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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

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SECTION I

INTRODUCTION

The "Pacifica" is one of a new series of pre-engineered audio mixing and control consoles, and is equal in every performance aspect to our finest custom consoles. The Pacifica is configured as a 16, 24 or 36 modular input console with 8 mixing busses plus stereo mixdown and monitoring capability. Two independent cue mixing circuits are provided for each input, in addition to four separate mixing circuits usable for echo or foldback (i.e., stage monitoring in live recording or sound reinforcement applications). These six auxiliary send controls on every input give the Pacifica unmatched versatility in any situation.

The four Echo Send/Return modules feature complete equalization, solo, monitoring and tape or digital delay handling, and can serve as additional input modules for line level sources. Complete, separate control room and studio monitoring facilities are provided, plus extremely flexible communication systems capable of serving the complex needs or broadcast, live recording and sound reinforcement.

The console's complete patching facilities include Bantam jacks (mini-phone jacks) and an assortment of patch cords. Space is provided on the Pacifica top panel for up to 16 auxiliary devices (size 1-1/2" x 5-1/4" and 1-1/2" x 7"); these may be limiters, effects devices, tape remote controls, or any other accessories of the user's choosing.

The Pacifica is housed in a rugged metal frame with solid hardwood trim, and uses "mother board" construction to simplify manufacturing and increase the reliability of the finished console. Careful attention to even the smallest mechanical and electronic details assures many years of top quality performance.

DESIGN HIGHLIGHTS

Electronically, the console features a new microphone preamplifier using extremely low noise discrete semiconductor devices. Extensive use of discrete amplifiers is made throughout the console, with the use of IC's being reserved for those stages where they provide clear design advantages. A unique feature of the console is the elimination of all transformers except at the microphone input and program, echo and foldback outputs. Elsewhere, electronically balanced input amplifiers are used, offering superior transient and phase response to the transformers they replace. These features, plus its +28 dBm output and +24 dBm minimum headroom, make the Pacifica one of the cleanest, quietest consoles ever built.

The mechanical layout of the console emphasizes logic and convenience of use throughout. The sensibly designed panel is far less cluttered than many consoles of lesser capability, with no miniature knobs or switches, and no high-profile controls to introduce viewing parallax and confusion. The logical grouping of controls makes it easy for the engineer to ignore those functions which are not required in a particular application. Labeling of controls adheres to concise, standard terminology to make learning the console a simple process; terms which pertain only to a specific application (i.e. "track outputs", etc.) have been avoided in favor of more general terms which suggest the full capability of the console's many functions.

APPLICATIONS

The Pacifica is ideal for use in recording studios where it may be used for mixdown of large multi-track tapes, as well as for original recording of 8, 16 and 24 track master tapes. The console's extensive monitoring facilities (including studio and control room modules), highly flexible echo/reverb circuitry, plus the many cue and solo features are "musts" for serious studio work. The Communications module is particularly well suited to studio work, especially its built-in oscillator and slate/tone facilities. Electronic performance is of the utmost importance in recording since a given signal may flow through the same console many times. Thus, the Pacifica's extremely low noise and distortion, wide headroom and full frequency response all contribute to the mixing of audibly superior product.

Today theatrical and concert sound reinforcement has become a fine art. Here, the Pacifica's large input capability and its varied foldback/cue/monitoring capability are invaluable. The main program outputs can be used for house feeds, dressing room feeds, lobby feeds, etc. In addition, foldback and cue mixes enable the user to create the varied stage monitoring demanded by vocalists and instrumentalists. The Communications module provides the kind of control necessary to coordinate complex productions, and the oscillator is a valuable test/checkout tool. For extremely large productions, a separate Pacifica console may be assigned exclusively for stage monitoring. The Pacifica is very ruggedly constructed, and with its optional XLR connectors installed plus the addition of a custom traveling case, the console may be carted with confidence on large concert tours.

Broadcast applications include live "ON-AIR" audio mixing for radio and television, as well as pre and post production mixing. For production of TV shows with a studio audience, where the audio console must perform recording and reinforcement functions, the Pacifica is a natural choice. The console's wide headroom is

forgiving of level-setting errors, even L fore compression is applied to the signal. Sensible panel layout and convenient mute/solo/cue functions make the mixing job easier, thus providing more time for other aspects of the production. Modular "mother board" construction and Quad-Eight's proven reliability assure maximum dependability and greatly speed repairs in the rare event a problem does occur. The +28 dBm outputs provide enough gain overlap to accomodate passive devices and still maintain adequate line levels, and to drive more than one line to a full +24 dBm without distortion. Balanced inputs and outputs, an all-metal cabinet shell, plus skilled engineering of internal circuits all contribute to the Pacifica's high immunity to RF fields.

ABOUT THIS MANUAL

Following the Installation Instructions (Section II), there is a handy set of Brief Operating Instructions (Section III). These are simply panel drawings with capsule descriptions of the controls and features. Section IV, Operating Hints, outlines the procedures for setup of live mixes, mixdown of multi-track tapes, overdubbing of new tracks onto partially completed tapes, and so forth. Also included in this section are a variety of useful, time-saving hints to help you get the most from the Pacifica. Maintenance and Service information is contained in Section V, including instructions for module removal and replacement, meter lamp replacement, power supply voltage adjustment, and so forth. A kit of spare parts are supplied with the system, and we recommend maintaining the small inventory of meter lamps, modules, etc. so as to minimize down time for maintenance and repairs. General system documentation is included with the Drawings in Section VI.

We urge the console user to read this manual thoroughly before operating the Pacifica, and to consult it from time to time after becoming familiar with the console.

SECTION II INSTALLATION & SETUP

UNCRATING

The console is shipped in a conventional wood crate. Remove the wood screws which secure the crate cover, and remove the console. USE CARE IN OPENING THE CRATE SO AS TO PROTECT THE CONSOLE FROM SCRATCHING OR GOUGING.

The console was inspected before it left the Quad-Eight factory, and was in perfect condition. Inspect the unit for any obvious physical damage which may have occurred in transit, and notify the carrier immediately. It is your responsibility, the consignee, to make damage claims. If damage is evident, we suggest retaining all shipping materials. The shipment should include the console, left and right leg assemblies (including hardware), an external power supply, power supply cable, patch cords, and a spare parts kit.

LEG INSTALLATION

To allow clearance for installing the legs, set the console atop a sturdy table or other surface which is at least 20 inches above the floor.

(Refer to illustrations in Section VI.) Notice that three studs protrude from each end of the console. These studs, while part of the leg mounting hardware, alone are not sufficient to secure the legs; two additional bolts are used for each leg. Observe also that the two leg assemblies are not identical, but are mirror images of one another. They are fabricated of square tubular stock and have mounting holes drilled into only one side of each leg. Cutouts beneath the top member of each leg provide access for securing nuts and washers to the studs from the console. The additional pair of bolts are inserted from the inside of the console, and are tightened into nuts which have been welded inside the vertical leg members.

- STEP 1. Remove the rear cover panels on the console to provide access for two of the leg mounting bolts, and for future wiring access; the screws need be loosened only one turn.
- STEP 2. Remove the desk area panel (blank panel) at the right front corner of the console by removing the six allen screws that secure it. Set aside the panel.
- STEP 3. Remove input modules 1 through 4 to provide access for one of the left leg mounting bolts by unscrewing two allen-head screws, one each at the extreme top and bottom of the input module. Then thread the module extractor tools

(supplied with the console) into the holes in the module from which the allen screws were removed. Pull the module straight up, and set it aside.

NOTE: The left and right leg assemblies may be distinguished by the position of the trapped nuts in their vertical members. The trapped nut on each leg which is closer to the top is the front of the leg, and the access holes in the leg must face inward toward the console.

- STEP 4. Locate the left leg assembly and slide it over the studs protruding from the left side of the console. Place a 5/16" flat washer over each stud, and loosely thread a 5/16"-18 nut to hold the washers on the studs.
- STEP 5. Insert the two 1/4-20 x 2" bolts through the holes inside the console frame so the bolts enter the vertical supports in the leg assembly. One bolt is inserted near the front of the console, (near where the fader of input module #1 was located), and the other bolt is inserted from the rear of the console (where the rear panel was removed). Place 1/4" flat washers and thread 1/4"-20 nuts over the bolt ends inside the leg assembly.
- STEP 6. Hold the 1/4" nuts with a suitable wrench, and tighten the bolts securely. Then use a wrench to tighten the 5/16" nuts on all three studs.
- STEP 7. Replace input modules 1 through 4, using care to align the card ege connectors on the circuit boards with the sockets on the mother board; when proper physical alignment is obtained, the module front panel will be about 1/8" above the adjacent installed panels. Press the module firmly in place. Notice the captive nuts in the console mounting rails are spaced with plastic tubing to allow for final adjustment of module position. Insert the two allen screws through each module and tighten them partially. When all four modules are in place, tighten the allen screws securely.
- STEP 8. The right leg is installed in the same manner as the left leg. One leg mounting bolt can be inserted in the front of the console where the desk panel was removed, and the other from the rear of the console, where one of the cover panels was removed.
- STEP 9. Replace the desk area panel and secure it with its six allen screws. Leave the rear panels off to allow for power supply and audio interface wiring.

LOCATION OF THE CONSOLE

The 24-channel Pacifica console weighs approximately 700 pounds (320 kg), distributed approximately equally on the two legs. Since it is always advantageous to minimize mechanical vibration in audio mixing consoles, the unit should be mounted on a sturdy floor or riser. Leveling feet on the legs should then be adjusted to compensate for floor irregularities and eliminate rocking.

Avoid placing the console in direct sunlight, atop or immediately adjacent to heating or air conditioning ducts, or next to strong sources of electromagnetic fields such as motors, neon or fluorescent lamp ballasts, etc. Be sure to consider input and output cabling when designing a space for permanent installations.

CABLE ENTRY

Audio and power cables are routed into the connection bay via 3" cutouts toward the rear and on either side, beneath the console. The three cover plates on the console rear panel may be removed for access to the audio and power connection points.

POWER SUPPLY INSTALLATION

The power supply is located on a separate chassis and linked to the console by a detachable "umbilical" cable. It may be mounted in its own case for portable use, or in a standard 19" relay rack for permanent installations. If the supply must be located immediately adjacent to the console, place it on the right side so that it is nearer the high-level signals (as opposed to the mic-level signals at the input modules). This will minimizes hum induction for the quietest possible operation.

Before connecting the supply to the mains, verify the mains voltage with a suitable meter, and check that it is within reasonable tolerance to the labeled supply voltage.

It is a good idea to plug the supply into the AC mains and check it for correct output voltages prior to connection to the console. (Consult the schematic diagram for voltages and pin assignments). The supply should be unplugged from the mains during the time the umbilical cable is being connected to the console. Attach one end of the pre-wired umbilical cable to the barrier strip on the supply, route the cable through the opening on the side of the console near Input Module #1, and attach the end to the barrier strip provided (see illustration, Section VI).

(indicating AC current). Also, be sure the console is not connected to a circuit which is on a dimmer, and verify the proper outlet polarity. Use a Ground Loop Impedance Tester (GLIP) if one is available.

It is a good idea to plug the supply into the AC mains and check it for correct output voltages prior to connection to the console. (Consult the schematic diagram for voltages and pin assignments). The supply should be unplugged from the mains during the time the umbilical cable is being connected to the console. Attach one end of the pre-wired umbilical cable to the barrier strip on the supply, route the cable through the opening on the side of the console near Input Module #1, and attach the end to the barrier strip provided (see illustration, Section VI).

Plug the supply into the AC mains, turn it ON, and observe the console. Recheck the supply voltages with the console connected. Meter lights should be illuminated, channel ON buttons should light when pressed, and LED's should light when corresponding functions are selected. If any unusual noises are observed, shut off the power immediately and locate the problem. The supply is thoroughly fused. If fuses continue to blow, shut off the system and locate the problem; DO NOT USE FUSES OF A HIGHER CURRENT RATING THAN IS SPECIFIED FOR A GIVEN MAINS VOLTAGE.

AUDIO CABLE CONNECTIONS

Audio input and output cables are connected to multi-pin terminal blocks in the rear of the console. These blocks provide three terminals for each cable; signal high, signal low, and ground (audio common). Optional versions of the Pacifica have 3-pin XL-type connectors (Cannon type) instead of multi-pin input/output terminal blocks.

NOTE: Multi-pin terminal block pin assignment is described in Section VI of this manual, as the layout will vary with different console configurations.

It is recommended that only high quality, dual-conductor shielded cable be utilized. Belden 8451 or its equivalent is excellent for permanent installations, but a heavier, rubberinsulated cable with a densely braided shield, such as Belden 8412, is suggested for portable applications.

Where low level audio cables must cross AC or speaker-level lines, try to maintain at least 1 foot separation and/or to cross the lines at right angles.

ground. Cold water pipes used to be recommended for earth grounds, but these are no longer reliable because water companies have begun using non-conductive couplings at the entrance to buildings. The best way to obtain a ground is to drive your own 4- to 6-foot long copper-clad steel rod into moist salted earth, or to use one of the newer chemical ground rods.

The Pacifica console's cabinet serves as the unit's chassis ground. The audio circuitry floats from ground within the console, and is grounded to the console only where cables enter and exit. The power supply chassis is grounded to the power mains.

To avoid ground loops, some engineers prefer to ground the shield at the output of each device and to not connect the shield to the input of the following device. Some prefer to tie the shield at both ends of each cable, but to float all equipment from the AC mains except the main audio console. In some areas it is illegal to interrupt the ground (third wire) of an AC power feed. QUAD-EIGHT DOES NOT RECOMMEND OR TAKE ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR VIOLATION OF LOCAL ELECTRICAL CODES.

SECTION III BRIEF OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

This section is intended to serve as a reminder for the experienced console operator. For a more thorough understanding of the Pacifica console and its functions, we recommend studying the block diagrams (single line diagrams) in Section VI of this manual, and reading the Operating Hints in Section IV.

COLOR CODING

To aid the operator, the Pacifica's control knobs are color coded as follows:

Silvertone = equalizer frequency control

Red = level adjustment (except echo circuits)

Blue = echo level adjustment

Black = pan, mic trim & other functions

METER PANEL; FEATURES & FUNCTIONS

1. PROGRAM BUS VU METERS

Illuminated meters with true VU-ballistics indicate levels on the program mixing busses. If the PPM option has been ordered, the VU meters can be set to display peak program level (PPM) by means of a toggle switch on the vertical member of the meter pod just to the left of the stereo meters. 0 VU is equivalent to an output level of +4 dBm.

2. STEREO BUS VU METERS

Same as program meters, but indicate level on Left and Right output busses.

3. MONO & VU METERS

Same as program meters, but indicates level on mono console output.

4. AUXILIARY VU METER

Same as program meters, but instead of being connected to an output bus, the meter input appears on the patch bay. Thus, the auxiliary meter may be used for testing purposes, to check the oscillator level, or to monitor signals not normally available at the program meters.

TALKBACK MICROPHONE

Located in the vertical member to the right of the stereo meters, the microphone is activated by the Talkback Selector buttons on the Communications Module.

ECHO/FOLDBACK VU METERS

Normally indicate level on Echo Send busses, except when VU RTN button is pressed on corresponding Echo module, in which case the meter indicates echo return level.

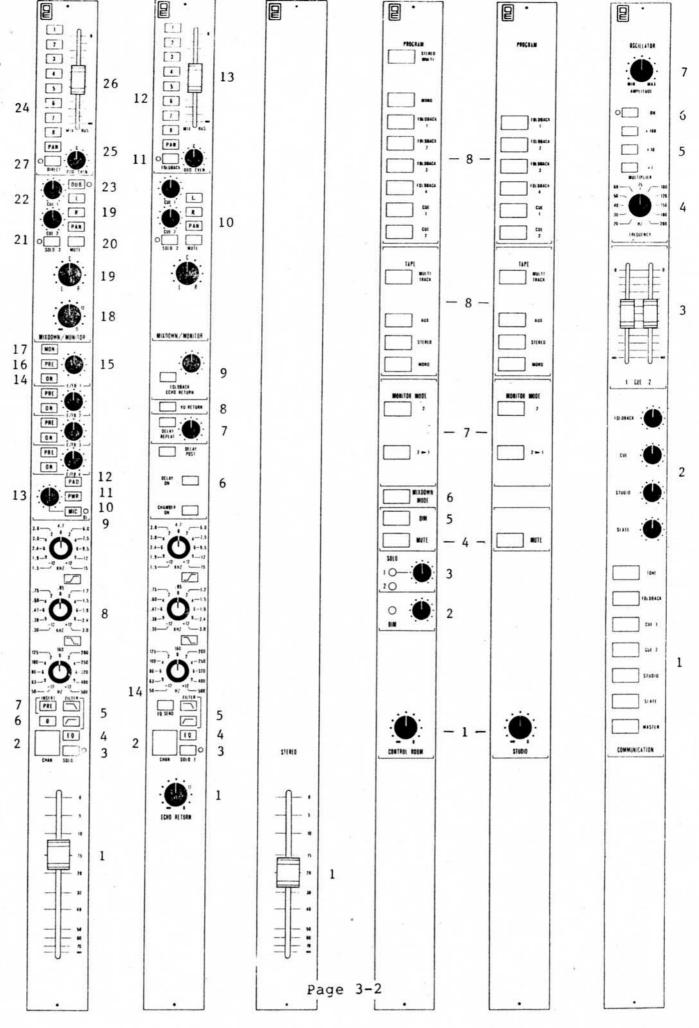


FIGURE 3-1. KEY TO MODULE FEATURES & FUNCTIONS.

NOTE: Refer to Figure 3-1 when reading the "Features & Functions" descriptions for the various modules.

INPUT/OUTPUT MODULE (Model 7200) & INPUT/MASTER MIX MODULE (Model 7200M); FEATURES & FUNCTIONS

1. CHANNEL FADER

This precision, straight-line, conductive plastic fader adjusts the level of any signals assigned to the program mixing busses and the direct channel output. If the appropriate PRE-POST switches are in POST position, the fader also adjusts the level of signals applied to the echo/foldback busses. The fader is accurately calibrated from 0 to -55 dB, and beyond -55 dB it is tapered to infinite attenuation (no audio passes through).

2. CHANNEL ON/OFF SWITCH

This latching pushbutton, labeled with the channel number, lights when the channel is ON.

3. SOLO 1 SWITCH

Pressing this button allows individual channel monitoring without interruption of the program signals. The solo is "non-positional"; it is heard centered in the left and right monitor speakers regardless of the actual stereo pan pot position or bus assignment of the channel.

4. EQ IN/OUT SWITCH

When this button is pressed in, the 3-band channel equalizer is activated. When the button is out, the equalizer is electrically bypassed (defeated). Operation is silent and does not cause "clicks" in the audio.

5. LOW & HIGH FILTER SWITCHES

As suggested by the nomenclature on the buttons, these switches activate shelving filters. The low filter (high pass) is fixed at a 12 dB/octave slope, 3 dB down at 70 Hz. The high filter (low pass) also has a 12 dB/octave slope and is 3 dB down at 15 kHz.

6. PHASE SWITCH

When pressed in, this button inverts the polarity of the signal throughout the module (similar to a 180° phase shift).

7. INSERT "PRE" SWITCH

With the button out, the channel's signal processing patch point is normally after the equalizer, just before the fader. With the button in, the insert point is moved ahead of the equalizer (pre-equalizer and pre-fader).

8. 3-BAND CHANNEL EQUALIZER

The equalizer provides +12 dB of equalization at 33 discrete equalization points. The 33 points extend from 50 Hz to 15 kHz and are covered in three bands with overlapping ranges. Frequency selection and amount of equalization are adjustable with step-type controls for repeatable settings. Peak/dip curves are available in all three bands, and "shelf" selector switches adjacent to the upper and lower bands convert them from peak/dip to shelving characteristics. (See Figure 3-2.)

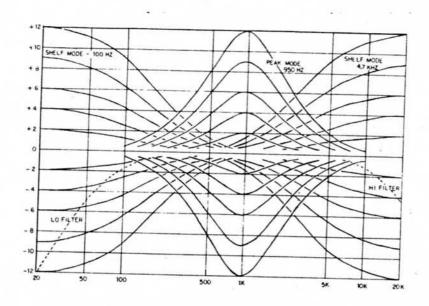


FIGURE 3-2. TYPICAL EQUALIZATION CURVES.

9. OVERLOAD INDICATOR

This Light Emitting Diode flashes when the channel signal level exceeds a certain preset maximum.* The signal level is sensed at the microphone preamp output or the differential line amp input, depending on whether the mic or line input is in use. If the threshold is set at or near +24 dBm, the LED serves as a channel overload indicator. A threshold at or near +4 dBm enables the LED to serve as a program indicator (i.e., a flashing LED would indicate that the input is active).

^{*} The Threshold level for the entire console is adjustable by means of a control behind the arm rest. See Section V for details.

- 10. MIC SELECTOR SWITCH
 This pushbutton serves as a Mic/Line selector. With the button out, the module normally derives signal from its Line input at nominal +4 dBm levels. When this button is engaged, the signal is instead derived from the Mic input at nominal -55 dBm levels.
- 11. MIC POWER SWITCH
 Pressing in this button applies 48 VDC phantom power to
 the channel's mic input, provided the necessary DC supply
 has been installed. All Pacifica consoles include universal
 power wiring, but the phantom supply is an option which must
 be added when required.
- 12. MIC PAD SWITCH
 Pressing in this button inserts a fixed 20 dB attenuation pad in the microphone input ahead of the transformer so as to avoid saturation of the primary winding with high-level mic inputs.
- 13. MIC GAIN TRIM

 This rotary feedback-type control varies the gain of the microphone preamplifier over a 34 dB range. When used in conjunction with the mic pad, there is a total of 54 dB of gain adjustment range available to optimize signal-to-noise ratio and provide a wider lattitude of fader adjustment.
- 14. ECHO/FOLDBACK ON/OFF SWITCHES (4)
 Four switches allows the signal to be turned ON (button in) or turned OFF (button out) independently on each Echo/Foldback bus.
- 15. ECHO/FOLDBACK LEVEL CONTROLS (4)
 Four controls allows the signal level to be adjusted independently on each on each Echo/Foldback bus. These four mixing circuits may be used for echo send, foldback, or auxiliary mixing.
- 16. ECHO/FOLDBACK "PRE" SWITCHES (4)

 Each of these four switches selects either pre-fader (button in) or post-fader (button out) audio for application to the Echo/Foldback mixing circuits.
- 17. ECHO/FOLDBACK #1 MONITOR SWITCH

 Pressing this button in feeds the #1 Echo/Foldback mixing circuit with signal from the Monitor system, enabling "wet" monitoring during a "dry" recording. That is, there can be an echo or reverb effect in the monitor while the output to the tape machine has no such effect.
- 18. MONITOR LEVEL CONTROL
 This control sets the level sent to the stereo monitor output busses.

- 19. PAN POT & ASSIGNMENT SWITCHES (L,R & PAN)

 The rotary control allows for continuous positioning of the audio signal in the stereo mix bus panorama. Alternately, the "L" and "R" buttons assign signal directly to their respective channels (i.e., equal to a full left or full right setting of the pan pot); pushing both the "L" and "R" buttons effects a center assignment. The "L" and "R" buttons assign the signal only when the "PAN" button is out; the rotary control assigns signal only when the "PAN" button is in.
- 20. MIXDOWN/MONITOR MUTE SWITCH
 Pressing this button removes the channel signal from the stereo mix without affecting any other signals (i.e., mute has no effect on the channel's Direct Output or Echo/Foldback outputs.
- 21. SOLO 2 SWITCH SIP

 Pressing this button allows an individual channel (or channels) to be monitored by interrupting the signal from all non-soloed channels. The solo is "positional"; it is heard in the "PAN" or "L"-"R" assigned stereo perspective at a level proportional to the individual channel level. Any signal also being sent to the echo chamber (or delay) from the soloed channel is also heard. Solo 2 does not interrupt the program outputs.
- 22. CUE LEVEL (1 & 2)
 These rotary controls adjust the audio level fed to two independent cue mixing circuits; the two cue circuits may be used to carry a stereo cue feed if desired.
- 23. DUB SWITCH
 Pressing in this button selects the "Dub" (overdub) mode for this module and causes the adjacent LED indicator to turn ON.
 Nonselected modules and their cue and monitor circuits are fed with signals from tape; selected modules are fed with program signals.
- 24. MIX BUS ASSIGN SWITCHES (8)
 These latching pushbuttons assign the channel signal to any combination of the 8 mixing busses. Both the Input and Input/Monitor modules are equipped with these assign switches.
- When this Pan button is engaged, the rotary control allows for continuous panning of the channel output between odd-numbered mixing busses (on the left) and even-numbered mixing busses (on the Pan button is out, the pan pot has no effect, and the mix bus assign switches assign full channel output level directly to each mixing bus. This pan function is not related to the stereo pan busses (#19 above).

- 26. MIX BUS MASTER (INPUT/MASTER MODULE CNLY)
 This straight-line control sets the level for one of the eight direct mixing bus outputs. As a group, the Mix Bus Master controls on the eight Input/Master modules (channels 1 to 8) set the direct output level of mixing busses 1 to 8 respectively.
- 27. DIRECT SWITCH
 On Input modules, the Direct switch functions as a channel output ON/OFF switch, interrupting the feed to the channel's direct output when the LED is not illuminated.

The output of an Input/Master module normally consists of whatever channels have been assigned to the mix bus corresponding to that module (i.e. bus 1 through 8). Engaging the Direct switch on one of these modules bypasses the mixed bus which is controlled by the Mix Bus Master control, and routes the channel signal directly to its appropriate metered output. Thus, the 8 mix bus outputs do not appear at their normal connection points, but they remain accessible via the patch bay if needed. An LED lights when the "Direct" mode is selected.

- 1. ECHO RETURN LEVEL

 A rotary control (or optional straight-line fader) sets the level applied to both the 8 mixing busses and to the stereo mixdown/monitor output.
- 2. ECHO RETURN ON/OFF SWITCH
 This illuminated latching pushbutton displays the echo return channel number (1 to 4), and lights when the channel return is On.
- 3. SOLO 1 SWITCH
 Pressing this button allows individual echo return channel monitoring without interruption of the program signals. The solo is "non-positional"; it is heard "centered" between the left and right monitor speakers regardless of the actual stereo pan pot position or bus assignment of the channel.
- 4. EQ IN/OUT SWITCH When this button is pressed in, the 3-band echo return equalizer is activated. When the button is out, the equalization is electrically defeated. Operation is silent and does not cause "clicks" in the audio. (See curves in Figure 3-2.)
- 5. LOW & HIGH FILTER SWITCHES
 As suggested by the nomenclature on the buttons, these switches activate shelving filters. The low filter (high pass) is fixed at a 12 dB/octave slope, 3 dB down at 70 Hz. The high filter (low pass) also has a 12 dB/octave slope and is 3 dB down at 15 kHz.
- 6. CHAMBER ON, DELAY ON & DELAY POST SWTICHES
 The Pacifica's echo system accommodates both a conventional chamber device and a digital or tape delay device. When the Chamber ON, Delay ON and Delay Post switches are Out, the Echo Send Mix output is sent to both the chamber and delay devices.
 - a) Engaging only the <u>Chamber On</u> switch picks up the return line from the chamber and applies the signal to the Echo Return Level control, and monitor and mix bus selectors.
 - b) Engaging only the <u>Delay On</u> switch picks up the return from the delay device and applies the signal to the Echo Return Level control, etc.
 - c) Engaging both the Chamber On and Delay ON switches routes the echo send mix first to the delay unit's input, then from the delay output to the chamber input, and finally returns the signal from the chamber's output to the module's Echo Return Level Control, etc. (i.e., delay followed by chamber).

- d) Engaging the <u>Delay Post</u> switch, in addition to Chamber On and Delay On, exchanges the position of the chamber and delay device in the signal chain.
- 7. DELAY REPEAT SWITCH & LEVEL CONTROL

 If the delay device is in use, engaging this switch enables the delayed audio to be recirculated back to the module input. In this way, multiple repeats can be created without external patching. The number of repeats is adjusted with the Delay Repeat Level control, making a popular effect instantly available.
- 8. VU RETURN SWITCH
 Normally, the echo send signal level is displayed on the Echo
 VU meter. When this switch is engaged, that meter displays the
 signal level returned from the chamber and/or delay device.
- 9. FOLDBACK ECHO RETURN SWITCH & LEVEL CONTROL
 The switch is used to turn the echo "On" or "Off" in the
 Foldback circuit. The control varies the amount of echo return
 added to the foldback signal.
- 10. PAN POT & ASSIGNMENT SWITCHES, MIXDOWN/MONITOR MUTE SWITCH, SOLO 2 BUTTON, CUE LEVEL CONTROLS

 These function identically to their counterparts on the input module.
- 11. FOLDBACK SELECTOR

 Latching this pushbutton selects the foldback mode, turning
 "On" the Foldback Output and simultaneously removing the
 module's echo return signal from mix bus assignment and
 mixdown/monitor circuits. Regardless of switch position, echo
 can always be returned to the Cue busses. If it is desired
 to place the module in Foldback mode, and to return echo to the
 foldback bus, press the Foldback Echo Return switch (#9 above).
- 12. MIX BUS ASSIGN
 These function identically to their counterparts on the input module.
- 13. ECHO SEND/FOLDBACK MASTER
 This straight-line control functions as an Echo Send level control in the echo mode, and as a Foldback Master level control in the foldback mode.
- 14. EQUALIZER & EQ SEND SWITCH
 The 3-band, 33-frequency equalizer is identical to that used in the Input Modules. Normally, the equalizer would affect the echo return signal (from the delay and/or chamber). When the adjacent EQ SEND switch is engaged, the equalizer instead affects the echo send signal (to the delay and/or chamber).

STEREO MASTER FADER (A SEPARATE MODULE); FEATURES & FUNCTIONS.

1. STEREO MASTER

This is straight-line fader controls the stereo program output level.

NOTE: Additional electronics are contained within this module, including the stereo mixing amplifiers, stereo booster amplifiers and the mono mixing amplifier.

CONTROL ROOM MONITOR MODULE (7200CR)
STUDIO MONITOR MODULE (7200S); FEATURES & FUNCTIONS.

Note: these two modules are identical with the exception of those features marked with an asterisk (*). These features are meaningful only in the control room environment and are not present on the Studio Monitor module.

1. CONTROL ROOM (OR STUDIO) LEVEL

This rotary control adjusts the level of the control room (or studio) monitor speakers.

2.* DIM LEVEL

When the talkback function is engaged, or the Dim pushbutton is depressed, the ontrol room monitor level drops to the level preset with this control. An LED lights whenever the control room monitors are dimmed. In this way, feedback is avoided (or local conversations can be carried on) without the need for complete monitor muting, and without disturbing the basic settings of the monitor level control.

3.* SOLO LEVEL

This control determines the monitor level when the Solo 1 function is engaged. There are two Solo LED's, one for Solo 1 and one for Solo 2. The LED's light whenver the corresponding Solo switch is engaged on any input module.

4. MUTE PUSHBUTTON

Depressing this button turns the control room (or studio) monitors entirely Off.

5.* DIM PUSHBUTTON

Depressing this button reduces the control room monitor level to the level preset with the Dim Level control (#2 above).

6.* MIXDOWN MODE SELECTOR

Depressing this pushbutton selects the "mixdown" mode of operation for the console. In this mode, the channel stereo pan pot and "L" - "R" assignment switches derive their signals directly from the channel fader instead of the monitor circuits. In addition, the channel Monitor Level control is defeated.

- 7. OUTPUT MODE SELECTORS
 These two switches allow checking mono compatibility of a stereo program. The "2" button is engaged for normal stereo monitoring, while the "2>1" button combines the "L" and "R" signals into a mono feed which is sent only to the left channel monitor amplifier and speaker.
- 8. MONITOR SOURCE SELECTORS (PROGRAM & TAPE)

 These switches permit monitoring of a variety of signals from tape machines, console mix busses, and other sources, as indicated by nomenclature on the module panels.

1. TALKBACK SELECTOR SWITCHES

The signal from the control room talkback microphone (located on the meter panel to the right of the stereo program meters) is preamplified and compressed. Depressing any of these push-buttons then routes the processed talkback signal to the indicated bus or busses, with the exceptions described below:

TONE applies a sine wave signal from the module's test oscillator to the slate/tone bus; the oscillator is automatically turned On regardless of the front panel "Oscillator On/Off" switch position. Frequency and level can be adjusted as desired.

SLATE applies the talkback signal, combined with a 30 Hz

SLATE applies the talkback signal, combined with a 30 Hz tone, to the slate/tone bus, and is useful for identification announcements on tapes. For normal playback, the voice announcement can be heard above the 30 Hz tone without difficulty. During fast tape winding, the 30 Hz tone is multiplied to some higher frequency, and can be heard as a distinct "beep", thus aiding the operator in finding the spot on the tape.

MASTER simultaneously applies the talkback signal to the Slate, Studio, Cue 1, Cue 2, and Foldback busses.

- 2. TALKBACK LEVEL CONTROLS

 These four rotary controls provide for independent adjustment of the talkback signal level applied to their respective busses when the corresponding Talkback Selector buttons are engaged. The 30 Hz slate tone is factory set to -10 VU.
- 3. CUE MASTER LEVEL CONTROLS
 These two straight-line faders set the overall levels on the Cue 1 and Cue 2 output busses.
- 4. OSCILLATOR FREQUENCY CONTROL
 This stepped rotary control provides precise frequency adjustment
 at 11 points, covering a 1 decade range.
- 5. OSCILLATOR RANGE SELECTOR SWITCHES
 In conjunction with the Oscillator Frequency Control (#4 above),
 these 3 buttons provide a full 20 Hz to 20,000 Hz range for the
 test oscillator. Thus, the oscillator may be used for calibrating tape machines and checking console performance.
- 6. GSCILLATOR ON/OFF SWITCH
 Turns the oscillator completely OFF to eliminate any possibility of leakage into the program. The adjacent LED lights when the oscillator is On.
- 7. OSCILLATOR AMPLITUDE
 This rotary control sets the oscillator output level to the Tone bus (#1 above) and to the console's patch bay.

SECTION IV OPERATING HINTS

GAIN STRUCTURE & NOMINAL OPERATING LEVELS

The Pacifica has at least 24 dB of headroom throughout the system. Thus, it is rather forgiving of carelessly set bus levels. However, it is always best to know what the nominal and maximum levels are at input and output points, and to set pads, faders and trimmers so that maximum signal-to-noise ratio and minimum distortion can be preserved.

Inspect the console schematic diagram in Section VI, and notice that the levels and gains are included as part of that drawing. The dB gain or loss at a given circuit point is specified in square brackets (i.e., [-6]), while the actual signal level in dBm at the nominal setting is specified in a diamond shaped box <+4>.

The concerned operator will know the nominal and maximum input and output levels with which his auxiliary equipment is designed to operate, or can learn so from checking the manufacturers' specifications. He will then set the auxiliary equipment and/or the console to maintain the highest possible signal levels without danger of distortion.

For example, how should the gains on the Pacifica input module be set if a condenser microphone specified at nominal -45 dBm output level is placed in front of a kick drum? According to the console block diagram, the nominal mic input level is -55 dBm. Thus, the nominal mic output is already 10 dB hotter. However, kick drums produce considerable acoustic level which in turn can cause the mic to generate nominal levels around -20 dBm, 35 dB hotter than the nominal mic input level. The Mic Trim control will provide up to 34 dB of attenuation, not quite enough. Thus, it would be advisable to switch in the 20 dB Pad, dropping the condenser mic's output down from -20 to -40 dBm. The Mic Trim control could then be adjusted for another 15 dB of loss, bringing the condenser mic level down to the specified -55 dBm.

In the preceding discussion, the input fader could have been used to obtain the needed 35 dB loss, but remember there is only about 24 dB of headroom, and this would mean that the nominal level through the equalizer/filter stage would be 11 dB into clipping, and peaks would sound even worse. In instances where the nominal mic output is somewhat higher than -55 dBm, but still low enough that the Pad and/or Mic Trim control need not be used, the Fader could be used to reduce the level. However, bear in mind that the nominal Fader setting is -15 dB, and this would require the Fader to be kept at a lower setting, substantially reducing the available Fader control range. Thus, it is probably better to set each channel's Mic Trim control for the necessary attenuation and to operate all Faders at the same nominal setting. (This not only

gives a full range of control, it improves performance and it simplifies mixing by allowing the operator to preset faders at the same uniform "ON" point, and to fade in channels without concern about "hitting the right level".)

If a console output must be reduced considerably in level to accommodate sensitive auxiliary equipment, it is best not to reduce the level with one of the console's output controls. Instead, lower the setting on the input of the auxiliary device, or use a pad at that input. This maintains maximum signal level in the lines between the equipment, providing better isolation from noise.

If more and more input channels are brought into a mix so that a given mix bus signal level rises too high, there are two ways to handle the situation; the bus' output fader can be lowered, or if the output fader is already fairly low relative to the nominal setting of 0 dB loss, then all the input faders can be brought down slightly.

Gains and losses need not be calculated with great accuracy; it is sufficient to understand the principle and to operate the console and auxiliary equipment in a sensible way. The Pacifica console has a sufficiently quiet noise floor and high enough headroom and output drive capability to cover fairly large errors without creating audible noise or distortion.

HOW TO SET UP FOR RECORDING A LIVE MIX

It is necessary to provide three major functions when setting up the console for a live recording session:

- (1) Route the console's microphone inputs (or line inputs, in the case of line-level electric instruments) to the appropriate program outputs for feed to the multi-track tape recorder.
- (2) Create a rough stereo mix of the output to the multi-track tape machine for reference in the control room.
- (3) Create a rough stereo mix (or monaural mixes) of the output to the multi-track tape machine for use by the performers (i.e., a headphone cue mix).

Initially, prepare the console for these functions by setting the following switches and controls as described on the next page. Functions not mentioned are either non-functional in this mode of operation, or are unimportant during the initial setup procedure and may be adjusted later as required.

SWITCH/CONTROL

SETTING

CONTROL ROOM MONITOR MODULE

1.	Control	Room	Level	Nominal	(2	o'clock)	

Mute & Dim Switches Buttons out.

3. Mixdown Mode Button out (nonselected).

4. Output Mode Selector #2 Button in.

5. Program Selectors Stereo.

STEREO MASTER FADER Nominal (#10).

INPUT MODULES & INPUT/MASTER MODULES

Fader Nominal (#15).

2. Channel On/Off Switch Button in (channel On).

3. Mic Selector Button in for microphone input; button out for line-level input

4. Mic Pad* Button out (nonselected).

Mic Gain Trim* Full clockwise (no attenuation).

6. Mic Power Switch* Button in only for use with 48V phantom powered microphones.

7. Monitor Level Control Nominal (#12).

8. Pan Switch Button out (nonselected).

9. "L" & "R" Switches Press in either or both to assign

the channel to left, right or center

position for rough mix.

10. Dub Switch Button out (nonselected).

11. Mix Bus Assign (1-8) Buttons out (nonselected); initially,

use the direct bus outputs, not the

mixing busses.

12. Mix Bus Master † Nominal setting (#0).

13. Direct Output Switch Button in (selected).

ECHO SEND/RETURN MODULES

Echo Return On/Off Button out (nonselected).

COMMUNICATIONS MODULE

Communication Switches
 (Tone, Foldback, Cue 1,
 Cue 2, Studio, Slate,
 Master).
 Buttons out (nonselected)
 Buttons out (nonselected)

Oscillator On/Off Button out (nonselected).

STUDIO MONITOR MODULE

Studio Level Nominal (2 o'clock).

2. Mute Switch Button in (selected).

3. Output Mode Selector #2 Button in.

4. Program Selectors Not important because studio monitor speakers are not being used.

*Applicable only when mic input is selected.

tInput/Master Mix Modules only.

Use the SOLO 1 buttons to identify each track (to hear only that channel's mic or line input in the monitor). For microphone inputs, set the faders at nominal (#15) and adjust the MIC GAIN TRIM and MIC PAD as necessary to obtain the desired program levels; it is generally best to record at high levels, and to balance the channel levels during mixdown.

To listen to a mix of channel levels, use the MONITOR LEVEL CONTROL on each input channel. Channel equalization may be used during recording, although many engineers prefer to do most of the equalization during mixdown. Adjust the equalizers as you wish.

In order that the performers may hear what each other are doing, use one of the CUE LEVEL controls on each input module, assigning the channels to create a headphone mix. Monitor the mix as you are creating it by selecting the appropriate PROGRAM button on the Studio Monitor Module. The overall CUE levels are set with the pair of CUE sliders on the Communications module. If several performers wish to hear different mixes, use both CUE controls; additional headphone mixes may be obtained with the four ECHO/FOLDBACK controls.

If the performers wish to hear echo and/or reverb in their headphone mixes, but you wish to keep the recording "dry" (free of echo or reverb), select the FOLDBACK ECHO RETURN switch on one or more of the Echo Send/Return modules, and adjust the adjacent level control accordingly. Be sure to send an appropriate effects mix out to the echo and/or reverb by adjusting the ECHO/FOLDBACK send controls on the input channels. Echo may be equalized as required.

To communicate with performers, engage the CUE button(s) on the Communications module, adjust the CUE LEVEL control(s) and speak. Also, press the FOLDBACK button on this module if foldback is being used for an additional headphone mix. The control room monitors are automatically muted to prevent feedback.

When initially rolling tape, it is desirable to apply reference tones to the tape. Turn ON the oscillator in the Communications module, adjusting its amplitude and frequency as required. The oscillator is applied to the program outputs by pressing the TONE button. To identify a tape, or to identify segments of a tape, press the SLATE button. This applies a 30 Hz tone to the program outputs at the same time it actiaves the talkback mic for voice announcements to these outputs. The tone is not usually audible when the tape is played back at normal speed, but during fast wind with the tape in contact with the heads, the tone is heard as a high-pitched "beep" to signal the desired point has been reached.

It is sometimes desirable to group several inputs for control by a sub-master control. This can be done with the Input/haster modules. For example, in a 16-track recording, channels 1 and 17 through 20 might be used for drum mics. All could be assigned to

buss 1, rather than to Direct outputs, and the Mix Bus Master fader on channel 1 would then simultaneously face the entire drum set. Similar sub-groups could be done by assigning several channels to a different mix bus and using the corresponding Mix Bus Master.

HOW TO SET UP FOR MIXDOWN OF A MULTI-TRACK TAPE TO STEREO, AND FOR OVERDUBBING

It is necessary to provide several major functions when setting up the console for mixdown and overdubbing:

- (1) Route the line inputs (multi-track tape inputs) to the input modules.
- (2) Create a final stereo mix from the output of the multitrack tape machine for feed to the stereo master recorder.
- (3) Create separate mono or stereo headphone cue mixes for any performer(s) who will be overdubbing.
- (4) Activate the mic input for any channel(s) which will be used to do the overdubbing.
- (5) Feed the stereo mix to the studio monitors while performers are there but are not overdubbing.

Initially, prepare the console for these functions by setting the following switches and controls as described below. Functions not mentioned are either non-functional in this mode of operation, or are unimportant during the initial setup procedure and may be adjusted later as required.

SWITCH/CONTROL SETTING

CONTROL ROOM MONITOR MODULE

- Control Room Level Nominal (2 o'clock).
- Mute & Dim Switches Buttons out.
- Mixdown Mode Button out (nonselected).
- 4. Output Mode Selector #2 Button in.
- Tape Selectors Multi-track.

STEREO MASTER FADER Nominal (#10).

INPUT MODULES & INPUT/MASTER MODULES

- Fader Off (infinite attenuation).
- 2. Channel On/Off Switch Button in (channel On).
- Mic Selector Button out (unless channel is designated for overdubbing).
- 4. Monitor Level Control Nominal (#12).

5.	Pan Switch, "L" & "R" Switches & Pan Pot	Use same settings as during initial recording; if not known, select PAN button and adjust PAN control.
6.	Dub Switch	Button out (nonselected) on most channels; if an overdub is to be done, select this button on an unused channel.
7. 8.	Mix Bus Assign (1-8) Direct Output Switch	Button out (nonselected). Button out (nonselected).

SETTING

FCHO	CENID	/ DETIIDN	MODULES
ECHO	SEND/	KETUKN	MODULES

SWITCH/CONTROL

1.	Echo Return Level	Nominal (2 o'clock).
2.	Echo Return On/Off	Button in (selected) for echo/foldback channels to be used.
3.	Chamber, Delay & Delay Repeat Switches	Select Chamber On, Delay On, or both for effects explained in the Brief Operating Instructions. If multiple echoes are desired, Select Delay Repeat and adjust the control for desired number of echoes.
4.	Echo Send Master	Nominal setting (#0).

COMMUNICATIONS MODULE

1.	Communication Switches	Buttons o	ut	(nonselected).
775.43	(Tone, Foldback, Cue 1,			
	Cue 2, Studio, Slate,			
	Master)			200

	ind b c c z /		
2.	Oscillator On/Off	Button out	(nonselected).

STUDIO MONITOR MODULE

	STUDIO MONITOR	
1.	Studio Level	Nominal (2 o'clock).
	Mute Switch	Button out (nonselected) unless overdubbing is to be done near studio monitors.
3.	Output Mode Selector	#2 Button in.
4.	Tape Selectors	Multi-track tape button in (selected).

Use the SOLO 1 buttons to identify each track (to hear only that channel's mic or line input in the monitor). SOLO 2 allows you to hear the position of that input in the stereo perspective. Initially set the faders at nominal (#15), then adjust them as necessary to obtain the desired stereo program balance.

You will be hearing the same mix that is being applied to the stereo mastering machine; use the CHANNEL FADERS to obtain the level balance. Channel equalization may applied to separate vocals and instruments by emphasizing different frequency ranges, and to correct for undesirable tonal qualities. Low cut filters can cut rumble on predominantly mid-high frequency channels, and high cut

filters can eliminate excess noise on predominantly low frequency channels.

In order that the performers may hear the mixdown, the studio monitor speakers may be left On. If overdubbing is to be done in the studio, turn Off the studio monitor speakers and use the CUE LEVEL controls on each input module, assigning the channels to create a headphone mix. Monitor the mix as you are creating it by selecting the appropriate PROGRAM button on the Studio Monitor Module. The overall CUE levels are set with the pair of CUE sliders on the Communications module.

The Cue mix will carry the signal from the tape machine's record heads (sync playback) if any OVERDUB button is pressed. Because pressing an OVERDUB button switches the channel's input from multi-track tape to microphone, it is desirable to press an OVERDUB button on an unused channel so the cue system can monitor the sync signal. Then, the channel(s) to be "punched in" (corresponding to the track to be placed in record mode) can have its mic input activated when its OVERDUB button is pressed.

To introduce echo and/or reverb to the mix, assign the desired channels to those ECHO/FOLDBACK busses you wish to use, and adjust the Echo Send/Return modules corresponding to those busses. The echo can be applied to the headphone cue busses by adjusting the CUE controls on the Echo modules. Equalize the echo as desired. In most cases, the VU RTN button will be disengaged so the VU meters display echo send level; however, the return level can be checked by pressing in the button.

To communicate with performers, engage the CUE button(s) and/or STUDIO buttons on the Communications module, adjust the CUE LEVEL control(s) and speak. Also, press the FOLDBACK button on this module if foldback is being used for an additional headphone mix. The control room monitors are automatically muted to prevent feedback.

The oscillator may be used to align the tape machine or to place reference tones on the tape, and the slate/tone feature may be used as described in the preceeding subsection on LIVE RECORDING.

To check for monaural compatibility in a stereo mix, switch the Control Room Monitor module's Output Mode to 2>1 position. This creates a monaural blend of the stereo program. There may be a center-channel build-up of some 3 dB, but otherwise the mix should change little with respect to the balance of the various inputs. If a particular vocal or instrument disappears or drops in volume, and it is a sound source that is being picked up by more than one input channel, one mic may be out of phase with the others. Press the Phase Reversal (polarity reversal) switch for those channels (one at a time) until the offending input is discovered, and leave that phase switch engaged.

The procedure for setting up a sound reinforcemement mix is similar to that for setting up a recording mix. Since most reinforcement is stereo (or mono), the console can be placed in MIXDOWN MODE (engage the "mixdown" switch on Control Room Monitor module) so that the input faders set the level on the stereo outputs. The Echo/Foldback busses are used for foldback (i.e., for stage monitor mixes). The Cue busses may be used for additional stage monitor mixes.

The Foldback sends should be set for pre-fader take-off points (PRE buttons in) so that when the house mix is adjusted with the channel faders, the stage monitor mix is unaffected.

While it is desirable in recording to mix all busses at the highest possible nominal level, and to raise some busses even higher on occasion, this technique is not suitable for sound reinforcement. Since there is a maximum level above which feedback will occur, that level is the ceiling. When additional channels are brought into the mix or one channel must be given more emphasis in the mix, it may be necessary to reduce the level on all other channels.

The Control Room Monitor module can be used for monitoring in the mixing booth, while the Studio Monitor module can be used to handle the stage monitors and any off-stage monitors (i.e., dressing rooms, lobby areas, etc.). Use the Control Room Monitor module with headphones, and use the SOLO buttons to identify channel inputs and to troubleshoot bad mics, etc. during a performance.

MAINTENANCE & SERVICE

MODULE REMOVAL & REPLACEMENT

To remove a module, unscrew two allen-head screws, one each at the extreme top and bottom of the input module. Then thread the module extractor tools (supplied with the console) into the holes in the module from which the allen screws were removed. Pull the module straight up, until it clears the console.

To replace the module, gently reinsert it its original position using care to align the module's card edge connectors with the corresponding sockets on the mother board. When properly aligned, the module front panel will rest approximately 1/8" higher than adjacent fully seated modules. Once alignment is assured, press the module firmly down into its sockets. Remove the extractor tools and replace the allen screws.

METER LAMP REPLACEMENT

Remove the meter pod rear panel behind the meter(s) to be serviced by turning the each panel screw one full turn in a counter-clockwise direction (it is not necessary to remove the screw).

The meters are mounted four to a circuit board, and each board is hinged at its base. The front of the board may be accessed by depressing the two latches located on the upper inside surface of the meter pod (see illustrations, Section VI). It will be necessary to use two hands in order to release both latches simultaneously. As soon as the latches are released, the board will pivot on its hinge toward the rear panel, exposing the meter lamps.

NOTE: If the peak/VU option is installed, an additional circuit board will be "piggy-backed" behind the meter circuit board. It may be necessary to remove this second, smaller board in order to gain full access to the front of the meter board. Two screws fasten the smaller board to the main meter board; once they are removed, the smaller board may be unplugged and set aside.

To remove the lamp, grasp it, push it into its socket, and turn it counterclockwise approximately 1/4-turn. Then pull the lamp out of the socket. A small quantity of lamps are included with the spares kit. The proper replacement lamp is a #1829 (bayonet base, 28 volt dc).

After changing the lamp(s), swing the meter circuit board back in place and push it forward until the latches snap behind it. Then replace the meter pod rear panel and secure it by turning the screws approximately one full turn clockwise.

PEAK INDICATOR THRESHOLD LEVEL ADJUSTMEN.

The Master LED Threshold control is located on the extreme right side of the console, behind the arm rest. The threshold at which the LED turns on may be adjusted from maximum sensitivity (+4 dBm) to minimum sensitivity (never turns On) by rotating the control clockwise. To obtain a given threshold adjustment:

- a) Apply the test oscillator to any channel's line input via the console's patch bay.
- b) Use an external dB meter or voltmeter to set the console's test oscillator to the desired threshold level.
- c) Turn the Threshold control behind the armrest until the LED just turns On.

CALIBRATION OF VU METERS ON STANDARD CONSOLE

Remove the meter pod rear panel behind the meters to be serviced by turning each panel screw one full turn counterclockwise.

The meters are mounted 4 to a circuit board, and each board has 4 calibration controls, one per meter.

NOTE: If the console has the peak/VU option, see below for peak offset adjustment, and see page 5-1 for access to VU meter for calibration.

To calibrate a meter, use the following procedure:

- a) Apply the test oscillator to any channel's line input via the the console's patch bay. Set oscillator frequency to 1 kHz. Set level control to +4 dB.
- b) Route signal from input channel to appropriate metered output via the output assign switches.
- c) Using an accurately calibrated voltmeter with a dB scale, such as a Hewlett-Packard Model 400F, monitor the desired output via the console's patch bay.
- d) Set the channel's fader to result in an output level of +4 dB.
- e) Adjust the console VU meter's calibration control to result in a 0 dB reading on the VU meter scale.

PEAK CALIBRATION OF METERS ON CONSOLE WI 4 PEAK/VU OPTION

The peak/VU option is factory preset for a peak-to-VU reading differential of 8 dB. If a different calibration is required, proceed as follows:

- 1. Set peak meter mode selector switch to peak mode.
- Repeat steps (a), (b), and (c) of standard VU meter calibration (see previous page).
- 3. Set channel fader to result in an output of +12 dB on the voltmeter (peak differential of 8 dB above the +4 dB output). If more or less differential than the 8 dB offset is desired, set the fader accordingly (i.e., set the fader for +14 dB output if a 10 dB differential is desired).
- Adjust the peak/VU calibration control on the peak/VU piggyback circuit board to result in a 0 dB reading on the console's VU meter.

POWER SUPPLY VOLTAGE ADJUSTMENT

The Model 7280 Power Supply included with the Pacifica console is preset at the factory for proper voltage outputs. Should the voltage outputs require recalibration, the procedure is as follows:

- a) Remove the dress panel by removing the mounting screw on each side to gain access to voltage adjustment controls. The control functions are marked on the sub panel.
- b) The console should be connected to the supply so that the adjustment will compensate for any loading effects.
- c) Connect a voltmeter to the appropriate terminals at the console (not at the supply). The barrier strip in the console is marked to indicate the various voltages and returns.
- d) Insert a small slotted screwdriver through the appropriate hole in the supply sub panel, and gradually adjust the voltage. Clockwise rotation increases the voltage output.

NOTE: The power supply has over-voltage protection which will automatically shut off the output if the voltage is adjusted to greater than 10% of the nominal rating. Should the protection circuits activate, turn Off the power supply, turn the voltage adjustment counterclockwise, turn On the supply, and adjust for proper voltage output.

e) Disconnect the voltmeter and replace the power supply dress panel.

POWER SUPPLY REMOTE SENSING

If it is necessary to operate the power supply at a distance from the console which is beyond that of the power supply cable included with the console, it may be desirable to use the remote sensing feature of the power supply. Refer to the Power Supply Remote Sensing Schematic diagram in Section VI, or consult the Quad-Eight factory for details.

WARRANTY

The console will be presented to the buyer complete and operable in accordance with specifications and block schematics. We warrant the equipment to be free from defects in workmanship, materials and fabrication for one (1) year under normal and proper use, service and maintenance.

Performance of Quad-Eight manufactured equipment according to the specifications will be guaranteed for a period of one (1) year. This guarantee will not apply with respect to Quad-Eight equipment and/or component parts thereof which have been altered,* or which have been subjected to misuse, negligence, and/or accidental damage.

Any warranty item(s) which must be returned to the factory for service will require a return authorization prior to shipment to Quad-Eight or its affiliated service representatives. It is the responsibility of the buyer to pay for insurance and shipment to Quad-Eight; Quad-Eight will pay for return freight only if a return authorization has accompanied the item(s). At our option, Quad-Eight will repair or replace the item(s).

This guarantee does not apply if uncrated equipment is moved into areas where construction is going on. Under no condition shall Quad-Eight be liable for damages or loss incurred, or for any personal injury, or property damage incidental to the use of Quad-Eight equipment.

FACTORY SERVICE

The factory or its affiliated service representatives will, for a reasonable fee based on time, material and shipping costs, repair equipment which is out of warranty. If a repair estimate is desired, the equipment must first be submitted to Quad-Eight or its service representative along with a note describing the nature of the problem and requesting an estimate of repair costs.

PLEASE CONTACT THE FACTORY BEFORE RETURNING ANY EQUIPMENT.

^{*} Other than modifications pursuant to Quad-Eight's supervision.

SECTION VI APPENDIX: SPECIFICATIONS & DRAWINGS

SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS

Pacifica series consoles meet or exceed the following specifications:

ecifications:	
FREQUENCY RESPONSE	20 Hz to 20 kHz, $\frac{+1}{+0.5}$ dB, measured at any level up to +24 dBs from microphone input to any output.
NOISE	Mic input equivalent input noise, -129 dBV; Line input (remix); 84 dB S/N ratio with normal control settings, +4 dB in and +4 dBm out.
HEADROOM	Minimum headroom, mic preamp, +28 dB; All other amplifiers, +24 dB.
DISTORTION	Less than 0.25% total harmonic distortion measured at any level up to +24 dB output and any frequency from 30 Hz to 20 kHz (typically less than 0.1% THD).
GAIN	80 dB overall (higher gains available).
CROSSTALK	Greater than 75 dB isolation, 30 Hz to 10 kHz channel-to-channel, at normal control settings; Greater than 70 dB, 20 Hz to 20 kHz.
POWER REQUIREMENTS	115 V or 230 V AC, 50 Hz or 60 Hz.
SHIPPING WEIGHT	Approximately 700 lbs. (318 kg) for 24 input system.
CONSOLE DIMENSIONS	[INCHES & (cm)]
Frame input capacity	Length* Height Depth**
16 channels 24 channels 36 channels	66.0 (168) 39.0 (99) 41.0 (104) 79.0 (200) 39.0 (99) 41.0 (104) 103.7 (263) 39.0 (99) 41.0 (104)

**incl. arm rest

§ 0 dB reference is 0.775 volts RMS.

* incl. legs

SYSTEM COMPLEMENT

Model No.			Frame Size					
or Function	Description	16	24	36	Su	pplied		
7200M	Input/Master Mix	8	8	8		8		
7200	Input/Output	8	16	28	up	to 28		
7200E	Echo Send/Return	4	4	4		4		
7200SR	Stereo Module	1	1	1	¥	1		
7200CR	Control Room Monitor	1	1	1		1		
7200S	Studio Monitor	1	1	1		1		
7200C	Communication/ Oscillator	1	1	1		1		
VU Meter	16 Program, Left, Right 4 Echo, Mono, Aux	t . 24	24	32		24		
VU Option	24 Program	<u>;-</u> -	32					
Patch Bay	Bantam tip-ring-sleeve jacks		240		up	to 336	j	
In/Out Con- nections	Terminal Block (std.) XLR optional (mating connectors supplied)	64	as requ	ired		req'd. p to 10		
Auxiliary Devices	Space provided for up to 8 1-1/2" x 7" and up to 8 1-1/2" x 5-1/4"							

LIST OF DRAWINGS

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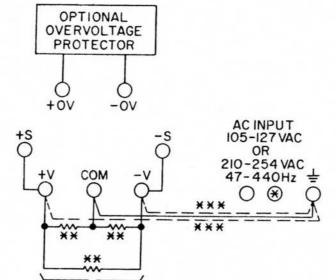
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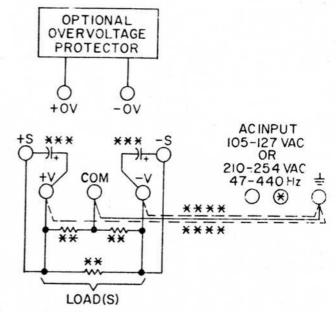
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- ** LOAD(S) CAN BE CONNECTED IN ANY CONFIGURATION.

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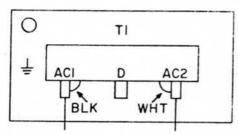
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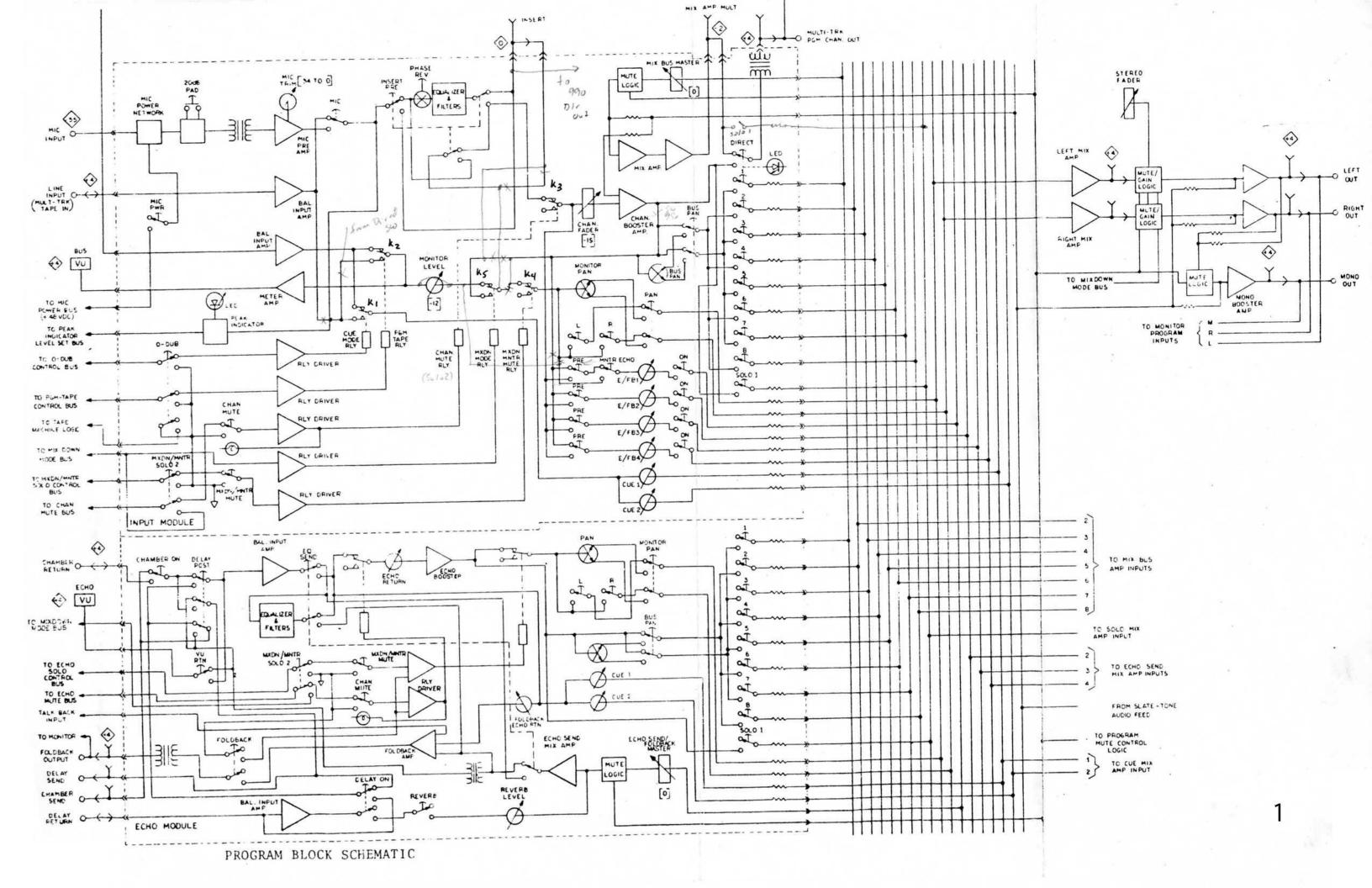
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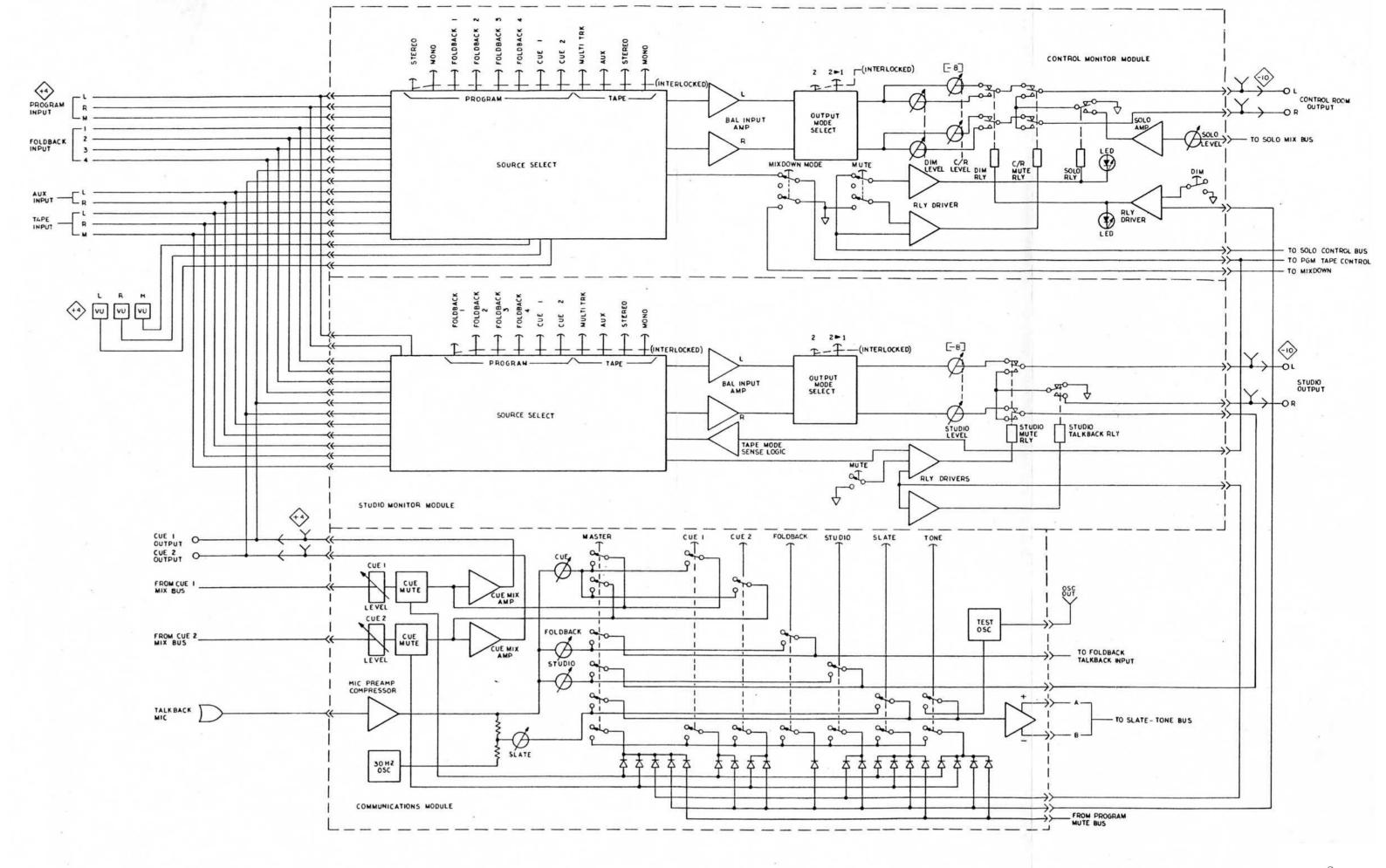
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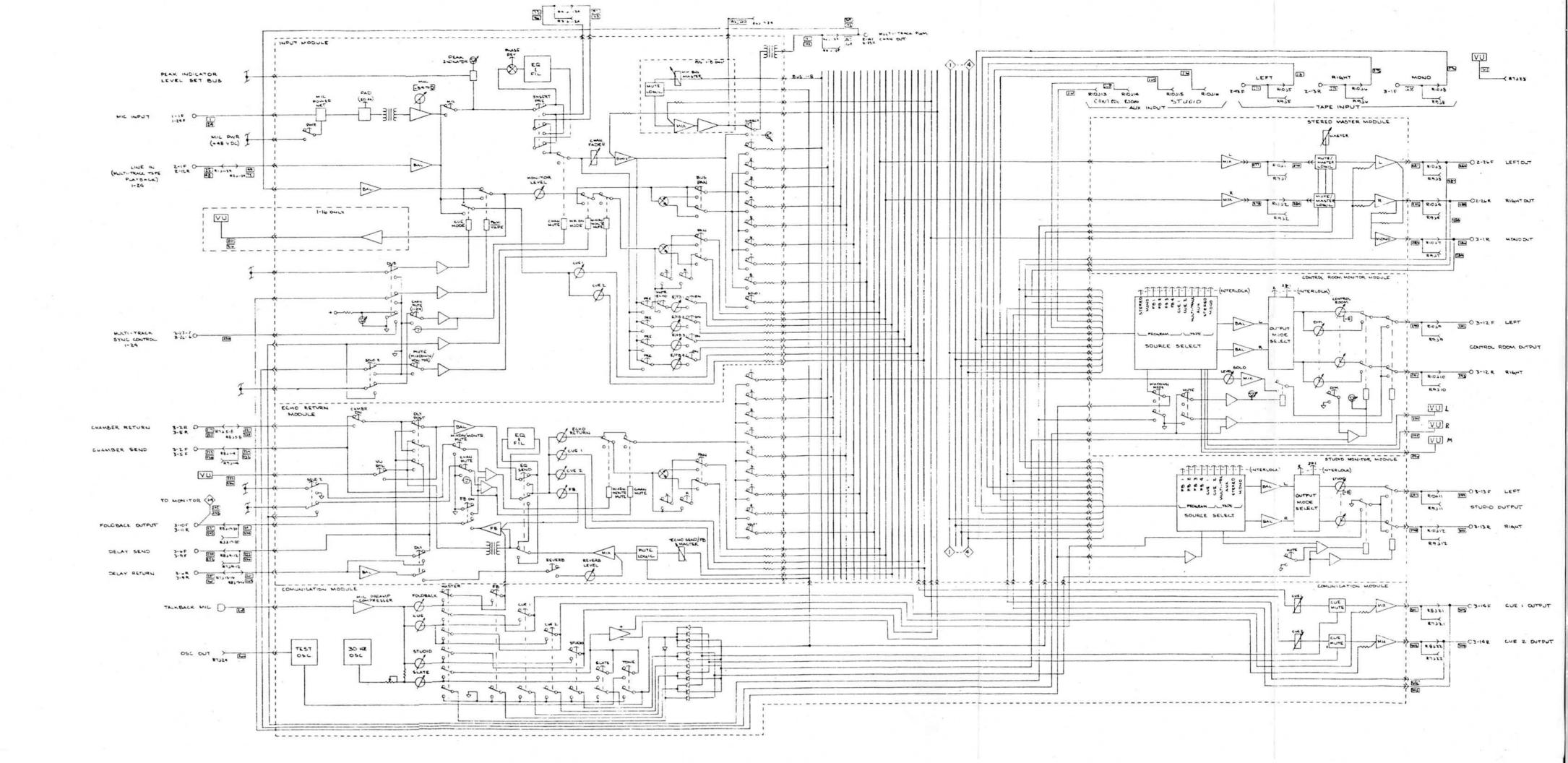


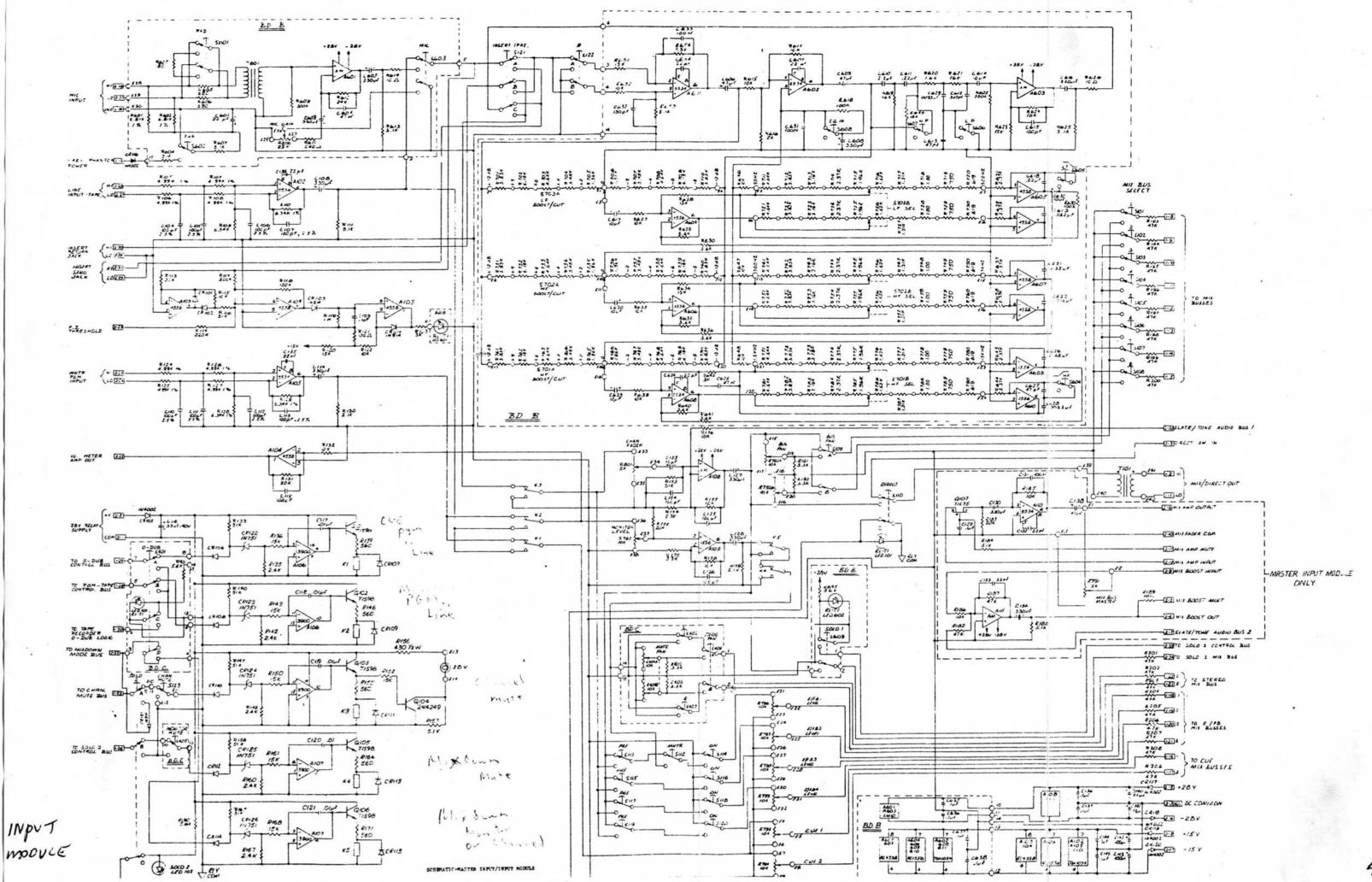
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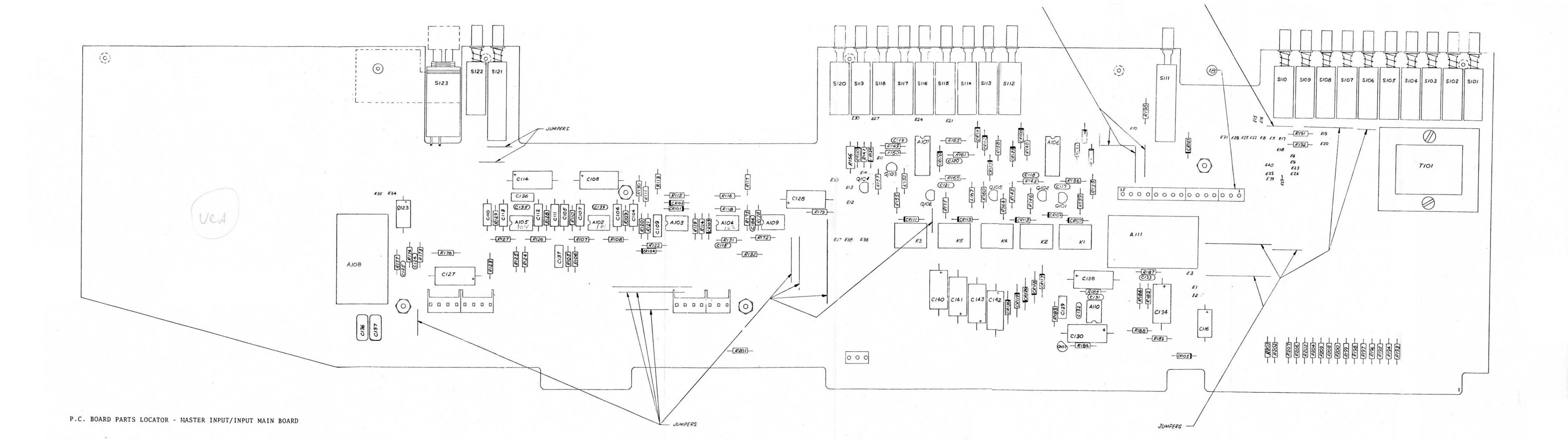
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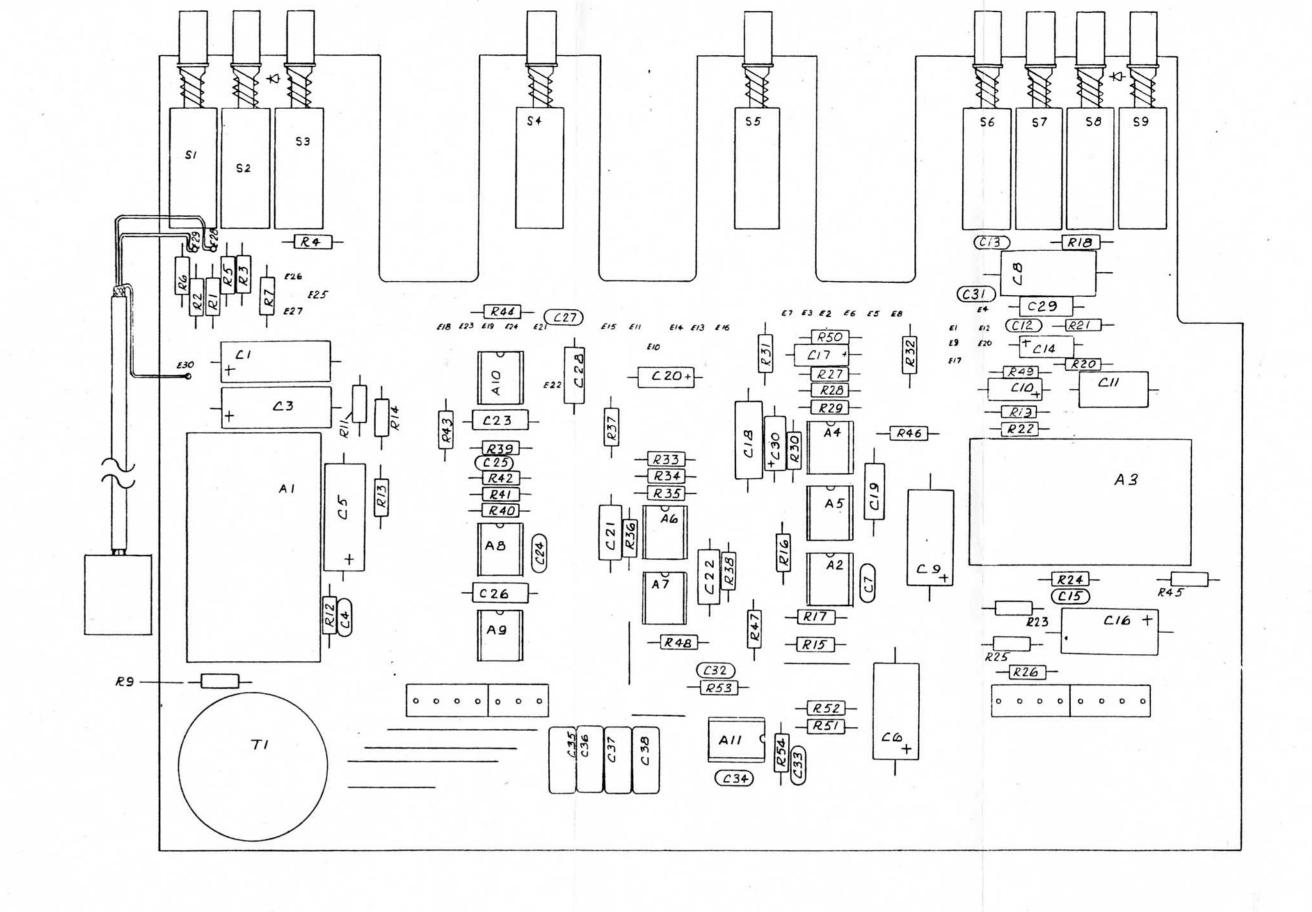


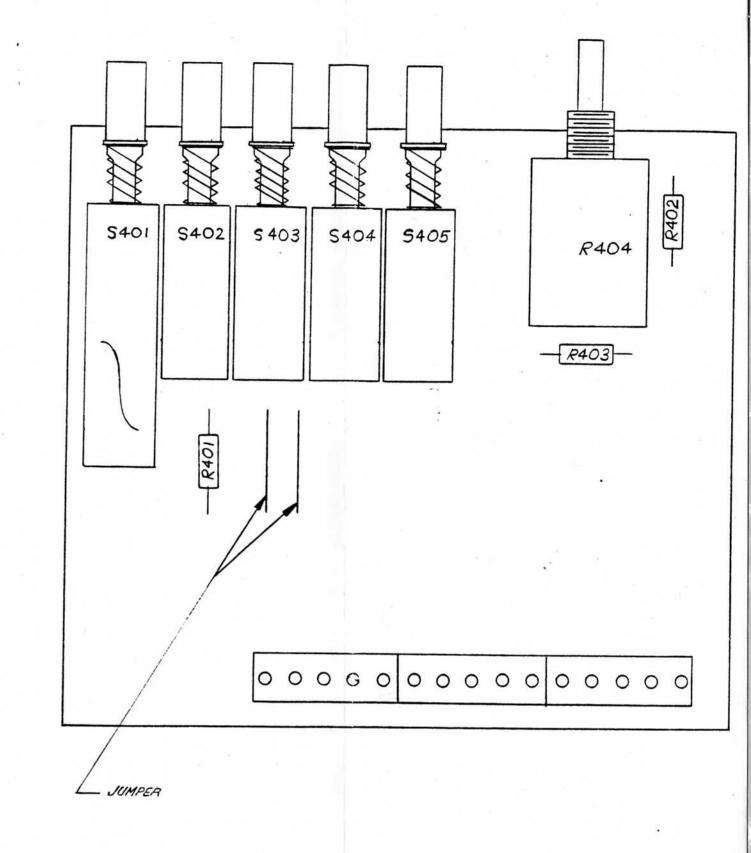




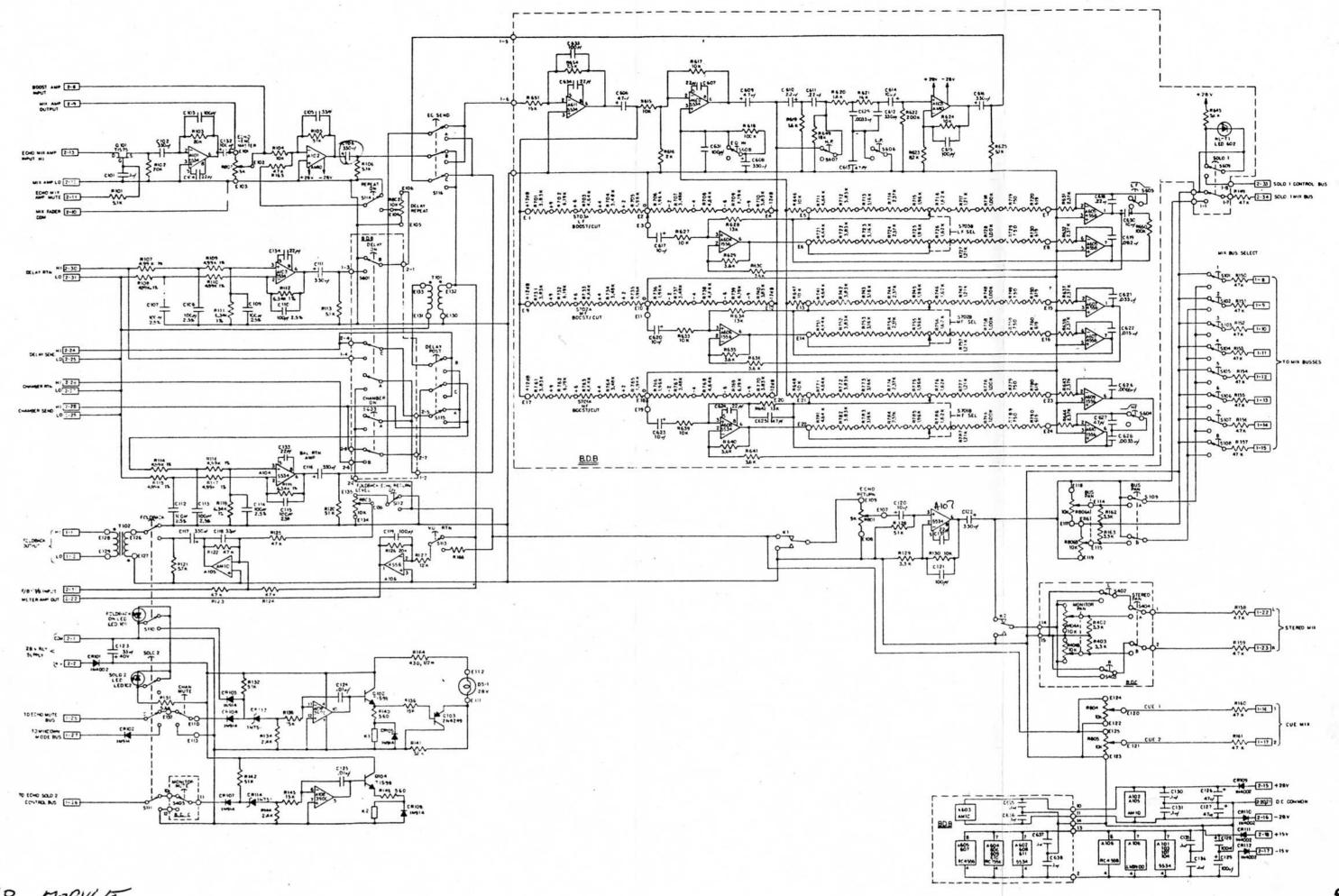


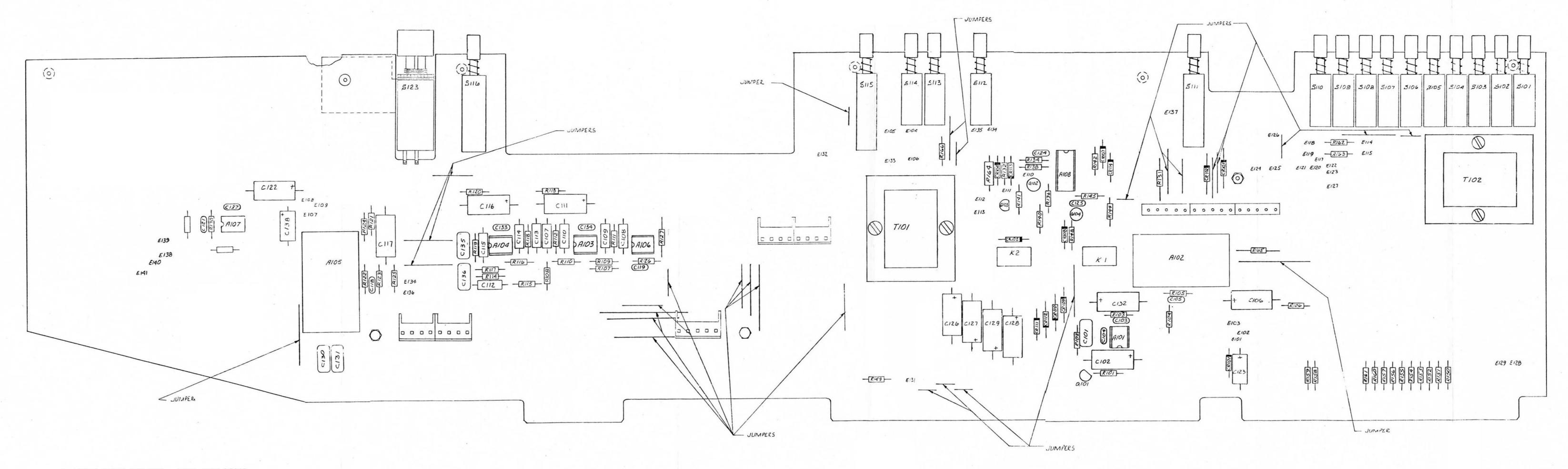


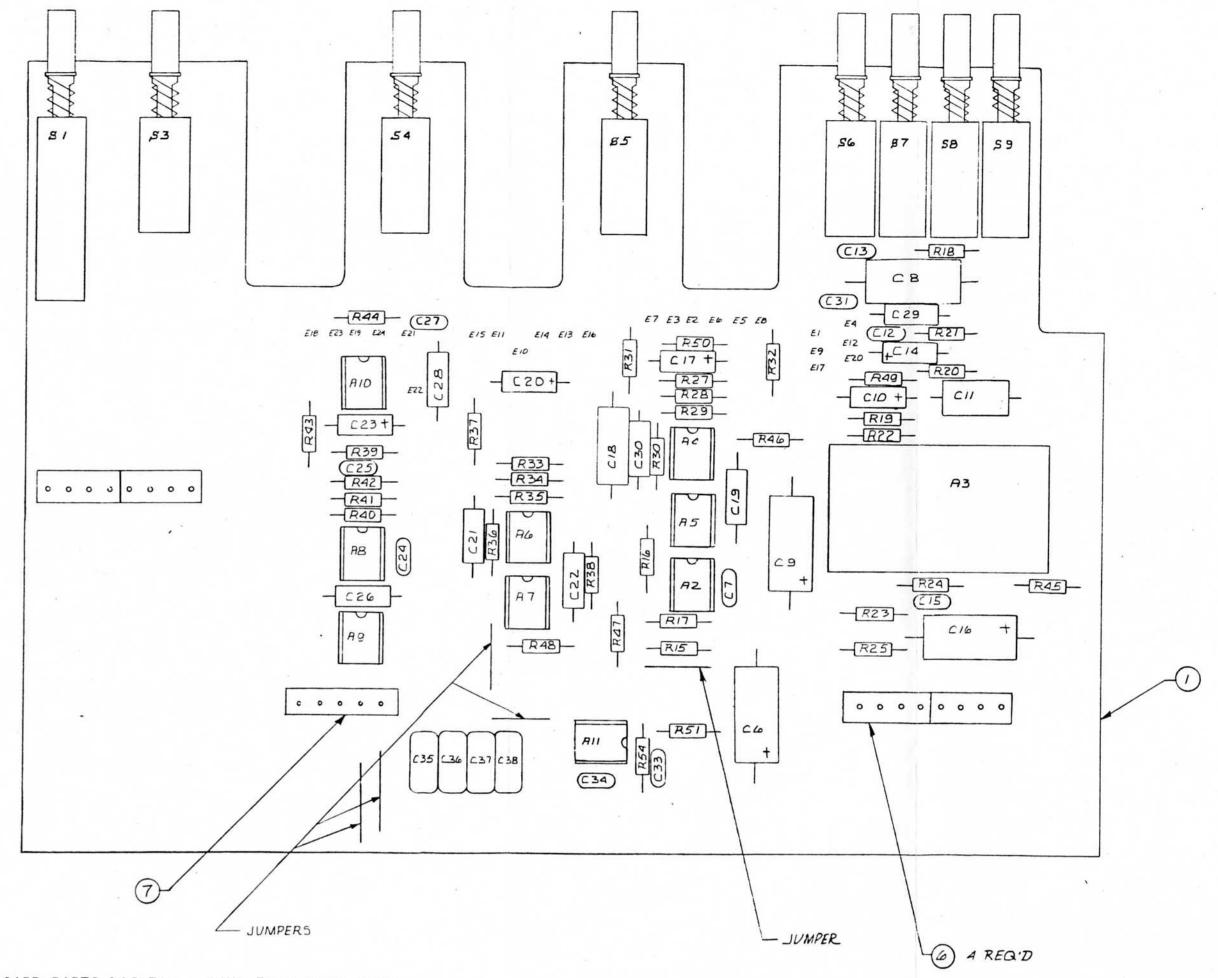


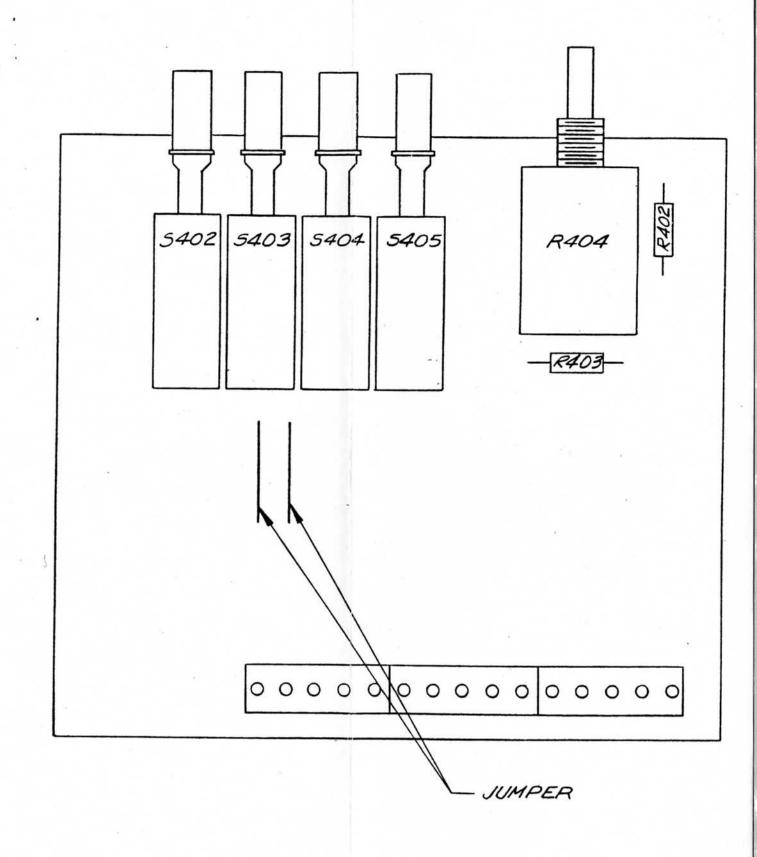


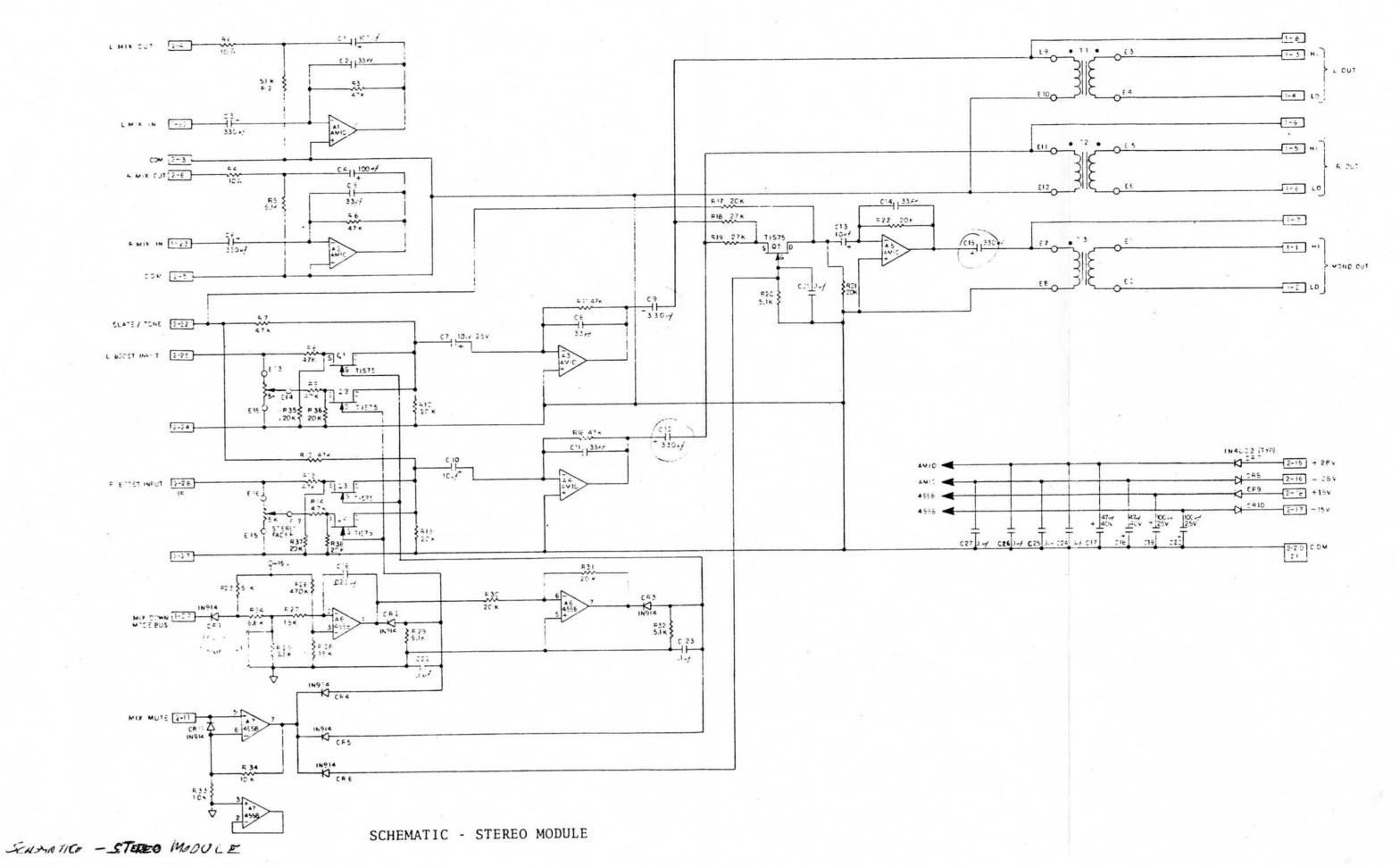
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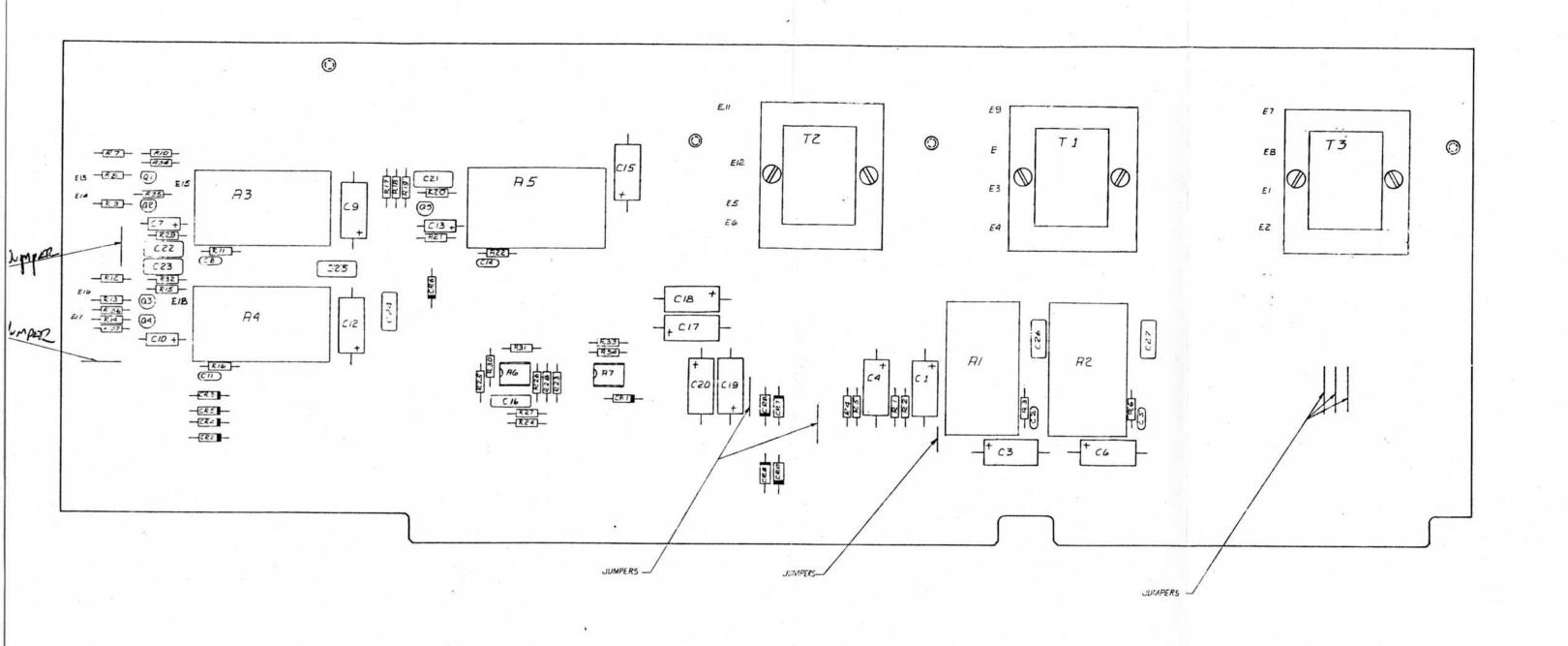




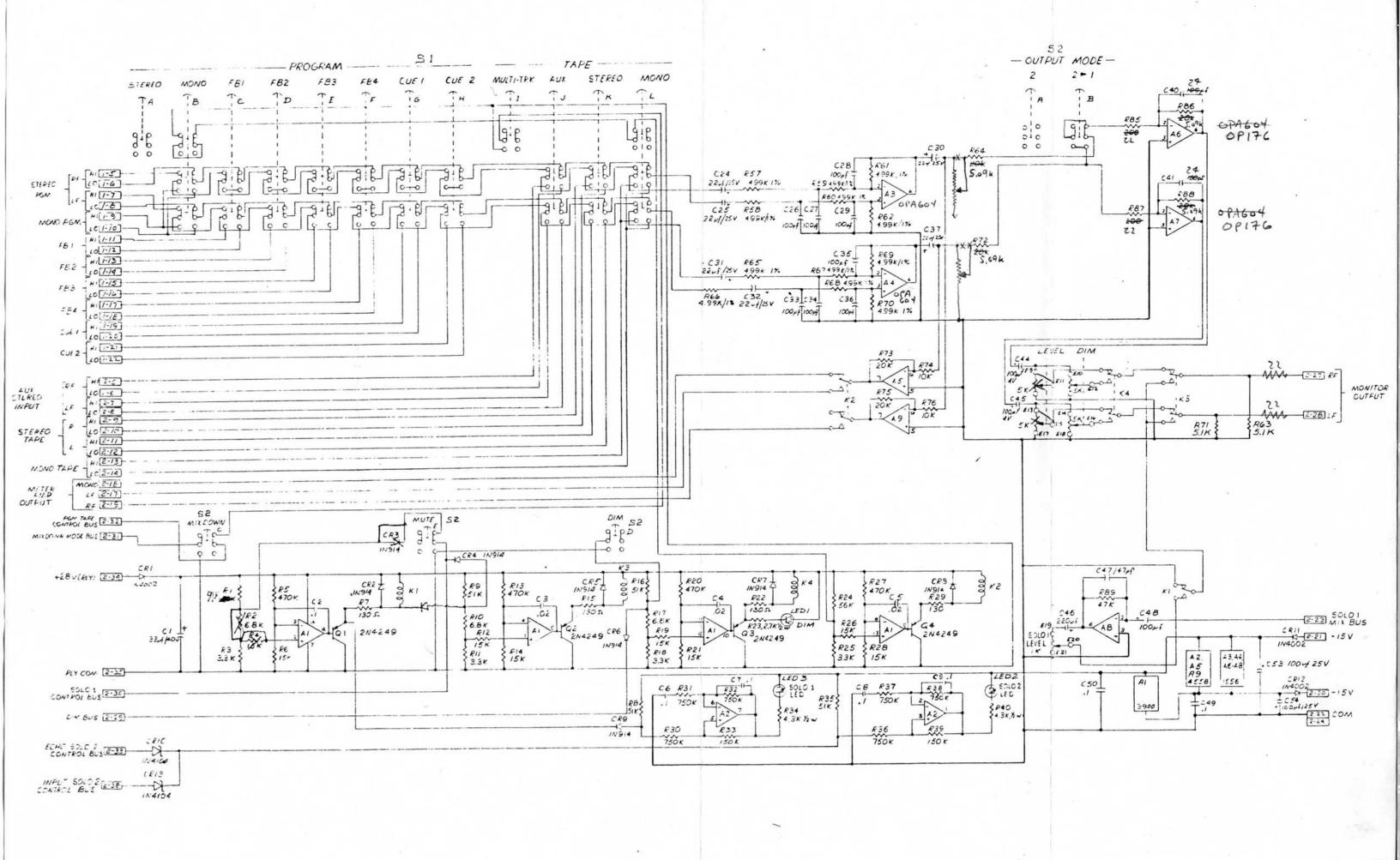


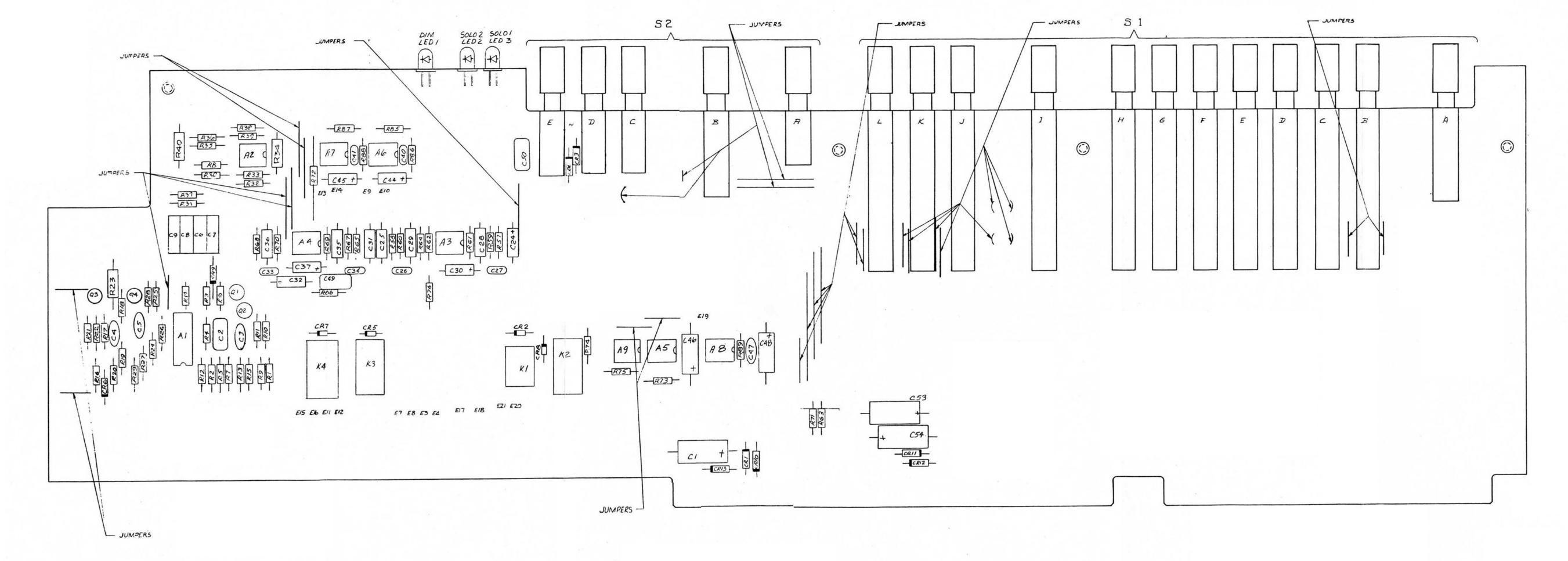


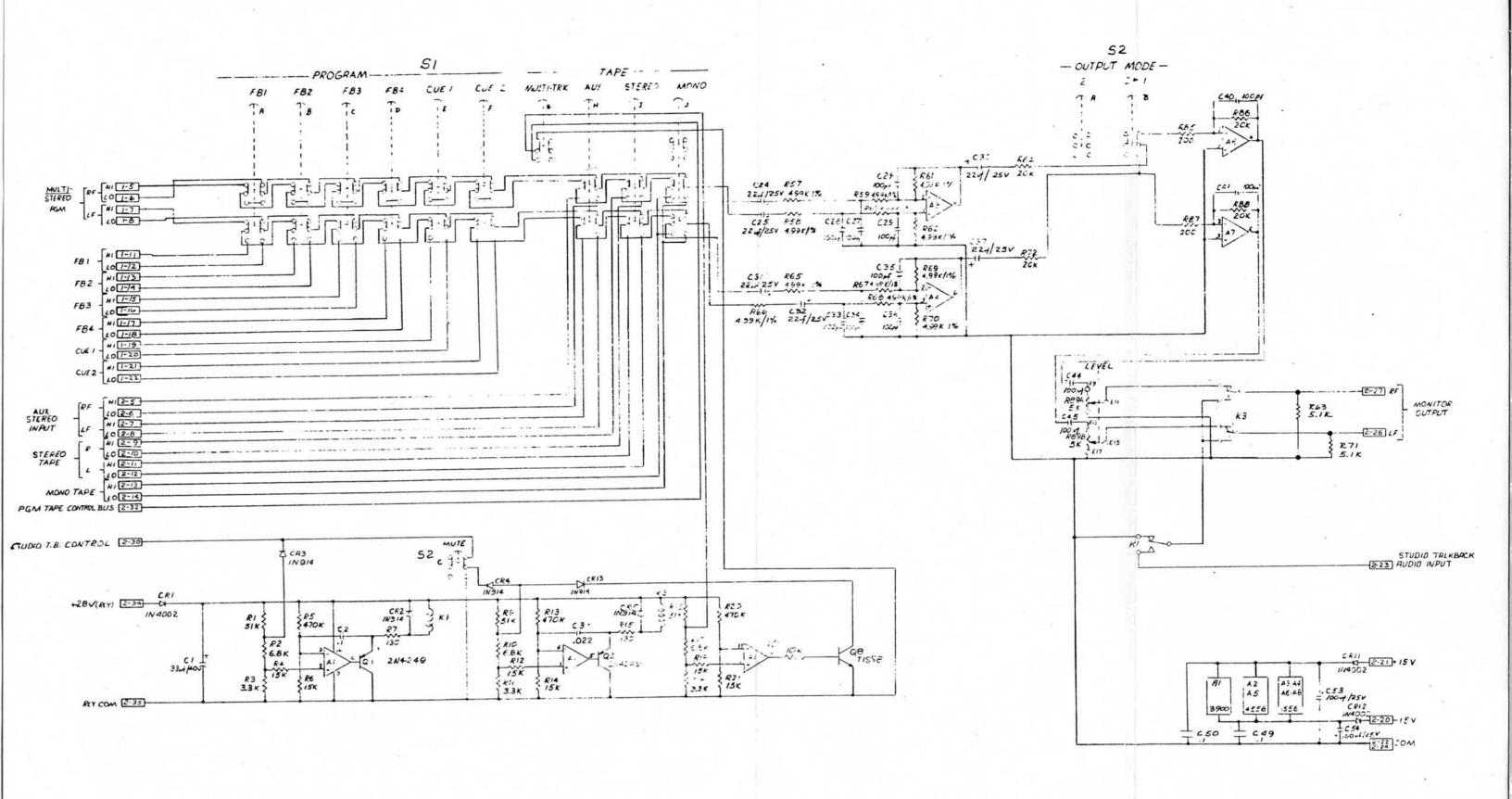


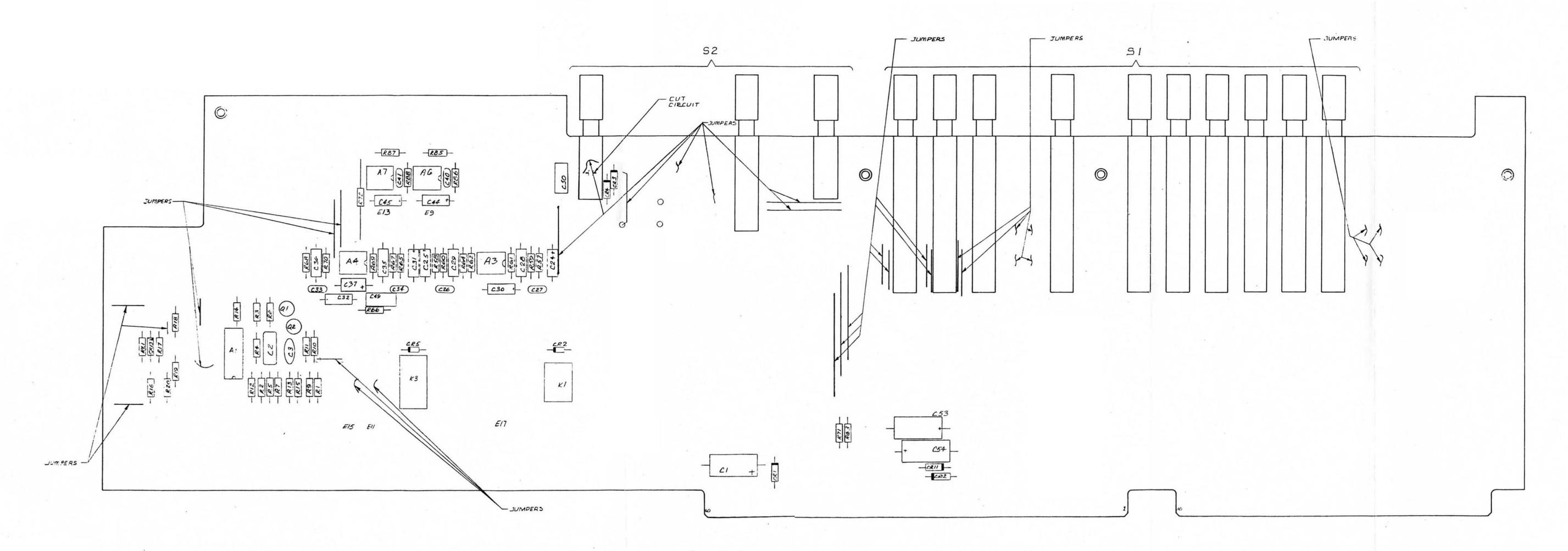


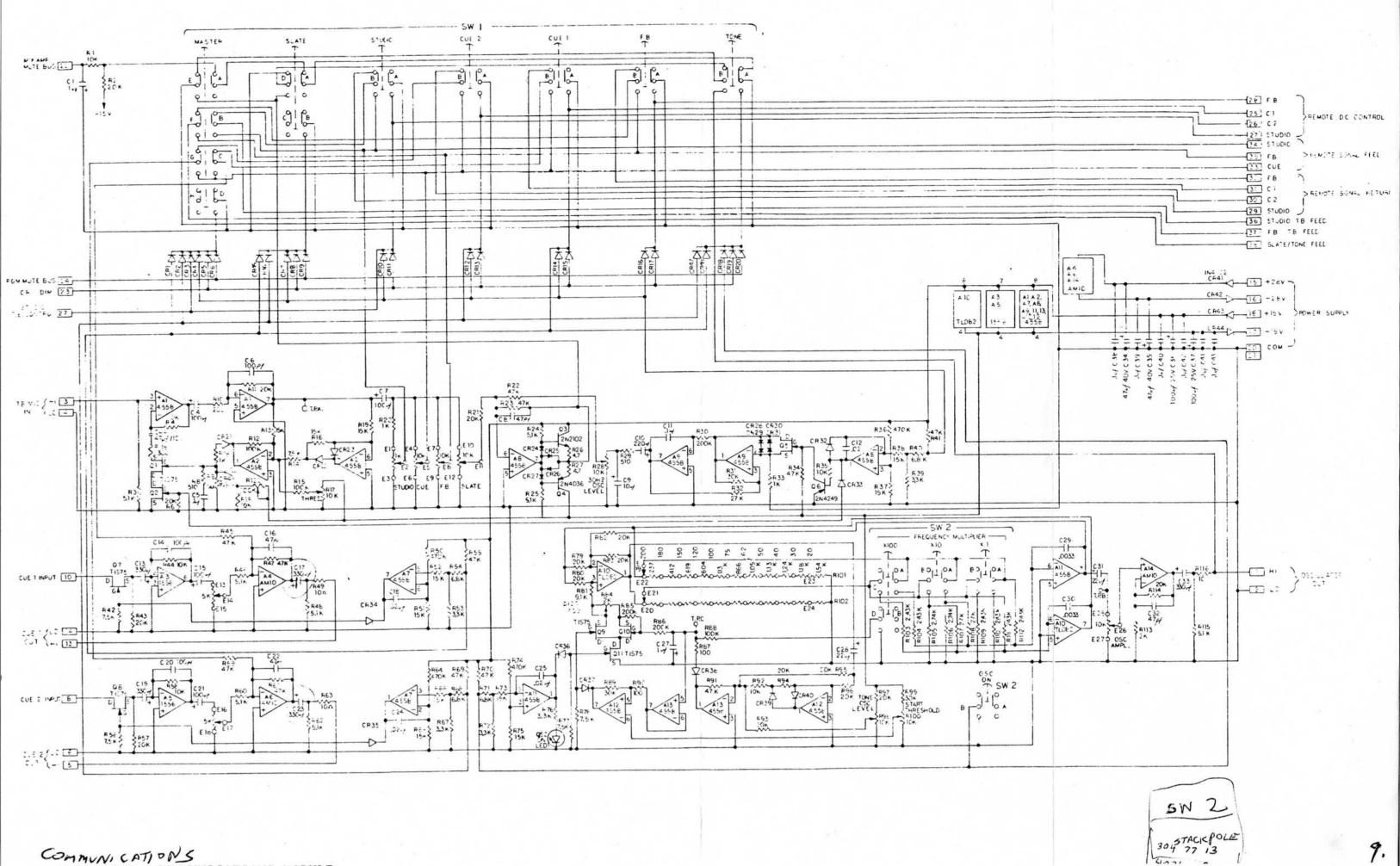
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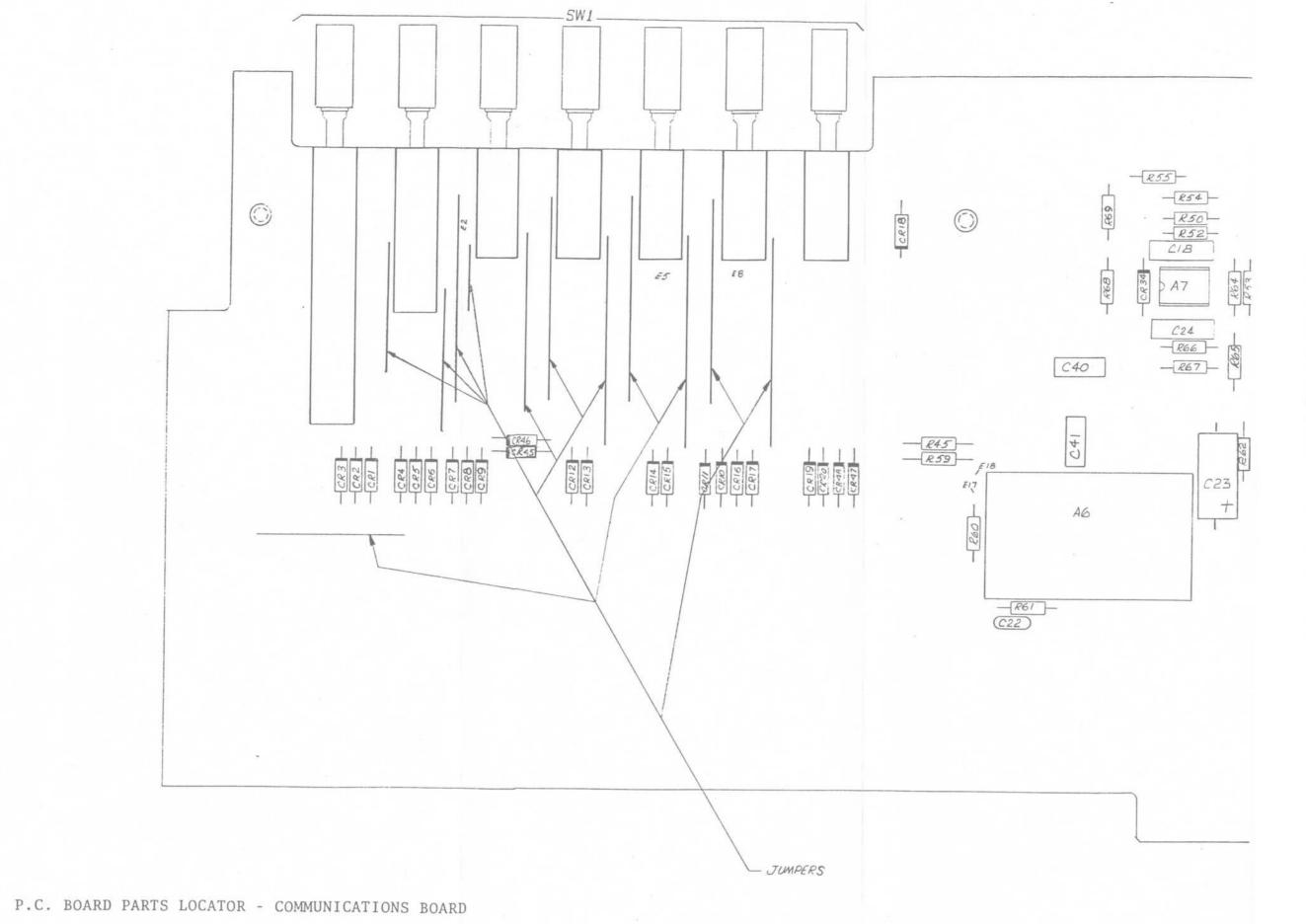


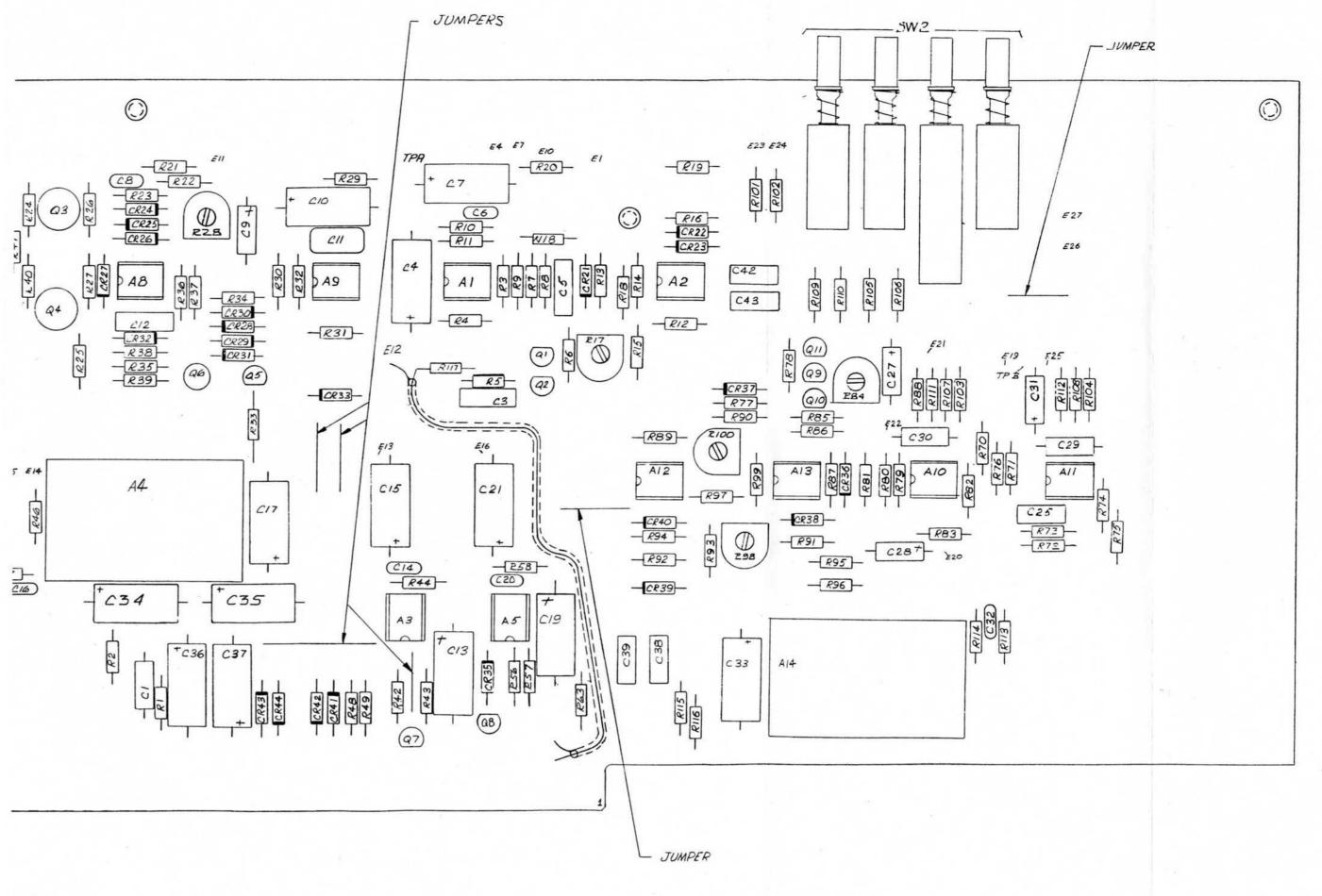


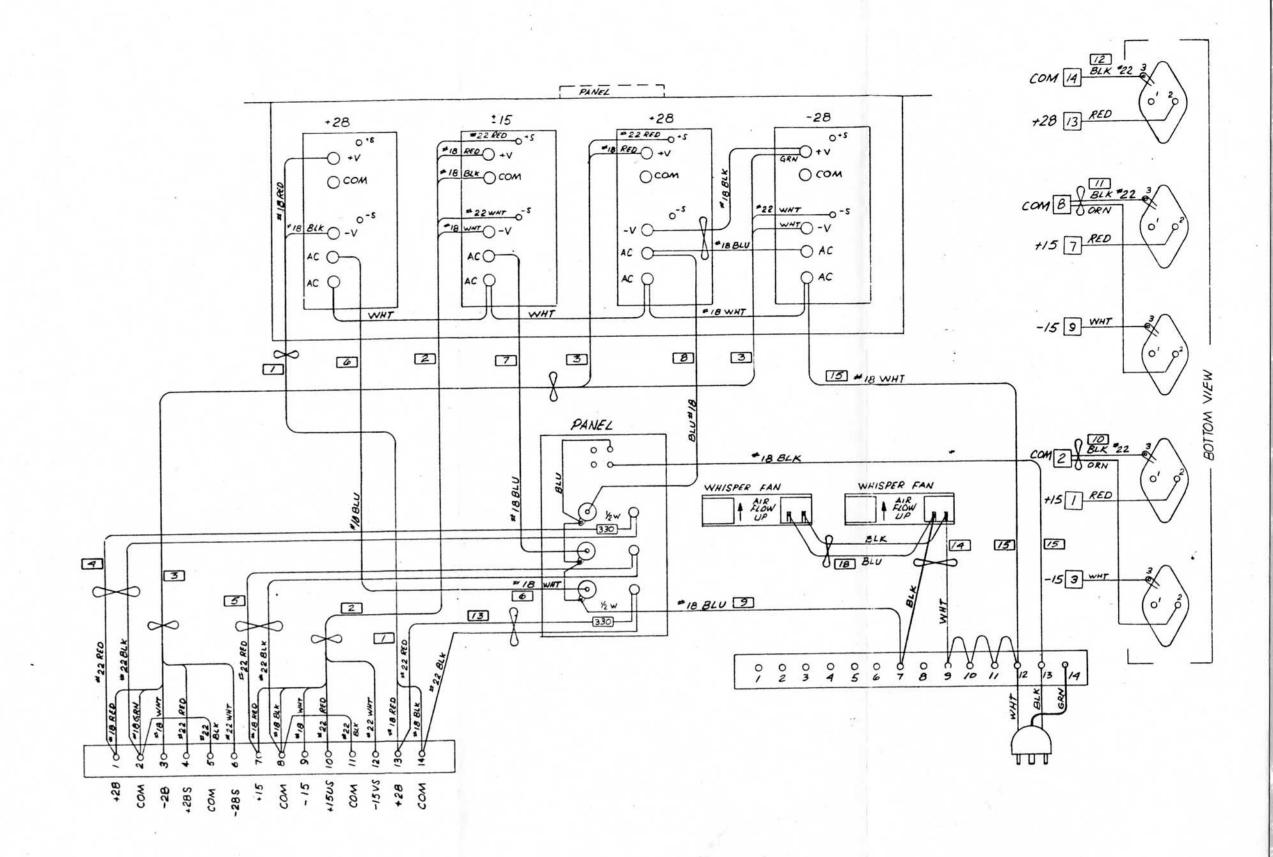






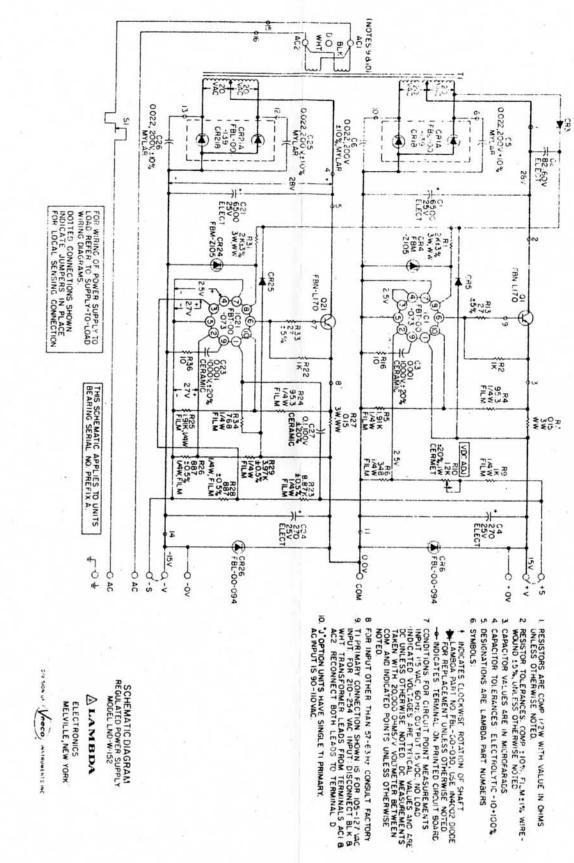






POWER Supply A

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POWER Supply B CHEMATIC

