



Service Manual

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ARP-802-0

STEREO CASSETTE TAPE DECK

CT-A7X HEM

CT-A7X(BK) KU, HEM, HB

● For the servicing these models, please refer to the CT-A7 Repair and Adjustments service manual (ARP-450) and CT-A9/CT-A7 Circuit & Mechanism Descriptions(ARP-462) with the exception of this additional service manual.

- CT-A7X is the same as the CT-A7 except for the exterior design. CT-A7X has wooden side panels.
- CT-A7X (BK) is the black version of CT-A7X.

Contrast of Miscellaneous Parts

EXTERIOR COMPONENTS

Key No	Description	Part No.			Remarks
		CT-A7	CT-A7X	CT-A7X (BK)	
1	Bonnet case	RNA-617	RNA-691	RNA-690	
4	Knob (EJECT)	RXB-927	←	RXB-987	
5	Knob (TIMER)	RAC-367	←	RAC-405	
8	Knob (STOP)	RXB-928	←	RXB-988	
9	Knob (PLAY)	RXB-929	←	RXB-989	
10	Knob (REC)	RXB-930	←	RXB-990	
11	Knob (MS, MONITOR)	RAC-370	←	RAC-410	
13	Tape counter assembly	RAW-201	←	RAW-206	
14	Meter screen	RNL-797	←	RNL-856	
15	Front panel assembly	RXX-432	RXX-483	RXX-482	
16	Door frame	RAH-487	←	RAH-529	
17	Door	RNL-761	←	RNL-857	
18	Dressing screw	RBA-085	←	RBA-088	

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CT-A7X/HEM, CT-A7X(BK)/KU, HEM, HB

Key No.	Description	Part No.			Remarks
		CT-A7	CT-A7X	CT-A7X (BK)	
20	Inscription plate	RAH-490	RAH-588	RAH-586	
21	Knob (INPUT L)	RAC-372	←	RAC-411	
22	Knob (INPUT R)	RAC-373	←	RAC-412	
28	Knob (OUTPUT)	RAC-374	←	RAC-413	
29	Knob (DOLBY NR)	RXB-939	←	RXC-012	
30	Knob (B/C)	RXB-937	←	RXC-010	
31	Knob (MPX FILTER)	RXB-938	←	RXC-011	
33	Knob (REW)	RXB-932	←	RXB-992	
34	Knob (FF)	RXB-931	←	RXB-991	
35	Knob (RESET)	RXB-935	←	RXB-995	
36	Knob (TAPE RETURN)	RXB-936	←	RXB-996	
37	Knob (PAUSE)	RXB-933	←	RXB-993	
38	Knob (REC MUTE)	RXB-934	←	RXB-994	
39	Cassette plate assembly	RXX-431	←	RXX-450	
40	LED	SLF-201C	←	SLF-601C	Including key no. 40 Tape lighting
42	Knob (POWER)	RAD-213	←	RAD-251	

TAPE TRANSPORT UNIT

Key No.	Description	Part No.			Remarks
		CT-A7	CT-A7X	CT-A7X (BK)	
17	Pocket (L)	RNL-736	←	RNL-849	
25	Pocket (R)	RNL-737	←	RNL-850	

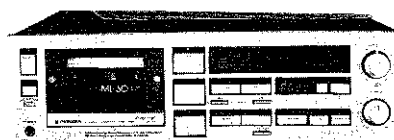
PACKING AND FURNISHED PARTS

Key No.	Description	Part No.			Remarks
		CT-A7	CT-A7X	CT-A7X (BK)	
	Packing case	RHG-688	RHG-791	RHG-782	
	Wooden side panel (L)	.....	RHM-011	RHM-011	
	Wooden side panel (R)	.....	RHM-012	RHM-012	
	Screw for wooden side panel setting	.....	RBA-093	RBA-093	
	Rivet	.....	PBM-014	PBM-013	
	Operating instructions (for KU & HB: English)	RRB-224	RRB-247	
	(for HEM: English/German/French/ Italian)	RRE-054	RRE-073	RRE-073	



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REPAIR & ADJUSTMENTS



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CT-A7

MODEL CT-A7 COMES IN SEVEN VERSIONS DISTINGUISHED AS FOLLOWS:

Type	Voltage	Remarks
KU	AC120V only	U.S.A. model
KC	AC120V only	Canada model
HEM	AC220V (240V)	European continent model
HB	AC240V (220V)	United Kingdom model
HP	AC240V (220V)	Australia model
D	AC120V, 220V, 240V (switchable)	General export model
D/G	AC120V, 220V, 240V (switchable)	U.S. Military model

- This service manual is applicable to the KU type. For servicing of the other types, please refer to pp. 59~62.
- For the circuit and mechanism descriptions, please refer to the CT-A9 service manual (ARP-462-0).
- Ce manuel d'instruction se réfère au mode de réglage, en français.
- Este manual de servicio trata del método de ajuste escrito en español.

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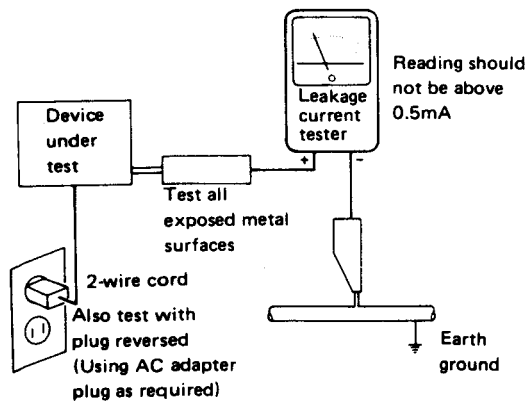
1. SAFETY INFORMATION

1. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

The following check should be performed for the continued protection of the customer and service technician.

LEAKAGE CURRENT CHECK

Measure leakage current to a known earth ground (water pipe, conduit, etc.) by connecting a leakage current tester such as Simpson Model 229-2 or equivalent between the earth ground and all exposed metal parts of the appliance (input/output terminals, screwheads, metal overlays, control shaft, etc.). Plug the AC line cord of the appliance directly into a 120V AC 60Hz outlet and turn the AC power switch on. Any current measured must not exceed 0.5mA.



AC Leakage Test

ANY MEASUREMENTS NOT WITHIN THE LIMITS OUTLINED ABOVE ARE INDICATIVE OF A POTENTIAL SHOCK HAZARD AND MUST BE CORRECTED BEFORE RETURNING THE APPLIANCE TO THE CUSTOMER.

2. PRODUCT SAFETY NOTICE

Many electrical and mechanical parts in the appliance have special safety related characteristics. These are often not evident from visual inspection nor the protection afforded by them necessarily can be obtained by using replacement components rated for voltage, wattage, etc. Replacement parts which have these special safety characteristics are identified in this Service Manual.

Electrical components having such features are identified by marking with a Δ on the schematics and on the parts list in this Service Manual.

The use of a substitute replacement component which does not have the same safety characteristics as the PIONEER recommended replacement one, shown in the parts list in this Service Manual, may create shock, fire, or other hazards.

Product Safety is continuously under review and new instructions are issued from time to time. For the latest information, always consult the current PIONEER Service Manual. A subscription to, or additional copies of, PIONEER Service Manual may be obtained at a nominal charge from PIONEER.

2. SPECIFICATIONS

System	4 track, 2-channel stereo
Heads	"Ribbon Sendust" recording/playback combination head x 1, Erasing head x 1
Motor	DC servo capstan motor x 1 DC reel motor x 1
Wow/Flutter	No more than 0.028% (WRMS) No more than $\pm 0.085\%$ (DIN)
Fast Winding Time	Approx. 80 seconds (C-60 tape)
Frequency Response	
-20 dB recording:	
Normal tape	20 to 20,000 Hz (30 to 19,000 Hz ± 3 dB)
Chrome tape	20 to 20,000 Hz (25 to 19,000 Hz ± 3 dB)
Metal tape	20 to 20,500 Hz (25 to 20,000 Hz ± 3 dB)
0 dB recording:	
Chrome tape	20 to 11,000 Hz
Metal tape	20 to 16,000 Hz
Signal-to-Noise Ratio	
Dolby NR OFF	More than 57 dB
Noise Reduction Effect	
Dolby type B NR ON	More than 10 dB (at 5 kHz)
Dolby type C NR ON	More than 19 dB (at 5 kHz)
Harmonic Distortion	No more than 0.8% (0 dB)
Input (Sensitivity)	
LINE (INPUT)	63 mV (Input impedance 120 k Ω)
Output (Reference level)	
LINE (OUTPUT)	0,63 V (Output impedance 3 k Ω)
Headphone	0,45 mV (Load impedance 8 Ω)

MISCELLANEOUS

Power Requirements	
KU, KC models	AC 120 V, 60 Hz
HEM model	AC 220 V, 50/60 Hz
HB, HP models	AC 240 V, 50/60 Hz
D, D/G models	AC 120/220/240V, 50/60 Hz (switchable)
Power Consumption	
KU, KC models	38 watts
HEM, HB, HP models	35 watts
D, D/G models	28 watts
Dimensions	420 (W) x 130 (H) x 374 (D) mm 16-9/16 (W) x 5-1/8 (H) x 14-12/16 (D) in
Weight (without packaging)	7.9 kg (17 lb 7 oz)

FURNISHED PARTS

Operating instructions	1
Connection cord with pin plug	2

SUBFUNCTIONS

- Four-column digital counter
- Dolby NR system (type B and C)
- Closed loop dual capstan
- One touch MS, one touch tape return
- Auto monitor
- Auto tape selector function
- Auto rec mute
- Recording level warning zone switch
- Auto loading/power eject
- Timer standby function

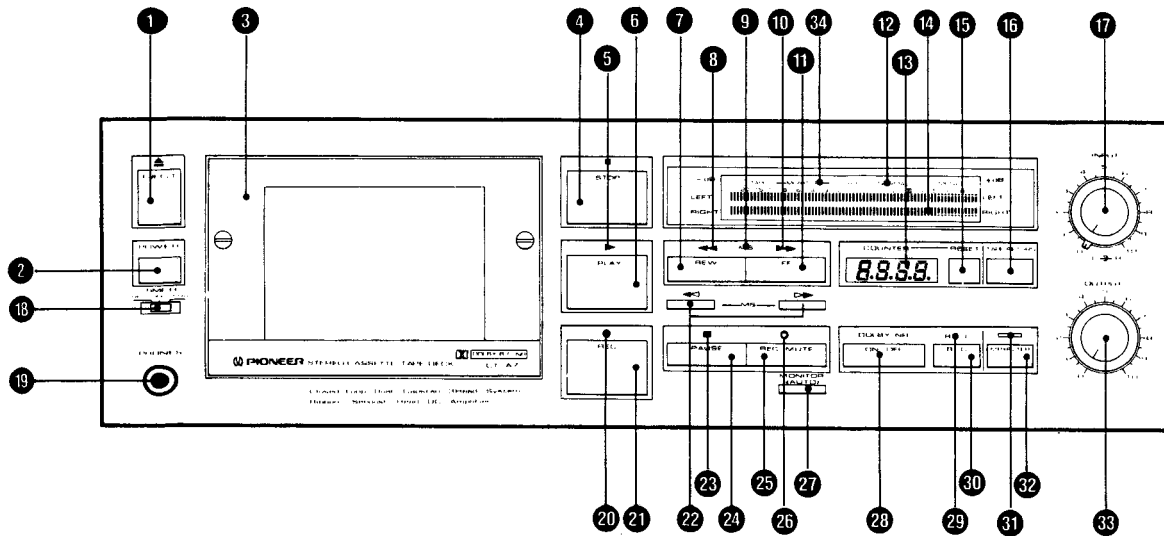
NOTES:

1. Reference Tapes:
Normal and LH: DIN 45513/BLATT6 or equiv.
CrO₂ DIN 45513/BLATT7 (CrO₂) or equiv.
2. Reference Recording Level: Meter 0 dB indicating level (160 nwb/m magnetic level = Philips cassette reference level)
3. Reference Signal: 315 Hz
4. Wow and Flutter: • JIS (3 kHz, with acoustic compensation (weighted) rms value); DIN 3,150Hz with acoustic compensation (weighted) PEAK value DIN 45507
5. Frequency Response: • Measured at - 20 dB level, DOLBY NR OFF, level deviation is ± 6 dB without indication.
6. Signal-to-Noise Ratio: • Measured at 3rd harmonic distortion 3% level, weighted (DIN 45513/BLATT7)
7. Sensitivity: Input level (mV) required for reference recording level with input (REC) level control set to maximum
8. Maximum Allowable Input: While decreasing settings of input (REC) level controls and increasing level at input jacks, this is the maximum input level (mV) at the point where recording amplifier OUTPUT waveform becomes clipped.
9. Reference Output Level: Playback output level when meter indicates 0 dB.
10. This model does not employ a recording/playback connector (DIN-type).

NOTE:

Specifications and the design are subject to possible modifications without notice due to improvements.

3. FRONT PANEL FACILITIES



1 EJECT BUTTON

Press this button to open the cassette door. Whenever inserting or removing a cassette tape, be sure that the power is turned ON.

2 POWER SWITCH

When this switch is depressed power is turned ON, and when it is depressed again, power is turned OFF. After the power is turned ON, the unit will not operate for a duration of 4 seconds which is the necessary time for the unit to become stable.

3 CASSETTE DOOR

This door opens when the EJECT button is pressed. Insert cassette tapes with the visible part of the tape downward. When a cassette tape is inserted, the cassette door will automatically close. The cassette door will also close if it is lightly pressed. Unless the unit is powered, the door can not be opened.

NOTE:

If the cassette door is closed after turning the power off, the next time the power is turned ON and an operating switch is pressed, the cassette door will open and close once. This is in order to reset the microprocessor to the correct condition, and is not a malfunction.

4 STOP SWITCH

Depress this switch to stop the tape travel and to release the operating switches.

5 PLAY INDICATOR (▶)

This indicator lights when the PLAY switch is pressed. It also lights when the REC switch is pressed to set the unit in the recording mode.

6 PLAY SWITCH

Depress this switch to playback a tape.

7 REW SWITCH

Depress this switch to rewind the tape. (The tape will travel from right to left.)

8 REWIND INDICATOR (◀◀)

This indicator lights when the rewind switch (REW) is pressed. The indicator lights also when the music search (MS) ◀◀ switch is pressed.

9 MUSIC SEARCH INDICATOR (MS)

This indicator lights when either of the music search switches (◀◀ or ▶▶) is pressed.

10 FAST FORWARD INDICATOR (▶▶)

This lights when the fast forward (FF) switch is pressed. When the music search (MS) switch ▶▶ is pressed, the indicator also lights.

11 FF SWITCH

Depress this switch to send the tape forward. (The tape will travel from left to right.)

12 TAPE INDICATORS (NORM/CrO₂/METAL)

This mechanism uses the sensor holes on the cassette to detect the type of tape being used. It then automatically adjusts the proper recording bias and equalization for the tape. The type of tape is then shown on the tape indicator.

NORM: This indicator lights when normal tapes are used.

CrO₂: This indicator lights when CrO₂ tapes are used.

METAL: This indicator lights when metal tapes are used.

NOTE:

When using metal tapes without sensor holes, the tape selector will be set on the CrO₂ position. In this case, optimum recording and erasure may not be possible. We thus recommend that you use metal tapes with sensor holes. Pre-recorded metal tapes can be played as is on this unit.

13 TAPE COUNTER

The numbers change as the tape is running. Tape position is indicated with a four-column digital counter.

14 LEVEL METER

This indicates the recording level during recording and the output level during playback. The top part is for the left (L) channel and the bottom part for the right (R) channel.

15 RESET BUTTON (RESET)

Press this to reset the tape counter to "0000." Before recording or playback, press this button to reset the tape counter to "0000." It will then be easy to find programs on the tape if a note is made of the tape counter numbers and of the recording or playback contents. The numbers provide you with a guideline for finding programs afterward which you want to listen to.

16 TAPE RETURN SWITCH (TAPE RETURN)

When this switch is pressed, the fast forward or rewind functions will begin, sending the tape to the "0000" position, where it will automatically stop. This is a convenient function when you wish to listen immediately to a program you have just recorded, or when you wish to perform repeat play of a certain program.

17 RECORDING LEVEL ADJUSTMENT CONTROL (INPUT)

This control is for adjusting general recording levels. The recording level increases when the control is turned clockwise, and decreases when turned counter-clockwise. The control is equipped with a memory marker useful for remembering a predetermined volume level, for example when performing fade-in.

18 TIMER SWITCH (TIMER)

This switch is used when an optional audio timer is utilized for unattended recording or wakeup playback.

NOTE:

The timer switch should always be in the OFF position when not performing timer recording or playback. If a cassette tape is inserted and the switch is set to the REC or PLAY position, the unit will automatically enter the recording or playback mode whenever the power switch is turned on.

19 PHONES JACK

This is the output jack for the stereo headphones.

20 RECORDING INDICATOR (●)

This lights when the unit is set to the recording mode.

21 REC SWITCH

This switch is pressed for recording. When the switch is pressed, the tape deck is placed in the recording standby mode, and the pause indicator (■ ■), play indicator (▶) and recording indicator (●) will light. To begin recording, press the PAUSE switch to release from the recording standby mode.

NOTE:

- The switch cannot be placed in the ON position if the accidental erasure prevention tab on the cassette have been broken off, or if no cassette is in the unit.
- To release the tape deck from the recording mode, press the STOP switch.

22 MUSIC SEARCH SWITCH (MS)

This switch is pressed when searching for the beginning of programs.

23 PAUSE INDICATOR (■ ■)

This indicator lights when the PAUSE switch is pressed. It also lights when the REC switch is pressed.

24 PAUSE SWITCH

Depress this switch to stop the tape travel temporarily during recording or playback. Depress this switch again to allow the tape to continue to travel.

The tape does not stop during fast forward or rewind operations even when the PAUSE switch is depressed.

25 REC MUTE SWITCH (REC MUTE)

When the unit is in the recording mode, if this switch is pressed, 4 seconds of non-recorded interval will be created automatically. This can be used for eliminating unwanted portions during recording, or for producing an appropriate non-recorded interval between programs.

Be careful not to press this switch except when necessary.

26 RECORDING MUTE INDICATOR (O)

This indicator flashes when the REC MUTE switch is pressed to create an automatic 4 second non-recorded portion. When a non-recorded portion longer than 4 seconds is created, the indicator changes from flashing to steadily lighted.

27 AUTO MONITOR SWITCH (AUTO MONITOR)

This unit is equipped with an automatic monitor function. This means that when the unit is in the recording standby mode, SOURCE MONITOR, or when in the playback mode, TAPE MONITOR is automatically selected. However, when you wish to select TAPE/SOURCE monitoring manually, this switch can be pressed. When the switch is pressed, the unit will switch to the mode opposite to that of prior to pressing the switch. For example, if the unit is in the TAPE MONITOR mode before the switch is pressed, it will switch to the SOURCE MONITOR. The [TAPE]-MONITOR-[SOURCE] indicators in the level meter will light to show the monitoring mode.

28 DOLBY NR SWITCH (DOLBY NR ON/OFF)

Press this switch ON when using the Dolby NR system for recording or playback. When the Dolby NR system is ON, the Dolby indicator B or C lights.

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29 DOLBY INDICATORS (DOLBY NR)

These light when the DOLBY NR switch is set to ON .
 [B]: This lights when the B type Dolby noise reduction system is operating.
 [C]: This lights when the C type Dolby noise reduction system is operating.

30 DOLBY B/C SELECTOR SWITCH (DOLBY NR B/C)

This deck is equipped both type B and type C Dolby noise reduction systems. After the DOLBY NR ON/OFF switch is pressed, select type B or C using this switch. The Dolby indicator corresponding to the switch position lights.

31 MULTIPLEX INDICATOR (MPX)

This indicator lights when the Multiplex filter (MPX FILTER) switch is pressed ON.

32 MULTIPLEX FILTER SWITCH (MPX FILTER)

Push this switch when recording FM stereo broadcasts or TV programs using the Dolby noise reduction system. Contained among the FM stereo signals are a 19 kHz pilot signal and the 38 kHz subcarrier. The MPX FILTER switch is pressed in order to safeguard against incorrect operation of the Dolby circuit due to these signals. Release the switch for any other recording. The switch does not function during playback.

33 OUTPUT LEVEL VOLUME CONTROLS (OUTPUT LEVEL)

These controls are for adjusting the deck's output level. When the controls are turned clockwise, output level is increased.

NOTE:

- The movement of the level meters is not affected by rotation of the output level volume controls.
- If the output level control is set at the minimum "0" position, no sound will be heard, even if the amplifier's volume control is rotated.

34 MONITOR INDICATOR (MONITOR)

This indicator shows the monitoring mode selected by the automatic monitoring function.

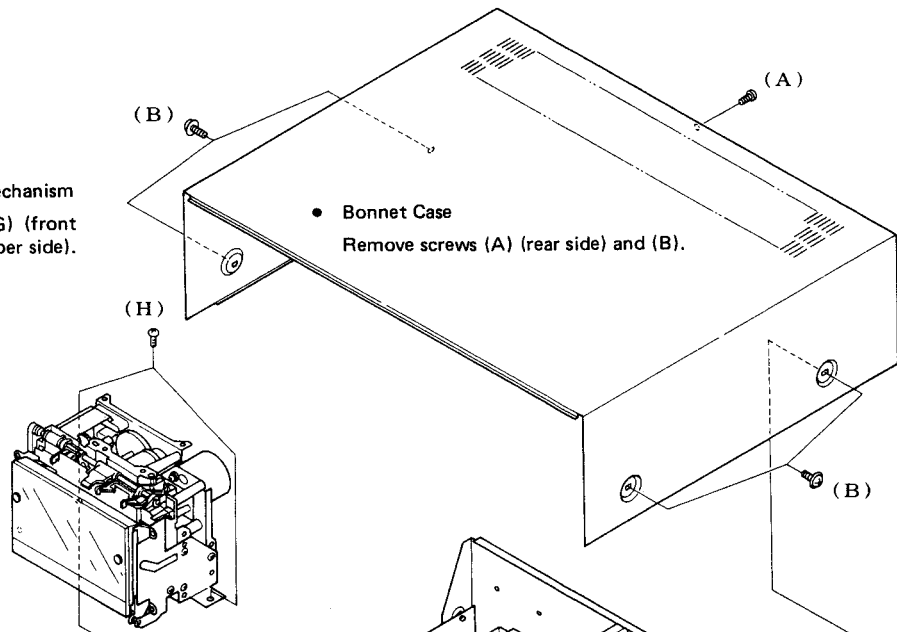
DOLBY TYPES B AND C

The tape hiss (noise mainly in the high-frequency range) heard when a recorded tape is played back can be very irritating. This is particularly the case in pianissimo treble sections where violins, for instance, are heard in an orchestral piece. The Dolby noise reduction system was developed in order to reduce this tape hiss. The Dolby type B system is already widely used for noise reduction but this unit features not only this type but also type C. What the system does is this: when the midrange and treble sections, where the tape hiss is noticeable, are lower than the prescribed level, it records those sections at a level higher than the recording level at the "OFF" position of the Dolby system. During playback, the level is reduced by an amount equivalent to this increase and the sound is played back with a reduction in tape hiss. This operation is performed automatically in accordance with the strength of the input signals, and it is possible to improve the signal-to-noise ratio at frequencies over 5 kHz by about 10 dB. As a result, the system is really effective for the recording and playback of ordinary broadcasts and records, etc. However, when recording a program source with a wide dynamic range, a greater reduction in the noise is required. It was for this reason that the Dolby type C system was developed. The big difference between type B and type C is that the improvement in the high-frequency range noise is approximately a high 19 dB, compared with the "OFF" position of the Dolby system, and that the dynamic range is extended without causing the sound quality to change (without generating breathing noise).

- A note should be made of each tape recorded with the Dolby system so that it is not mistakenly played back with the Dolby system off.
- Always play back tapes with the same Dolby function which was used when they were recorded. Playing back a tape recorded with the Dolby system at the OFF (non-Dolby) position or playing back a normal tape with the Dolby system will not result in the faithful reproduction of the original sound.

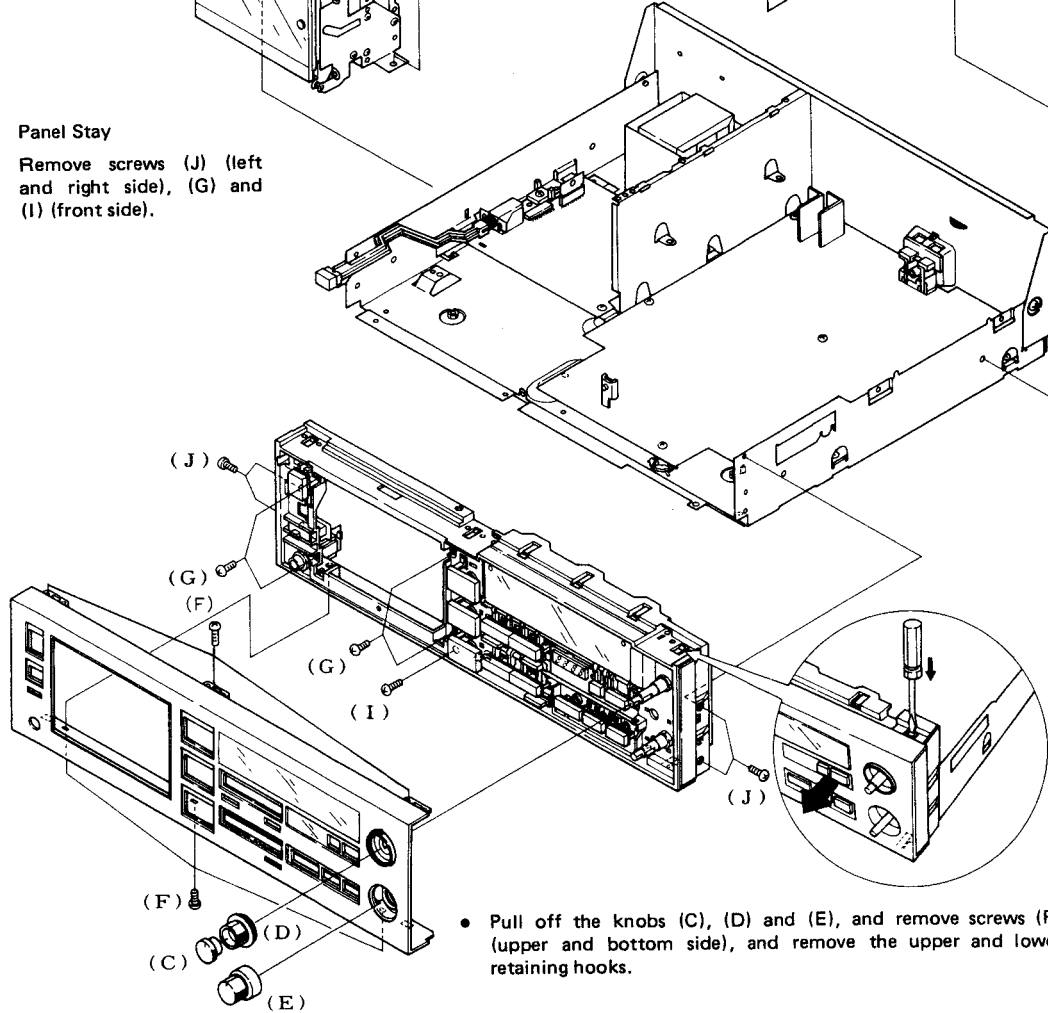
4. DISASSEMBLY

- **Tape Transport Mechanism**
Remove screws (G) (front side) and (H) (upper side).



- **Bonnet Case**
Remove screws (A) (rear side) and (B).

- **Panel Stay**
Remove screws (J) (left and right side), (G) and (I) (front side).



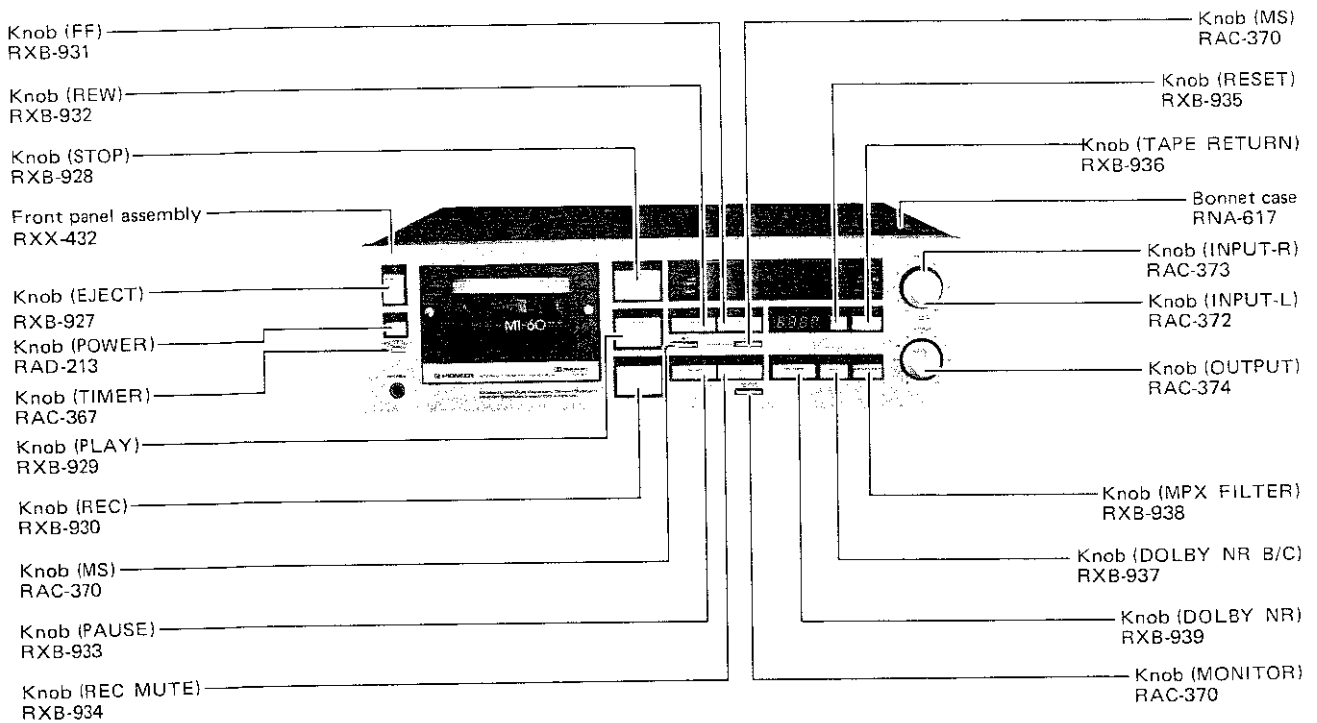
- Pull off the knobs (C), (D) and (E), and remove screws (F) (upper and bottom side), and remove the upper and lower retaining hooks.

5. PARTS LOCATION

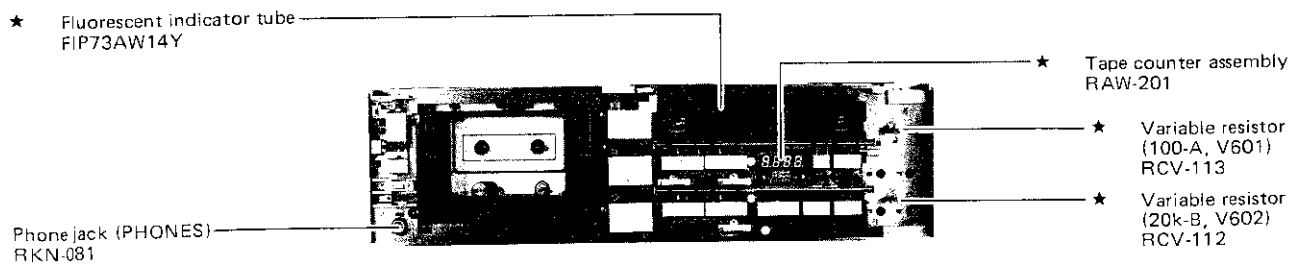
NOTES:

- Parts without part number cannot be supplied.
- The Δ mark found on some component parts indicates the importance of the safety factor of the part. Therefore, when replacing, be sure to use parts of identical designation.
- For your Parts Stock Control, the fast moving items are indicated with the marks **★★** and **★**.
★★ GENERALLY MOVES FASTER THAN ★.
This classification shall be adjusted by each distributor because it depends on model number, temperature, humidity, etc.

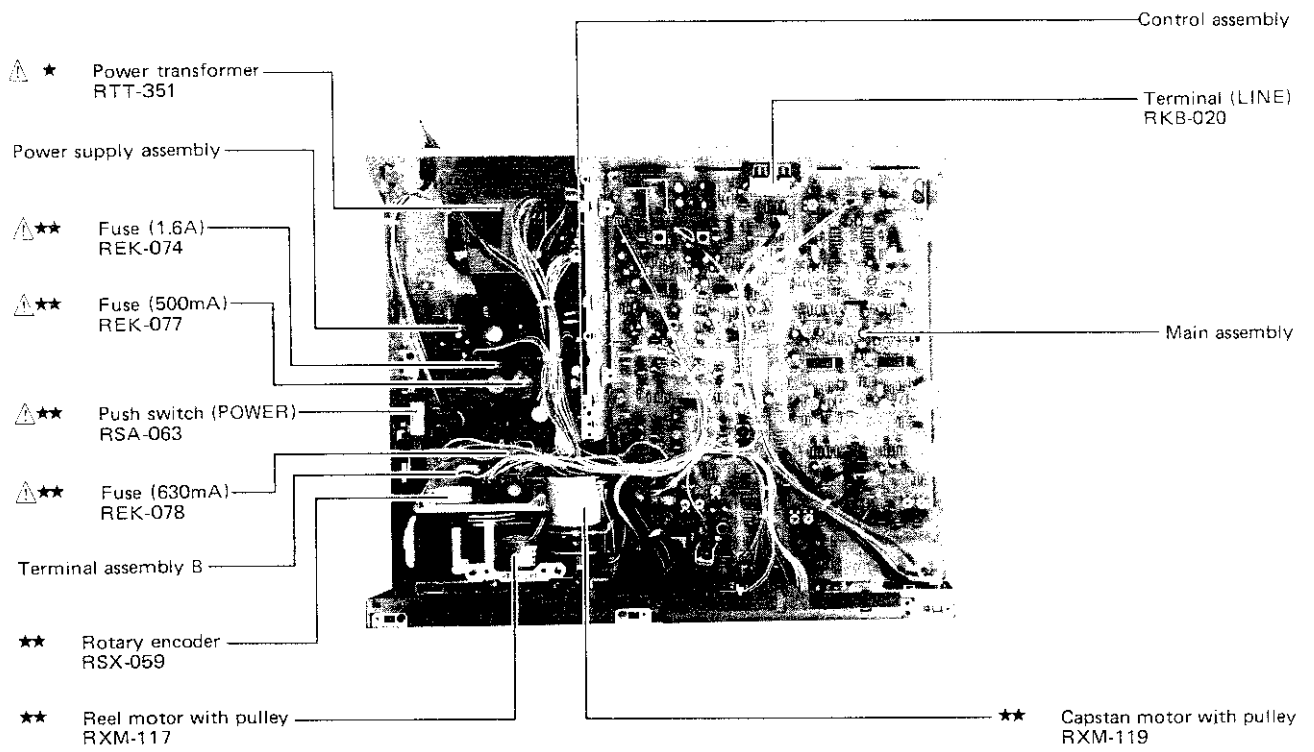
Front Panel View



Front View with Panel Removed



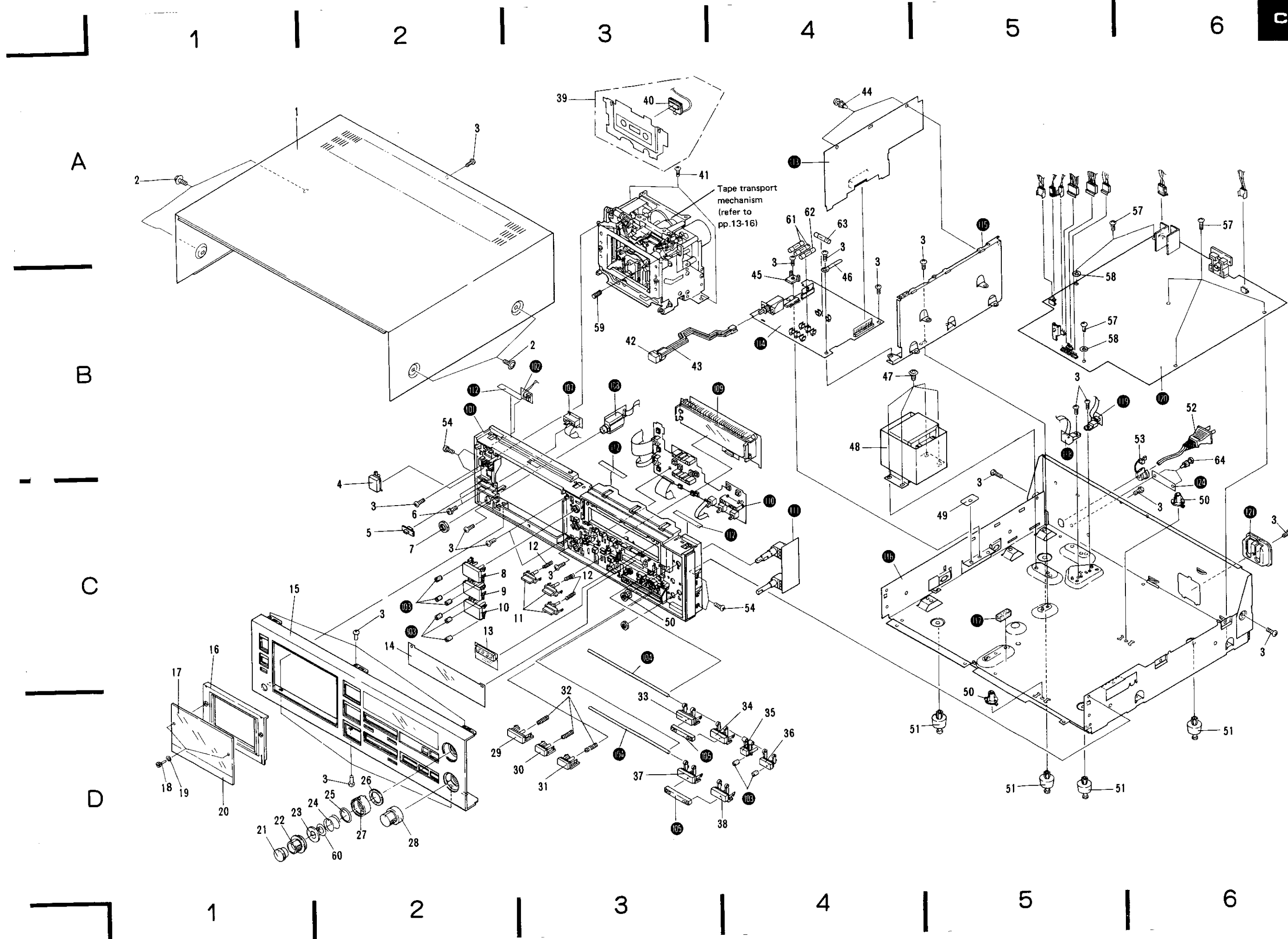
Top View



6. EXPLODED VIEW

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	1	RNA-617	Bonnet case		46	RNH-184	Cord fixer
	2	FBT40P080FNI	Screw 4 x 8		47	VBZ40P080FMC	Screw 4 x 8
	3	BBZ30P080FZK	Screw 3 x 8	\triangle ★	48	RTT-351	Power transformer (120V)
	4	RXB-927	Knob (EJECT)		49	REB-508	Insulator
	5	RAC-367	Knob (TIMER)		50	RNL-792	Stud
	6	PMZ26P060FMC	Screw 2.6 x 6	\triangle	51	REC-369	Foot assembly
	7	RBN-006	Nut	\triangle	52	RDG-048	AC power cord
	8	RXB-928	Knob (STOP)	\triangle	53	REC-395	Strain relief
	9	RXB-929	Knob (PLAY)		54	BBZ30P060FMC	Screw
	10	RXB-930	Knob (REC)		55	REC-371	Wire tie
	11	RAC-370	Knob (MS, MONITOR)		56	RBF-078	Washer
	12	RBL-056	Knob spring A		57	ATZ30P080FMC	Screw 3 x 8
	13	RAW-201	Tape counter assembly		58	WA30W120R100	Washer
	14	RNL-797	Meter screen		59	RBL-059	Grounding spring
	15	RXX-432	Front panel assembly		60	RBF-080	Washer
	16	RAH-487	Door frame	\triangle ★★	61	REK-078	Fuse (630mA)
	17	RNL-761	Door	\triangle ★★	62	REK-077	Fuse (500mA)
	18	RBA-085	Dressing screw	\triangle ★★	63	REK-074	Fuse (1.6A)
	19	RBF-075	Washer		64	RBM-001	Plastic rivet
	20	RAH-490	Inscription plate		65		
	21	RAC-372	Knob (INPUT L)		101		Panel stay assembly
	22	RAC-373	Knob (INPUT R)		102		Eject switch assembly
	23	RNL-764	Ring with hook		103		Knob cushion A
	24	RBL-054	Marker spring		104		Main shaft
	25	RBF-072	Marker washer		105		Knob cushion B
	26	RED-203	Friction felt		106	.....
	27	RAC-371	Marker		107		Timer switch assembly
	28	RAC-374	Knob (OUTPUT)		108		Headphones jack assembly
	29	RXB-939	Knob (DOLBY NR)		109		Level meter assembly
	30	RXB-937	Knob (B/C)		110		Operation switch assembly
	31	RXB-938	Knob (MPX FILTER)		111		Level control assembly
	32	RBL-060	Knob spring B		112		Cushion
	33	RXB-932	Knob (REW)		113		Control assembly
	34	RXB-931	Knob (FF)		114		Power supply assembly
	35	RXB-935	Knob (RESET)		115		P.C. board holder
	36	RXB-936	Knob (TAPE RETURN)		116		Chassis
	37	RXB-933	Knob (PAUSE)		117		Cushion
	38	RXB-934	Knob (REC MUTE)		118		Transistor A assembly
	39	RXX-431	Cassette plate assembly		119		Transistor B assembly
★	40	SLF-201C	LED		120		Main assembly
	41	VBT30P060FMC	Screw 3 x 6		121		Phono jack spacer
	42	RAD-213	Knob (POWER)		122		Cushion D
	43	RNL-766	Rod				
	44	RBM-003	Nylon rivet				
	45	RNK-511	Upper guide				



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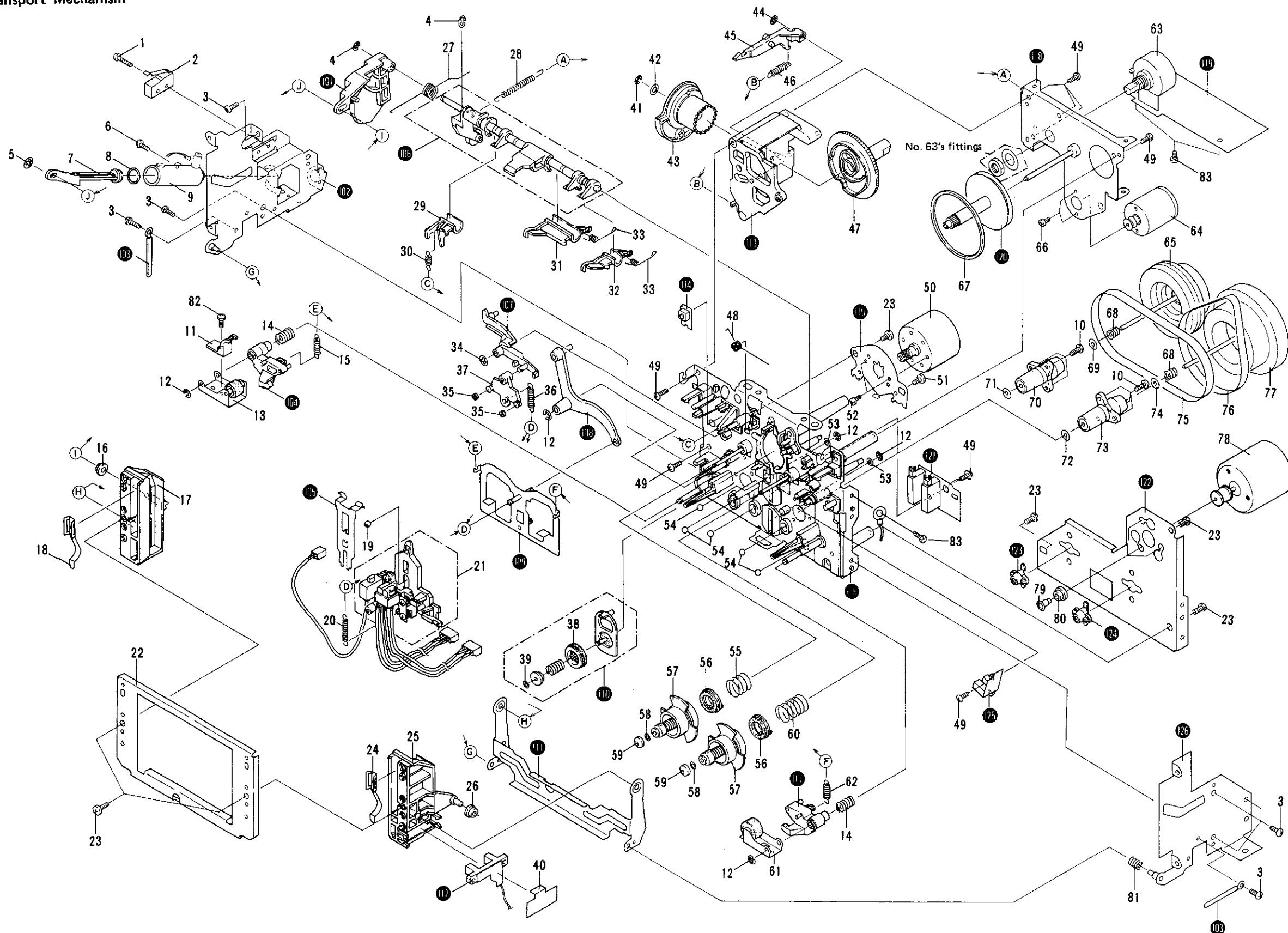
Tape Transport Mechanism

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- Parts without part number cannot be supplied.
- The Δ mark found on some component parts indicates the importance of the safety factor of the part. Therefore, when replacing, be sure to use parts of identical designation.
- For your Parts Stock Control, the fast moving items are indicated with the marks **★★** and **★**.
★★ GENERALLY MOVES FASTER THAN ★.
This classification shall be adjusted by each distributor because it depends on model number, temperature, humidity, etc.
- Precaution when replacing heads (*1)
Because of the very high precision requirements in tape heads, replacement components are supplied as assembly which also include the head base. Under no circumstances must this tape head assembly (RXX-433) be disassembled.

Tape Transport Mechanism

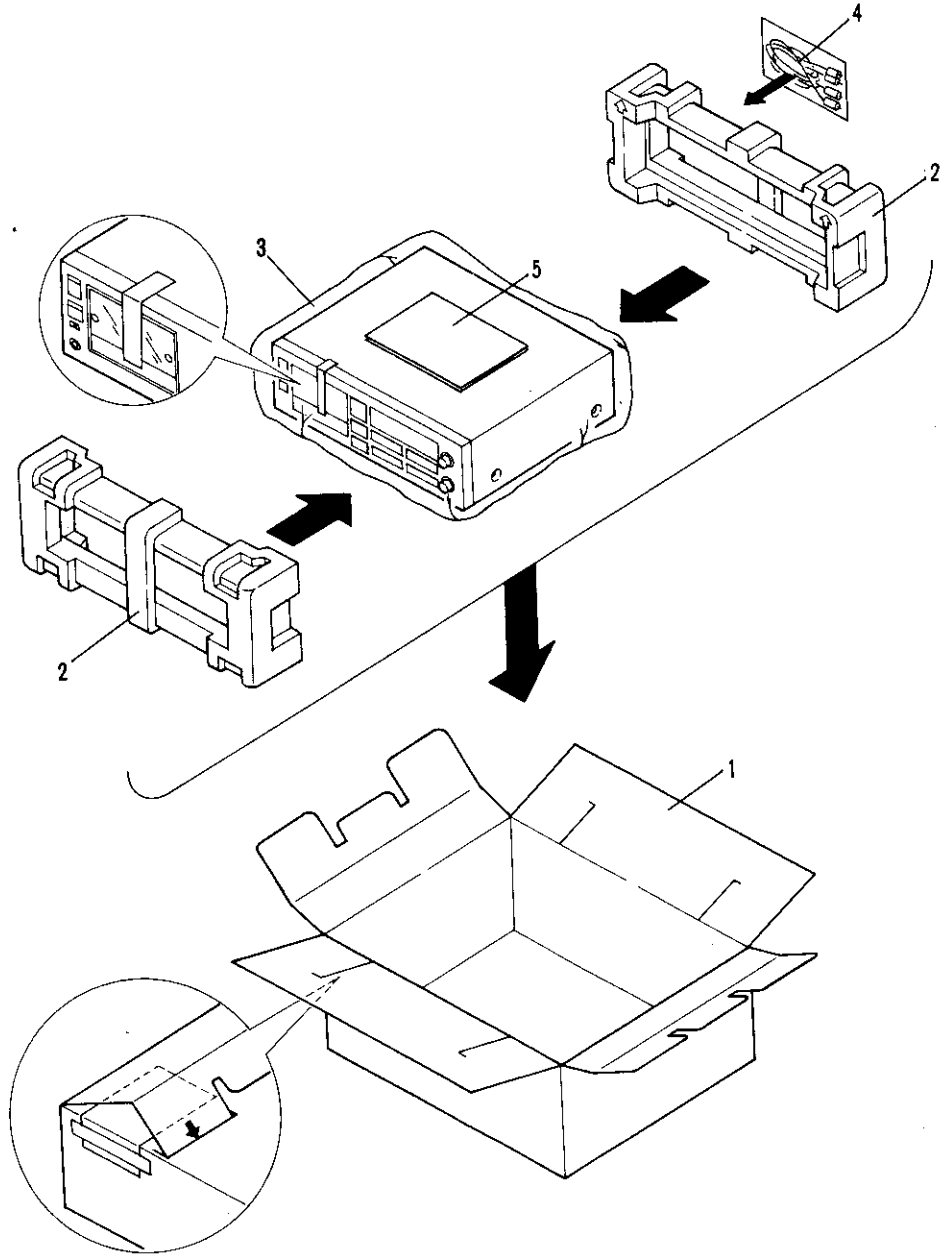
Mark	No.	Part No.	Description	Mark	No.	Part No.	Description
	1	BMZ23P100FZK	Screw 2.3 x 10		41	YE20FUC	Washer E-type
★★	2	RSF-031	Microswitch (S084)		42	WA26N070W040	Washer
	3	VCT30P060FZK	Screw 3 x 6		43	RXB-884	Side cam gear assembly
	4	YE30FUC	Washer E-type		44	YS24FBT	Washer C-type
	5	YS24FBT	Washer C-type		45	RNL-741	Lock lever
	6	VCZ26P080FMC	Screw 2.6 x 8		46	RBL-043	Lock lever spring
	7	RNL-739	Piston		47	RNL-729	Cam gear
	8	REB-447	O-ring		48	RBL-033	Idler pressure spring
	9	RNL-740	Cylinder		49	BBZ26P080FZK	Screw 2.6 x 8
	10	PMA26P050FZK	Screw 2.6 x 5	★★	50	RXM-117	Reel motor with pulley
	11	RNL-016	Tape guide		51	BMZ30P080FZK	Screw 3 x 8
	12	YE25FUC	Washer E-type		52	BMZ26P030FZK	Screw 2.6 x 3
★★	13	RXB-877	Pinch roller arm L assembly		53	WA32D080D050	Washer
	14	RBL-030	Pinch thrust spring		54	REF-023	Steel ball ($\phi 4$)
	15	RBL-029	Sub-pinch spring		55	RBL-031	BT spring A
	16	RNL-742	Collar		56	RXB-751	BT disk assembly
	17	RNL-736	Pocket L		57	RXB-874	Reel base assembly
	18	RBL-027	Pocket spring		58	RBF-079	Washer
	19	REF-022	Steel ball ($\phi 3$)		59	RNK-815	Cap B
	20	RBL-037	Head base spring		60	RBL-032	BT spring B
★★	21	RXX-433 (*1)	Head base assembly		61	RXB-876	Pinch roller arm R assembly
	22	RNH-305	Pocket frame		62	RBL-028	Pinch spring
	23	BBZ30P080FZK	Screw 3 x 8	★★	63	RSX-059	Rotary encoder
	24	RBL-027	Pocket spring	★★	64	RXM-113	Assist motor with pulley
	25	RNL-737	Pocket R		65	RXB-889	Sub-flywheel assembly
	26	RNL-742	Collar		66	BMZ20P030FZK	Screw 2 x 3
	27	RBL-039	Eject spring	★★	67	REB-502	Drive belt
	28	RBL-040	Half hold spring		68	RBL-044	Thrust spring
	29	RNL-733	REC detector arm		69	RBF-070	Thrust washer B
	30	RBL-041	REC detector arm spring		70	RXB-466	Capstan holder B
	31	RNL-735	METAL detector arm		71	RBF-077	Oil stopper washer
	32	RNL-734	CrO ₂ detector arm		72	RBF-030	Oil stopper
	33	RBL-042	Detector arm spring		73	RXB-362	Capstan holder A
	34	YS24FBT	Washer C-type		74	RBF-069	Thrust washer A
★	35	REB-511	Brake shoe	★★	75	REB-509	Capstan belt A
	36	RBL-038	Brake spring	★★	76	REB-501	Capstan belt
	37	RNL-723	Brake		77	RXB-888	Flywheel assembly
★★	38	RNL-549	Take-up idler	★★	78	RXM-119	Capstan motor with pulley
	39	WA15D030D050	Washer		79	RBA-064	Screw
	40	REC-419	Cover		80	REB-408	Rubber bush

Mark	No.	Part No.	Description
	81	RBL-045	Spring
	82	PMA26P060FZK	Screw 2.6 x 6
	83	VCZ30P060FMC	Screw 3 x 6
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	101		Eject lever
	102		Door frame L assembly
	103		Cord fixer
	104		Pressure arm L
	105		Head base hold spring
	106		Shift shaft assembly
	107		Brake lever
	108		Pinch lever assembly
	109		Pinch base assembly
	110		Take-up idler assembly
	111		Door arm
	112		Cassette half sensor assembly
	113		Gear base assembly
	114		REC detector assembly
	115		Reel motor base
	116		Chassis
	117		Pressure arm R
	118		Gear chassis
	119		Terminal assembly
	120		Second pulley assembly
	121		Tape selector assembly
	122		Motor chassis
	123		Thrust holder
	124		Thrust holder
	125		Rotation sensor assembly
	126		Door frame R assembly
	127		Pocket frame

7. PACKING

Packing

Mark	No.	Part No.	Description
	1	RHG-688	Packing case
	2	RHA-259	Pad
	3	RHX-030	Sheet
	4	RDE-010	Connection cord
	5	RRB-224	Operating instructions (English)



External Appearance of Transistors and ICs

2SK389

2SC2673

PD4036

2SA798

2SD1189

BA6251

2SC1740LN
2SA933LN
2SD1302

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NJM2903D

HA12058NT

TC4066BP

AN6870N

2SD880

BA6109

BA335
BA715

2SD1406

LC7800

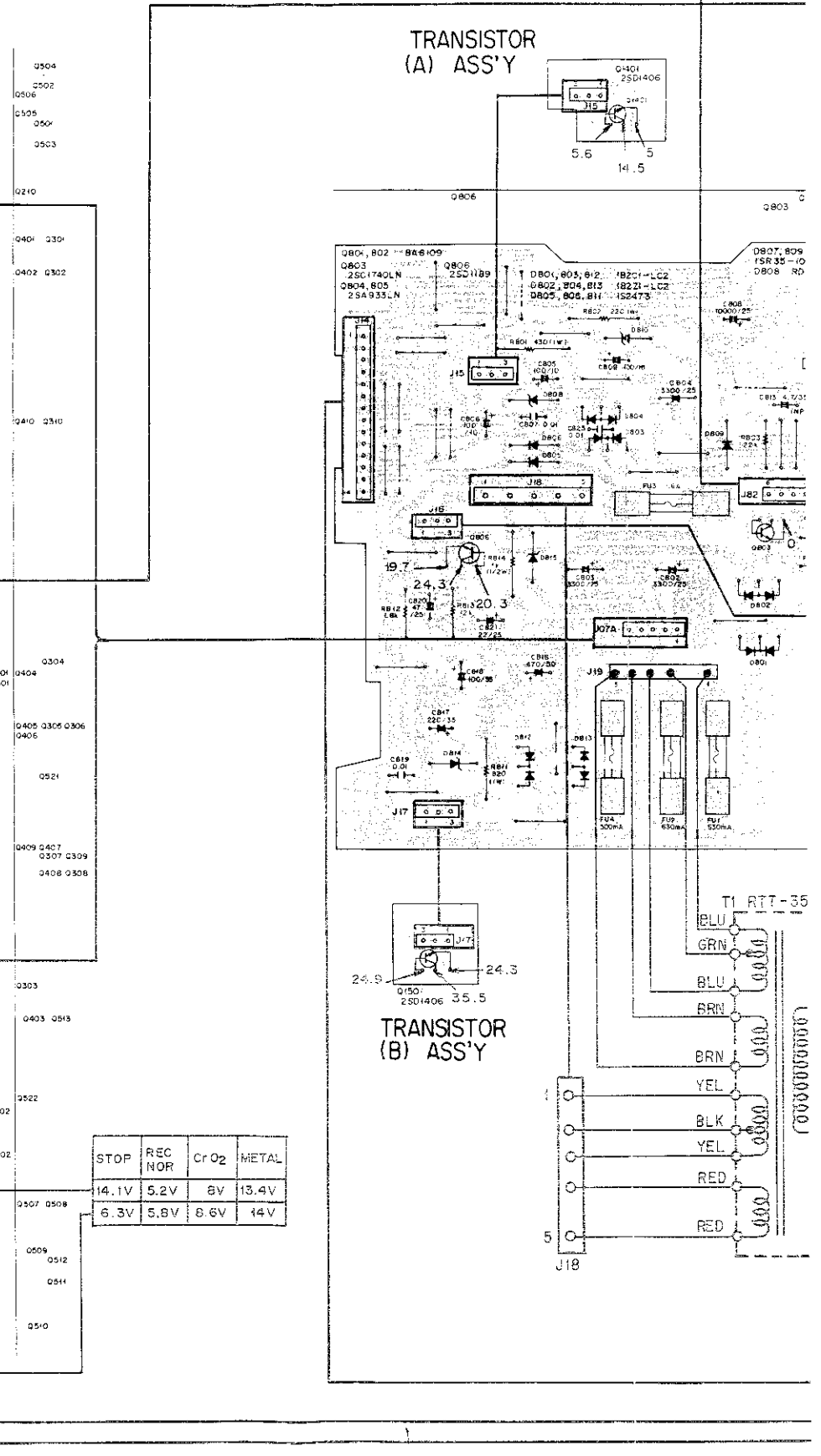
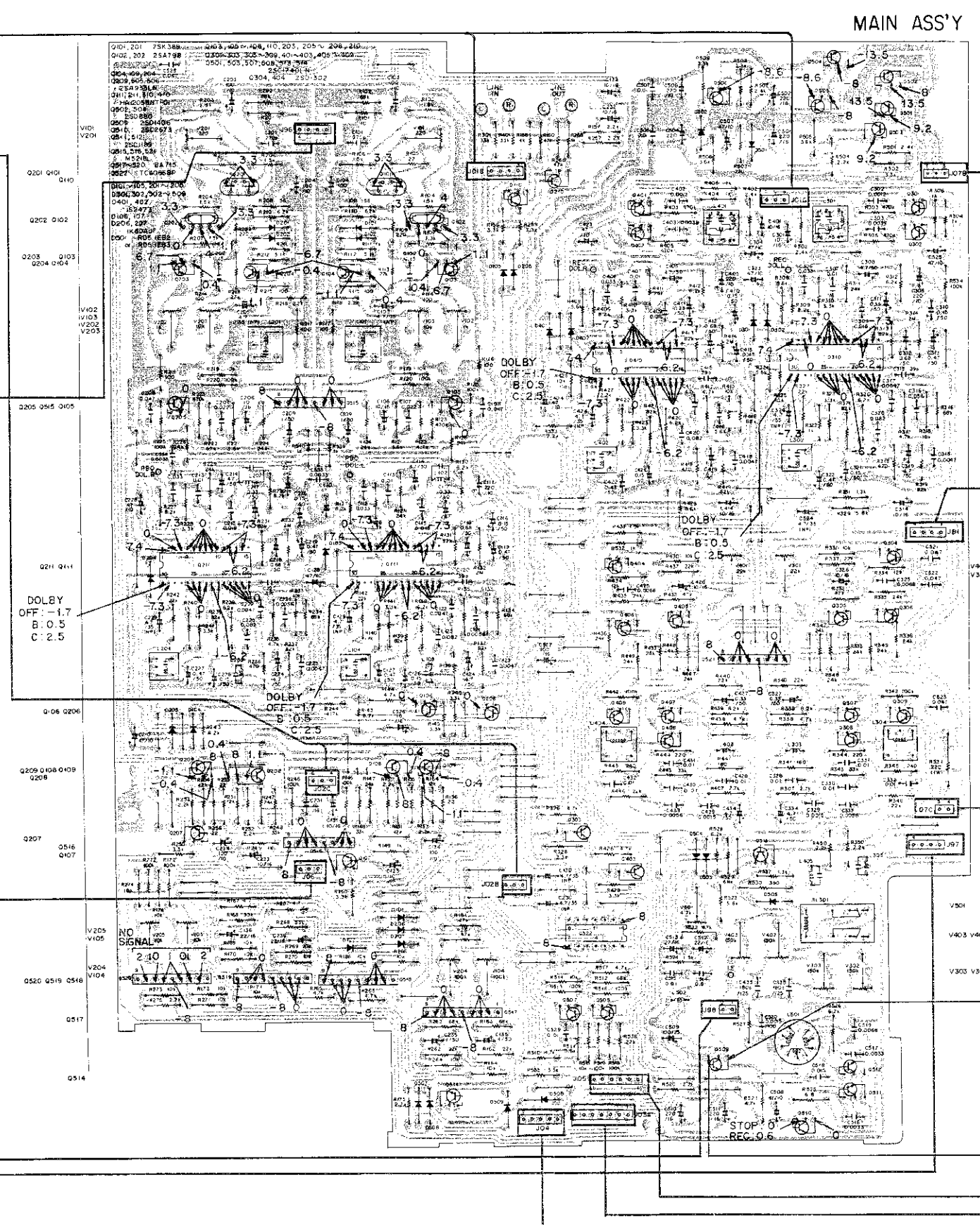
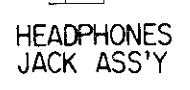
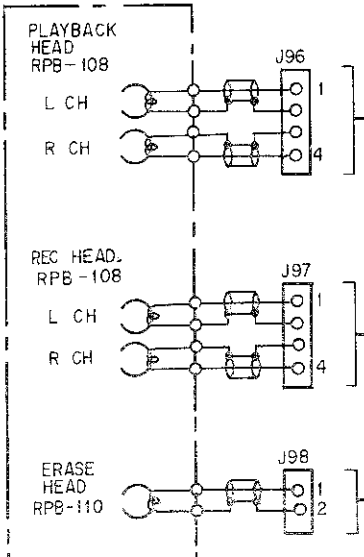
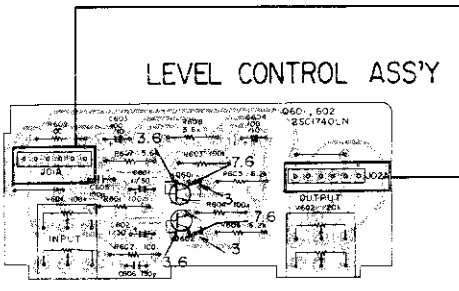
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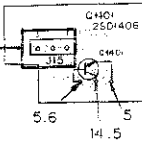
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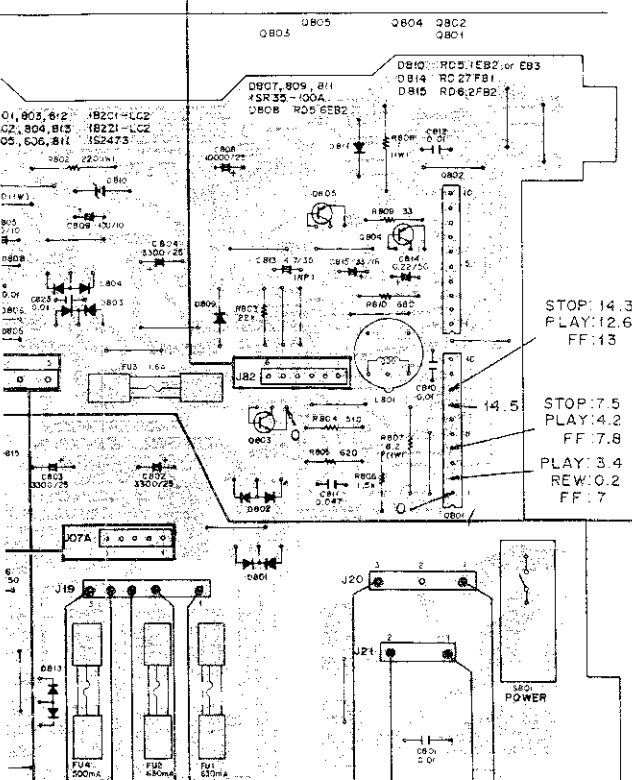
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POWER SUPPLY ASS'Y

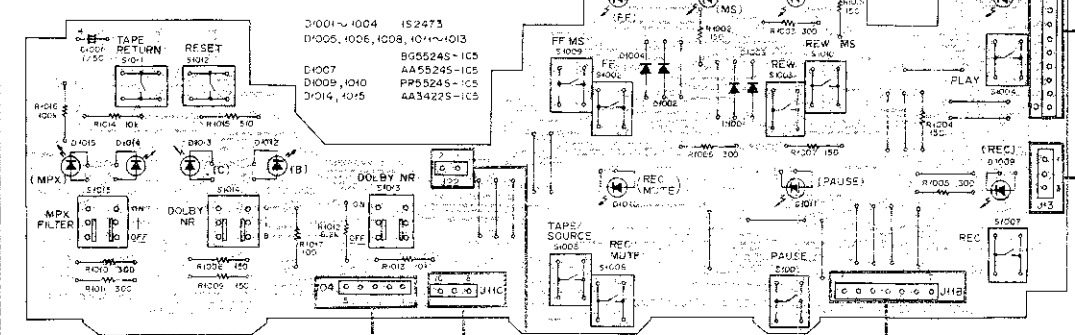


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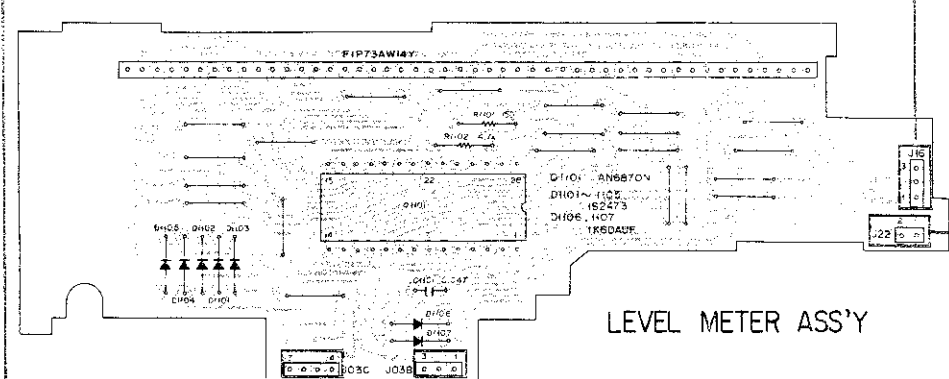
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PLAY: 3.4
REW: 0.2
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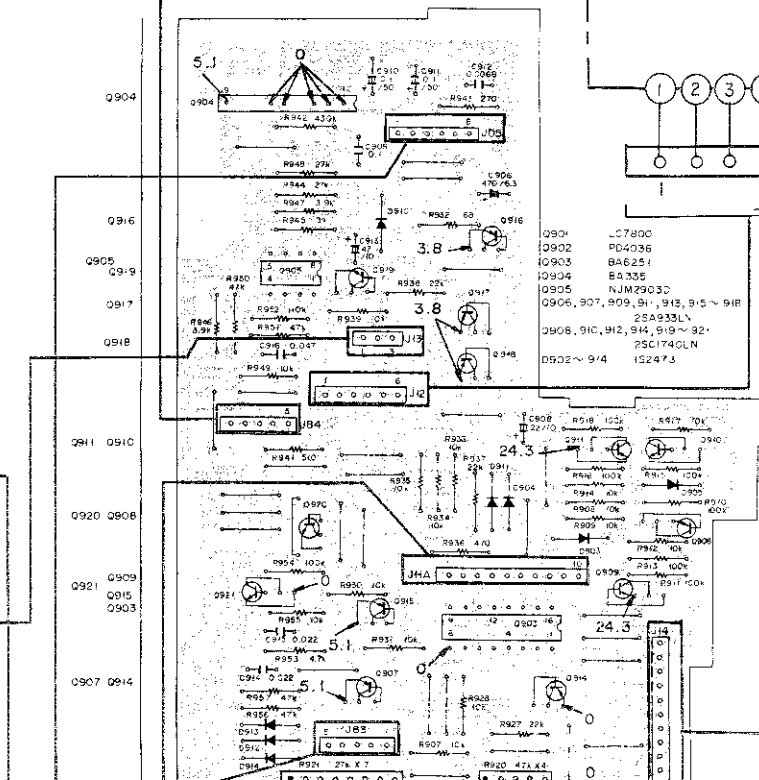
OPERATION SWITCH ASS'Y



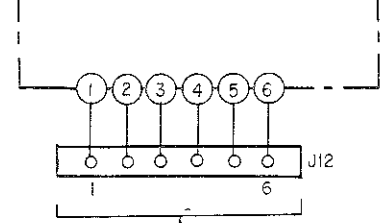
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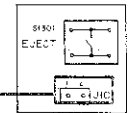
CONTROL ASS'Y



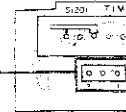
TAPE COUNTER ASS'Y RAW-201



EJECT SWITCH ASS'Y



TIMER SWITCH ASS'Y



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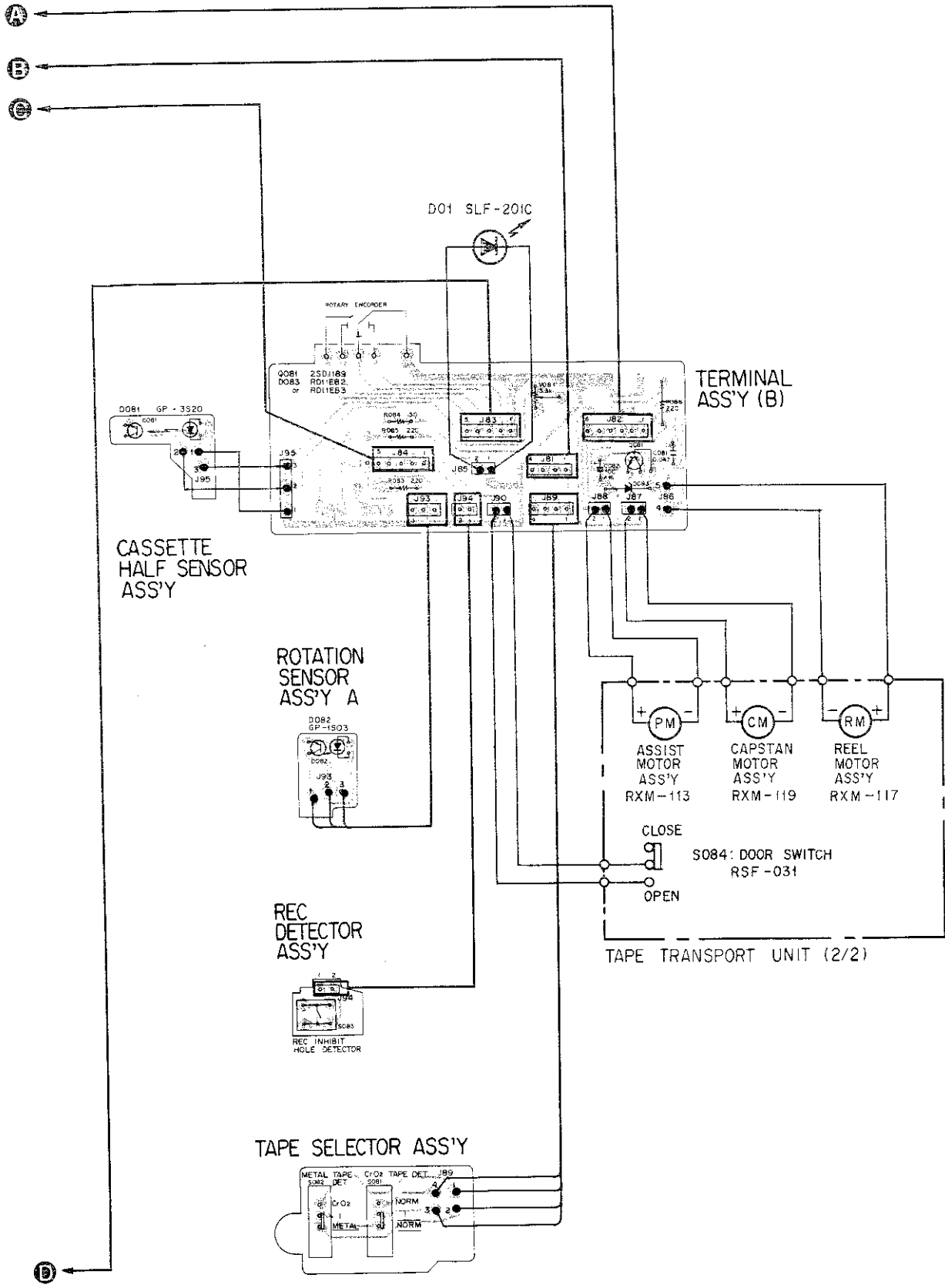
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9. ELECTRICAL PARTS LIST

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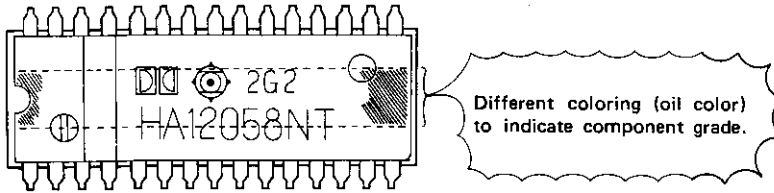
(*1) *Precaution when replacing the Dolby NR IC in CT-A7*

Because the CT-A7 and CT-A9 tape decks are 3-head decks, it is necessary to use select Dolby NR ICs in pairs in the recording and playback circuits to ensure that performance is maintained.

● **Pair-grading ranks (Six ranks)**

HA12058NT-01 →	HA12058NT-R	(Red)
	HA12058NT-V	(Violet)
	HA12058NT-G	(Green)
	HA12058NT-Y	(Yellow)
Denotes pair-graded component.	HA12058NT-O	(Orange)
	HA12058NT-B	(Blue)

● **Pair-grading rank indication**



Hence, when replacing Dolby NR ICs, use the same grade (same color) components for recording/playback.

(*2) *Precaution when replacing heads*

Because of the very high precision requirements in tape heads, replacement components are supplied as assembly which also include the head base. Under no circumstances must this tape head assembly (RXX-433) be disassembled.

NOTES:

- When ordering resistors, first convert resistance values into code form as shown in the following examples.

Ex. 1 When there are 2 effective digits (any digit apart from 0), such as 560 ohm and 47k ohm (tolerance is shown by J = 5%, and K = 10%).

560Ω	56 × 10 ¹	561	.....	RD4PS	561J
47kΩ	47 × 10 ³	473	.....	RD4PS	473J
0.5Ω	0R5	.....	.....	RN2H	0R5K
1Ω	010	.....	.....	RS1P	010K

Ex. 2 When there are 3 effective digits (such as in high precision metal film resistors).

5.62kΩ	562 × 10 ¹	5621	RN4SR	5621F
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- The Δ mark found on some component parts indicates the importance of the safety factor of the part. Therefore, when replacing, be sure to use parts of identical designation.
- For your Parts Stock Control, the fast moving items are indicated with the marks ** and *.
**** GENERALLY MOVES FASTER THAN ***
 This classification shall be adjusted by each distributor because it depends on model number, temperature, humidity, etc.

Miscellaneous Parts

P.C. BOARD ASSEMBLIES

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	Non supply	Terminal assembly B
	Non supply	REC detector assembly
	Non supply	Tape selector assembly
	Non supply	Cassette half sensor assembly
	Non supply	Rotation sensor assembly
	Non supply	Main assembly
	Non supply	Level control assembly
	Non supply	Headphones jack assembly
	Non supply	Power supply assembly
	Non supply	Control assembly
	Non supply	Operation switch assembly
	Non supply	Timer switch assembly
	Non supply	Eject switch assembly
	Non supply	Transistor A assembly
	Non supply	Transistor B assembly
	Non supply	Level meter assembly

FUSES

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
▲★★	REK-078	FU1, FU2 Fuse (630mA)
▲★★	REK-074	FU3 Fuse (1.6A)
▲★★	REK-077	FU4 Fuse (500mA)

OTHERS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
▲★	RTT-351	T1 Power transformer (120V)
▲	RDG-048	AC power cord
★	SLF-201C	D01 LED (Tape illumination)
★★	RXX-433 (*1)	Head base assembly
	RAW-201	Tape counter assembly
★★	RXM-119	CM Capstan motor with pulley
★★	RXM-113	PM Assist motor with pulley
★★	RXM-117	RM Reel motor with pulley
★★	RSF-031	S084 Microswitch
★★	RSX-059	Rotary encoder

Main Assembly

SEMICONDUCTORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	2SK389	Q101, Q201
★★	2SA798	Q102, Q202
★★	2SC1740LN	Q103, Q105 - Q108, Q110, Q203, Q205 - Q208, Q210, Q301 - Q303, Q305 - Q309, Q401 - Q403, Q405 - Q409, Q501, Q503, Q507, Q508, Q513, Q514

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	2SA933LN	Q104, Q109, Q204, Q209, Q505, Q506
★★	HA12058NT-01 (*2)	Q111, Q211, Q310, Q410
▲★★	2SD880	Q502, Q504
▲★★	2SD1406	Q509
★★	2SC2673	Q510
★★	2SD1189	Q511, Q512
★★	M5218L	Q515, Q516, Q521
★★	BA715	Q517 - Q520
★★	TC4066BP	Q522

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	2SD1302	Q304, Q404
★	1S2473	D101 - D105, D201 - D205, D301, D302, D401, D402, D502 - D509
★	1K60AUF	D106, D107, D206, D207
▲★	RD5.1EB2 (RD5.1EB3)	D501

COILS, FILTERS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	RTF-162	L101, L201 Trap coil
	RTF-153	L102, L103, L202, L203 Trap coil
	RTF-159	L104, L204, L302, L402 SS coil
	RTF-154	L301, L401 MPX filter
	RTF-125	L303, L403 Peaking coil
	RTF-148	L304, L404 Peaking coil
	RTF-152	L305, L405 Trap coil
	RTD-029	L501 Oscillator coil
	RTF-101	L502 Line coil

CAPACITORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	CQSA 271K 50	C101, C201
	CEA 221M 10	C305
	CEANP 4R7M 35	C105, C129, C130, C205, C229, C230, C324, C424, C524
	CEA R15M 50	C116, C126, C216, C226, C310, C321, C410, C421
	CEA R33M 50	C117, C217, C311, C327, C411, C427
	CEA R47M 50	C119, C127, C219, C227, C313, C322, C413, C422
	CEA R68M 50	C118, C218, C312, C412
	CEA 010M 50	C109, C135, C209, C235
	CEA 4R7M 50	C114, C124, C214, C224, C308, C319, C334, C408, C419, C434
	CEA 100M 16	C106, C131 - C133, C206, C231 - C233, C301, C314, C326, C401, C414, C426, C526
	CEA 220M 16	C136, C236, C512, C513
	CEA 470M 10	C110, C128, C210, C228, C304, C323, C404, C423, C503, C508, C525
	CEA 101M 25	C509

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	CEA 101M 10	C103, C104, C134, C203, C204, C243
	CEA 221M 16	C501, C502, C510, C511
	CEA 221M 10	C111, C211, C405, C504, C506
	CQMA 122J 50	C302, C402

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	CQMA 392J 50	C303, C403
	CQMA 332K 50	C516, C517
	CQMA 472K 50	C122, C123, C222, C223, C317, C318, C417, C418
	CQMA 562J 50	C121, C221, C316, C333, C416, C433

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	CQMA 682J 50	C325, C425, C519
	CQMA 103J 50	C113, C213, C307, C328, C330 - C332, C407, C428, C430 - C432
	CQMA 153J 50	C518
	CQMA 333J 50	C112, C212, C306, C406

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	CQMA 183K 50	C115, C215, C309, C409
	CQMA 223J 50	C107, C207
	CQMA 823J 50	C125, C225, C320, C420
	CQMA 154K 50	C102, C202
	CQPA 153J 100	C520

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	CQSA 181K 125	C335, C435
	CQMA 152J 50	C329, C429
	CEA 101M 16	C527
	CQMA 332J 50	C533, C534
	CCPSL 390J 50	C120, C220, C315, C415
	CKDYF 103Z 50	C505, C507, C514, C515, C529
	CKDYF 473Z 50	C108, C208, C521 - C523, C528

RESISTORS

Note: When ordering resistors, convert the resistance value into code form, and then rewrite the part no. as before

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★	RCP-140	V101, V201 Semi-fixed 220-B
★	RCP-144	V102, V202 Semi-fixed 1k-B
★	RCP-149	V103, V105, V203, V205 Semi-fixed 10k-B
★	RCP-154	V104, V204 Semi-fixed 100k-B
★	RCP-150	V301, V401 Semi-fixed 22k-B
★	RCP-155	V302, V303, V402, V403 Semi-fixed 150k-B
★	RCP-147	V501 Semi-fixed 4.7k-B
▲	RS1LF □□□J	R530, R531
	RD1/4PM □□□J	Other resistors

OTHERS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	RKB-020	Terminal (LINE)
★★	RSR-037	RL501 Miniature relay
	RNH-209	Shield Case

Level Control Assembly

SEMICONDUCTORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	2SC1740LN	Q601, Q602

RESISTORS

Note: When ordering resistors, convert the resistance value into code form, and then rewrite the part no. as before.

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★	RCV-113	V601 Variable 100k-A
★	RCV-112	V602 Variable 20k-B
	RD1/4PM □□□J	R601 - R609

CAPACITORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	CEA 010M 50	C601, C602,
	CEA 101M 10	C603, C604
	CCDSL 151K 50	C605, C606

Headphones Jack Assembly

RESISTORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	RD1/4PM 390J	R701, R702
	RD1/4PM 471J	R703, R704

OTHER

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	RKN-081	Phone jack (PHONES)

Control Assembly

SEMICONDUCTORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	LC7800	Q901
★★	PD4036	Q902
★★	BA6251	Q903
★★	BA335	Q904
★★	NJM2903D	Q905
★★	2SA933LN	Q906, Q907, Q909, Q911, Q913, Q915 - Q918
★★	2SC1740LN	Q908, Q910, Q912, Q914, Q919 - Q921
★	1S2473	D902 - D914

CAPACITORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	CEA 2R2M 50	C901, C902
	CEA 220M 10	C908
	CEA 470M 10	C903, C913
	CEA R10M 50	C910, C911
	CEA 471M 6R3	C906
	QOMA 223K 50	C914, C915
	QOMA 104J 50	C909
	QOMA 682K 50	Q912
	CCDCH 330J 50	C905
	CKDYF 473Z 50	C904, C916

RESISTORS

Note: When ordering resistors, convert the resistance value into code form, and then rewrite the part no. as before.

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★	RCP-154	V901 Semi-fixed 100k-B
	RM4-103J	R919
	RM4-473J	R920
	RM7-473J	R921
	RD1/4PM □□□J	Other resistors

Level Meter Assembly

SEMICONDUCTORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	AN6870N	Q1101
★	1S2473	D1101 - D1105
★	1K60AUF	D1106, D1107

CAPACITOR

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	QOMA 473K 50	C1101

RESISTORS

Note: When ordering resistors, convert the resistance value into code form, and then rewrite the part no. as before.

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	RD1/4PM □□□J	R1101, R1102

OTHERS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★	FIP73AW14Y	Fluorescent indicator tube

Terminal Assembly B

SEMICONDUCTORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	2SD1189	Q081
★	RD11E (RD11EB2) (RD11EB3)	D083

CAPACITORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	CKDYF 473Z 50	C081
	CEA 101M 16	C082

RESISTORS

Note: When ordering resistors, convert the resistance value into code form, and then rewrite the part no. as before.

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★	RCP-190	V081 Semi-fixed 3.3k-B
	RD1/6PM □□□J	R083 - R085
	RD1/4PM □□□J	R086

REC Detector Assembly

SWITCH

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	RSG-143	S083 Push switch

Operation Switch Assembly

SEMICONDUCTORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★	1S2473	D1001 - D1004
★	BG5524S-1C5	D1005, D1006, D1008, D1011 - D1013
★	AA5524S-1C5	D1007
★	PR5524S-1C5	D1009, D1010
★	AA3422S-1C5	D1014, D1015

SWITCHES

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	RSG-155	S1001, S1004, S1007 Push switch
★★	RSG-143	S1002, S1003, S1005, S1006, S1008 - S1012 Push switch
★★	RSG-149	S1013 - S1015 Push switch

CAPACITOR

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	CEA 010M 50	C1001

RESISTORS

Note: When ordering resistors, convert the resistance value into code form, and then rewrite the part no. as before.

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	RD1/4PM □□□J	R1001 - R1017

Timer Switch Assembly

SWITCH

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	RSH-064	S1201 Slide switch

Eject Switch Assembly

SWITCH

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	RSG-143	S1301 Push switch

Transistor A Assembly

SEMICONDUCTOR

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
△★★	2SD1406	Q1401

Transistor B Assembly

SEMICONDUCTOR

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
△★★	2SD1406	Q1501

Tape Selector Assembly

SWITCHES

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	RSH-070	S081, S082 Slide switch

Cassette Half Sensor Assembly

SEMICONDUCTOR

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★	GP-3S20	D081

Rotation Sensor Assembly

SEMICONDUCTOR

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★	GP-1S03	D082

Power Supply Assembly

SEMICONDUCTORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
★★	BA6109	Q801, Q802
★★	2SC17040LN	Q803
★★	2SA933LN	Q804, Q805
★★	2SD1189	Q806

△★	1B2C1-LC2	D801, D803, D812
△★	1B2Z1-LC2	D802, D804, D813
★	1S2473	D805, D806
△★	1SR35-100A	D809, D811
△★	RD5.6EB2	D808
△★	RD5.1EB2 (RD5.1EB3)	D810
△★	RD27FB1	D814
△★	RD6.2FB2	D815

SWITCH

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
△★★	RSA-063	S801 Push switch (POWER)

COIL

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	RTF-160	L801 Line coil

CAPACITORS

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
	CEA 332M 25	C802, C803, C804
	CEA 471M 50	C816
	RCH-055 (RCH-056)	C808 Electrolytic (10000/25)
△	RCG-008	C801 Ceramic (0.01/AC250V)
	CEA 220M 25	C821
	CEA 330M 16	C815
	CEA 101M 10	C805, C806, C809
	CEA R22M 50	C814
	CEA 221M 35	C817
	CKDYF 103Z 50	C807, C810, C812, C819, C823
	CKDYF 473Z 50	C811
	CEA 101M 35	C818
	CEA 470M 25	C820
	CEANP 4R7M 35	C813

RESISTORS

Note: When ordering resistors, convert the resistance value into code form, and then rewrite the part no. as before.

Mark	Part No.	Symbol & Description
△	RS1LF □□□J	R801, R802, R807, R808, R811
	RD1/2PS 102J	R814
	RD1/4PM □□□J	Other resistors

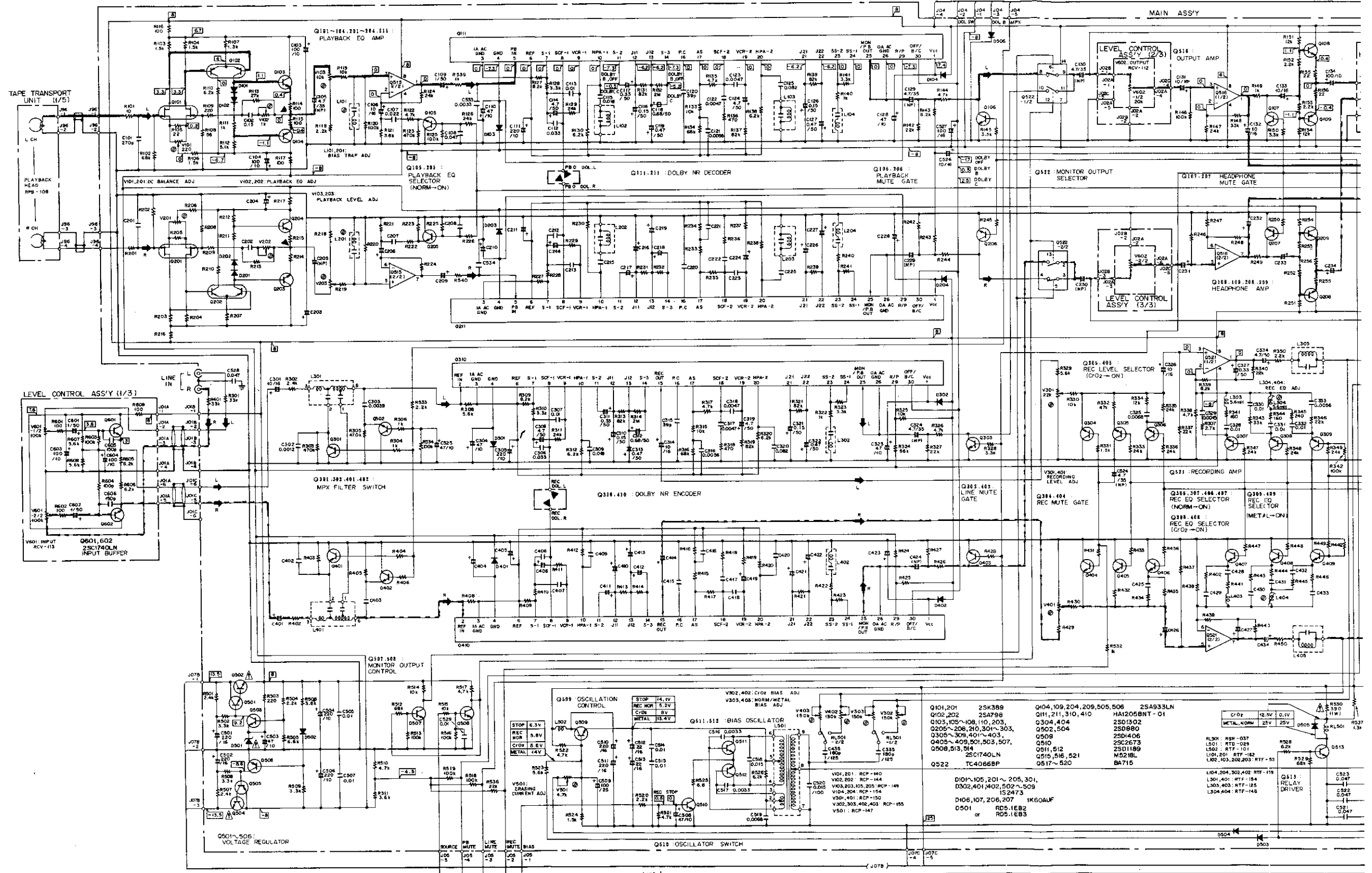
10. SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM

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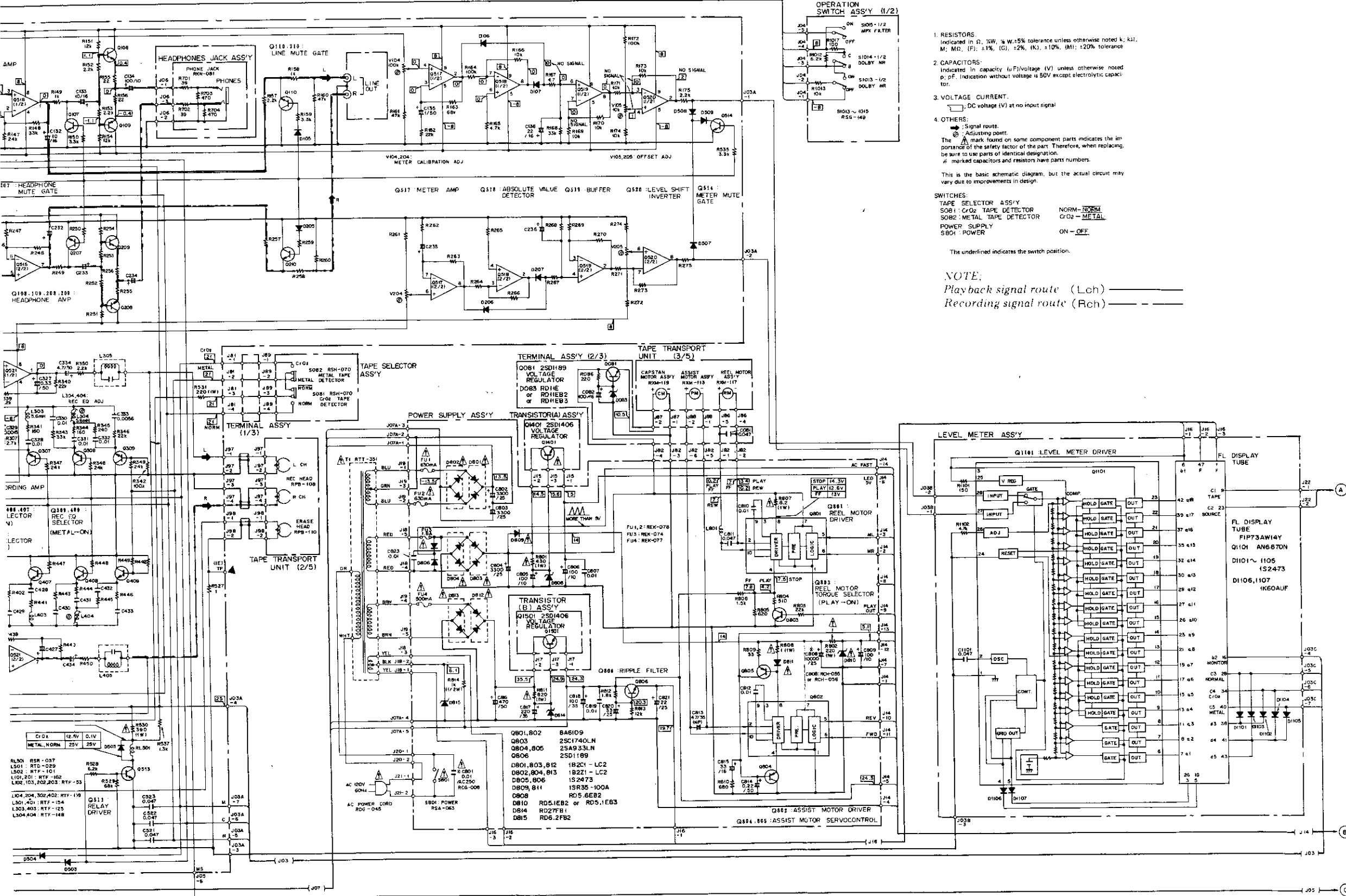
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NOTE:
 The indicated semiconductors are representative ones only.
 Other alternative semiconductors may be used and are listed in the parts list.



- 1. RESISTORS:**
 Indicated in Ω, kΩ, M, % w: ±5% tolerance unless otherwise noted k, kΩ.
 M, MΩ, (F): ±1%, (G): ±2%, (K): ±10%, (M): ±20% tolerance
- 2. CAPACITORS:**
 Indicated in capacity (μF)/voltage (V) unless otherwise noted
 p, pF, indication without voltage is 50V except electrolytic capacitor.
- 3. VOLTAGE CURRENT:**
 □ DC voltage (V) at no input signal
- 4. OTHERS:**
 ● Signal route.
 ⊙ Adjusting point.
 The ▲ mark found on some component parts indicates the importance of the safety factor of the part. Therefore, when replacing, be sure to use parts of identical designation.
 ⊕ marked capacitors and resistors have part numbers.
- This is the basic schematic diagram, but the actual circuit may vary due to improvements in design.
- SWITCHES:**
 TAPE SELECTOR ASS'Y
 S081-Cr02 TAPE DETECTOR NORM-NORM
 S082-METAL TAPE DETECTOR Cr02-METAL
 POWER SUPPLY
 S801-POWER ON-OFF
- The underlined indicates the switch position.

NOTE:
 Playback signal route (Lch) ———
 Recording signal route (Rch) - - - - -

A

B

C

D



1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6

A

A

B

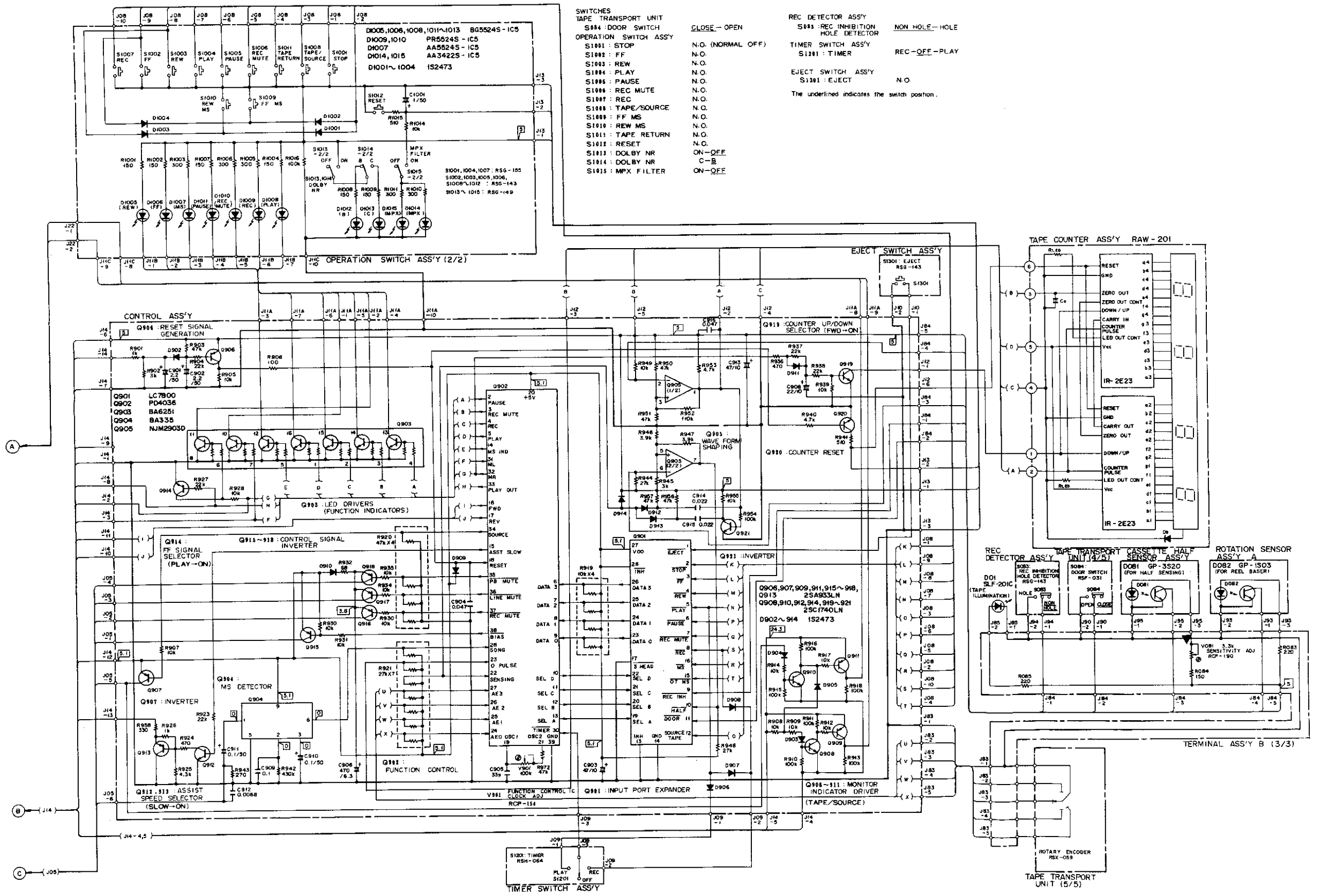
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SWITCHES
 TAPE TRANSPORT UNIT
 S884 : DOOR SWITCH CLOSE - OPEN
 OPERATION SWITCH ASS'Y
 S1001 : STOP N.O. (NORMAL OFF)
 S1002 : FF N.O.
 S1003 : REW N.O.
 S1004 : PLAY N.O.
 S1005 : PAUSE N.O.
 S1006 : REC MUTE N.O.
 S1007 : REC N.O.
 S1008 : TAPE/SOURCE N.O.
 S1009 : FF MS N.O.
 S1010 : REW MS N.O.
 S1011 : TAPE RETURN N.O.
 S1012 : RESET N.O.
 S1013 : DOLBY NR ON-OFF
 S1014 : DOLBY NR C-B
 S1015 : MPX FILTER ON-OFF

REC DETECTOR ASS'Y
 S083 : REC INHIBITION HOLE DETECTOR NON HOLE - HOLE
 TIMER SWITCH ASS'Y
 S1301 : TIMER REC-OFF-PLAY
 EJECT SWITCH ASS'Y
 S1301 : EJECT N.O.
 The underlined indicates the switch position.

1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6

11. ADJUSTMENTS

11.1 MECHANICAL ADJUSTMENTS

11.1.1 Tape Speed Adjustment

*Use a frequency counter

Mode	Adjustment location	Specifications
PLAY	Variable resistor in the capstan motor adjustment hole	Playback frequency should be within the 3005 ±10Hz range at the beginning of the STD-301 test tape.
PLAY	Check	Playback frequency should be within the 3000 ±30Hz range at the beginning of the STD-301 test tape.

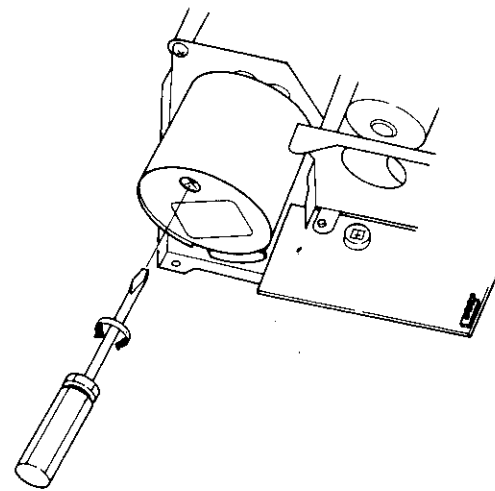


Fig. 11-1 Tape speed adjustment

11.1.2 Air Damper Adjustment

Adjustment location	Specifications
Cylinder adjustment screw	The door should open smoothly (with no jerking etc.), and should not "bounce" back when fully opened.

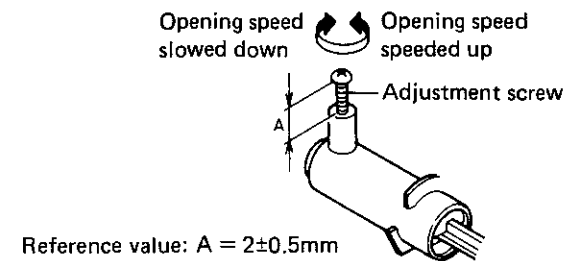


Fig. 11-2 Air damper adjustment

11.1.3 Door Position Adjustment

Check 1	When seen from the front, the ratios between dimensions A and B, and between dimensions C and D should be within the 0.5 to 2 range.
Check 2	When seen from the front, the difference between E and G should not exceed ±0.4mm, and E, F, and G should all exceed 0.5mm.
If the above specifications are not met, loosen the screws and readjust the door position.	

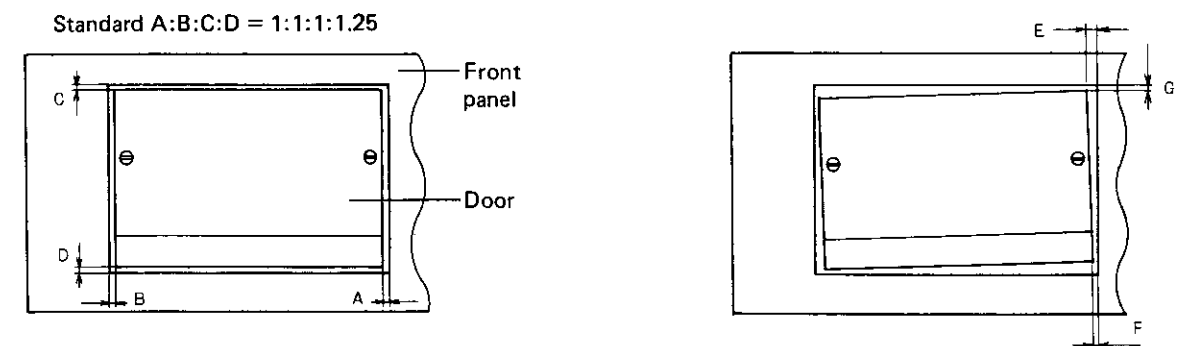


Fig. 11-3 Door position adjustment

11.2 ELECTRICAL ADJUSTMENTS

Adjustment Conditions

1. The mechanical adjustments must be completed first.
2. The heads must be cleaned and demagnetized.
3. Allow the deck to age for at least a few minutes before commencing any electrical adjustments.
4. The reference signal level is 0dBv = 1Vrms.
5. Connect a 50 kilo-ohm (or between 47 to 52 kilo-ohm) load resistance to the OUTPUT terminals.
6. Unless otherwise specified, leave the OUTPUT level control at the position of maximum level.
7. Likewise, the other switches listed below are to be left in the positions indicated unless otherwise specified.

TIMER : OFF
 DOLBY NR : OFF
 MPX FILTER : OFF

Test Tapes

STD-331B* : Playback adjustments
 (See Fig. 11-4)
 STD-608A : NORMAL blank tape
 STD-603 : CrO₂ blank tape
 STD-604 : METAL blank tape

* Whereas the reference recording level for STD-331A is 333Hz, 250nwb/m, the same level for STD-331B is 315Hz, 160nwb/m.

List of Adjustments

1. DC amplifier DC balance adjustment
2. Control IC clock adjustment
3. Cassette half detector sensitivity adjustment
4. Tape transport and head azimuth adjustment
5. Playback equalizer adjustment
6. Playback level adjustment
7. Level meter adjustment
8. METAL erasure current adjustment
9. Bias trap adjustment
10. Recording bias adjustment
11. Recording level adjustment
12. Recording and playback frequency response adjustment

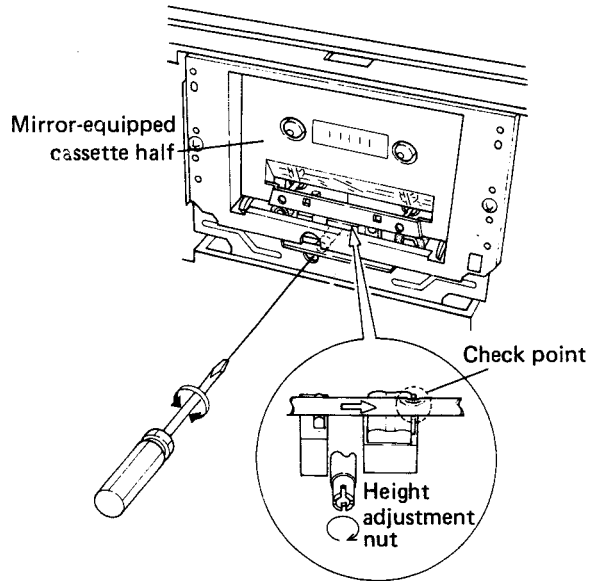


Fig. 11-5 Tape transport adjustment

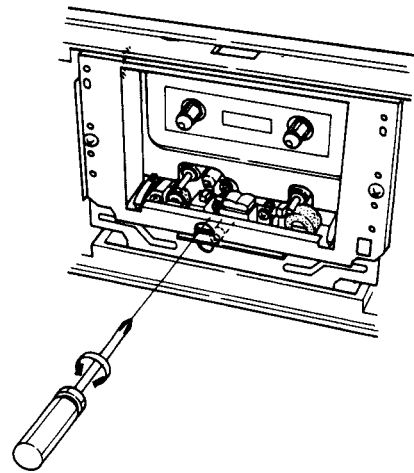


Fig. 11-6 Head azimuth adjustment

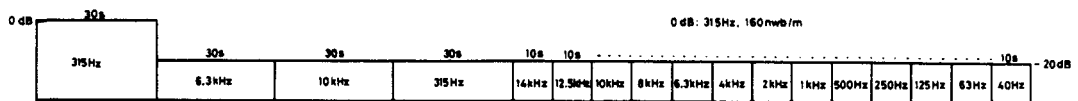


Fig. 11-4 STD-331B test tape

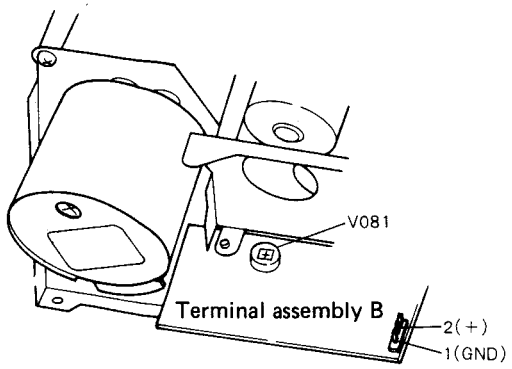


Fig. 11-7 Cassette half detector sensitivity adjustment

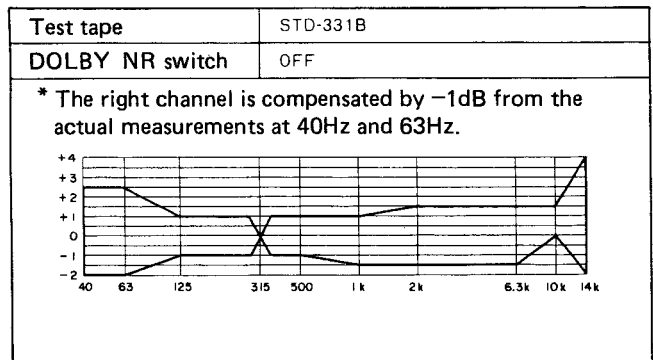


Fig. 11-8 Allowable playback frequency response zone

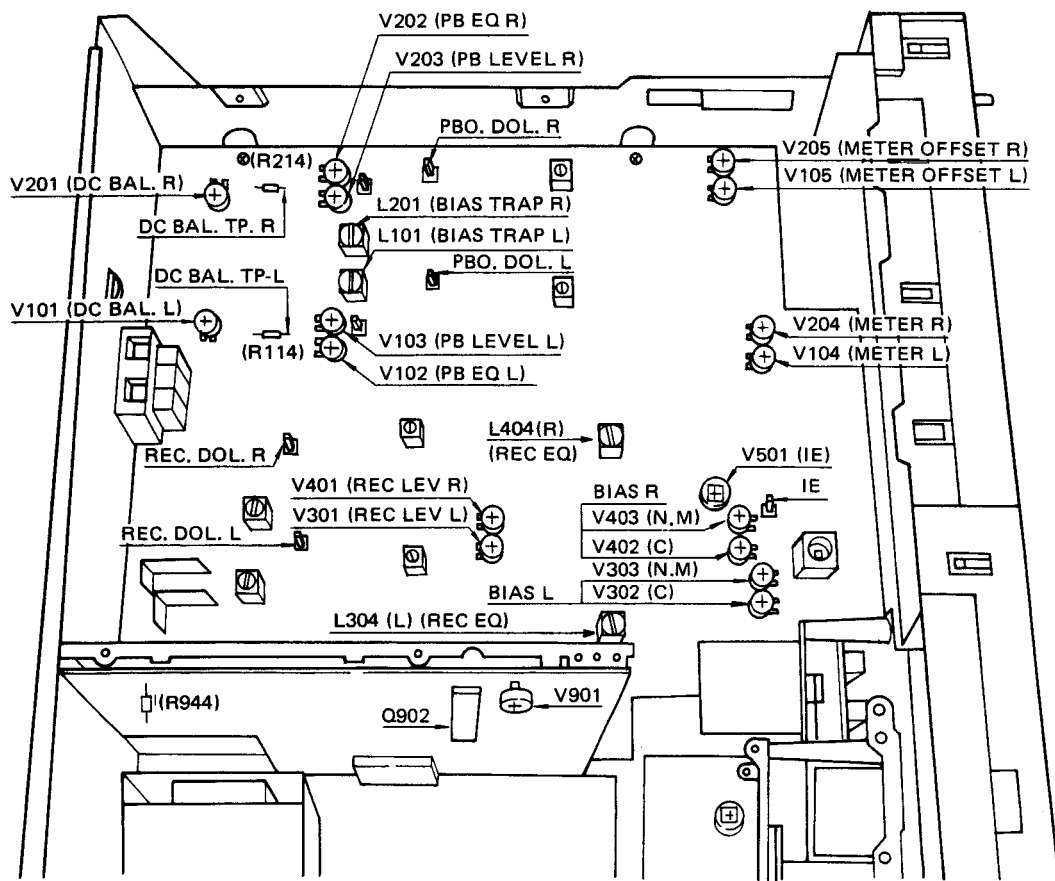


Fig. 11-9 Adjustment locations

1. DC Amplifier DC Balance Adjustment						
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks
1	STOP	No input	V101 (left channel)	DC.BAL.TP-L	0±0.2V DC	Measure at the R114 lead facing the front panel
2			V201 (right channel)	DC.BAL.TP-R	0±0.2V DC	Measure at the R214 lead facing the front panel
2. Control IC Clock Adjustment						
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks
	STOP	No input	V901 (Control assembly)	Pin 21 of Q902 (Control assembly)	200kHz±5kHz	Insert a capacitor of a few pF and measure by frequency counter.
3. Cassette Half Detector Sensitivity						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measure with a DC voltmeter of high input impedance (of about 1 Mega-ohm). Connect 5.1 kilo-ohm in parallel with R944 in the control assembly for the adjustment, and remove it after the adjustment has been completed. 						
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks
	STOP	No input (cassette half not inserted)	V081 (see Fig. 11-7) (Terminal assembly B)	Between 2(+) and 1 (Terminal assembly B)	2.5V±0.1V DC	Prevent strong illumination being beamed onto the photo-interrupter
4. Tape Transport and Head Azimuth Adjustment						
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks
1	PLAY	Mirror-equipped cassette half	Height adjustment nut (see Fig. 11-5)	Tape guide (see Fig. 11-5)	No tape curling at the tape guide	Tape curling and floating up to 1/5 of the tape width is permissible
2	PLAY	Play the 10kHz/-20dB section of the STD-331B test tape	Head azimuth adjustment screw (see Fig. 11-6)	Left and right OUTPUT terminals	Zero phase difference between left and right channels at maximum playback signal level (playback level fluctuation 1.0dB max.)	
3	Check step 1, and readjust if necessary. Always perform step 2 after performing step 1.					
5. Playback Equalizer Adjustment						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set V103 and V203 (playback level ADJ.) to maximum level, and V102 and V202 (playback EQ.ADJ.) to the mechanical center positions. 						
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks
	PLAY	Play the 315Hz/-20dB and 10kHz/-20dB sections of the STD-331B test tape	V102 (left channel) V202 (right channel)	Left and right OUTPUT terminals	Playback level at 10kHz to be +0.5 dB higher than the playback level at 315Hz	Check that the frequency response lies inside the allowable playback frequency response zone (see Fig. 11-8)
6. Playback Level Adjustment						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This adjustment must be performed accurately since it also sets the Dolby NR level. 						
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks
	PLAY	Play the 315Hz/0dB section of the STD-331B test tape	V103 (left channel) V203 (right channel)	PBO.DOL.L PBO.DOL.R	-7.7dBv (412.1mV)	Leave the DOLBY NR switch off.

7. Level Meter Adjustment							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set V104, V105, V204, and V205 to maximum positions, and OUTPUT level control to maximum level. 							
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks	
1	STOP	Apply a 315Hz/-10dBv (316mV) signal to the INPUT terminals	INPUT level control	REC.DOL.L REC.DOL.R	-7.7dBv (412.1mV)		
2		Set the input signal level to -35dBv (17.8mV)	Set the MONITOR switch to the SOURCE position				
3			V105 (left channel) V205 (right channel)	Turn slowly counter-clockwise and stop when the "-20dB" segments go out.			
4		Set the input signal level to -10dBv (316mV)	Set the MONITOR switch to the SOURCE position				
5			V104 (left channel) V204 (right channel)	After turning fully counter-clockwise, turn back clockwise until the "0dB" segments come on.			
6		Switch the input signal off when the "0dB" segments are on, and check that when the "-20dB" segment for one channel goes out the "discrepancy in the residual display" in the other channel is not more than two segments ("-20dB" or "-15dB").					
7		Vary the input signal level	Check		Meter display +10dB	Comes on at input level of 0±3dBv	
8			Check		Meter display -10dB	Comes on at input level of -20±3dBv	
8. METAL Erasure Current Adjustment							
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks	
	REC	No input, STD-604 test tape	V501	IE-GND	175mV AC		
9. Bias Trap Adjustment							
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks	
	REC	No input, STD-604 test tape	L101 (left channel) L201 (right channel)	PB.DOL.L PB.DOL.R	Minimum bias leak	Measure with AC voltmeter and oscilloscope	
10. Recording Bias Adjustment							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set the MONITOR switch to the SOURCE position, and adjust the OUTPUT level control to maximum level. 							
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks	
1	REC-PAUSE	Apply a 6.3kHz/-20dBv (100mV) signal to the INPUT terminals	INPUT level control	Left and right OUTPUT terminals	-14dBv (199.5mV)	-10VU recording	
2	REC	Record the above signal onto the STD-608A test tape, and monitor playback simultaneously	V303 (left channel) V403 (right channel)	Left and right OUTPUT terminals (and MONITOR in the TAPE position)	After first turning V303 and V403 fully counter-clockwise, turn back clockwise and stop at a position where the level drops 3dB below the maximum playback level after passing through that maximum level position.		
3	REC	Record the above signal onto the STD-603 test tape, and monitor playback simultaneously	V302 (left channel) V402 (right channel)		After first turning V302 and V402 fully counter-clockwise, turn back clockwise and stop at a position where the level drops 2.5dB below the maximum playback level after passing through that maximum level position.		

11. Recording Level Adjustment						
● Leave the DOLBY NR switch off.						
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks
1	REC-PAUSE	Apply a 315Hz/-10dBv (316mV) signal to the INPUT terminals	INPUT level control	REC.DOL.L REC.DOL.R	-7.7dBv (412.1mV)	
2	REC	Record the above signal onto the STD-608A test tape, and monitor playback simultaneously	V301 (left channel) V401 (right channel)	PBO.DOL.L PBO.DOL.R	-7.7dBv (412.1mV)	
3	REC	Record the above signal onto the STD-603 and STD-604 test tapes, and monitor playback simultaneously	Check	PBO.DOL.L PBO.DOL.R	-7.7±1.5dBv	
12. Recording and Playback Frequency Response Adjustment						
● Leave the DOLBY NR switch off, and set the OUTPUT level control to maximum level.						
	Mode	Input signal & test tape	Adjustment location	Measuring location	Adjustment value	Remarks
1	REC-PAUSE	Apply a 315Hz/-30dBv (31.6mV) signal to the INPUT terminals	INPUT level control	Left and right OUTPUT terminals	-24dBv (63.1mV)	
2	REC	Record the above signal level onto the STD-608A test tape at 315Hz and 10kHz, and monitor playback simultaneously	V303 (left channel) V403 (right channel)	Left and right OUTPUT terminals	Adjust the 10kHz playback level to 0dB higher than the 315Hz level (with MONITOR switch in TAPE position).	
3	Record and playback signals up to 15kHz onto the STD-608A test tape, and check that the allowable frequency response zone shown in Fig. 11-10 is satisfied (for DOLBY NR OFF, and B and C).					
4	REC	Likewise, record and playback the same signal onto the STD-604 test tape	L304 (left channel) L404 (right channel)	Left and right OUTPUT terminals	Adjust the 10kHz playback level to 0dB respect to the 315Hz level (with MONITOR switch in TAPE position).	
5	Record and playback signals up to 15kHz onto the STD-604 test tape, and check that the allowable frequency response zone shown in Fig. 11-12 is satisfied (for DOLBY NR OFF, and B and C).					
6	REC	Likewise, record and playback the same signal onto the STD-603 test tape	V302 (left channel) V402 (right channel)	Left and right OUTPUT terminals	Adjust the 10kHz playback level to 0dB in respect to the 315Hz level (with MONITOR switch in TAPE position).	
7	Record and playback signals up to 15kHz onto the STD-603 test tape, and check that the allowable frequency response zone shown in Fig. 11-11 is satisfied (for DOLBY NR OFF, and B and C).					

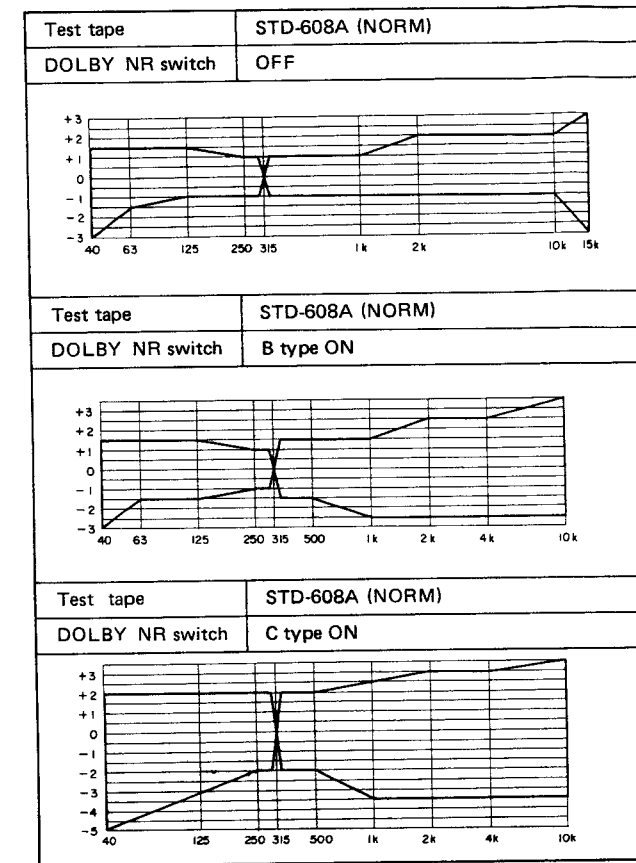


Fig. 11-10 Allowable recording and playback frequency response zone (NORM)

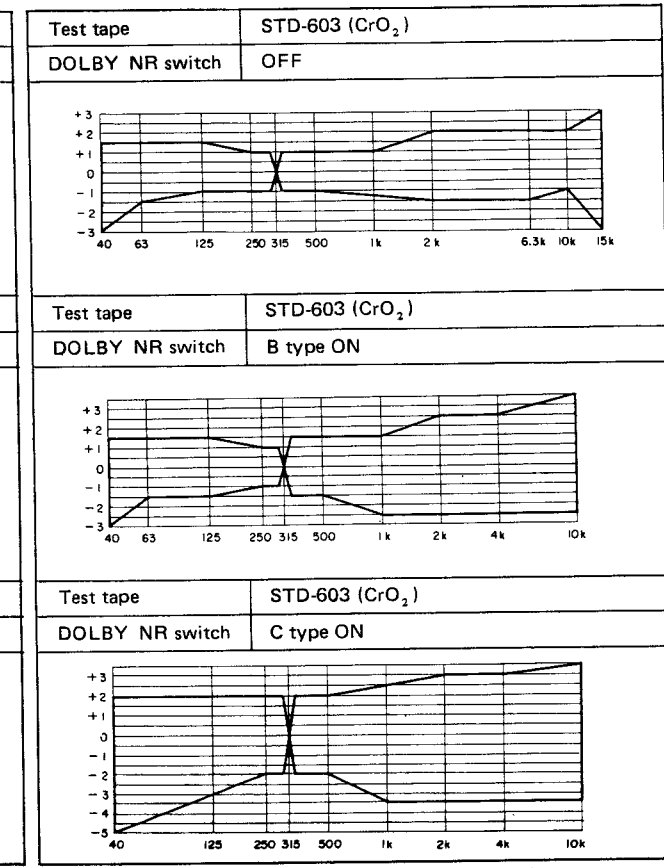


Fig. 11-11 Allowable recording and playback frequency response zone (CrO₂)

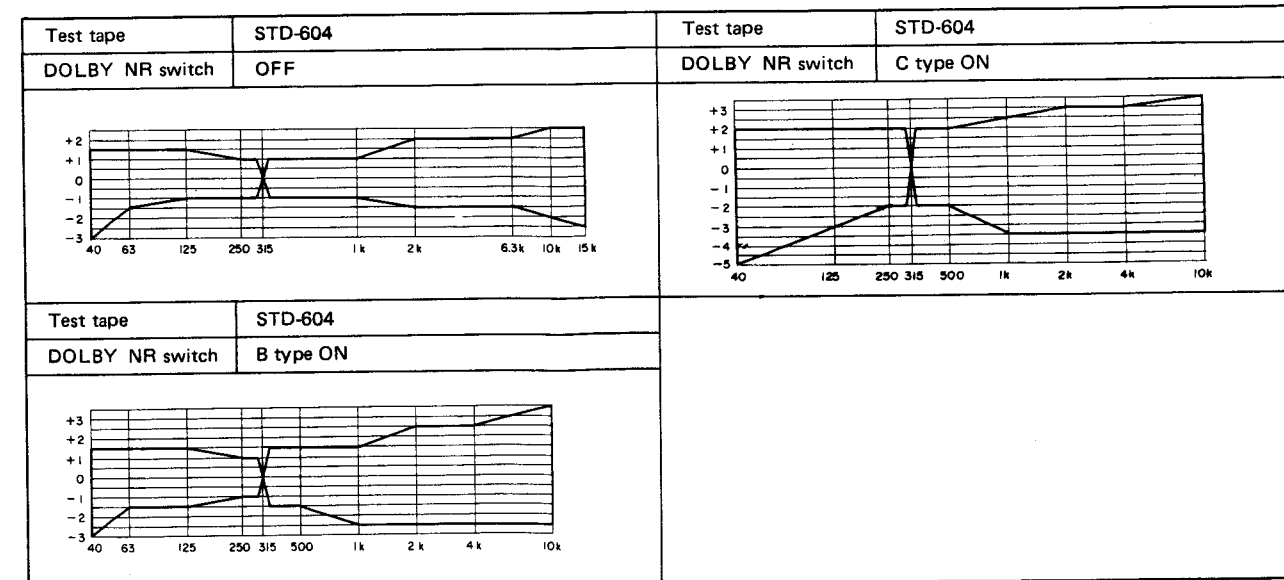


Fig. 11-12 Allowable recording and playback frequency response zone (METAL)

11. RÉGLAGE

11.1 REGLAGES MECANIQUES

11.1.1 Réglage de la vitesse de la bande

* Utiliser un fréquencesmètre

Mode	Point du réglage	Spécifications
PLAY (reproduction)	Fhéostat dans l'orifice de réglage du moteur du cabestan	La fréquence de reproduction doit se situer dans une plage $3005 \pm 10\text{Hz}$ au début de la bande d'essai STD-301.
PLAY	Vérification	La fréquence de reproduction doit se situer dans une plage $3000 \pm 30\text{Hz}$ au début de la bande d'essai STD-301.

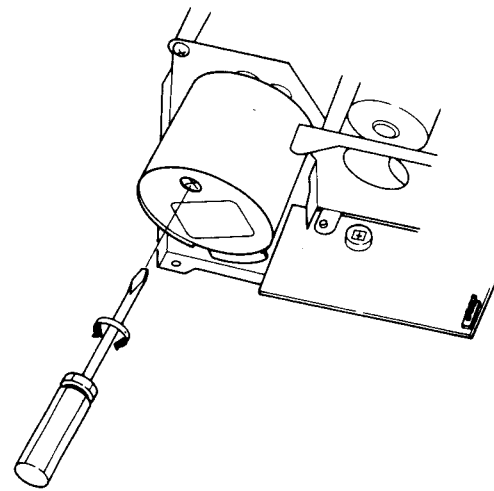


Fig. 11-1 Réglage de la vitesse de la bande

11.1.2 Réglage du clapet d'entrée d'air

Point du réglage	Spécifications
Vis de réglage du cylindre	La porte doit s'ouvrir en douceur (sans à-coups) et ne doit pas revenir d'un coup sec en arrière lorsqu'on l'ouvre à fond.

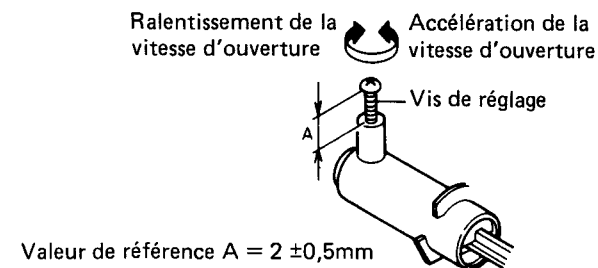


Fig. 11-2 Réglage du clapet d'entrée d'air

11.1.3 Réglage de la position de la porte

Point de réglage 1	Vu de face, les rapports entre les dimensions A et B, et entre les dimensions C et D doivent se situer entre 0,5 et 2.
Point de réglage 2	Vu de face, la différence entre E et G ne doit pas excéder $\pm 0,4\text{mm}$, et E, F, et G doivent toutes dépasser 0,5mm.
Si les spécifications ci-dessus ne sont respectées, desserre les vis et rerégler la position de la porte.	

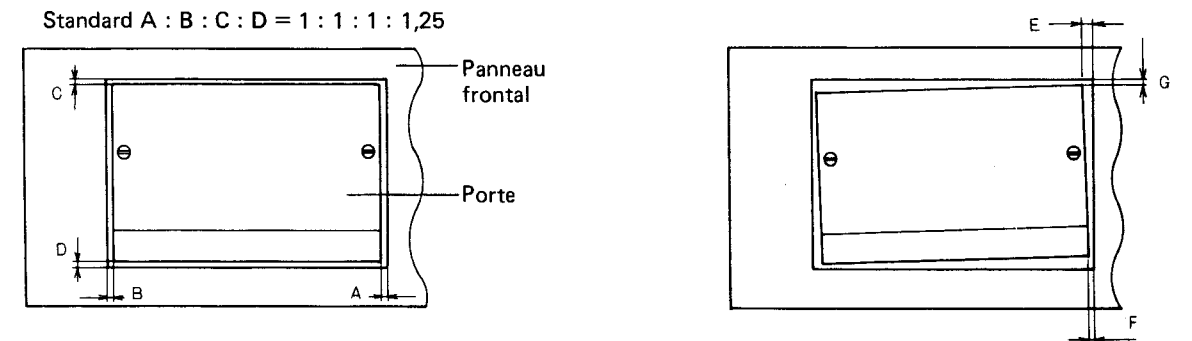


Fig. 11-3 Réglage de la position de la porte

11.2 REGLAGES ELECTRIQUES

Conditions de réglages

1. Les réglages mécaniques doit être d'abord terminés.
2. Les têtes doivent être nettoyées et démagnétisées.
3. Laisser chauffer la platine pendant quelques minutes au moins avant de commencer un quelconque réglage électrique.
4. Le niveau de référence du signal est $0\text{dBv} = 1\text{V rms}$ (efficace).
5. Brancher une résistance de charge de 50 kohm (ou entre 47 et 52 kohm) sur les bornes de sortie (OUTPUT).
6. Sauf spécification contraire, laisser le contrôle de niveau de sortie (OUTPUT) sur la position maximum.
7. De la même manière, les autres commutateurs cités cidessous doivent être laissés dans la position indiquée sauf spécification contraire.

TIMER (minuteur) : OFF (arrêt)
 DOLBY NR : OFF (arrêt)
 FILTRE MPX : OFF (arrêt)

Bandes d'essai

STD-331B*	: Réglages de reproduction (se référer à la Fig. 11-4).
STD-608A	: Bande vierge NORMALE
STD-603	: Bande vierge à l'oxyde de chrome CrO_2
STD-604	: Bande vierge METAL

* Le niveau de référence d'enregistrement pour la STD-331A est 333Hz , 250nwb/m ; pour la STD-331B, 315Hz , 160nwb/m .

Liste des réglages

1. Réglage de la balance DC de l'amplificateur DC.
2. Réglage de base du circuit intégré de commande.
3. Réglage de la sensibilité du détecteur de cassette.
4. Réglage de l'azimutage de la tête et du transport de la bande.

5. Réglage de l'égaliseur de reproduction.
6. Réglage du niveau de reproduction.
7. Réglage de l'indicateur de niveau.
8. Réglage du courant d'effacement METAL.
9. Réglage du circuit de polarisation.
10. Réglage de la polarisation d'enregistrement.
11. Réglage du niveau d'enregistrement.
12. Réglage de la réponse en fréquence et de reproduction.

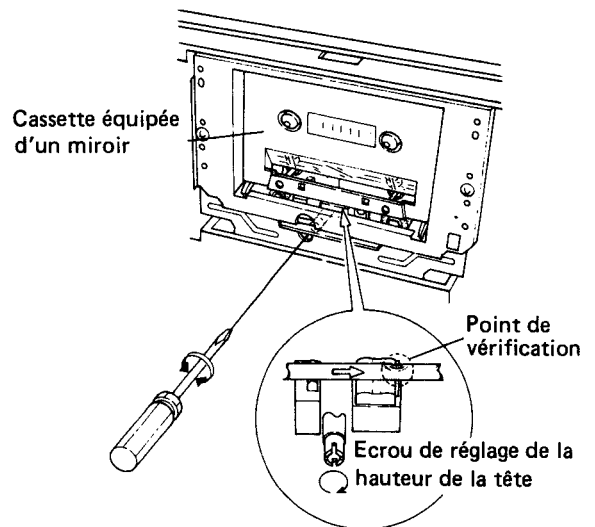


Fig. 11-5 Réglage du transport de la bande

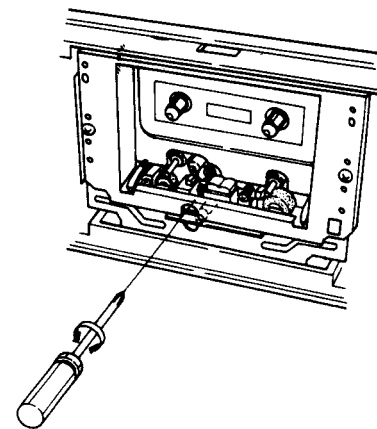


Fig. 11-6 Réglage de l'azimutage de la tête

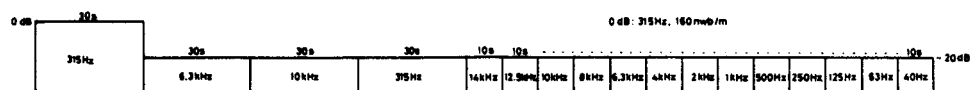


Fig. 11-4 Bande d'essai STD-331B

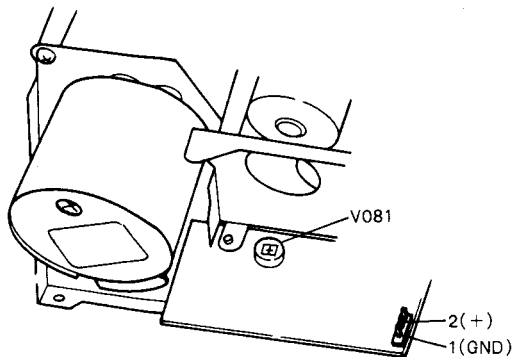


Fig. 11-7 Réglage de la sensibilité du détecteur de cassette

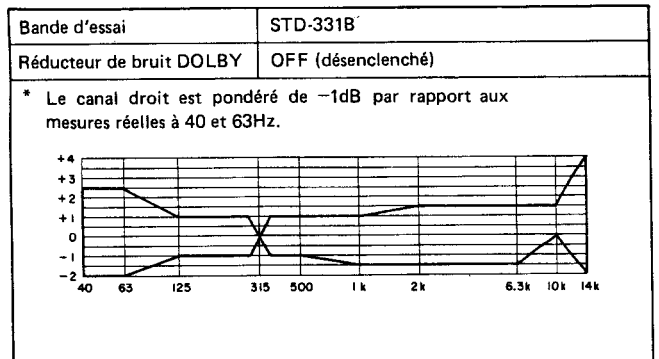


Fig. 11-8 Zone de réponse en fréquence de reproduction admissible

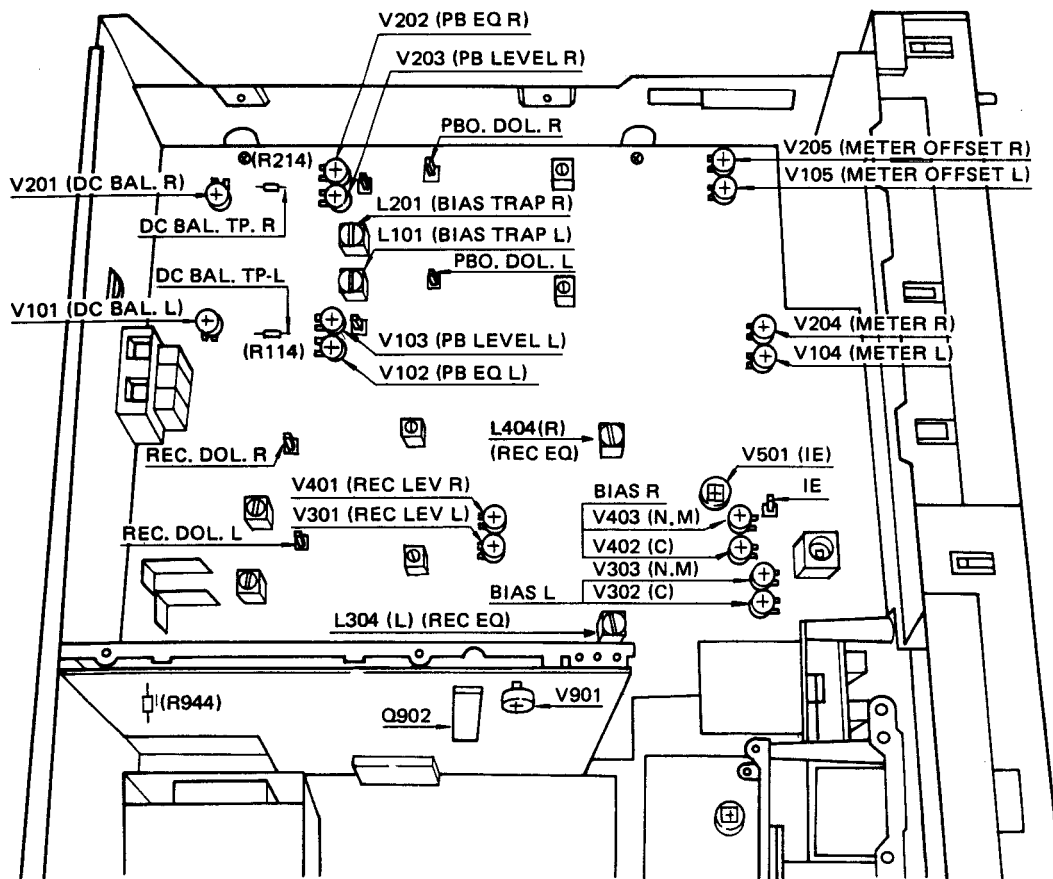


Fig. 11-9 Points de réglage

1. Réglage de la balance CC de l'amplificateur CC						
	Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point de réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques
1	STOP	Pas d'entrée	V101 (canal gauche)	DC.BAL.TP-L	$0 \pm 0,2V$ DC	Faire une mesure au fil R114 en face du panneau avant
2			V201 (canal droit)	DC.BAL.TP-R	$0 \pm 0,2V$ DC	Faire une mesure au fil R124 en face du panneau avant
2. Réglage de base du circuit intégré de commande						
	Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point de réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques
	STOP	Pas d'entrée	V901 (unité de commande)	Fiche 21 de Q902 (unité de commande)	$200kHz \pm 5kHz$	Insérer un condensateur de quelques pF et faire une mesure à l'aide d'un fréquencemètre
3. Sensibilité du détecteur de cassette						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faire une mesure à l'aide d'un voltmètre CC à impédance d'entrée élevée (d'environ 1 mega-ohm). Brancher 5,1kohm en parallèle avec le R944 dans l'unité de commande pour le réglage, et l'enlever après la fin du réglage. 						
	Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point de réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques
	STOP	Pas d'entrée (cassette non insérée)	V081 (voir Fig. 11-7) (unité de sortie B)	Entre 2 (+) et 1 (masse) (unité de sortie B)	$2,5V \pm 0,1V$ CC	Eviter qu'un éclairage intense ne vienne frapper l'interrupteur photo-électrique.
4. Réglage du transport de la bande et de l'azimutage de la tête						
	Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point de réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques
1	PLAY (reproduction)	Cassette équipée d'un miroir	Ecrou de réglage de hauteur (se référer à la Fig. 11-5)	Guide de la bande (se référer à la Fig. 11-5)	Pas d'ondulation de la bande au niveau du guide de la bande	Un mouvement et une ondulation égaux à 1/5 de la largeur de la bande sont acceptables.
2	PLAY (reproduction)	Reproduire la partie 10kHz/-20dB de la bande d'essai STD-331B	Vis de réglage de l'azimutage de la tête (voir Fig. 11-6)	Bornes de sortie (OUTPUT) droit et gauche	Différence de phase nulle entre les canaux droit et gauche au niveau maximal de reproduction (fluctuation du niveau de reproduction, 1,0dB au maximum).	
3	Vérifier l'étape 1, et rerégler si nécessaire. Veiller à toujours effectuer l'étape 2 après l'étape 1.					
5. Réglage de l'égaliseur de reproduction						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Régler V103 et V203 (réglage du niveau de reproduction) au niveau maximal et les V102 et V202 sur la position mécanique médiane. 						
	Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point de réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques
	PLAY (reproduction)	Reproduire les parties 315Hz -20dB et 10Hz/-20dB de la bande d'essai STD-331B	V102 (canal gauche) V202 (canal droit)	Bornes de sortie (OUTPUT) droit et gauche	Le niveau de reproduction à 10kHz doit être de +0,5dB supérieur au niveau de reproduction à 315Hz	Vérifier que la réponse en fréquence est située à l'intérieur de la zone de réponse en fréquence admissible (se référer à la Fig. 11-8)
6. Réglage du niveau de reproduction						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ce réglage doit être effectué avec précision dans la mesure où il conditionne également le niveau de reproduction du réducteur de bruit DOLBY. 						
	Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point du réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques
	PLAY (reproduction)	Reproduire la partie 315Hz/0dB de la d'essai STD-331B	V103 (canal gauche) V203 (canal droit)	PBO.DOL-L PBO.DOL-R	-7,7dBv (412,1mV)	Laisser le commutateur du réducteur de bruit DOLBY désenclenché.

7. Réglage de l'indicateur de niveau							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Régler les V104, V105, V204 et V205 sur la position maximum et la commande du niveau de sortie également au maximum. 							
	Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point de réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques	
1	STOP	Appliquer un signal de 315Hz/-10dBv (316mV) sur les bornes d'entrée	Commande de niveau d'entrée (INPUT)	REC.DOL-L REC.DOL-R	-7,7dBv (412,1mV)		
2		Régler le niveau du signal d'entrée sur -35dB (17,8mV)	Placer le commutateur MONITOR (contrôle d'enregistrement) sur la position SOURCE				
3			V105 (canal gauche) V205 (canal droit)	Tourner lentement dans le sens des aiguilles d'une montre et s'arrêter lorsque les segments "-20dB" disparaissent.			
4		Régler le niveau du signal d'entrée sur -10dBv (316mV)	Placer le commutateur MONITOR (contrôle d'enregistrement) sur la position SOURCE				
5			V104 (canal gauche) V204 (canal droit)	Tourner à fond dans le sens des aiguilles d'une montre, puis tourner dans le sens contraire des aiguilles d'une montre jusqu'à ce que les segments "0dB" apparaissent.			
6		Fermer le signal d'entrée lorsque les segments "0dB" apparaissent, et vérifier que le segment "-20dB" pour un canal disparaît et que "le différence d'affichage résiduel" sur l'autre canal ne dépasse pas deux segments ("-20dBv" ou "-15dBv").					
7		Faire varier le niveau du signal d'entrée	Vérification		Affichage de l'indicateur +10dB	Activé pour un signal d'entrée de 0±3dBv	
8			Vérification		Affichage de l'indicateur -10dB	Activé pour un signal d'entrée de -20dBv±3dBv	
8. Réglage du courant d'effacement métal							
	Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point de réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques	
	REC (en-registrement)	Pas d'entrée, bande d'essai STD-604	V501	TP11-GND (masse)	175mV CA		
9. Réglage du circuit de polarisation							
	Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point de réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques	
	REC (en-registrement)	Pas d'entrée, bande d'essai STD-604	L 101 (canal gauche) L 201 (canal droit)	PB.DOL-L PB.DOL-R	Dispersion minimale de polarisation	Faire les mesures à l'aide d'un voltmètre et d'un oscilloscope courant alternatif	
10. Réglage de la polarisation d'enregistrement							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Placer le commutateur de contrôle d'enregistrement (MONITOR) sur la position SOURCE, et régler le niveau de sortie (OUTPUT) au maximum. 							
	Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point de réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques	
1	REC-PAUSE	Appliquer un signal de 6,3kHz/-20dB (100mV) sur les bornes d'entrée (INPUT)	Commande de niveau d'entrée (INPUT)	Bornes de sortie (OUTPUT) droite et gauche	-14dBv (199,5mV)	Enregistrement à -10VU	
2	REC	Enregistrer le signal ci-dessus sur la bande d'essai STD-608A et faire une vérification d'écoute immédiate	V303 (canal gauche) V403 (canal droit)	Les bornes de sortie (OUTPUT) droite et gauche (et MONITOR) sur la position TAPE)		Après avoir tourné V303 et V403 à fond dans le sens des aiguilles d'une montre, tourner inversement dans le sens contraire des aiguilles d'une montre, et s'arrêter sur la position où le niveau s'abaisse de 3dB au dessous du niveau maximal de reproduction après être passé par ce niveau maximal de reproduction.	
3	REC	Enregistrer le signal ci-dessus sur la bande d'essai STD-603 et faire une vérification d'écoute immédiate	V302 (canal gauche) V402 (canal droit)			Après avoir tourné V302 et V402 à fond dans le sens des aiguilles d'une montre, tourner inversement dans le sens contraire des aiguilles d'une montre, et s'arrêter sur la position où le niveau s'abaisse de 2,5dB au dessous du niveau maximal de reproduction après être passé par ce niveau maximal de reproduction.	

11. Réglage du niveau d'enregistrement					
● Laisser le réducteur de bruit DOLBY désenclenché.					
Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point de réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques
1 REC-PAUSE	Appliquer un signal de 315Hz/-10dB (316mV) sur les bornes d'entrée (INPUT)	Commande de niveau d'entrée (INPUT)	REC.DOL-L REC.DOL-R	-7,7dBv (412,1mV)	
2 REC	Enregistrer le signal ci-dessus sur la bande d'essai STD-608A et faire une vérification d'écoute immédiate	V301 (canal gauche) V401 (canal droit)	PBO.DOL-L PBO.DOL-R	-7,7dBv (412,1mV)	
3 REC	Enregistrer le signal ci-dessus sur les bandes d'essai STD-603A et STD-604 et faire une vérification d'écoute immédiate	Vérification	PBO.DOL-L PBO.DOL-R	-7,7±1,5dBv	
12. Réglage de la réponse en fréquence d'enregistrement et de reproduction					
● Laisser le réducteur de bruit DOLBY désenclenché, et régler le niveau de sortie (OUTPUT) au maximum.					
Mode	Signal d'entrée et bande d'essai	Point de réglage	Point de mesure	Valeur de réglage	Remarques
1 REC-PAUSE	Appliquer un signal de 315Hz/-30dB (31,6mV) aux bornes d'entrée (INPUT)	Commande de niveau MASTER REC	Bornes de sortie (OUTPUT) gauche et droite	-24dBv (63,1mV)	
2 REC	Enregistrer les signaux de 315Hz et 10kHz sur la bande d'essai STD-608A au niveau ci-dessus et faire un contrôle de reproduction simultané	V303 (canal gauche) V403 (canal droit)	Bornes de sortie (OUTPUT) droite et gauche	Régler le niveau de reproduction du 10kHz à 0dB plus élevé que le niveau du 315Hz	
3	Enregistrer et reproduire les signaux jusqu'à 15kHz sur la bande d'essai STD-608A, et vérifier que la zone admissible de réponse en fréquence indiquée sur la Fig. 11-10 est respectée (pour le DOLBY désenclenché, B et C).				
4 REC	De la même manière, enregistrer et reproduire le même signal sur la bande d'essai STD-604	L304 (canal gauche) L404 (canal droit)	Bornes de sortie (OUTPUT) droite et gauche	Régler le niveau de reproduction du 10kHz à 0±2dB plus élevé que le niveau du 315Hz	
5	Enregistrer et reproduire les signaux jusqu'à 15kHz sur la bande d'essai STD-604, et vérifier que la zone admissible de réponse en fréquence indiquée sur la Fig. 11-12 est respectée (pour le DOLBY désenclenché, B et C).				
6 REC	De la même manière, enregistrer et reproduire le même signal sur la bande d'essai STD-603	L302 (canal gauche) L402 (canal droit)	Bornes de sortie (OUTPUT) droit et gauche	Régler le niveau de reproduction du 10kHz à 0dB en fonction du niveau du 315Hz (le commutateur MONITOR étant sur la position TAPE)	
7	Enregistrer et reproduire les signaux jusqu'à 15kHz sur la bande d'essai STD-603, et vérifier que la zone admissible de réponse en fréquence indiquée sur la Fig. 11-11 est respectée (pour le DOLBY désenclenché, B et C).				

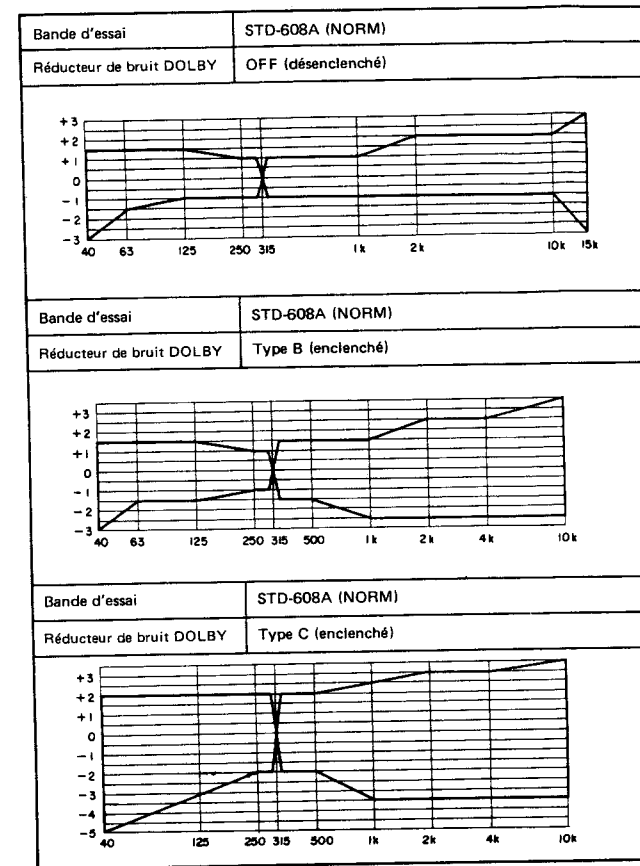


Fig. 11-10 Zone admissible de réponse en fréquence d'enregistrement/reproduction (NORM)

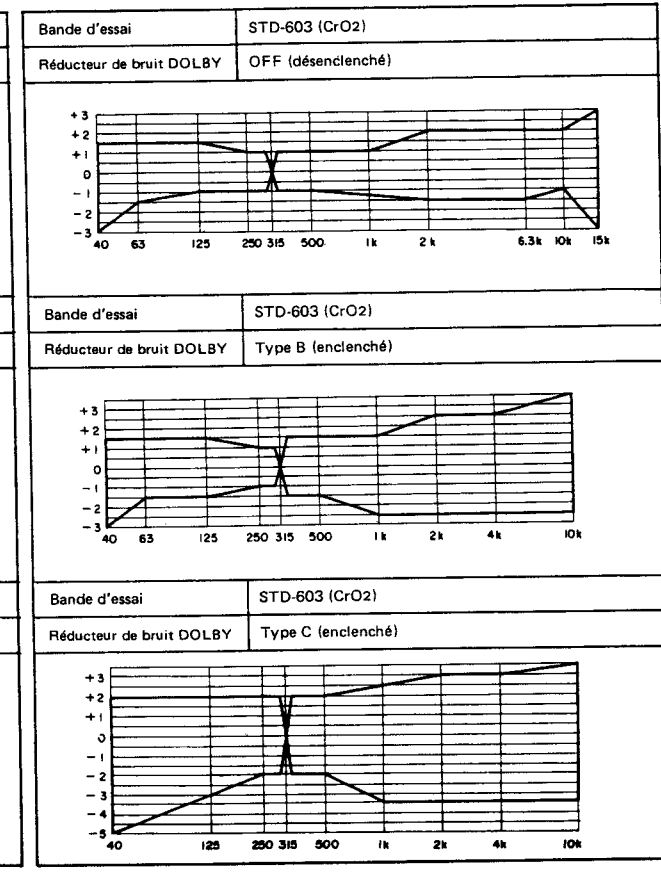


Fig. 11-11 Zone admissible de réponse en fréquence d'enregistrement/reproduction (CrO2)

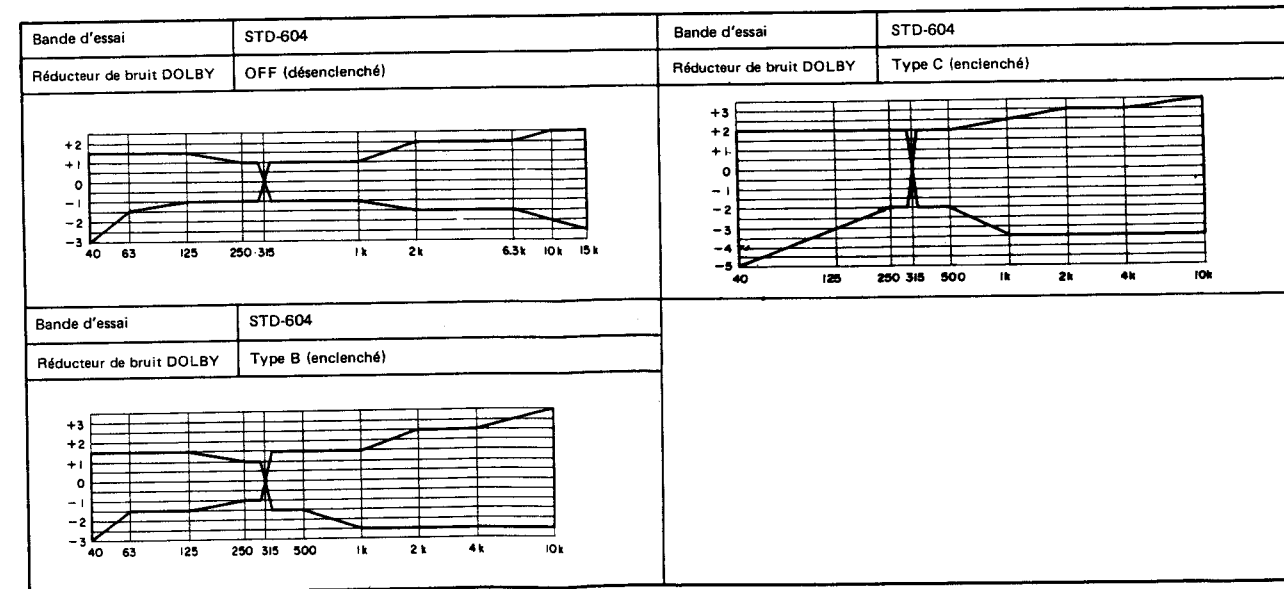


Fig. 11-12 Zone admissible de réponse en fréquence d'enregistrement/reproduction (METAL)

11. AJUSTE

11.1 AJUSTES MECANICOS

11.1.1 Ajuste de la velocidad de la cinta

* Emplear un frecuencímetro

Modo	Lugar de ajuste	Especificaciones
PLAY (Reproducción)	Resistor variable del orificio de ajuste del motor del eje de arrastre	La frecuencia de reproducción debe estar dentro del margen de $3005 \pm 10\text{Hz}$ al principio de la cinta de prueba STD-301.
PLAY (Reproducción)	Comprobar	La frecuencia de reproducción debe estar dentro del margen de $3000 \pm 30\text{Hz}$ al principio de la cinta de prueba STD-301.

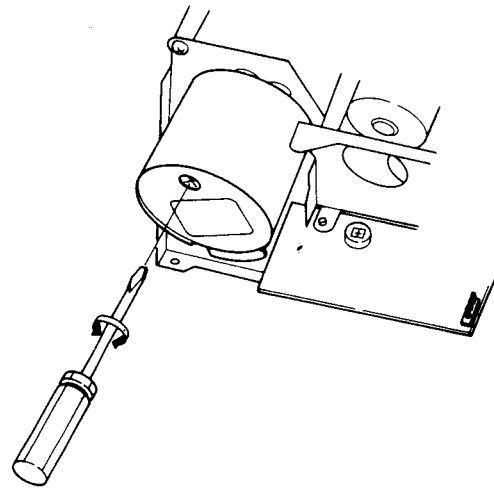


Fig. 11-1 Ajuste de la velocidad de la cinta

11.1.2 Ajuste del amortiguador neumático

Lugar de ajuste	Especificaciones
Tornillo de ajuste del cilindro	La puerta deberá abrirse suavemente (sin chirridos, etc.), y no deberá "rebotar" cuando queda completamente abierta.

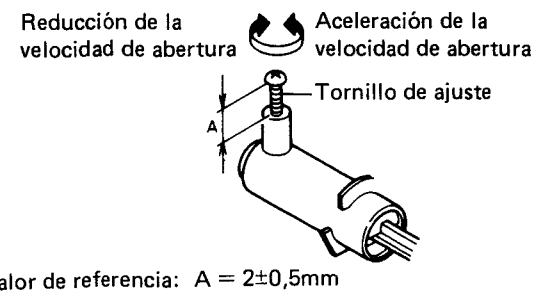


Fig. 11-12 Ajuste del amortiguador neumático

11.1.3 Ajuste de la posición de la puerta

Comprobación 1	Mirando desde delante, las relaciones entre las dimensiones A y B, y entre las dimensiones C y D deben estar dentro del margen de 0,5 a 2.
Comprobación 2	Mirando desde delante, la diferencia entre E y G no debe exceder de $\pm 0,4\text{mm}$, y E, F y G deben exceder todos de 0,5mm.
Si no se satisfacen las especificaciones de arriba, aflojar los tornillos y reajustar la posición de la puerta.	

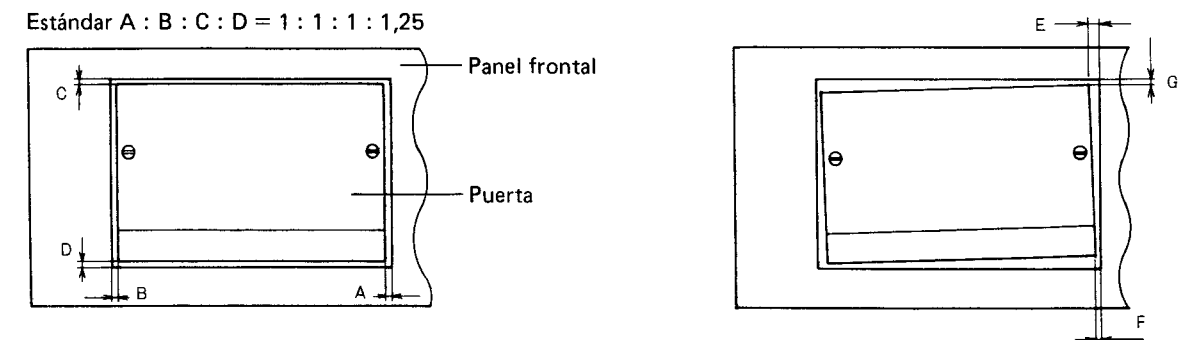


Fig. 11-3 Ajuste de la posición de la puerta

11.2 AJUSTES ELECTRICOS

Condiciones para el ajuste

1. Los ajustes mecánicos deben haberse completado en primer lugar.
2. Las cabezas deben limpiarse y desmagnetizarse.
3. Dejar precalentarse el magnetófono durante algunos minutos antes de iniciar los ajustes eléctricos.
4. El nivel de la señal de referencia es de 0dBv 1Vrms.
5. Conectar una resistencia de carga de 50K ohmios (o entre 47 a 52K ohmios) a los terminales OUTPUT.
6. A menos que se especifique lo contrario, dejar el control del nivel de OUTPUT en la posición de nivel máximo.
7. Del mismo modo, los demás mandos enumerados a continuación deberán dejarse en las posiciones indicadas a menos que se especifique lo contrario.

TIMER : OFF
 DOLBY NR : OFF
 MPX FILTER : OFF

Cintas de prueba

STD-331B* : Ajustes de reproducción (ver la Fig. 11-4)
 STD-608A : Cinta en blanco NORMAL
 STD-603 : Cinta en blanco de CrO₂
 STD-604 : Cinta en blanco de METAL

* Mientras que el nivel de grabación de referencia para la STD-331A es de 333Hz, 250nwb/m, el mismo nivel para STD-331B es de 315Hz, 160nwb/m.

Lista de ajustes

1. Ajuste del balance de CC del amplificador de CC
2. Ajuste del reloj del IC de control
3. Ajuste de la sensibilidad del detector de casete
4. Ajuste del transporte de la cinta y del acimut de la cabeza
5. Ajuste del ecualizador de reproducción
6. Ajuste del nivel de reproducción
7. Ajuste del medidor de nivel

8. Ajuste de la corriente de borrado de METAL
9. Ajuste de la trampa de polarización
10. Ajuste de la polarización de grabación
11. Ajuste del nivel de grabación
12. Ajuste de la respuesta en frecuencia de grabación y reproducción

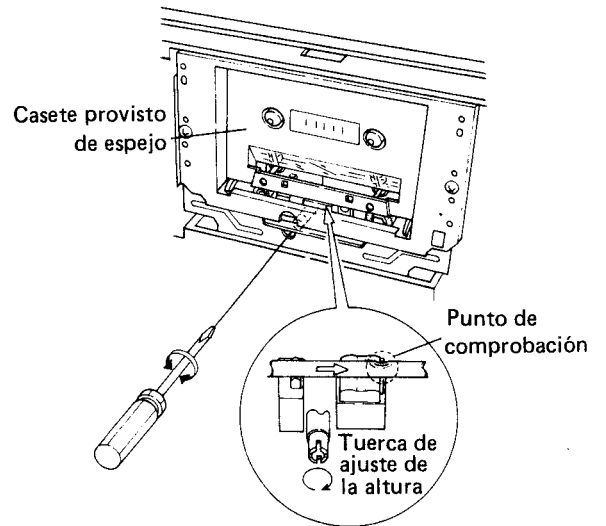


Fig. 11-5 Ajuste del transporte de la cinta

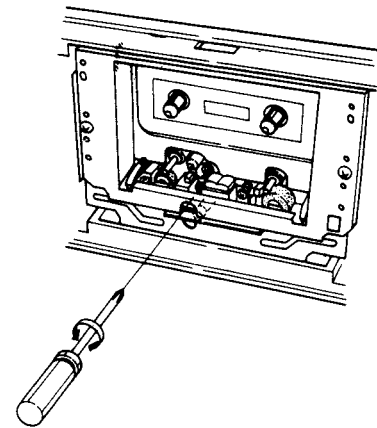


Fig. 11-6 Ajuste del acimut de la cabeza

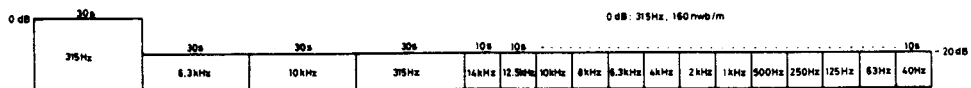


Fig. 11-4 Cinta de prueba STD-331B

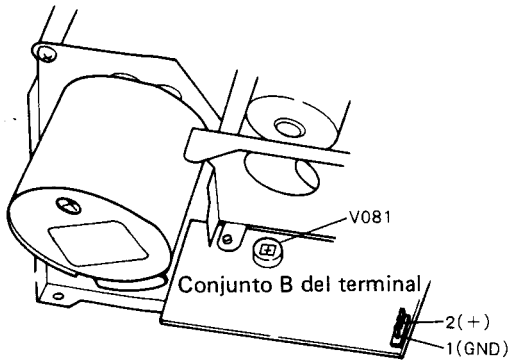


Fig. 11-7 Ajuste de la sensibilidad del detector de casete

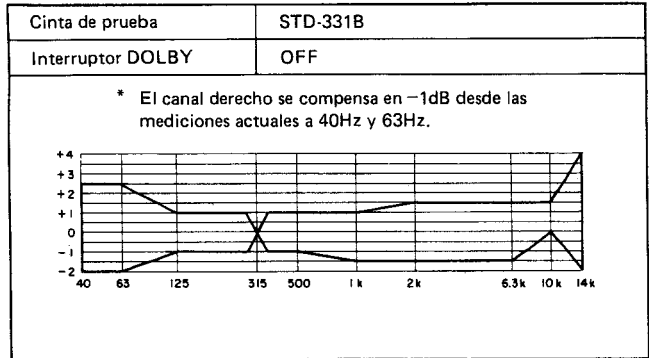


Fig. 11-8 Zona permisible de la respuesta en frecuencia de reproducción

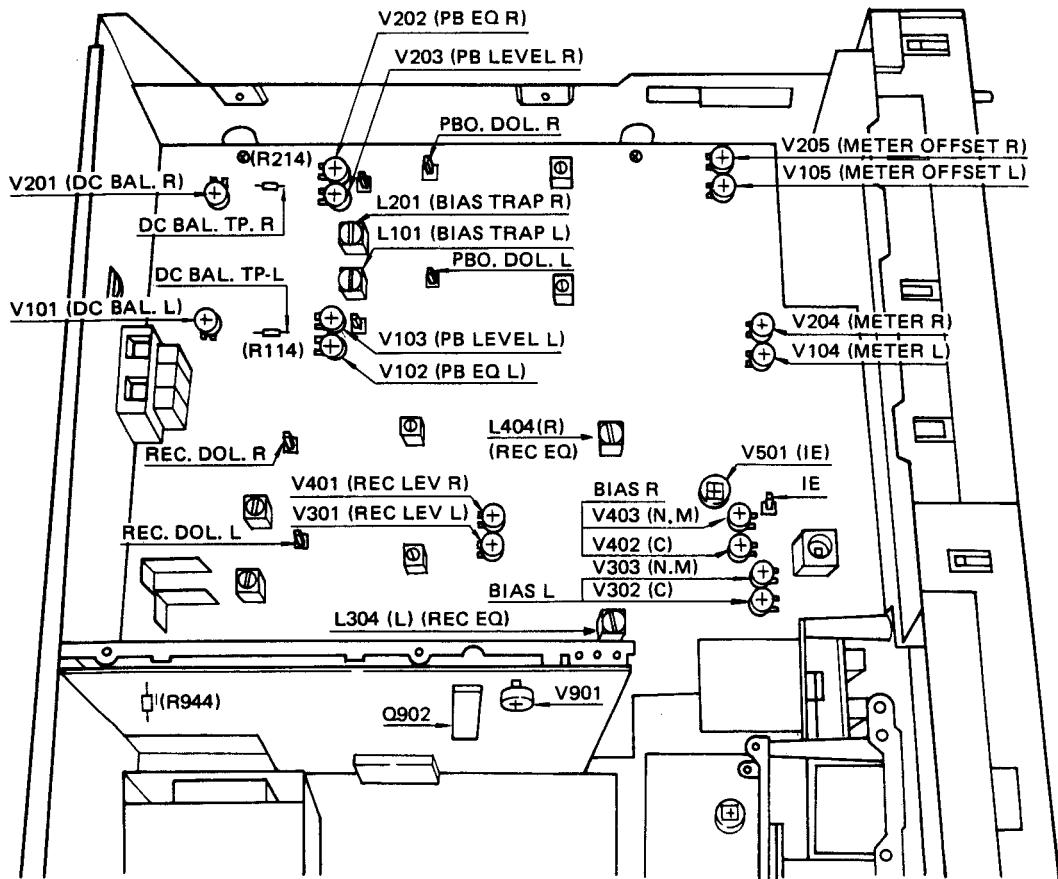


Fig. 11-9 Lugares de ajuste

1. Ajuste del balance de CC del amplificador de CC						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
1	STOP (Parada)	Sin entrada	V101 (canal izquierdo)	DC.BAL.TP-L	0±0,2V CC	Medir en el conductor de R114 encarado hacia el panel frontal)
2			V201 (canal derecho)	DC.BAL.TP-R	0±0,2V CC	Medir en el conductor de R214 encarado hacia el panel frontal)
2. Ajuste del reloj del IC de control						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
	STOP (Parada)	Sin entrada	V901 (Conjunto de control)	Pin 21 of Q902 (Conjunto de control)	200kHz±5kHz	Insertar un condensador de pocos pF y medir con el frecuencímetro.
3. Sensibilidad del detector de casete						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
	STOP (Parada)	Sin entrada (sin casete insertado)	V081 (ver la Fig. 11-7) (Conjunto B de terminales)	Entre 2(+) y 1 (conjunto B de terminales)	2,5±V0,1V CC	Evitar iluminación intensa en el fotointerruptor
4. Ajuste del transporte de la cinta y del acimut de la cabeza						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
1	STOP (Reproducción)	Casete provisto de espejo	Tuerca de ajuste de la altura (ver la Fig. 11-5)	Guía de cinta (ver la Fig. 11-5)	Sin bucle de cinta en la guía de cinta	Bucle de cinta y flotación hasta de 1/5 de la anchura de la cinta permisible
2	PLAY (Reproducción)	Reproducir la sección de 10kHz/-20dB de la cinta de prueba STD-331B)	Tornillo de ajuste del acimut de la cabeza (ver la Fig. 11-6)	Terminales OUTPUT izquierdo y derecho	Diferencia de fase cero entre los canales izquierdo y derecho al nivel de señal de reproducción máximo (fluctuación del nivel de reproducción de 1,0dB máx.)	
3	Verificar el paso 1, y reajustar si resulta necesario. Efectuar siempre el paso 2 después de haber realizado el paso 1.					
5. Ajuste del ecualizador de reproducción						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ajustar V103 y V203 (AJUS. del nivel de reproducción) al nivel máximo, y V102 y V202 (AJUS. ECUAL. de reproducción) a las posiciones de centro mecánico. 						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
	PLAY (Reproducción)	Reproducir las secciones de 315Hz/-20dB y de de 10kHz/-20dB de la cinta de prueba STD-331B	V102 (canal izquierdo) V202 (canal derecho)	Terminales (OUTPUT) izquierdo y derecho	Nivel de reproducción a 10kHz a ser +0,5dB mayor que el nivel de reproducción d 315Hz	Comprobar que la respuesta en frecuencia caiga dentro del margen permisible de respuesta en frecuencia de reproducción (ver la Fig. 11-8)
6. Ajuste del nivel de reproducción						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
	PLAY (Reproducción)	Reproducir la sección de 315Hz/0dB de la cinta de prueba STD-331B	V103 (canal izquierdo) V203 (canal derecho)	PBO.DOL-L PBO.DOL-R	-7,7dBv (412,1mV)	Dejar el interruptor DOLBY NR en la posición OFF

7. Ajuste del medidor de nivel						
● Ajustar V104, V105, V204 y V205 a las posiciones máximas, y el control del nivel de OUTPUT al nivel máximo.						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
1		Aplicar una señal de 315Hz/-10dBv (316mV) a los terminales INPUT	Control del nivel INPUT	REC.DOL.-L REC.DOL-R	-7,7dBv (412,1mV)	
2		Ajustar el nivel de la señal de entrada a -35dBv (17,8mV)	Poner el interruptor MONITOR en la posición SOURCE			
3			V105 (canal izquierdo) V205 (canal derecho)	Girar lentamente hacia la izquierda y parar cuando se apaguen los segmentos de "-20dB".		
4	STOP (Parada)	Ajustar el nivel de la señal de entrada a -10dBv (316mV)	Poner el interruptor MONITOR en la posición SOURCE.			
			V104 (canal izquierdo) V204 (canal derecho)	Después de girar completamente hacia la izquierda, volver a girar hacia la derecha hasta que se enciendan los segmentos de "0dB".		
6		Desactivar la señal de entrada cuando se enciendan los segmentos de "0dB", y comprobar que cuando se apagan los segmentos de "-20dB" para un canal, la 'discrepancia en la indicación residual' del otro canal no es de más de dos segmentos ("-20dB" o "-15dB").				
7		Variar el nivel de la señal de entrada	Comprobar	Indicación del medidor de +10dB	Se ilumina en nivel de entrada de 0±3dBv	
8			Comprobar	Indicación del medidor de -10dB	Se ilumina en el nivel de entrada de -20±3dBv	
8. Ajuste de la corriente de borrado de METAL						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
	REC (Grab.)	Sin entrada, cinta de prueba STD-604	V501	IE-GND	175mV AC	
9. Ajuste de la trampa de polarización						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
	REC (Grab.)	Sin entrada, cinta de prueba STD-604	L101 (canal izquierdo) L201 (canal derecho)	PB.DOL-L PB.DOL-R	Fuga de polarización mínima	Medir con un voltímetro de CA y un osciloscopio
10. Ajuste de la polarización de grabación						
● Poner el interruptor MONITOR en la posición SOURCE y ajustar el control de nivel OUTPUT al nivel máximo.						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
1	REC-PAUSE (Grab.-Pausa)	Aplicar una señal de 6,3kHz/-20dBv (100mV) a los terminales INPUT	Control del nivel INPUT	Terminales izquierdo y derecho OUTPUT	-14dBv (199,5mV)	Grabación a -10VU
2	REC (Grab.)	Grabar la señal de arriba en la cinta de prueba STD-608A y monitorizar simultáneamente la reproducción	V303 (canal izquierdo) V403 (canal derecho)	Terminales OUTPUT izquierdo y derecho (e interruptor MONITOR en la posición TAPE)	Después de haber girado en primer lugar V303 y V403 completamente hacia la izquierda, girar de nuevo hacia la derecha y parar en la posición en la que el nivel caiga 3dB por debajo del nivel de reproducción máximo después de pasar por esta posición de nivel máximo.	
3	REC (Grab.)	Grabar la señal de arriba en la cinta de prueba STD-603 y monitorizar simultáneamente la reproducción.	V302 (canal izquierdo) V402 (canal derecho)		Después de haber girado en primer lugar V302 y V402 completamente hacia la izquierda, girar de nuevo hacia la derecha y parar en la posición en la que el nivel caiga 2,5dB por debajo del nivel de reproducción máximo después de pasar por esta posición de nivel máximo.	

11. Ajuste del nivel de grabación						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dejar el interruptor DOLBY NR en la posición OFF. 						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
1	REC-PAUSE (Grab-pausa)	Aplicar una señal de 315Hz/-10dBv (316mV) a los terminales INPUT	Control del nivel INPUT	REC.DOL-L REC.DOL-R	-7,7dBv (412,1mV)	
2	REC (Grab.)	Grabar la señal de arriba en la cinta de prueba STD-608A y monitorizar simultáneamente la reproducción	V301 (canal izquierdo) V401 (canal derecho)	PBO.DOL-L PBO.DOL-R	-7,7dBv (412,1mV)	
3	REC (Grab.)	Grabar la señal de arriba en las cintas de prueba STD-603 y STD-604 y monitorizar simultáneamente la reproducción	Comprobar	PBO.DOL-L PBO.DOL-R	-7,7±1,5dBv	
12. Ajuste de la respuesta en frecuencia de grabación y reproducción						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dejar el interruptor DOLBY NR en la posición OFF, y ajustar el control del nivel OUTPUT al nivel máximo. 						
	Modo	Señal de entrada y cinta de prueba	Lugar de ajuste	Lugar de medición	Valor de ajuste	Observaciones
1	REC-PAUSE (Grab-pausa)	Aplicar una señal de 315Hz/-30dBv (31,6mV) a los terminales INPUT	Control del nivel INPUT	Terminales INPUT izquierdo y derecho	-24dBv (63,1mV)	
2	REC (Grab.)	Grabar la señal de arriba en la cinta de prueba STD-608A a 315Hz y 10kHz, y monitorizar simultáneamente la reproducción	V303 (canal izquierdo) V403 (canal derecho)	Terminales OUTPUT izquierdo y derecho	Ajustar el nivel de reproducción de 10kHz a 0dB más alto que el nivel de 315Hz (con el interruptor MONITOR en la posición TAPE)	
3	Grabar y reproducir señales hasta 15kHz en la cinta de prueba STD-608A y volver a comprobar que se satisfaga la zona permisible de respuesta en frecuencia mostrada en la Fig. 11-10 (para DOLBY NR OFF, y B y C).					
4	REC (Grab.)	Del mismo modo, grabar y reproducir la misma señal en la cinta de prueba STD-604	L304 (canal izquierdo) L404 (canal derecho)	Terminales OUTPUT izquierdo y derecho	Ajustar el nivel de reproducción de 10kHz a 0±2dB con respecto al nivel de 315Hz (con el interruptor MONITOR en la posición TAPE)	
5	Grabar y reproducir señales hasta de 15kHz en la cinta de prueba STD-604, y comprobar que la zona permisible de respuesta en frecuencia mostrada en la Fig. 11-12 se satisfaga (para DOLBY NR OFF, y B y C).					
6	REC (Grab.)	Del mismo modo, grabar y reproducir la misma señal en la cinta de prueba STD-603	V302 (canal izquierdo) V402 (canal derecho)	Terminales OUTPUT izquierdo y derecho	Ajustar el nivel de reproducción de 10kHz a 0dB con respecto al nivel de 315kHz (con el interruptor MONITOR en la posición TAPE).	
7	Grabar y reproducir señales hasta de 15kHz en la cinta de prueba STD-603, comprobar que se satisfaga la zona permisible de respuesta en frecuencia mostrada en la Fig. 11-11 (para DOLBY NR OFF, y B y C).					

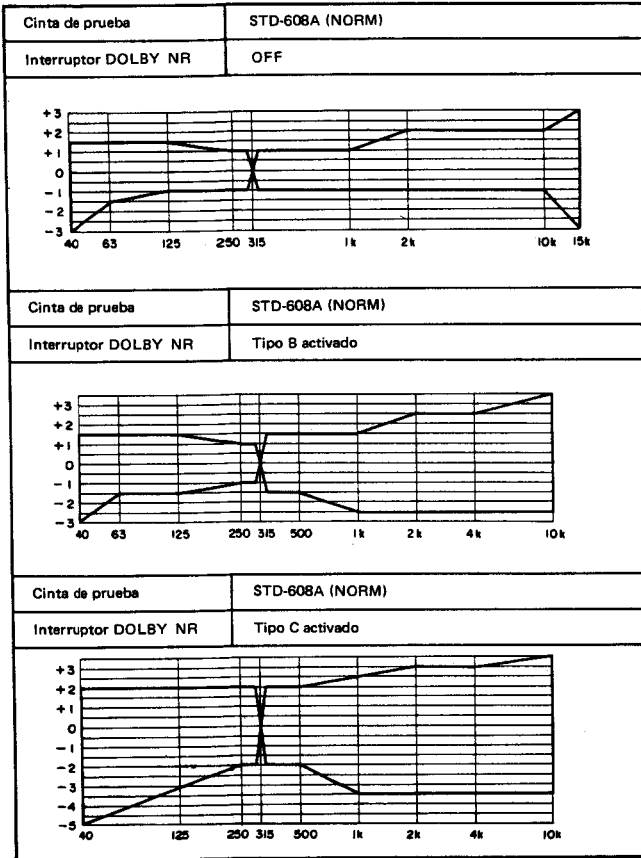


Fig. 11-10 Zona permisible de respuesta en frecuencia de grabación y reproducción (NORM)

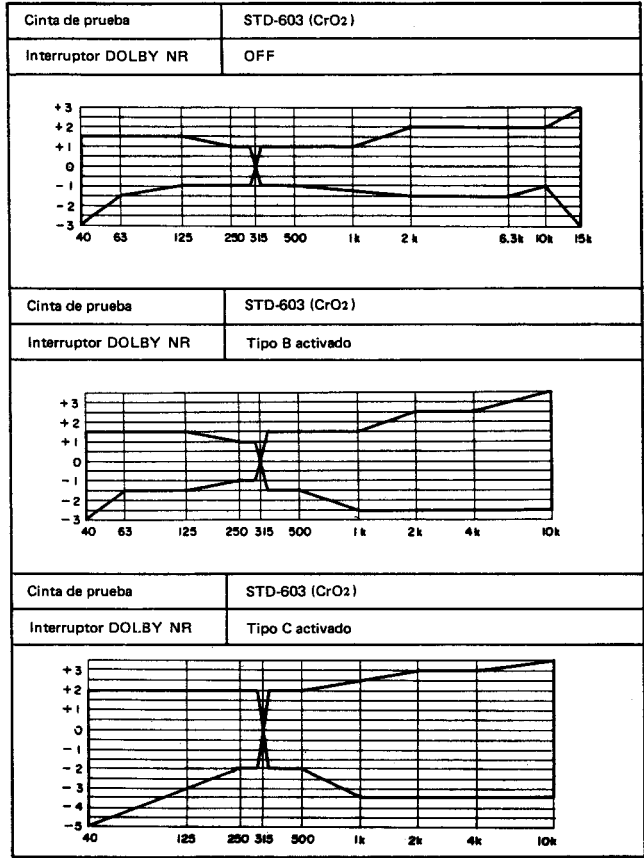


Fig. 11-11 Zona permisible de respuesta en frecuencia de grabación y reproducción (CrO₂)

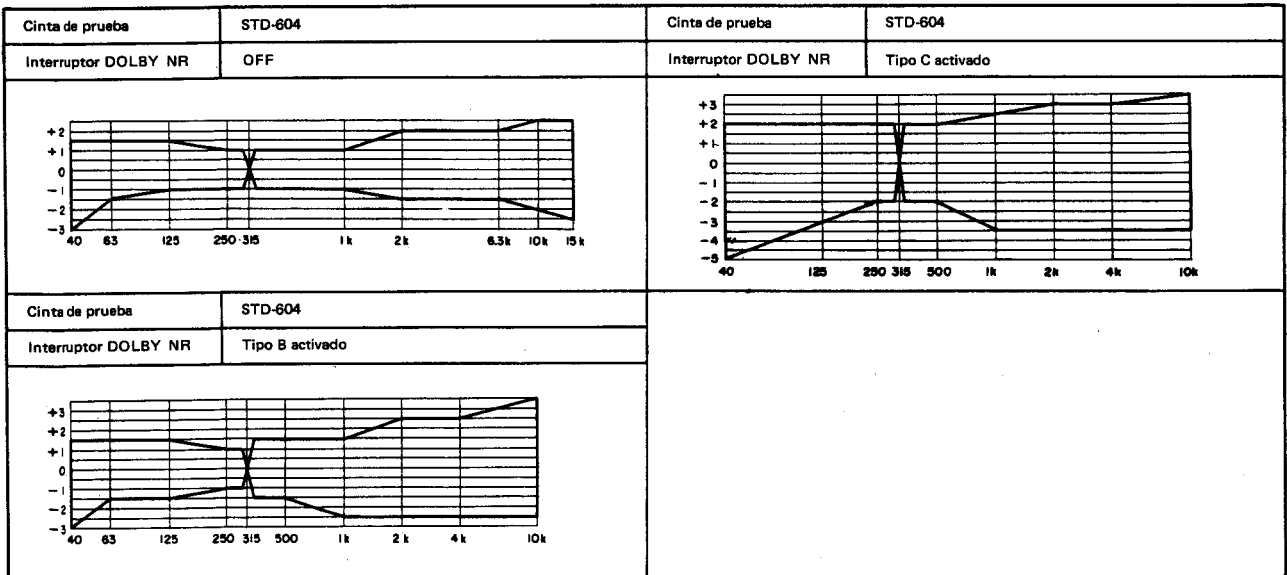


Fig. 11-12 Zona permisible de respuesta en frecuencia de grabación y reproducción (METAL)

12. SUPPLEMENT FOR KC, D, HEM, HB AND HP TYPES

Models CT-A7/KC (Canada model), HEM (European continent model), HB (United Kingdom model), HP (Australia model), and D (General export model) are the same as the CT-A7/KU (U.S.A. model) with the exception of this supplement.

NOTES:

- When ordering resistors, first convert resistance values into code form as shown in the following examples.
 - Ex. 1 When there are 2 effective digits (any digit apart from 0), such as 560 ohm and 47k ohm (tolerance is shown by J = 5%, and K = 10%).

560Ω	56 × 10 ¹	561	.....	RD¼PS	561J
47kΩ	47 × 10 ³	473	.....	RD¼PS	473J
0.5Ω	0R5	.....	.....	RN2H	0R5K
1Ω	010	.....	.....	RS1P	010K
 - Ex. 2 When there are 3 effective digits (such as in high precision metal film resistors).

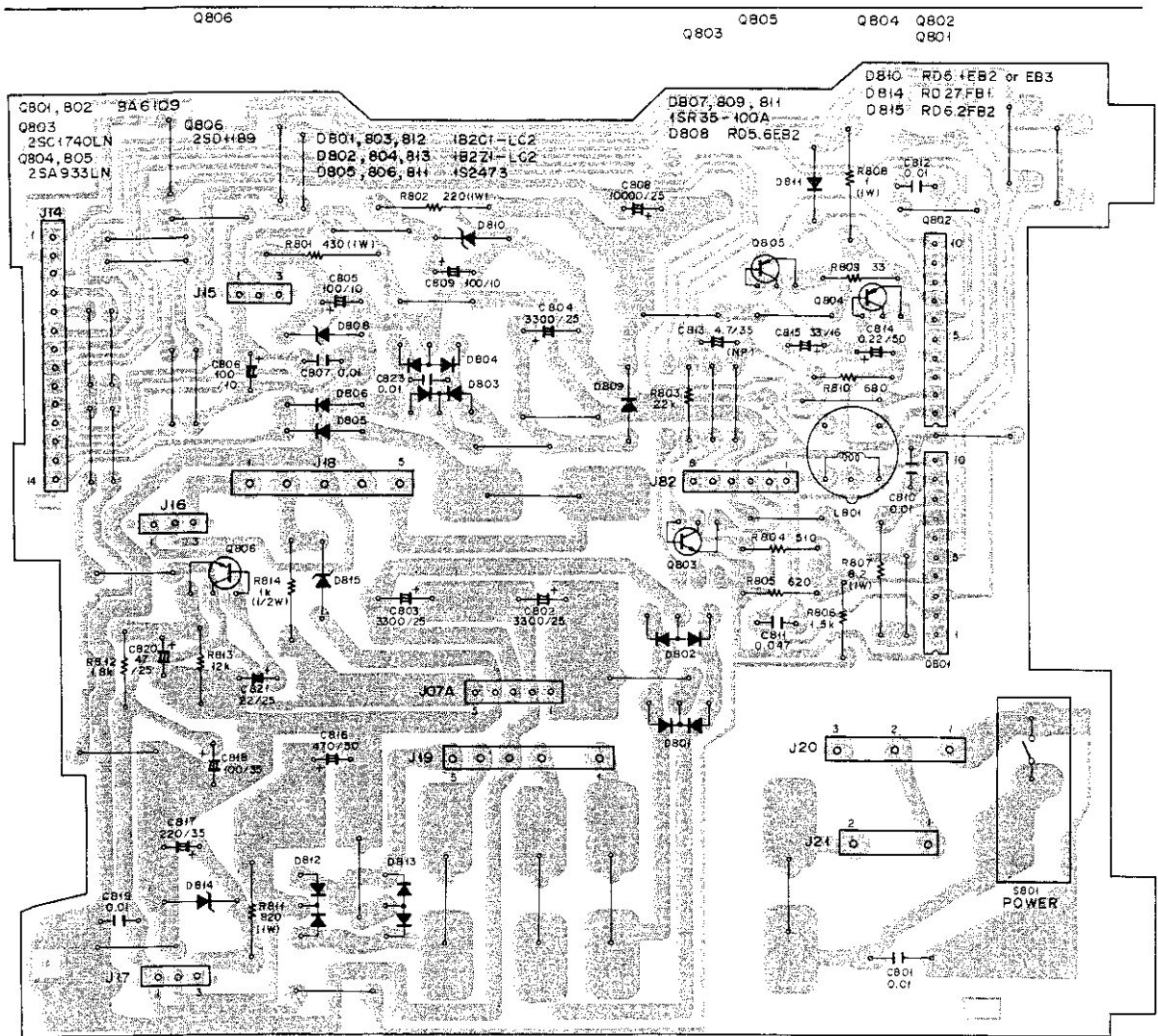
5.62kΩ	562 × 10 ¹	5621	RN¼SR	5621F
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- The **△** mark found on some component parts indicates the importance of the safety factor of the part. Therefore, when replacing, be sure to use parts of identical designation.
- For your Parts Stock Control, the fast moving items are indicated with the marks **★★** and **★**.
 - ★★ GENERALLY MOVES FASTER THAN ★.**
 - This classification shall be adjusted by each distributor because it depends on model number, temperature, humidity, etc.

Contrast of Miscellaneous Parts

Mark	Symbol & Description	Part No.					
		KU type	KC type	HEM type	HB type	HP type	D type
△★★	FU1, FU2 Fuse (630mA)	REK-078	REK-078	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Fuse (T315mA)	.....	.....	REK-052	REK-052	REK-052	.....
△★★	FU3 Fuse (1.6A)	REK-074	REK-074	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Fuse (T500mA)	.....	.....	REK-049	REK-049	REK-049	.....
△★★	FU4 Fuse (500mA)	REK-077	REK-077	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Fuse (T1.25A)	.....	.....	REK-070	REK-070	REK-070	.....
△★★	S1 Line voltage selector	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	RSX-057
△★	T1 Power transformer (120V) (220V/240V) (120V/220V/240V)	RTT-351	RTT-353	.....	.....	.....	.....
		.....	.....	RTT-355	RTT-355	RTT-355	.....
		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	RTT-357
△	AC power cord	RDG-048	RDG-048	RDG-027	RDG-032	RDG-029	RDG-050
△	Strain relief (for AC power cord)	REC-395	REC-395	REC-396	REC-396	REC-396	REC-395
	Power supply assembly	Non supply	Same as KU	Non supply	Same as HEM	Same as HEM	Non supply
	Operating instructions (English)	RRB-224	RRB-224	.....	RRB-224	RRB-224	RRB-224
	(English/German/French/Italian)	.....	.....	RRE-054	.....	.....	.....

Power Supply Assembly for D Type

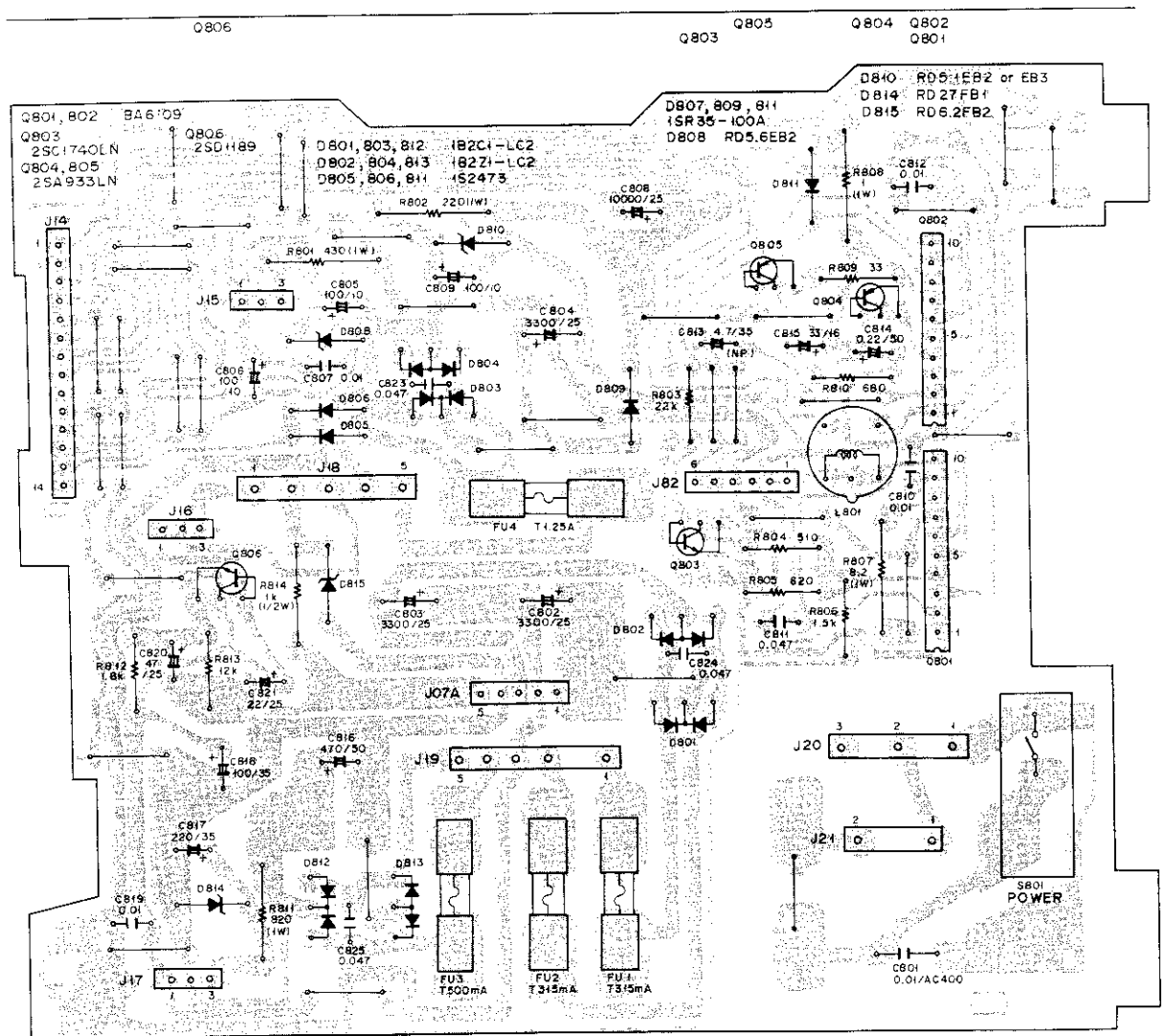
Power supply assembly for D type is the same as the KU type with the exception of the fuse holders for FU1 – FU4.



Power Supply Assembly for HEM, HB and HP Types

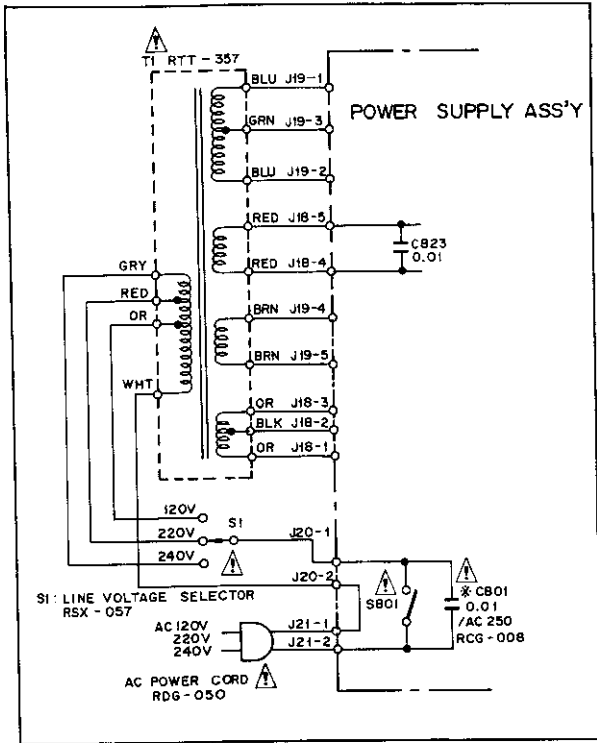
Power supply assembly for HEM, HB and HP types is the same as the KU type with the exception of the following parts and the fuses on the P.C. board.

Mark	Symbol & Description	Part No.		Remarks
		for KU type	for HEM type	
▲	C801 Ceramic capacitor	RCG-008	..... RCG-009	0.01/AC250V 0.01/AC400V
	C823	CKDYF 103Z 50	CKDYF 473Z 50	
	C824, C825	.....	CKDYF 473Z 50	

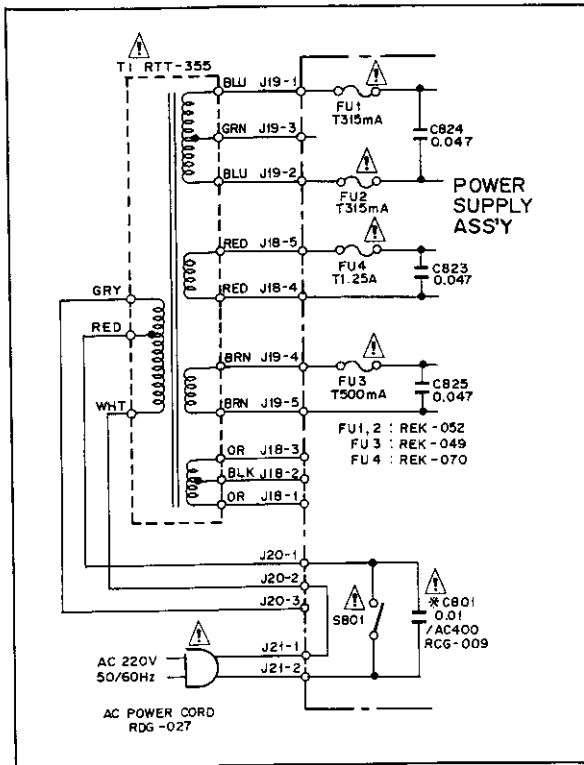


CT-A7/D, HEM, HB, HP

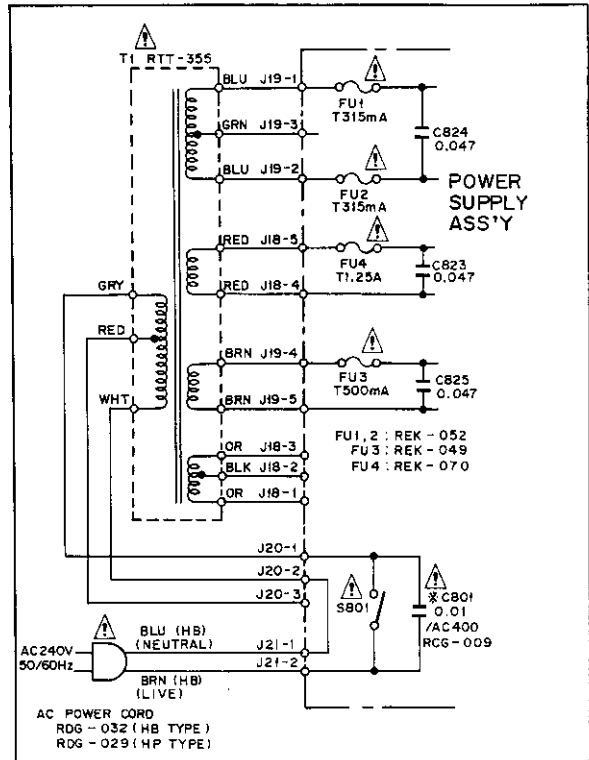
Power Supply Circuit for D Type



Power Supply Circuit for HEM Type



Power Supply Circuit for HB and HP Types



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1. MECHANICAL SECTION OPERATION

Mechanical mode switching in the CT-A7 and CT-A9 is motor driven. The degree of rotational movement in the cam controlling the mechanical modes is fed back to a microcomputer in 4-bit digital code form by a rotary encoder (absolute encoder), thereby forming a loop which controls an assist motor (for mechanical mode switching) to achieve extremely stable and reliable control of the mechanical operations. (See Fig. 1-1).

The capstan motor in the CT-A9 is a quartz PLL DD motor (while the CT-A7 employs a DC servo motor belt drive mechanism). In this closed-loop dual capstan system, the sub-flywheel (left hand capstan) is belt-driven.

The reel motor is controlled by microcomputer commands corresponding to play, record/play, FF, rewind, cue (FF MS — music search), and review rewind MS) modes.

Basic Mechanical Operations

Fig. 1-2 outlines the main drive mechanism in stop mode as seen from the front. The six mechanical modes are (1) eject, (2) FF/rewind, (3) stop, (4) MS (music search), (5) pause, and (6) play.

If the mechanism is in eject or stop mode when the power is switched on, that mode is maintained. If in any other mode, however, the mechanism is returned to stop mode. All mechanical modes are switched in succession in the same order. That is, there is no jumping of the next mode (although in practice, the mechanism is switched to the next mode before operation is started for any unwanted mode).

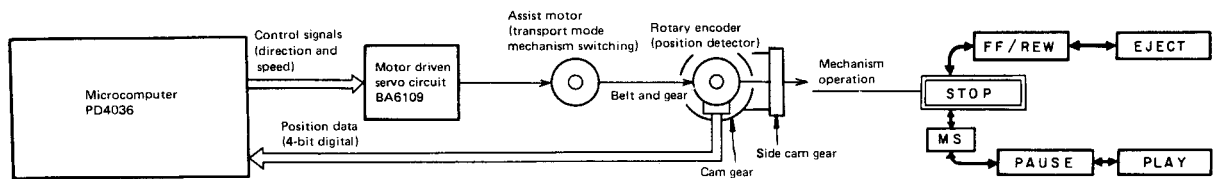


Fig. 1-1 Assist motor control circuit

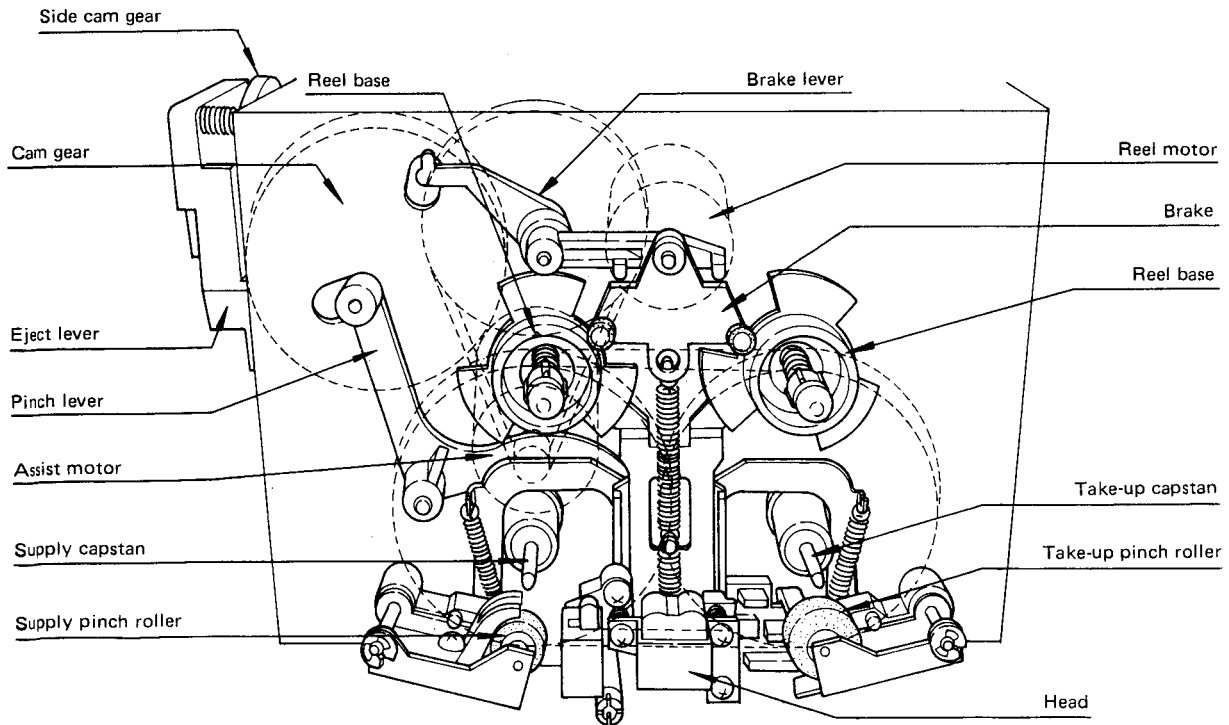
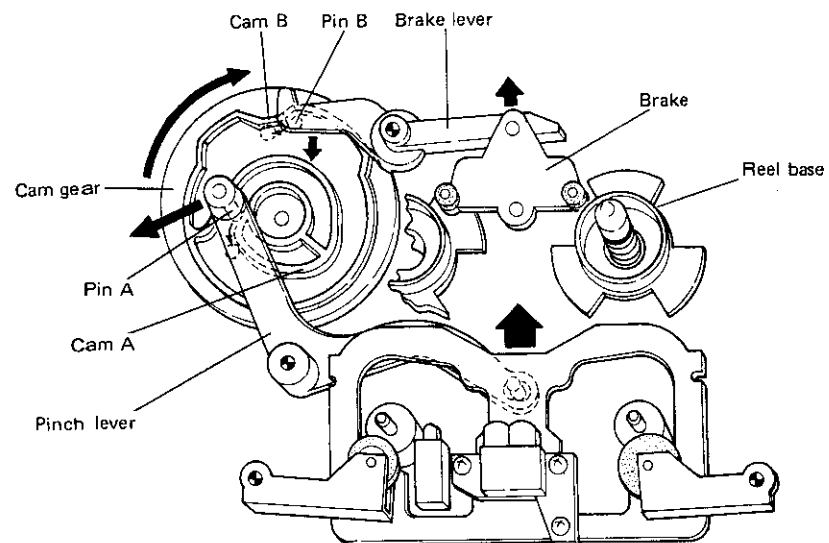


Fig. 1-2 Major mechanical components (Stop mode, frontal view)

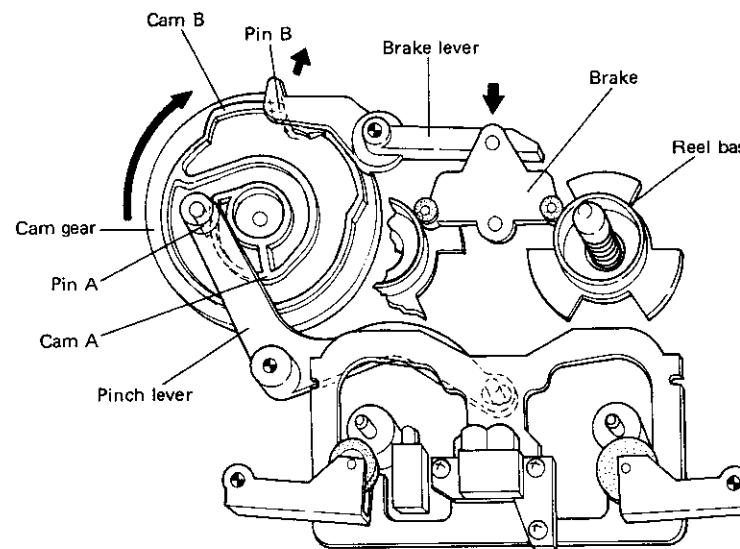
STOP → MS (Music search)

- Head raised
- Brake disengaged (off)



MS → PAUSE

- Brake engaged (on)



PAUSE → PLAY

- Pinch roller engaged
- Brake disengaged

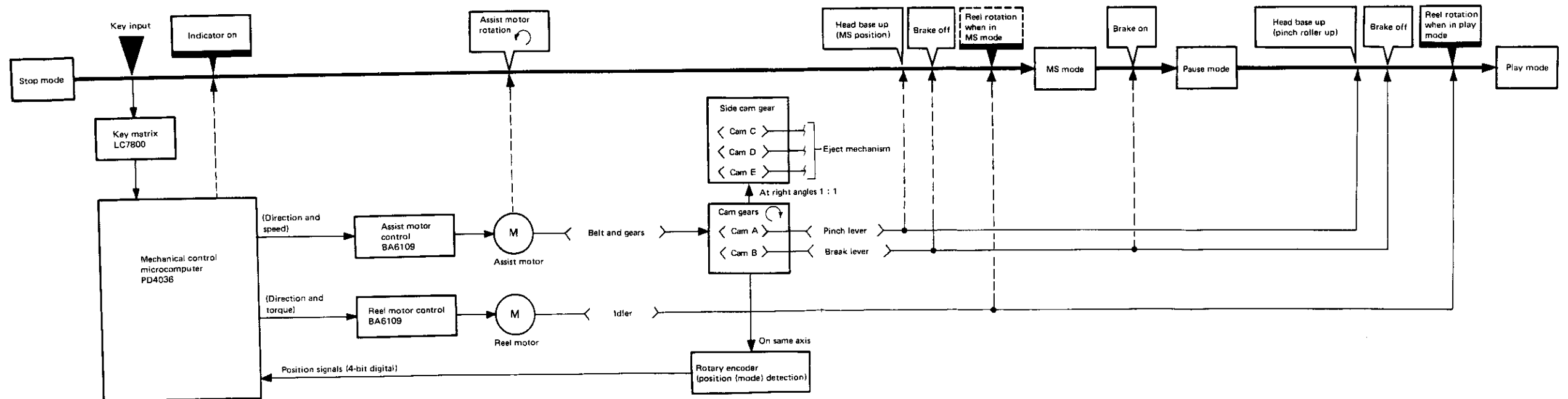
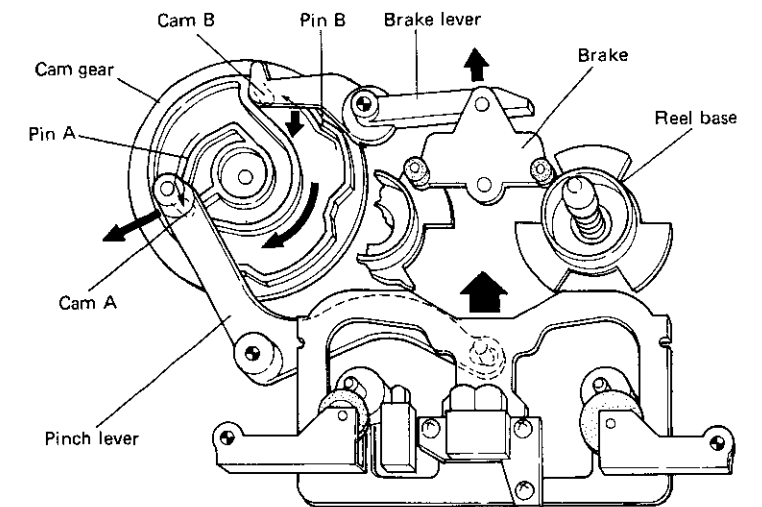
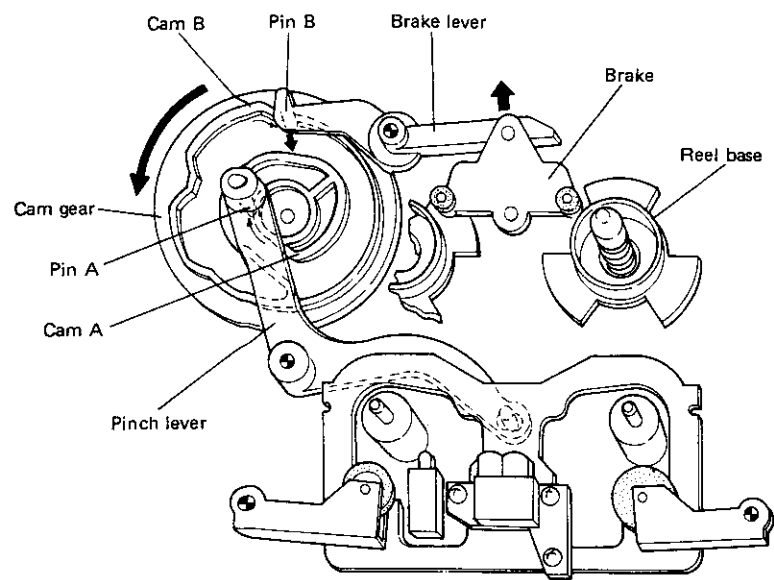
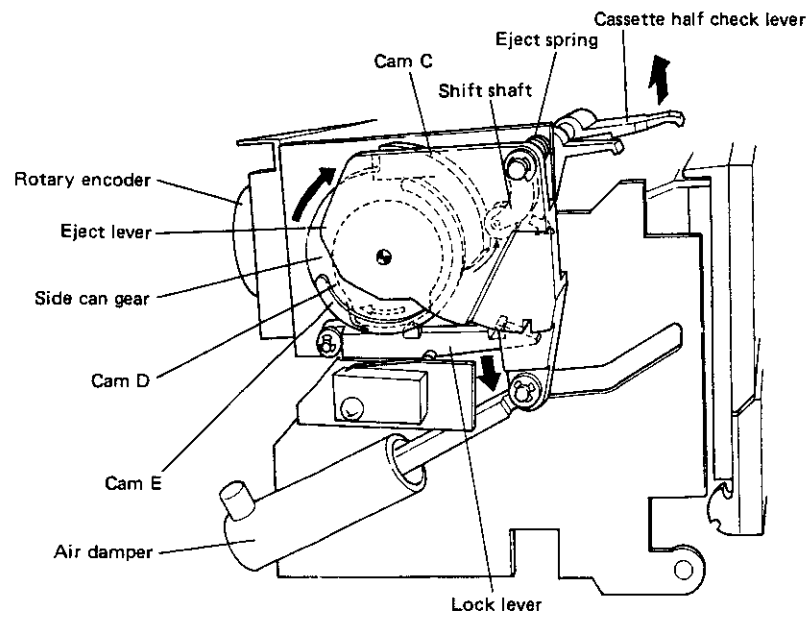


Fig. 1-3 Assist motor forward modes (Stop → MS → Pause → Play)

STOP → FF/REW
 • Brake disengaged (off)



EJECT 1/3
 • Cassette half check lever and detector arm moved back
 • Eject lever unlocked



EJECT 2/3
 • Eject action started

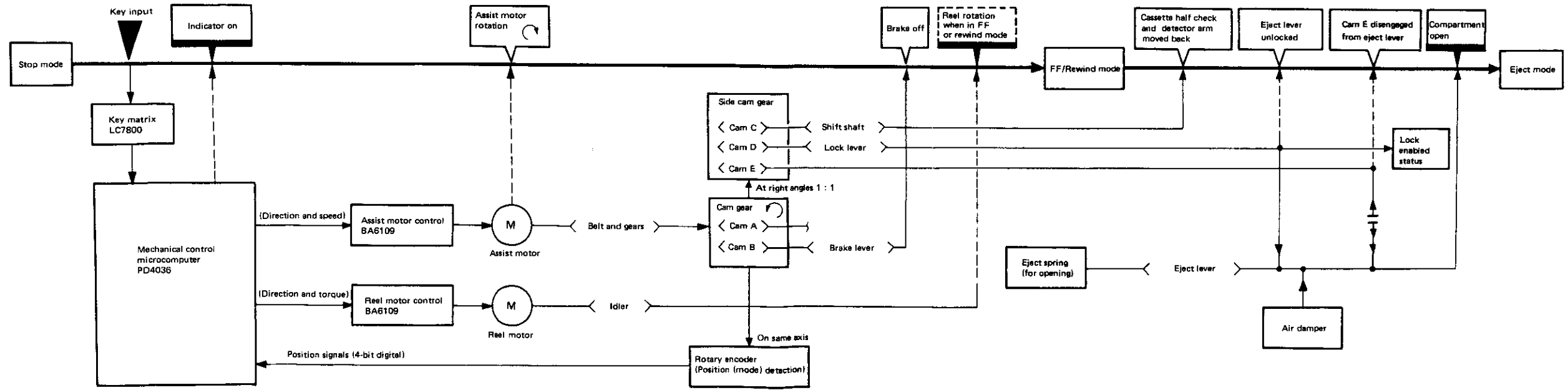
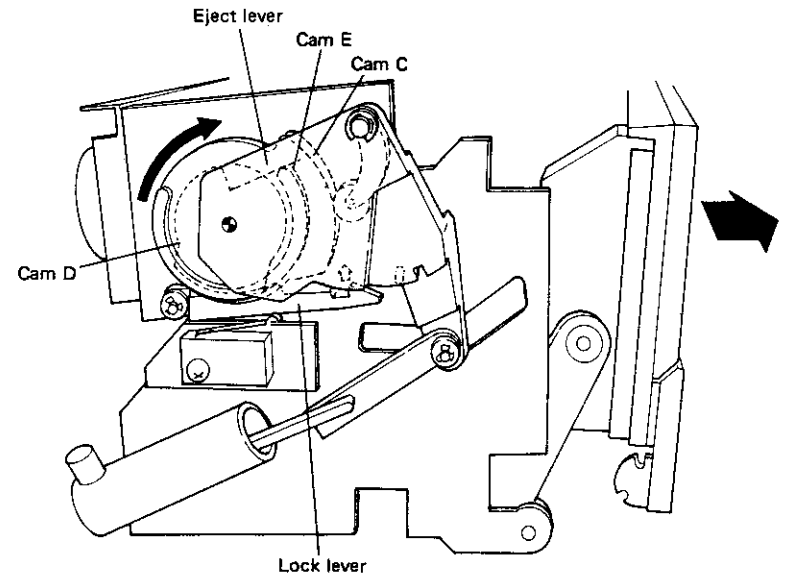
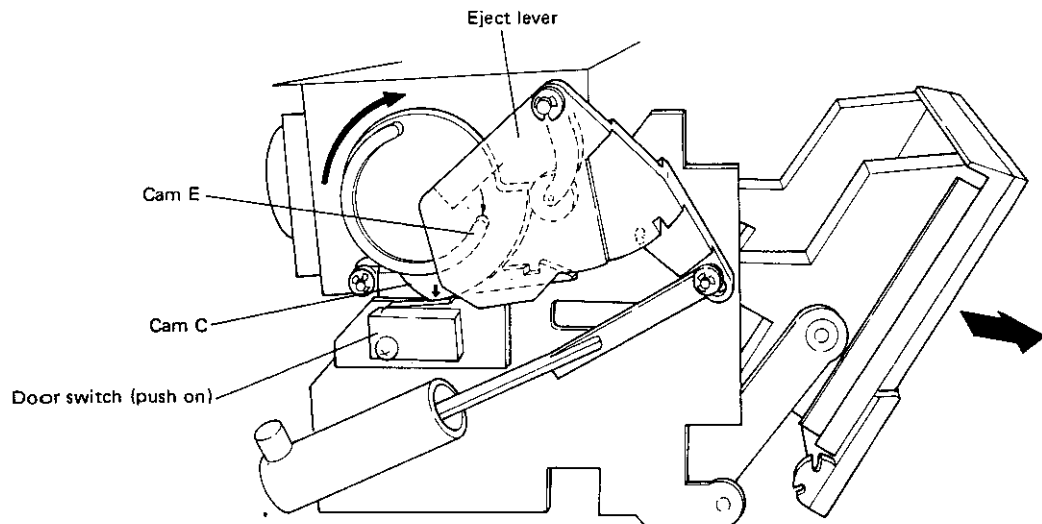


Fig. 1-4 Assist motor reverse modes (Stop → FF/rewind → eject)

EJECT 3/3

- Cam E disengaged from eject lever
- Door switch on



- *Precaution when replacing heads*

Because of the very high precision requirements in tape heads, replacement components are supplied as assembly which also include the head base. Under no circumstances must this tape head assembly (CT-A9: RXX-430, CT-A7: RXX-433) be disassembled.

2. IC TECHNICAL DATA

PD4036 (Function control)

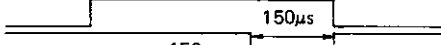
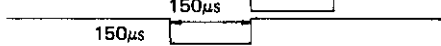

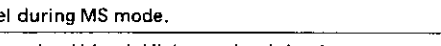
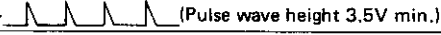
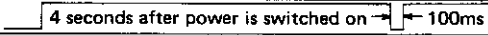
Pin No.	Pin Name	I/O	Description							
1	X2									
2	PAUSE	Output	PAUSE indicator output. H level during pause mode.							
3	REC MUTE	Output	REC MUTE indicator output. H level during normal space mute mode, H/L levels alternated in 640ms cycles during space mute.							
4	REC	Output	REC indicator output. H level during this mode.							
5	PLAY	Output	PLAY indicator output. H level during this mode.							
6	DATA 3	Input	Data input from LC7800	DATA3	KEY4	8	12	16	* Key scan every 20ms. * Data reading executed 50μs after SEL switching.	
7	DATA 2	Input		DATA2	KEY3	7	11	15		
8	DATA 1	Input		DATA1	KEY2	6	10	14		
9	DATA 0	Input		DATA0	KEY1	5	9	13		
10	SEL.D	Output	Data select output passed to LC7800	SEL.D						
11	SEL.C	Output		SEL.C						
12	SEL.B	Output		SEL.B						
13	SEL.A	Output		SEL.A						
14	MS IND.	Output	MS indicator output. H level during MS mode.							
15	ASST SLOW	Output	Assist speed control. Low speed at H level. High speed at L level.							
16	FWD	Output	Assist motor control	Motor stopped when FWD is H and REV is H, Eject mode direction when FWD is L and REV is H, Playback mode direction when FWD is H and REV is L						
17	REV	Output	Assist motor control							
18	RESET	Input	CPU reset input. Reset by H level; normal when L level							
19	OSC 1		Pin for connecting external circuit to internal clock oscillator. f = 200kHz.							
20	VDD		+5V power supply							
21	OSC 2		Pin for connecting external circuit to internal clock oscillator.							
22	SENSING	Input	Sensing input	When reel is rotating →  (Pulse wave height 3.5V min.)						
23	0 PULSE	Input	Counter memory pin. Detection by leading edge of input.							
24	AE 0	Input	Absolute encoder inputs	EJECT	FF/REW	STOP	MS	PAUSE	PLAY	
25	AE 1	Input		AE 0	H	H	L	H	L	L
26	AE 2	Input		AE 1	L	L	L	H	H	L
27	AE 3	Input		AE 2	L	H	H	H	L	L
28	SONG	Input	Blank portion detector pulse input from pin 6 of BA335.							
29	BLE ENABLE	Output	BLE operation enable signal output. H level when enabled, L level when disabled.							
30	TIMER	Output	Timer recording and playback start output 							
31	ML	Output	Reel motor control. H level during left signal output (rewind) operation.							
32	MR	Output	Reel motor control. H level during right signal output (FF, playback) operation.							
33	PLAY OUT	Output	Reel motor torque control. H level: playback torque, L level: FF/rewind torque.							
34	SOURCE	Output	Automatic TAPE/SOURCE switching output. H level when in SOURCE position.							
35	PB MUTE	Output	Playback mute output. L level during playback muting.							
36	LINE MUTE	Output	Line mute output. L level during line muting.							
37	REC MUTE	Output	Record mute output. L level during recording muting.							
38	BIAS	Output	Bias oscillator control output. L level during bias oscillation.							
39	GND		Ground							
40	X1									

Fig. 2-1 PD4036 pin description

LC7800 (Output port expander)

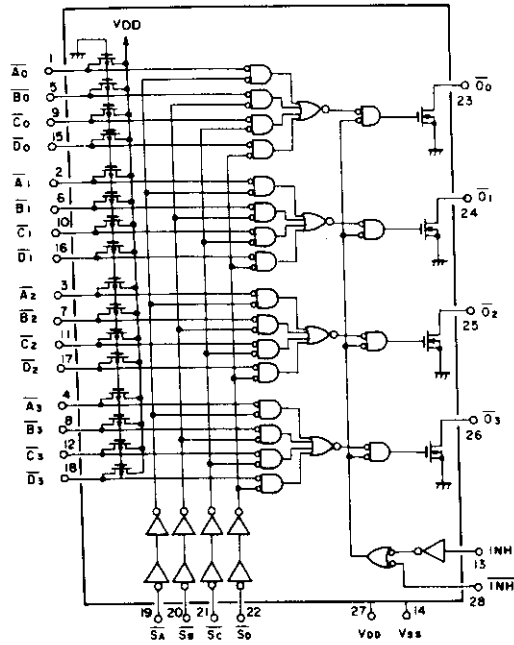


Fig. 2-2 Equivalent circuit of LC7800

INPUT													OUTPUT												
DATA INPUT												SELECT INPUT		INHIBIT INPUT											
A				B				C				D				SA	SB	SC	SD	INH	INH	O0	O1	O2	O3
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NOTE: 1: [H] LEVEL / 0: [L] LEVEL / *: DON'T CARE

Fig. 2-3 Truth table of LC7800

BA335 (MS detector)

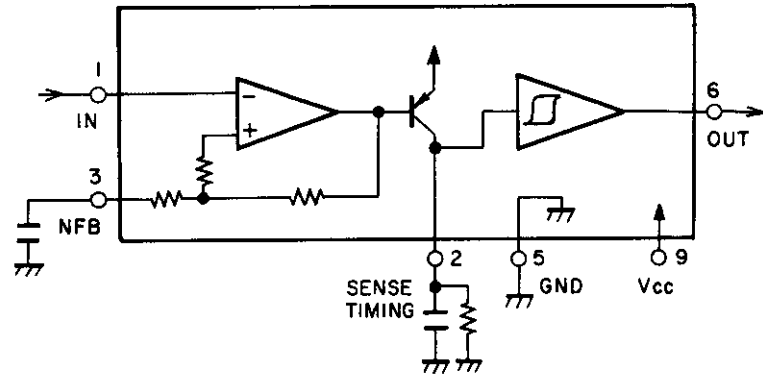


Fig. 2-4 Block diagram of BA335

BA6109 (Motor control)

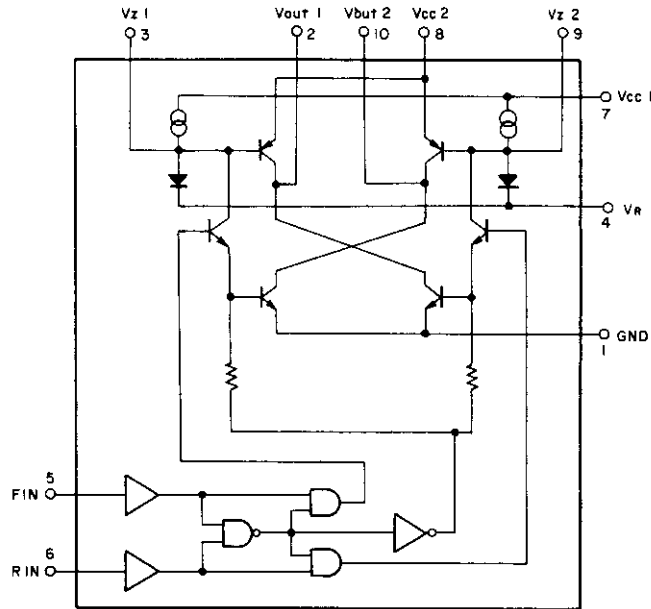


Fig. 2-5 Equivalent circuit of BA6109

Pin No.	Symbol	I/O	Description
1	GND		GND
2	VOUT1	OUT	Motor output (1)
3	Vz1		Output drive (1)
4	V _R		Output voltage setting
5	F IN	IN	Input which sets V OUT 1 to "H"
6	R IN	IN	Input which sets V OUT 2 to "H"
7	VCC1		+B
8	VCC2		Power supply
9	Vz2		Output drive (2)
10	VOUT2	OUT	Motor output (2)

Fig. 2-6 BA6109 pin description

Motor Current Direction	INPUT		OUTPUT			
	F IN	R IN	Vz1	OUT1	Vz2	V OUT2
No current flow	H	H	H	L	H	L
⑩ → ②	L	H	H	L	L	H
② → ⑩	H	L	L	H	H	L
No current flow	L	L	H	L	H	L

Fig. 2-7 Truth table of BA6109

PD6008A (Tape counter driver in CT-A9)



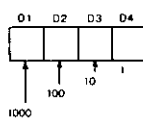
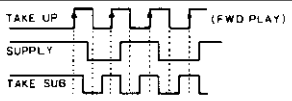
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1	Extal		Pins for connecting external circuit for built-in clock generator. f=3.58MHz.	Waveform obtained between pin 2 ground. 				
2	Xtal							
3	RESET	Input	CPU reset input – reset by L level. Normally at H level.	○				
4	IRQ		Not used.	X				
5	SO			X				
6	SI			X				
7	SC/TO			X				
8	TC			X				
9	TAPE RUN OUT 1	Output		Tape travel indicator 1.	X			
10	TAPE RUN OUT 2	Output	Tape travel indicator 2.	X				
11	TAPE RUN OUT 3	Output	Tape travel indicator 3.	X				
12	TAPE RUN OUT 4	Output	Tape travel indicator 4.	X				
13	SEGMENT DATA a	Output	Segment data a. ON at H level.					
14	SEGMENT DATA b	Output	Segment data b. ON at H level.					
15	SEGMENT DATA c	Output	Segment data c. ON at H level.					
16	SEGMENT DATA d	Output	Segment data d. ON at H level.					
17	SEGMENT DATA e	Output	Segment data e. ON at H level.					
18	SEGMENT DATA f	Output	Segment data f. ON at H level.					
19	SEGMENT DATA g	Output	Segment data g. ON at H level.					
20	— — — — DOT	Output	Segment data dot. ON at H level.					
21	GND		Ground.	○				
22	Rφ		Not used.	X				
23	RI	Input	CPU test program input. Fixed to H level.	X				
24	TAPE RUN SELECT	Input	Tape transport indicated speed switching. H: low speed. L: high speed. Fixed to H level.	X				
25	COUNTER φ PULSE	Output	L level output when tape counter at 0000. Normally at H level. These outputs are obtained irrespective of the indicated mode. (for TAPE RETURN operation).	○				
26	DIGIT 4	Output	DIGIT output 4.					
27	DIGIT 3	Output	DIGIT output 3.					
28	DIGIT 2	Output	DIGIT output 2.					
29	DIGIT 1	Output	DIGIT output 1.					
30	TAKE-UP	Input	Reel rotation sensing pulse input.					
31	SUPPLY	Input	Reel rotation sensing pulse input.					
32	TAKE SUB	Input	Reel rotation sensing pulse input.					
33	FWD/REV	Input	H level when mechanical mode is REV, and L level when FWD.	○				
34	PLAY	Input	L level when mechanical mode is PLAY, REC, PLAY-PAUSE, or REC-PAUSE.	○				
35	FF	Input	L level when mechanical mode is FF.	○				
36	REW	Input	L level when mechanical mode is REW.	○				
37	PAUSE	Input	L level when mechanical mode is PLAY-PAUSE, REC-PAUSE, or PAUSE.	○				
38	TAPE SELECTOR 1	Input	Tape time selector switch input 1.	○				
39	TAPE SELECTOR 2	Input	Tape time selector switch input 2.	C-46L	C-46	C-60	C-90	
				Pin 38	L	L	H	H
40	DISPLAY MODE	Input	Counter display mode selector switch input. L level when switch in ON. Real-time counter ↔ tape counter.	Pin 39	L	H	L	H
41	COUNTER RESET	Input	Tape counter reset switch input. L level when switch in ON.	○				
42	Vcc		+5V power supply.	○				

Fig. 2-8 PD6008A pin description

PD4037 (BLE control in CT-A9)

Pin No.	Pin Name	I/O	Description
1	CL1		Pin for connecting external LC tank circuit to internal clock oscillator.
2	A/D1	In/Out	A/D converter data output/Operation mode command input.
3	A/D2	In/Out	
4	A/D3	In/Out	
5	A/D4	In/Out	
6	$\overline{\text{SENSING}}$	Input		Take-up reel pulse input (tape transport detector)
7	CLEAR	Input	BLE data reset pin. Reset by H, normal at L
8	CK 1	Output	Bias data transfer clock output (H)
9	CK 2	Output	Recording level data transfer clock output (H)
10	CK 3	Output	Left channel recording equalizer data transfer clock output (H)
11	CK 4	Output	Right channel recording equalizer data transfer clock output (H)
12	A/D5	Output	A/D converter data output
13	P RES	Output	A/D converter peak hold reset pulse output (H)
14	$\overline{\text{MUTE}}$	Output	BLE muting output. L level during BLE (line output muting, test tone on, PM9001A operation mode command input inhibited).
15	OSC CONT	Output	Test tone switching control. H: 1kHz, L: 10kHz
16	EQXL 1	Output	Left channel equalizer adjustment range extension output (H)
17	EQXL 2	Output	Left channel equalizer adjustment range extension output (H)
18	EQXR 1	Output	Right channel equalizer adjustment range extension output (H)
19	EQXR 2	Output	Right channel equalizer adjustment range extension output (H)
20	TEST		CPU test input (fixed to H)
21	V _{ss}		Positive power supply (+5V)
22	D/A DATA	Output	Bias, level, and equalizer data outputs (synchronized with CK1 thru CK4)
23	MC 1	Output	Mechanical control output
24	MC 2	Output	Mechanical control output
25	BX 1	Output	Bias control output
26	BX 2	Output	Bias control output
27	O DISP	Output	Over BIAS indicator output (H). H/L alternated during OVER BIAS BLE operation.
28	P DISP	Output	PEAK BIAS indicator output (H). H/L alternated during PEAK BIAS BLE operation.
29	U DISP	Output	UNDER BIAS indicator output (H). H/L alternated during UNDER BIAS BLE operation.
30	B DISP	Output	BIAS adjustment indicator output. H level while BLE bias is being adjusted.
31	L DISP	Output	LEVEL adjustment indicator output. H level while BLE level is being adjusted.
32	E DISP	Output	EQ adjustment indicator output. H level while BLE equalization is being adjusted.
33	COMP L	Input	Input pin for A/D converter comparator output (left channel)
34	COMP R	Input	Input pin for A/D converter comparator output (right channel)
35	$\overline{\text{REC}}$	Input	Recording operation check input (L)
36	$\overline{\text{REW}}$	Input	Rewind operation check input (L)
37	$\overline{\text{O BLE}}$	Input	OVER BIAS BLE start input (L)
38	$\overline{\text{P BLE}}$	Input	PEAK BIAS BLE start input (L)
39	$\overline{\text{U BLE}}$	Input	UNDER BIAS BLE start input (L)
40	$\overline{\text{CROM}}$	Input	Tape type input.
41	V _{GG}		Negative power supply (-5V)
42	CL0		Pin for connecting external LC tank circuit to internal clock oscillator

Fig. 2-9 PD4037 pin description

PM9001A (BLE input/output extension D/A & A/D conversion in CT-A9)

Pin No.	Pin Name	I/O	Description
1	$\overline{\text{IN INH}}$	Input	Input pins for A/D1 thru A/D4 transfer data control. Data input for "L" → A/D conversion (AUTO and TEST A thru C pin inputs inhibited).
2	Vcc		Positive power supply (+5V)
3	A/D5	Input	A/D conversion data input MSB
4	CK 4	Input	Clock input for right channel recording equalizer setting
5	CK 3	Input	Clock input for left channel recording equalizer setting
6	CK 2	Input	Clock input for recording level setting
7	CK 1	Input	Clock input for bias current setting
8	A/D3	In/Out	A/D conversion data input/Operation indicator data output LSB
9	A/D3	In/Out	
10	A/D2	In/Out	
11	A/D1	In/Out	
12	GND		Ground
13	A-M		A/D conversion offset setting pin
14	P-RES	Input	A/D conversion playback input signal peak hold reset input. "H" → Reset
15	ARO2		Peak hold element connector pins
16	ALO2		
17	ARO1		
18	ALO1		
19	AR IN	Input	Right channel playback signal input pin
20	AL IN	Input	Left channel playback signal input pin
21	VEE		Negative power supply (-5V)
22	EQ R04		Right channel recording equalizer variable capacitor connector pin MSB LSB
23	EQ R03		
24	EQ R02		
25	EQ R01		
26	EQ L04		Left channel recording equalizer variable capacitor connector pin MSB LSB
27	EQ L03		
28	EQ L02		
29	EQ L01		
30	LEVEL R0		Right channel recording level variable programmable attenuator
31	LEVEL L0		Left channel recording level variable programmable attenuator
32	BIAS 0		Recording bias variable programmable attenuator
33	$\overline{\text{AUTO}}$	Input	Timer recording OVER BIAS BLE start input "L" active
34	TEST C	Input	Test mode start input "L" active
35	$\overline{\text{TEST B}}$	Input	Timer recording PEAK BIAS BLE start input "L" active
36	$\overline{\text{TEST A}}$	Input	Timer recording UNDER BIAS BLE start input "L" active
37	$\overline{\text{D/A RES}}$	Input	Latch data clear input "L" active
38	D/A DATA	Input	BLE setting serial data input
39	COMP R	Output	Right channel A/D conversion comparator output
40	COMP L	Output	Left channel A/D conversion comparator output

Fig. 2-10 PM9001A pin description

AN6870N (Level meter driver in CT-A7)

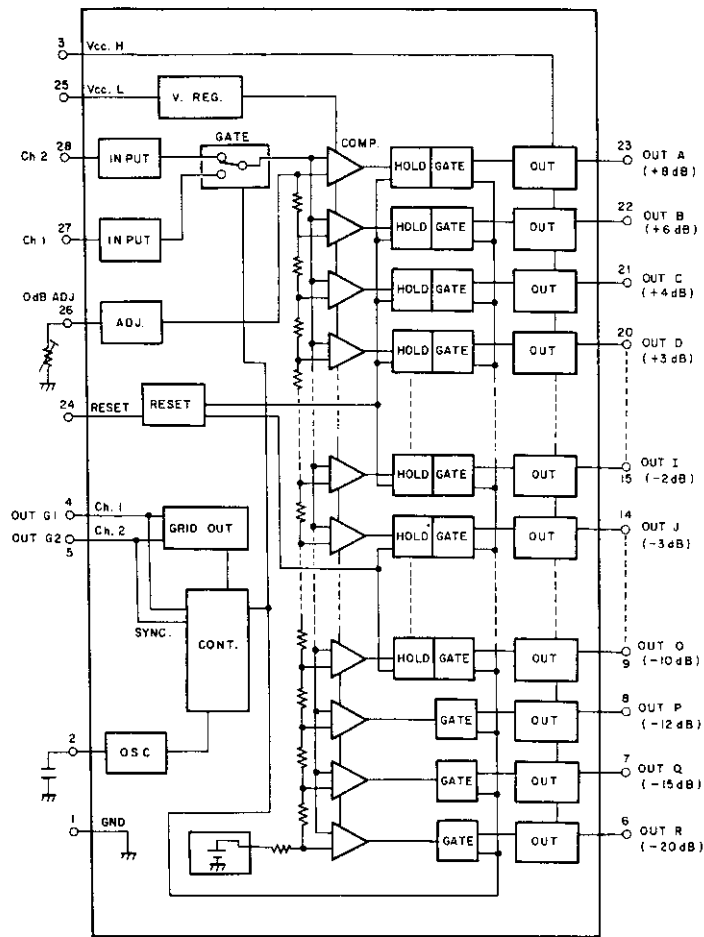


Fig. 2-11 Equivalent circuit of AN6870N

HA12010 (Level meter driver in CT-A9)

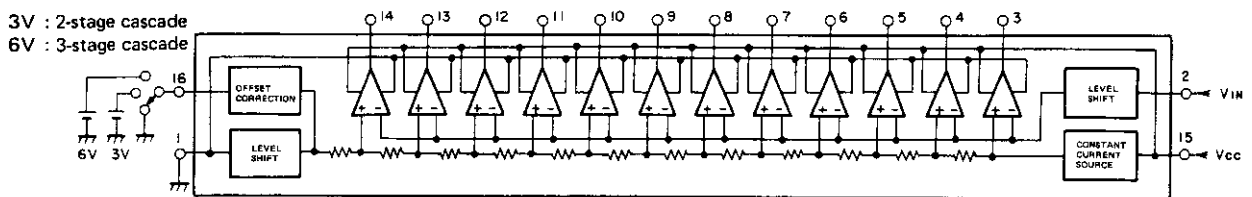
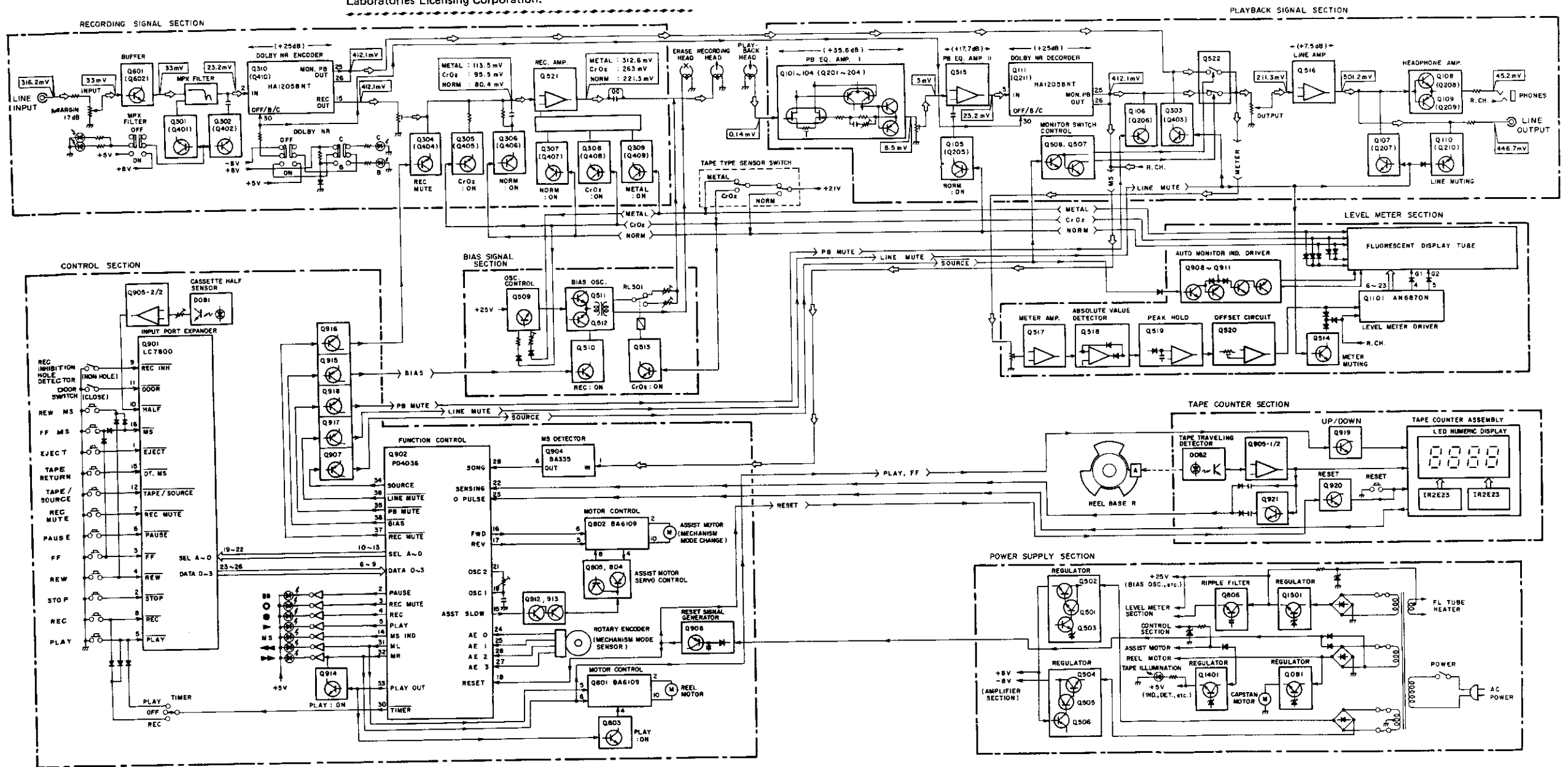


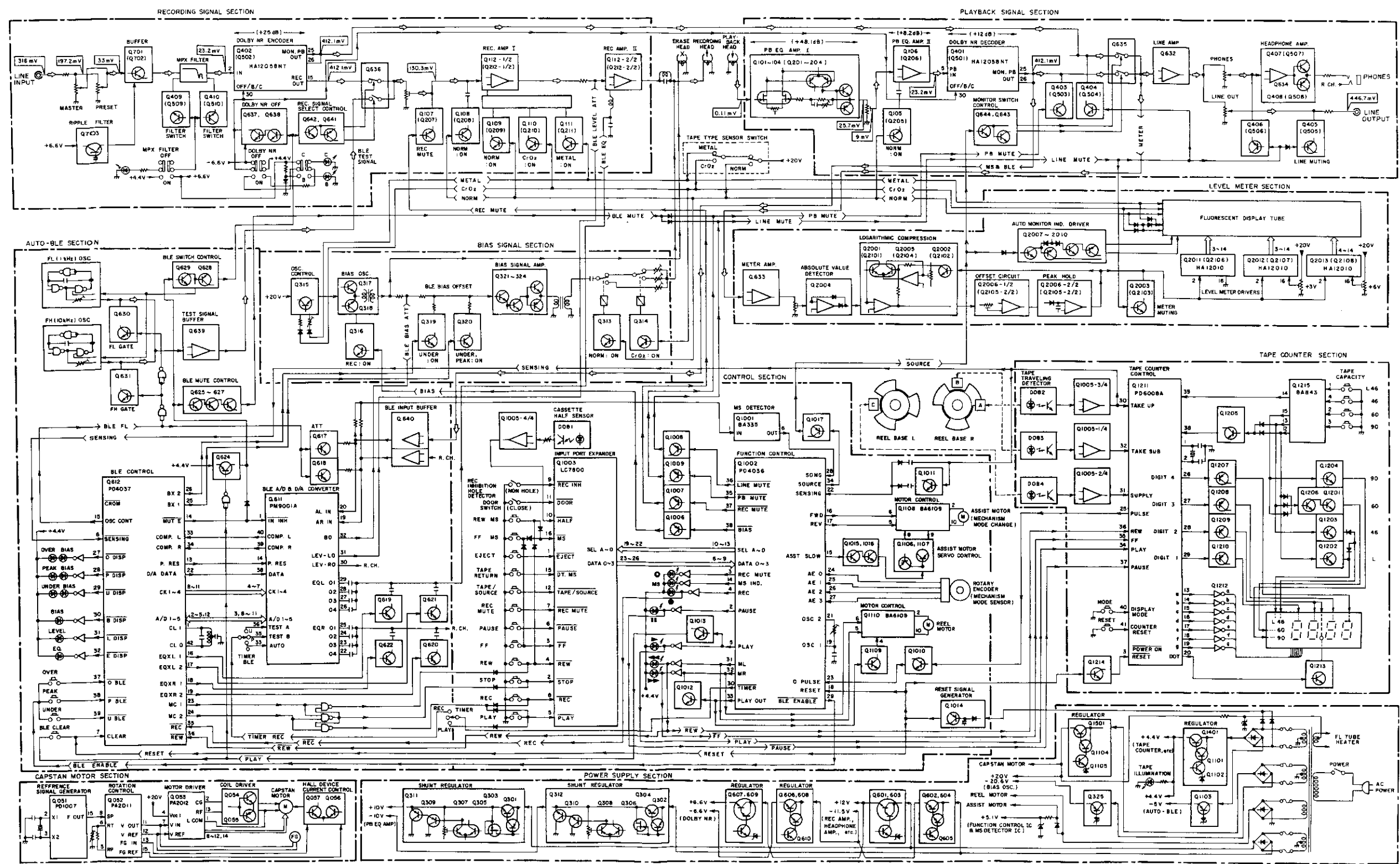
Fig. 2-12 Equivalent circuit of HA12010

3. BLOCK DIAGRAM

CT-A7

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4. CIRCUIT DESCRIPTIONS

The basic circuitry in both CT-A9 and CT-A7 is much the same. The main difference in the mechanism is that where the CT-A9 is equipped with a quartz PLL DD capstan motor and a coreless reel motor, the CT-A7 is belt-driven by a DC servo motor and DC reel motor. In both decks, tape transport is controlled by a closed-loop dual capstan system. The electrical differences lie in the additional functions. The CT-A9 features MOL balance control type AUTO BLE and a real-time tape counter, and includes 35 steps in the level meter display where the CT-A7 has 18.

4.1 OUTLINE OF SIGNAL PATHS

Playback Equalizer Amplifier I (Q101~104, Q201~204)

Dual-FET dual-transistor two-stage differential amplifier, SEPP output stage, and $70\mu\text{s}$ equalizer time constant.

Playback Equalizer Amplifier II (Q515, 105, 205)

Incorporating low-noise operational amplifiers, this circuit handles playback sensitivity compensation, Dolby NR stage matching, and $120\mu\text{s}$ equalizer time constant switching (for NORM tapes).

* Shunt regulator (used in the CT-A9 playback equalizer amplifier power supply).

This shunt regulator contains a constant current circuit used in parallel control to maintain the current at a constant level when the load current is changed. The power supply impedance is therefore very low, while distortion and crosstalk from other circuits via the power supply are also greatly reduced.

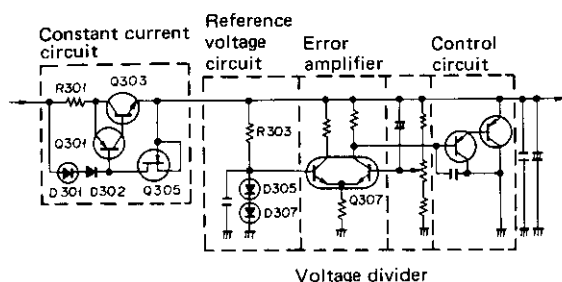


Fig. 4-1 Shunt regulator

Playback Dolby NR Section (Q401 & Q501 in CT-A9, and Q111 and Q211 in CT-A7)

HA12058NT-01 (Note) is used as the Dolby NR B/C IC, and operation is in conformity with PA3012.

NOTE:

Since encoding and decoding are executed in separate ICs, operational characteristics must be organized selectively. There are six specific ranks.

Line Output Amplifier (Q632 in CT-A9, and Q516 in CT-A7)

Low-noise operational amplifiers.

Headphone Amplifier

* CT-A9 (Q634, 407, 408, 507, 508)

Operational amplifiers in the input stage, and SEPP composition in the output stage. Separate level controls.

* CT-A7 (Q108, 109, 208, 209)

The same circuitry is used in CT-A9 with the exception of the level control.

Lind Input Buffer (Q701 and Q702 in CT-A9, and Q601 and Q602 in CT-A7)

Emitter-follower buffer amplifier. Changes in input impedance at different REC level control positions prevented. Buffering to next stage MPX filter.

Recording Dolby NR Section (Q402 and Q502 in CT-A9, and Q310 and Q410 in CT-A7)

HA12058NT-01 (Note) is used as the Dolby NR B/C IC, and operation is in conformity with PA3012.

Recording Amplifier

* CT-A9 (Q112 and Q212)

2-stage operational amplifier composition with separate recording equalizer amplifiers for each tape type.

* CT-A7 (Q521)

Operational amplifiers with separate recording equalizer amplifiers for each tape type.

Bias Oscillator Circuit (Q317 and Q318 in CT-A9, and Q512 and Q512 in CT-A7)

Two-transistor push-pull type where oscillator strength is changed by power supply voltage switching. Different bias currents for each tape type.

Automatic Switching of Tape Monitor Output

The function control microcomputer (PD4036) includes one KEY input and one control output (SOURCE) for switching the tape monitor output. The signal path is switched by electronic switch (TC4066BP). In addition to automatic switching to source monitor during recording standby mode and tape monitor during recording and playback modes, manual switching (cyclic) by KEY input is also possible. The PD4036 generates a line muting output signal 0.2ms to 0.5ms prior to switching of the monitor output switching control signal, and cancels the muting 20ms after the monitor output has been switched, thereby blocking the output of any switching noise.

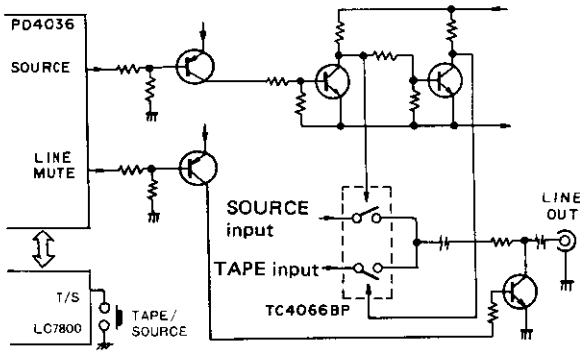


Fig. 4-2 Automatic tape monitor output switching circuit

Level Meter Circuit

* CT-A9

1. Line output signal is amplified by Q633.
2. Full-wave rectification (absolute value detection) is achieved by Q2004 and D2001 thru D2004.
3. The signal is compressed by a logarithmic compression circuit by using the transistor's non-linearity.
4. Signal offset is achieved in the offset circuit for level meter matching purposes.
5. Meter attack characteristics are determined by R2025 and C2006 (or R2111 and C2103) while the recovery characteristics are determined by C2006 and R2026 (or C2103 and R2112).
6. The signal compression characteristics are largely determined by the R2015 to R2016 (or R2103 to R2104) ratio. And since meter display is changed in 5dB steps below -15dB and in 1dB steps above -15dB, the compression characteristics are changed below -15dB by turning Q2002 (Q2102) on.
7. The 35-segment FL meter drive involves a 3-stage cascade connection of the 12-segment IC HA12010, and 0V, 3V, and 6V offset of pin 16 which determines the minimum indicated level. (11 segments are covered by Q2013 and Q2108).

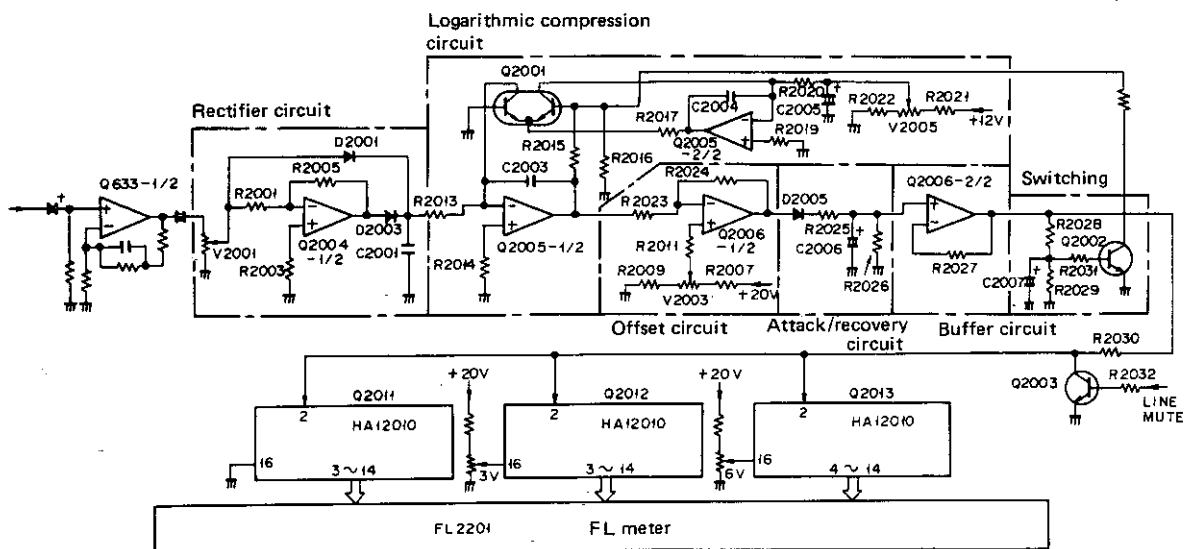


Fig. 4-3 Level meter circuit (CT-A9)

* CT-A7

1. Line output signal is amplified by Q517.
2. Full-wave rectification (absolute value detection) is achieved by Q518, D106, and D107, resulting in a negative DC voltage.
3. Meter attack characteristics are determined by R167 and C136 while the recovery characteristics are determined by R168 and C136. Q519 is a buffer amplifier.
4. Q520 is for phase inversion and signal offset to enable level matching of the meter.
5. The FL meter is driven by the level meter drive IC AN6870N. This IC is a two-channel dynamic type which incorporates an 18-point logarithmic scale generator comparator. A single basis to drive the left and right channels.

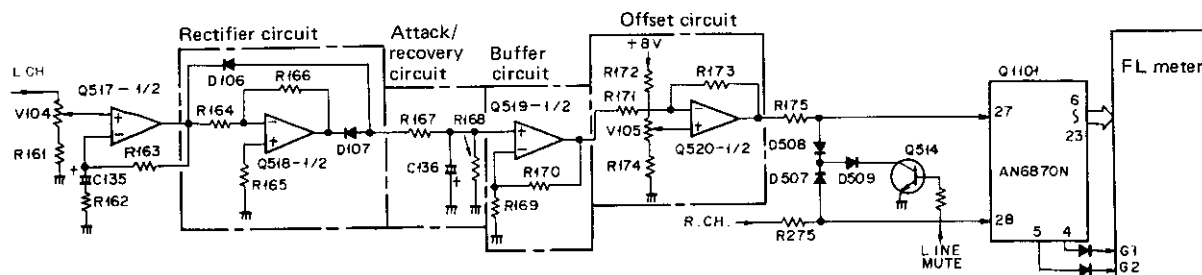


Fig. 4-4 Level meter circuit (CT-A7)

4.2 CONTROL FUNCTION CIRCUITS

Reset Circuit

The reset output signal generated by the reset circuit shown in Fig. 4-5 is generated when the power is switched on and off. This signal is used to reset the function control IC (PD4036) and the tape counter (to 0000), and also to clear the BLE data (CT-A9).

An AC voltage (secondary coil of the power transformer) is applied across A and A' (see diagram), resulting in a +5V power supply with a more rapid trailing edge than the PD4036 power supply being connected to point E.

When the power is switched on, the potential at point C drops sharply (small R1·C1 time constant), resulting in D1 being cut off, and the potential at point D increasing at a slow rate (due to the R3·C2 time constant). Q1 remains on until the potential difference between points D and E is less than 0.6V, and the voltage generated in R4 by the Q1 collector current becomes the reset signal.

When the power is switched off, the potential at point D drops due to the R2·C1/C2 time constant, Q1 being turned on when the potential drops to more than 0.6V below the potential at point E, again resulting in the output of a reset signal from point F. Although the potentials at

points E and F decrease because of the falling power supply, the decrease in the PD4036 power supply is relatively more gradual, thereby permitting the generation of the reset signal.

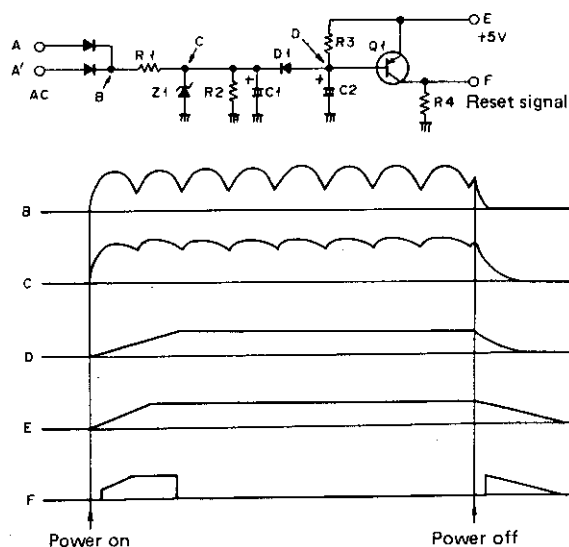


Fig. 4-5 Reset circuit

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Mechanical Mode Detector Section

In both the CT-A7 and CT-A9, mechanical operation modes are switched by a special motor (the assist motor) where precise control is achieved by a digital feedback servo control mechanism.

Changes in the degree of rotation of the cam gear which governs the tape transport mechanism modes are converted into 4-bit digital data by a rotary encoder (absolute encoder — see Fig. 4-6) mounted on the same axis as the cam. This data is then fed back to a control microcomputer.

Reel Motor Control Circuit

Rotational direction is determined by control signals applied to pins 5 and 6 of the motor drive control IC BA6109. And by reducing the voltage at pin 4 during playback mode, the take-up torque is decreased. Since the PD4036 is not equipped with pins for FF and rewind (cue and review) mode indication, these signals are obtained from the above reel motor control signals. And in the CT-A9, as the care-less reel motor is started sharply, the take-up torque is decreased by C1124 for a very short time.

Assist Motor (Mechanical Mode Switching) Drive Circuit

Constant speed rotation (two switchable speeds) is obtained by bridge servo control employing the motor drive control IC BA6109. Normal mechanical mode changes are made at high speed (L level output at pin 15 of PD4036). And during eject operations, FF/rewind mode is executed at high speed, while the change to eject mode is made at low speed (H level output at pin 15). The tape loading operation is also executed at low speed.

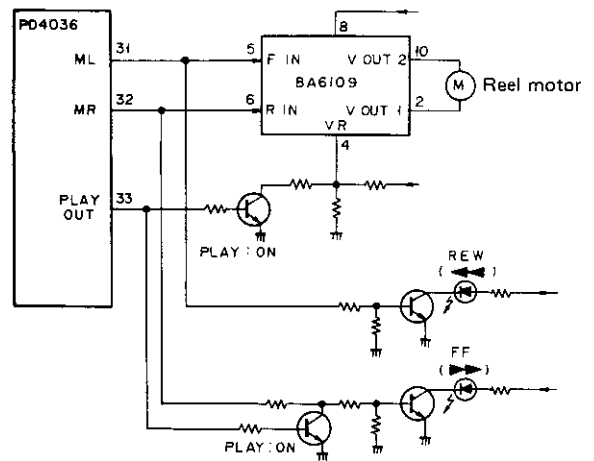


Fig. 4-7 Reel motor drive circuit

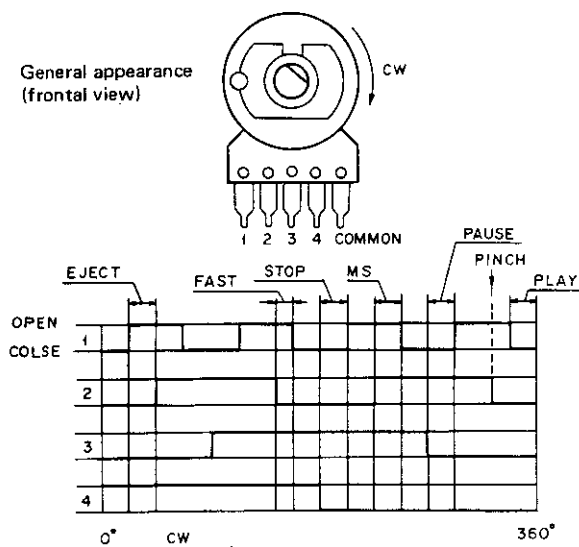


Fig. 4-6 Rotary encoder

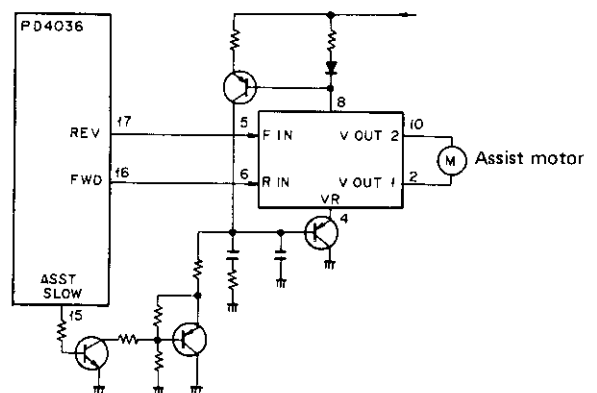


Fig. 4-8 Assist motor drive circuit

Tape Transport Detector Circuit

This detector circuit is used for tape end operations (auto stop) and ATLC operations (automatic tape slack control). Using a photo-interrupter in the detector section, rotation of three blades mounted on the reel base (right hand reel) interrupts the photo-coupling between an LED and phototransistor in an intermittent fashion. The electric signals obtained from this action are subsequently used to form pulse signals which are applied to pin 22 of PD4036. If input of these pulse signals is stopped for more than three seconds, tape transport mechanism is switched to stop mode.

And in the CT-A7, these pulse signals are counted and used to operate the tape counter. The CT-A9 is equipped with an additional two photo-interrupters (one on the left hand reel and one on the right) to operate the real-time tape counter.

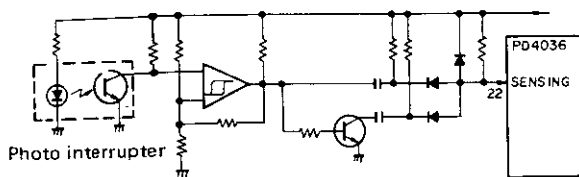


Fig. 4-9 Tape transport detector circuit

Blank Portion Detector Circuit

The blank tape portion detector IC (BA335) is used in MS (music search) operations. A CUE or REVIEW playback signal is applied to pin 1 of BA335 where it is selected by comparator, resulting in Tr1 being turned on and capacitor C connected to pin 2 being charged up. Pin 6 is at H level at this time.

Tr1 is turned off when the input signal is stopped, resulting in capacitor C being discharged and pin 6 being switched to L level about 70ms later.

The MS FF and MS REW buttons activate the MS key input together with the FF key or REW key input, thereby enabling MS operations to be started by single push-button operations.

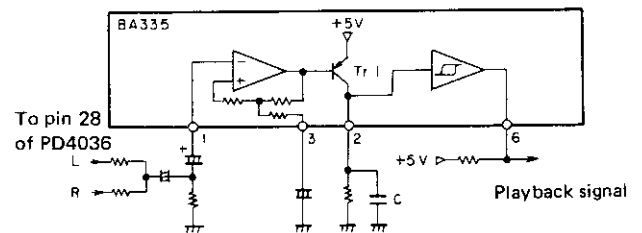


Fig. 4-10 Blank portion detector circuit

Cassette Half Detector

A photo-interrupter is mounted in the bottom right hand corner of the cassette compartment. When a cassette half is loaded, the photo-coupling between a phototransistor and LED is disconnected, thereby detecting the presence of the cassette half. If the cassette half is almost transparent, however, detecting its presence may not be possible.

Door Detector (Eject Detector)

A switch located on the left hand side of the mechanism is switched on by the cam action of the side cam gear when switching to eject mode, thereby detecting the change to eject mode. Since the input applied to PD4036 is generated from the key input matrix via LC7800, it is applied every 20ms.

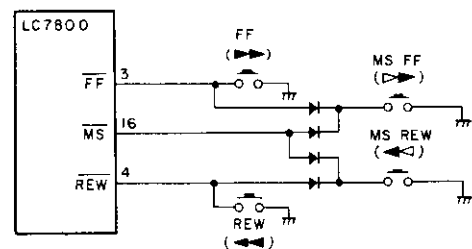


Fig. 4-11 MS key input circuit

4.3 REAL-TIME TAPE COUNTER (CT-A9)

Employing the tape counter control IC PD6008A, the counter drive section of this circuit is much the same as in the CT-90R and CT-9R. The major differences lie in detection of tape transport mode by photo-interrupter, and the addition of logic and display circuits to handle TAPE CAPACITY switching by non-lock switch. (See Fig. 4-12).

The TAPE CAPACITY switching circuit includes a mechanical control IC (BA843 — used in standard class tape decks) where key input latching and PD6008A key input signals are generated. (See Fig. 4-13).

When the Power is Switched On

1. Q1214 is turned on by the reset signal.
2. PD6008A is reset when pin 3 is switched to L level, resulting in the display mode being switched to tape counter, and the display being cleared to "0000".

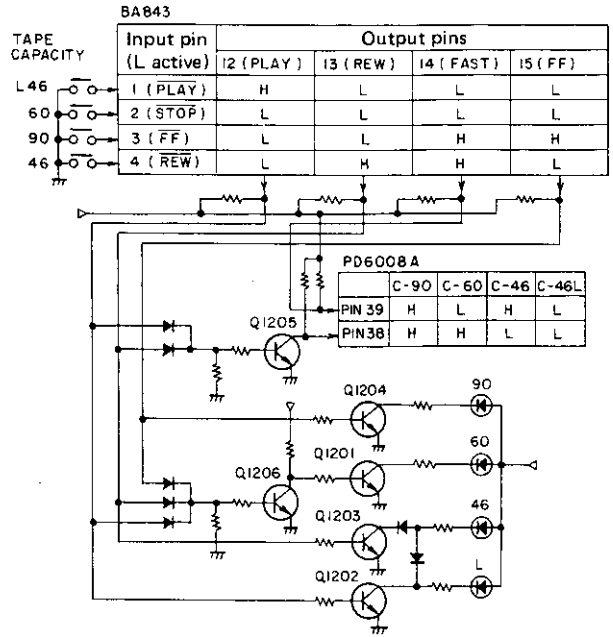


Fig. 4-12 Real-time tape counter circuit

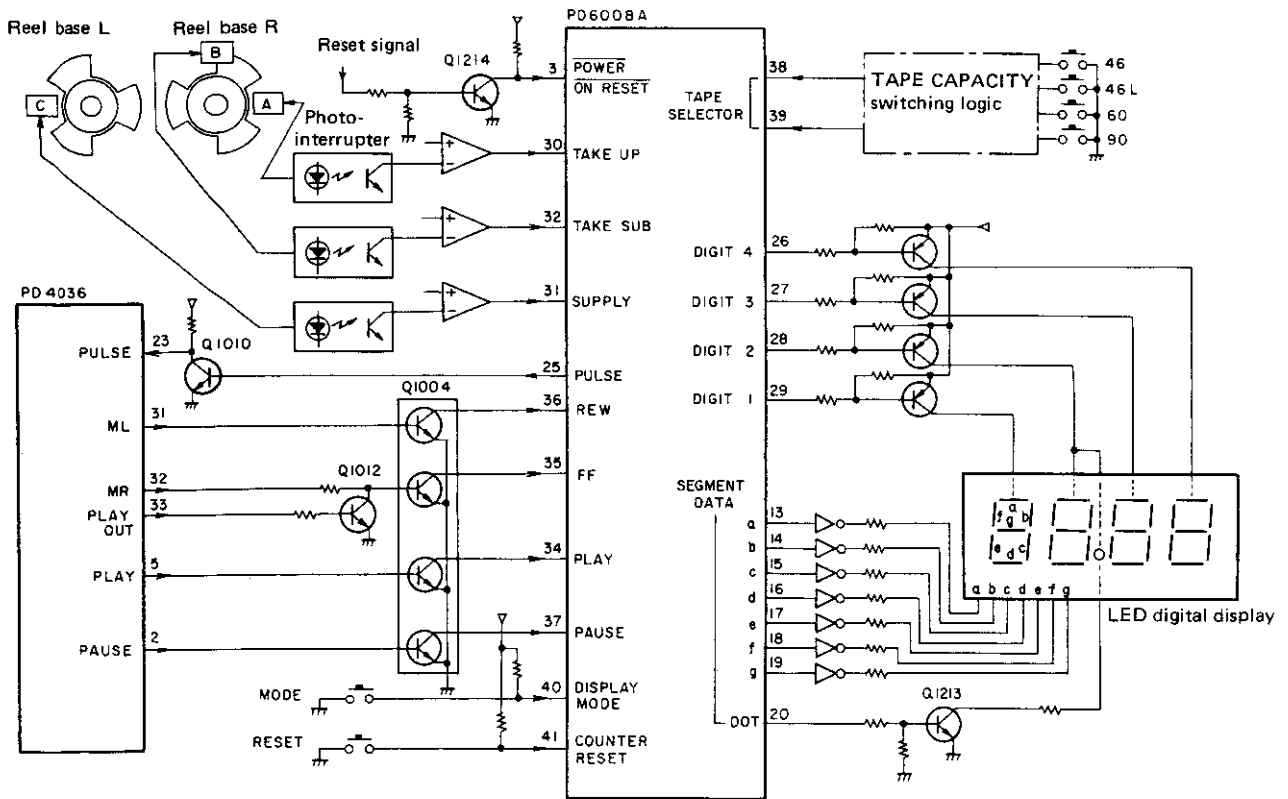


Fig. 4-13 TAPE CAPACITY switching circuit

Operation as Normal Tape Counter

1. Photo-coupling is interrupted at regular intervals by photo-interrupter during tape transport (when the reel base is rotating), resulting in pulse signals being applied to pins 30 thru 32 of PD6008A.
2. The direction of tape transport is detected by the phase relationship between the input pulse signals applied to pins 30 and 32. The input pulses are consequently counted up or down, and the number shown in the LED display is changed accordingly.

Counter Display Resetting

When the RESET button is pressed, an "L" level input is applied to pin 41 of PD6008A, and the tape counter is cleared to "0000". If the display mode has been switched to real-time counter, the display is switched to "0000" while the RESET button remains depressed. But since real-time counter operations are continued in the PD6008A, the real-time counter display is resumed as soon as the RESET button is released.

Operation as Real-time Counter

When the TIME/TAPE button is pressed, an "L" input is applied to pin 40 of PD6008A, and the counter mode is changed to cyclic.

1. During real-time counter mode, pin 20 of PD6008A is at "H" level, Q1213 is on, and the dot indicator lights up.

2. Arithmetic operations are executed on the difference between cycle periods of the inputs applied to pins 30 and 31 of PD6008A (that is, changes in rpm occurring during tape travel), tape type data applied from pins 38 and 39, and mechanical operation mode data applied from pins 34 thru 37.
3. Since there is no display data during the first few seconds while this processing is taking place, pin 20 is changed to L and H levels alternately, resulting in Q1213 being switched on and off, and the dot indicator blinking on and off. Upon completion of the arithmetic operations, the remaining tape time is displayed, pin 20 is fixed to H level, and dot indicator remains on.
4. The above arithmetic operations are executed constantly during tape transport, resulting in constant correcting of the remaining time display. This display is changed in 1 second steps during normal transport modes (recording and playback), and in 10 second steps during fast transport modes (FF and rewind).
5. If tape transport is switched to stop or pause mode, the display value which has just been reached is held.

4.4 AUTO-BLE (CT-A9)

The Automatic Bias Level Equalizer Tuning System (AUTO-BLE) featured in the CT-A9 automatically adjusts the recording bias current,

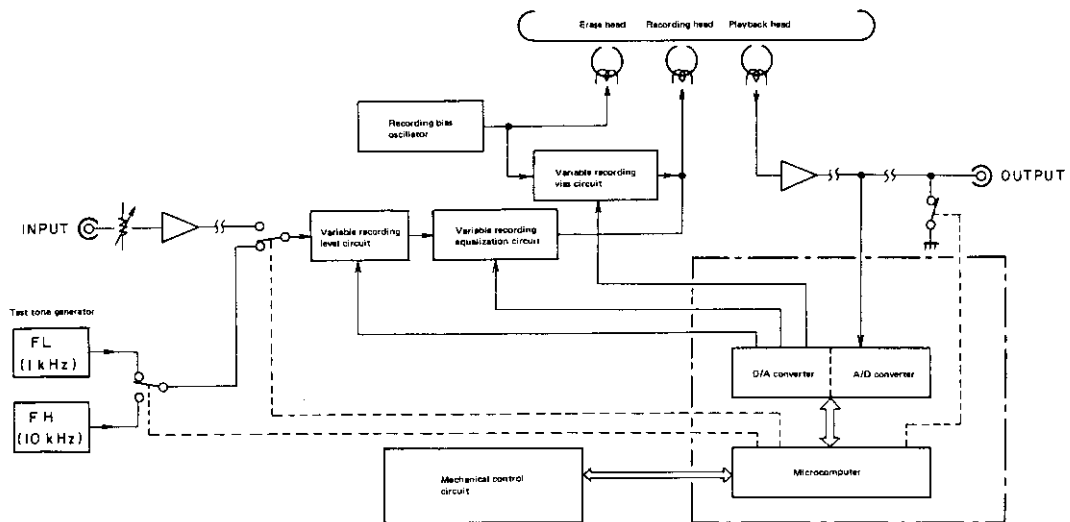


Fig. 4-14 AUTO-BLE block diagram

the recording level, and the recording equalization to obtain optimum recording conditions for the cassette tape to be used. This function is also capable of offsetting the bias adjustment point by about $\pm 1.5\text{dB}$ in respect to the source signal. The three separate conditions which can be achieved are referred to as UNDER BIAS BLE, PEAK BIAS BLE, and OVER BIAS BLE respectively.

The recording equalization and level in these conditions are adjusted so as to obtain a flat frequency response and the specified recording level at the specified bias point.

The circuit consists of PD4037 (4-bit micro-computer) and PM9001A (AUTO-BLE IC) where various control operations and decision required for automatic adjustment are executed in addition to storage of data. (See Fig. 4-14). The A/D circuit is used during adjustment operations to

convert playback signal levels into digital signals capable of being processed by the microcomputer. The variable recording bias current circuit can vary the bias current in 16 steps by using a programmable attenuator in the bias oscillator output circuit. And with an additional attenuator circuit, UNDER, PEAK, and OVER BIAS settings can be made. The variable recording level circuit can vary the recording level in 16 steps by using a programmable attenuator in the pre-stage of the recording amplifier. The variable recording equalization circuit exchanges the programmable attenuator resistor for a capacitor to change the LC resonance frequency in the recording amplifier feedback circuit, thereby achieving 64-step equalization characteristics. (Although the PM9001A is based on 4-bits internally, 2 additional bits are obtained from PD4037 to enable 6-bit control).

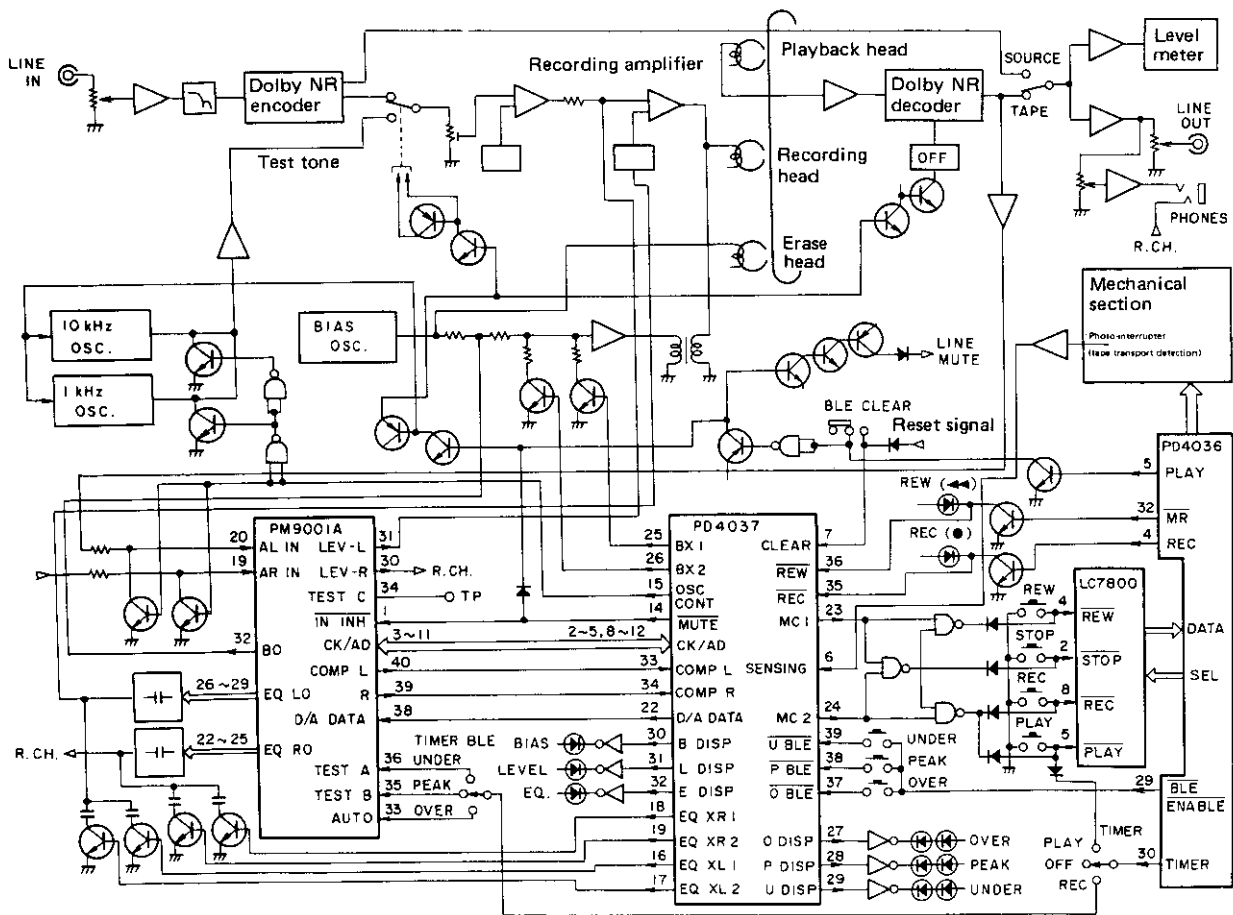


Fig. 4-15 AUTO-BLE circuit

AUTO-BLE Operation

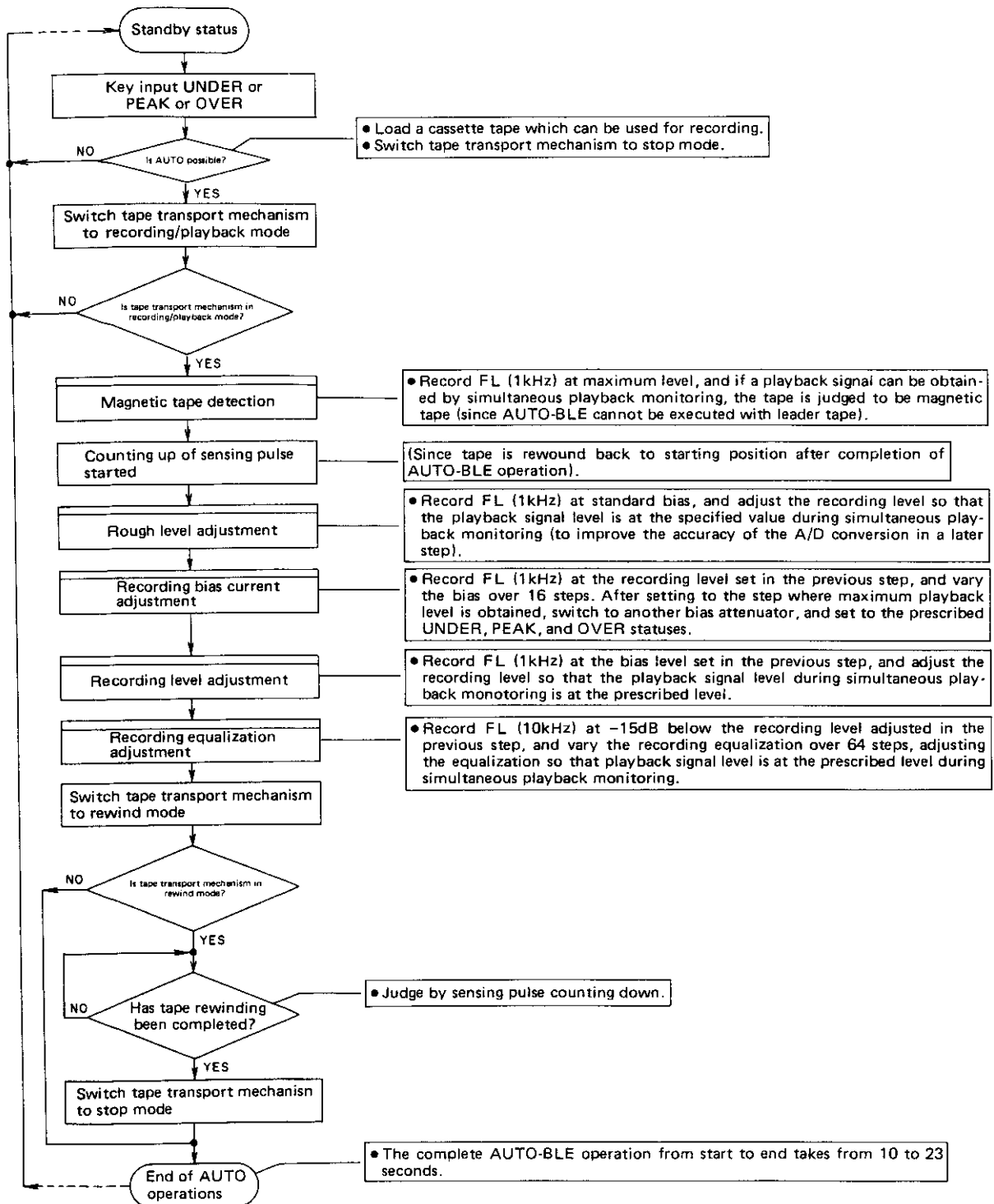


Fig. 4-16 AUTO-BLE operation flowchart

4.5 CAPSTAN MOTOR CIRCUIT (CT-A9)

Speed Detector

When the DD (direct drive) motor is running at a constant rpm, a 726Hz output signal is obtained from an FG coil incorporated in that motor. This signal is passed to PA2011 where it is amplified in an FG amplifier stage before being passed to an F-V converter. Then following waveform rectification by a Schmidt trigger, the frequency is converted into a voltage by the Ct, Co, and Rt time constant circuit.

Reference Phase Generator

A 7.4283MHz signal generated by a crystal resonator in PD1007 is divided by 5120 to obtain a 1450.8Hz output. Then after the frequency of this signal is halved in PA2011, the signal phase is converted into a voltage by a P-V converter, and the voltage signal is passed to an F-V converter via Rp.

Rotational Control

The voltage obtained from the F-V and P-V converters are converted by sample hold circuit into a DC voltage which is passed via a buffer amplifier to PA2012. This voltage is compared by a differential amplifier in PA2012 with a reference voltage output from pin 12 of PD2011, the resultant differential voltage being used to determine the current passed through the motor coil. If the motor speed is slow, the input voltage is lower than the reference voltage, and a current corresponding to the differential voltage is passed. And if the motor speed is fast, the input voltage is higher than the reference voltage, resulting in the current being cut off.

Drive Circuit

Hall elements Ha and Hb are mounted in a way that produces a 90° phase difference in the respective output voltages. Voltage waveform signals (see Fig. 4-17) generated by a position signal synthesizer circuit are passed to the drive circuit. The respective switching of LA, Ls, and LCOM, and the subsequent motor drive operations are dependent on these signals. The coil current at this time is proportional to the PA2012 differential amplifier input potential difference.

Although a large torque is required when starting the motor, the torque required when running at a constant speed is not so large. For this reason, whereas the waveform of the current passed through the Hall elements when starting up is as shown by the full lines in Fig. 4-17, the waveform is smoothed out as shown by the dotted lines once constant speed is reached. This results in further reduction of motor vibration.

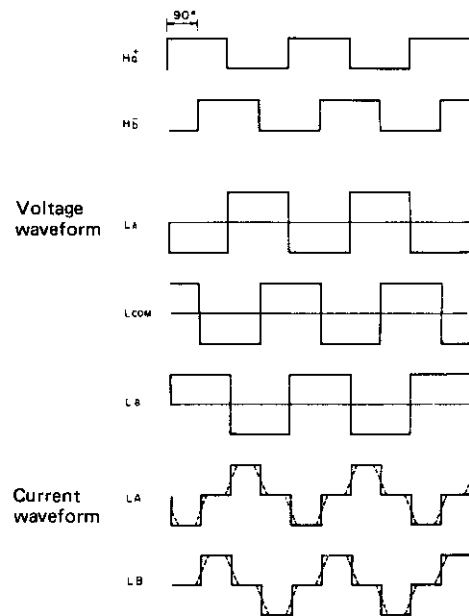


Fig. 4-17 Motor drive circuit waveforms

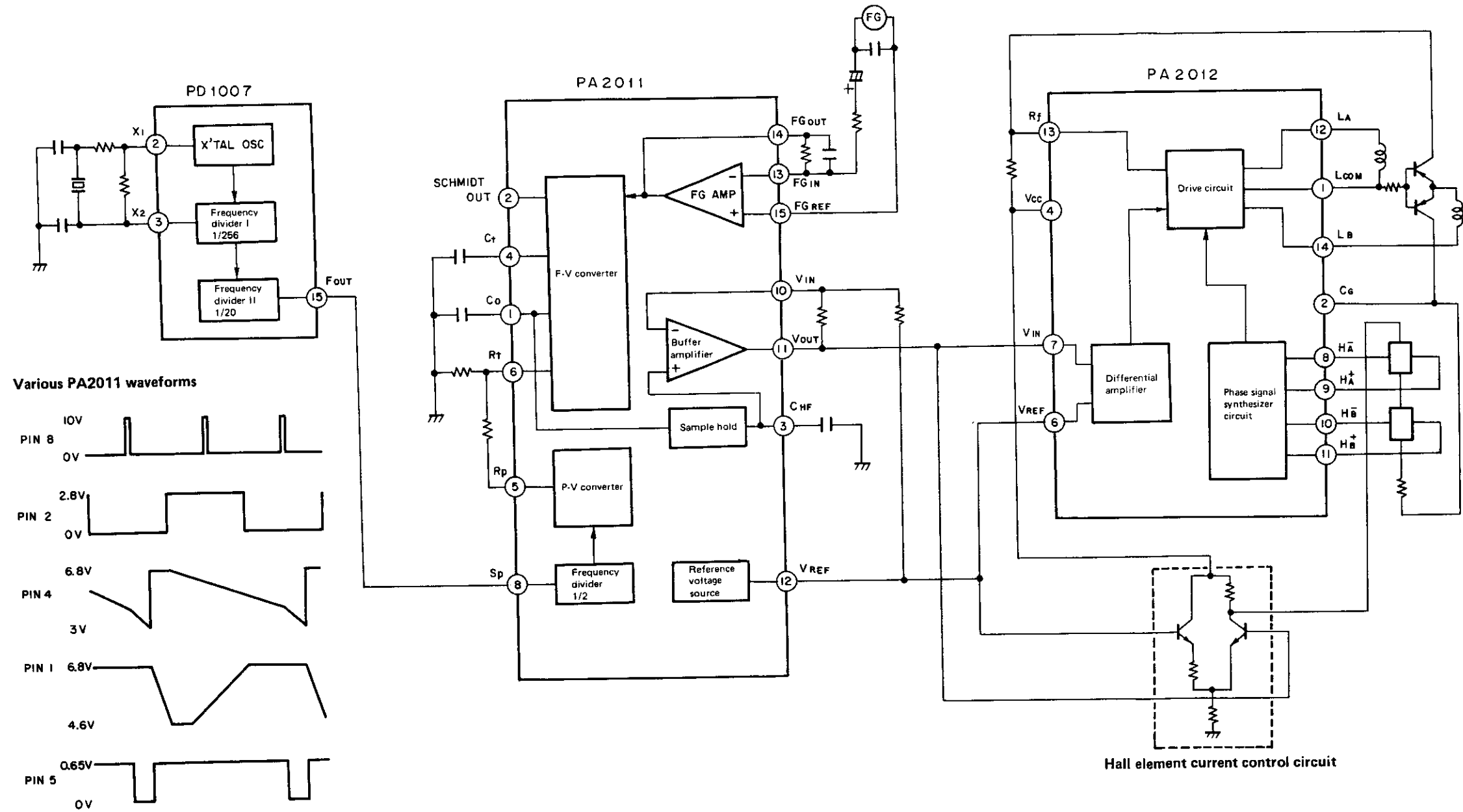


Fig. 4-18 Capstan motor circuit (CT-A9)

4.6 OUTLINE OF CONTROL SYSTEM OPERATIONS
When Power is Switched On

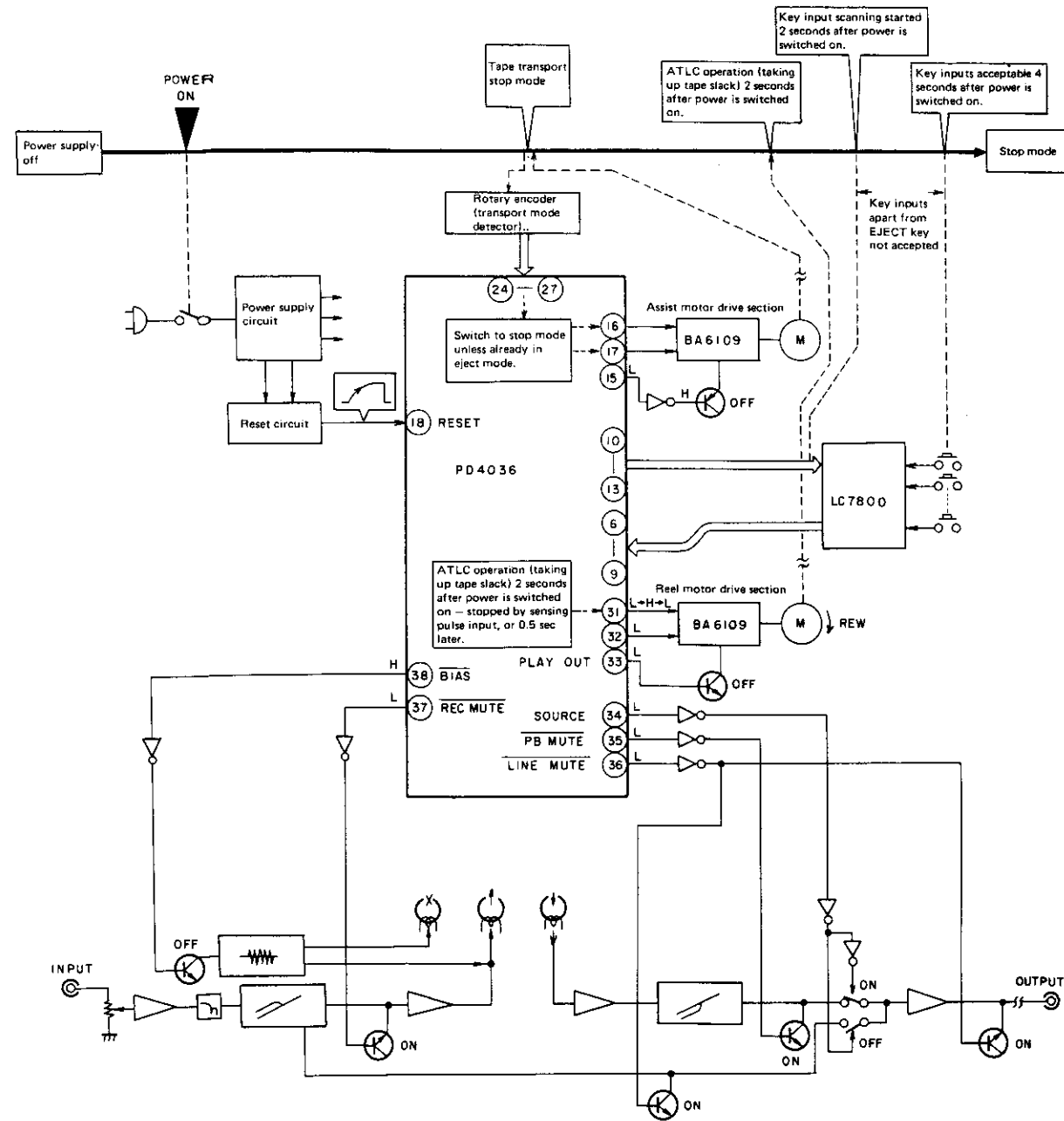


Fig. 4-19 When power supply is switched on

When Cassette Tape is Loaded

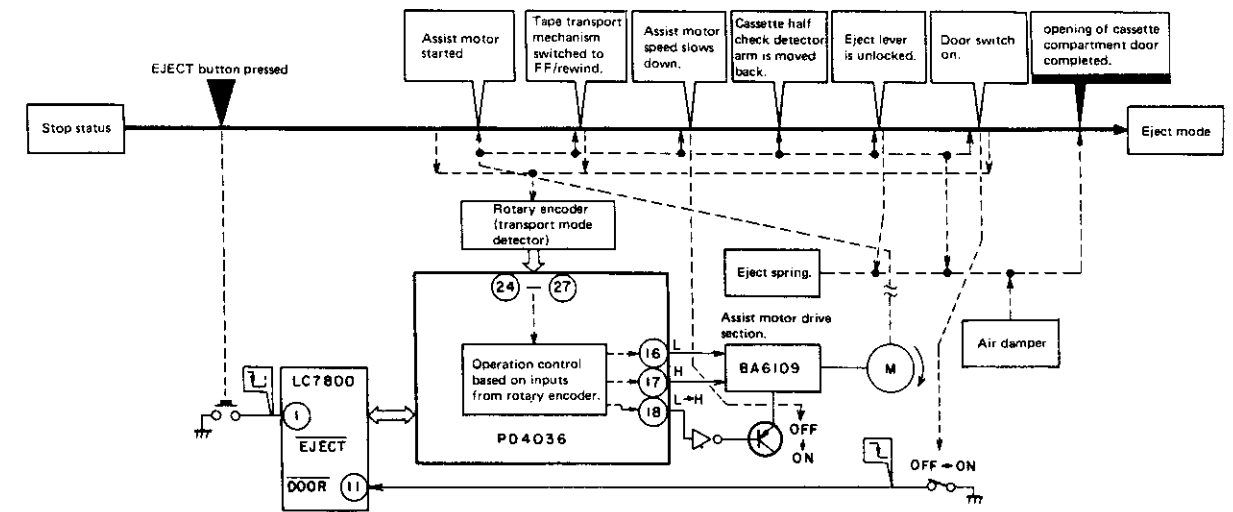


Fig. 4-20 Powered eject operation

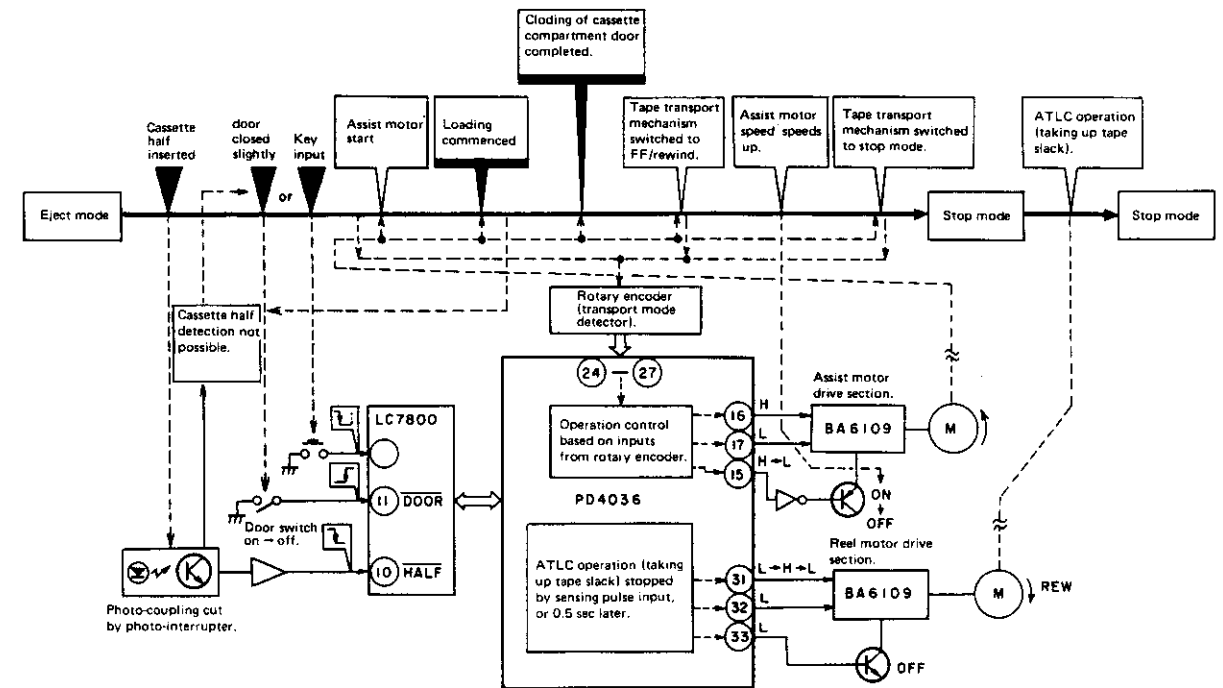


Fig. 4-21 Tape loading operation

Playback Mode

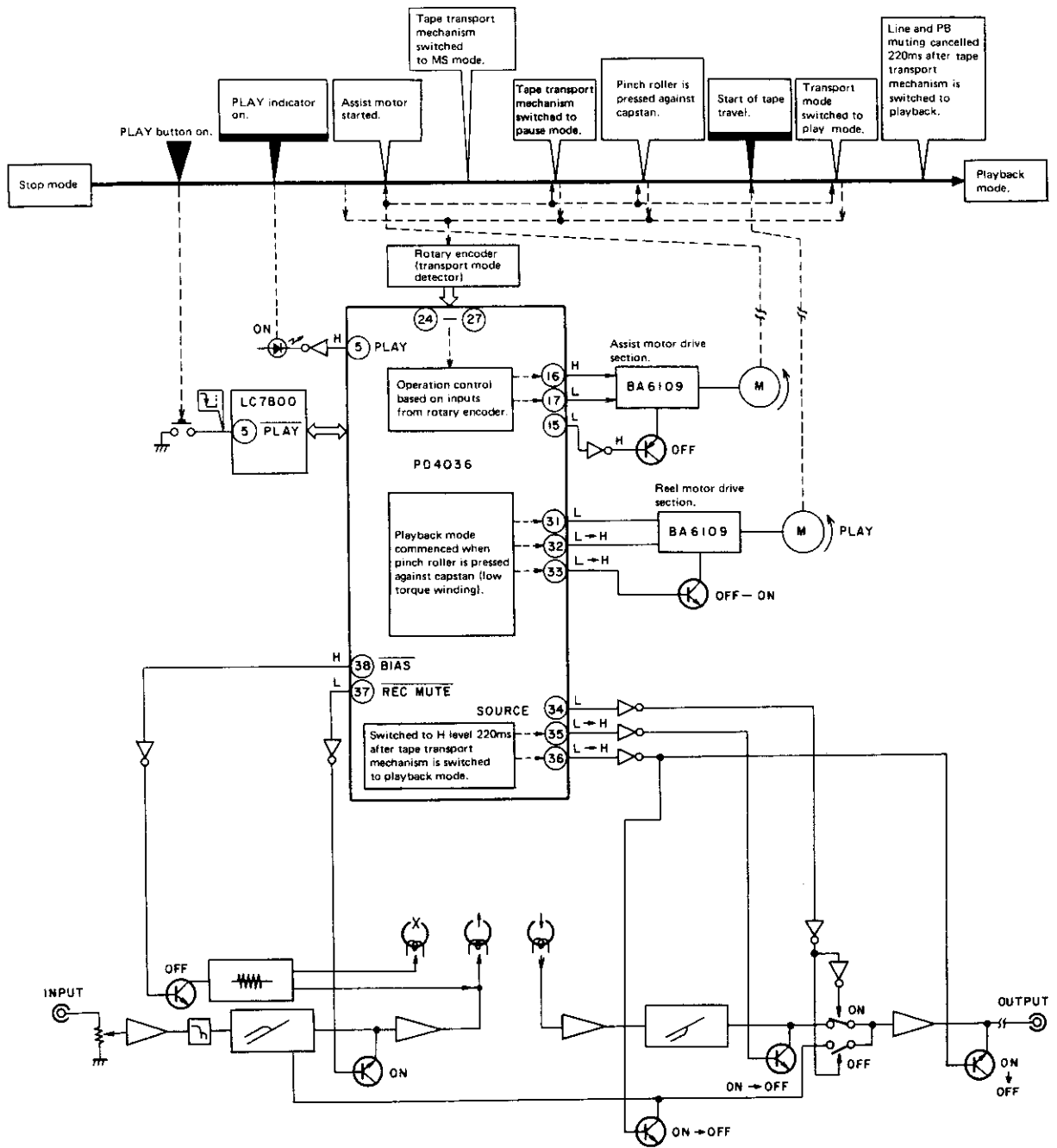


Fig. 4-22 From stop to playback mode

Recording Mode

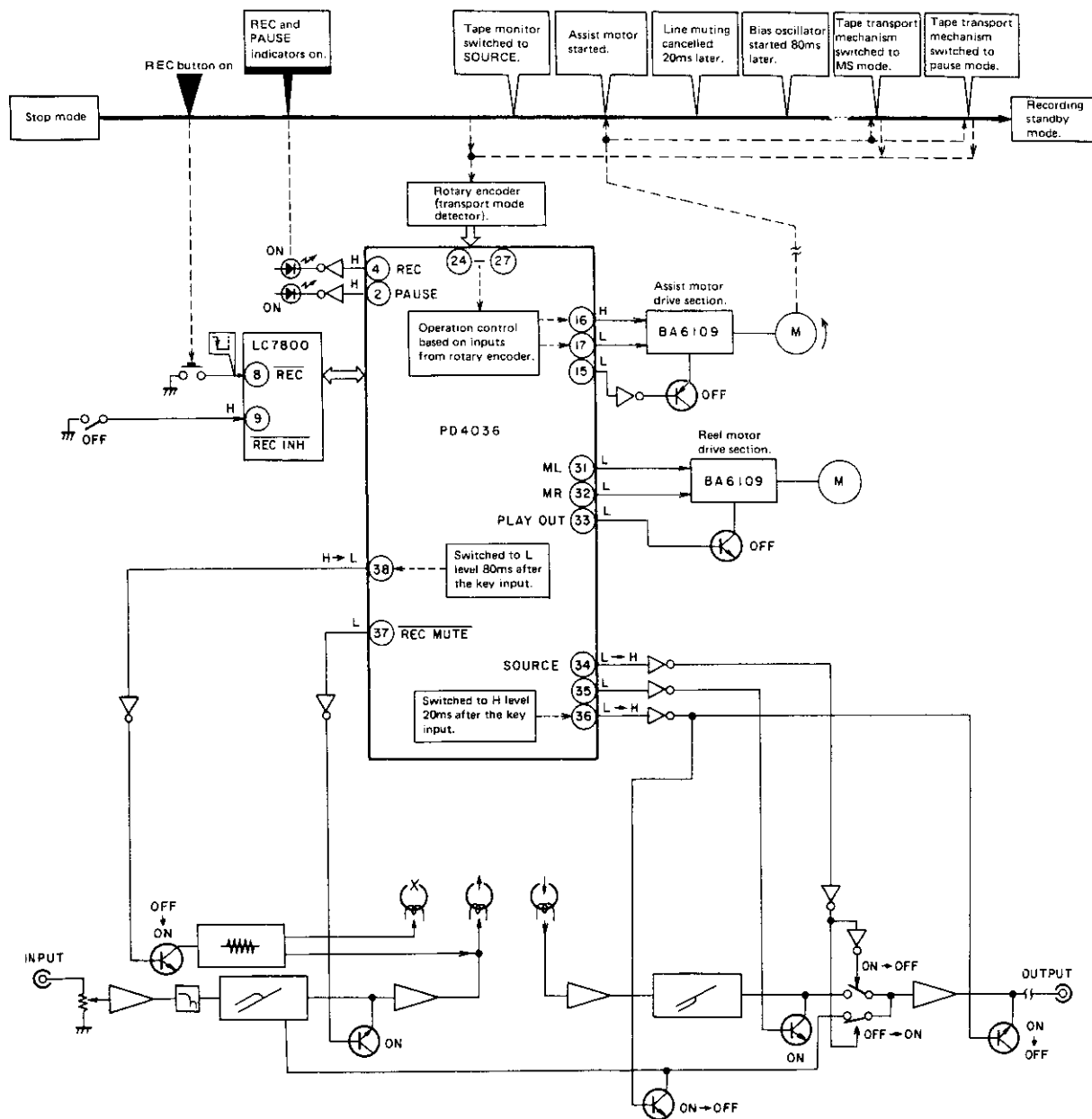


Fig. 4-23 From stop to recording-pause mode

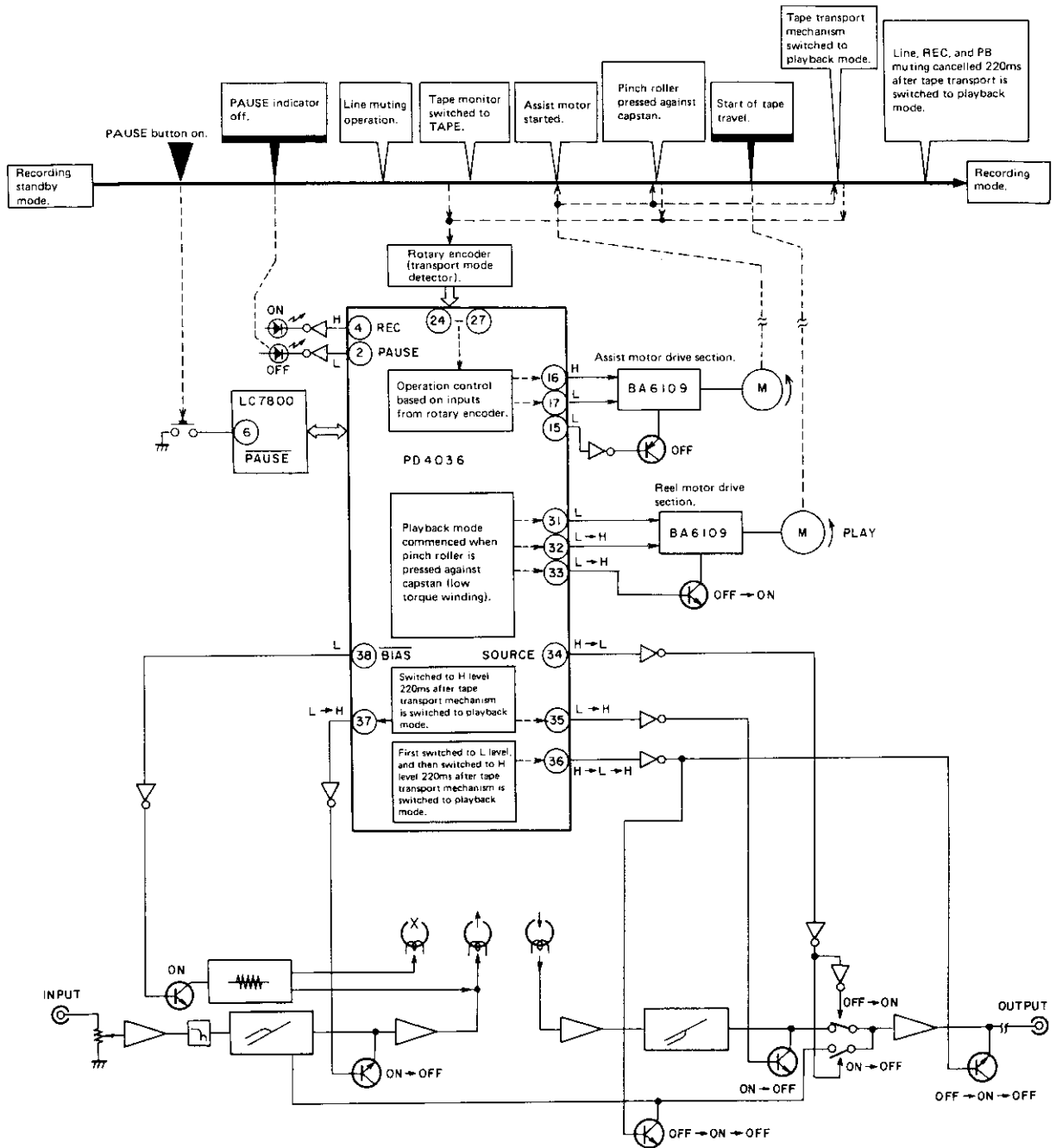


Fig. 4-24 From recording-pause to recording mode

REC MUTE Operation

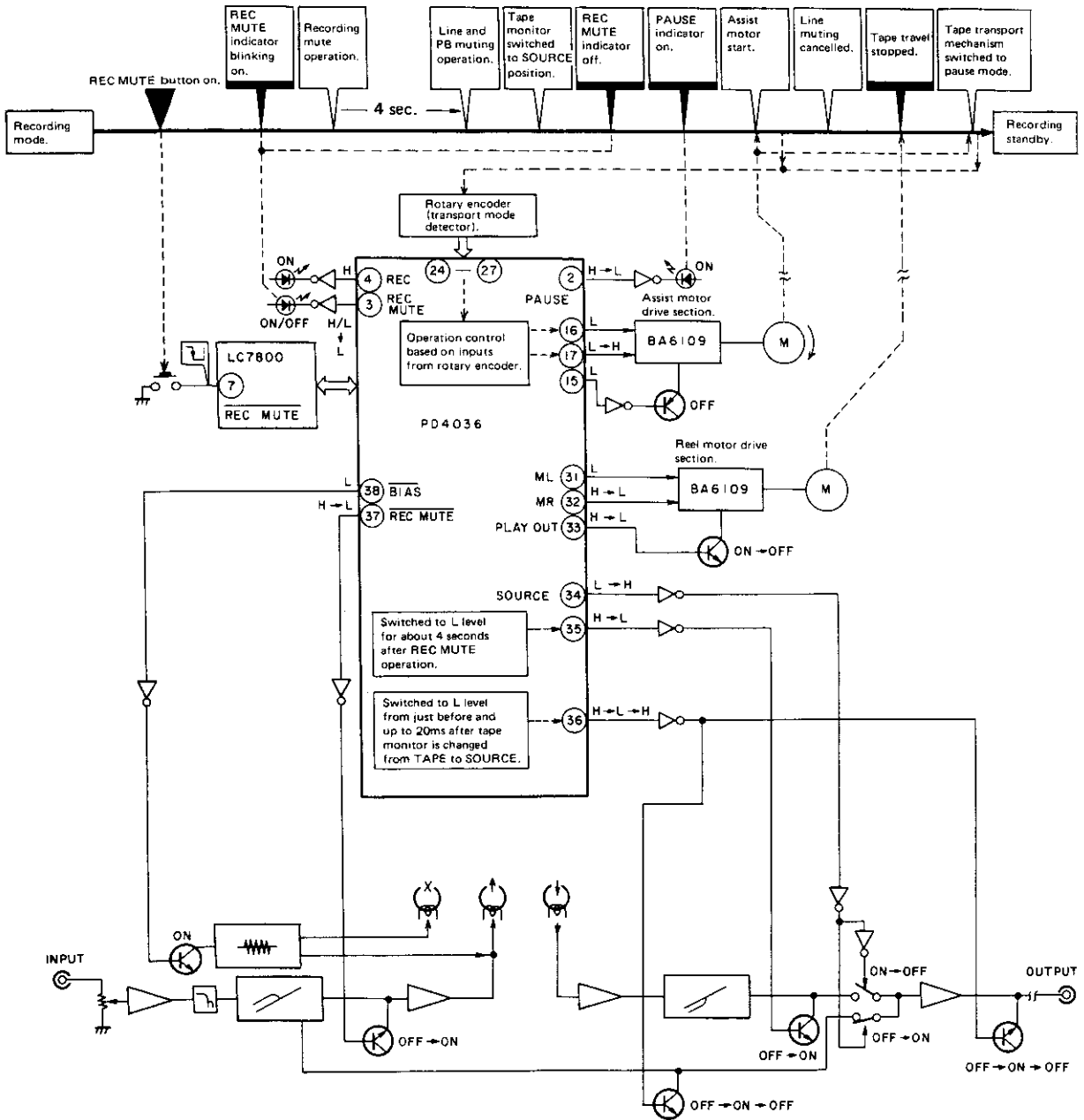


Fig. 4-25 REC MUTE operation

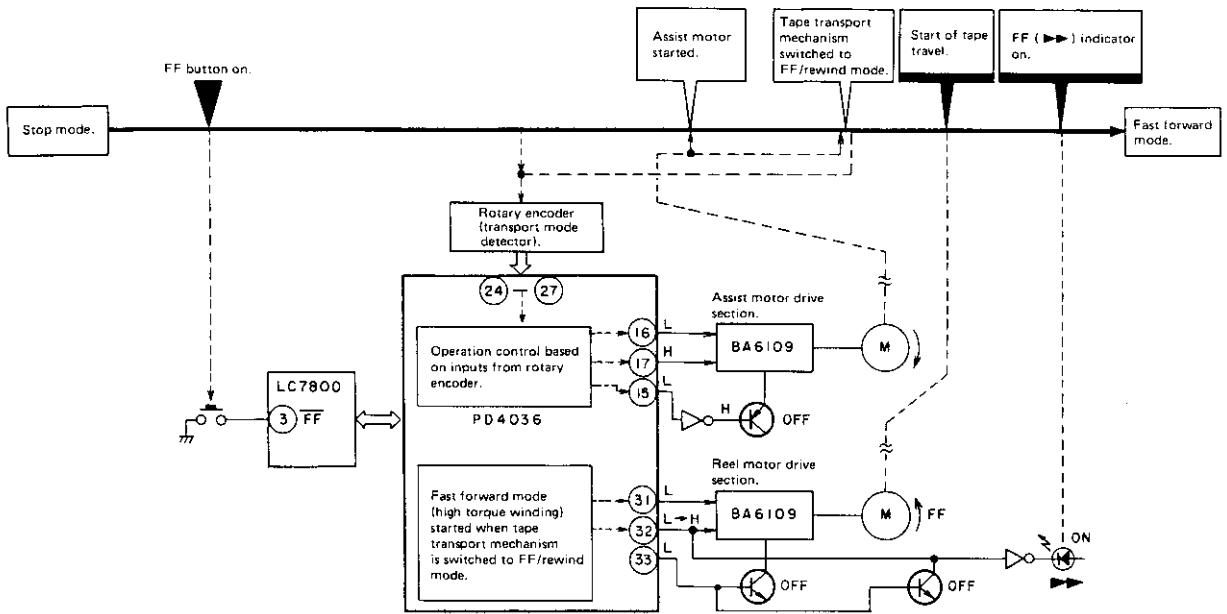


Fig. 4-26 From stop to fast forward mode

Rewinding Mode Operation

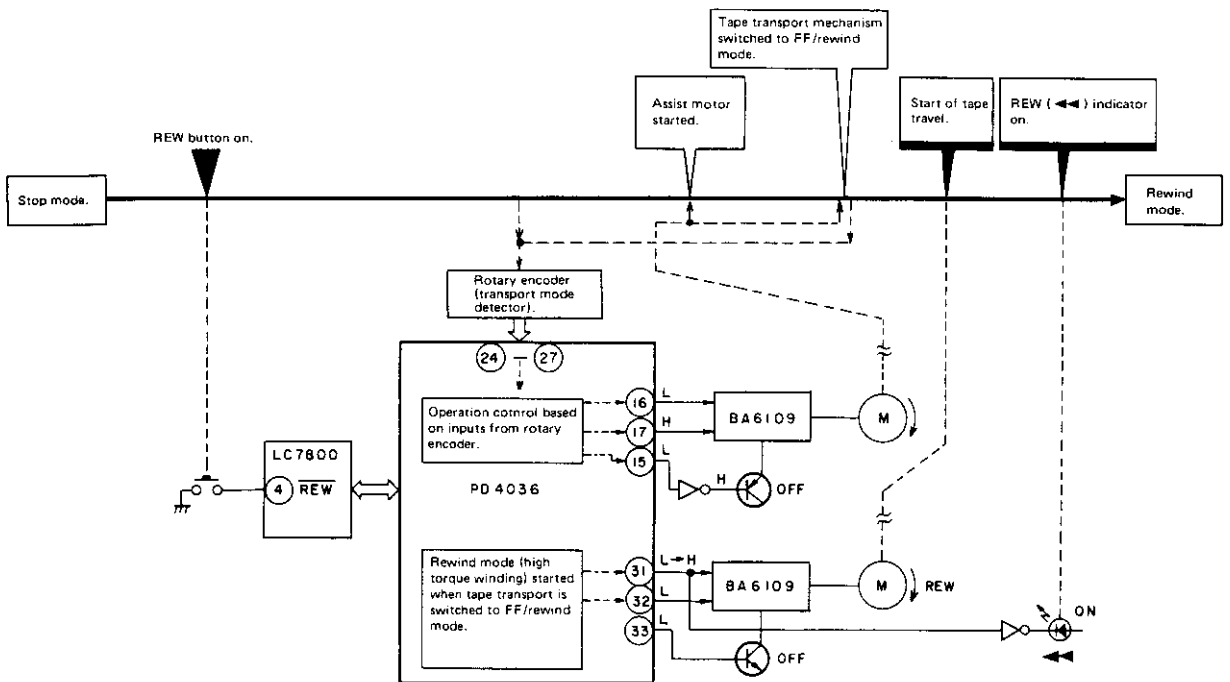


Fig. 4-27 From stop to rewind mode

MS Operation

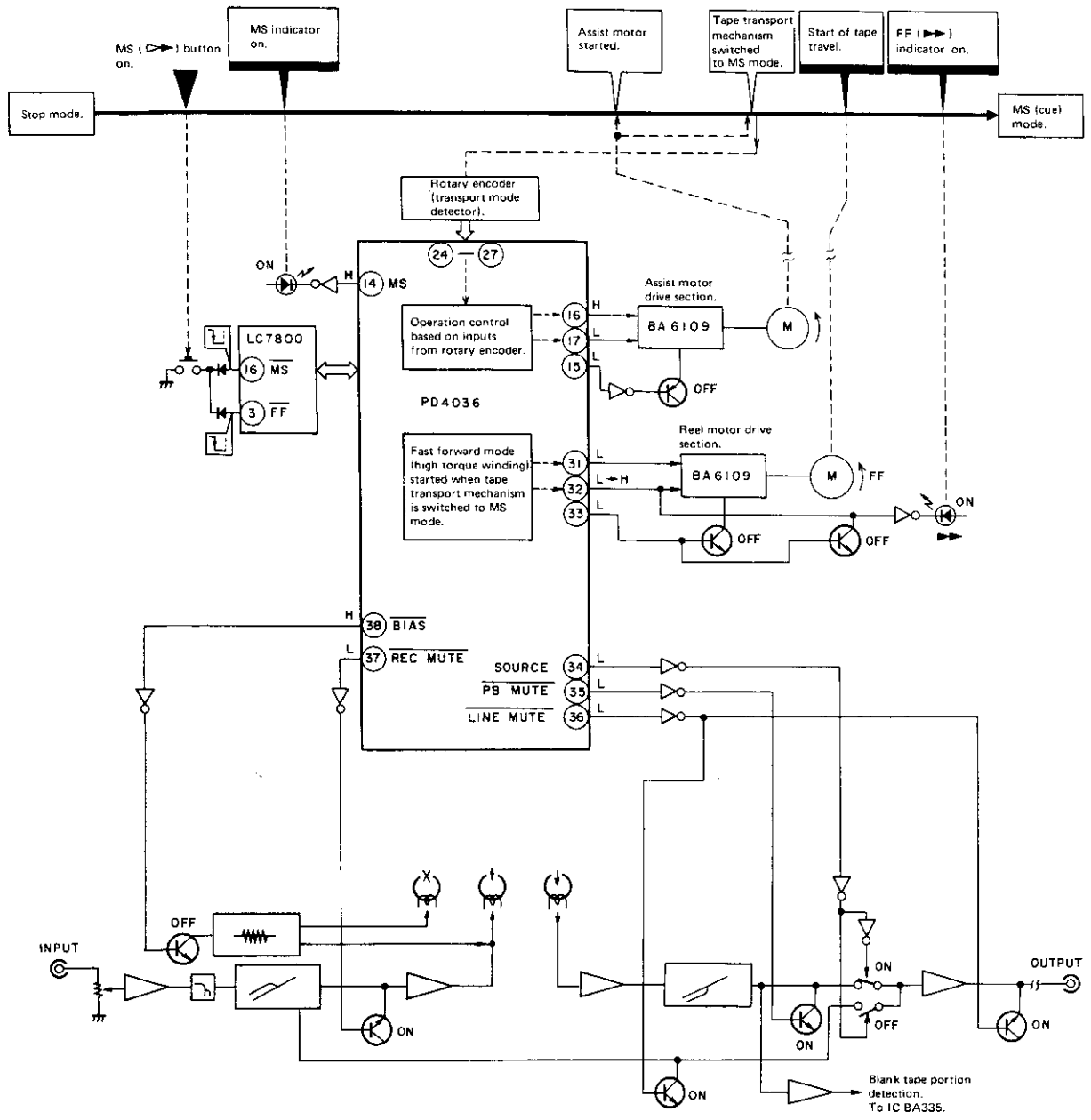


Fig. 4-28 From stop to cue mode

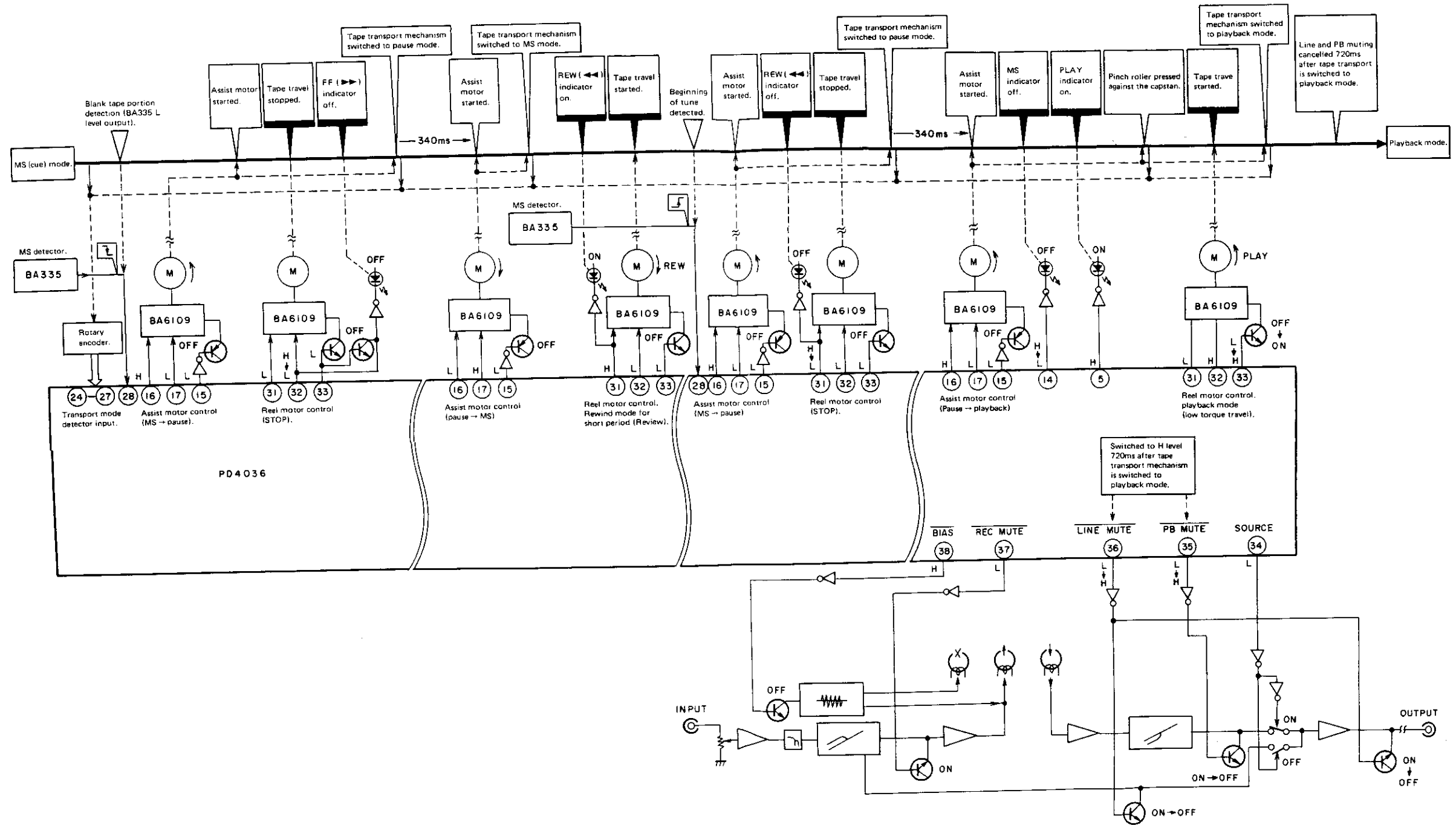


Fig. 4-29 From cue to playback mode

4.7 MECHANISM CONTROL TIMING CHART

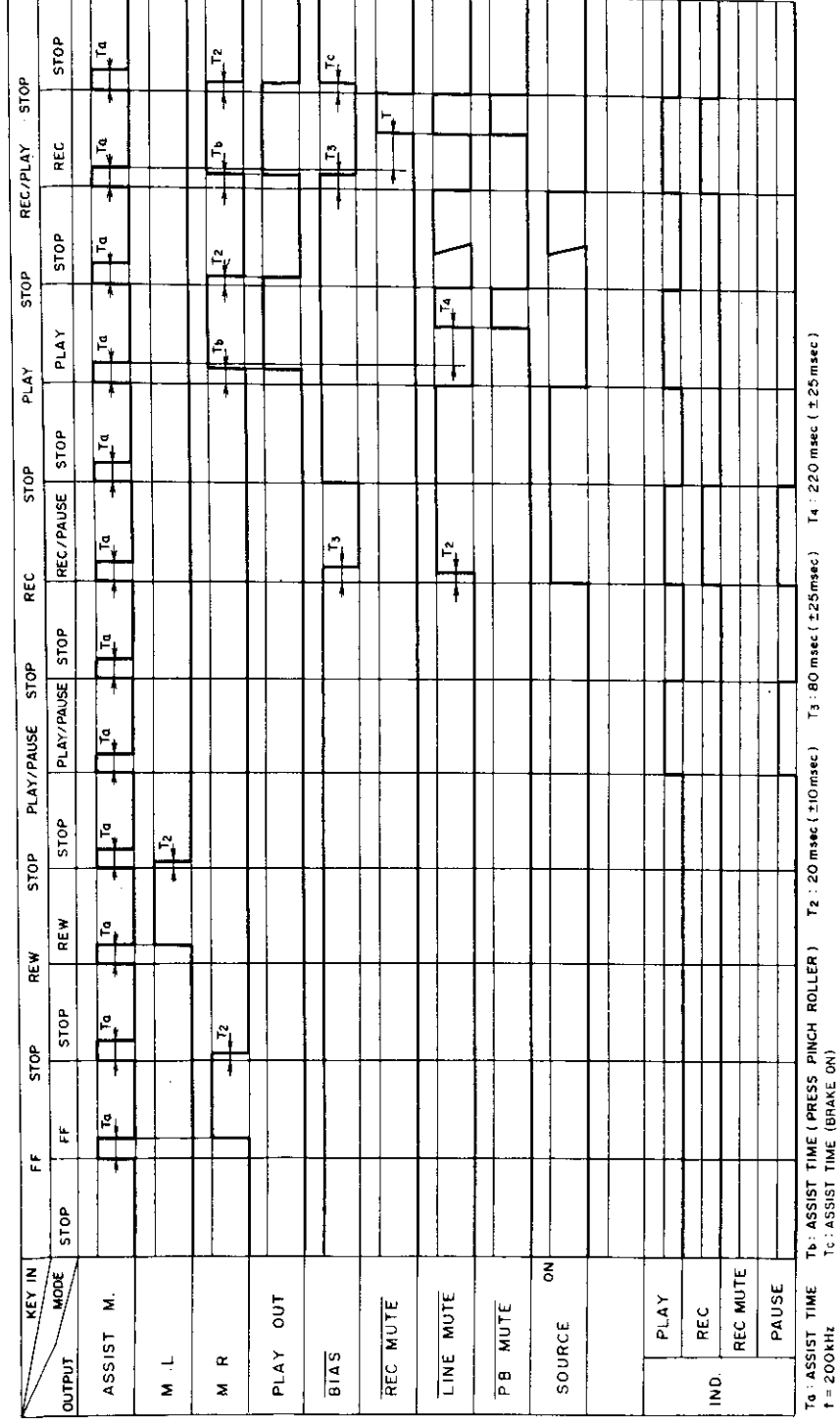


Fig. 4-30 Timing chart 1

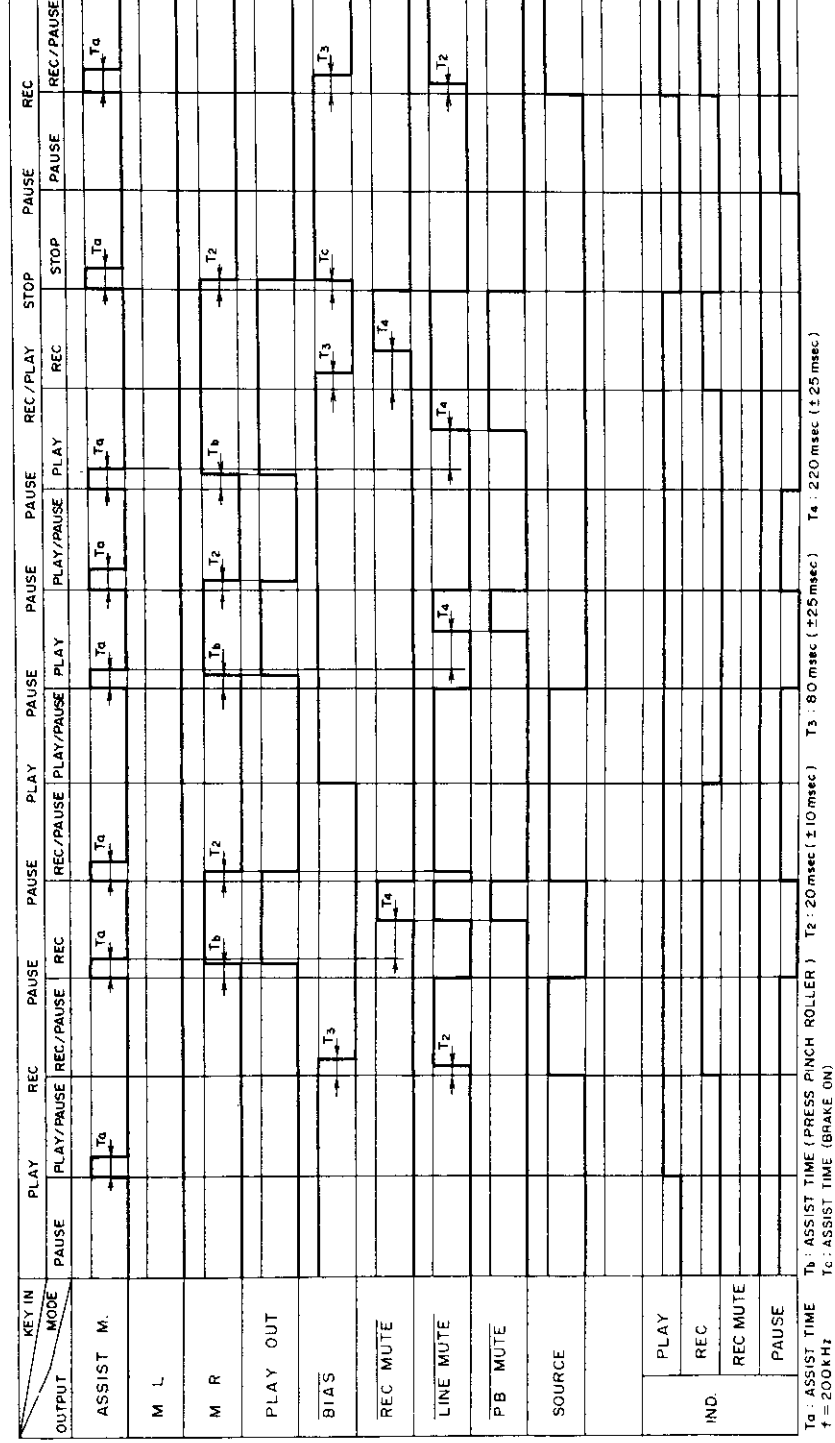


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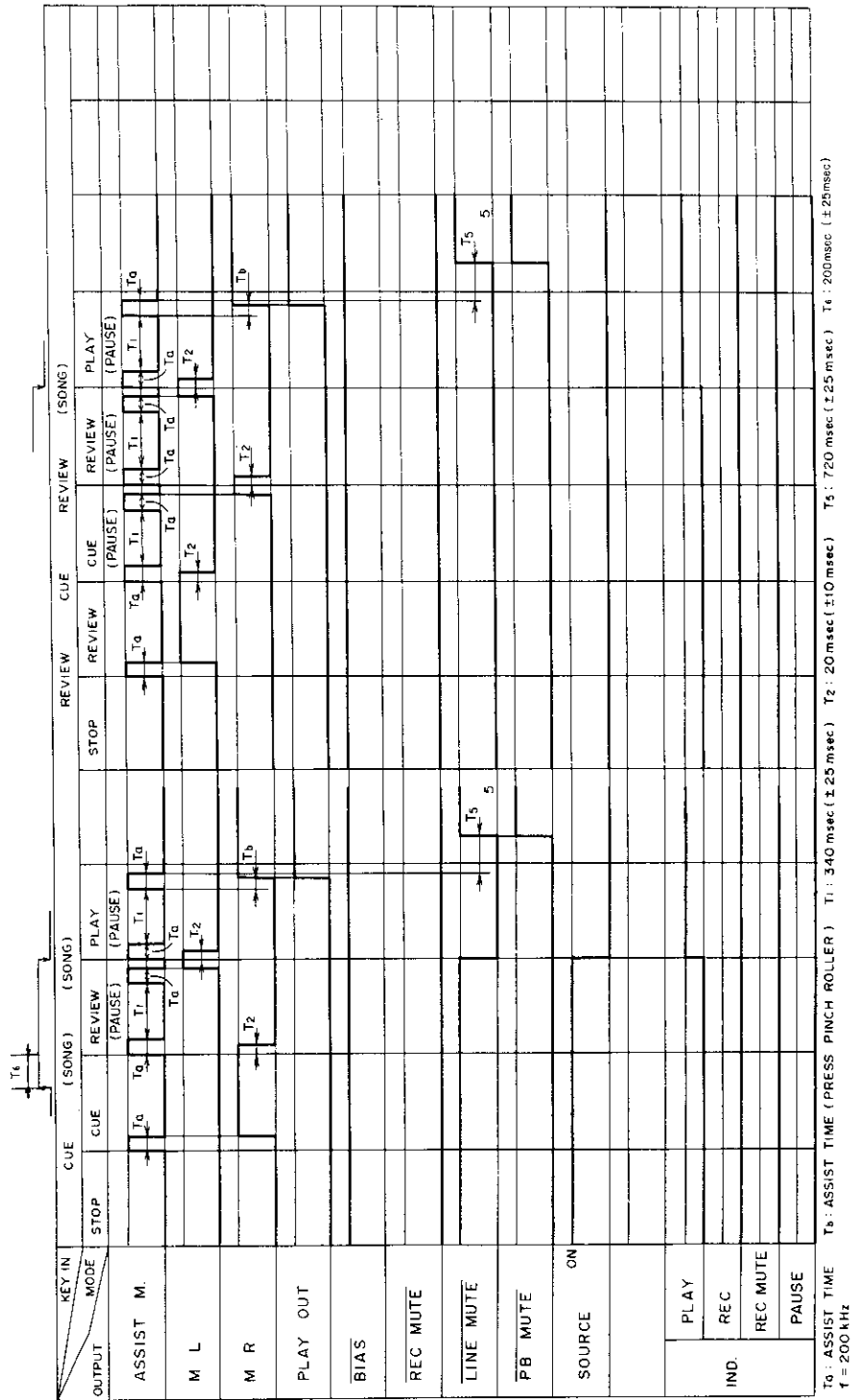


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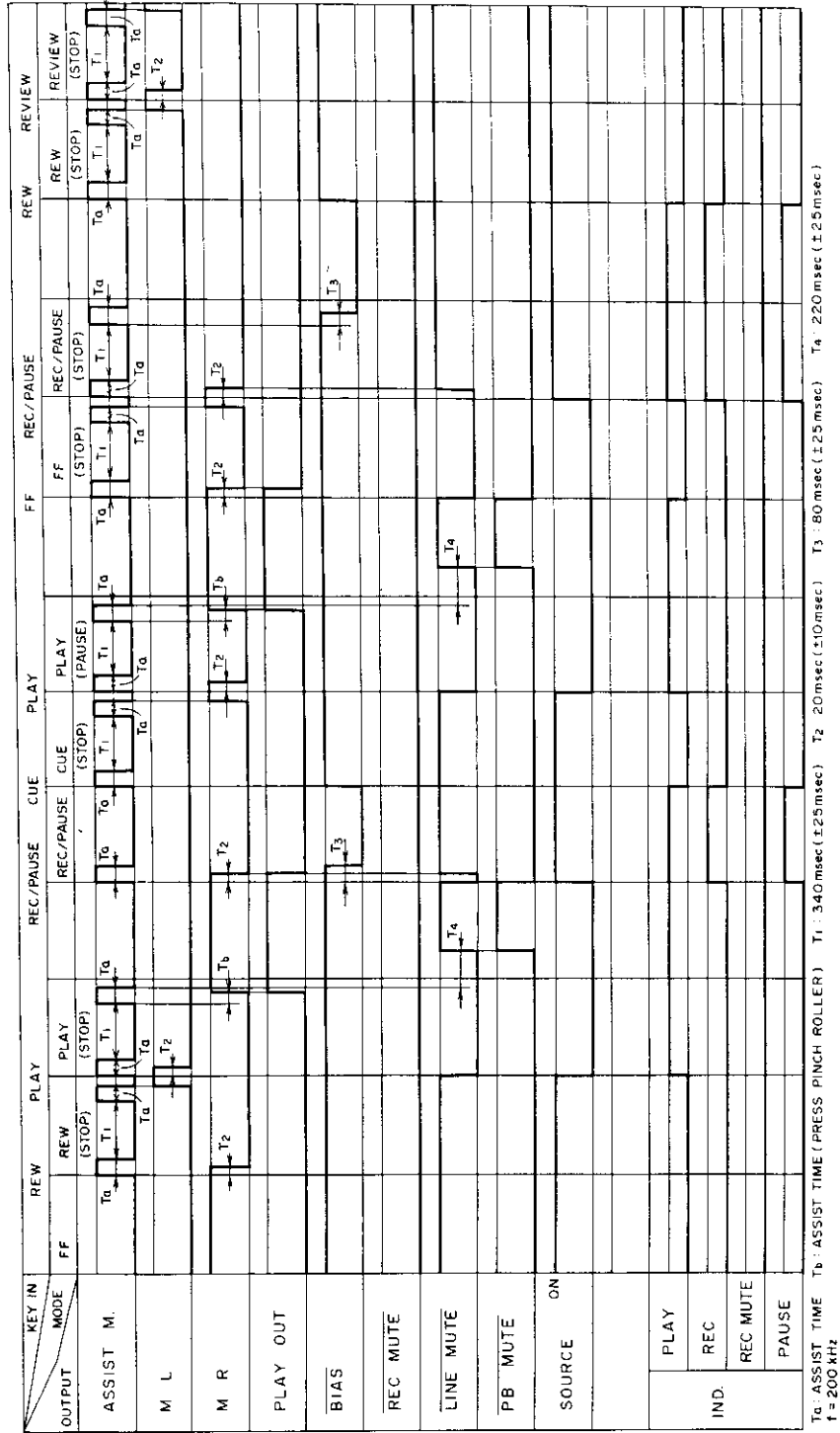


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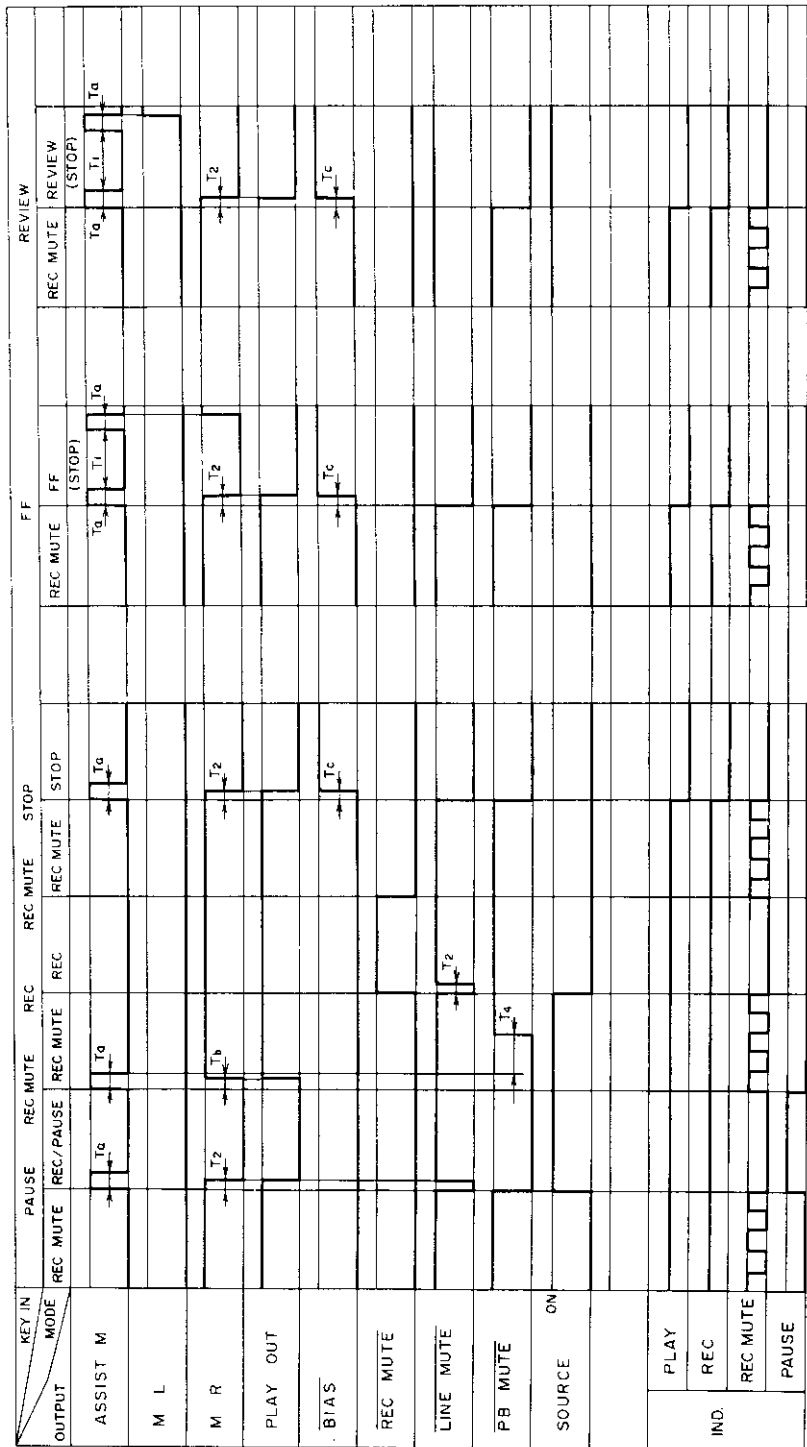


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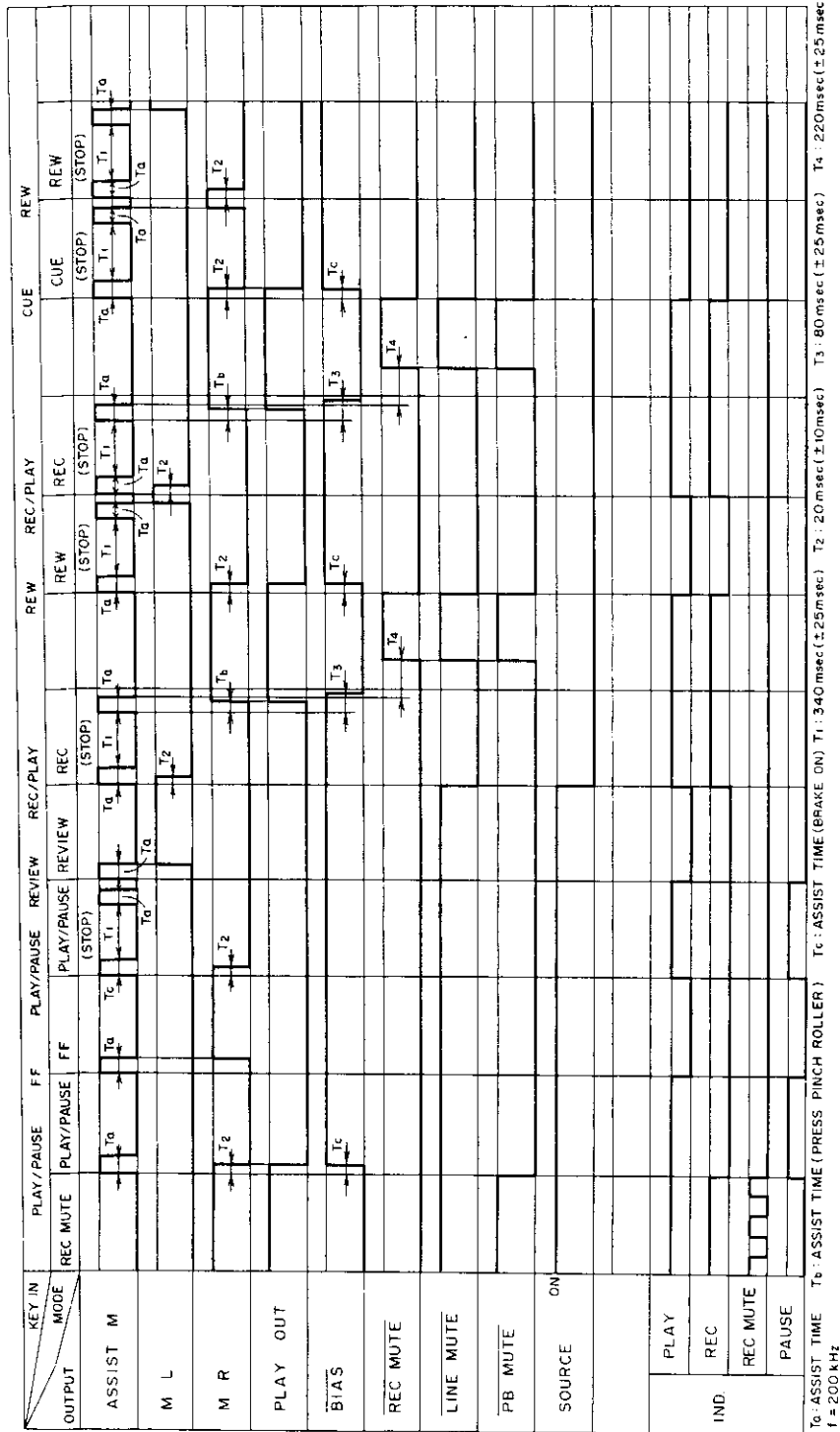


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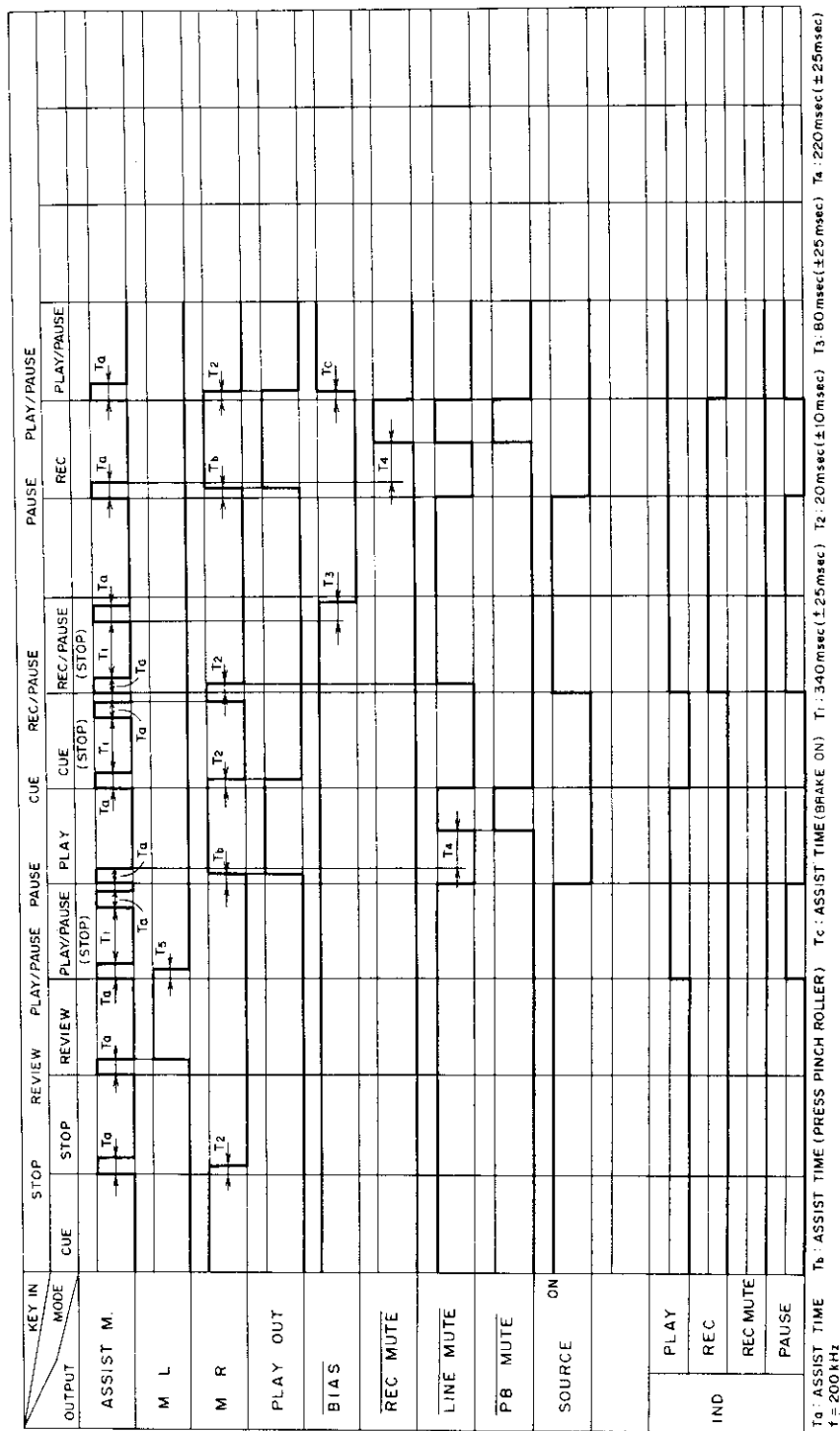


Fig. 4-36 Timing chart 7