

CHAPTER 6
OVERLOAD INDICATORS

6.1 INTRODUCTION

The 580 is equipped with an overload warning system that provides both visual and audible indication of component overloads. The visual overload indicator panel (Figure 6.1) is equipped with lamps that illuminate the least significant address digit of any overloaded amplifier, including the plus and minus reference amplifiers. The audible alarm produces a tone whenever any of the visual indicator lamps is illuminated. In addition to these indications of an overload, a logic signal connected to the patch panel goes high when an overload occurs. This signal may be patched to an Override Hold (ORH) terminal, forcing the integrators into *hold* when a component overloads; or patched to an Overload Store (OLS) terminal, causing the indicator to remain illuminated after the overload is removed.

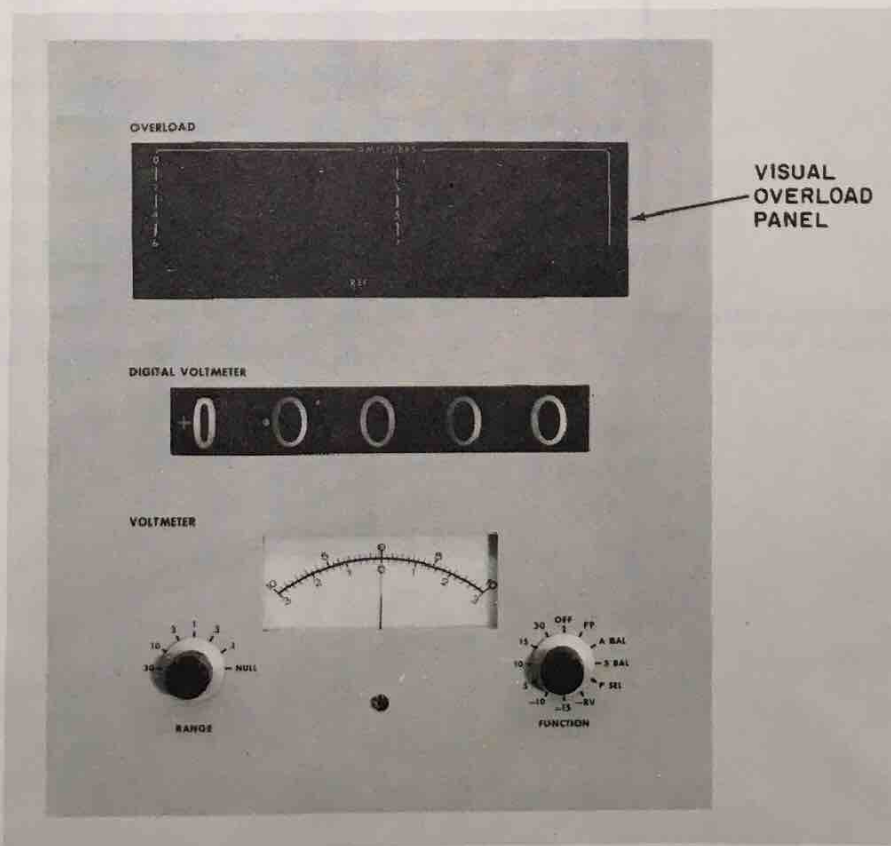
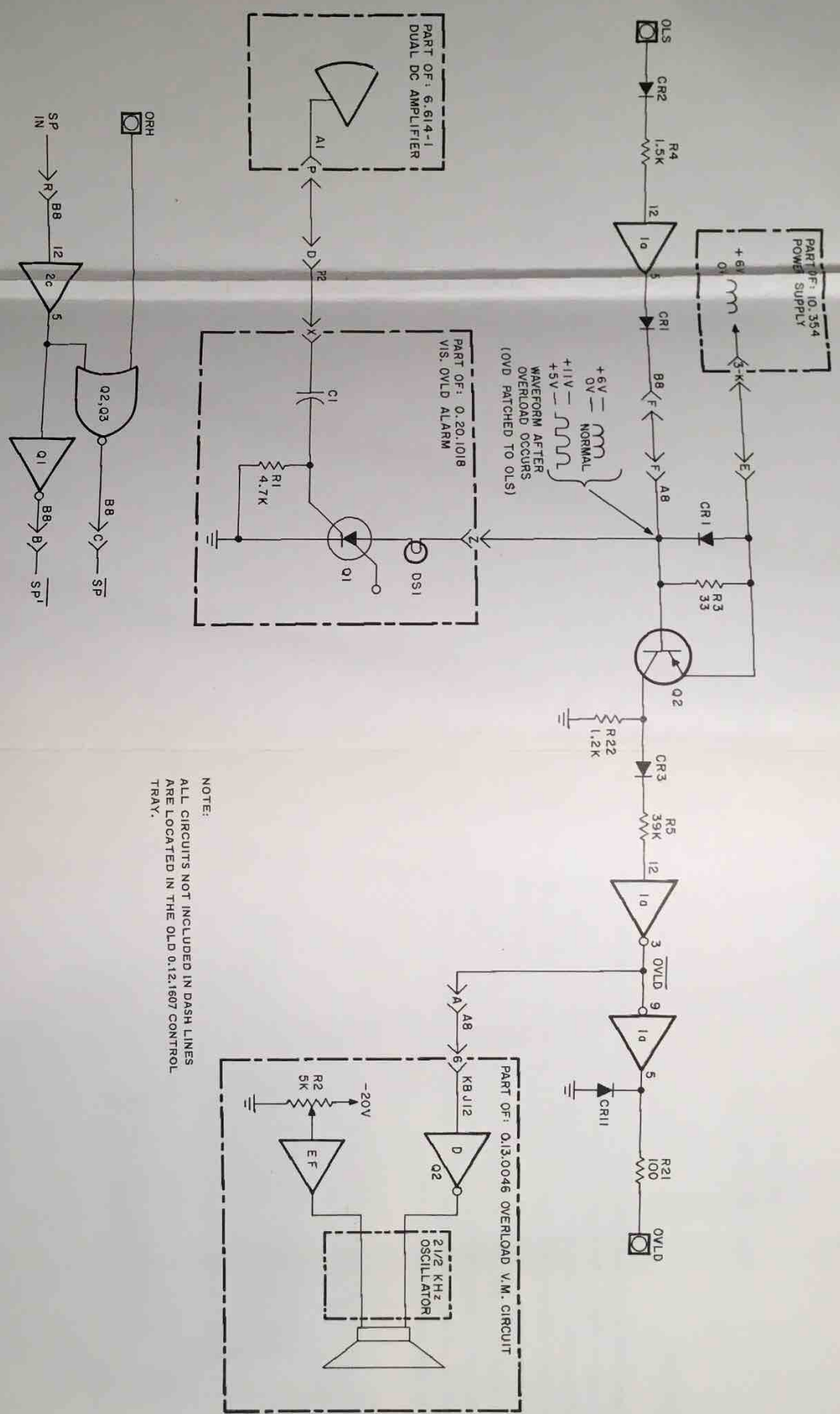


Figure 6.1. Visual Overload Panel



NOTE:
ALL CIRCUITS NOT INCLUDED IN DASH LINES
ARE LOCATED IN THE OLD 0.12.1807 CONTROL
TRAY.

Figure 6.2.
Typical Overload Alarm Circuit

6.2 THEORY OF OPERATION

6.2.1 Visual Overload Indicators

A simplified schematic of an amplifier overload indicator circuit connected to an amplifier stabilizer output is shown in the left center portion of Figure 6.2. The pulsating stabilizer output signal normally has a very low amplitude. If an amplifier overloads, the stabilizer output signal increases greatly in amplitude. Capacitor C1 couples this signal to the cathode gate of silicon-controlled switch (SCS) Q1. The SCS then allows current to flow through the overload indicator lamp, DS1.

Once an SCS begins conducting, it remains conducting until the anode-to-cathode potential is removed. Thus, if power for the lamps were supplied from a filtered dc source, the lamps would remain illuminated indefinitely once an overload occurred. For this reason, the overload lamp power is supplied from a rectified but *unfiltered* source, except when the OVD terminal is patched to the OLS terminal. The voltage thus decreases to zero 120 times per second (assuming a 60 cps primary supply frequency), and the lamps are extinguished almost immediately after an overload is removed. This type of circuit is used to monitor all stabilized amplifiers in the computer. Ten circuits identical with that shown in Figure 6.2 are mounted on a 0.20.1018-3 Visual Overload Alarm etched-circuit card. The indicator lamps are mounted on the edge of the card, which is installed directly behind the overload indicator panel. A metal mask directs the light from illuminated lamps to the appropriate numbers on the panel.

The overload indicator circuits for the encapsulated MDFG amplifier (which are not chopper-stabilized), are shown in Figure 6.3. The input signal to an overload circuit of this type may be slowly changing dc level, rather than a pulsating signal. For this reason, resistive rather than capacitive coupling is employed in the circuit. The MDFG units are equipped with overload level detection circuits that provide an amplified signal to the indicator network when an overload occurs.

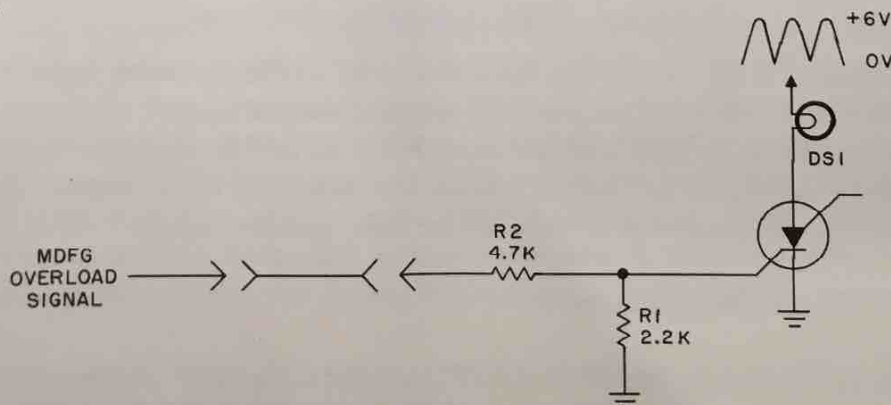


Figure 6.3. MDFG Overload Indicator Circuit, Model 0.20.1018-3

Figure 6.4 illustrates the overload detection circuit for an MDFG unit. Each MDFG unit has a pair of amplifiers (AR1 and AR2). The detection circuit uses a cascaded inverter network to sense an overload of either polarity. For example, if the output of either AR1 or AR2 exceeds about +11.5 volts, Q1 becomes forward biased. The low from the collector of Q1 reverse biases Q2, and the collector of Q2 goes positive. Conversely, if the output of either AR1 or AR2 goes more negative than about -11.5 volts, one of the diodes connected through the 13K resistor to the base of Q2 reverse biases the transistor. In either case, the collector of Q2 goes positive, and the SCS on the 0.20.1018-3 Visual Overload Alarm card is triggered, causing the associated lamp to light.

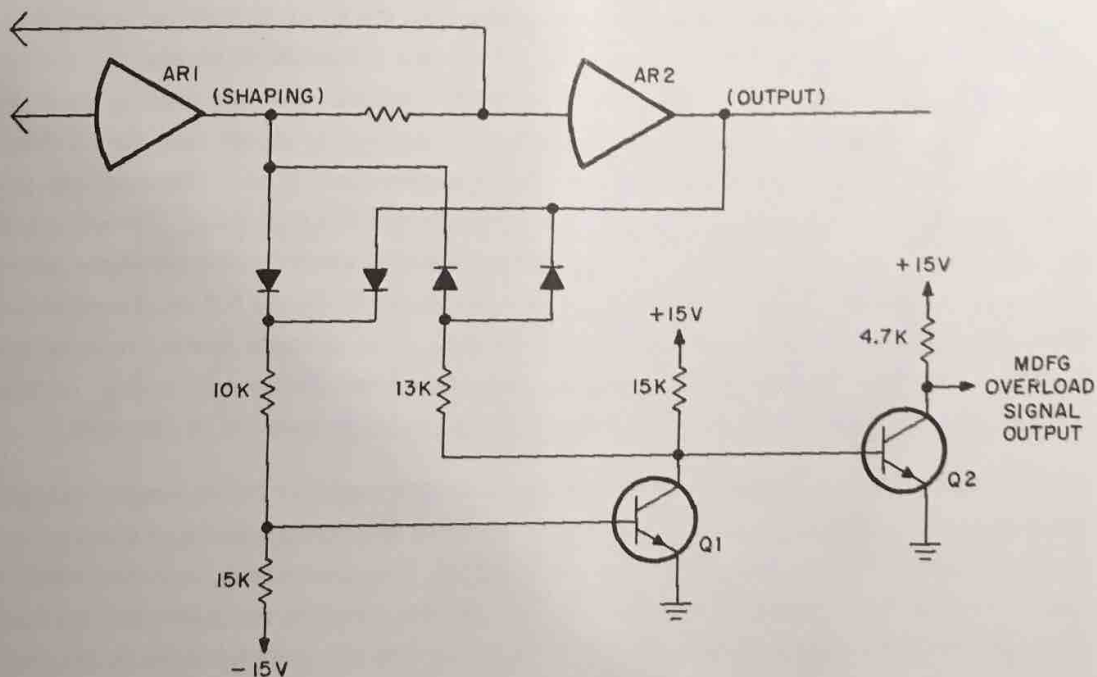


Figure 6.4. MDFG Overload Detection Circuit

The third variation of the overload indicator circuit (0.20.1018-2) is shown in Figure 6.5. This circuit indicates an overload in the positive or negative reference supply. This circuit is identical with the circuit for the other stabilized amplifiers (0.20.1018-3), except that the 27K series resistor (R2) is mounted on the overload indicator card rather than on the amplifier card. Two identical circuits are mounted on the card, one for each reference amplifier.

6.2.2 Audible Overload Alarm

The audible overload alarm consists of an oscillator and a loudspeaker, mounted on the monitor panel. A logic circuit, located in the 0.12.1607 Control Tray, inhibits the oscillator, except when one or more visual indicator lamps is illuminated.

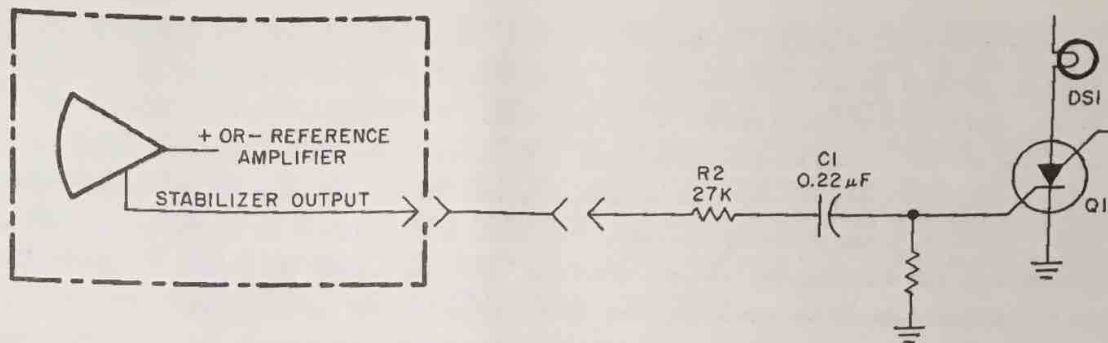


Figure 6.5. Reference Amplifier Overload Circuit, Model 0.20.1018-2, Simplified Schematic

The audible overload alarm, together with its logic control circuitry, is shown in Figure 6.2. When an overload occurs, Q1 of the visual overload alarm conducts, grounding the +6 volts from the power supply through diode CR1. The base of Q2 becomes more negative than its emitter, the transistor conducts and its collector and the input of inverter 1a (pin 12) go high. With its output high, the output of inverter 1a (pin 3) goes low, and transistor Q2, located in the 0.13.0046 Overload Card, conducts. The conduction of Q2 provides a ground path for the encapsulated oscillator circuit (located on the 0.13.0046 Overload Card), the oscillator starts and the alarm sounds. Adjustment of potentiometer R2 varies the audible output of the unit from zero to maximum value.

When the audible overload alarm is heard, the operator can check the visual overload indicator panel to determine which component (or components) is overloaded, and correct the problem. However, some overloads may be of a transient nature when a high-speed problem is on the computer. In these cases it is difficult to locate visually the overloaded component. Therefore, the collector of Q2 (which goes high during an overload) is connected through a buffer stage to the patch panel, and can be used to force the computer instantly into the *hold* mode when an overload occurs, or to store a transient overload. Figure 6.2 illustrates the circuits that provide the automatic *hold* or overload store functions. If the OVD terminal is patched to the OLS terminal, the output of the 1a buffer circuit goes high when an overload occurs. This high output is added to the +6 volt peak unfiltered supply voltage for the indicator lamps. The voltage no longer drops to zero at a 120 cps rate, but appears as shown in Figure 6.2. The conducting SCS thus remains conducting after the overload is removed, and the indicator remains illuminated.

When an overload is cleared, the patching connection between the OVD and OLS terminals must be momentarily removed to clear the indication.

If the OVD terminal is patched to the ORH terminal, the output of the Q2, Q3 NOR gate goes low when an overload occurs. This low output, designated \overline{SP} forces all integrators into the *hold* mode. Since the problem is stopped at the point where the overload occurred, the overload indicator for the overloaded component remains illuminated, and the operator can check the input and output parameters for this component to determine the cause of the overloaded condition. However, if any of the inputs causing the overload are removed for checking, the overload disappears, and the computer resumes operation. For this reason, the manual HD pushbutton on the keyboard should be depressed, forcing the computer mode control circuits into the *hold* mode. If this is done, the circuit can be checked by removing patch cords, etc., and the computer cannot resume normal operation until the overload is cleared and the OP pushbutton is depressed.

The OVD terminal may also be used to accomplish some other function, if desired, by patching the OVD output through a differentiator to a logic component.

6.3 MAINTENANCE AND TROUBLESHOOTING

None of the overload warning circuits require periodic maintenance or adjustments. It is normal for the visual indicators to flicker when the computer is first switched on. After 15 to 30 seconds, all visual indicators should be extinguished and the audible alarm should stop.

If none of the indicator lamps light during the computer warm-up, check fuse F8 on the 0.10.0354 Power Supply. If it is desired to check all indicator lamps individually, remove the patch panel and place the computer in the *IC* mode. The indicator lamps for all the amplifiers in the computer should light.

The VDFG overload indicators may be checked by placing the slope switch for segments 1 and 2 of each MDFG unit in the +SL position, setting the BP potentiometers for these segments fully counter-clockwise, and setting the SL potentiometers for these segments fully clockwise. It is now necessary to patch the MDFG X input to reference voltage of the proper polarity (+ reference for +MDFG units, - reference for -MDFG units) to cause the overload alarm to light. Repeat this test for all MDFG overload indicators in the computer.

If any of these tests do not cause the appropriate indicator to light, tilt up the overload indicator panel and remove the metal mask to expose the card on which the lamp is mounted. The card can now be removed by pulling it forward. When the card is removed, the lamp can be checked with an ohmmeter. If the lamp appears to be good, check the SCS by substitution.

If the audio alarm fails to operate when a visual indicator is illuminated, first ensure that the volume control is not at its minimum setting. Then check the OVD terminal. If this terminal is high, the trouble is in the oscillator circuit. If this terminal is low, check pin KBP12-6 on the 0.20.1180 Monitor Panel with an oscilloscope (see the component location diagram facing Schematic D00 020 1180 OS). The signal at this point should be a negative-going, full-wave rectified voltage with a peak amplitude of between -0.5 and -1.0 volt when an overload is present. If this signal does not appear, check the wiring as shown in Figure 6.2. If this signal is present, use point-to-point signal tracing to locate the faulty component.

APPENDIX 1
REPLACEABLE PARTS LISTS

This appendix contains Replaceable Parts Lists for the equipment described in this chapter. In each case, a brief description of the part, the EAI part number and, where applicable, a reference symbol (schematic designation) is included. To enable a particular sheet to be readily located, an index precedes the individual replaceable parts lists.

The category column indicates the availability of each part so that a replacement can be obtained as quickly as possible.

Category "A" - The parts in category "A" are standard electronic items that are usually available from any commercial electronic supplier.

Category "B" - The parts in category "B" are proprietary items that are available only from EAI.

CAUTION

If proprietary items are replaced with items obtained from other sources, EAI cannot assume responsibility for a unit not operating within its published specifications.

ORDERING INFORMATION

To expedite your order for replacement parts the procedures below should be followed:

1. Specify the EAI part number and description of the part required. The model number and serial number of the next higher assembly should also be included.

NOTE

EAI is currently revising the part numbering system. All parts effected by this revision are identified using the new and the old number (the number in parenthesis). All parts should be ordered using the new number. The old number is provided to cross reference parts that may still be identified physically, or in other publications by that number.

2. When ordering complete assemblies (networks, printed circuit cards, etc.), specify the model and serial numbers of the equipment the assembly is to be used with. If possible, include the purchase order number or the EAI project number of the original equipment purchased.
3. When ordering expansion components, note if mounting hardware is required. If hardware is needed, add to the purchase order the statement "INCLUDING MOUNTING HARDWARE".

NOTE THAT EAI RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MAKE PART SUBSTITUTIONS WHEN REQUIRED. EAI GUARANTEES THAT THESE SUBSTITUTIONS ARE ELECTRICALLY AND PHYSICALLY COMPATIBLE WITH THE ORIGINAL COMPONENT.

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ITEM	REF. DESIG.	DESCRIPTION	EAI NO.	*CAT.
1	C1-()	Capacitor, Fixed, Plastic: 220 nf $\pm 20\%$, 50V (Good-All X663F or equal)	00 521.1398-0	A
2	C2-(1-10)	Capacitor, Fixed, Ceramic: 0.047 pf $\pm 20\%$, 25V (Sprague 3C15 or equal)	00 511.5473-4	A
3	DS1-()	Lamp	00 578.0077-0	B
4	Q1-()	Stabistor: 3N84	00 648.0016-0	A
5	R1-()	Resistor, Fixed, Composition: 4.7K ohms $\pm 5\%$, 1/4W (Allen-Bradley CB or equal)	00 625.0472-0	A
5	R2-()	Resistor, Fixed, Composition: 27K ohms $\pm 5\%$, 1/4W (Allen-Bradley CB or equal)	00 625.0273-0	A

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A - INDICATES PARTS THAT SHOULD BE PURCHASED LOCALLY.
B - INDICATES PARTS THAT SHOULD BE PURCHASED FROM EAI.

UNIT TITLE
VISUAL OVERLOAD ALARM

MODEL NO.
0.20.1018-2 Sh. 1 of 1 Sh.

DATE 4 / 25 / 68

ITEM	REF. DESIG.	DESCRIPTION	EAI NO.	*CAT.
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2	C2-(1 thru 10)	Capacitor, Fixed, Ceramic: 47 nf ±20%, 25V (Sprague 3C15 or equal)	00 511.5473-4	A
3	DS1-()	Lamp	00 578.0077-0	B
4	Q1-()	Stabistor: 3N84	00 648.0016-0	A
5	R1-(1 thru 6,9,10),R2-(7,8)	Resistor, Fixed, Composition: 4.7K ohms ±5%, 1/4W (Allen-Bradley CB or equal)	00 625.0472-0	A
6	R1-(7,8)	Resistor, Fixed, Composition: 2.2K ohms ±5%, 1/4W (Allen-Bradley CB or equal)	00 625.0222-0	A

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VISUAL OVERLOAD ALARM

MODEL NO.

0.20.1018-3 Sh. 1 of 1 Sh.

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APPENDIX 2

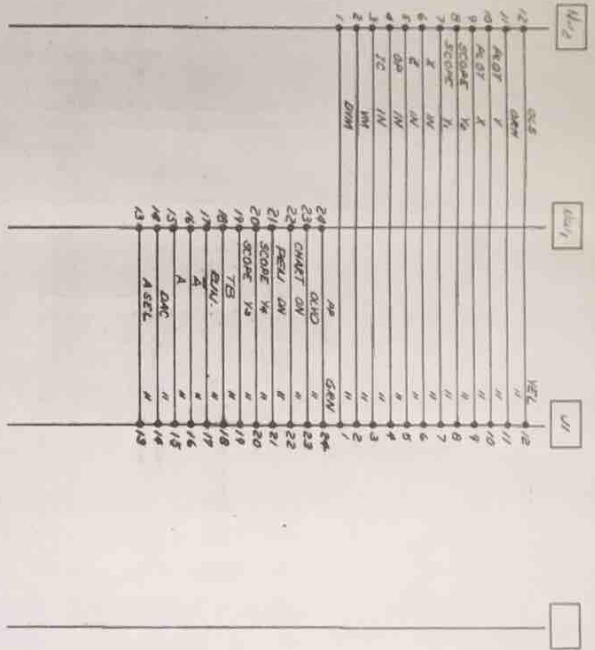
DRAWINGS

This appendix contains necessary schematics and wiring diagrams of equipment described in this manual. To facilitate locating a particular sheet, an index is provided that lists the model number of each unit or component, the type of drawings, and the associated drawing number. The drawings are bound into the manual in the order listed under the index Drawing Number column.

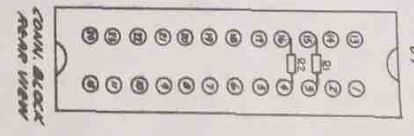
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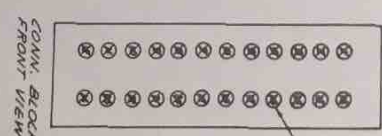
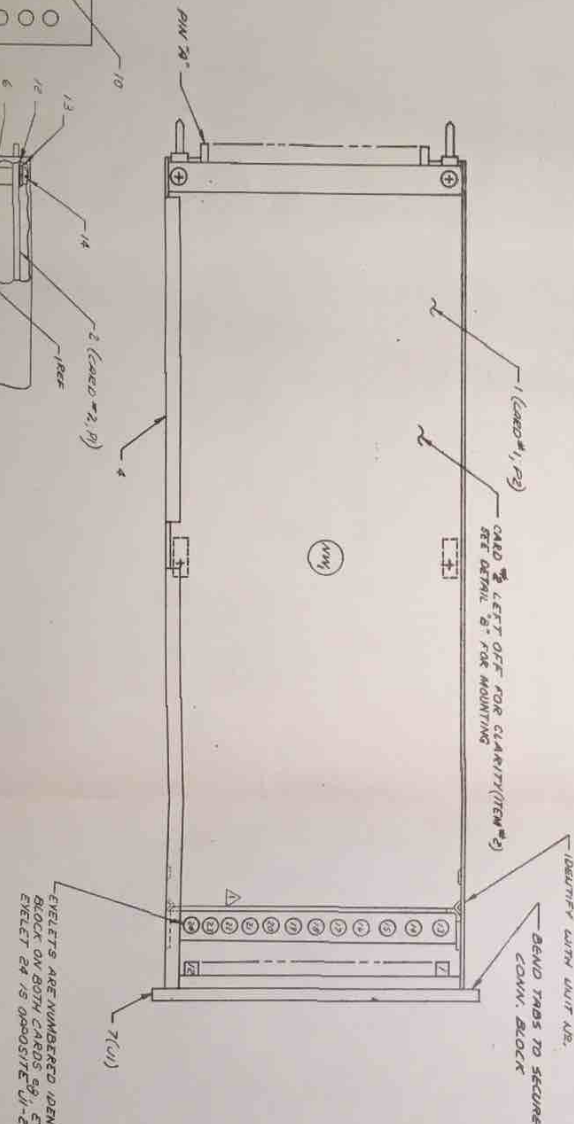
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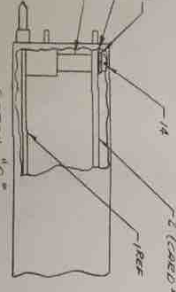
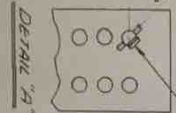


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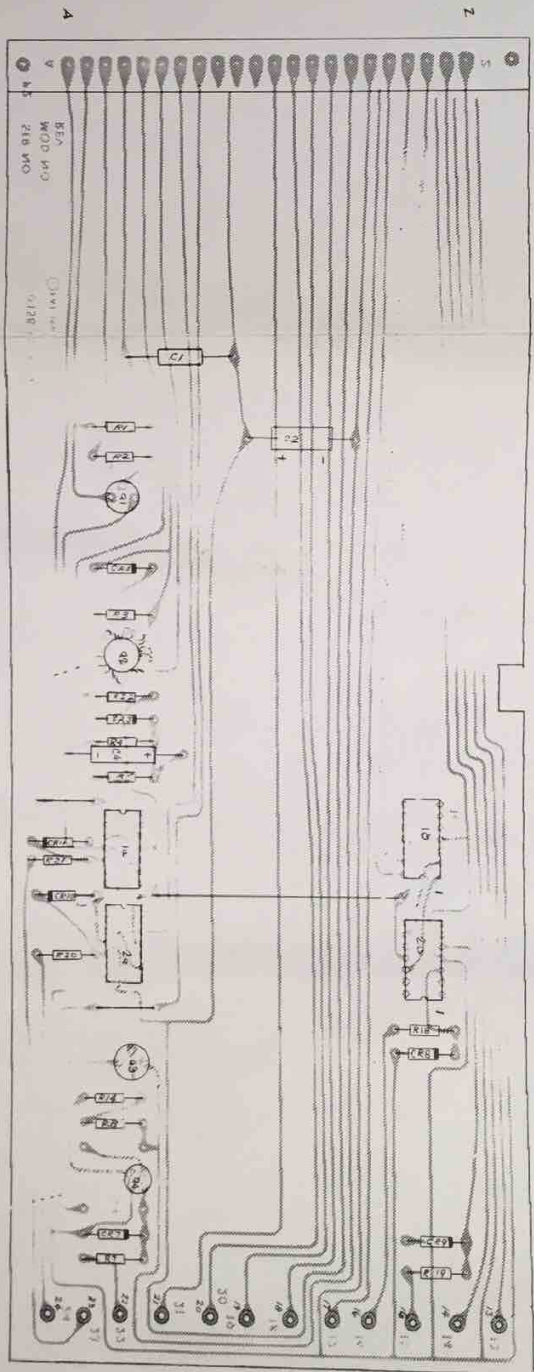
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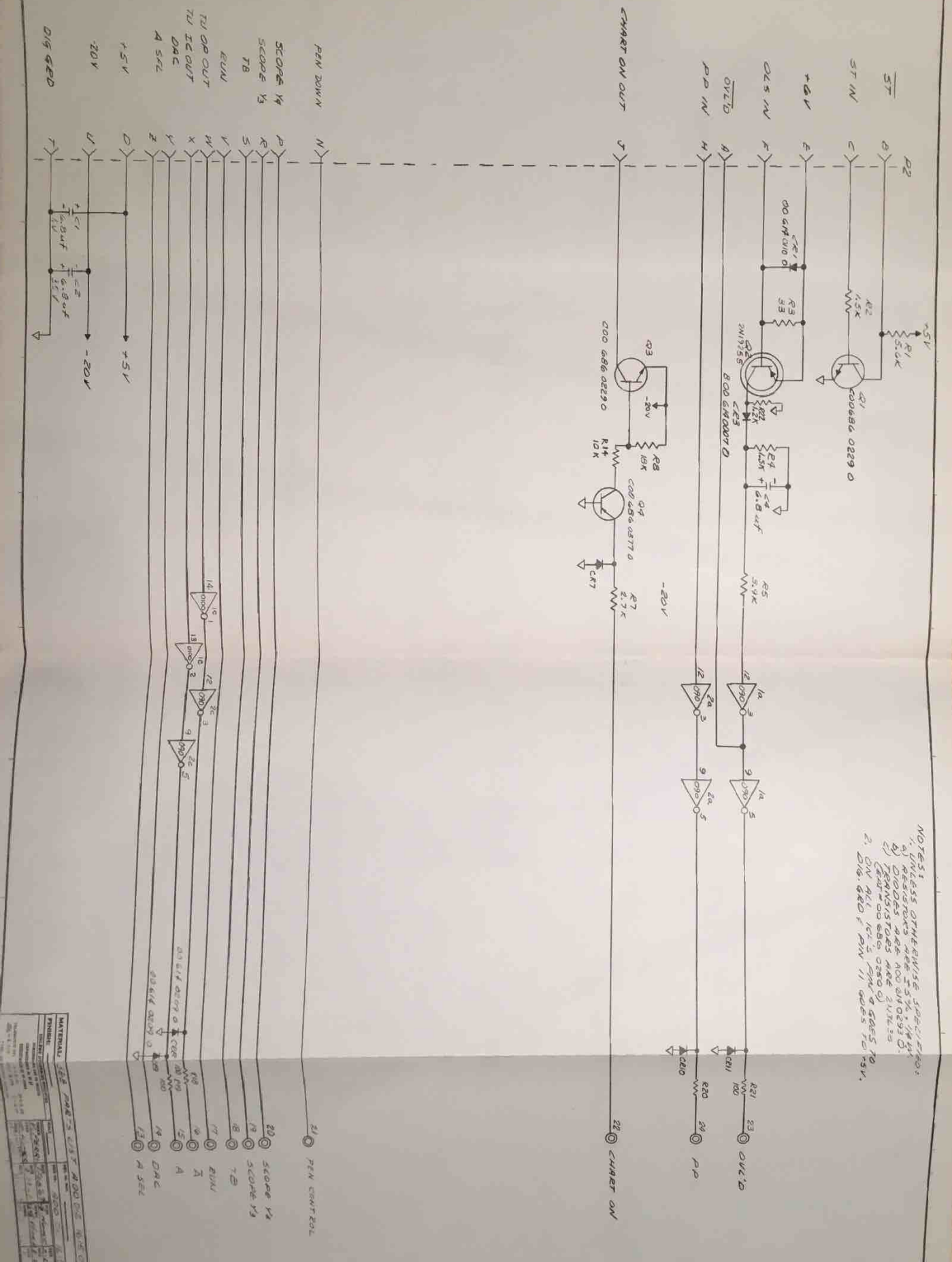
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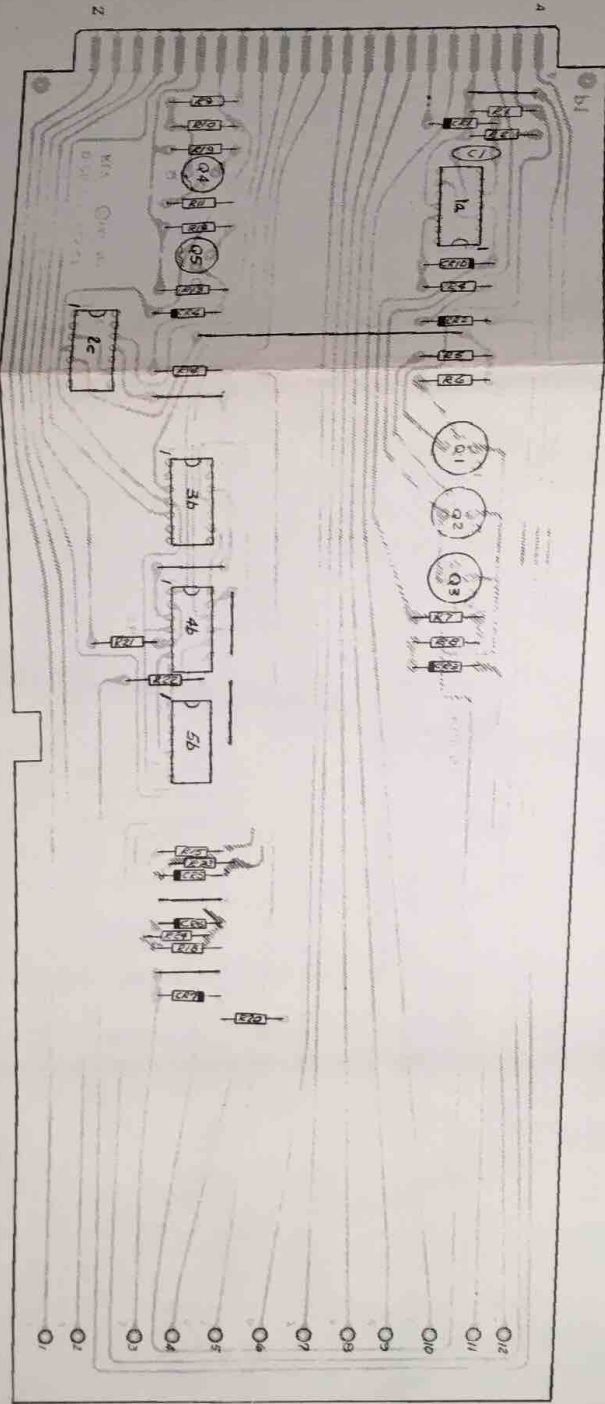
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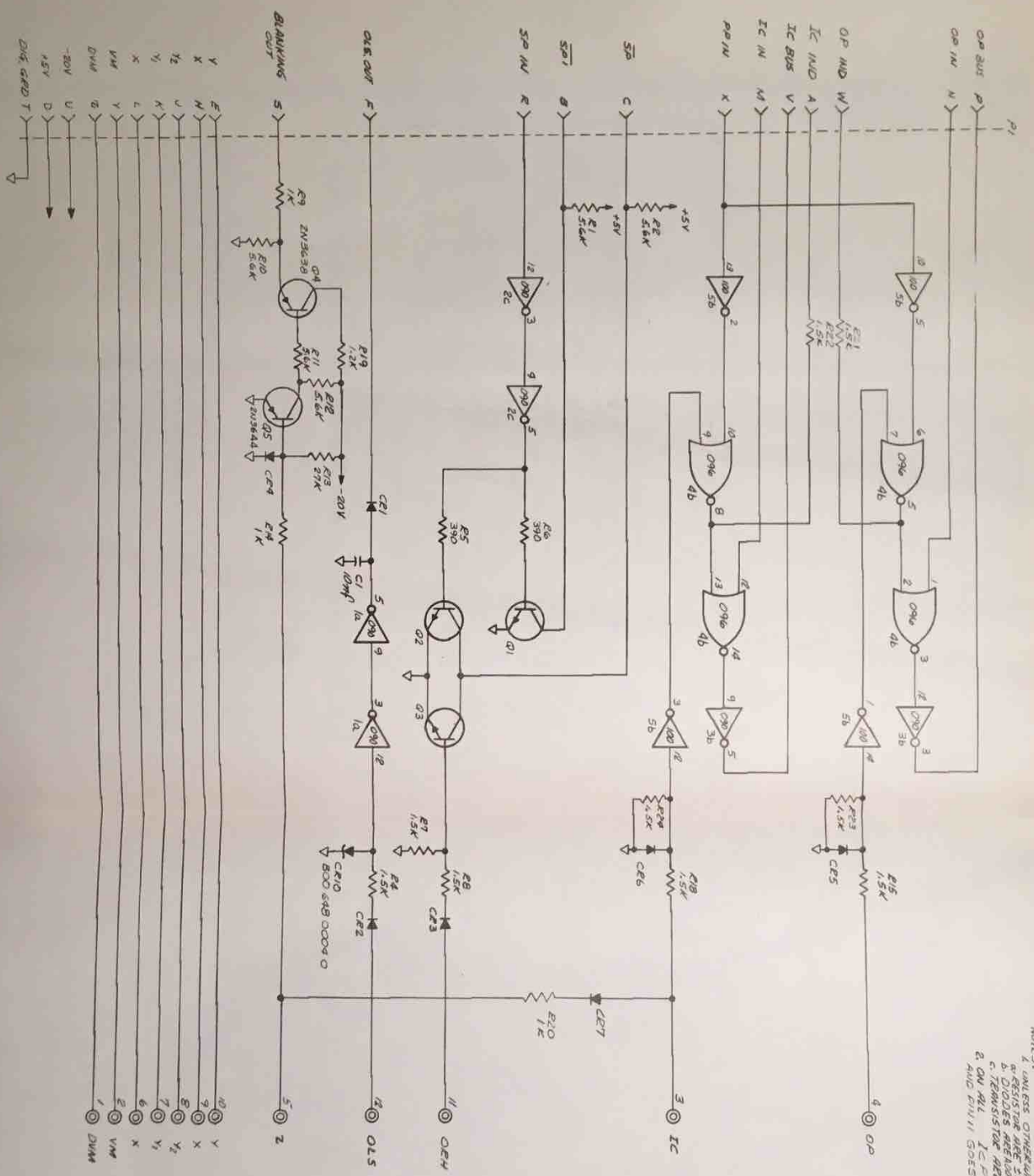


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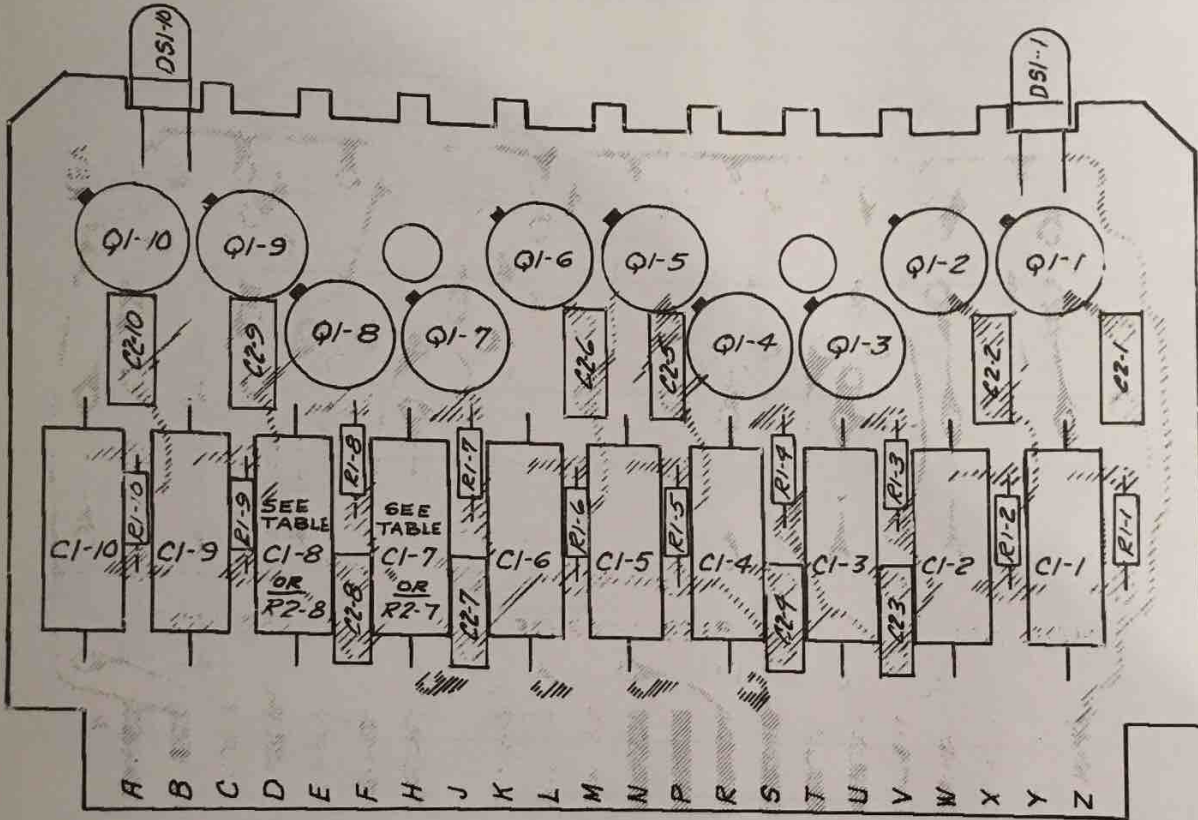
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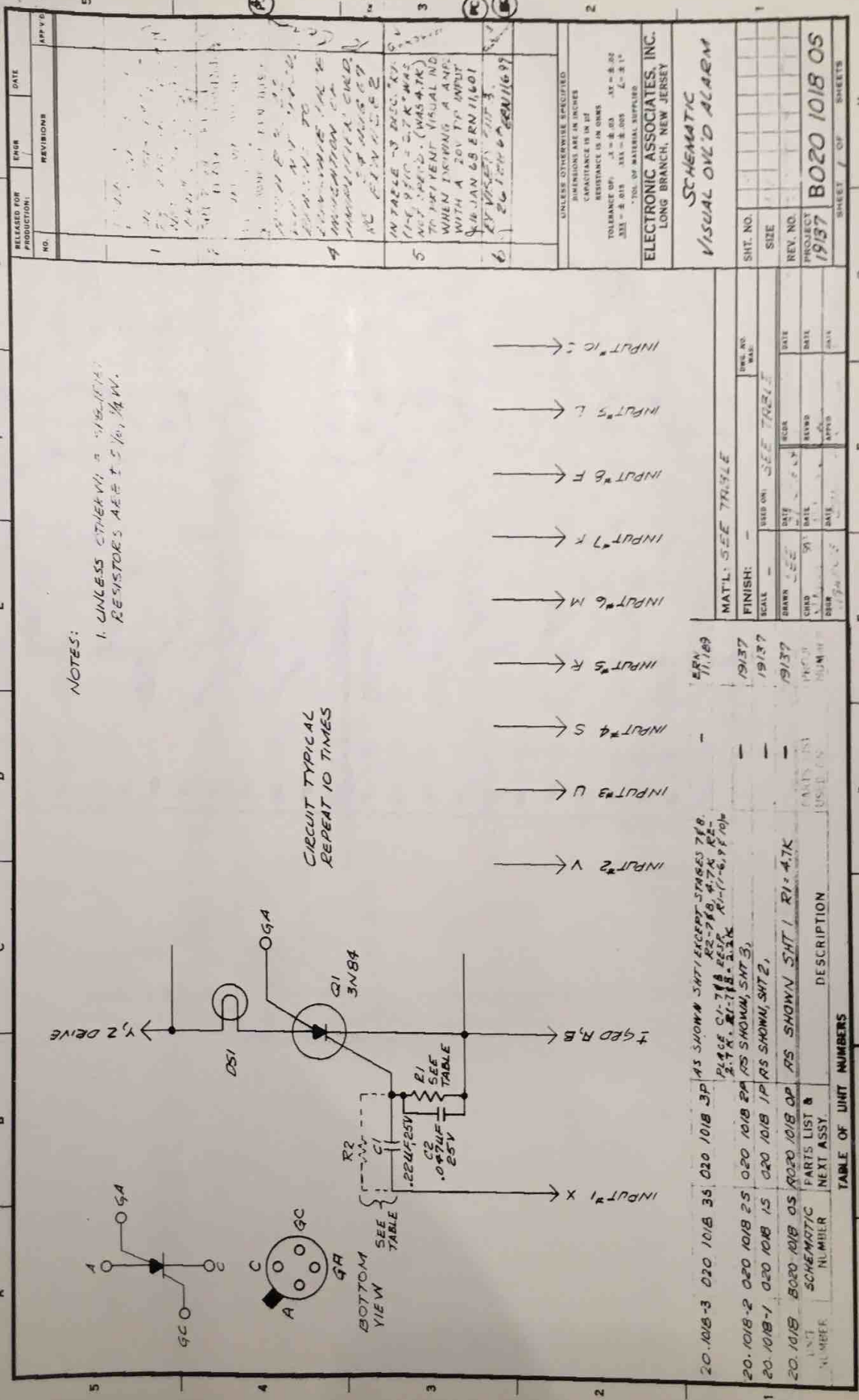
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7	ZV3630	1	DIODE
8	2N3904	3	TRANSISTOR
9	RESISTORS	20	RESISTOR
10	CAPACITORS	10	CAPACITOR

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NOTES:
 1. UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED
 RESISTORS ARE 1/2 W, 1/4 W.

CIRCUIT TYPICAL
 REPEAT 10 TIMES

- INPUT # V →
- INPUT # U →
- INPUT # S →
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- INPUT # M →
- INPUT # K →
- INPUT # J →
- INPUT # I →
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- INPUT # B →
- INPUT # A →

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 R3 0.1-7.18 RESISTOR R1-1-6, R2-1-6

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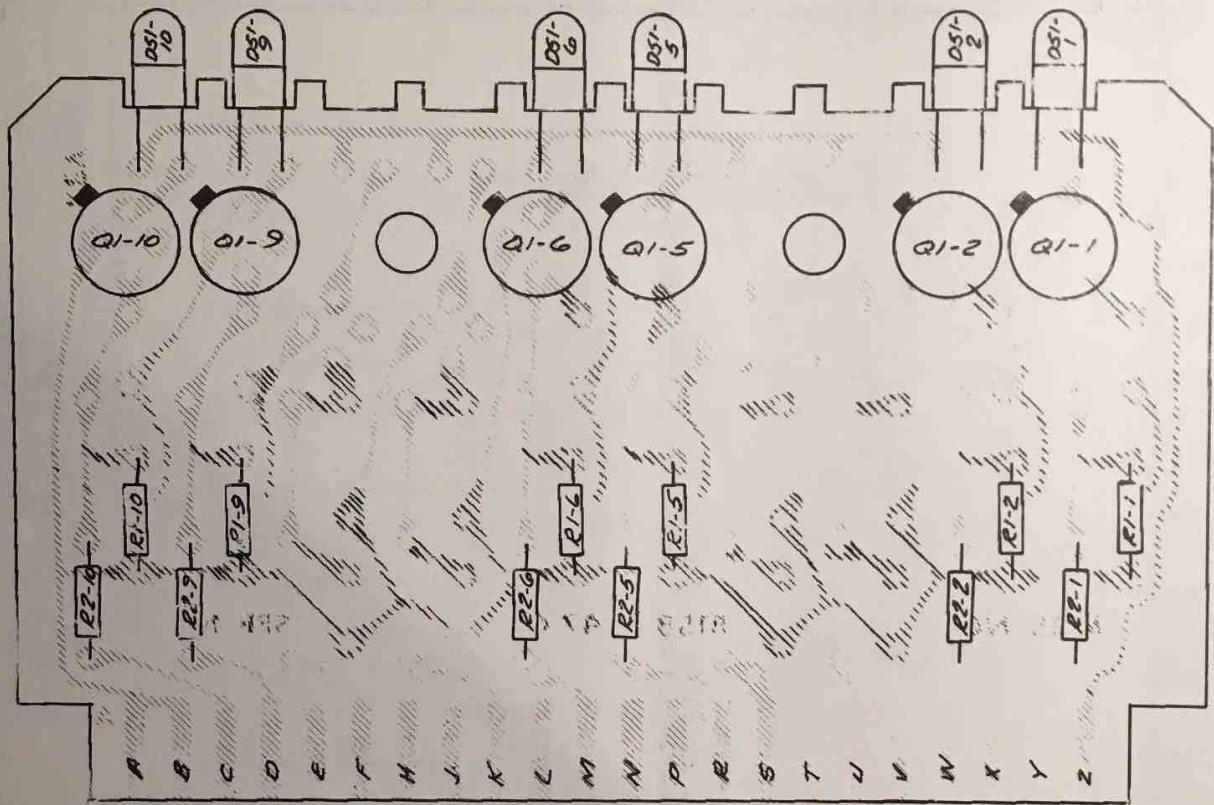
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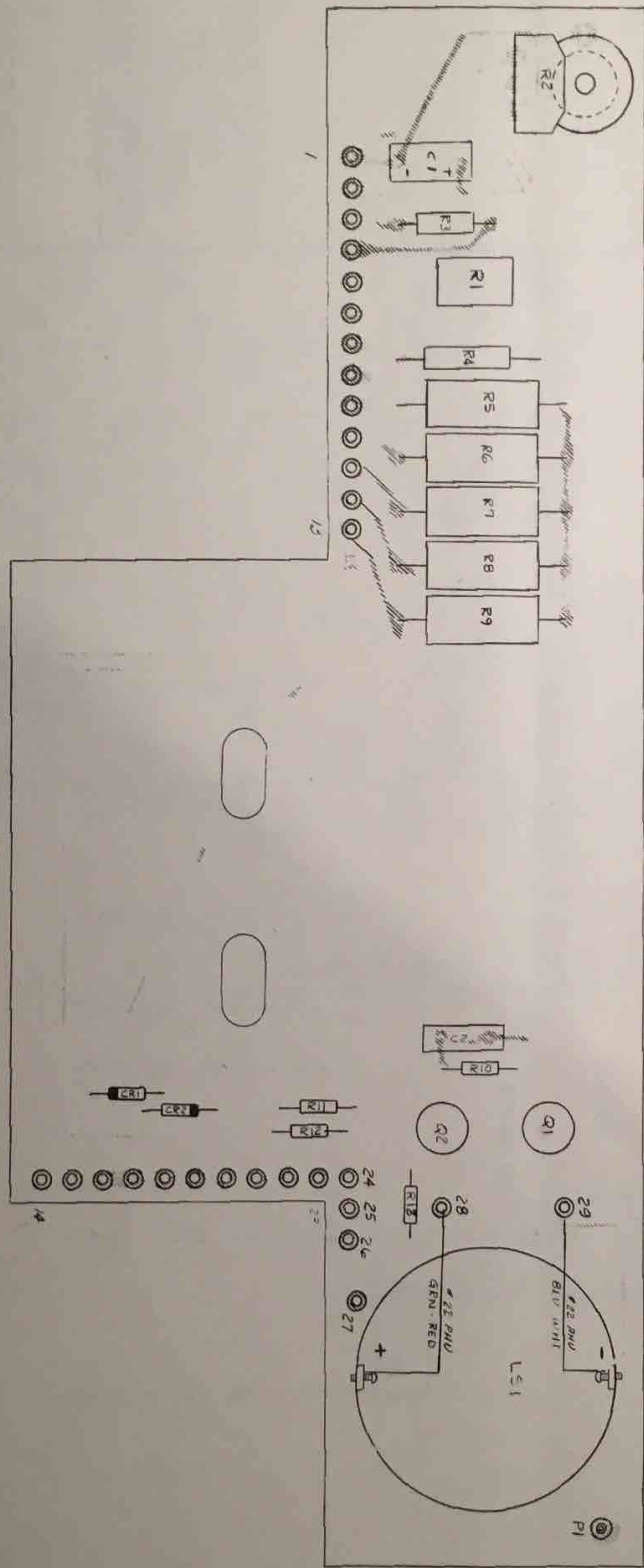
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SCHEMATIC
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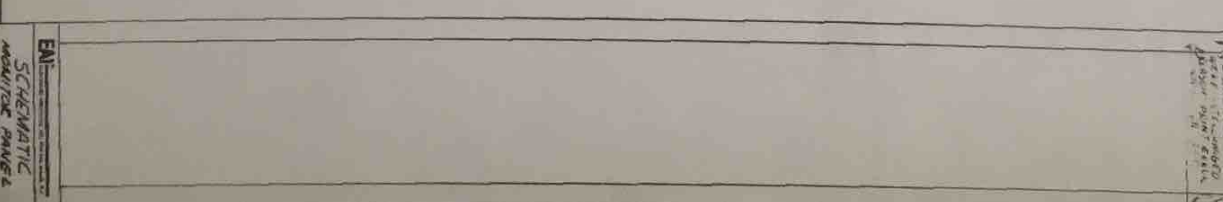
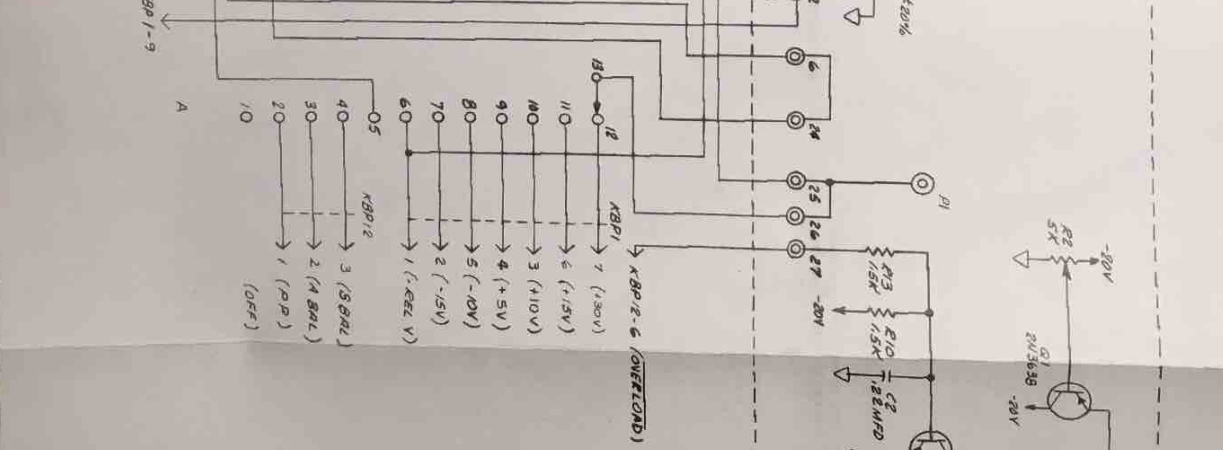
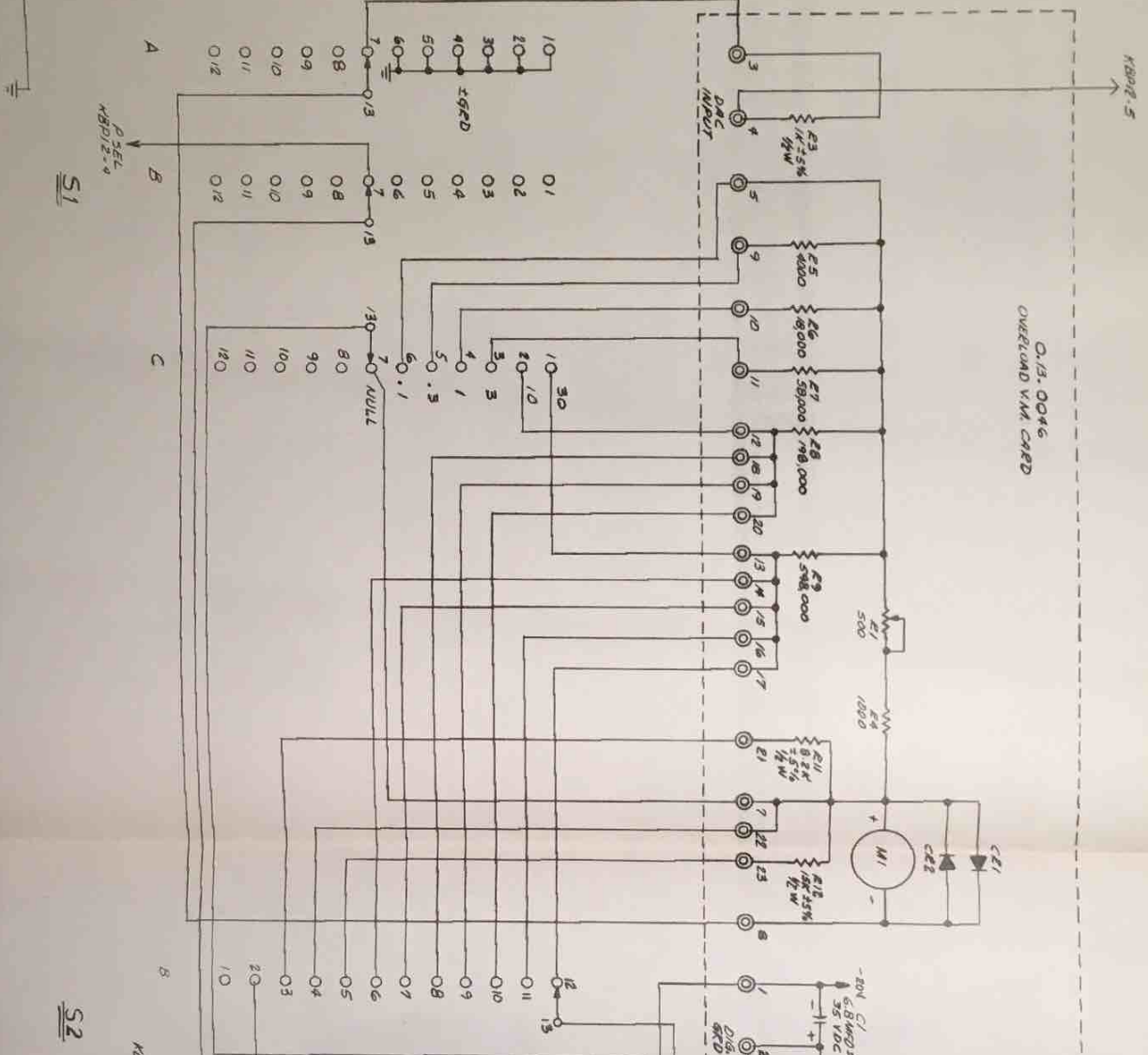


20.1018 Visual Overload Alarm



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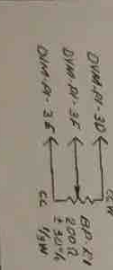
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 c. SYMBOL ∇ INDICATES DIGITAL GROUND.

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S2



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