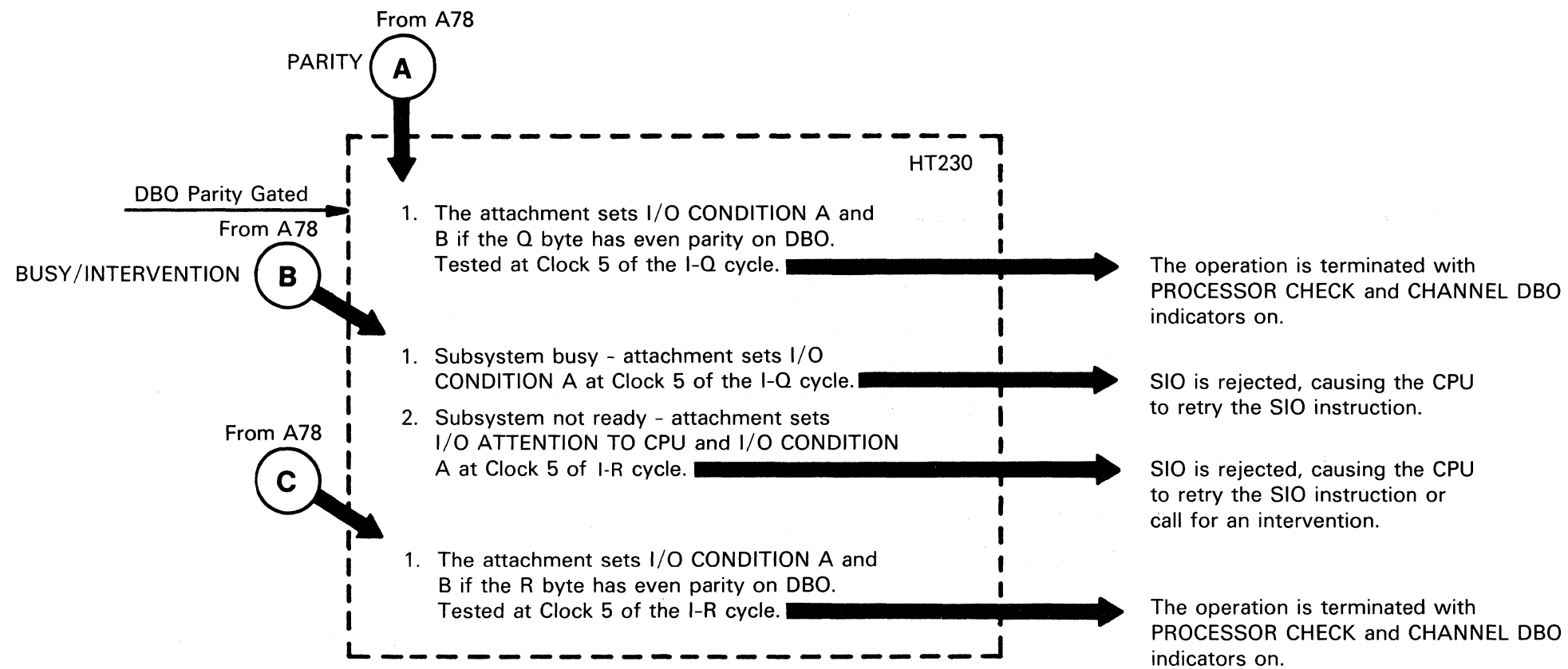
DBO Bits		
3	4	
0	0	Disable interrupts by resetting the 'interrupt enable' latch,
1	0	Enable interrupts by setting the 'interrupt enable' latch,
0	1	Reset the addressed tape unit interrupt request. The tape unit address is bits 3 and 4 of the LIO Q code,
1	1	Reset the subsystem interrupt request.

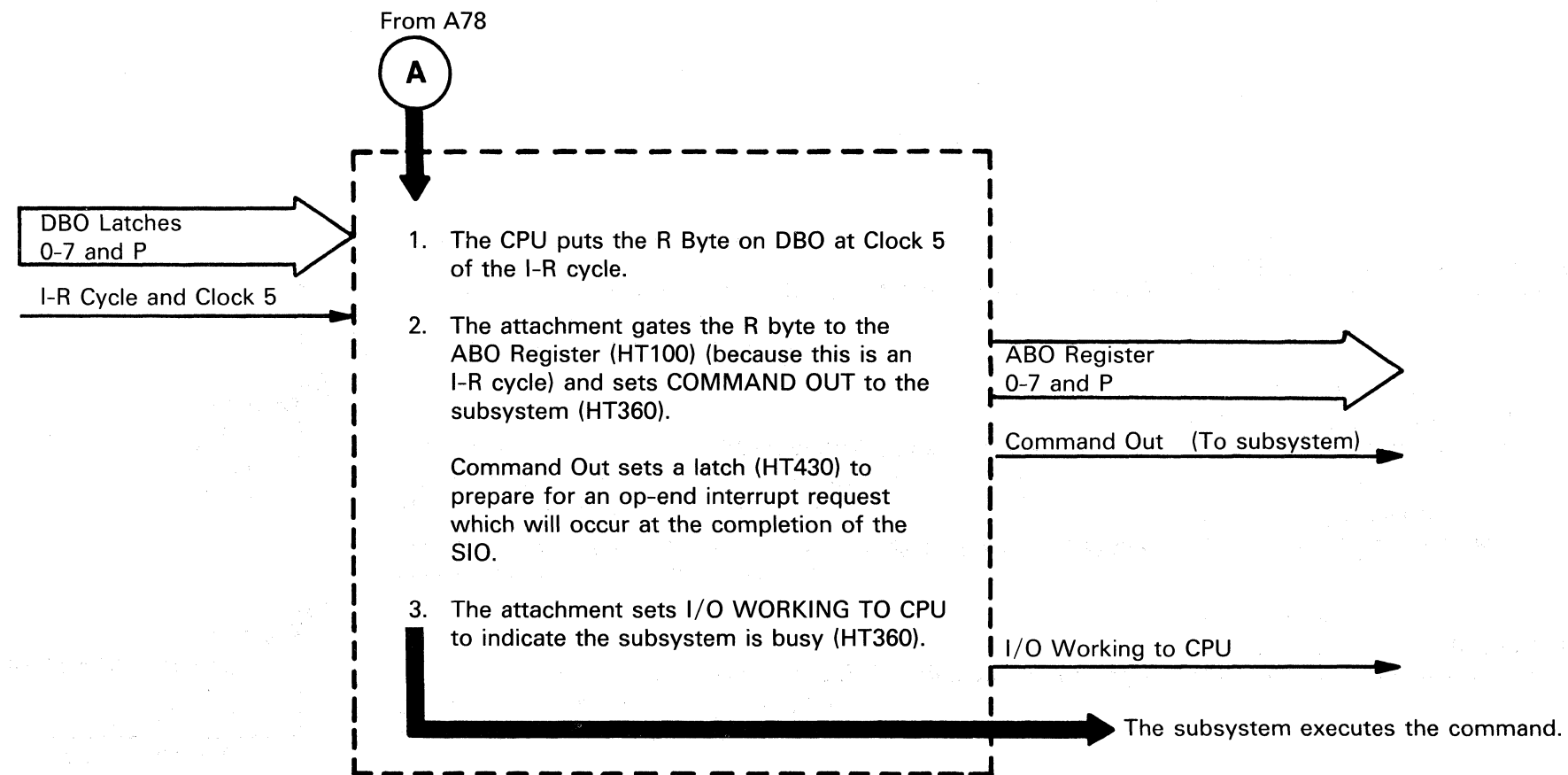
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NOTES:

1. During a read or write operation the subsystem ignores the R byte.

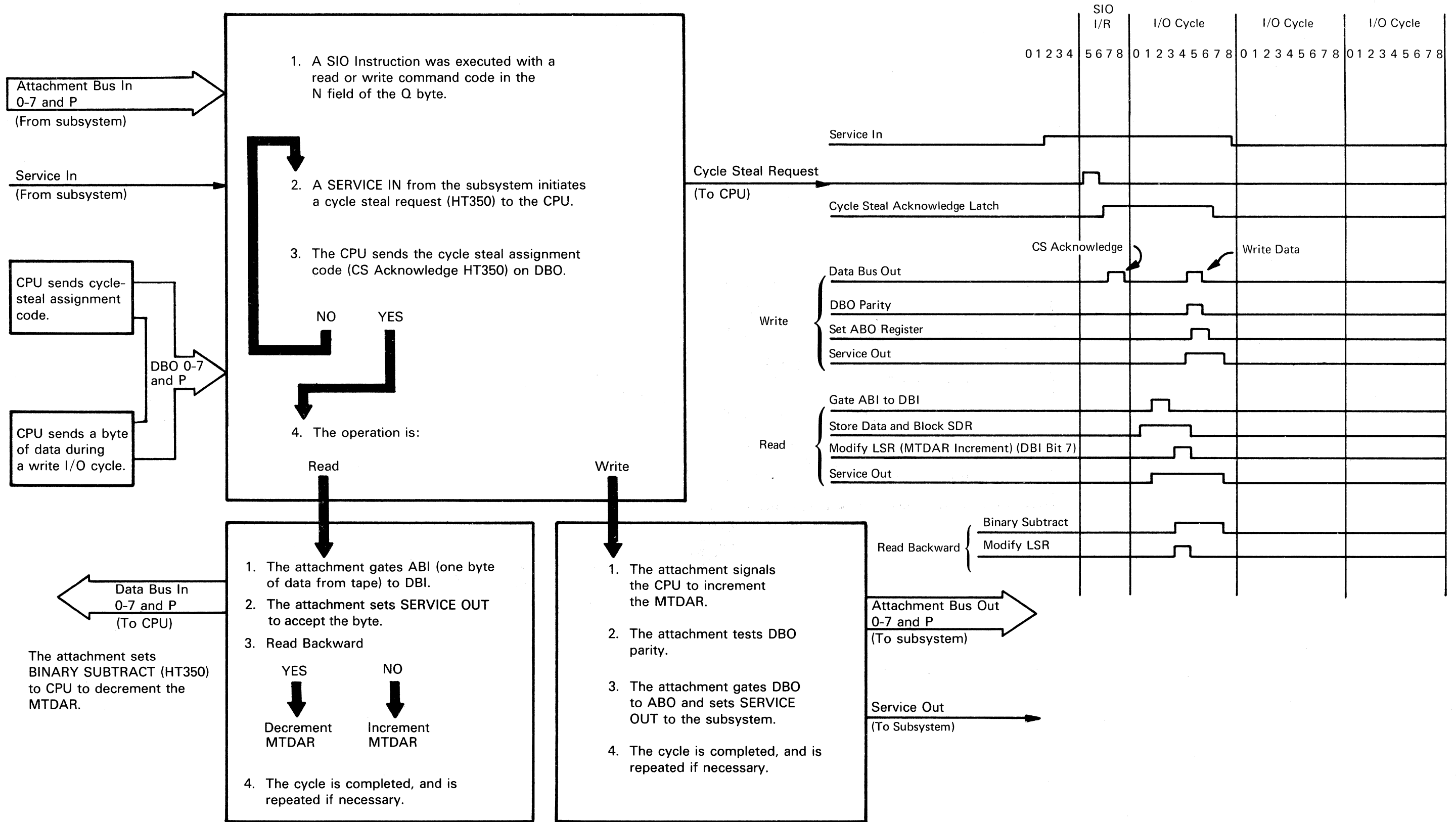
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1. An SIO instruction initiates the need for I/O Cycles to move data to or from CPU main storage (a read or write command).
2. The attachment requests a cycle steal.
3. The CPU grants the request, temporarily suspending its normal processing.
4. The data is moved to or from CPU, as required.

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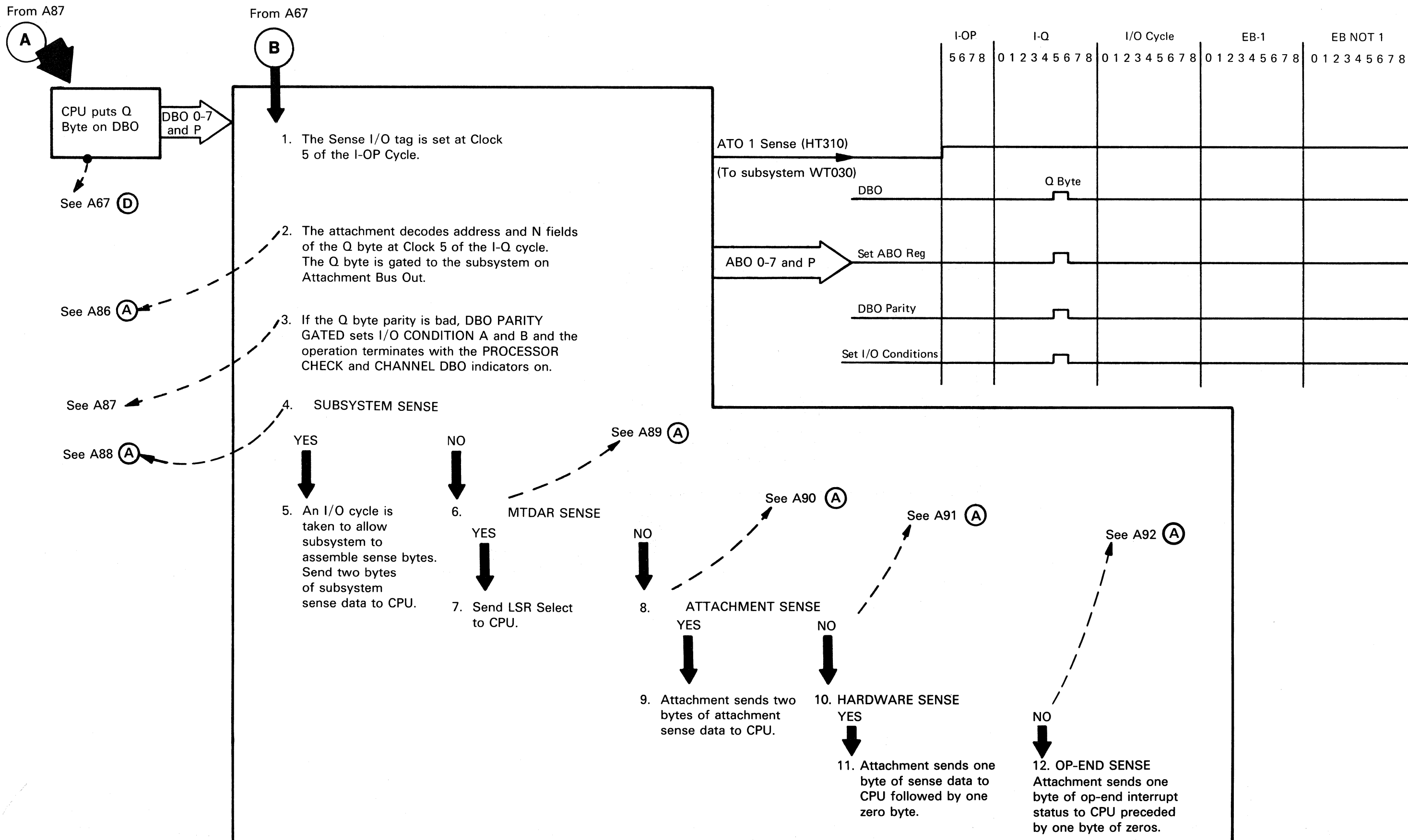


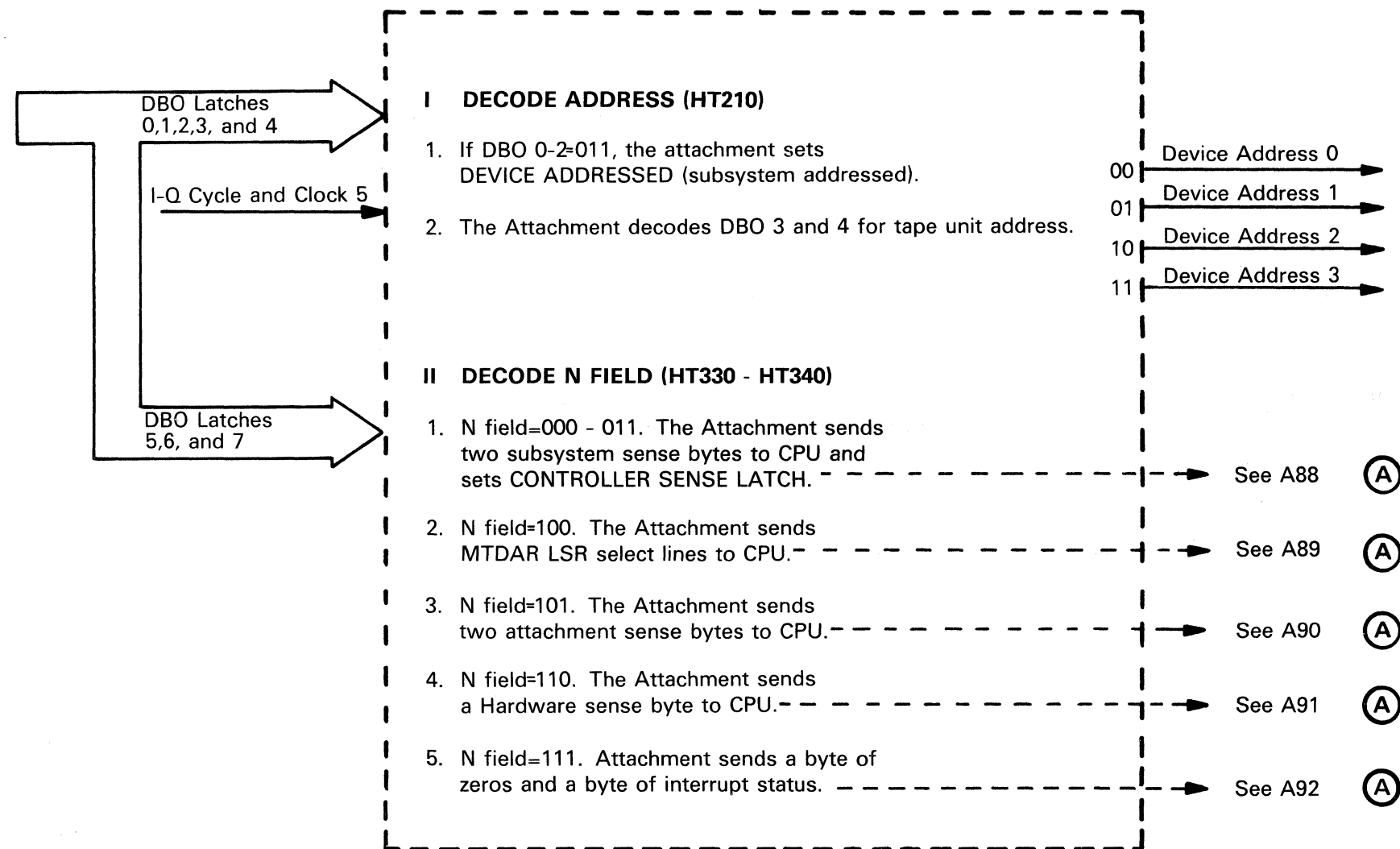
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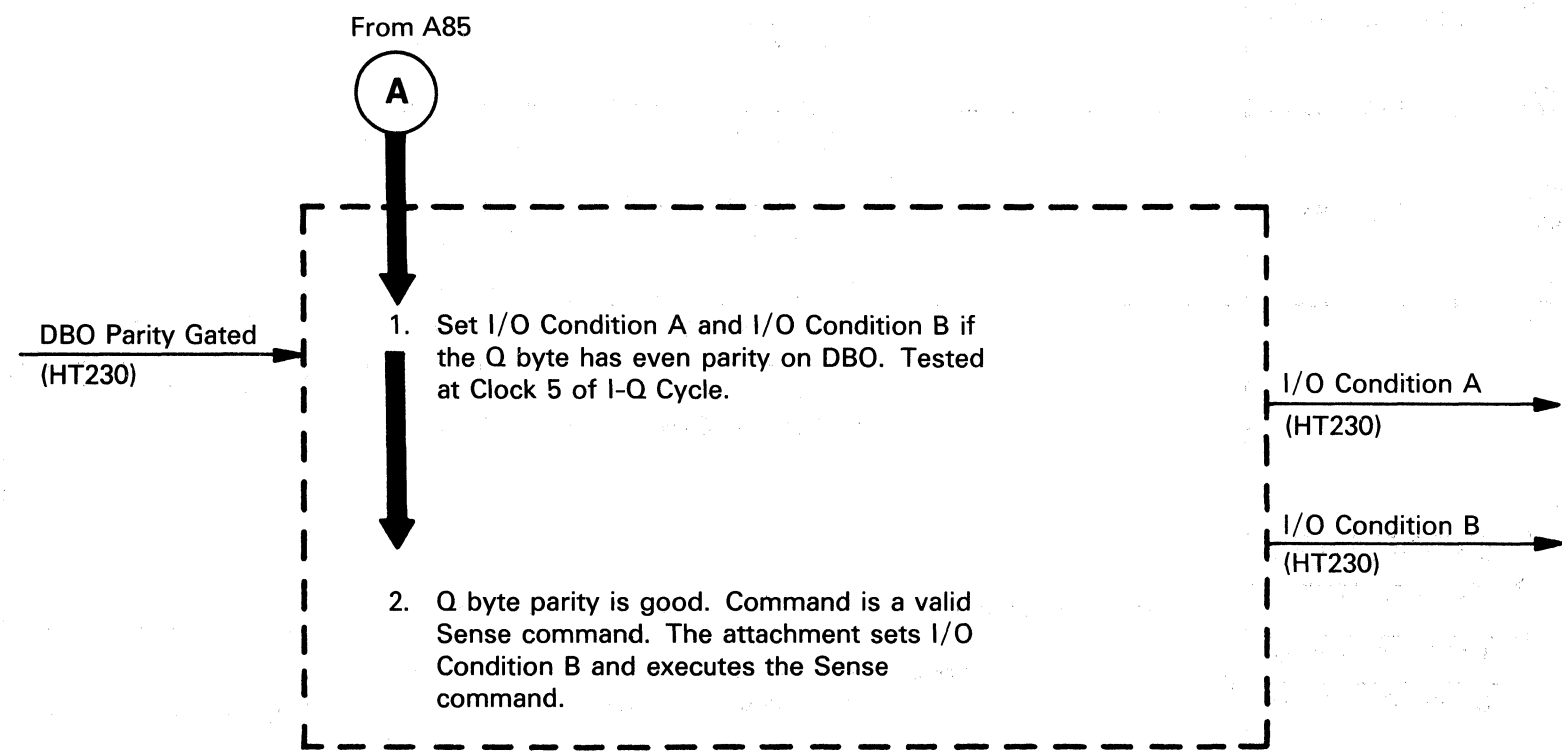


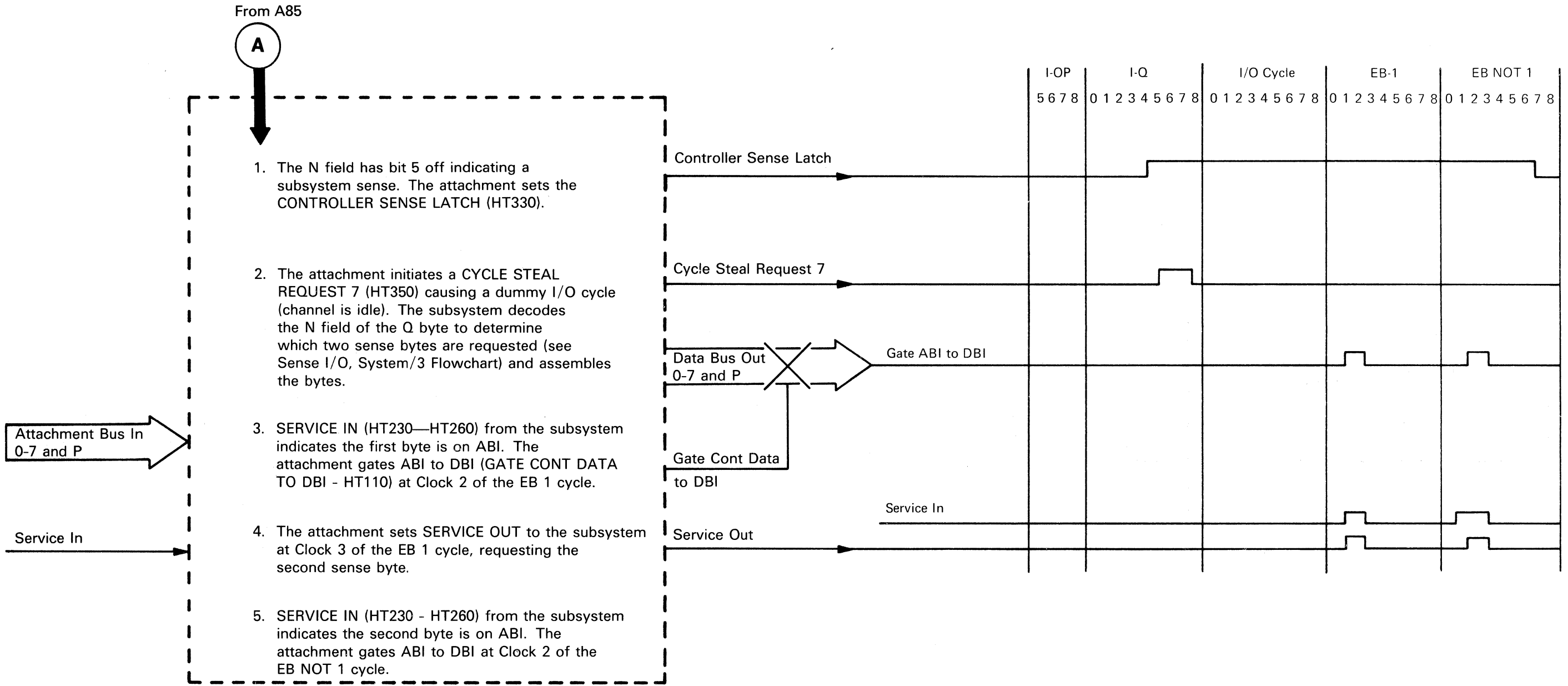
1. The attachment determines, from the Q byte, the source of two bytes of sense information to be stored in CPU main storage. The Sense bytes can come from the subsystem, the MTDAR, the attachment, or hardware.
2. The attachment sends the two bytes to CPU. The CPU stores them in two main storage locations designated by the Sense instruction.

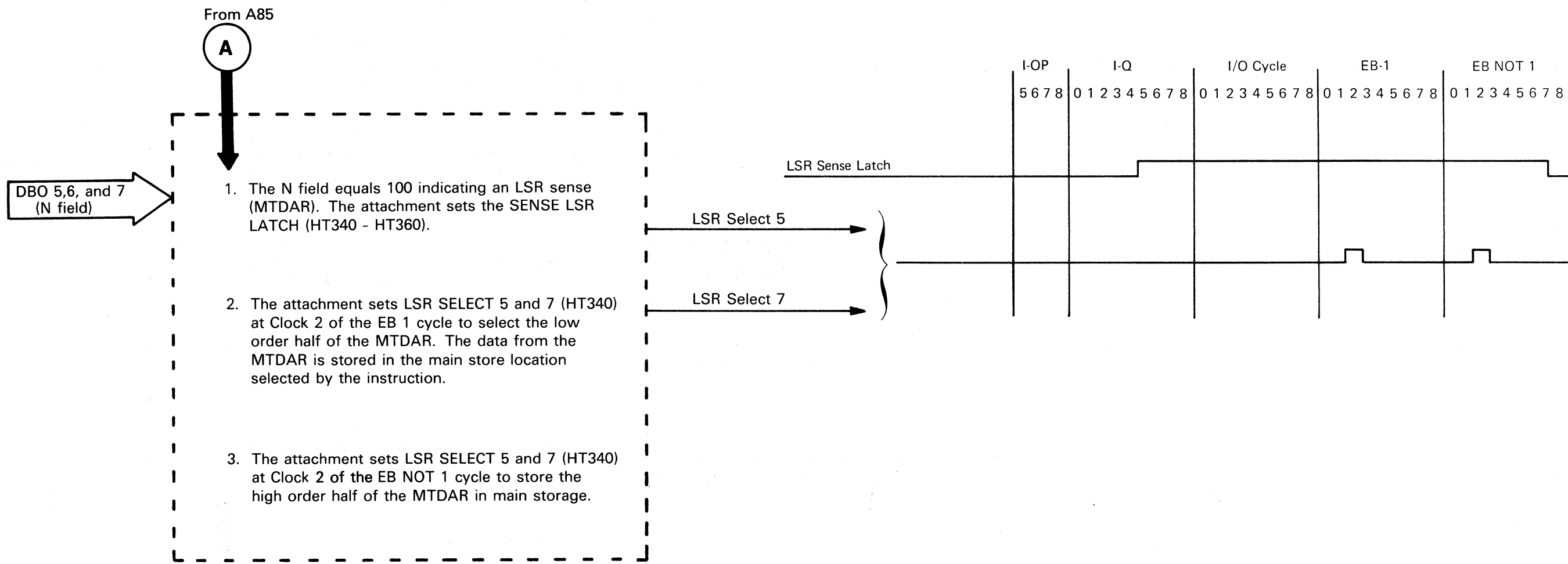
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