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PREFACE

This manual is a user's guide and reference manual for the GE-115 Information Processing System.

An assembly language is provided which allows for program statements in simple mnemonic and symbolic phrases. All translation to the GE-115 internal system language is performed by the assembler. The GE-115 system is described in terms of the assembly language.

A knowledge of general programming principles is helpful; no knowledge of other assembler languages or systems is required.

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INTRODUCTION

The GE-115 is a small scale electronic information processing system designed to serve a wide variety of user needs.

- As a card processing system, the GE-115 may be used to perform all the tasks carried out by a punched card tabulation installation.
- As a remote terminal, the GE-115 may be used in conjunction with a large scale information processing system as a data receiving and transmitting station.
- As an information processing system, the GE-115 may be programmed for applications in all fields. It is particularly suited to the processing of data for such applications as tabulations, inventories, record keeping and file updating.

This manual describes the GE-115 information processing system with card input and output only. It may serve any of the functions listed above.

Programs for the GE-115 are written in a simple symbolic language which is easy to learn and to use. No special skill, other than a knowledge of the application to be performed, is required to use the GE-115 system effectively.

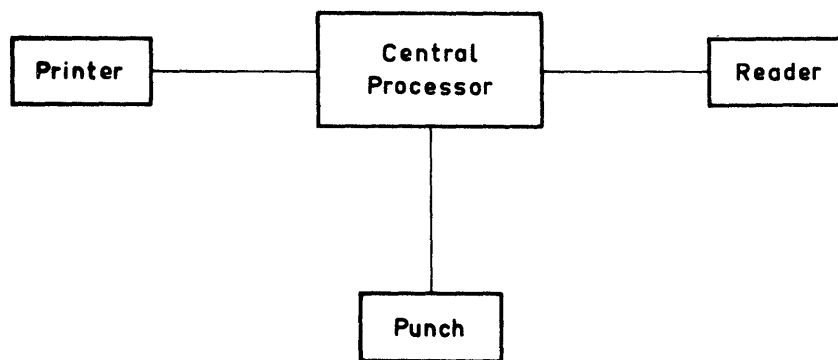
SECTION A

GENERAL INFORMATION

PART I

GE-115 SYSTEM INFORMATION

The GE-115 Information Processing System consists of a central processor and associated auxiliary store and input/output units. The minimum system configuration is shown below.



THE CENTRAL PROCESSOR

The central processor is comprised of the following units:

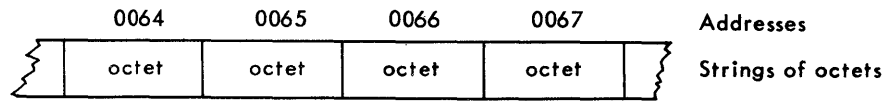
- Store
- Store Control Unit
- Arithmetic Control Unit
- Peripheral Control Unit

- Store

The store unit is an array of magnetic cores providing storage for instructions and data. A module of store contains 4096 store locations. The user may have one or two modules, that is 4096 or 8192 store locations. Information in the store is represented by the values of bits. Each bit is a binary digit and may have a value of 0 or 1.

NOTE: It is expected that the reader be familiar with the binary number system. If not, he should read Appendix C. before proceeding further in this manual.

Eight bits make up the basic unit of reference in the GE-115 system. This unit is called the OCTET. An address is used to designate each octet. The octet is the smallest addressable unit in store. Store is conventionally represented as strings of addressable octets with the addresses increasing from left to right as shown in the figure below:



Associated with each 8-bit octet is a ninth bit used by the system for parity checking. This bit does not enter into programmed operations and data values. It is used by the system to monitor its own functioning. Each time an octet is placed in store odd parity is automatically generated and stored with the octet; that is, if the number of 1-bits is even, the parity bit is set to 1. Thus all octets in store have an odd 1-bit count. This odd count is tested and if the number of 1-bits is even, a parity alert is generated and the system halts operation.

There are two special locations in the store, 0254 and 0255. These locations form a field referenced in the GE-115 Assembly Language with the name LOC. The field is used by several instructions to store an address (See "Store Control Unit" below). The significance of the address stored in 0254 and 0255 is fully explained in the descriptions of the instructions which use these locations.

These are the only special purpose locations; there are no predefined input/output areas.

- **Store Control Unit**

The store control unit fetches, interprets, and controls the execution of the operations specified by the instructions. An external control panel is available to provide for manual intervention and display of internal status.

Within the store control unit, a location counter controls the sequence of program instructions. During program execution, the location counter holds the address of the next sequential instruction in the store. When the sequence of the stored program is altered by any of the jump instructions, the new program address is entered in the location counter. The address in the location counter is displayed by lights on the control panel.

- Arithmetic Control Unit

The arithmetic control unit controls the execution of decimal and binary arithmetic operations, logic operations, and comparisons.

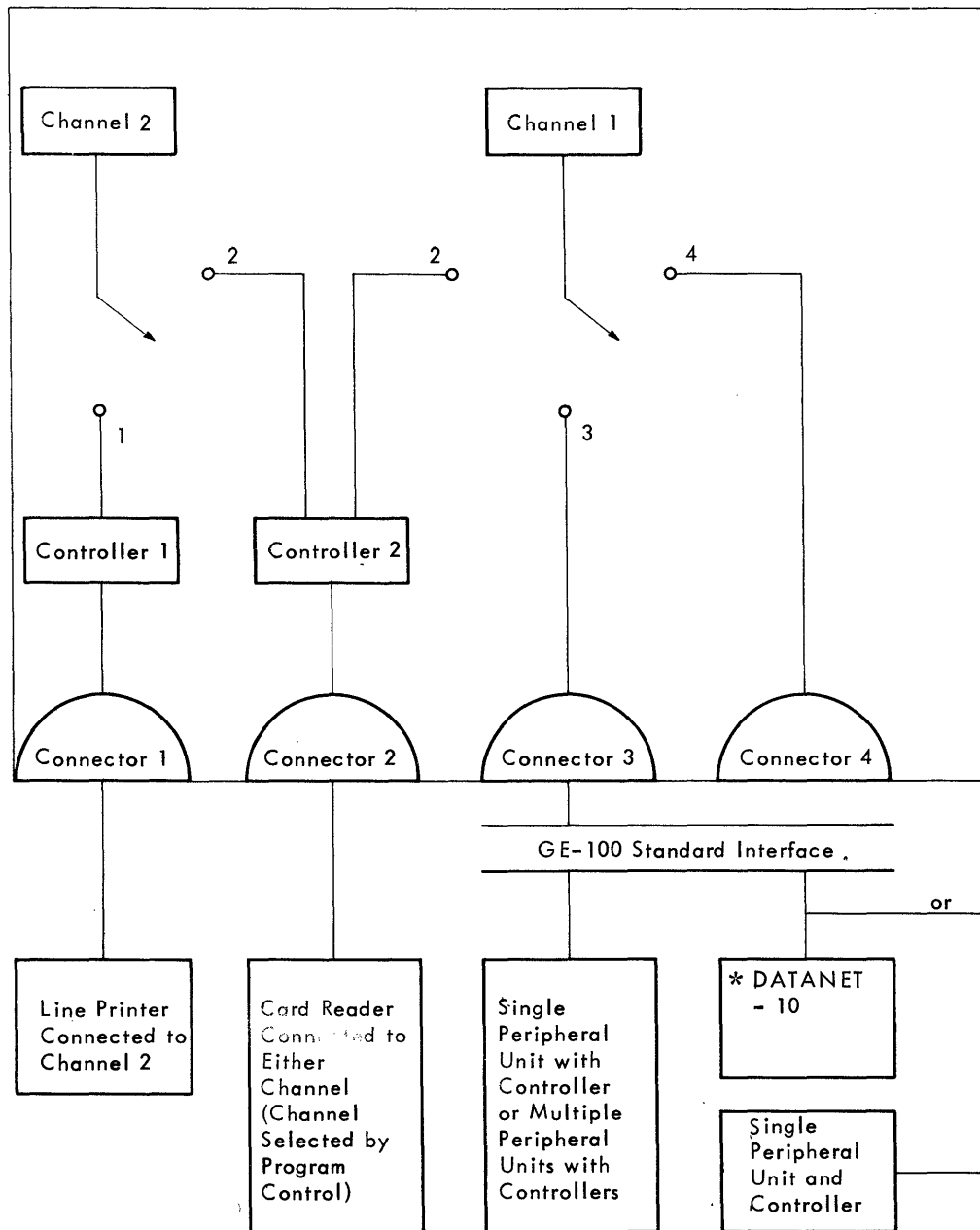
Two 1-bit indicators reflect the results of the arithmetic, logic, and comparison operations. Jump instructions test the values in these indicators to allow alteration of program sequence. The two indicators are the Underflow/Overflow (UF/OF) Indicator, and the Zero/Non-Zero (ZE/NZ) Indicator.

The indicators can be set to 0 or 1.

- Peripheral Control Unit

The flow of data and instructions between the store and the input/output units is controlled by the peripheral control unit. This unit contains two channels able to operate with time-sharing of the store.

The two channels, in turn, control four Connectors for communication with the peripheral units, as shown in Figure A-1.



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Figure A-1

INFORMATION IN STORE

Information in store may be data or may be programmed instructions.
Information is placed in the store as binary digits, or bits.

On the following pages the formats of information in store are discussed.

Octet

Eight binary digits make up the basic unit of reference in the GE-115 Information Processing System. This unit is called an OCTET.

Each octet has its own address. An octet is the smallest addressable unit in the store.
The eight bit positions of the octet are referred to as 0-7, from right to left.

Bit position	7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0
Binary digits	0 1 0 0 1 1 1 1
	octet

The octet may be used to represent one character. Each bit of the octet may have a value of 0 or 1. There are 2^8 possible ordered combinations of binary digits in an octet, giving 256 possible internal character representations. The binary digit configuration in the example above is used internally in the GE-115 system to represent a question mark (?) character.

Quartet

The eight bits of an octet may be considered as two groups of four bits. Each group of four bits is called a QUARTET. Four bits give a set of 2^4 possible ordered combinations of 0 or 1, permitting values from 0 to 15 to be expressed.

Bit position	7 6 5 4	3 2 1 0
Binary digits	0 1 0 0	1 1 1 1
Decimal equivalent of the quartet value	4	15
	Left quartet	Right quartet
	Octet	

The decimal equivalent of the value of the left quartet of the 8-bit configuration for the question mark (?) character is 4 (four) and the decimal equivalent of the value of the right quartet is 15 (fifteen). These values are more easily represented by the HEXADECIMAL (base 16) number system.

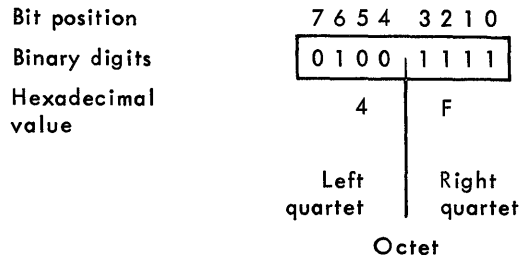
Hexadecimal Representation of the Contents of an Octet

The hexadecimal number system is to the base 16. The digits used in the hexadecimal **system** are:

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F.

The digits represent the values 0 to 15, that is, A is used to represent 10, B to represent 11, etc.

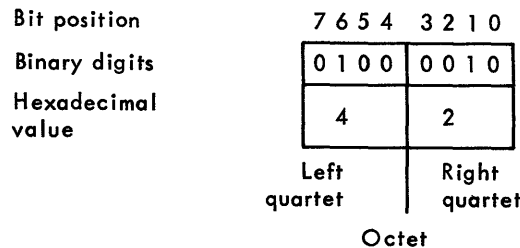
Each octet can be represented by two hexadecimal digits.



The hexadecimal representation of the 8-bit configuration for the question mark character is 4F. For convenience, the internal octet bit patterns are usually represented as two hexadecimal digits.

The pattern of the left quartet (of the left hexadecimal digit) is the zone. The pattern of the zone is identical for certain sets of characters. For example, when numeric quantities are to be represented internally using the decimal numerals 0-9, rather than their binary equivalents, all decimal digits have the value 4 (0100) in the zone position. The hexadecimal representation of the octet configurations for the decimal numerals 0 to 9 are 40 to 49. One octet contains one decimal digit. The right quartet contains the numeric value and the left the character zone.

The figure below shows the binary and hexadecimal configurations of the decimal numeral 2. Note that one octet is used to express one decimal digit or character.



PACKED DATA

Within the GE-115 system the right quartets are sometimes considered independently. To facilitate manipulation of right quartets (usually where left quartets are the same), data may be placed into octets in packed form.

To pack or condense data the like pattern in the zones of a pair of octets is omitted and the two right quartets are placed in a single octet.

Thus, if the machine recognizes

0100	|	1001
------	--	------

as a decimal 9, and

0100	|	1000
------	--	------

as a decimal 8, a packed octet containing both 8 and 9 appears as

1000	|	1001
------	--	------

The operations of the GE-115 system provide for condensing information in this way and expanding it again. Some operations are provided to process data in the condensed form.

It is possible to condense information with unlike zones, but the pattern must be known in order to expand the data to its original form. For example,

A		2						
<table border="1"><tr><td>0101</td><td> </td><td>0001</td></tr></table>	0101		0001		<table border="1"><tr><td>0100</td><td> </td><td>0010</td></tr></table>	0100		0010
0101		0001						
0100		0010						

in condensed form would appear

0001	|	0010
------	--	------

When this octet is expanded, the result would be

xxxx	0001	xxxx	0010
------	------	------	------

The left quartet patterns in the receiving field must be properly set by the programmer according to the intended use of the unpacked field.

THE FORMAT OF THE INTERNAL INSTRUCTION

An instruction is a statement specifying an operation to be carried out by the GE-115 system. It contains an operation code, any required constants, and references to any data fields used. The length of an instruction depends upon the operation specified, and requires two, four, or six octets in store. Instructions can be divided into three groups according to the length of the instruction. The possible components of an instruction and resulting lengths are shown in Figure A-2.

Length in Octets	Operation	Operation Complement	Address	Address
6				
4				
2				
	One Octet	One Octet	Two Octets	Two Octets

Figure A-2

Figure A-3 shows the GE-115 assembly language instructions and the format of each. Note that the operation portion of an instruction requires one octet. The operation complement portion of an instruction requires one octet. Each operand address requires two octets.

Figure A-3 also shows the internal hexadecimal configuration for each operation and in some cases, the internal configuration of the operation complement. These codes are given here for the programmer's information. Although familiarity with these codes may be useful in identifying operations in an object language program listing, a knowledge of them is not required of the programmer using the GE-115 system.

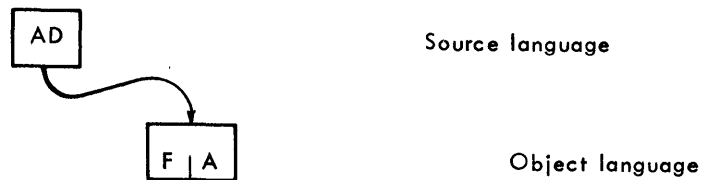
It is strongly recommended that programs be written so that their logic is not dependent upon the internal instruction codes for operations.

THE PARTS OF THE INTERNAL INSTRUCTION

The **internal** instruction must have an operation and an operation complement specified. It may also have one or two addresses of operands. A complete explanation of each of the internal instruction parts is given below.

The Operation

Each instruction uses one octet to define the operation to be performed. The octet contains the binary pattern translated by the assembler from the mnemonic operation specified in the Assembly Language instruction. This binary pattern is by convention represented by a pair of hexadecimal digits. For example, the mnemonic AD is translated by the assembler to a pattern which is expressed in hexadecimal as FA.



Operation Complement

The second octet is used in several different ways according to the type of operation specified in the instruction statement. In all cases the second octet complements the first. It may:

- Define the length of data fields
- Contain an immediate data item
- Define the conditions required for a jump
- Differentiate between operations having the same value in the first octet
- Contain the number of an input/output unit being used

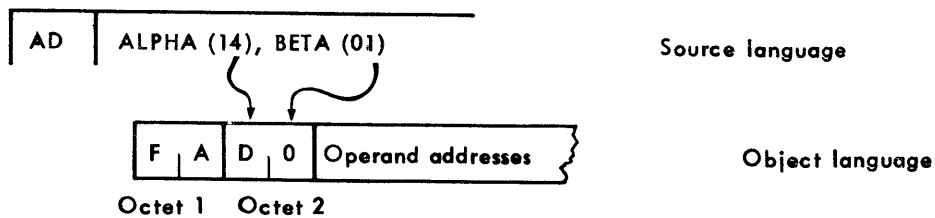
Length

Some of the GE-115 system operations may treat data fields which are more than one octet in length. There are no field defining marks in store; the length of an operation is controlled by the length (or lengths) specified in the operation complement.

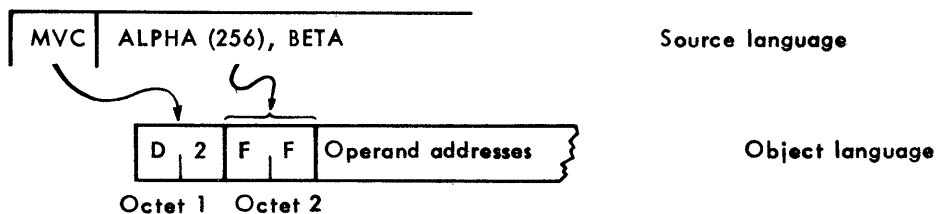
In instructions requiring two lengths for two data fields, each quartet of the operation complement specifies one length. The left quartet is the length of the first field; the right is the length of the second field. Since four bits are used for each length, the value in the quartet may range from 0000 to 1111 (0-15).

In instructions requiring that only one length be specified, the full octet of the operation complement field is used to define the length. The value for eight bits may range from 0 to 255.

In all operations which process variable length fields, the lengths really processed are one more than the lengths indicated in the operation complement. In the assembly language statement, the programmer specifies the length really processed. When two lengths must be specified these lengths may be from 01 to 16. When one length must be specified the length may be from 001 to 256. The assembler translates the lengths specified as shown in the examples below. In the first example below the Add Decimal (AD) instruction causes one decimal digit in the BETA field to be added to the decimal data 14 digits long in the ALPHA field.



The Move Complete Octets (MVC) instruction shown below causes 256 octets to be moved from BETA to ALPHA.



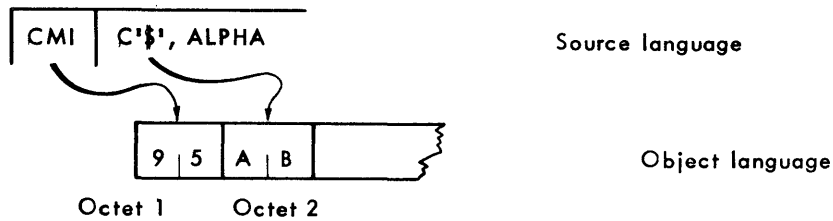
Length specification is a minimum of one octet. A zero length in the operation complement of the assembled instruction operates as 1.

Data Within the Instruction

Some operations use data contained within the instruction itself. This data is referred to as "immediate" data. In those instructions using immediate data, the operation complement field contains one data item. The assembler translates the data item from its source language representation and places it in the second octet of the object instruction. The conventions for representing the immediate data item in the assembly language instruction are treated fully in the descriptions of the particular instructions using immediate data, and in the section, "WRITING INSTRUCTION STATEMENTS IN THE GE-115 ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE".

One example of an instruction using immediate data is the Compare Immediate to Store (CMI) instruction. In the example below, the field ALPHA is compared to the internal representation of a \$.

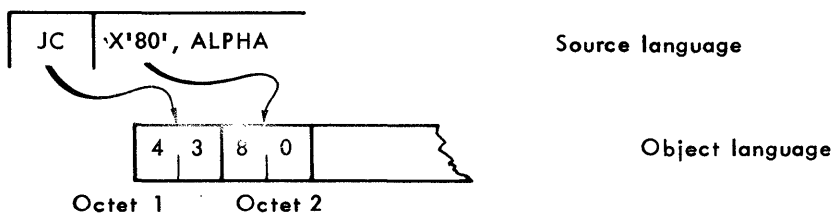
This representation is 1010 1011 (in hexadecimal, AB). The source and object language representation of the CMI instruction is:



NOTE : Instructions using immediate data also reference a data item in store (ALPHA in the example above). The assumed length of the referenced data is one octet; there is no length specified in the assembled instruction.

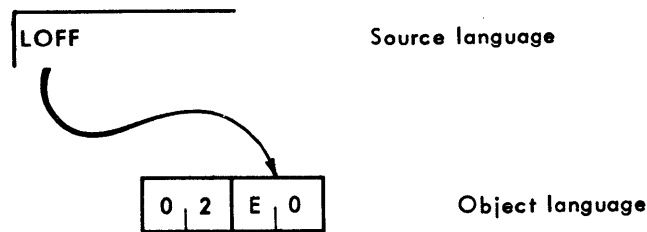
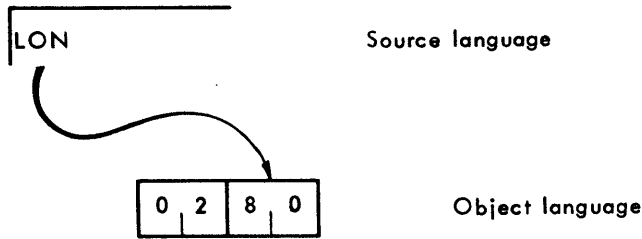
Conditions for Jumps

In another group of instructions, the operation complement is used to define a condition reflected by the state of the indicators. The indicators are set during execution of several of the GE-115 system operations. Instructions are provided to test the indicators and to act upon the indicated condition. The test written in the source language statement is translated by the assembler and inserted in the operation complement. In the example below, the Jump on Condition (JC) instruction causes the indicators to be tested for a condition which can be represented by the hexadecimal digits '80'. The hexadecimal digits are translated and placed in the operation complement of the assembled instruction.



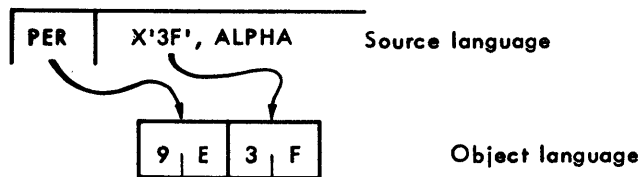
Operation Differentiators

There are several special purpose instructions in which different mnemonic codes are translated into the same configuration in the first octet. The operation complement, in these cases, serves to differentiate between these operations, as shown below by the pair of instructions, Turn ALERT Light On (LON) and Turn ALERT Light Off (LOFF).



Input/Output Unit References

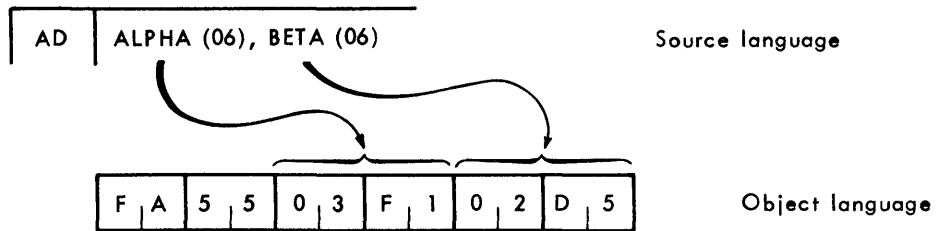
Input/output units, since they are auxiliary to the central processor, are called peripheral units. For input/output instructions, the second octet contains the number of the peripheral unit to be used by the instruction. In the example below, for the Peripheral instruction (PER), hexadecimal 3 F may be any input/output device, depending upon the peripheral configuration of the particular GE-115 system.



Addresses of Operands

An address (within the object language representation of an instruction) is contained in two octets. An address is the binary address of the octet where operation begins. When the size of the store is 8192 octets addresses go from 0000 to 8191. Therefore, within the two octets which an address occupies in the internal instruction, the three leftmost bits of the first octet are always zero.

An operation referencing only one data field requires two octets for the address of the operand and a total of four octets for the entire instruction. If there are two data field operands, the instruction requires 6 octets. In the example below, the Add Decimal (AD) operates on two operands. The operation begins in the ALPHA field at the octet with the address 00000011 11110001 and in the BETA field at the octet with the address 00000010 11010101.



PART II.

GE-115 ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE INFORMATION

An assembly language is a set of symbols and rules for writing statements to be performed by a computer. An assembly language statement is written in a format which is more convenient and easier to remember than the format for the internal instruction which the computer recognizes as an executable statement. Instead of writing the numeric values for operation codes, operand lengths, data constants, and addresses, the programmer uses assembly language instruction statements.

The GE-115 Assembly Language enables the programmer to write instructions and to specify all the required program parameters with meaningful and easily remembered codes.

The GE-115 Assembly Language provides the following features:

- Operations are specified with easy to remember alphabetic mnemonics (e.g., AD for decimal addition, PER for a peripheral unit instruction).
- Data constants may be written in various forms (hexadecimal numbers, alphanumeric characters, and special symbols as +, - '\$' etc.).
- Cross references between instructions and references to data fields may be accomplished with meaningful names chosen by the programmer without concern for the actual location in store of instructions and data.

Primary instructions written in the GE-115 Assembly Language are translated by the GE-115 assembler into the object language instructions acceptable for execution by the GE-115 System. Primary instructions specify the program steps, operation by operation.

Directive instructions written in the GE-115 Assembly Language are directions from the programmer to the GE-115 Assembler. Data defined in Directives will be included in the object language program. Other Directives define the assignment of store addresses and procedures for printing the assembly listing.

In this section, the symbols of the GE-115 Assembly Language are described and the rules for writing instructions in the language are given. Also, the relationship between data field references and the assembled addresses used in object language instructions is explained. This relationship is quite unusual. In most assembly languages, a symbolic name used as an operand specification references an address.

In the GE-115 Assembly Language, symbolic names used as operand specifications reference data fields.

THE SYMBOLS OF THE GE-115 ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE

The GE-115 Information Processing System recognizes the standard graphic character set defined in Figure A-4, page 19. There are 64 graphic characters. Each number, letter or symbol in this set has a unique binary value represented internally by the eight binary digits of one octet. The internal representations of the graphic character set are only a part of the set of 256 possible binary configurations of octets.

The GE-115 System Assembler allows for the definition of data by symbolic characters, by hexadecimal digits, and by decimal digits. Binary digit patterns that are to be used for special purposes by a program must be submitted to the assembler under one of the above representations. The assembler does not recognize binary literals as data. Thus, when a programmer wishes to specify a data item with the internal configuration of 0010 0001, he may specify the hexadecimal configuration 21.

Although it is not possible to avoid specific coding of the non-graphic characters when they are required, the user is strongly advised not to construct programs in which the logic is contingent upon the internal codes of the graphic character set. Do not refer to the hexadecimal configuration of a graphic character when it is possible to use a reference to the character itself.

Binary Config.	Graphic Character	Hexadecimal	Binary Config.	Graphic Character	Hexadecimal
01000000	0	40	10100000	↑	A0
0001	1	41	0001	J	A1
0010	2	42	0010	K	A2
0011	3	43	0011	L	A3
0100	4	44	0100	M	A4
0101	5	45	0101	N	A5
0110	6	46	0110	O	A6
0111	7	47	0111	P	A7
1000	8	48	1000	Q	A8
1001	9	49	1001	R	A9
1010	[	4A	1010	-	AA
1011	#	4B	1011	\$	AB
1100	@	4C	1100	*	AC
1101	:	4D	1101	)	AD
1110	>	4E	1110	;	AE
1111	?	4F	1111	' (apos- trophe)	AF
01010000	(blank)	50	10110000	+	B0
0001	A	51	0001	/	B1
0010	B	52	0010	S	B2
0011	C	53	0011	T	B3
0100	D	54	0100	U	B4
0101	E	55	010	V	B5
0110	F	56	0110	W	B6
0111	G	57	0111	X	B7
1000	H	58	1000	Y	B8
1001	I	59	1001	Z	B9
1010	&	5A	1010	←	BA
1011	.	5B	1011	, (comma)	BB
1100	]	5C	1100	%	BC
1101	(	5D	1101	=	BD
1110	<	5E	1110	"	BE
1111	\	5F	1111	!	BF

Figure A-4: THE GE-115 GRAPHIC CHARACTER SET

The set of graphic characters are not only used for data definition in the GAMMA 115 **Assembly Language**.

All may be present in the coding of an assembly language program. Most of the characters in the set may be used freely. Some are reserved for special purpose. The group of symbols reserved by the assembler are

, ' () + - *

These symbols must not be used by the programmer in naming data fields or instructions. (They may be used for data definition). This set of symbols is described below and in Figure A-5.

RESERVED SYMBOLS

Apostrophe (')

Two apostrophes are used as data field delimiters, one to the left and one to the right of the data being specified.

Comma (,)

A comma is used to separate operand specifications when more than one operand is specified.

Parentheses ()

Parentheses are used to contain length definition when the specification of a length accompanies a field reference. Parentheses may also contain an address reference.

Arithmetic Signs (+ -)

Arithmetic Signs (+ or -) are used to modify a symbolic operand specification. The sign is followed by a decimal increment or decrement.

Asterisk (*)

The asterisk symbol is used in two ways.

An asterisk used for operand specifications indicates that the address of the specified operand is relative to the left octet address of the instruction in which the asterisk appears.

When an asterisk is used as an operation, it indicates that the operand specifications field contains a comment to be printed during assembly.

Figure A-5: SYMBOLS RESERVED BY THE GE-115 ASSEMBLER

SYMBOL	USE
'	Field delimiter
,	Operand specification separator
()	Length specification or address definition
+	Increment specification
-	Decrement specification
*	As an operand specification : indicates store assignment. As an operation : indicates a comment

ALPHABETIC SYMBOLS

In addition to the above symbols, there are several alphabetic characters used by the GE-115 Assembler (A,C,X,L,R,S,D,Y). The programmer may use any of these letters in naming fields; however, it is recommended that he not use the letter Y to begin the name of subroutines, data fields, or instructions because system subroutine names begin with Y. A new system subroutine could have the same name which a programmer has defined in his program.

A

The letter A is used in a constant definition instruction to indicate an address constant.

C

The letter C in the operand specification field of an instruction indicates that the data item which follows the C, bounded by apostrophes, is a single member of the graphic set;(i.e., 0-9, A-Z, or a symbol).

C in a constant definition instruction indicates that one or more members of the graphic character set are being used to define constant data.

X

The letter X appearing in the operand specification field of an instruction indicates that the data item bounded by apostrophes is represented by a pair of hexadecimal digits ; i.e., the quartet configuration represented by each of the digits is one of those shown below :

0000 = 0	1000 = 8
0001 = 1	1001 = 9
0010 = 2	1010 = A
0011 = 3	1011 = B
0100 = 4	1100 = C
0101 = 5	1101 = D
0110 = 6	1110 = E
0111 = 7	1111 = F

X in a constant definition instruction indicates that one or more pairs of hexadecimal digits are being used to define constant data.

L

L precedes the definition of length in a store definition or constant definition instruction.

R

An R in the operand specification field of an ORG instruction sets the value in the store assignment counter to the next higher multiple of 256. The store assignment counter is a part of the assembler and is used for assigning addresses to instructions and data.

S, D

The letters S and D are used in the Line Feed (LF) as line spacers. S requests a single skip. D requests a double skip.

Y

In GE-115 system software, the letter Y has been used as the first letter of the subroutine names.

CONTROL CHARACTERS

There are three special purpose hexadecimal control characters used by the Edit (EDT) instruction to format data : 20, 21, 22. They are used in the editing mask to control data positioning. These three numbers do not correspond to any of the characters in the graphic set and must be represented in assembly language statements by pairs of hexadecimal digits.

WRITING STATEMENTS IN THE GE-115 ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE

Programs for the GE-115 Information Processing System are written in the GE-115 Assembly Language on the Programming form shown in Figure A-6.

The parts of this form and the rules for their use are described below. If the programmer does not follow these rules, the GE-115 assembler will print mistake indications on the listings which are produced during assembly. A list of the possible mistake indications and their meaning is presented in Figure A-7 GE-115 ASSEMBLER MISTAKE CODES. The notations appearing in parentheses throughout the text refer to the mistakes described in this table.

THE PROGRAMMING FORM

1. IDENTIFICATION (Columns 1-4)

Enter a 4-digit field to identify the program. Any alphanumeric combination may be used.

This field is for program identification; therefore, it is suggested that a meaningful code be chosen. In the example below, BILL was chosen to identify a billing program.

IDENTIFICATION				PROGRAM										PROGR				
PAGE N°	LINE N°	B I L L I N G P R O G R A M																
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47	NAME	OPERATION									OPERANDS						
	0 5																	
	1 0																	
	1 5																	

Sequences of numbers or letters might be chosen for a set of programs which are related. A set of three programs which tabulate test scores might be identified by SCR1, SCR2, and SCR3.

The numbers 0000 to 1000 are used for identification of system programs and should be avoided. If the identification field on any instruction is not the same as that of the first, the instruction is marked (S) by the assembler. The System Program Loader verifies (at execution time) that all cards of a program have the same identification field.



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ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE

PROGRAMMING FORM

PAGE ____ OF ____

IDENTIFICATION				PROGRAM										PROGRAMMER										DATE			
PAGE No		LINE No		NAME				OPERATION				OPERANDS										EXTERNAL IDENTIFICATION					
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47											74	75	80				
		0	5																								
		1	0																								
		1	5																								
		2	0																								
		2	5																								
		3	0																								
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Figure A-6 PROGRAMMING FORM (CK-235)

2. PAGE NUMBER (Columns 32-33)

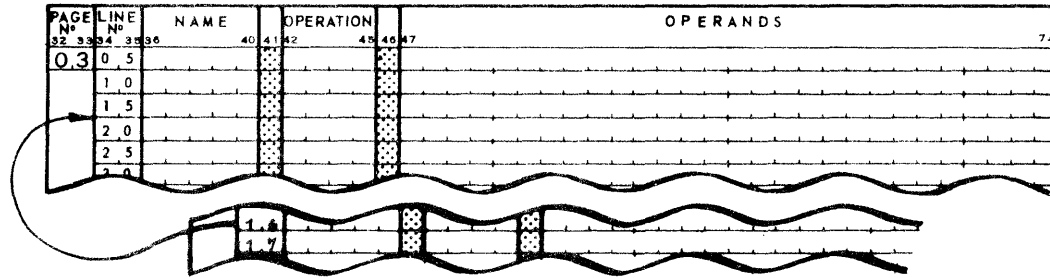
Enter a page number at the top of each page of the coding sheets. Repeat the page number on each statement when punching.

Page numbers must be in ascending order (S). The collating sequence shown in Figure 1, Appendix A, cannot be used to position non-numeric characters as sequence references.

Page and line numbers (see below for line number description) are used to order program instruction statements; they do not enter into the assembled program. It is not necessary to have a new page number for each programming sheet, nor is it necessary to use the same number for an entire sheet, as long as on each instruction the combined page and line number (taken as a 4-digit decimal number) is higher than the one before.

3. LINE NUMBER (Columns 34-35)

Enter a 2-digit decimal number for each line of coding. The numbers must be (within any page) in an ascending sequence (S). It is advisable that lines be given numbers which are multiples of 5 so that changes and corrections may be inserted without making resequencing necessary. In the following example, the lines are numbered with multiples of 5. If the programmer wishes to insert two new instructions between 15 and 20 he may number the new instructions 16 and 17.



Inserts 16 and 17 could be written on free lines at the bottom of the coding sheet and placed between 15 and 20 after they are punched.

The collating sequence shown in Figure 1, Appendix A, may not be used to position non-numeric characters. Line numbers are used to order the instructions of the program; the program sequence depends on card order in the source deck. The numbers are examined but not translated by the assembler.

4. NAME (Columns 36-40)

Names are used for cross-reference between program statements. The name of a field is defined by its appearance in the name field. The name will be equated to the actual

location assigned by the assembler to the statement.

Enter a name to identify the first operation in the program.

Begin the name in column 36. Leave unused columns to the right of the name blank. Leave the name field blank if no reference to the statement is required. Column 41 must be blank.

A maximum of five characters is allowed (N). A name must begin with a letter (N). Succeeding characters may be alphabetic or numeric; no special symbols may be used (N).

A name may appear in the name field of an APS statement only once in a program. When the same name is assigned to more than one statement, the name will appear in a multiple reference table which will be listed preceding the object program list. The location assigned to the first occurrence of the name is used for all references to the name.

System subroutine names begin with a Y. It is therefore advisable to avoid the letter Y as an initial character of a name in order to prevent duplication.

5. OPERATION CODE (Columns 42-45)

The operation code specifies the system action defined by the statement.

Enter the mnemonic for the operation, starting in column 42. Leave unused columns to the right blank. Column 46 must be blank.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47			74
0 3	0 5	D.A.T.A.3	D.S.	
	1 0	B.E.G.I.N	C.M.I	
	1 5		J.C	
	2 0	L.O.O.P	A.D.	
	2 5		A.B	
	2 0			

The mnemonic expression must be one of those listed in Figure 3, Appendix A.

6. OPERAND SPECIFICATIONS (Columns 47-74)

An operand is the item which is operated upon by an instruction.

For example, if the number 24 is added to 92, the data items 24 and 92 are the operands. If 24 is contained in a field named (See above for naming) BETA, the instruction statement which specifies the addition operation uses the symbolic name BETA to specify that operand. Instructions in the GE-115 Assembly Language may specify one, two, or no operands depending upon the operation to be performed. The methods for specifying operands vary according to the kind of operand and the operation being specified.

When an operand is to be specified, enter the operand specification beginning in column 47. Two operand specifications must be separated by a comma (F). No blank may appear between column 47 and the end of the operand specifications (except as data definition (F,I). If an instruction does not require an operand, leave the operand specification field of the instruction blank.

Several types of operands may be specified by an instruction. The types of operand and the methods for specifying such operands are described below.

Types of Operands may be:

- Data Fields
Data operated upon by an instruction may be elsewhere in the store, or data used by an instruction may be contained within the instruction itself. The latter type of data item is referred to in this manual as an "immediate operand" to distinguish it from data not contained within the instruction.
- Instructions
The location of another instruction is specified as an operand when the operation may cause an interruption in the sequence of instructions executed. The location specified is the location of the instruction to which control is transferred when the sequence of instructions is interrupted. (See jump instructions, page 95)
- Hardware Items
Operands such as input/output units, peripheral status conditions, overflow/underflow and zero/non-zero indicator test conditions, may be specified.

Methods of Specifying Operands are:

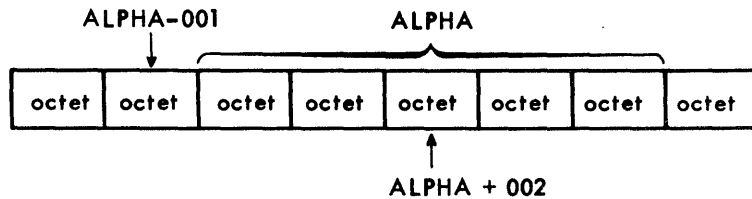
- Symbolic Names of Fields
An instruction or a data field (which is not an immediate operand) may be specified

with the symbolic name of the field in which it is contained. The name must be defined (U). A symbolic name must conform to the format for names (I). In the following example the data field ALPHA is compared to a Z using the Compare Immediate to Store (CMI) instruction.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
1	4	0	5		C.M.I.			C	'Z'	, ALPHA	
	1	0									
	1	5									
	2	0									
	2	5									
	3	0									

- Symbolic Names for Fields with Increments or Decrements

A symbolic name may be modified by a 3-digit decimal increment or decrement. If a programmer wishes to reference a location which has not been named, he may refer to it using the name of a location near it. For example, if ALPHA is the name of a data field of five octets and the programmer wishes to reference the third octet of ALPHA with a Compare Immediate to Store (CMI) instruction, he writes ALPHA + 002. If the programmer wishes to reference the octet to the left of ALPHA with the CMI instruction, ALPHA-001 is written.



The programmer writes an instruction using the symbolic name of the ALPHA field with an increment or decrement as follows:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
0	1	0	5		C.M.I.			C	'S'	, ALPHA+002	

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
0	1	0	5		C.M.I.			C	'S'	, ALPHA-001	

An increment or decrement must be three decimal digits (F,I). The symbols + and - are the only symbols of modification accepted by the assembler (F).

- The Asterisk (*) Symbol

The asterisk symbol (*) may be used as an operand. This symbol always references the first octet of the instruction in which it appears as an operand. The * symbol must be followed by an increment or decrement. When the * is used without an increment or decrement, it is a mistake (I).

The use of the * as an operand is not recommended. Meaningful names are always easier to understand. Also mistakes can easily occur when programs are changed. For example, if another instruction were to be inserted in the following set of instructions, the programmer would have to change the * -014 operand specification because the instruction named LOOP would no longer be 14 octets before the Jump Unconditional (JU) instruction.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
04	05	LOOP	C.M.I	C', \$', FIELD
	10		J.E	T.H.R.U
	20		J.U	* -014
	25	T.H.R.U	X.X.X	

The instruction on line 20 should be written:

	15		J.U	LOOP
	20		J.U	LOOP
	25	T.H.R.U	X.X.X	

- Absolute Addresses

Operands may be specified with absolute location addresses. For example, if the programmer wishes to direct the assembler to set its store location assignment counter to 1256, one might code:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
05	05		O.R.G	1256
	10			

An absolute source language address used as an operand specifier must be written as a 4-digit decimal number (F, I). There cannot be an increment or decrement associated with an absolute address (F).

The programmer is advised to avoid the use of absolute address references. Names are more meaningful. The possibility of errors when a program is modified is very great when absolute address references have been used.

- Data Fields and Lengths

Operations which act upon variable length fields require a definition of the length of the field.

If the length is that of a named data field, the length need not be specified. In all other cases where a variable length operation is to be performed, length is the number of octets or quartets used in the operation.

The length is written as a decimal number enclosed in parentheses immediately to the right of the data field specification. Some operations require that the length be specified as a 2-digit decimal number. Others require that the length be specified as a 3-digit decimal number. When the number specified is not an acceptable number or it is not expressed in the correct number of digits, it is a mistake (F, I).

An example of a specified length written as three digits is:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
0	4	0	5				MVC		ALPHA	(005)	, BETA

An example of a specified length written as two digits is:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS								
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74	
0	4	0	5				CMQ		ALPHA	(04)	, BETA	(04)
		1	0									

Note that although only four octets enter into the last example, the number is expressed in two digits. It is written 04, not 4.

In instructions which operate on variable length fields, the length must always be specified (F) if the operand is referenced with either the * or an absolute address.

- Immediate Data Items

Immediate data items may appear in the operand specification portion of the source language instruction. The data item becomes a part of the object language instruction. The assembler, when it translates the instruction, places the data item in the operation-complement octet.

There are three ways in which immediate data may be specified. Immediate data may be coded as a character, a hexadecimal number, or a decimal number.

A single symbol preceded by C and enclosed in a pair of apostrophes signifies an immediate data item which is a character. The character must be one of those shown in Figure A-4, page 19 (F,I).

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS									
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	74
0	5	T.E.S.T	C.M.I	C 'A' , ALPHA									
		1	0										

A pair of hexadecimal numbers preceded by X and enclosed in a pair of apostrophes signifies an immediate data item which is any valid hexadecimal configuration up to 'FF'. The user should refer to "SYMBOLS OF THE GE-115 ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE", Figure A-4. The hexadecimal numbers and their binary, decimal, and character equivalents may be found in Figure I, Appendix A (I). It is recommended that the programmer use the C notation (see above)

for any character in the graphic character set instead of the hexadecimal configuration.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	34	35	36	40 41 42 45 46 47 74
05	05	T.E.S.T.	C.M.I.	X'21',ALPHA.

A 3-digit decimal number with a value from 000 to 255 may be used to specify an immediate data item. No field definers are used (F,I).

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	34	35	36	40 41 42 45 46 47 74
05	05	T.E.S.T.	C.M.I.	081,ALPHA.

- **Conditions of the Indicators**

Indicators are tested by the Jump on Condition instructions. The test conditions of the indicators may be specified in three ways. The condition may be written as a 2-digit hexadecimal number, a single character, or a 3-digit decimal number. The methods for coding the test conditions are the same as for immediate data items (see above). It is recommended that in Jump on Condition instructions, the X' ' form with two hexadecimal digits be used to specify conditions.
- **Input/Output Units and Status**

These two operand specification types should be specified with a pair of hexadecimal digits. The rules for coding these are the same as for the X' ' form for specifying immediate data items (see above).
- **Comments**

The programmer may write a comment following the last operand specification. A comment must be separated from the last operand by a blank. If the user has

placed an asterisk in the operation code, a comment may begin in column 47. Comments for one of the examples used above might be written as shown below to provide explanation and readability in a program assembly listing.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33	34 35 36	40	41 42 43 44	45 46 47 74
0.4	0.5	LOOP	CMI	C', \$', FIELD TEST FOR A \$
	1.0		JE	THRU IF FOUND, THRU
	1.5		AB	LOOP, BIN1 IF NOT, INCRMT
	2.0		*	ADDRESS FOR
	2.5		*	SEARCH AND
	3.0		JU	LOOP CONTINUE
	3.5		*	
	4.0		*	** SEGMENT 2 **
	4.5	THRU	LON	SIGNAL OPERATOR

Figure A-7: GE-115 ASSEMBLER MISTAKE CODES

Code Letter	General Cause	Assembler Action
F	<p>A mistake has been made in the format of the operand field specification.</p> <p>An unexpected configuration has been encountered by the assembler; e.g. a blank where a comma should appear.</p>	<p>The statement is marked with an F on the assembler listing.</p> <p>The program is not assembled.</p>

Examples of mistakes that are marked with F:

- Data Field Reference
 - An absolute address is written in more than 4 digits.
 - An address increment or decrement is written in more than 3 digits.
 - A character other than + or - appears between a data field name and increment or decrement.
 - An immediate data item expressed in the C' ' notation is more than a single character in length.
 - An immediate data item expressed in the X' ' notation is more than 2 digits in length.
- Length
 - A left parenthesis is omitted.
 - An absolute address is written without a length specification.
 - A length is written for an operand which has an implicit length of 1.
 - Three digits are used to specify a length which should be expressed in 2 digits.

Code Letter	General Cause	Assembler Action
I	<p>A mistake has been made in the content of the operand field specification.</p>	<p>The statement is marked with an I on the assembler listing.</p> <p>The program is not assembled.</p>

Examples of mistakes that are marked with an I:

- Data Field Reference
 - A data field name begins with some symbol other than a letter.
 - A special system symbol is used in a data name.
 - A data field name is expressed in more than 5 letters.
 - An address increment is written in fewer than 3 digits.
 - A data item is written where a data name should appear.
 - A data item expressed in the C' ' notation is written without one of the apostrophe signs.
 - A data item is written without either C or X notation.
 - A character other than one of the hexadecimal digits appears in the expression of a data item in the X' ' form.
- Length
 - A two digit length is written with a value greater than 16.
 - A three digit length is written with a value greater than 256.
 - The right parenthesis is not written after the length specification.

Figure A-7: GE-115 ASSEMBLER MISTAKE CODES (cont'd)

Code Letter	General Cause	Assembler Action
L	An incorrect length is associated with a data field.	The statement is marked with an L on the assembler listing. Assembly continues.

Mistakes marked with an L:

The address origin defined on an ORG card is less than the upper limit of the area used by the system loader.

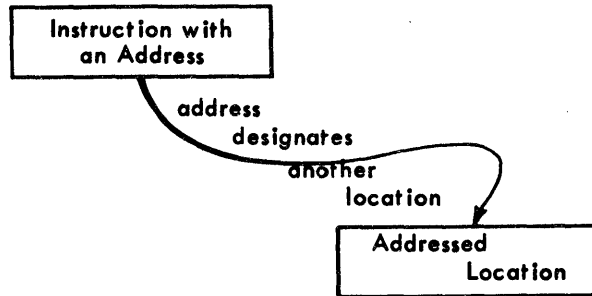
The program cannot be executed by a system of the size defined on the STRT card.

An implicit length exceeds 16. NOTE: The assembler places a value in the length field and continues. This value is generated by translation. Therefore, the value inserted differs according to the configuration of the store.

Code Letter	General Cause	Assembler Action
M	The same name is written for more than one source instruction.	The name will appear in a multiple reference table which will be listed preceding the object list. The store location assigned to the first occurrence of the name is used throughout the assembly for all references.
N	The name of a field is longer than 5 characters. The name of a field contains a non-alphanumeric character. The name begins with a non-alphabetic character.	The statement is marked with an N on the assembler listing. The program is not assembled.
O	The operation code field is blank. The operation code contains some expression other than one of the assembly language mnemonic codes.	The statement is marked with an O on the assembler listing. The program is not assembled.
P	When an operation code was encountered for location assignment, the store assignment counter was set to an odd octet value.	The statement is marked with a P on the assembler listing. The location is rounded up to an even octet boundary. The assembly continues.
S	The program identification on an instruction is different from the identification on the STRT instruction. Page numbers are not in ascending sequence. Line numbers are not in ascending sequence.	The statement is marked with an S on the assembler listing. The assembly continues.
U	A name which appears in the operand field of an instruction cannot be matched with a name in the list of named fields.	The statement is marked with an U on the assembler listing. The operand is assigned a location of 0000 and an assumed length of 00. The assembly continues.

The programmer who has not already programmed using the GE-115 Assembly Language should read this section very carefully. This section explains the relationship between the reference to a data field in the GE-115 Assembly Language and the address translated by the assembler.

Each octet in the store has a unique address. An address in a GE-115 system instruction can reference any octet individually, giving access for processing or control. The function of addressing is shown by the following diagram:



In an instruction in the GE-115 System Assembler Language, an operand specification may be a symbolic name or an actual reference to a particular location.

Specification of operands with symbolic names can be of three types:

1. A name assigned to a field (data or instruction) by the programmer; or,
2. A name (as in 1) modified by a 3-digit decimal increment or decrement; or,
3. An * (signifying the first octet of the instruction in which it appears), modified by a 3-digit decimal increment or decrement.

NOTE: An * must have an increment or decrement; it cannot appear alone.

Symbolic names used as operand specifications are translated into actual addresses at assembly time. The actual address is the binary address of the particular octet referenced by the operation.

Actual addresses used for operand specification are 4-digit decimal numbers which reference explicit locations. The assembler converts the decimal address specified by the programmer to its binary equivalent and inserts this into the object language instruction.

When writing in the GE-115 Assembly Language, the programmer must be aware of the relationship between a field reference written in a source language instruction statement and the address which the assembler places in the object language instruction.

When an instruction is translated by the assembler, the operation mnemonic is translated and placed in the first octet of the object language instruction; the operation complement (immediate data, lengths, indicator test conditions, peripheral units, etc.) is placed in the second octet; the address of one operand is placed in the third and fourth octets, and, if there is a second operand, a second address is placed in the fifth and sixth octets.

Any data field one octet in length can be referenced with the address of the octet it occupies. When an operand which is one octet in length is referenced by a symbolic name in a source language instruction statement, the address for the octet is placed in the object language instruction. In the following example, the field ALPHA (defined elsewhere in the program as a one octet field) is compared to a dollar sign. The symbolic name used as an operand specification is translated into the address of the ALPHA octet.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
0	1		C.M.I.	C', \$', ALPHA							
1	0										
1	5										
2	0										
2	5										
2	0										

Data fields which occupy more than one octet may be thought of as having a left-octet address and a right-octet address. When a data field which is more than one octet in length is referenced in an instruction statement, the assembler may place either the left-octet address or the right-octet address of the data field in the object language instruction. The address which is translated for any symbolic name depends upon the operation specified.

When a symbolically named field longer than one octet is referenced as an operand and the operand can only be one octet in length, the left-octet address of the field is placed in the object language instruction (the leftmost octet is the one which is operated upon).

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
0	2		C.M.I.	C', \$', ALPHA							

If the field ALPHA referenced by the Compare Immediate to Store (CMI) instruction in the example above is defined as a field of four octets, the assembler places the address of the leftmost octet of ALPHA in the third and fourth octets of the object language instruction which is produced.

When a symbolically named field is referenced as an operand and the operand may have a length greater than one octet, the address placed in the object language instruction depends upon the orientation of the operation.

Some of the GE-115 system operations which treat variable length fields process data from left to right. For example, the Move Complete Octets (MVC) begins by moving the leftmost octet. The MVC operation continues moving octets until the rightmost octet of the specified field has been moved.

When an operand is to be processed from left to right, the left-octet address of the symbolically referenced field is placed by the assembler in the object language instruction.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47	48	49
02	05		M.V.C.	ALPHA, BETA

Some of the GE-115 system operations which treat variable length fields process data from right to left. For example, the Add Binary (AB) begins addition at the rightmost octet of the two fields being summed. The operation continues to the left until the summation of the fields is completed.

When an operand is to be processed from right to left, the right-octet address of the symbolically referenced field is placed in the object language instruction.

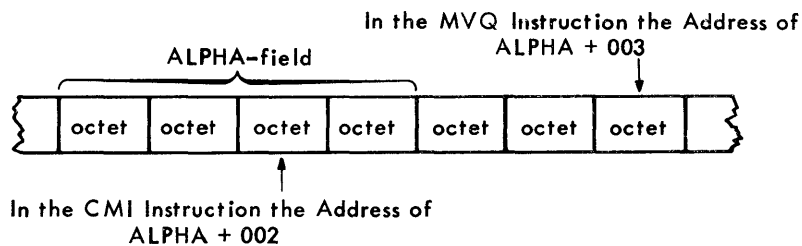
Wherever possible, the programmer should use symbolic names for operand specifications. When the programmer references fields which have been symbolically named, he does not have to be concerned with the translation of the addresses of a data field.

The assembler builds a table of the names defined in a program. The length of the data field or instruction which the name references, along with both the left-octet address and the right-octet address, are contained in this table. The assembler translates a symbolic name to the appropriate address by using this table.

When an operand is specified with a symbolic name and an increment or decrement, the increment or decrement is applied to the left-octet or right-octet address translated.

PAGE	LINE	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
No	No			
32	33	34	35	36
0	1	0	5	C.M.I C, \$', ALPHA + 0.0.2

When ALPHA has been defined as a field of four octets, the symbolic reference ALPHA + 002 in the instruction above will cause the assembler to use the address of the third octet in the ALPHA field. The CMI instruction can reference a one-octet operand; ALPHA becomes the left-octet address of ALPHA and the address translated for ALPHA + 002 is two octets to the right of this address.



When the operation proceeds from right to left, increments or decrements with a symbolic operand specification are applied to the address of the rightmost octet of the data field. Thus, the symbolic address ALPHA + 003 in the instruction:

PAGE	LINE	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
No	No			
32	33	34	35	36
0	2	0	5	M.V.Q ALPHA + 0.0.3, BETA

where ALPHA has been defined as a field of four octets (see diagram above) will cause the assembler to use the address of the octet three locations to the right of the rightmost octet of ALPHA.

The programmer should note that if he uses source language actual addresses to specify operands, he must be sure that the address specified is the appropriate address according to the orientation of the operation. It is strongly recommended that the programmer use symbolic field references rather than specific addresses.

SECTION B

GE-115

ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE

INSTRUCTIONS

PART I

PRIMARY INSTRUCTIONS

Primary instructions specify machine-executable operations. Primary instructions are written as symbolic statements and translated by the GE-115 Assembler. The assembler produces one machine instruction for each Primary instruction.

Primary instructions are written according to the rules presented in SECTION A, PART II, "WRITING STATEMENTS IN THE GE-115 ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE". The programmer should review these rules before using the information presented in this section. He should also be familiar with the relationship between a Primary instruction and its machine instruction counterpart (discussed in SECTION A, PART I, "INTERNAL INSTRUCTION FORMAT").

All the Primary instructions of the GE-115 system are described in this section. The descriptions of the Primary instructions are grouped according to similarities of the operation, as listed below:

ARITHMETIC - Instructions which perform addition or subtraction on binary or decimal data fields:

Add Decimal	A D
Subtract Decimal	S D
Add Binary	A B
Subtract Binary	S B

DATA MOVEMENT AND COMPARISON - Instructions which perform non-arithmetic manipulations or comparisons of data fields:

Move Immediate Octet	M V I
Move Complete Octets	M V C
Move Right Quartets	M V Q
Pack Right Quartets into Octets	P K
Unpack Octets into Right Quartets	U P K
Compare Immediate Octet to Store	C M I
Compare Complete Octets	C M C
Compare Right Quartets	C M Q
Search to the Right	S R
Search to the Left	S L

LOGIC - Instructions which perform 'and' and 'or' logical operations:

And on Complete Octets	N C
Or on Complete Octets	O C
Exclusive Or on Complete Octets	X C

JUMP - Instructions which can be used to interrupt the sequential operation of the program:

Jump on Condition	J C
Jump if Greater	J G
Jump if Equal	J E
Jump if Greater or Equal	J G E
Jump if Less	J L
Jump if Not Equal	J N E
Jump if Less or Equal	J L E
Jump Unconditional	J U
No Jump	N O J
Jump if Switch 1 Set	J S 1
Jump if Switch 2 Set	J S 2
Jump and Return	J R T

EDIT - Instructions which prepare data for system use and output readability:

Edit	E D T
Translate	T R

SYSTEM ACTION - Instructions which do not treat data but allow for manual intervention:

Halt System Operation	H L T
No Operation	N O P 2
Turn Alert Light On	L O N
Turn Alert Light Off	L O F F
Inhibit Single Stop	I N S
Enable Single Stop	E N S

INPUT/OUTPUT - Instructions which execute read/write operations and test the status of the peripheral units:

Data Transfer	P E R
Peripheral Status Tests	P E R
Peripheral Unit Control	P E R

A uniform format, as shown below, is used to explain each of the Primary instructions. For easy reference, each instruction is begun on a new page. Whenever an instruction requires more than one page for description, the mnemonic appears in the upper outside corner of each page.

Figure B-1: A SAMPLE PAGE

Mnemonic in upper outside corner

What the operation does

Indicators

Expanded Description of the operation (if required)

Hints for programming with this operation

Form of the instruction using this operation

CMI

COMPARE IMMEDIATE TO STORE

CMI immediate operand, ALPHA

The immediate data item in the CMI instruction is compared to a single octet ALPHA field.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	Comparison
0	1	ALPHA < immediate data item
1	0	ALPHA = immediate data item
1	1	ALPHA > immediate data item

NOTES :

- Neither the ALPHA field octet nor the immediate data item is affected by the comparison operation.
- The UF/OF and ZE/NZ indicators record the results of the comparison.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

The CMI may be used to verify the configuration of an octet in the store.

A Jump on Condition instruction is used to test the result of the comparison.

EXAMPLES:

1) Comparison of an octet in ALPHA with an immediate octet, ALPHA less than the immediate octet.

PAGE LINE	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
0103	CMI	C, B	ALPHA

ALPHA

BEFORE OPERATION

A	B	C	D
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AFTER OPERATION

NOT AFFECTED

IMMEDIATE OCTET

INSTRUCTION

B

NOT AFFECTED

INDICATORS

UF/OF	ZE/NZ
0	1
A < B	
'51' < '52'	

Mnemonic

Examples using this operation

In the descriptions of the Primary instructions, certain conventions have been used. These conventions are explained below.

Conventions of notation in the general examples of instruction formats have been used. These are:

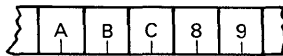
- name The use of "name" written in lower case indicates that a name is optional and where used must follow the rules for naming instructions.
- op The use of "op" written in lower case indicates that the operation is any one of a given set of operation mnemonics.
- ALPHA The symbolic name ALPHA is used to refer to the first of two operands or, where there is only one operand, the single operand.
Where ALPHA is written, the programmer may write:
- 1) a symbolic name, with optional increment or decrement,
 - 2) an asterisk, with a required increment or decrement,
 - 3) an actual address.
- BETA The symbolic name BETA is used to refer to the second operand in instructions requiring two operands. BETA may be written in any of the ways listed above for ALPHA.
- SIGMA The symbolic name SIGMA is the name of the instruction to which control may be transferred by a Jump instruction. SIGMA may be written in any of the ways listed above for ALPHA.
- (nn) The use of "n" written in lower case indicates that where the operation may process variable length fields, length is specified with two or three decimal digits. When a symbolic name is used and the length of the operation is the length associated with the definition of the name, length need not be specified in the instruction.
- immediate operand The use of the words "immediate operand" written in lower case indicates that any of the three methods for specifying immediate operands may be used. Refer to the rules in "WRITING STATEMENTS IN THE GE-115 ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE", for the three ways in which an immediate data item may be specified. One of these must be used.

condition The use of "condition" written in lower case indicates that in the Jump on Condition (JC) instruction, a condition must be specified. It may be written in any of the ways in which an immediate data item is written.

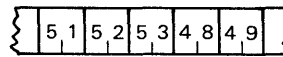
U The letter U is used to refer to a peripheral unit. It may be specified in any of the ways in which an immediate data item is written. The use of the hexadecimal notation is recommended.

- Conventions of notation for showing data in store in the EXAMPLES portion of the descriptions vary according to the type of data being represented.

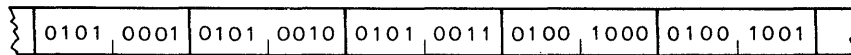
Data may be represented as characters,



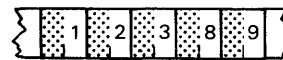
or as pairs of hexadecimal digits,



or in binary form.



Where only right quartets are involved, right hexadecimal digits (usually decimal values) are shown and left quartets are shaded.



The GE-115 adds and subtracts in both the decimal mode and the binary mode. All arithmetic operations treat the data fields as unsigned quantities.

Both decimal and binary operations have the following general characteristics :

- Data fields may be from 1 to 16 octets in length. The length of each field is used in the operation.
- Operation length is governed by the length of the data field which receives the result.
- Data fields are referenced at the right ; the data value is assumed positioned to the right in the field.
- Operation is right to left.
- The UF/OF (Underflow/Overflow) indicator is set to 1 when a carry is generated out of the result field. The result replaces the first data field.
- The ZE/NZ (Zero/Non-Zero) indicator records whether the value of the result field is zero or non-zero at the end of the operation.

Decimal and Binary operations are different in the following characteristics :

Quartets/Octets

- Decimal operations process only the right quartets of the data field.
- Binary operations process full octets.

FORM OF DATA

- Decimal operations are designed for use with decimal quantities and process data as unsigned quantities to the base 10. No check is made prior to processing to determine whether the fields to be operated upon do contain decimal configurations in the right quartets.
- Binary operations are designed for use with binary quantities and are used in the GE-115 Information Processing System primarily for address modification. Binary operations treat data as unsigned numeric quantities to the base 2.

OVERFLOW AND UNDERFLOW IN ARITHMETIC OPERATIONS

In both modes of addition, it is possible to generate an overflow. When the result field contains fewer digit places than are required to represent the sum, an overflow (or carry) occurs. The sum is not fully represented in the result field in such cases and is referred to in the discussions which follow as being in overflow form.

In both modes of subtraction, it is possible to subtract a larger quantity from a smaller. In this case the opposite of the overflow condition is present. The condition is called underflow. The difference which occurs when a larger number is subtracted from a smaller is represented in what is defined as complement form, i.e., represented as subtracted from a power of the base of the number system being used.

For example, 6 and 4 are mutual complements in the decimal system.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 6 \quad 4 \quad 10 \quad 10 \\
 + 4 \quad + 6 \quad - 6 \quad - 4 \\
 \hline
 10 \quad 10 \quad 4 \quad 6
 \end{array}$$

So, too, are 60 and 40. However, 60 and 40 are expressed as multiples of 10 and require the square of 10 as a reference value for obtaining the complement.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 60 \quad 40 \quad 100 \quad 100 \\
 + 40 \quad + 60 \quad - 60 \quad - 40 \\
 \hline
 100 \quad 100 \quad 40 \quad 60
 \end{array}$$

In the use of the arithmetic operations for the GE-115 the differences which are computed when a larger quantity is subtracted from a smaller are in complement form. They must be subtracted from the applicable power of the base used in order to obtain the true difference. The true difference also may be obtained by subtracting an underflow result from a field of zeros equal in length to the underflow result. For example, to obtain the complement of a result of 40 in a 2 digit field the subtraction appears :

$$\begin{array}{r}
 00 \\
 - 40 \\
 \hline
 60
 \end{array}$$

Results which cause neither overflow or underflow are referred to in the descriptions of the arithmetic instructions which follow as being in true form.

The format of the arithmetic instruction is :

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS	
32	33,34	33,36	40, 41, 42	45, 46, 47	74
0	1	n.a.m.e.	o.p.	A.L.P.H.A., B.E.T.A.	
	1				
	1				
	2				
	2				
	2				

ADD DECIMAL

AD

AD ALPHA (nn), BETA (nn)

The unsigned sum of the right quartets of the ALPHA field and the right quartets of the BETA field replaces the right quartets of the ALPHA field. Operation is right to left, through the length of the ALPHA field (01 - 16 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
0	0	No overflow; result is zero.
0	1	No overflow; result is non-zero.
1	0	Overflow; result is zero.
1	1	Overflow; result is non-zero.

NOTES:

- Operation is serial, octet by octet, from right to left, through the ALPHA and BETA fields.
- Operation is terminated when the ALPHA field has been processed. If the fields are of equal length, all right quartets of BETA are added to all right quartets of ALPHA. If the length of the BETA field is greater than the length of the ALPHA field, the excess right quartets in the left of the BETA field do not enter into the addition. If the length of the BETA field is less than the length of the ALPHA field, zero right quartets are added to the excess quartets in the left of the ALPHA field. Whenever the generated sum of two quartets is ten or greater, it is reduced by 10 and a carry is propagated to the next quartet sum.
- A 1 in the UF/OF indicator at the end of the operation indicates that the ALPHA field is not long enough to contain the result and a carry out of the sum field has been developed.
- A 0 in the UF/OF indicator at the end of the operation indicates that the sum is contained in the ALPHA field.
- The ZE/NZ indicator is set to 0 if the result is zero, and to 1 if the result is non-zero.

- The left quartets in both fields are unaffected by the operation.
 - The ALPHA field right quartets are replaced by the sum.
 - The BETA field right quartets are unaffected unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.
- The presence of a non-decimal configuration in any right quartet of either field does not alter the above sequence of operations.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

The AD is designed for use with decimal data. No check is made of the configuration of the right quartets prior to the operation. It is not recommended that the programmer use the AD operation to process data that is not decimal.

The programmer should define the ALPHA field long enough to contain the sum.

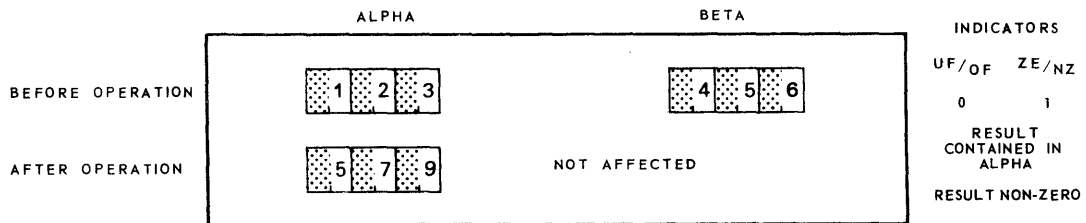
When the relative magnitudes are not known, the UF/OF indicator should be tested by a Jump on Condition (JC) instruction to determine whether overflow has occurred.

EXAMPLES :

1) Addition without Overflow.

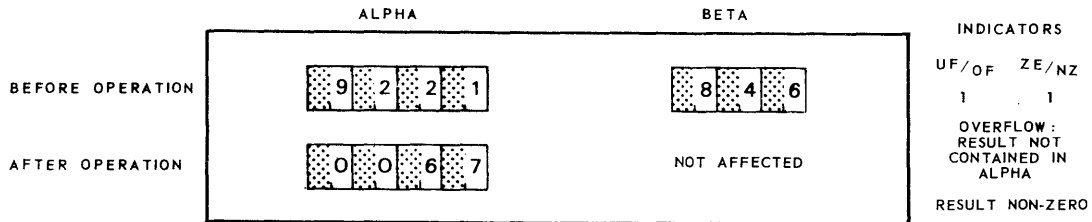
PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
01	05		A.D.	ALPHA, BETA
	10			
	15			
	20			
	25			
	30			

ALPHA has a defined length of 3 octets.
 BETA has a defined length of 3 octets.



2) Addition with overflow.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	0.5	A.D.	ALPHA(0.4), BETA(0.3)
	1.0			
	1.5			
	2.0			
	2.5			
	3.0			

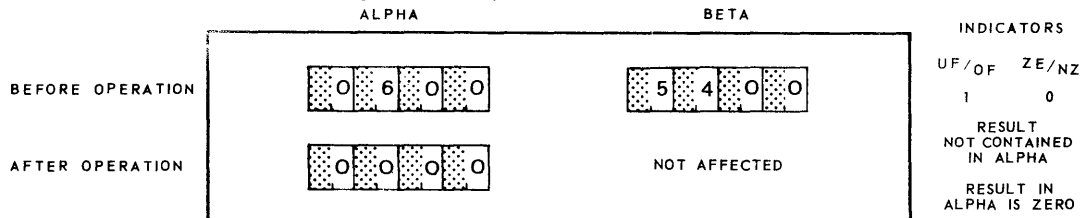


3) Addition with overflow and zero result.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	0.5	A.D.	ALPHA, BETA
	1.0			
	1.5			
	2.0			
	2.5			
	3.0			

ALPHA has a defined length of 3 octets

BETA has a defined length of 4 octets, but only 3 enter the operation, because the length of the operation is the length of ALPHA.



When the length of the BETA field is greater than the length of the ALPHA field the extra digits of the BETA field do not enter into the sum.

SUBTRACT DECIMAL

SD

SD ALPHA (nn), BETA (nn)

The unsigned difference of the right quartets of the ALPHA field and the right quartets of the BETA field replaces the right quartets of the ALPHA field. Operation is right to left, through the length of the ALPHA field (01-16 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
0	0	Does not occur when decimal values are used.
0	1	Underflow - a larger number subtracted from a smaller ; result is non-zero.
1	0	No underflow ; result is zero.
1	1	No underflow ; result is non-zero.

NOTES :

- Operation is serial, octet by octet, through the ALPHA and BETA fields.
- Operation is terminated when the ALPHA field has been processed. If the fields are of equal length, all right quartets of the BETA field are subtracted from all right quartets of the ALPHA field.
If the length of the BETA field is greater than the length of the ALPHA field, the excess right quartets in the left of the BETA field do not enter into the subtraction. If the length of the BETA field is less than the length of the ALPHA field, zero right quartets are subtracted from the excess right quartets in the left of the ALPHA field.
- Subtraction is performed by addition. The BETA field right quartet bits are inverted and added to the bits of the ALPHA field right quartets.
The UF/OF indicator is set to 1 prior to the operation to develop a carry into the first sum.
Whenever a sum which is generated for a quartet exceeds 15 (a full quartet of 1's), the UF/OF indicator is set to 1 to develop a carry into the next right quartet sum. When no carry occurs, the sum is increased by 10. No carry is propagated from this second sum.
- A 1 in the UF/OF indicator at the end of the operation indicates that the difference is represented in true form in the ALPHA field.

- A 0 in the UF/OF indicator at the end of the operation indicates that the difference is represented in underflow form in the ALPHA field. (Underflow occurs when a larger number is subtracted from a smaller number.)
- The ZE/NZ indicator is set to 0 if the result is zero ; it is set to 1 if the result is non-zero.
- The left quartets in both fields are unaffected by the operation.
- The ALPHA field right quartets are replaced by the difference.
- The BETA field right quartets are unaffected unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.
- The presence of a non-decimal configuration in any of the right quartets of the operand fields does not alter the above sequence of operations.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES

The SD operation is designed for use with decimal data. No check is made of the configuration of the right quartets prior to the operation. It is not recommended that the programmer use the SD instruction with data that is not decimal.

When the relative magnitudes of the quantities to be subtracted are not known, the UF/OF indicator should be interrogated to determine whether underflow has occurred.

When the difference is represented in underflow form a second subtraction is required to compute the true difference. The underflow result is subtracted from a field of zero. No test is required after the second subtraction because the result is known.

EXAMPLES :

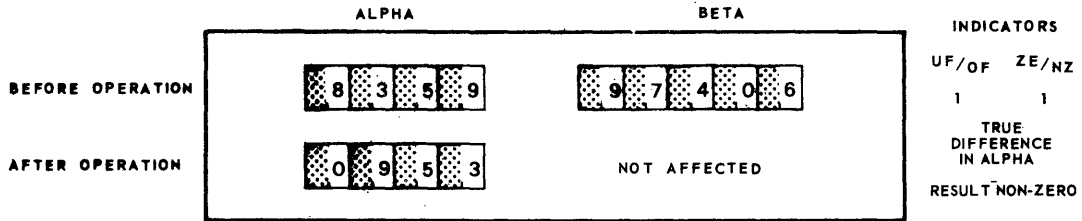
- 1) Subtraction of a smaller number from a larger.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
		40 41 42	45 46 47	74
0	1	0.5	S.D.	ALPHA, BETA
	1	0.		
	1	5		
	2	0.		
	2	5		
	2	0.		

SD

ALPHA has a defined length of 4 octets.

BETA has a defined length of 5 octets, but only 4 are used, because the length of the operation is determined by the length of the ALPHA field.



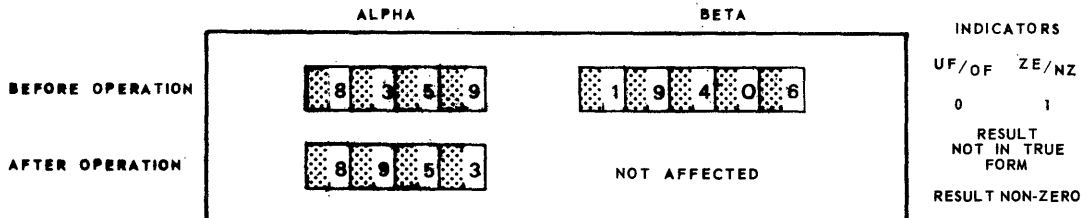
When the length of the BETA field is greater than the length of the ALPHA field, the extra digits in the left of the BETA field do not enter into the operation.

2) Subtraction of a larger number from a smaller.

PAGE LINE	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
0.2	0.5	S.D.	ALPHA, BETA
1.0			
1.5			
2.0			
2.5			

ALPHA has a defined length of 4 octets.

BETA has a defined length of 5 octets, but only 4 enter the operation, because the length of the operation is the length of the ALPHA field.



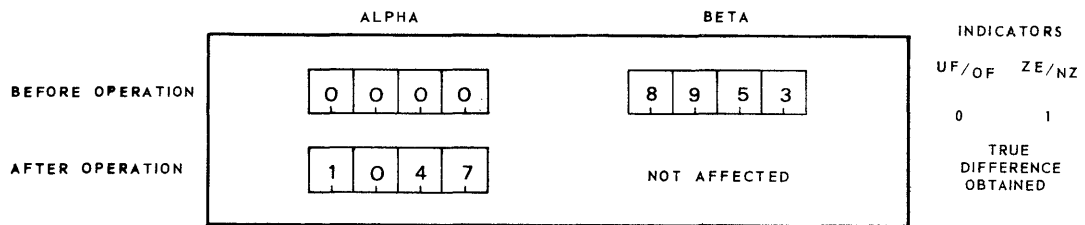
3) Subtraction of a result not in true form from a field of zeros to obtain the true difference.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47		74
0	3	0	5	S.D. ALPHA . BETA
1	0			
1	5			
2	0			
2	5			
2	0			

To obtain a true result in this case, the length of the two fields should be equal. If ALPHA is longer than BETA, the excess digits in the left of the ALPHA field will contain erroneous values. The indicators need not be tested in this case, as the result is known.

ALPHA has a defined length of 4 octets.

BETA has a defined length of 4 octets.



Note that a result not in true form may be added to a positive number to produce:

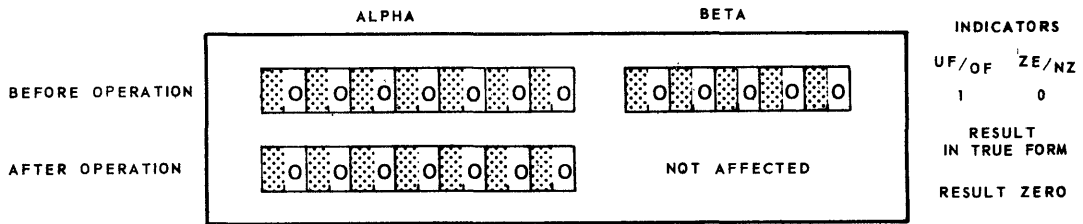
- 1) a true sum, in which case the UF/OF indicator is 1 after the AD operation,
- 2) a result not in true form in which case the UF/OF indicator is 0 after the AD operation (See Add Decimal).

4) Subtraction of zero from zero.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
92	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47		74
0.4	0.5		S.D.	ALPHA, BETA
1.0				
1.5				
2.0				
2.5				
3.0				

ALPHA has a defined length of 7 octets.

BETA has a defined length of 5 octets.



ADD BINARY

AB

AB ALPHA (nn), BETA (nn)

The unsigned sum of the octets of the ALPHA field and octets of the BETA field replaces the octets of the ALPHA field. Operation is right to left, through the length of the ALPHA field (01 - 16 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
0	0	No overflow; result is zero.
0	1	No overflow; result is non-zero.
1	0	Overflow; result is zero.
1	1	Overflow; result is non-zero.

NOTES:

- Operation is serial, octet by octet, from right to left, through the ALPHA and BETA fields.
- Operation is terminated when the ALPHA field has been processed. If the fields are of equal length, all octets of the BETA field are added to all octets of the ALPHA field. If the length of the BETA field is greater than the length of the ALPHA field, the excess octets in the left of the BETA field do not enter into the addition. If the length of the BETA field is less than the length of the ALPHA field, zero octets are added to the excess octets in the left of the ALPHA field.
- The ALPHA field is replaced by the sum.
- The BETA field is unaffected unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.
- A 1 in the UF/OF indicator at the end of the operation indicates that the ALPHA field is not long enough to contain the result and a carry out of the sum field has been developed.
- A 0 in the UF/OF indicator at the end of the operation indicates that the sum is contained in the ALPHA field.
- The ZE/NZ indicator is set to 0 if the result is zero, and to 1 if the result is non-zero.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

Unless the relative magnitudes of the quantities being added are known, the indicator should be tested to determine whether overflow has occurred. A Jump on Condition (JC) instruction is used to test the indicators.

The AB may be used to perform address modification. Care must be taken to avoid generating an address outside store limits. Addresses use the rightmost 13 bits of the 16 bits in the 2 octet address field of an instruction. The bits to the left can be affected by an overflow without an indication of overflow out of the octet being processed. When an address is used by the GE-115 system, the leftmost three bits of the address are not used. Thus, a value of 4096 in a store of 4096 positions references location 0. This is a valid reference and there is no immediate indication of error. Program results are unpredictable in such cases.

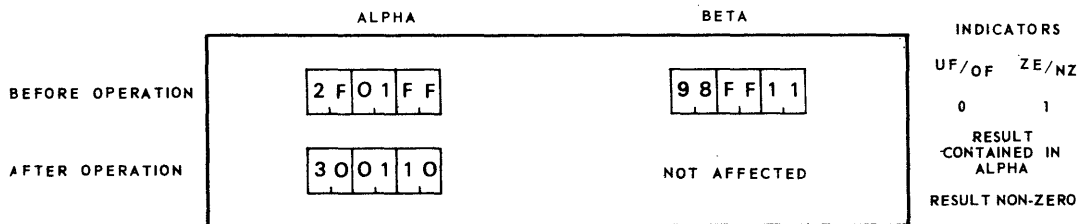
EXAMPLES:

- 1) Binary addition without overflow.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION		OPERANDS
			40 41 42	45 46 47	
0	1		A	B	A L P H A , B E T A (0 2)
	1	0			
	1	5			
	2	0			
	2	5			
	3	0			

ALPHA has a defined length of three octets.

BETA has a defined length of three octets, but only two are used.

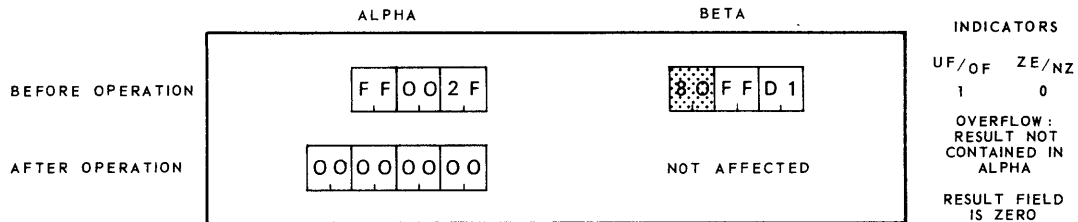


2) Binary addition with overflow and zero result.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
O.2	0	5	A, B	ALPHA, BETA (O.2)							
	1	0									
	1	5									
	2	0									
	2	5									
	3	0									

ALPHA has a defined length of 3 octets.

BETA has a defined length of three octets, but only two are used.

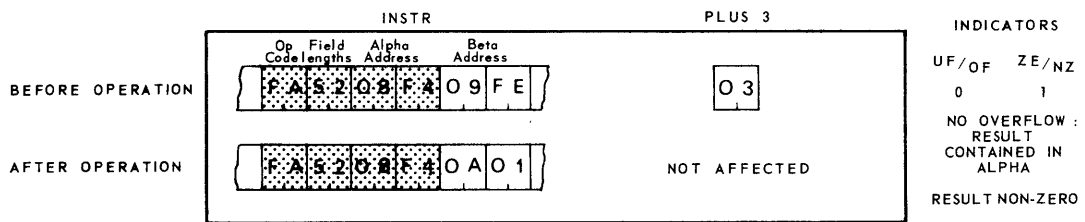


3) Address modification.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
O.3	0	5	A, B	INSTR (O.2), PLUS 3							
	1	0									
	1	5									
	2	0									
	2	5									
	3	0									

INSTR is an AD instruction of 6 octets referencing 2 data fields. It is desired to modify the address specified for the BETA field of INSTR, in order to execute it again referencing the modified address, to sum the elements of field BETA. BETA is made up of 50 three-digit decimal numbers stored sequentially in the field.

PLUS 3 is a defined constant with a length of 1 octet, having the hexadecimal value 03.



SB ALPHA (nn),BETA (nn)

The unsigned difference of the octets of the ALPHA field and the octets of the BETA field replaces the octets of the ALPHA field. Operation is right to left, octet by octet, through the length of the ALPHA field (01 - 16 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
0	1	Underflow; result is non-zero.
1	0	No underflow; result is zero.
1	1	No underflow; result is non-zero.

NOTES:

- Operation is serial, octet by octet, from right to left through the ALPHA and BETA fields.
- Operation is terminated when the ALPHA field has been processed.
If the fields are of equal length, all octets of the BETA field are subtracted from all octets of the ALPHA field.
If the length of the BETA field is greater than the length of the ALPHA field, the excess octets in the left of the BETA field do not enter into the subtraction.
If the length of the BETA field is less than the length of the ALPHA field, zero octets are subtracted from the excess octets in the left of the ALPHA field.
- The ALPHA field is replaced by the difference.
- The BETA field is unaffected unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.
- Subtraction is carried out by the addition of the complement of the BETA field octet to the ALPHA field octet.
The UF/OF indicator is set to 1 prior to the first addition to develop a carry into the first sum.
- A 1 in the UF/OF indicator at the end of the operation indicates that the difference is represented in the ALPHA field in true form.
- A 0 in the UF/OF indicator at the end of the operation indicates that the difference is represented in the ALPHA field in underflow form.
- The ZE/NZ indicator is set to 0 if the result is zero and to 1 if the result is non-zero.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

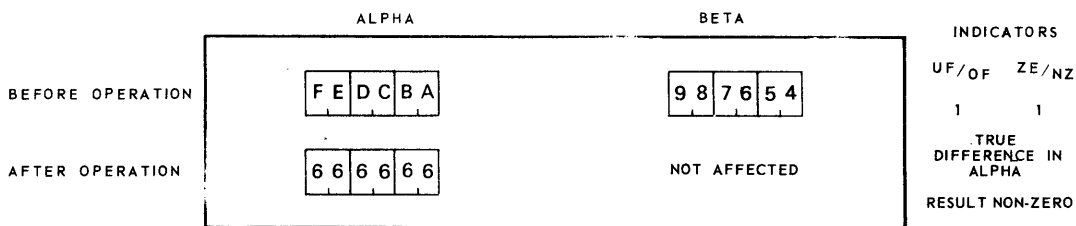
Unless the relative magnitudes of the quantities being subtracted are known, the indicator should be tested to determine whether underflow has occurred. When underflow has occurred a second subtraction is necessary to recover the true difference. The complemented difference in the ALPHA field must be subtracted from a field of equal length and zero value. No test is necessary after the second subtraction because the result is known. A Jump on Condition (JC) instruction is used to test the indicators.

The SB may be used to perform address modification. Care must be taken to avoid generating an address outside store limits. Addresses use the rightmost 13 bits of the 16 bits in the 2-octet address field of an instruction. The bits to the left of the 13 used can be affected by an underflow. When an address is used by the GE-115 system, the leftmost three bits of the address are not used. Thus, a value of 4096 in a store of 4096 positions references location 0. This is a valid reference and there is no immediate indication of error. Program results are unpredictable in such cases.

EXAMPLES:

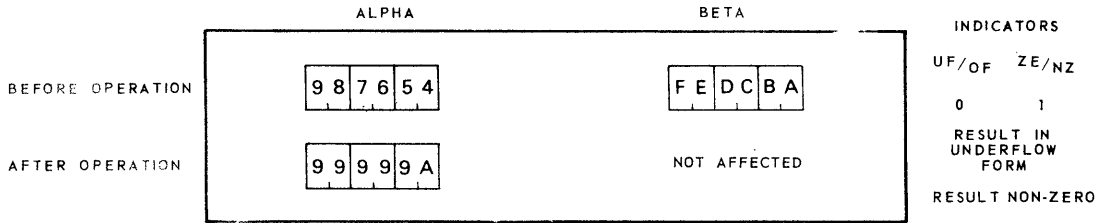
- 1) Subtraction of a smaller number from a larger.

PAGE No.	LINE No.	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47	48	49
0	1	S	B	ALPHA (03), BETA (03)
1	0			
1	5			
2	0			
2	5			
2	0			



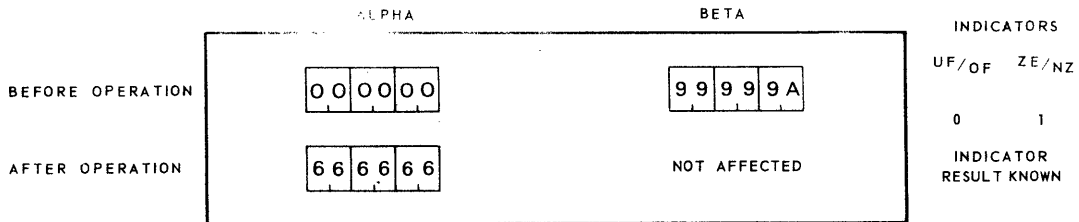
2) Subtraction of a larger number from a smaller.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
	40	41	42	43
	45	46	47	74
0	2	5	S, B	ALPHA (03), BETA (03)
	1	0		
	1	5		
	2	0		
	2	5		
	2	0		



3) Subtraction of a result in underflow form from a field of zeros to obtain a true difference.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
	40	41	42	43
	45	46	47	74
0	3	5	S, B	ALPHA (03), BETA (03)
	1	0		
	1	5		
	2	0		
	2	5		
	2	0		



DATA MOVEMENT AND COMPARISON INSTRUCTIONS

The GE-115 Information Processing System performs two types of data manipulation operations. The operations performed are data movement and comparison.

All data movement operations have the following general characteristics:

- Items from one data field are moved into another.
- The configuration of the field is ignored for the purpose of movement; all moves operate on any valid store configuration.
- The first data field is replaced by the second.

All comparison operations have the following general characteristics:

- Data items from two fields are compared.
- The results of the comparison are recorded in the indicators. The Search to the Right and the Search to the Left instructions use only the ZE/NZ to record results. The remaining comparisons use both the UF/OF and the ZE/NZ indicators.
- The compared fields are not altered by the comparison.

The operations described in this section treat data fields under one of the three following specifications:

Full octets in both fields.

Right quartets in both fields.

Full octets in one field, right quartets in the other.

Operations which process octets have the following general characteristics:

- Data fields may be from 1 to 256 octets in length. A single length is used; this is the length of the first data field.
- Operation length is governed by the length of the first data field referenced.
- Data fields are referenced at the left; operation is left to right. There is a single exception to this rule - the SL (Search to the Left).

The formats of the octet data movement and comparison instructions are :

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
01	0.5	n.a.m.e.	o.p.	A.L.P.H.A.(n.n.n.), B.E.T.A.
	1.0			
	1.5			

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
02	0.5	n.a.m.e.	o.p.	{ immediate } { operand } , A.L.P.H.A.
	1.0			
	1.5			

Operations which treat only right quartets have the following general characteristics :

- Data fields may be from 1 to 16 octets in length. The length of each data field is used.
- The length of the operation is governed by the length of the first data field referenced.
- Data fields are referenced at the right ; operation is right to left.

The format of the right quartet data movement and comparison instructions is :

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
03	0.5	n.a.m.e.	o.p.	A.L.P.H.A.(n.n), B.E.T.A.(n.n)
	1.0			
	1.5			

Two special purpose data movement operations treat the data as octets in one field and as right quartets in the other. These operations condense or expand data in the store.

These operations have the following general characteristics :

- A single length is used. This is the length of the field treated as full octets.
- The length of the operation is governed by the length of the data field which is treated in octet units.
- Data fields are referenced at the left.
- The first data field is replaced by the result.

The format of the octet/quartet data movement and comparison instructions is :

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
04	0.5	n.a.m.e.	o.p.	A.L.P.H.A.(n.n.n.), B.E.T.A.
	1.0			
	1.5			

MOVE IMMEDIATE OCTET TO STORE

MVI

MVI immediate,ALPHA
operand

The immediate data item in the MVI instruction is placed in the store. A single octet ALPHA field is replaced by the data item.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

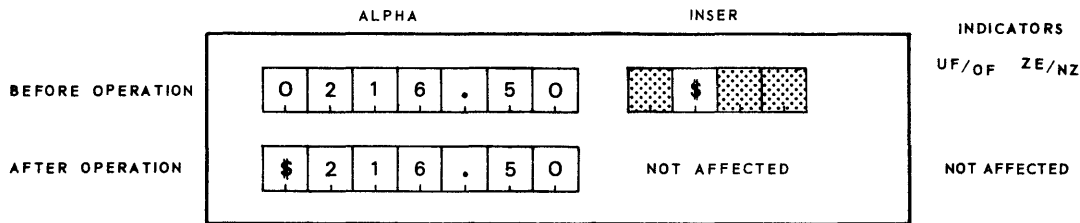
PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The MVI may be used in conjunction with the Move Complete Octets (MVC) instruction for a character fill. To accomplish this, the programmer writes an MVI to insert the fill character into the leftmost octet of the field he wishes to fill. He then follows the MVI with an MVC which treats the field as a pair of overlapping fields. (See the MVC, page 69).

EXAMPLES:

- 1) Movement of a graphic character to store.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS									
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	74
O	1	0	5	I.N.S.E.R	M.V.I	C'	'	\$'	,	A.L.P.H.A.			
	1	0											
	1	5											
	2	0											
	2	5											
	3	0											

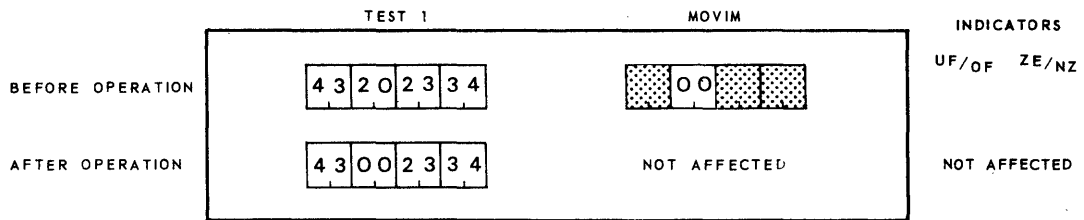


MVI

2) A hexadecimal value moved to an instruction complement.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
	40	41	42	43
	44	45	46	47
				74
0.2	0.5	MOVIM	MVI	X'00', TEST.1+001
	1.0			
	1.5			
	2.0	TEST.1	J.C.	X'20', SIGMA.
	2.5			
	3.0			

TEST 1 is an instruction and has a length of 4 octets.



MOVE COMPLETE OCTETS

MVC

MVC ALPHA (nnn),BETA

Full octets from the BETA field are placed in the ALPHA field. Movement is left to right through the common length of the fields (001-256 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTES :

- Operation is serial, octet by octet, from left to right through the ALPHA and BETA fields.
- The BETA field replaces the ALPHA field.
- BETA field octets are unaffected unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

The MVC may be used to assemble a data field for output.

A field may be filled with a single character configuration by the use of the MVC. To accomplish this the programmer defines the ALPHA and BETA fields as overlapping. The ALPHA field begins in the octet to the immediate right of the first BETA octet.

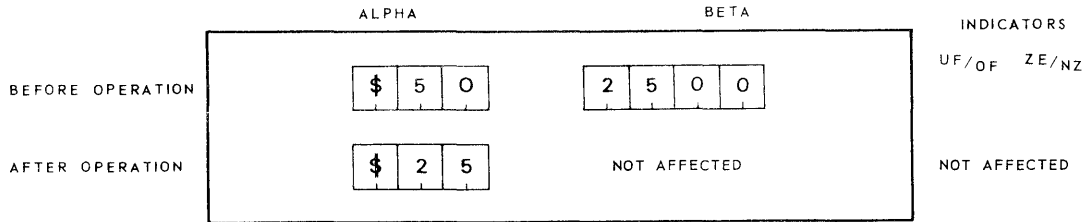
EXAMPLES :

- 1) Data movement from one field to another.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47	48	49
74				
01	05	M.V.C.	ALPHA+001(O.O.2)	BETA

MVC

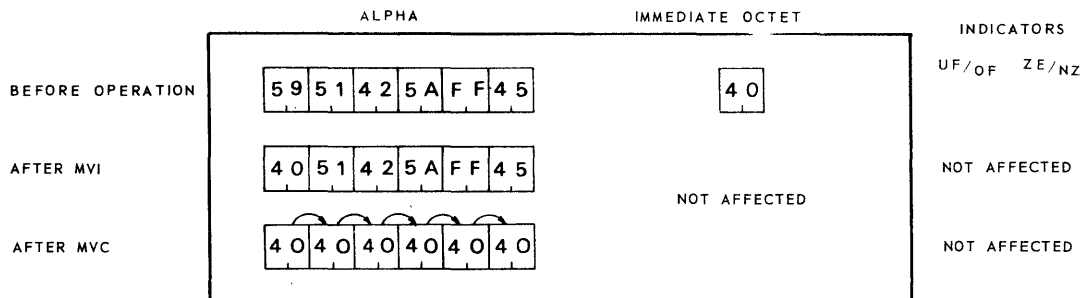
ALPHA has a defined length of 3 octets ; 2 octets are replaced.



2) The use of the MVC instruction for a numeric character fill ; in this case, setting a field to decimal zeros.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
02	05		MVI	X'40', ALPHA, PRESET, ZERO
	10		MVC	ALPHA+001(005), ALPHA

ALPHA is a 6 octet field.



MOVE RIGHT QUARTETS

MVQ

MVQ ALPHA (nn), BETA

Right quartets from the BETA field are placed in right quartets of the ALPHA field. Movement is right to left through the length of the ALPHA field (01-16 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
0	0	The ALPHA result field contains zero in all right quartets.
0	1	At least one right quartet in the ALPHA field is non-zero.

NOTES:

- Operation is serial, quartet by quartet, from right to left through the ALPHA and BETA fields.
- Only the right quartets of the fields are processed. Left quartets in both fields are unaffected.
- The operation is terminated when the ALPHA field has been processed.

If the fields are of equal length, all right quartets of the ALPHA field are replaced by all right quartets from the BETA field.

If the length of the BETA field is greater than the length of the ALPHA field, the right quartets of the ALPHA field are all replaced. Excess right quartets in the left of the BETA field are not moved.

If the length of the BETA field is less than the length of the ALPHA field, the excess right quartets in the left of the ALPHA field are replaced with zeros.

- The BETA field right quartets are unaffected unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.
- The UF/OF indicator is set to zero prior to the MVQ operation and is unaffected by the operation.
- The ZE/NZ indicator records the presence of an all-zero or a non-zero result in the ALPHA field.

MVQ

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

The MVQ may be used to place zeros in the right quartets of a field used for decimal operations. To accomplish this the programmer may use a single octet BETA field with a right quartet of zero. The length of the ALPHA field governs the length of the operation. The single quartet is moved from the BETA field to the ALPHA field and the remaining ALPHA field right quartets are zero filled.

If the MVQ follows an instruction which records a result in the UF/OF indicator, the setting should be tested or saved prior to the MVQ. (See the Jump on Condition, JC, instruction on page 97 for a method of saving indicator settings for subsequent test).

A field may be checked for zero when it is moved by means of the MVQ. To accomplish this the programmer tests the ZE/NZ indicator with a Jump on Condition instruction.

EXAMPLES:

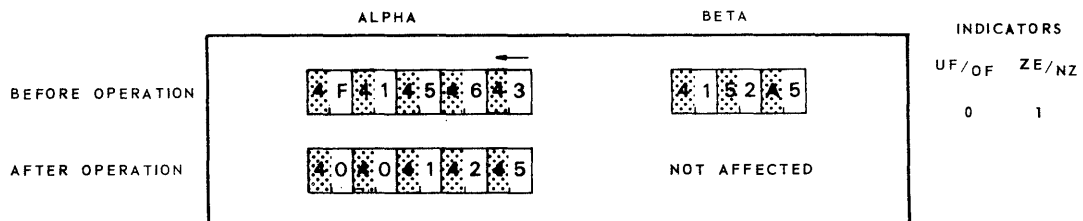
- 1) Use of the MVQ to move data to a field with the desired left quartet configurations.

PAGE No.	LINE No.	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33			
34	35			
36	5			
			M.V.Q.	ALPHA, BETA

ALPHA has a defined length of 5 octets.

BETA has a defined length of 3 octets.

ALPHA field right quartets not filled from the BETA field are filled with right quartets zeros.



PACK RIGHT QUARTETS INTO OCTETS

PK

PK ALPHA (nnn), BETA

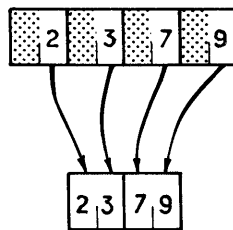
Right quartets of two BETA field octets are packed into a single octet in the ALPHA field. Packing is left to right in both fields through the length of the ALPHA field (001-256 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTES:

- Operation is serial, from left to right, through the ALPHA field.
- Two right quartets of the BETA field are packed into each octet in the ALPHA field as shown below.



- The result replaces the octets of the ALPHA field.
- The left quartets of the BETA field are not moved.
- The BETA field is not affected unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.

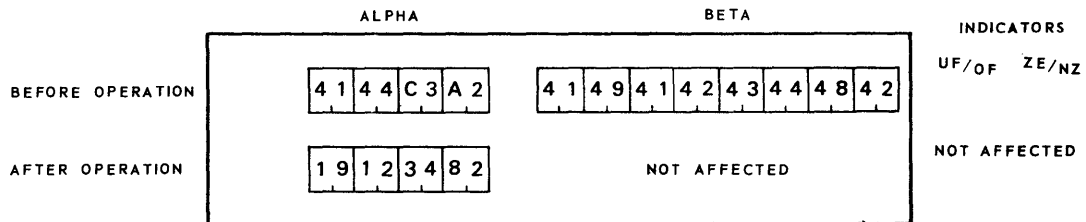
PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The PK operation may be used to condense data in the store after input and prior to output or arithmetic use. This enables the programmer to economize the use of the store by halving the length of the field that is retained. The Unpack (UPK) instruction is used to recreate the field for its intended use.

EXAMPLES :

1) Decimal data packed-for retention in store.

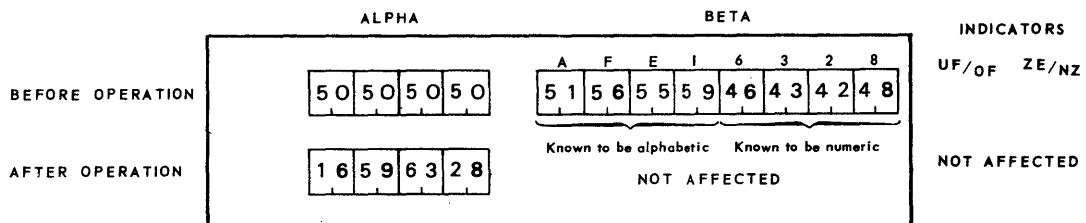
PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	45	46
47				74
O.1	0.5		P.K.	ALPHA(O.O.4), BETA



2) The use of the PK instruction to condense an input record.

If the left quartet values are known, it is possible to pack non decimal data and reconstruct it later. In the following example, it is assumed that the programmer knows that the first four BETA characters are letters between A and I and that the last four are decimal digits.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	45	46
47				74
O.2	0.5		P.K.	ALPHA(O.O.4), BETA



UPK

UNPACK OCTETS INTO RIGHT QUARTETS

UPK

UPK ALPHA (nnn),BETA

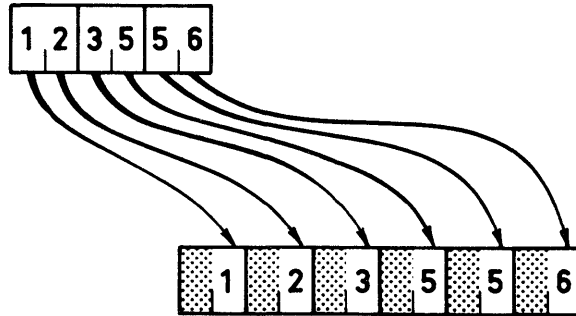
Octets from the BETA field are unpacked into the right quartets of two octets in the ALPHA field. Unpacking is left to right in both fields, through the length of the BETA field (001-256 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTES :

- Operation is serial, from left to right, through the BETA field.
- Each octet of the BETA field is unpacked into two right quartets in the ALPHA field as shown below.



- The operation is terminated when the BETA field has been unpacked.
- The right quartets of the ALPHA field are replaced by the result.
- The left quartets of the ALPHA field do not enter into the operation unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.
- The BETA field is not affected unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE :

The UPK is used to recreate a field which has been condensed for retention in store. If the data is unpacked for output, the unpacking should be done into a field which has been preset with the required left quartet configuration. When data is unpacked into a work area for use with operations

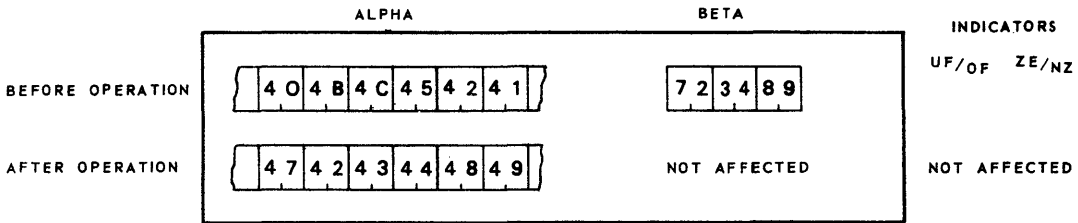
which do not utilize the left quartet no presetting is necessary.

Note : The operation is governed by the length of the BETA field, but the length is written with the ALPHA field operand specification.

EXAMPLE :

Data unpacked from a save area into a field preset for decimal output.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	3335	3585	40 41 42 45 46 47	74
01	05		U.P.K.	ALPHA(003), BETA



COMPARE IMMEDIATE TO STORE

CMI

CMI immediate operand, ALPHA

The immediate data item in the CMI instruction is compared to a single octet ALPHA field.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	Comparison
0	1	ALPHA < immediate data item
1	0	ALPHA = immediate data item
1	1	ALPHA > immediate data item

NOTES :

- Neither the ALPHA field octet nor the immediate data item is affected by the comparison operation.
- The UF/OF and ZE/NZ indicators record the results of the comparison.

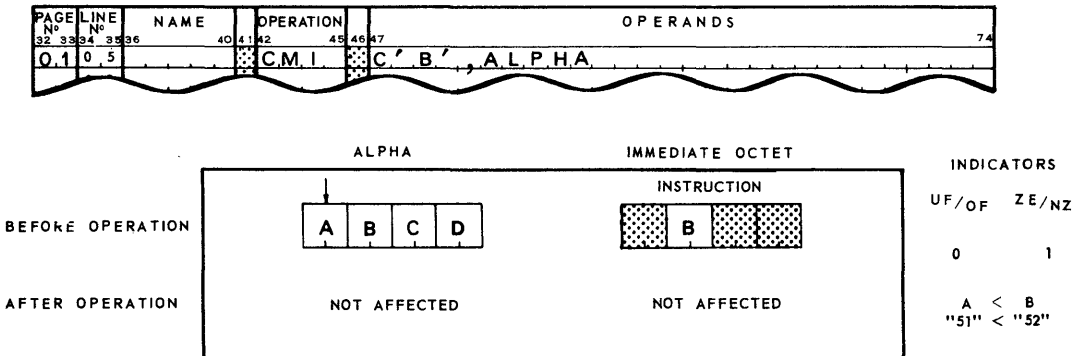
PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

The CMI may be used to verify the configuration of an octet in the store.

A Jump on Condition instruction is used to test the result of the comparison.

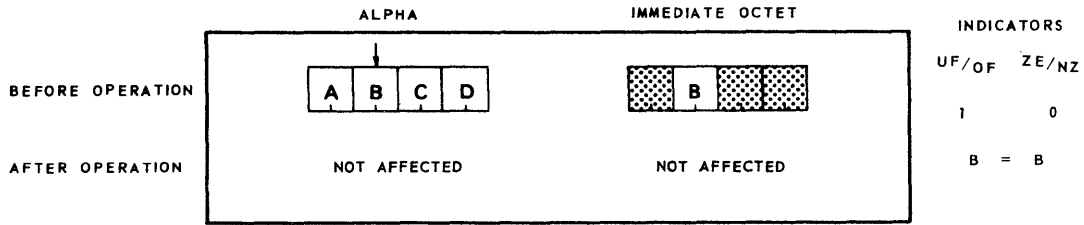
EXAMPLES:

- 1) Comparison of an octet in ALPHA with an immediate octet, ALPHA less than the immediate octet.



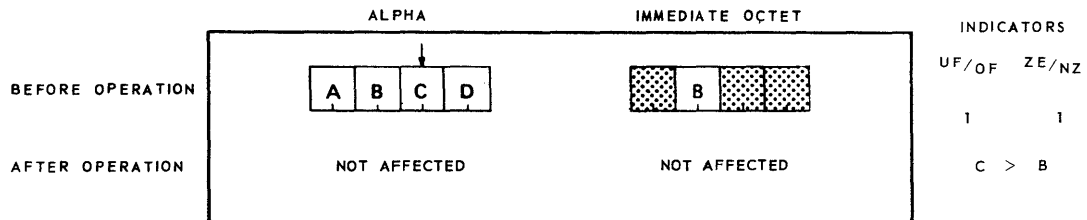
2) Comparison of an octet in ALPHA with an immediate octet, octets equal.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
02	05		C.M.I	C' B ', ALPHA+O.O.1



3) Comparison of an octet in ALPHA with an immediate octet, ALPHA greater than the immediate octet.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
03	05		C.M.I	C' B ', ALPHA+O.O.2



CMC ALPHA (nnn), BETA

Full octets of the ALPHA field are compared to full octets of the BETA field. Comparison is from left to right, through the common length of the fields (001-256 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	Comparison
0	1	ALPHA < BETA
1	0	ALPHA = BETA
1	1	ALPHA > BETA

NOTES

- Operation is serial, octet by octet, from left to right through the ALPHA and BETA fields.
- The operation is terminated by the recognition of the first inequality. If the contents of the fields are equal, the comparison continues through the common length of the ALPHA and BETA fields.
- The ALPHA and BETA fields are unaffected by the comparison operation.
- The UF/OF and ZE/NZ indicators record the result of the comparison.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

The CMC may be used as an alternate to the CMQ for comparing fields of equal length in which the left quartets are known to be equal and the right quartets determine the difference. Unless the contents of the compared fields are identical, processing is confined to fewer octets when the CMC is used rather than the CMQ thus giving a faster operation.

A Jump on Condition instruction is used to test the result of the comparison.

EXAMPLES :

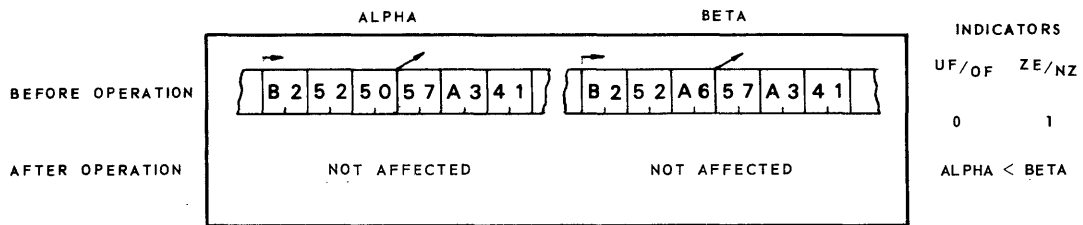
1) Comparison of two fields, the first less than the second.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47		74
01	05		CMC	ALPHA, BETA

ALPHA has a defined length of 6 octets.

BETA has a defined length of 2 octets, but the defined length of BETA is not used in the operation.

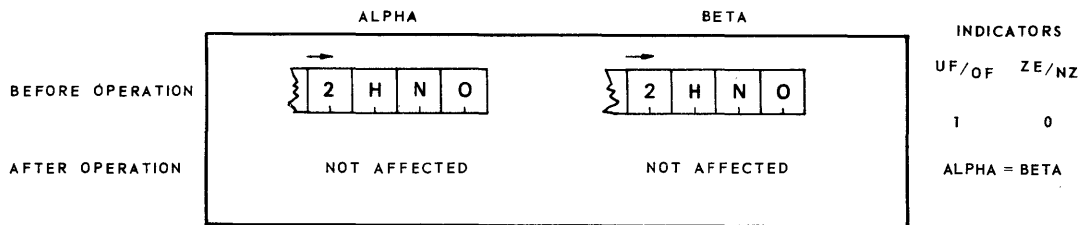
Operation terminates when the first inequality is encountered.



2) Comparison of two equal fields.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47		74
02	05		CMC	ALPHA, BETA

ALPHA has a defined length of 4 octets.

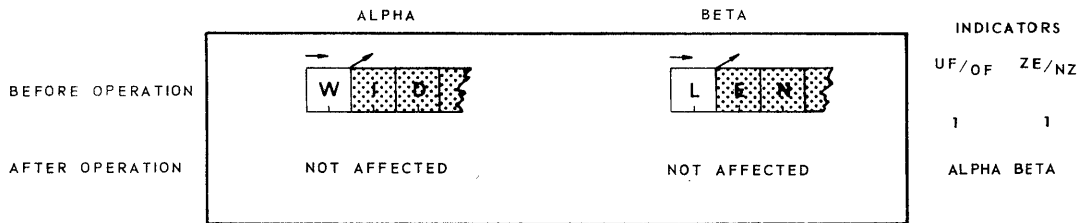


3) Comparison of two fields, the first greater than the second.

PAGE NO	LINE NO	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
0	3	0	5	
		40	41	42
			45	46
				74
		CMC		ALPHA, BETA

ALPHA has a defined length of 32 octets, but operation is terminated when the first inequality is encountered.

The defined length of BETA is not used in the operation.



COMPARE RIGHT QUARTETS

CMQ

CMQ ALPHA (nn), BETA (nn)

Right quartets of the ALPHA field are compared to right quartets of the BETA field. Comparison is right to left, through the length of the ALPHA field (01 - 16 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	Compared Fields
0	1	ALPHA < BETA
1	0	ALPHA = BETA
1	1	ALPHA > BETA

NOTES:

- Operation is serial, quartet by quartet, from right to left.
- Only the right quartets of the fields are processed.
 If the fields are of equal length, all quartets in both fields are compared.
 If the length of the BETA field is greater than the length of the ALPHA field, the excess quartets in the left of the BETA field do not enter the comparison.
 If the length of the BETA field is less than the length of the ALPHA field, the excess quartets in the left of the ALPHA field are compared to zero quartets.
- The ALPHA and BETA fields are unaffected by the comparison operation.
- The UF/OF and ZE/NZ indicators record the result of the comparison.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

The CMQ may be used to compare fields in which only the right quartets are meaningful at the time of comparison. For example, data unpacked into a work area in which left quartet values are not the same, can be compared with the CMQ operation. The programmer should be certain that no mistakes are caused by treating the data as right quartets only.

A Jump on Condition (JC) instruction is used to test the result of the comparison.

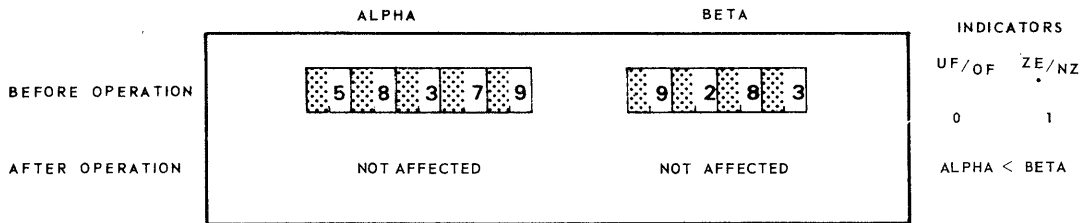
Note : The CMQ operation (see page 80) may be a more efficient operation for comparison than the CMQ if the left quartets of the fields to be compared are the same.

EXAMPLES :

1) Comparison of right quartets in two data fields

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
0	1	0	5	CMQ	ALPHA (0.4)	BETA					

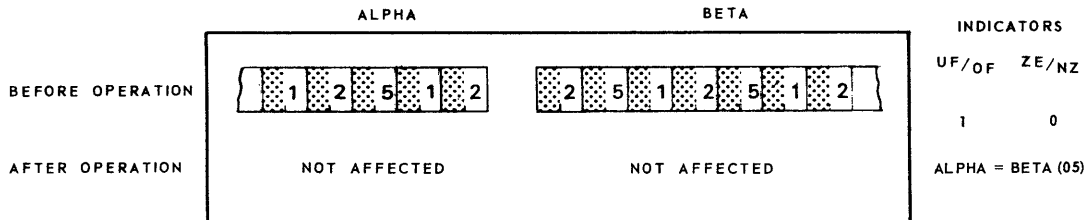
ALPHA has a defined length of 5 octets, but 4 are specified.
 BETA has a defined length of 4 octets.



2) Comparison of right quartets in two data fields

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
0	2	0	5	CMQ	ALPHA	BETA					

ALPHA has a defined length of 5 octets.
 BETA has a defined length of 7 octets, but only 5 enter the operation, because the operative length is the length of the ALPHA field.



SEARCH TO THE RIGHT

SR

SR ALPHA (nnn), BETA

The ALPHA field is searched for an octet equal to the single BETA field octet. Search is from left to right through the ALPHA field (001 - 256 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	Search Result
1	0	Search Failed
1	1	Match Found

NOTES:

- Operation is serial, octet by octet, from left to right in the ALPHA field. The BETA field is a single octet.
- The operation is terminated when the BETA field data item has been found in the ALPHA field.
If the BETA field item is not present in the ALPHA field, the operation is terminated when all the ALPHA field octets have been examined.
- When the search is terminated, LOC (store octets 0254-0255) contains the location of the octet to the immediate right of the last ALPHA octet examined.
If the BETA field item was found in the ALPHA field, the store location in LOC is that of the octet to the right of the matched data item.
If the BETA field item was not found in the ALPHA field, the store location in LOC is that of the octet to the right of the last ALPHA field octet examined, i.e., the location of the octet to the immediate right of the last octet in the ALPHA field.
- The UF/OF indicator is preset to 1 by the SR and is not affected by the operation.
- The ZE/NZ indicator records the result of the search.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

The ZE/NZ indicator must be interrogated by a Jump on Condition instruction to test the result of the search.

S R

The address in LOC must be decremented by 1 to reference a matched item in the ALPHA field.

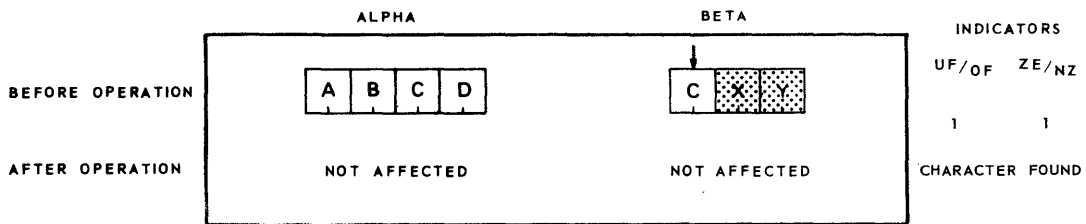
When the SR operation follows an operation which sets the UF/OF indicator and the setting is used by the program, the programmer should use or save the UF/OF setting prior to the SR (See the Jump on Condition on page 97 for a method of saving indicator settings for a subsequent test).

EXAMPLES:

- 1) Search, character found.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
82	33	34	35	36
0	1	0	5	
	1	0		
	1	5		
	2	0		
	2	5		
	2	0		
			SR	ALPHA(O.O.4), BETA

The character sought is the letter C.

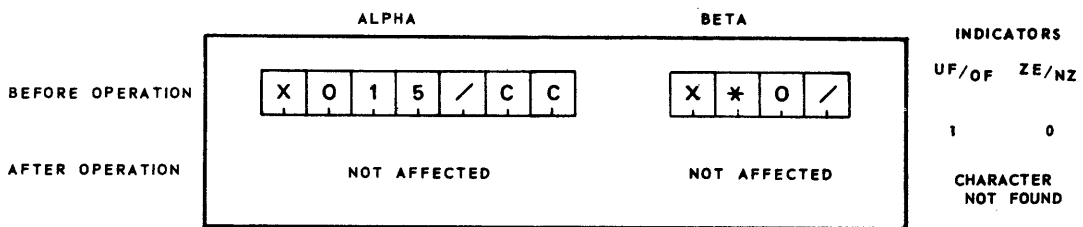


After the operation LOC contains the address of the ALPHA octet to the immediate right of the matching character (location of D).

2) Search, character not found

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	05		S.R.	ALPHA, BETA + 001
	10			
	15			
	20			
	25			
	30			

ALPHA has a defined length of 7 octets
 The character sought is an asterisk (*)



After the operation LOC contains the address of the octet to the right of the rightmost octet in ALPHA

SL ALPHA (nnn), BETA

The ALPHA field is searched for an octet equal to the single BETA field octet. Search is from right to left through the ALPHA field (001 - 256 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	Search Result
1	0	Search Failed
1	1	Match Found

NOTES:

- Operation is serial, octet by octet, from right to left in the ALPHA field. The BETA field is a single octet.
- The operation is terminated when the BETA field data item has been found in the ALPHA field.
If the BETA field item is not present in the ALPHA field, the operation is terminated when all the ALPHA field octets have been examined.
- When the search is terminated, LOC (store octets 0254-0255) contains the location of the octet to the immediate left of the last ALPHA octet examined.
If the BETA field item was found in the ALPHA field, the store location in LOC is that of the octet to the left of the matched data item.
If the BETA field item was not found in the ALPHA field, the store location in LOC is that the octet to the left of the last ALPHA field data item examined.
- The UF/OF indicator is preset to 1 by the SL and is not affected by the operation.
- The ZE/NZ indicator records the result of the search.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

The ZE/NZ indicator must be interrogated by a Jump on Condition instruction to test the result of the search.

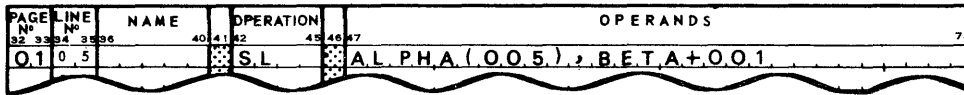
The address in LOC must be incremented by 1 to reference a matched item in the ALPHA field.

When the SL operation follows an operation which sets the UF/OF indicator and the setting is used by the program, the programmer should use or save the UF/OF setting prior to the SL (See the Jump on Condition instruction on page 97 for a method of saving indicator settings for a subsequent test).

NOTE: The SL is the only one of the complete octet comparison instructions which operates from right to left.

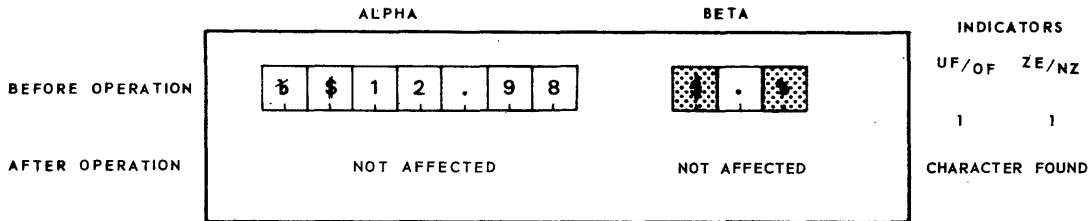
EXAMPLES:

1) Search, character found.



ALPHA has a defined length of 7 octets.

The character sought is a period (.).



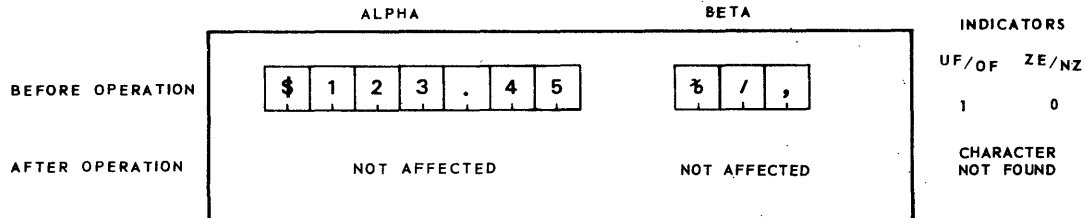
After the operation LOC contains the address of the octet to the immediate left of the matching character (location of 2).

2) Search, character not found.



ALPHA has a defined length of 7 octets.

The character sought is a blank.



After the operation LOC contains the address of the octet to the immediate left of the leftmost octet of the ALPHA field.

LOGIC INSTRUCTIONS

The GE-115 Information Processing System generates logical sums and products of data fields. Data treated by the logic operations is used by the system as bit patterns rather than numeric quantities or symbolic representations.

The logic operations have the following general characteristics:

- Data from two fields is matched and combined.
- Data fields may be from 1 to 256 octets in length. The length of the first data field is used.
- Operation length is governed by the length of the first data field reference.
- Data fields are referenced at the left; operation is left to right.
- The first data field is replaced by the result.
- Complete octets are processed.

The format of the logic instructions is:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
01	05	n.a.m.e.	o.p.	A.L.P.H.A.(n.n.n.),B.E.T.A.
	10			
	15			
	20			
	25			
	30			

'AND' ON COMPLETE OCTETS

NC

NC ALPHA (nnn), BETA

Octets in the BETA field are examined, bit by bit. Each zero bit in the BETA field is effectively transmitted to the corresponding bit position in the ALPHA field. Transmission is left to right through the common length of the fields (001 - 256 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

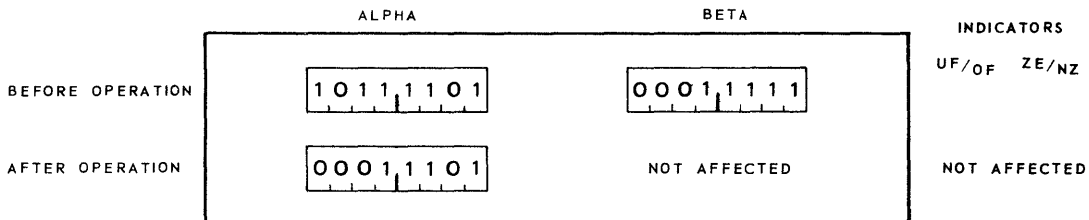
NOTES :

- Operation is serial, octet by octet, from left to right, through the ALPHA and BETA fields.
- One bits in the BETA field do not affect the ALPHA field.
- The ALPHA field is replaced by the result.
- The BETA field is unaffected unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.

EXAMPLE :

The NC instruction used to zero the three bits in the left of an octet.

PAGE	LINE	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
No	No			
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47		74
0	1	0	5	NC ALPHA (001), BETA



'OR' ON COMPLETE OCTETS

OC

OC ALPHA(nnn),BETA

Octets in the BETA field are examined, bit by bit. Each one bit in the BETA field is effectively transmitted to the corresponding bit position in the ALPHA field. Transmission is left to right through the common length of the fields (001 - 256 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

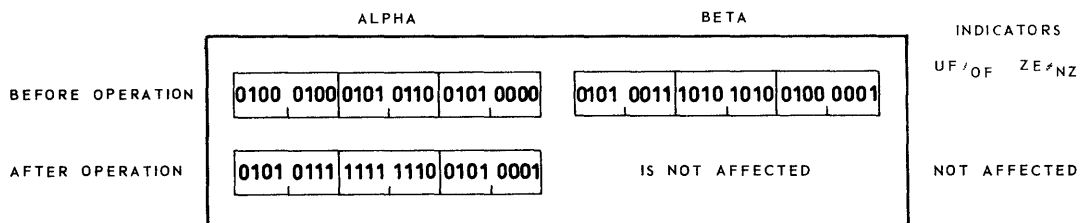
NOTES :

- Operation is serial, octet by octet, from left to right, through the ALPHA and BETA fields.
- Zero bits in the BETA field do not affect the ALPHA field.
- The ALPHA field is replaced by the result.
- The BETA field is unaffected unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.

EXAMPLE :

A logical 'or' of two three octet data field.

PAGE NO	LINE NO	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	OC	ALPHA(0,0,3),BETA	



EXCLUSIVE 'OR' ON COMPLETE OCTETS

XC

XC ALPHA(nnn), BETA

Octets in the BETA field are examined, bit by bit. Each one bit in the BETA field inverts the corresponding bit in the ALPHA field. Operation is left to right through the common length of the fields (001 - 256 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ
1	0
1	1

The resultant ALPHA field is all zero.
At least one bit in the resultant ALPHA field is non-zero.

NOTES :

- Operation is serial, octet by octet, from left to right, through the ALPHA and BETA fields.
- Zero bits in the BETA field do not affect the ALPHA field.
- The ALPHA field is replaced by the result field.
- The BETA field is unaffected unless some part of the ALPHA field lies in the BETA field.
- The UF/OF indicator is set to 1 and is not affected by the operation; the ZE/NZ indicator records the value of the ALPHA result.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

When the XC instruction follows an operation which records results in the indicators, care must be taken to preserve or use the information provided by the indicator settings, if it is required for program operation.

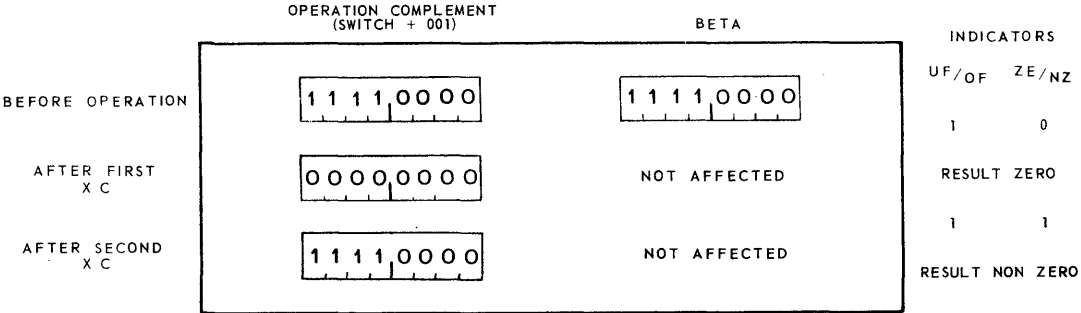
The XC instruction may be used to alter the mode of operation of the Jump on Condition (JC) operations. These instructions use the operation complement of the internal instruction format to differentiate conditions to be tested as directives for operation. A single BETA field octet can be set up containing a pattern which alters one of the test patterns and changes the JC action.

XC

EXAMPLE :

An XC instruction used to alter an operation complement.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS				
32	34	35	40	42	45	46	47	74
01	05		XC	SWTCH + 0.01, BETA				
	10		}					
	15							
	20							
	25	SWTCH		JU	SIGMA			
	30							



JUMP INSTRUCTIONS

The GE-115 Information Processing System acts upon instructions in the sequence of their locations in the store. The system may be directed by the jump instructions to alter that sequence.

There are two types of jump instructions. One type interrogates the condition indicators and directs the system to interrupt sequential operation when a test condition is present. The second type does not use the test indicators.

The jump instructions which test the indicators are called conditional jumps. They have the following general characteristics:

- The immediate operand in the internal instruction (second octet of the operation in the store) specifies a condition pattern for testing the indicators.
- The second operand in the internal instruction refers to an instruction in the store to which control is given if the test condition is met.

Operation continues in sequence when the condition tested is not present.

The conditional jump instructions are divided into two groups, on the basis of instruction specification. The first group has an implied first operand. The assembler translates the mnemonic for the operation into an operation code and the required operation complement to perform the test specified in that mnemonic. The second group requires an explicit first operand specification to set up the pattern which tests a condition.

The conditional jump instructions which do not require an explicit immediate operand specification have the following format:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
0	5	n.a.m.e.	o.p.	S.I.G.M.A.
1	0			
1	5			
2	0			
2	5			
3	0			

Figure B-3 lists the conditional jump instructions, showing conditions tested and mnemonic expressions used.

The conditional jump instructions which require an explicit immediate operand have the following format:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
46	47	48	49	74
06	05	n a m e	J . C .	condition , S I G M A
	1 0			
	1 5			
	2 0			
	2 5			
	2 0			

Figure B-2 shows the configurations of the immediate operands required to interrogate the testable conditions. It is recommended that the hexadecimal notation be used in specifying immediate operands.

There are three jump instructions which do not test the indicators. Two of these test an external condition, a switch setting. The jump is taken when the tested switch is on.

The third is a special purpose jump instruction which always alters the program sequence. In addition, this operation, the Jump and Return (JRT) places the address of the next sequential operation into LOC (store octets 0254-0255). This provides a means of returning to the operation which follows the jump instruction.

The jump instructions which do not test the indicators have the same format as the conditional jump instructions for which the test pattern is implied by the mnemonic expression.

JUMP ON CONDITION

JC

JC condition, SIGMA

The condition specified in the operation is tested. If the condition is present, the program jumps to the instruction at the SIGMA location.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTES:

- Conditional jump instructions test the status of the UF/OF and ZE/NZ indicators which record the results of internal operations and peripheral operations.
- There are four possible patterns which may be present in the indicators:

	UF/OF	ZE/NZ
pattern 1	0	0
pattern 2	0	1
pattern 3	1	0
pattern 4	1	1

- The conditional jump operation may test for any of these patterns singly, or, it may test for combinations of these patterns.
- Each of the four bits in the left quartet of the operation complement in the internal format of the JC instruction corresponds to a pattern. If a bit is a 1, the pattern to which the bit corresponds is tested; if the bit is a 0, the pattern is not tested.
- The bits in positions 4-7 of the operation complement and the pattern to which each corresponds are shown in the figure below. Note that the right quartet (bit positions 0-3) is always zero.

Bit position	7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0
pattern 1	1 0 0 0, 0 0 0 0
pattern 2	0 1 0 0, 0 0 0 0
pattern 3	0 0 1 0, 0 0 0 0
pattern 4	0 0 0 1, 0 0 0 0

Operation Complement

In the last figure only one pattern is specified for each operation complement shown. When two bits of the left quartets are one, two condition patterns are tested. Any combination of the patterns may be tested. If one of the specified patterns is present in the indicators the condition is met and the jump is taken.

- The jump instructions do not alter the indicators they test.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

Conditional jumps provide the only means of testing the indicators set during program execution. Jumps should be placed immediately after the operations that set the indicators for testing, or the condition should be saved for subsequent testing.

It is recommended that the condition patterns be specified in the hexadecimal notation.

Figure B-2 lists the patterns for the tests and the hexadecimal configuration of each. Note that the hexadecimal number 00 specifies that none of the four possible patterns be tested and the hexadecimal number F0 specifies that all patterns be tested. A Jump on Condition instruction in which the hexadecimal pattern is 00 is the No Jump (See page 103) and the Jump on Condition in which the condition specified is F0 is the Jump Unconditional (See page 102).

EXAMPLES:

- 1) The indicators cannot be accessed by the program. The settings recorded may be saved by a sequence such as that shown below. When the jump is taken to the instruction at SAVE the pattern which specified that jump is moved for a subsequent check.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
6,4	0,5		*	JUMP IF OVERFLOW
	1,0	TEST	J.C.	X'30', SAVE
	1,5		M.V.I	X'CO', OFTST+0.01 NO OVERFLOW
	2,0		*	COMPARE RESETS THE OVERFLOW
	2,5	CONT	X.C	ALPHA(003), BETA
6,5	0,5			
	1,0	SAVE	M.V.C	OFTST+0.01, TEST+0.01
	1,5			
	2,0			
	2,5			
	3,0			
7,0	0,5			
	1,0	OFTST	C.M.I	X'00', IND
	1,5			
	2,0			
	2,5			
	3,0			

2) When the presence of a given condition is used to direct program operation subsequent to operations which alter the indicators, it is not necessary to retain the indicator pattern. When the condition is recognized a subsequent jump can be preset to act on the results of the test.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
	40	41	42	43
	45	46	47	74
0	2		M.V.I	X'FO', SWTCH+.001
	1		J.C	X'30', NO
	1		M.V.I	X'00', SWTCH+.001
	2	N.O.	X.X.X	X.X.X
	8			
	5			
	9	S.W.T.C.H	J.U	A.R.N.D
	9		X.X.X	X.X.X

OPERATION COMPLEMENT				INDICATORS	
HEX		BINARY		UF/OF	ZE/NZ
0	0	0000	0000	X	X
1		0001		1	1
2		0010		1	0
3		0011		1	either 0 or 1
4		0100		0	1
5		0101		either 0 or 1	1
6		0110		0	1
				1	0
7		0111		0	1
				1	0
				1	1
8		1000		0	0
9		1001		0	0
				1	1
A		1010		either 0 or 1	0
B		1011		0	0
				1	0
				1	1
C		1100		0	either 0 or 1
D		1101		0	0
				0	1
				1	1
E		1110		0	0
				0	1
				1	0
F		1111		all possibilities	

Figure B-2 : INDICATOR SETTINGS TESTED BY CO NDITIONAL JUMPS

JUMP IF GREATER	JG
JUMP IF EQUAL	JE
JUMP IF GREATER OR EQUAL	JGE
JUMP IF LESS	JL
JUMP IF NOT EQUAL	JNE
JUMP IF LESS OR EQUAL	JLE

op SIGMA

The condition specified in the operation is tested. If the condition is met, the program jumps to the operation at the SIGMA location.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTE:

- The jump instructions do not alter the indicators they test.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The comparative conditional jump instructions are translated by the assembler into both the operation code and the operation complement which specifies the pattern for the condition or conditions to be tested. A test pattern may not be specified in the instruction statement.

EXAMPLE:

A Jump if Not Equal used to test the result of a comparison.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47	48	49
0	1		C.M.C.	ALPHA, BETA
	1		J.N.E.	SIGMA
	1			
	2			
	2			
	2			
	3			

If the ALPHA and BETA fields are not equal, control jumps to the operation at the SIGMA address.
 If the ALPHA and BETA fields are equal, the program continues in sequence.

J U

JUMP UNCONDITIONAL

JU

JU SIGMA

The program jumps to the operation located at the SIGMA field address.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTES:

- The JU is a conditional jump which specifies all conditions.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The JU is used when a transfer of control is to be made that is independent of the status of the indicators.

EXAMPLE:

The program jumps to the sequence which begins at SUM.

PAGE LINE		NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
N°	N°			
32	33 34 35 36	40 41 42	45 46 47	74
2	6 0 5	JU	SUM	

NO JUMP

NOJ

NOJ SIGMA

Control continues in sequence; no test pattern is specified.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The NOJ may be changed to an effective jump by changing the configuration of the immediate operand. To accomplish this, the programmer may use a logical operation or an octet move. (See the XC on page 93 for a method of altering the test pattern in the jump instruction). The NOJ - JU instructions can function as alternating sequence controls.

EXAMPLE:

The program continues; the AD following the NOJ is the next instruction executed.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33 34 35 36	40 41 42	45 46 47	74
2	1 0 5		NOJ	END
	1 0		AD	ALPHA, BETA

Figure B-3 . TABLE OF CONDITIONAL JUMPS

Mnemonic	Operation Complement (hexadecimal)	Conditions indicated when a jump occurs
NOJ	00	No Jump occurs
JU	F0	Jump always occurs
JG	10	After a CMQ, CMC, or CMI, a jump occurs if: ALPHA > BETA; ALPHA > immediate operand ALPHA = BETA; ALPHA = immediate operand ALPHA ≥ BETA; ALPHA ≥ immediate operand ALPHA < BETA; ALPHA < immediate operand ALPHA ≠ BETA; ALPHA ≠ immediate operand ALPHA ≤ BETA; ALPHA ≤ immediate operand
JE	20	
JGE	30	
JL	C0	
JNE	D0	
JLE	E0	
JC	10	Condition present after peripheral status test End of operation after data transfer on channel 1 Character found after SR or SL
JC	20	Condition not present after peripheral status test End of operation on length, after data transfer on channel 1 ALPHA = 0; after SD, SB, or XC
JC	C0	Result in underflow form after SD or SB
JC	30	Overflow after AD or AB
JC	A0	ALPHA = 0; after AD or AB
JC	80	ALPHA = 0; after MVQ

JUMP IF SWITCH 1 SET
JUMP IF SWITCH 2 SET

JS1
JS2

JS1
JS2 SIGMA

The status of the specified switch is interrogated. If the switch is set, program control jumps to the SIGMA field operation. If the switch is not set, the program continues in sequence.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTE:

- The settings of the switches are not altered by the test. Switches are not under program control and must be set and reset externally.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

Switch 1 and Switch 2 may be tested internally as a means of making certain that external operations have been carried out. An operator may be instructed to set a switch to indicate that an input file has been placed in the reader, or that cards have been set up for punching, or some other required action has been taken and the switch set to indicate the completion of the request. The program, after testing the switch by means of the jump, may reset the jump pattern to make the test ineffective. Messages should be included in the program for printing whenever operator intervention is required. Operator intervention should be restricted to the necessary minimum.

JS1
JS2

EXAMPLE:

The JS1 sets up an effective program halt. When Switch 1 is off the program goes on to execute the MVC.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
	40	41	42	43
	45	46	47	74
0	2		JS1	WAIT
1	0	N.O.S.T.P	M.V.C	ALPHA, BETA
1	5			
2	0			
2	5			
2	0			
5	0			
5	5	ORG	4050	ORG AT KNOWN ADD
6	0	WAIT	JRT	PRNT OPER MSG
6	5	ACTUL	JS1	WAIT TILL ACTION
7	0		JU	COMPLETE

JUMP AND RETURN

JRT

JRT SIGMA

The store location of the operation which follows the JRT is placed in LOC (store octets 0254-0255). Control is transferred to the operation which begins at the SIGMA field location.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The JRT is used for subroutine entry. The contents of LOC must be moved to a jump instruction to effect a return to the sequence from which the subroutine was entered.

EXAMPLE:

The JRT used to jump to a subroutine named TOT. The first instruction in the TOT subroutine moves the return address from LOC to the jump instruction named BACK.

PAGE LINE	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42	45 46 47	74
5.0		*	COMPUTE TOTAL
1.0		JRT	TOT
1.5			
2.0			
2.5			
2.0			
6.5		*	TOTAL SUBROUTINE
7.0			
7.5	TOT	MVC	BACK+002(002), LOC, SET RETURN
8.0			
8.5			
9.0	BACK	JU	0000 RETURN TO CALLER

EDIT INSTRUCTIONS

Data fields generated by programs in the GE-115 Information Processing System may be edited for output. Such operations as zero-suppression, character insertion, and field-spacing, may be performed. Editing simplifies the preparation of readable tabular listings, invoice sheets, and other printed reports.

Input data also may be edited. Editing of input data consists of preparing it for internal use by the GE-115 system. The varied internal codes recognized by other computers can be translated into the GE-115 internal code. Data and programs prepared by other systems can be translated for processing.

The editing instructions have the following general characteristics:

- A data field is operated upon by the use of a mask or table.
- Only the first data field length is used in the instruction.
- The length of the operation is governed by the length of the first data field.
- The operative length of the second data field is a function of the configuration of the first data field.
- Operation is from left to right in both fields.
- The first operand field is replaced by the result field.

The editing instructions have the following format:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42	43 44 45 46 47	74	
01	05		o.p.	A L P H A (n n n) , B E T A
	10			
	15			
	20			
	25			
	30			

EDIT

EDT

EDT ALPHA (nnn),BETA

Octets from the ALPHA field are used as control characters to edit the information in the BETA field. Zero-suppression, character insertion, and spacing of fields are specified by the configuration of the ALPHA field. Editing proceeds from left to right. The length of the operation is determined by the length of the ALPHA field (001 to 256 octets). The ALPHA field contains the edited data at the end of the EDT operation.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
1	0	Operation ended in the zero-suppression mode.
1	1	Operation ended in the non-zero-suppression mode.

NOTES:

- ALPHA is the control field for the EDT operation. The configuration of the ALPHA field determines the format of the edited field.
- The length of the BETA field used in the EDT operation is a function of the configuration of the ALPHA control field.
- The ALPHA field contains the edited data at the end of the EDT operation.
- Operation proceeds from left to right.
- Three types of edit control operations may be specified in the ALPHA control field. Each type of control operation is represented by a particular hexadecimal octet configuration in the ALPHA field. These are '20', '21' and '22'.
- The ALPHA field can contain, as well as the three types of hexadecimal control characters, any of the characters from the graphic set. The character in the leftmost octet of the ALPHA field serves as a "fill" character; that is, it may be used to replace any subsequent ALPHA octet that is not replaced from BETA.
- There are two modes of the editing operation: zero-suppression and non-zero-suppression.
- The action of the hexadecimal control characters in the ALPHA field is affected by the mode of operation at the time that they are encountered.
- The presence of the fill character and any other of the characters (non-control characters) in the edited field is determined by the mode of the operation when a particular octet is processed.

- Operation always begins in the zero-suppression mode. Non-zero-suppression 'begins' when a BETA octet is found to have a non-zero right quartet or when the ALPHA field octet contains the control configuration '21'.
- The first octet of the ALPHA field remains unchanged by the operation. The operation is in the zero-suppression mode and does not change. The character in the first octet of the ALPHA field will be used as the "fill" character in the remainder of the EDT operation.
- In the ZERO-SUPPRESSION MODE, the ALPHA octet causes the EDT operation to proceed in the following ways:

'20'

When the '20' is encountered in the ALPHA field, a check is made of the current BETA field octet to be edited.

If the BETA field has a non-zero right quartet, the BETA field octet is placed in the ALPHA field. Zero-suppression is terminated.

If the BETA field octet has a zero right quartet, the first character of the ALPHA field (the "fill" character) is placed in the ALPHA field octet. Zero-suppression continues.

'21'

The operative octet in the ALPHA field is replaced with the operative octet from the BETA field. Zero-suppression is terminated.

'22'

The operative octet in the ALPHA field is replaced by the first octet in the ALPHA field (the "fill" character). The BETA field is not involved. Zero-suppression continues.

Any other character

The operative octet in the ALPHA field is replaced by the first octet in the ALPHA field (the "fill" character). The BETA field is not involved. Zero-suppression continues.

- In the NON-ZERO-SUPPRESSION MODE, the ALPHA octet causes the EDT operation to proceed as follows:

'20' and '21'

The operative octet in the ALPHA field is replaced by the operative BETA field octet. The non-zero-suppression mode continues.

'22'

The operative octet in the ALPHA field is replaced by the "fill" character. The zero-suppression mode is restored.

Any other character

The operative octet in the ALPHA field is unchanged. BETA is not involved. The non-zero-suppression mode continues.

- The UF/OF indicator is set to 1 at the beginning of the EDT operation and is unaffected by the operation.
- A 0 in the ZE/NZ at the end of the operation indicates that the edit ended in the zero-suppression mode.
- A 1 in the ZE/NZ at the end of the operation indicates that the edit ended in the non-zero-suppression mode.

Figure B-4 shows the possible elements of the ALPHA field before and after the EDT operation, as determined by the mode of the operation and the contents of the BETA octet.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

The first octet of the ALPHA field is used in the edited field as a fill character. When no BETA octet is transferred to the ALPHA octet, the fill character maintains the spacing. In general use, this character is the blank (X'50').

The ALPHA field is destroyed in the editing process; the BETA field (with editing) replaces the ALPHA field. The edit format which is in the ALPHA field must be preserved in another area of the store if it is to be used more than once in execution of the program. It is suggested that the edit format be defined in a DC (Define Constant) and moved to a work area where editing may be performed. The program print area can be utilized in this way to receive first the ALPHA edit format and then the BETA field prepared for printing.

The length of the BETA field processed depends upon the ALPHA field configuration. Care must be taken to define the format configuration to fit the data field length as well as the data configuration.

When the last operative ALPHA mask octet is the '20' and it is encountered in the zero-suppression mode, the mode of termination of the operation is not predetermined by the ALPHA field; the BETA field octet determines the mode in which the edit ends. If the right quartet of the last BETA octet is zero, the zero-suppression mode continues. If the right quartet of the last operative BETA octet is non-zero, the zero-suppression mode is terminated.

NOTE: The only BETA octets suppressed by the EDT instruction are those read in the zero-suppression mode in the presence of a '20'. All others enter the ALPHA field.

Figure B-4 ALPHA OCTETS AND THE RESULT OF THE EDT OPERATION IN EACH MODE.

OCTET IN THE ALPHA FIELD	MODE WHEN ALPHA CHARACTER ENCOUNTERED			
	ZERO SUPPRESS		NON SUPPRESS	
	MODE BECOMES	ALPHA OCTET BECOMES	MODE BECOMES	ALPHA OCTET BECOMES
BETA OCTET ENTERS OPERATION { HEXADECIMAL '20' (BETA RIGHT QUARTET = 0) HEXADECIMAL '20' (BETA RIGHT QUARTET ≠ 0) HEXADECIMAL '21'	NOT CHANGED	FILL CHARACTER	NOT CHANGED	BETA OCTET
	NON SUPPRESS	BETA OCTET		
	NON SUPPRESS	BETA OCTET		
BETA OCTET DOES NOT ENTER OPERATION { HEXADECIMAL '22' ANY OF GRAPHIC CHARACTER SET	NOT CHANGED	FILL CHARACTER	ZERO SUPPRESS	FILL CHARACTER
	NOT CHANGED	FILL CHARACTER	NOT CHANGED	NOT REPLACED

TRANSLATE OCTETS

TR

TR ALPHA (nnn), BETA

Each octet of the ALPHA field is used to generate an effective address for locating an octet in the BETA field. The referenced BETA field octet replaces the ALPHA field octet. Operation is left to right through the length of the ALPHA field (001 - 256 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTES:

- The left octet of the address translated by the assembler for the BETA field reference is used as a "basic" address. The value present in the right octet of the address is ignored. (The BETA field is assumed to begin at an address which is a multiple of 256).
- Each octet of the ALPHA field is used serially as an increment to the "basic" BETA address. Each address formed by the "basic" BETA address and the ALPHA octet is used to reference a BETA field octet. This BETA field octet replaces the ALPHA octet used to form the referencing address.
- Any octet configuration may appear in either field.
- The length of the BETA field used in the operation is a function of the maximum range of the values any ALPHA field octet may assume.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

The TR instruction is designed to facilitate translation from one character set to another.

Translation is accomplished by defining the translation table (i.e., the set of desired configurations for data) in the BETA field in terms of the data to be translated in the ALPHA field. The operation replaces each of the octets in the ALPHA field by an octet from the table in the BETA field. Each ALPHA field octet becomes the locator of a position in the table. The BETA field table must be prepared so that the translated configuration is placed in the relative location generated by using the ALPHA octet itself as an increment to the "basic" BETA address.

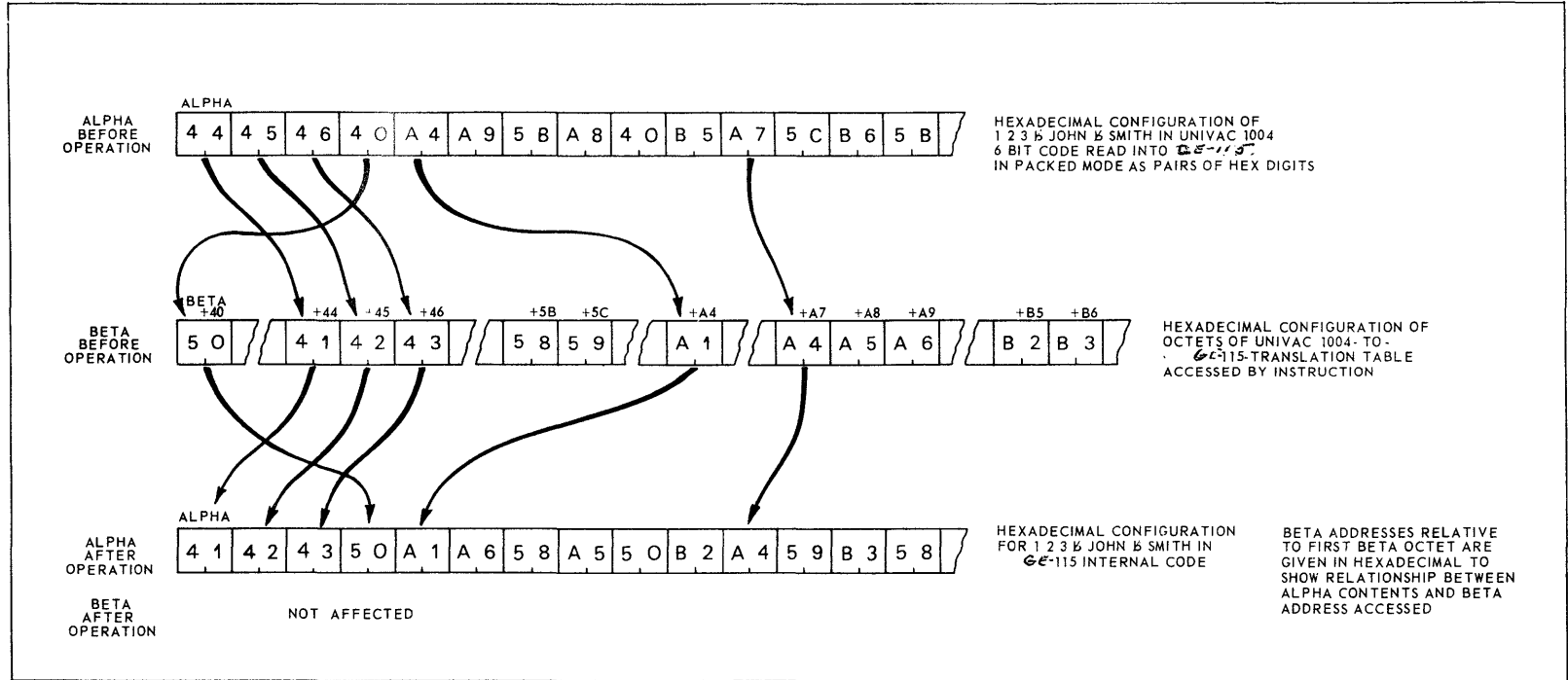
The values of the ALPHA field octet may range from 0 to 255. Therefore, the BETA field may require a maximum of 256 octets. The actual positions in the BETA field which are used by the TR operation are dependent on the possible ALPHA field values. If fewer than 256 different ALPHA field octet configurations may occur, only part of a set of 256 locations may be needed for the BETA field to translate ALPHA field values. The necessary BETA field locations may be contained within a range less than 256 octets, or the necessary locations may be scattered over the complete range of 256 octets. If it is known that the BETA field positions do not utilize parts of the full range of 256 octets, the remaining octets, outside the range required for the BETA field, may be used to contain other data.

When the BETA field begins at a multiple of 256, the Origin Assignment (ORG) instruction with an R in the operand specification field is used. The ORG instruction is followed by the necessary Define Constant (DC) instructions, or, if the BETA field is to be read into the store, a Define Store Area (DS) instruction.

EXAMPLE :

Translation of UNIVAC 1004 code image data which has been read into the GAMMA 115 from cards.

PAGE	LINE	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	45	46
				74
0	1	5	T.R.	ALPHA, BETA
	1	0		
	1	5		
	2	0		
	2	5		
	3	0		



SYSTEM ACTION INSTRUCTIONS

The GE-115 Information Processing System operates upon data according to the instructions in the stored program. Some of the instructions can, however, direct system action which does not affect data in the store. These instructions set external indications and alter the status of system operation. The system action instructions have the following format :

PAGE N°	LINE N°	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
2	6	0	5	74

Note that the format of the System Action Instruction does not include specification of an operand.

HLT

HALT SYSTEM OPERATION

HLT

HLT

System operation is terminated.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTE:

- The system stops operation when the HLT is encountered. When the START button on the console is depressed, the program execution restarts at the next sequential operation.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The HLT may be used to separate a program into logical sections for checking. A HLT can be placed at the end of each logical section to stop program execution and allow expected results to be checked before they are used by subsequent sections. The programmer can generate programmed halts (See the Jump on Switch 1 (JS1) instruction on page 105 for a method of generating effective halts) for the same use. It is recommended that programmed halts be used rather than the HLT instruction. Messages should be included in the program and printed for the operator whenever operator action is required. Explicit instructions should be prepared for the operator describing the action to be taken. It is recommended that operator intervention be minimized.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
01	05		HLT	

LON

TURN ALERT LIGHT ON

LON

LON

The ALERT light on the console is turned on.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTE:

- The LON turns on an external signal light. The system continues in sequential operation.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The LON may be used, along with the Turn ALERT Light Off (LOFF) instruction, to indicate some required operator action. The need for the operator action may be signalled by the LON. A test should be made whenever possible to determine whether the required action has been carried out. Explicit instructions should be prepared for the operator describing the action to be taken. Messages should be included in the program and printed to inform the operator of the required action. When the action has been completed the LOFF can be used to turn off the light. It is recommended that operator intervention be minimized. (See the Turn ALERT Light Off (LOFF) instruction on page 121).

EXAMPLE:

The ALERT light is turned on.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
2	6	0	5	74
	1		0	
		L	O	N

INS

INHIBIT SINGLE STOP

INS

INS

The SINGLE STOP switch on the control console is disabled.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTE:

- The INS places the system in a continuous operation state and prevents interruption of the program by the use of the SINGLE STOP switch.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The INS may be used with the Enable Single Stop (ENS) instruction to perform a check of a program segment. (See the ENS instruction on page 123).

EXAMPLE:

The SINGLE STOP switch is disabled.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
56	05		INS	
	10			

ENABLE SINGLE STOP

ENS

ENS

The SINGLE STOP switch on the control console is enabled.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

none

NOTES:

- The ENS operation allows the system to be operated step-by-step, using the SINGLE STOP switch. One instruction is executed each time the switch is set. The switch remains operative until an INS instruction is encountered.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The ENS may be used with the Inhibit Single Stop (INS) instruction to perform a check of a program segment. ENS allows the operator to stop execution of the program after each instruction has been executed. When the segment has been checked, the system is returned to normal, continuous operation by the INS. Whenever operator intervention is required, explicit instructions should be prepared describing the action to be taken. Messages should be included in the program and printed to inform the operator what action is required. It is recommended that operator intervention be minimized.

EXAMPLE:

The SINGLE STOP switch is enabled.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	43	46	47	74
0	3	0	5				ENS				

INPUT/OUTPUT INSTRUCTIONS

The Primary instructions previously discussed process data in the GE-115 Information Processing system. The instructions discussed in this section provide the means of bringing data into the system for processing and for printing or punching the results of that processing.

The system discussed is the card system. All input and output operations are described in terms of card input and card or printer output. Input/output operation charts included in this section contain references to operations and functions which apply to other forms of input and output. These other forms are not treated here. However, the chart information is included for amplification of the materials that will be released as the system is developed.

Data may be brought into the GE-115 system in a number of forms. Hollerith card codes and several special card codes (with hardware adaptation and/or software translation) may be read and punched. Card code formats can be specified under programmed control. Card formats may use one column to represent the contents of an octet or they may use two columns where internal configurations are to be expressed in the external media in two parts. Sixty-four graphic characters may be used for printing the results of program action.

The input/output operations for the GE-115 may be programmed to make optimum use of the system. The input/output operations, such as card reading and printing, require access to the central processor during their execution. Card punching, on the other hand, requires the action of the central processor during the time of preparation of the output which can be punched from an intermediate retention area without further central processor action.

For those operations which require data transfer during their execution, an optimizing use of the central processor is possible. The central processor can receive or supply data at a faster rate than the input/output (peripheral) units. This means that the central processor is free during part of the execution time required by the instruction. This free time may be utilized in the GE-115 by a method of input/output operation called time sharing.

Time sharing is accomplished by the provision of two types of input/output operation.

The first type is called a presetting operation. A preset may be given for input or output operations. A presetting instruction defines an operation completely, giving the unit, channel, data area, and length of operation. The operation code requests preparation of the channel mechanism only, not initiation of the operation.

The second type of input/output operation is the execute. An execute operation may be given for input or output. An execute instruction contains the required channel, unit, data area, and

length. The operation code requests that the operation be initiated when the instruction is processed. To accomplish time sharing, an input execute instruction must follow an output "preset" instruction. The instructions must be given on separate channels of communication. An execute input instruction which follows a preset output instruction causes the output instruction to be initiated as well. The input and the output unit share the time of access to the central processor.

The procedure for time sharing is :

1. An output preset operation, utilizing channel 2, is given.
2. An input execute operation, utilizing channel 1, is given.

The capabilities of the GE-115 allow for even further optimization of the input/output operations. The punch equipment utilizes an intermediate area for data retention. This makes it possible to have three input/output operations taking place; two on a time sharing basis and the third simultaneously with whichever of the other two is operative at any time. To use the punch in conjunction with the reader and printer, it is necessary that the punch be utilized through connector 3. When the punch operation is to take place in conjunction with a time sharing read and write operation sequence, the punch instruction must precede the output preset instruction for channel 2.

Time sharing is directed toward the optimal use of the central processor during input/output operations. There is another consideration of timing in the use of peripheral units that may be specified by program control as well. This refers to the optimum utilization of a given peripheral unit. In this purpose, input/output operations may be specified as wait or immediate instructions.

Immediate operations are requests for some peripheral unit action to take place when the instruction is given. Wait operations imply an interrogation of the status of the peripheral unit referenced. If the unit is occupied, i.e., engaged in some operation previously requested, the instruction is not carried out when it is given. When the prior operation is completed, the wait operation takes place.

It must be noted that it is not meaningful to use immediate operations in all possible sequences of input/output operation. Instructions are executed by the GE-115 in the order in which they are placed in the store. Operation is sequential. An operation which utilizes the central processor must be completed before another can be interpreted. Therefore, an immediate input/output operation which follows a data transfer operation is not, in any case, interpreted until the data transfer is completed.

In some instances, a meaningful sequence of operations may utilize the immediate instruction for peripheral unit control. For example, an instruction to select a card stacker might be given in

the immediate mode following an instruction to reset card read error. On the other hand, an instruction to select a card stacker given in the immediate mode following a card read operation would not be a meaningful sequence.

There are three types of operation which make reference to the input/output units. They are :
 Data Transfer Operations
 Peripheral Status Test Operations
 Peripheral Unit Control Operations

All three types of operation are performed by means of a single input/output initiating instruction, the Call Peripheral (PER) instruction.

The format of the PER instruction is :

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
0,3	0,5		P.E.R.	U . D.E.L.T.A.
	1,0			
	1,5			
	2,0			
	2,5			
	3,0			

where

U specifies a peripheral unit (see figure B-5),

and

DELTA is the name of a data field which contains the operation specification. The content of the DELTA field determines the operation actually performed by the specified unit. The DELTA field may have one of three different basic configurations depending on the type of operation described. There is a special data definition instruction, the Define Peripheral (DP) instruction, for use in setting up the DELTA fields.

The format and content on the DELTA field vary with the operation being performed. There are two possible lengths. The DELTA field is :

6 octets long for the Data Transfer operations,

2 octets long for Status Test operations, and

2 octets long for Unit Control operations.

Input/output instructions have the following general characteristics :

- The PER instruction initiate an input/output operation using a specified unit.
- A data field complete the operation definition and always contains the operation specification.

and the channel request. A define Peripheral (DP) Directive is used to set up the data field.

Data Transfer Operations

Data transfer operations have the following general characteristics :

- The data field operand which amplifies the operation is six octets in length.
- The first two octets of the data field operand contain an instruction specification.
- The second two octets of the data field operand contain the length of the data field which participates in the transfer.
The length of a print operation is governed by the print line length of the printer model used.
The length of a read or punch operation is governed by card length, i.e., 80 columns for a card.
- The fifth and sixth octets of the data field operand specify the location of the first octet in the store which participates in the data movement.
- Data fields for transfer are referenced at the left. Data is transmitted and received serially, octet by octet, from left to right. (Reference is made in the input/output configuration to the use of descending addresses. This usage does not apply in the present context.)
- Indicators are set to record the results of conditions such as end of input and transmission error.

Peripheral Status Tests

The peripheral status test operations have the following general characteristics :

- The data field operand in a 2-octet field specifying the operation and the condition.
- A condition recorded during the use of a specified peripheral unit is tested.
- Indicators are set to record the results of the test.

Peripheral Unit Control

The peripheral unit control operations have the following general characteristics :

- The data field operand is a 2-octet field which specifies the operation and the mode of execution.
- A peripheral unit is instructed to perform some operation that does not directly involve data transmission, e.g., eject present printer page.

HEXADECIMAL CONFIGURATION	UNIT
00	CARD PUNCH
80	CARD READER
C0	PRINTER

Unit numbers given should be verified for use with the GE-115 system being programmed.

Figure B-5 UNIT NUMBERS

The GE-115 system provides prepared input/output programs which may be used with other programs. These prepared programs may be incorporated, according to conventions of use which depend on the program used, into other programs written for operation on the GE-115. The input/output programs are written for defined peripheral unit configurations. The programmer is advised to secure the input/output programs which may be used with the configuration of the GE-115 system he is using.

CALL PERIPHERAL

PER

Data Transfer

PER U, DELTA

The unit specified in the PER instruction is selected to perform the data transfer operation defined in the DELTA field. Data is received or transmitted serially, octet by octet, from left to right through the specified field length.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
1	0	Operation terminated under the specified count control.
1	1	An end of input signal was received.

INPUT/OUTPUT TRANSMISSION INDICATORS

Channel 1 Parity	Channel 2 Parity	
0	0	Transmission valid
1	1	Transmission parity error detected

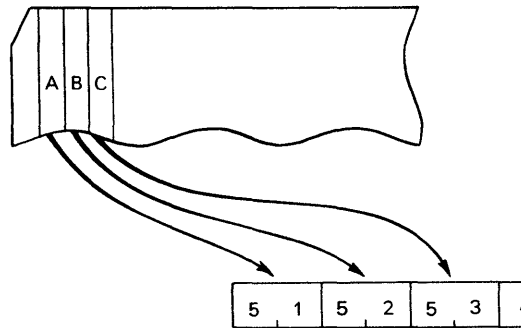
NOTES :

- The DELTA field first octet specifies :
 - Channel
 - Direction of transfer - input or output
 - Data format - packed or unpacked
 - Time sharing status - set for time share preset, or an execute
 - Operation mode - wait or immediate
 - Data reference direction - ascending or descending locations
 - (See Figure B-7)
- The DELTA field second octet specifies the operation requested, as shown in Figure B-6, below :

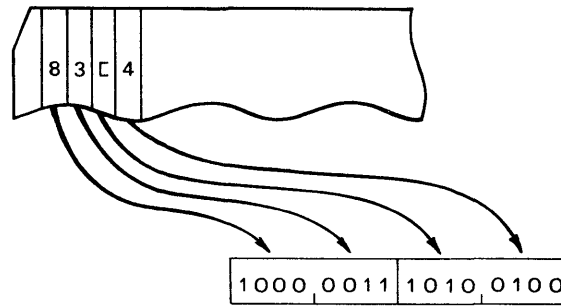
Figure B-6 : OPERATION REQUEST CODE

Hexadecimal Configuration	Operation Requested
40	Read cards
42	Print or Punch

- The DELTA field third and fourth octets specify the length of the data field which participates in the data transfer operation.
- The DELTA field fifth and sixth octets specify the location of the first octet in the store which participates in the data transfer operation.
- Data transfer operations may time share the central processor. A pair of input/output operations designed to effect time sharing is given as follows :
 1. An output preset operation is specified, using channel 2.
 2. An input execute instruction is specified, using channel 1. When the channel 1 operation is initiated, the channel 2 operation is initiated as well. The input/output data transfer operation is completed when the longer of the two requests is completed.
- Data is read or written from left to right (ascending locations) by the card and printer operations.
- Cards may be read in packed or unpacked form. Unpacked form is standard Hollerith card code. Each column generates an octet as shown below :



Packed form is used to generate a single octet from two columns.



Only the right quartet of the standard internal configuration of the card column enters the store locations used.

- When an input/output operation, either presetting or execute, is given on channel 2, the channel 2 transfer parity error indicator is set to 0.
- When an input/output operation is given on channel 1, the channel 1 transfer parity error indicator is set to 0.
- At the end of a data transfer operation on channel 1, LOC (store octets 0254 and 0255) contains the location of the octet to the right of the last octet which participated in the data transfer.
- Data transfer operation which use channel 2 must reference a data field which has an address that is a multiple of 256 plus 2, i.e., of the form $256m+2$. The contents of the two left most octets are used to control the operation, which is here assumed to be print only. (The length of the field printed is, as noted, dependent upon the physical characteristics of the printer model, and is not given here).
- Locations which participate in an output data transfer operation are unaltered by the operation. The two print control octets to the left of the field to be printed are, however, altered by the operation.
- The ZE/NZ indicator is used to record the cause of the termination of an input data transfer operation. An input data transfer operation may be terminated when a field of the specified length has been filled or when the end of the input has been detected. A 0 in the ZE/NZ indicator at the end of an input data transfer operation indicates that the operation terminated when a field of the requested length was transferred.

A 1 in the ZE/NZ indicator at the end of an input data transfer operation indicates that an end of input signal was received.

- A 1 in the applicable channel parity error indicator at the end of operation on either channel indicates that a parity error was detected during the transfer of the data.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

Parity error indicators are reset prior to the initiation of input/output data transfer operations and should be tested after each operation. A peripheral status test operation followed by a conditional jump tests for parity error.

A full print line is always printed. The programmer should, therefore, make certain that any unused positions are cleared before printing takes place.

The card punch buffer is cleared after punching so a partial card may be punched without the requirement that blanks be supplied for the unused columns.

The output area for channel 2 must be defined as 256m+2. An Origin Assignment (ORG) instruction with an operand specification of R can be used to define the print area. (See the ORG Directive, page 160).

EXAMPLE

Time Sharing Sequence

A output print operation is given in the preset mode, followed by an input read cards operation in the execute mode. Specification of preset or execute mode is made in the first octet of the DELTA field referenced by the instruction, as shown. After completion of both operations, tests are made for transmission errors as well as for end of cards and paper.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
82	33	34	35	36
	40	41	42	45
	46	47		74
0	5		*	INPUT OUTPUT TIME SHARE
	10		*	PRESET FOR CHANNEL 2
	15		*	EXECUTE FOR CHANNEL 1
2	0	P.R.E.S.T	D.P.	X ` 5.9 ` , X ` 4.2 ` , P.R.I.N.T + 0.02 (0.1 3.6)
2	5	E.X.E.C.	D.P.	X ` 1.0 ` , X ` 4.0 ` , R.E.A.D.
3	0		*	
3	5	R.E.A.D.	D.S.	L 0.8 0
4	0		*	
4	5		*	S.E.T U.P P.R.I.N.T A.R.E.A N.E.E.D.E.D.
5	0		O.R.G.	R 2.5 6 + 2
5	5	P.R.I.N.T	D.S.	L 1.3 8
6	0		*	
6	5	T.E.S.T 2	D.P.	X ` C 1 ` , X ` 4.4 ` , T.E.S.T C.H.A.N.N.E.L 2
7	0	T.E.S.T 1	D.P.	X ` C 0 ` , X ` 4.4 ` , T.E.S.T C.H.A.N.N.E.L 1
7	5		P.E.R.	X ` C 0 ` , P.R.E.S.T
8	0		P.E.R.	X ` 8.0 ` , E.X.E.C.
8	5		P.E.R.	X ` C 0 ` , T.E.S.T 2 T.E.S.T P.R.I.N.T E.R.R.O.R
9	0		J.C.	X ` 1.0 ` , E.R.R.O.R T.O E.R.R.O.R R.O.U.T.I.N.E
9	5		*	N.O W.R.I.T.E E.R.R.O.R
9	6		P.E.R.	X ` 8.0 ` , T.E.S.T 1 T.E.S.T R.E.A.D E.R.R.O.R
9	7		J.C.	X ` 1.0 ` , E.R.R.O.R T.O E.R.R.O.R R.O.U.T.I.N.E
9	8		*	N.O R.E.A.D E.R.R.O.R
9	9			



Figure B-7: PERMISSIBLE CONFIGURATIONS OF THE FIRST OCTET IN A DATA TRANSFER INSTRUCTION

HEX VALUE	INPUT	OUTPUT	ASC. ADDR.	DESC. ADDR.	PACKED DATA	UNPACKED DATA	EXECUTE INST.	PRESET. INST.	WAIT	IMMED.	CHANNEL 1	CHANNEL 2
00	X		X		X		X		X		X	
04	X		X		X		X			X	X	
10	X		X			X	X		X		X	
11	X		X			X	X		X			X
14	X		X			X	X			X	X	
15	X		X			X	X			X		X
19	X		X			X		X	X			X
20	X			X*	X		X		X		X	
24	X			X*	X		X			X	X	
30	X			X*		X	X		X		X	
34	X			X*		X	X			X	X	
40		X	X		X		X		X		X	
44		X	X		X		X			X	X	
50		X	X			X	X		X		X	
51		X	X			X	X		X			X
54		X	X			X	X			X	X	
55		X	X			X	X			X		X
59		X	X			X		X	X			X
60		X		X	X		X		X		X	
70		X		X		X	X		X		X	
74		X		X		X	X			X	X	
5D		X	X			X		X		X		X

* for use with magnetic document readers only

CALL PERIPHERAL

PER

Peripheral Status Test

PER U, DELTA

The status of the peripheral unit specified in the PER instruction is tested according to the specification given in the DELTA field.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
1	0	Test condition not present
1	1	Test condition present

NOTES :

- The DELTA field first octet specifies the operation and the channel to be used (See Figure B-8)
- The DELTA field second octet specifies the condition which is to be tested (See Figure B-9)

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE :

A Jump on Condition (JC) instruction must be used to interrogate the indicator set in response to the status test operation.

EXAMPLE

A test is made for the end of a printer page. DELTA contains the operation specification.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
02	05	DELTA	DP	X 'C I' , X 'O 5'
	10			
	15			
	20			
	25		PER	X 'C O' , DELTA
	30			

Figure B-8 MODE AND CHANNEL SPECIFICATION FOR STATUS TEST INSTRUCTIONS

1st Octet	Specification
C0	Wait until the peripheral is free; use channel 1
C1	Wait until the peripheral is free; use channel 2
C4	Execute immediately on channel 1
C5	Execute immediately on channel 2

Figure B-9 STATUS TEST SPECIFICATIONS

2nd Octet	Condition tested
01	Controller ready
03	Error in transmission
05	End of cards
05	End of Page
12	Hopper Empty
12	End of Paper
14	Out-of-Service
1E	Stacker Full
42	Data Transfer Error Channel 2
44	OR, of any of the preceding tests applicable to a given peripheral unit
10	Cards ready to feed
2E	OR, of End-of-Service End-of-Medium End-of-File Error in transmission

CALL PERIPHERAL

PER

Peripheral Unit Control

PER U, DELTA

The peripheral unit specified in the PER instruction is selected to perform the control operation specified by the DELTA field.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
1	0	set prior to operation

NOTES:

- The DELTA field first octet specifies the mode of operation and the channel to be used. (See Figure B-10)
- The DELTA field second octet specifies the control operation to be performed. (See Figure B-11)
- The UF/OF indicator is made 1 and the ZE/NZ indicator is made 0 prior to operation. Neither is affected by the operation.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

If the status of the UF/OF and/or ZE/NZ indicator is meaningful, it should be saved or utilized prior to the peripheral unit control operation.

The peripheral unit control operation may be used to reset some error conditions detected by the peripheral status operation, namely, a read or punch error indication.

Spacing of the printer pages may be performed using Peripheral Unit Control PER instructions. The operations affect the spacing of the printer page according to a format controlled by the position of punches in a paper tape loop inserted in the printer.

The spacing operation performed by the selection of a given carriage control tape channel should be checked against the information provided with the printer which is used.

The Bypass operation, referred to in Figure B-11, is not discussed. Information about its use will be given in future documents.



The Feed cards operation is utilized with some card reader models. Information provided with the equipment should be checked.

Figure B-10 :CHANNEL SELECTION FOR PERIPHERAL CONTROL

1st octet	Specification
80	Use channel 1; wait until the peripheral unit is free
81	Use channel 2; wait until the peripheral unit is free
84	Use channel 1; execute immediately
85	Use channel 2; execute immediately

Figure B-11 : PERIPHERAL OPERATIONS FOR UNIT CONTROL

2nd octet	Action Requested
0A	Single Space
0C	Feed Card
47	Reset Error
48	Select Stacker
51	Vertical Paper Throw, channel 1
52	Vertical Paper Throw, channel 2
57	Vertical Throw, channel 7
59	Double Space
A0	Switch on Bypass
A1	Switch off Bypass

} printer carriage control paper tape loop

EXAMPLE :

A read error is reset on the card. DELTA contains the operation specification.

PAGELINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
0,1	DELTA	DP	X`80`,`X`47`
1,0			
1,5			
2,0			
2,5	PER		X`80`,`DELTA`
2,0			

PART II

DIRECTIVE INSTRUCTIONS

Directive instructions specify action to be taken by the assembler rather than by the system. Directive instructions are not translated into executable machine language instructions; they provide parameters for use by the assembler in setting up data fields and give direction for assembler action and program loading.

Directive instructions are written in the same format as the Primary instructions, according to the rules presented in SECTION A, PART II, "WRITING STATEMENTS IN THE GE-115 ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE". There are additional conventions used in specifying the operand fields of the definition Directive instructions. These are explained in the description of the Directives, below.

All the Directives of the GE-115 Assembly Language are described in this section. The Directive instructions are grouped according to similarities of assembler action as shown below:

DEFINITION - Instructions which direct the assembler to allocate store areas and define data:

Define Store Area	DS
Define Constant	DC
Define Peripheral Field	DP

PROGRAM CONTROL - Instructions which direct operations of the assembler that affect the assembled program:

Start Program	STRT
End Program	END
Origin Assignment	ORG

ASSEMBLY LISTING FORMAT - Instruction which direct operations of the assembler that affect the format of the listing produced by the assembler during assembly of the program :

Comment	*
Eject Present	EJEC
Line Feed	LF

The format shown in Figure B-1 in the introduction to the Primary Instructions is used also to explain each of the Directive instructions. The conventions of notation described in the discussion of the Primary instructions apply to the Directives as well. There is an additional notation used in the descriptions of the definition instructions, as shown below :

ddd	The use of "d", written in lower case indicates that a three digit duplication factor is written with a field definition.
(nnnn)	The use of "n", written in lower case is used for field length. A four digit length may be specified in the DP Directive.
constant	The use of the word "constant" written in lower case indicates that character, hexadecimal, or address constants may be defined. The ways of writing the constants are explained in the description for each of the instructions for defining constants.
descriptor	The use of the word "descriptor" written in lower case indicates that an octet is defined which specifies the characteristics of a peripheral operation. The descriptor may be written in any of the ways an immediate data item is written. (See WRITING STATEMENTS IN THE GE-115 ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE). It is recommended that the hexadecimal representation be used.
operation	The use of the word "operation" written in lower case indicates that an octet is defined specifying a type of peripheral operation. The operation may be written in any of the ways an immediate data item is written. It is recommended that the hexadecimal representation be used.

Definition statements direct the assembler to allocate store area to data fields and to generate constant values to be incorporated into the assembled program. Names may be associated with data fields to permit field references in the source program. Every named data field must be defined by a definition statement. The assembler uses the information contained in the definition statements (name, length, area reservation) to translate field references and assign locations to data and constants. Defined constants are included as data in the assembled program.

Definition statements are operative only at assembly time. At execution time they are present only in the form of defined constants and data fields. If they are placed between executable instructions, the system will encounter them in the course of sequential instruction execution and will attempt to interpret data as instructions. Program results are unpredictable in such cases. If definition statements are included between executable instructions they must be preceded by an unconditional jump to the next instruction to be executed. It is strongly recommended that the programmer avoid this waste of store area and operating time by placing all data and constant fields outside the sequence of (i.e., before or after) executable instructions.

The Define Store Area (DS) instruction has the following characteristics:

- A field length is specified in the instruction. Duplication factors may specify that store area is to be reserved for 1 to 256 fields. Each field has the length specified.
- The name of the field is associated with a length. The field name and length are saved for use in translating primary instructions.

The Define Constant (DC) and the Define Peripheral Field (DP) instructions have the following characteristics:

- A single field may be specified; no duplication factor is used.
- The operand specification field of the source language instruction contains constant data which is translated by the assembler into the internal configuration of the data and which is included in the assembled program.
- The name of the field is associated with a length. The field name and length are saved for use in translating the primary instructions.

The definition instructions differ in the way length is specified in each:

- The Define Store Area instruction requires length specification; the length defined may be from 1 to 256 octets. A duplication factor may be used.
- The Define Constant instruction requires a length specification; the length of a data constant may be from 1 to 10 octets. No duplication factor may be specified.
- The Define Peripheral Field has an implied length which is either 2 or 6 octets. Neither length nor duplication factor may be specified.

Length is specified by an L and three decimal digits. If a duplication factor is specified it is written before the L and is a three digit decimal number.

The format of the store definition instruction (DS) is:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42	45 46 47	74	
0.5	0.5	n.a.m.e.	D.S.	d.d.d.L.n.n.n.
	1.0			
	1.5			
	2.0			
	2.5			
	3.0			

The formats of the data definition instructions (DC and DP) are:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42	45 46 47	74	
0.5	0.5	n.a.m.e.	DC	ALnnn(nnnn) binary equivalent
	1.0	n.a.m.e.	DC	CLnnn constant, alphanumeric
	1.5	n.a.m.e.	DC	XLnnn constant, hexadecimal
	2.0			
	2.5			
	3.0			

and:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42	45 46 47	74	
0.5	0.5	n.a.m.e.	D.P.	descriptor, operation, ALPHA.(n.n.n.n)
	1.0			
	1.5	n.a.m.e.	D.P.	descriptor, operation
	2.0			
	2.5			
	3.0			

DEFINE STORE AREA

DS

DS ddd L nnn

The assembler is directed to reserve from 0 to 256 fields in the store. The length of each field may be from 1 to 256 octets.

NOTES:

- The assembler reserves the requested number of contiguous fields in the store. Each field is given the length specified.
- The assembler advances the store location counter by (ddd) x (nnn) octets.
- When no explicit number of fields is requested, a single field is reserved.
- When the number of fields requested is explicitly 000, the assembler does not alter the store location assignment counter. No area is reserved. However, the name and length of the field are saved for translation of field references.
- When a name is written with a DS instruction which requests store area for more than one field, the name is associated with the first field reserved. The length associated with the name is nnn.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The DS is used to name and reserve data areas in the store. Data may be generated by the program and placed in the reserved areas, or may be read into the areas allocated.

The DS with a duplication factor of 000 may be used to name a major field which contains named subfields. To accomplish this, the programmer gives a name and a duplication factor of 000 to the major data field. The named subfields are assigned duplication factors of at least 001. The major field name is associated with a length but does not cause store to be reserved. The subfield definitions each cause a name and length to be associated with a reserved store area. The total store area reserved by all subfields should be equal in length to the length specified for the major field they constitute.

The DS with a duplication factor of 000 may be used to assign several data areas at the same point because no store area reservation takes place.

EXAMPLES:

1) Assigning a left octet address, a right octet address and a length to a named field.

PAGE N°	LINE N°	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
O,1	0	5	A,L,P,H,A	D,S	L O 1 6						
	1	0									
	1	5									
	2	0									
	2	5									
	2	0									

The assembler assigns a left octet address, a length and a right octet address to the name, ALPHA. The store location assignment counter is increased by 16 octets.

2) Use of the duplication factor to reserve store area.

PAGE N°	LINE N°	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
O,2	0	5	B,E,T,A	D,S	O 5 0 L O O 2						
	1	0									
	1	5									
	2	0									
	2	5									
	2	0									

The assembler assigns a left octet address, a right octet address and a length of two octets to BETA. The duplication factor causes the store assignment counter to be increased by $050 \times 002 = 100$ octets.

3) Use of a duplication factor of 000 to define subfields within a field.

PAGE No.	LINE No.	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
03	05	NAME	DS	000LO16
	10	NAME1	DS	LO08
	15	NAME2	DS	LO08
	20			
	25			
	30			

NAME 1 and NAME 2 are subfields of the field NAME.

The assembler assigns two addresses and a length of 16 octets to NAME but reserves no store area.

The assembler assigns two addresses and a length of 8 octets to NAME 1 and reserves 8 octets of store for the field.

The left octet address of NAME and NAME 1 are the same.

The assembler also assigns two addresses and a length of 8 octets to NAME 2, and reserves store area.

The right octet address of NAME 2 is the same as the right octet address of NAME.

The three definition statements cause the store assignment counter to be increased by $0 + 8 + 8 = 16$ octets.

DEFINE CONSTANT

DC

Character Constant

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DC CL0nn' . . . . . '
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The assembler is instructed to translate the specified character constant contained within the pair of apostrophes. If the DC instruction is named, the length (001 to 010 characters become 1 to 10 octets) and store addresses are saved for translating symbolic references to the constant field.

NOTES:

- The assembler translates the specified constant into the internal format used by the system.
- Each graphic character is translated into a full octet.
- When the length specification exceeds the number of characters written in the operand specification, the assembler fills the field with blanks to produce a field of the specified length. Blanks are placed at the right of the explicit constant.
- When the length is less than the number of characters written it is a mistake (See Figure A-7, GE-115 ASSEMBLER MISTAKE CODES).

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

The character constant definition may be used to prepare both numeric values which serve in arithmetic (decimal) operations and alphanumeric fields for printing.

Note: The first digit of the length must be zero; a maximum of 10 octets may be specified.

EXAMPLES :

1) Using the DC to define a character constant.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	05	ITEM	DC	CLOO9'@\$.1.25'
	10			
	15			
	20			
	25			
	30			

The assembler assigns a left octet address, a right octet address and a length of 9 octets to ITEM and generates for placement in the field the internal representation of the defined constant. As the specified length (9 octets) is greater than the explicit length (6 characters), 3 blanks will be inserted in the field to the right of the explicit constant.

2) Assigning a name to a defined constant longer than 10 octets.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	05	DEPT	DC	OOOLO20
	10		DC	CLO10'TECHNICAL'
	15		DC	CLO10'ASSISTANCE'
	20			
	25			
	30			

The assembler assigns a left octet address, a right octet address and a length of 20 octets to DEPT and generates for placement in the field the internal representation of the two defined constants, reserving 20 octets of store area for the defined constants.

3) Special case DC statement for use of the apostrophe.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	05	APOST	DC	CL002'''' Use of "C" type DC stmt
	10	APOST	DC	XL002'AF' hexadecimal configuration
	15			
	20			
	25			
	30			

DEFINE CONSTANT

DC

Hexadecimal Constant

DC XLO nn''

The assembler is instructed to translate the specified hexadecimal characters contained within the pair of apostrophes. If the DC instruction is named, the length (001 to 010 digit pairs become 1 to 10 octets) and store addresses are saved for translating symbolic references to the constant field.

NOTES:

- The assembler translates the specified constant into the internal format used by the system.
- When the length specified exceeds the number of digit pairs, the assembler creates full octet zeros in the left of the defined field for each pair omitted.
- When the length specified is less than the number of digit pairs written, it is a mistake. (See Figure A-7, GE-115 ASSEMBLER MISTAKE CODES).

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE

The hexadecimal constant definition may be used to prepare translating tables or editing masks. (See TR, page 114, and EDT, page 109). Codes which cannot be read as graphic characters may be placed in the store as hexadecimal digit pairs.

Note : The first digit of the length specification must be zero. A maximum of 10 octets may be specified.

EXAMPLE:

Use of the DC Hexadecimal Constant to define an editing mask.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
		40	41	42
			45	46
				74
0	1	M A S K	D C	X L O O 9 ' 5 0 2 0 B B 2 0 2 0 2 1 5 B 2 0 2 0 '
	1 0			
	1 5			
	2 0			
	2 5			
	3 0			

The assembler is directed to assign addresses and a length of 9 octets to MASK, and to generate and store in the 9 reserved octets the internal representation of the defined hexadecimal constant. The special characters of the editing mask do not have graphic representations : therefore they must be defined as hexadecimal constants.

DEFINE CONSTANT

DC

Address Constant

DC AL00n (ALPHA)

The assembler is instructed to translate the specified address reference contained within the pair of parentheses. If the DC instruction is named, the length (001 or 002 octets) and location of the constant in the store are saved for translating references to the constant field.

NOTES:

- Translation of an address constant depends upon the way the address is specified. The address specified may be written in any of the formats used for operand addresses. A symbolic name of a field or instruction is translated as the left octet address of the field. Any increment or decrement is computed from that address.

An absolute address (never given an increment or decrement), written as four decimal digits, is translated as the internal equivalent of the number.

- When the program is loaded, the translated address is placed in the specified number of octets. Addresses require two octets. When only one octet is specified, the rightmost of the pair generated is used in the DC field.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

The address constant may be used to set up a value to reset an address modified during program execution.

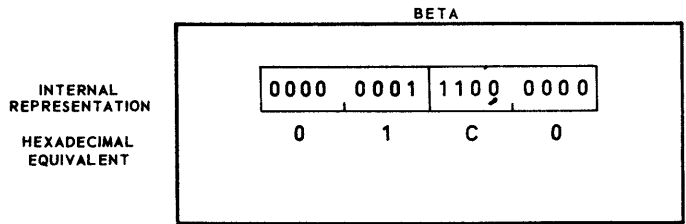
Note: The first two digits of the length specification must be zero ; a maximum of 2 octets may be specified.

EXAMPLES:

1) BETA is defined as an address constant of two octets:

PAGE N°	LINE N°	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	BETA	DC	A.L.O.O.2.(0.4.4.8.)
	1.0			
	1.5			
	2.0			
	2.5			
	3.0			

The assembler assigns a field of two octets to the name BETA and stores in the field the internal representation of the defined address constant.

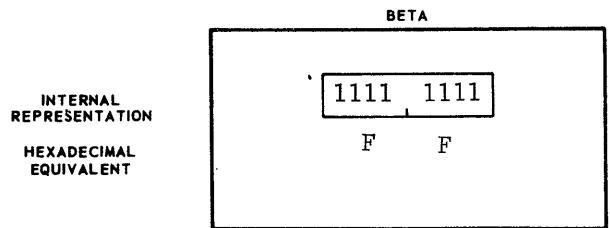


2) BETA is defined as an address constant of one octet:

PAGE N°	LINE N°	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	BETA	DC	A.L.O.O.1.(ALPHA+0.0.1.)
	1.0			
	1.5			
	2.0			
	2.5			
	3.0			

The assembler assigns a field of one octet to the name BETA and stores in the field the internal representation of the low-order octet of the generated address.

ALPHA has been defined as a 4 octet field, stored in locations 0510-0513.



DEFINE PERIPHERAL INSTRUCTION

DP

Data Transfer

DELTA DP descriptor, operation, ALPHA (nnnn)

The assembler is directed to set up a 6-octet field for reference by a data transfer Call Peripheral (PER) instruction.

NOTES :

- The first octet specifies :
 - Channel
 - Direction of transfer-input or output
 - Data Format - packed or unpacked
 - Time sharing status - preset or execute
 - Operation mode - immediate or wait
 - Data Reference direction - right to left or left to right
- The second octet specifies the operation
- The third and fourth octets specify the length of the data field which participates in the transfer operation.
- The fifth and sixth octets specify the location of the first octet in the store which participates in the data transfer operation.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

The hexadecimal configuration of the first octet is given in Figure B-7 of the second octet in Figure B-6. Any of the forms for specifying an immediate operand may be used, but it is recommended that the hexadecimal configurations shown in the table be given in the standard hexadecimal specification format.

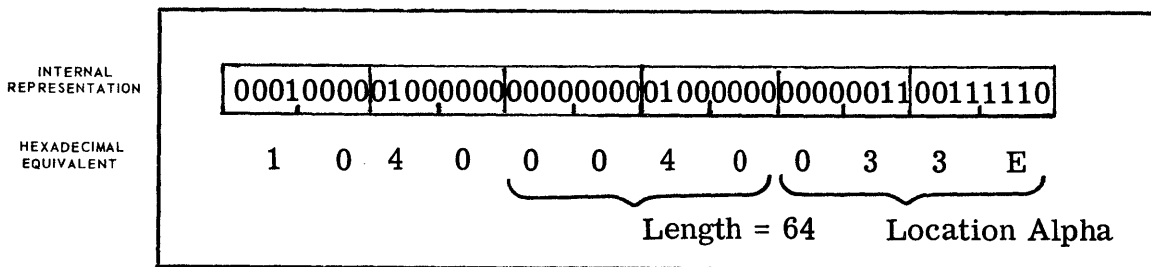
In ALPHA field reference indicates the location of the first octet that is to receive data or of the location of the first octet to be transmitted. ALPHA may be written in any of the standard address reference forms. If a length is specified, four digits are used to write field length.

EXAMPLE :

The assembler is instructed to set up a data field for a card read operation. A card is to be read into the field ALPHA. Assume ALPHA to be located at store location 0830.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
0,1	0,5	DELTA	DP	X '10', X '40', ALPHA(0064)
	1,0			
	1,5			
	2,0			
	2,5			
	3,0			

The assembler assigns a field of six octets to the name DELTA and stores in the field the internal representation of the defined peripheral constant.



DEFINE PERIPHERAL INSTRUCTION

DP

Peripheral Status Test

DELTA DP descriptor , operation

The assembler is directed to set up a two octet field for reference by a peripheral unit control operation. (See PER, page 135)

NOTES :

- The first octet specifies the mode operation and the channel to be used.
- The second octet specifies the condition to be tested.

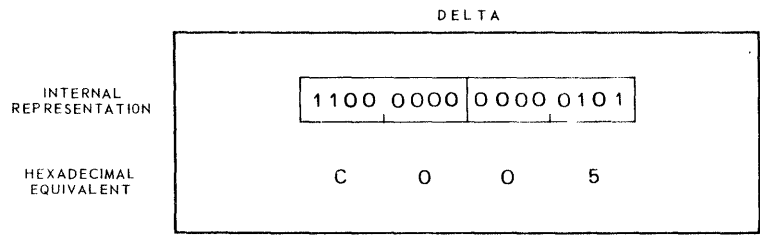
PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

The hexadecimal configuration for the first octet is given in Figure B-8 , and the hexadecimal configuration for the second octet is given in Figure B-9 . Any of the forms for specifying an immediate operand may be used, but it is recommended that the hexadecimal configurations shown in the table be given in the standard hexadecimal specification format.

EXAMPLE

The assembler is instructed to set up for an instruction to test end of a printer page.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
03	05	DELTA	DP	X`CQ`, X`05`
	10			
	15			
	20			
	25			
	30			



The assembler assigns a field of two octets to the name DELTA and stores in the field the internal representation of the defined peripheral constant.

DEFINE PERIPHERAL INSTRUCTION

DP

Peripheral Unit Control

DELTA DP descriptor, operation

The assembler is directed to set up a two octet field for reference by a peripheral unit control operation. (See PER, page 135)

NOTES :

- The first octet specifies the mode of operation and the channel to be used.
- The second octet specifies the action to be taken.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

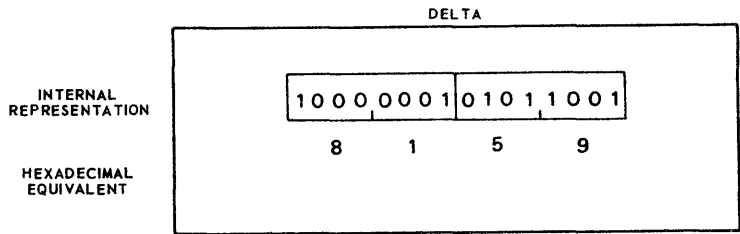
The hexadecimal configuration for the first octet is given in Figure B-10, and the hexadecimal configuration for the second octet is given in Figure B-11. Any of the forms for specifying an immediate operand may be used, but it is recommended that the hexadecimal configurations shown in the table be given in the standard hexadecimal specification format.

EXAMPLE :

The assembler is instructed to set up a field for an instruction to double space on a print page.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
0	2	0	5	DELTA	D.P.	X	'81'	X	'59'		
	1	0									
	1	5									
	2	0									
	2	5									
	3	0									

The assembler assigns a field of two octets to the name DELTA and stores in the field the internal representation of the defined peripheral constant.



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THE ASSEMBLER PROGRAM CONTROL INSTRUCTIONS

The GE-115 Assembler accepts directives for the placement of the assembled program and for the specification of the first instruction to be executed. The assembler program control statements make it possible to specify some of the location assignments for the assembled programs as well.

Assembler program control instructions are processed as the source program is assembled and affect the assembled program. One of the control Directive operations, the Start Program Assembly (STRT) instruction, includes the specification of the peripheral controller to be used by the assembler in preparing output cards.

The assembler program control instructions have the same general format as the other Directive instructions and the Primary instructions. The name field is not used because the Directive instructions are operative only at assembly time and may not be cross-referenced by assembled program instructions at execution time.

One of the formats of the control instructions, shown below, introduces a new notation in the operand field as follows:

- s used to indicate that a one-digit numeric code specifying the size of the store must be written,

- cc used to indicate that a numeric two-digit specification for an input/output controller must be written.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
07	05		o.p.	A L P H A
	10			
	15			
	20			
	25			
	30			

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
03	05		S T R T	d d d d , s , c c
	10			
	15			
	20			
	25			
	30			

START PROGRAM ASSEMBLY

STRT

STRT dddd,s,cc

The assembler is directed to start assembling the program at the store location specified by dddd. The program is assembled for a store of the size indicated by s. The cc value specifies the peripheral controller used by the assembler to punch cards produced during assembly.

NOTES:

- The first octet in the store used by the assembler for assigning locations to the program is the octet specified by the value of dddd.
- The store size available for the assembled program is assumed to be that indicated by the code value s.
- The punch instruction used by the assembler is executed through controller cc.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

The STRT card must be the first card in the program being assembled. An error halt occurs when any other card is read as the first card of a source program.

The address for program assignment must be expressed in four decimal digits and may not specify a value below the limit of the store area required by the system loader and subroutines, as shown below:

SYSTEM	LOADER LIMIT
Punched Cards Only	0448
Paper Tape	0512

STRT

The value of *s* indicates a store size by a code. The values for the store sizes used are shown below:

STORE SIZE	<i>s</i>
4096	1
8192	2

The connectors that may be used for punch attachment and the code values are shown below:

CONNECTOR	<i>cc</i>
3	00
4	64

EXAMPLE:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	43	46	47	74
01	05		S.T.R.T	0448, 2, 00							

The assembler is directed to assemble a program for a store size of 8192 octets. Assembly begins at location 0448. The punch unit is specified as attached to connector 3.

END

END OF PROGRAM

END

END SIGMA

The assembler is given the indication that the last card of the source program has been read. When the assembled program is loaded at execution time, the END card causes the instruction specified by SIGMA to be the first instruction executed.

NOTES:

- The END card must be present. When no END card is present, the assembler attempts to read cards seeking the END card. An end-of-file condition occurs on the card reader.
- SIGMA may be a symbolic or an actual address.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

The END card terminates source program reading by the assembler, wherever it appears.

The SIGMA field operand specification must refer to the first instruction to be executed in the assembled program.

The instruction referenced need not be physically the first executable instruction in the program. It is logically the first instruction, i.e., the first operation to be performed.

EXAMPLE:

The instruction named BEGIN is the first instruction to be executed in the assembled program.

PAGE	LINE	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
N ^o	N ^o			
32	33 34 35 36		40 41 42	45 46 47 74
0	1 5		END	BEGIN

ORIGIN ASSIGNMENT

ORG

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ORG   dddd
      * +nnn
      * -nnn
      R

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The assembler is directed to use the value specified in the operand field of the ORG as a store assignment value.

NOTES:

- The assembler program maintains a location counter for store assignment. Store addresses are assigned sequentially. When the ORG is encountered, the assembler resets the store assignment counter to the value specified by the ORG instruction.
- R as an operand causes the assembler to reset the store assignment counter to the next higher octet location which is a multiple of 256 octets. When the R operand is encountered by the assembler at a point at which the store assignment counter contains a value that is a multiple of 256 octets, no resetting takes place.
- The portion of the program following the ORG is assigned store locations sequentially from the specified octet unless another ORG is encountered.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

An ORG with an absolute address operand may be used to define data fields at desired points in the store.

The ORG with the operand R is used to set up fields for use with the Translate (TR) instruction and for input/output on channel 2.

The ORG with the asterisk and an increment or decrement may be used to modify the store assignment counter with respect to its current value.

The absolute address assignment allows for defining different data areas at the same fixed store address. Different names can be used with Define Store Area instructions at the same actual address. However, the use of absolute values is not recommended. The DS instruction with a zero duplication factor can be used without the ORG instruction to effect the assignment of several fields to the same area (See DS, page 143).

EXAMPLES:

- 1) The assembler is directed to reset the value in the store assignment counter to 0512.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42 45 46 47			74
O.1	0 5		O.R.G	0 5 1 2
	1 0			
	1 5			
	2 0			
	2 5			
	3 0			

- 2) The assembler is directed to reset the value in the store assignment counter to the next higher multiple of 256.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42 45 46 47			74
O.2	0 5		O.R.G	R
	1 0			
	1 5			
	2 0			
	2 5			
	3 0			

- 3) The assembler is directed to advance the value in the store assignment counter by 126.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42 45 46 47			74
O.3	0 5		O.R.G	* + 1 2 6
	1 0			
	1 5			
	2 0			
	2 5			
	3 0			

ASSEMBLY LISTING FORMAT INSTRUCTIONS

The GE-115 Assembler allows for control of the format of the program listing. The listing format statements provide a means for the programmer to specify both spacing on a page and the points at which a new page should begin. Text commentary is accepted for insertion into the listing of the program.

The assembly listing format instructions are operative only at the time the listing is printed. They allow for improved readability through formatting. Comments should be freely used as aids to documentation.

Assembly listing format instructions are written in the same general format as the other directive instructions and the primary instructions. The use of a name field in an assembly listing format instruction is meaningless because the instructions are not present in the translated program at execution time.

The format of the assembly listing format instructions is shown below :

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47			74
0	1	0	5	O p
	1		0	
	1		5	
	2		0	
	2		5	
	2		0	



COMMENT

*

* Text

The asterisk (*) directs the assembler to print the text in the operand specification field.

NOTE :

- The assembler inserts the text into the program listing. The card sequence determines the position of the comment. The assembled program is not affected by the comment instruction.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

Column 46 must be blank. Any comment used must not begin to the left of column 47.

Comments should be used to head program sections and to describe the process performed by each.

The text field of the Comment instruction may contain any of the print characters. Blanks may be used to improve readability.

The comment card may be used to continue a comment which begins in the operand field of an instruction. This should be done to avoid the use of cryptic comments on instructions. Comments are an important form of documentation.

EXAMPLE :

The comments will be printed within the assembly listing.

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	45	46 47
74				
O.1	0.5		*	
	1.0		*	COMMENTS MAY BE INSERTED AT
	1.5		*	
	2.0		*	ANY POINT IN A PROGRAM
	2.5		*	
	3.0			

EJEC

EJECT PRESENT PAGE

EJEC

EJEC

The assembler is directed to advance the paper on which the listing is being printed. An advance to the top of the next page is requested.

NOTE:

- The present print page is advanced. Printing continues at the top of the next page.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

The EJEC is used to improve the readability and format of the assembly listing. Logically separate routines should begin on new page.

EXAMPLE:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
0	1	5	EJEC								
	1	0	*	TOP OF PAGE 2							
	1	5									
	2	0									
	2	5									
	3	0									

The assembler listing continues at the top of the following page.

LINE FEED

LF

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LF      S
        D
        1
        2
        7
    
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The assembler is directed to advance the paper on which the listing is being printed. The operand symbol specifies the spacing requested.

NOTES :

- The next line printed is spaced according to the LF request.
- Standard spacing continues after that line is printed.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

The LF is used to improve listing readability.

Spacing that may be requested is shown below :

S	Skip one line
D	Skip two lines
1	Spacing as indicated by channel 1 control tape punch
2	Spacing as indicated by channel 2 control tape punch
7	Spacing as indicated by channel 7 control tape punch

EXAMPLE :

The assembler listing page is advanced two lines before the comment is printed.

PAGE	LINE	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS							
32	33	34	35	36	40	41	42	45	46	47	74
0	1	0	5				LF				
							*				COMMENT

SECTION C

GE-115

ARITHMETIC SUBROUTINES

GE-115 SUBROUTINES

A subroutine is an independent sequence of programmed instructions which performs a standard information processing task for a main program. A subroutine program is designed to function in a manner that is independent of the program which utilizes the process. Data is supplied according to the subroutine requirements. The results of the subroutine operation are placed in a pre-defined area for use by the main program. A subroutine may be utilized repeatedly. All necessary resetting of store areas used is done within the subroutine itself.

A subroutine must provide an entry point for use by the main program, referred to as the calling program. This allows the calling program to jump to the subroutine. A subroutine which performs a number of related functions, such as addition and subtraction, may have more than one entry point to permit direct reference to each of the functions.

There must be, as well, a mechanism by which control can be returned to the calling program. In the GE-115, a single instruction is used to effect entry and to prepare for return. The Jump and Return (JRT) instruction makes the entry to the subroutine and places the location of the next sequential operation after the JRT instruction in LOC (store octets 0254 - 0255).

The flexibility of the GE-115 assembler allows the programmer to use a meaningful mnemonic in the place of the JRT when writing subroutine calls. The mnemonic SUB is used.

Each subroutine uses the contents of LOC to return to the operation following the entry.

Data to be acted upon by the subroutines is placed in standard pre-defined areas in the store. The locations used are described in the individual subroutine descriptions.

The general format of the entry to a subroutine is:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47	48	49
50	51	52	53	54
55	56	57	58	59
60	61	62	63	64
65	66	67	68	69
70	71	72	73	74
0	1		SUB	SIGMA
	1			
	1			
	2			
	2			
	2			

SIGMA is the name of the subroutine being used.

Each of the myriad applications that may make use of information processing systems has its own set of standard procedures. Any standard procedure may be programmed as a subroutine. One area of general application, which may be included in more specific tasks, is that of arithmetic calculation.

This section discusses four arithmetic subroutines prepared for use with the GE-115 system.

The arithmetic subroutines described in this section process decimal data. Data is treated in one of two ways : as unsigned values or as signed numeric quantities.

Data which is treated as signed data must be placed in the input area with an associated sign. It should be noted that signs used by the subroutines do not correspond to the internal configurations for the graphic characters + and -. Signs are recognized in the subroutines according to the configuration of the left quartet of the applicable sign octet. The negative sign is an A (1010); the positive sign is a 4 (0100). The manner in which the signs are treated is described in the discussions of the individual subroutines.

Subroutines make reference to pre-defined areas in which data is expected to be placed. It is recommended that the areas used by a subroutine be defined and given meaningful names by the calling program. This can be accomplished by using the DS instruction to associate names with the locations used by the subroutines. Any fields used, of course, must be defined in the octets used by the subroutines. The ORG Directive instruction with an absolute address can be used to place the data areas in the store octets referenced by the subroutines.

This might be done for the addition subroutine, YADS, for example by means of the sequence of instructions shown below:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47	48	49
0.6	0.5		ORG	0.2.0.4
1.0	A.D.N.D.	DS	0.0.1.L.0.1.6	A.D.D.E.N.D.
1.5		ORG	0.2.3.3	
2.0	A.D.S.I.N	DS	0.0.1.L.0.0.1	S.I.G.N. O.F. A.D.D.E.N.D.
2.5	A.U.G.S.N	DS	0.0.1.L.0.0.1	S.I.G.N. O.F. A.U.G.E.N.D.
3.0		ORG	0.2.3.6	
3.5	A.U.G.N.D	DS	0.0.1.L.0.1.6	A.U.G.E.N.D.
4.0		*	T.H.E. S.U.M. R.E.P.L.A.C.E.S. T.H.E. A.D.D.E.N.D.	
4.5		ORG	0.2.0.4	
5.0	S.U.M.	DS	0.0.1.L.0.1.6	
5.5		ORG	0.2.3.3	
6.0	S.U.M.S.N	DS	0.0.1.L.0.0.1	

A similar sequence could be used to position data for use with any of the other subroutines. Several subroutines use the same areas for input and output. Therefore, it might be convenient to use common names such as TERM 1, TERM 2, and RESLT, to avoid individual definitions like SUM, DIFF, PROD, etc., for the same area.

It should be noted that the use of an absolute origin within the system software area causes the assembler to print an L on the assembler listing. The mistake indication does not prevent assembly.

SUB YADS

YADS forms the signed sum of two signed quantities. Prior to the subroutine call, the addend must be placed in store octets 0204 through 0219 (16 octets) and the augend must be placed in store octets 0236 through 0251 (16 octets). The sign of the addend must be in octet 0233; the sign of the augend must be in octet 0234. The sum replaces the addend.

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
-	0	The sum is zero.
-	1	The sum is non-zero.

NOTES:

- The addend, augend and sum are each assumed to be 16 octets in length.
- YADS may use either the AD or the SD operation to generate the sum. YADS and YSDS are entries to a single subroutine.
- Signs are examined prior to the operation. The right quartets of the sign octets are made zero before the signs are checked. Each sign octet is then checked against a value of A0 (the negative sign configuration). If a sign is not A0, it is assumed positive. The subroutine sets any sign octet that does not contain A0 to a value of 40 (the positive sign configuration).
- The status of the UF/OF indicator depends on the signs of the terms and their relative magnitudes and does not necessarily reflect the result of the addition.
If the terms have the same sign, UF/OF = 0 indicates no overflow, and UF/OF = 1 indicates overflow.
If the terms have different signs, UF/OF = 0 indicates that the augend is greater in absolute value than the addend, and UF/OF = 1 indicates that the augend is smaller than or equal to the addend in absolute value.
- The addend is always replaced by the sum. If the signs of the terms are different and the augend is greater in absolute value than the addend, the sum is generated in the augend field and moved to the addend field prior to return.
- Quantities are assumed to be decimal. No check is made of the right quartets of the terms to be added.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

It is recommended that standard, named fields be defined in the manner described in the introduction to this section. An alternate method for setting up the quantities for processing by the subroutine is shown below:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS	
32	33	34	35	36	
	40	41	42	45	
	46	47		74	
0	1	0	5	M.V.O	0 2 1 9 (1 6) , A.D.D.N.D (n . n) . M.O.V.E
	1	0		M.V.O	0 2 5 1 (1 6) , A.U.G.N.D (n . n) . T.E.R.M.S.
	1	5		M.V.C	0 2 3 3 (0 0 1) , S.A.D.N.D . S.I.G.N.
	2	0		M.V.C	0 2 3 4 (0 0 1) , S.A.U.G.
	2	5		S.U.B	Y.A.D.S.
	3	0			

The order of the move operations shown above is immaterial. The length of the moves is shown as the maximum field length to ensure that right quartet zeros are inserted in the left of the addend and augend fields whenever the terms used do not occupy the full field allowed. The subroutine always treats a pair of 16 octet fields.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

It is recommended that standard, named fields be defined in the manner described in the introduction to this section. An alternate method for setting up the quantities for processing by the subroutine is shown below:

PAGE N°	LINE N°	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32 33 34 35 36	40 41 42	45 46 47	74	
0.1	0.5		M.V.O.	O.2.1.9 (1.6), ADD.N.D. (n.n), MOVE
	1.0		M.V.O.	O.2.5.1 (1.6), AUG.N.D. (n.n), TERMS
	1.5		M.V.C.	O.2.3.3 (0.0.1), S.A.D.N.D. SIGN
	2.0		M.V.C.	O.2.3.4 (0.0.1), S.A.U.G.
	2.5		S.U.B.	Y.A.D.S.
	3.0			

The order of the move operations shown above is immaterial. The length of the moves is shown as the maximum field length to ensure that right quartet zeros are inserted in the left of the addend and augend fields whenever the terms used do not occupy the full field allowed. The subroutine always treats a pair of 16 octet fields.

- The subtrahend is always replaced by the difference. If the signs are the same and the minuend is greater than the subtrahend in absolute value, the difference is generated in the minuend field and moved to the subtrahend field.
- Quantities are assumed to be decimal in the right quartets. No check is made of the right quartets of the fields which are processed.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICE:

It is recommended that standard, named fields be defined in the manner described in the introduction to this section. An alternate method for setting up the quantities for processing by the subroutine is shown below:

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
40	41	42	43	44
45	46	47	48	49
0	1	0	5	
				M.V.Q
				0 2 1 9 (. 1 6) , S.U.B.T.R. (n.n)
	1	0		
				M.V.Q
				0 2 5 1 (. 1 6) , M.I.N.U.N. (n.n)
	1	5		
				M.V.C
				0 2 3 3 (0 0 1) , S.S.U.B. S.I.G.N. O.F. S.U.B.T.
	2	0		
				M.V.C
				0 2 3 4 (0 0 1) , S.M.I.N. S.I.G.N. O.F. M.I.N.U.
	2	5		
				S.U.B.
				Y.S.D.S. C.A.L.L.
	3	0		

The order of the move operations shown above is immaterial. The length of the moves is shown as the maximum field length to ensure that right quartet zeros are inserted in the left of the subtrahend and minuend fields whenever the terms used do not occupy the full field allowed. The subroutine always treats a pair of 16 octet fields.

SUB YMULF

YMULF forms the unsigned product of two unsigned quantities. Prior to the subroutine call, the multiplier must be placed in store octets 0204 through 0219 (16 octets), and the multiplicand in store octets 0238 through 0251 (14 octets). A field of fewer than 16 octets may be specified for the multiplier. An asterisk inserted to the left of the most significant digit in the multiplier field acts as a field delimiter. The product is formed in store octets 0205 through 0234 (30 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
1	0	Always set

NOTES :

- The multiplier is assumed to be 16 octets in length, unless an asterisk is present in the multiplier field. All octets to the right of the asterisk are treated as part of the multiplier field.
- The multiplicand is assumed to be 14 octets in length. A zero right quartet must be placed in the octet to the left, store location 0237.
- The product is placed partially in the octets which contained the multiplier; the multiplicand is unaffected by the subroutine operation.
- Multiplication is performed by use of the AD operation.
- The UF/OF and ZE/NZ indicators do not reflect the result of the operation.
- The terms which enter into the multiplication are assumed to be decimal in the right quartet. No check is made.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES :

It is recommended that standard, named fields be defined in the manner described in the introduction to this section. An alternate method for setting up the quantities for processing by the subroutine is shown below :

PAGE No	LINE No	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
32	33	34	35	36
01	05		MVQ	O219(16),MUPLR(n,n) MOVE
	10		MVQ	O251(15),MUCND(14) TERMS AND
	15		MVI	C,*',O2,n,n PLACE ASTERISK
	20		SUB	YMULF CALL MULTIPLY
	25			
	30			

The length of the fields should be given as 16 for the multiplier, when no asterisk is used, as well, and 15 for the multiplicand to ensure that high order left quartet zeros are inserted. The subroutine treats a field of 16 octets for the multiplier, unless the asterisk is present, and a 14 octet multiplicand field. The high order zero quartet in the 15 octet multiplicand field is assumed zero.

SUB YDIVF

YDIVF forms the unsigned quotient of two unsigned quantities. Prior to the subroutine call, the dividend must be placed in store octets 0204 through 0219 (16 octets) and the divisor must be placed in store octets 0238 through 0251 (14 octets). A field of fewer than 16 octets may be specified for the dividend. An asterisk inserted to the left of the most significant digit in the dividend field acts as a field delimiter. The quotient is formed in store octets 0219 through 0234 (16 octets). The remainder is left in store octets 0238 through 0251 (14 octets).

INDICATORS AFFECTED

UF/OF	ZE/NZ	
0	0	The quotient is zero.
0	1	The quotient is non-zero.

NOTES:

- The dividend is assumed to be 16 octets in length, unless an asterisk is present in the dividend field. All octets to the right of the asterisk are treated as part of the dividend field.
- The divisor is assumed to be 14 octets in length. A zero right quartet must be placed in the octet to the left of the most significant digit in the divisor, store location 0237.
- The quotient is placed partially in the octets which contained the dividend; the divisor is replaced by the remainder.
- Division is performed by means of the SD operation.
- The UF/OF indicator always contains a zero at the end of the subroutine operation.
- A 0 in the ZE/NZ indicator at the exit from the subroutine indicates that the quotient is zero; a 1 in the ZE/NZ indicator at the exit from the subroutine indicates that the quotient is non-zero.
- The terms which enter into the division are assumed to be decimal in the right quartet. No check is made.
- Division by zero causes an endless series of subtractions. No check is made of the divisor before the subtraction is attempted.

PROGRAMMING PRACTICES:

It is recommended that standard, named fields be defined in the manner described in the introduction to this section. An alternate method for setting up the quantities for processing by the subroutine is shown below:

PAGE 32	LINE 33	NAME	OPERATION	OPERANDS
O,1	0,5		M.V.Q.	O,2,1,9(.1,6.),D.I.V.D.(.n,n.)
	1,0		M.V.Q.	O,2,5,1(.1,5.),D.I.V.R.(.1,4.)
	1,5		M.V.I	C',*',O,2,n,n.
	2,0		S.U.B	Y,D,I,V,F
	2,5			
	3,0			

The dividend field is assumed to be fewer than 16 octets in length. The length of the move is written as 16 octets to ensure that a high order right quartet zero is inserted. The divisor, 14 digits in length, is moved into a 15-octet field to place a high order right quartet zero. No asterisk is used when the dividend occupies the full field.

A check for a zero divisor may be performed by means of a conditional jump following the MVQ instruction used to position the divisor in the subroutine area.

SECTION D

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A

Figure 1 : TABLE OF CARD AND PRINTER CHARACTER REPRESENTATIONS IN THE GE-115
INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM

CARD CODE	BINARY CODE	PRINTER CHARACTER	HEXADECIMAL	BINARY ORDER
0	01000000	0	40	1
1	01000001	1	41	2
2	01000010	2	42	3
3	01000011	3	43	4
4	01000100	4	44	5
5	01000101	5	45	6
6	01000110	6	46	7
7	01000111	7	47	8
8	01001000	8	48	9
9	01001001	9	49	10
2-8	01001010	[	4A	11
3-8	01001011	#	4B	12
4-8	01001100	@	4C	13
5-8	01001101	:(colon)	4D	14
6-8	01001110	>	4E	15
7-8	01001111	?	4F	16
	01010000	⌘ or _	50	17
12-1	01010001	A	51	18
12-2	01010010	B	52	19
12-3	01010011	C	53	20
12-4	01010100	D	54	21
12-5	01010101	E	55	22
12-6	01010110	F	56	23
12-7	01010111	G	57	24
12-8	01011000	H	58	25
12-9	01011001	I	59	26
12	01011010	&	5A	27
12-3-8	01011011	.(period)	5B	28
12-4-8	01011100	]	5C	29
12-5-8	01011101	(	5D	30
12-6-8	01011110	<	5E	31
12-7-8	01011111	\	5F	32

Figure 1 : TABLE OF CARD AND PRINTER CHARACTER REPRESENTATIONS IN THE GE-115 INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM

CARD CODE	BINARY CODE	PRINTER CHARACTER	HEXADECIMAL	BINARY ORDER
11-0	1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0	↑	A 0	33
11-1	1 0 1 0 0 0 0 1	J	A 1	34
11-2	1 0 1 0 0 0 1 0	K	A 2	35
11-3	1 0 1 0 0 0 1 1	L	A 3	36
11-4	1 0 1 0 0 1 0 0	M	A 4	37
11-5	1 0 1 0 0 1 0 1	N	A 5	38
11-6	1 0 1 0 0 1 1 0	O	A 6	39
11-7	1 0 1 0 0 1 1 1	P	A 7	40
11-8	1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0	Q	A 8	41
11-9	1 0 1 0 1 0 0 1	R	A 9	42
11	1 0 1 0 1 0 1 0	-(minus or hyphen)	A A	43
11-3-8	1 0 1 0 1 0 1 1	\$	A B	44
11-4-8	1 0 1 0 1 1 0 0	*	A C	45
11-5-8	1 0 1 0 1 1 0 1	)	A D	46
11-6-8	1 0 1 0 1 1 1 0	;	A E	47
11-7-8	1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1	'(apostrophe)	A F	48
12-0	1 0 1 1 0 0 0 0	+	B 0	49
0-1	1 0 1 1 0 0 0 1	/	B 1	50
0-2	1 0 1 1 0 0 1 0	S	B 2	51
0-3	1 0 1 1 0 0 1 1	T	B 3	52
0-4	1 0 1 1 0 1 0 0	U	B 4	53
0-5	1 0 1 1 0 1 0 1	V	B 5	54
0-6	1 0 1 1 0 1 1 0	W	B 6	55
0-7	1 0 1 1 0 1 1 1	X	B 7	56
0-8	1 0 1 1 1 0 0 0	Y	B 8	57
0-9	1 0 1 1 1 0 0 1	Z	B 9	58
0-2-8	1 0 1 1 1 0 1 0	←	B A	59
0-3-8	1 0 1 1 1 0 1 1	(comma)	B B	60
0-4-8	1 0 1 1 1 1 0 0	%	B C	61
0-5-8	1 0 1 1 1 1 0 1	=	B D	62
0-6-8	1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0	"	B E	63
0-7-8	1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1	!	B F	64

Figure 2: TABLE OF GE-115 OPERATIONS BY HEXADECIMAL REPRESENTATION

HEXADECIMAL REPRESENTATION		MNEMONIC EXPRESSION	SYSTEM ACTION
Operation Code	Operation Complement		
02	10	*ENS	Enable Single Stop
	20	*INS	Inhibit Single Stop
	80	*LON	Turn Alert Light On
	E0	*LOFF	Turn Alert Light Off
07	00	*NOP2	No Operation
0A	00	*HLT	Halt System Operation
41	F0	*JRT	Jump and Return
	00	*SUB	Subroutine Call
43	10	*NOJ	No Jump
	20	*JG	Jump if Greater
	30	*JE	Jump if Equal
	40	*JGE	Jump if Greater or Equal
	50	} JC	} Jump on Condition
	60		
	70		
	80		
	90		
	A0		
	B0		
	C0		
	D0	*JL	Jump if Less
	E0	*JNE	Jump if Not Equal
	F0	*JLE	Jump if Less or Equal
	40	*JU	Jump Unconditional
53	80	JS2	Jump on Switch 2
	80	JS1	Jump on Switch 1
92	octet	MVI	Move Immediate to Store
95		CMI	Compare Immediate to Store
9E	unit	PER	Call Peripheral
D2	one length	MVC	Move Complete Octets
D4		NC	And on Complete Octets
D5		CMC	Compare Complete Octets
D6		OC	Or on Complete Octets
D7		XC	Exclusive Or on Complete Octets
D8		UPK	Unpack Octets into Right Quartets
D9		SR	Search to the Right
DA		PK	Pack Right Quartets into Octets
DB		SL	Search to the Left
DC		TR	Translate
DE		EDT	Edit
F8	two lengths	MVQ	Move Right Quartets
F9		CMQ	Compare Right Quartets
FA		AD	Add Decimal
FB		SD	Subtract Decimal
FE		AB	Add Binary
FF		SB	Subtract Binary

* Indicates a mnemonic expression which is translated into the operation code and the operation complement.

Figure 3 : TABLE OF GE-115 OPERATIONS BY MNEMONIC EXPRESSION

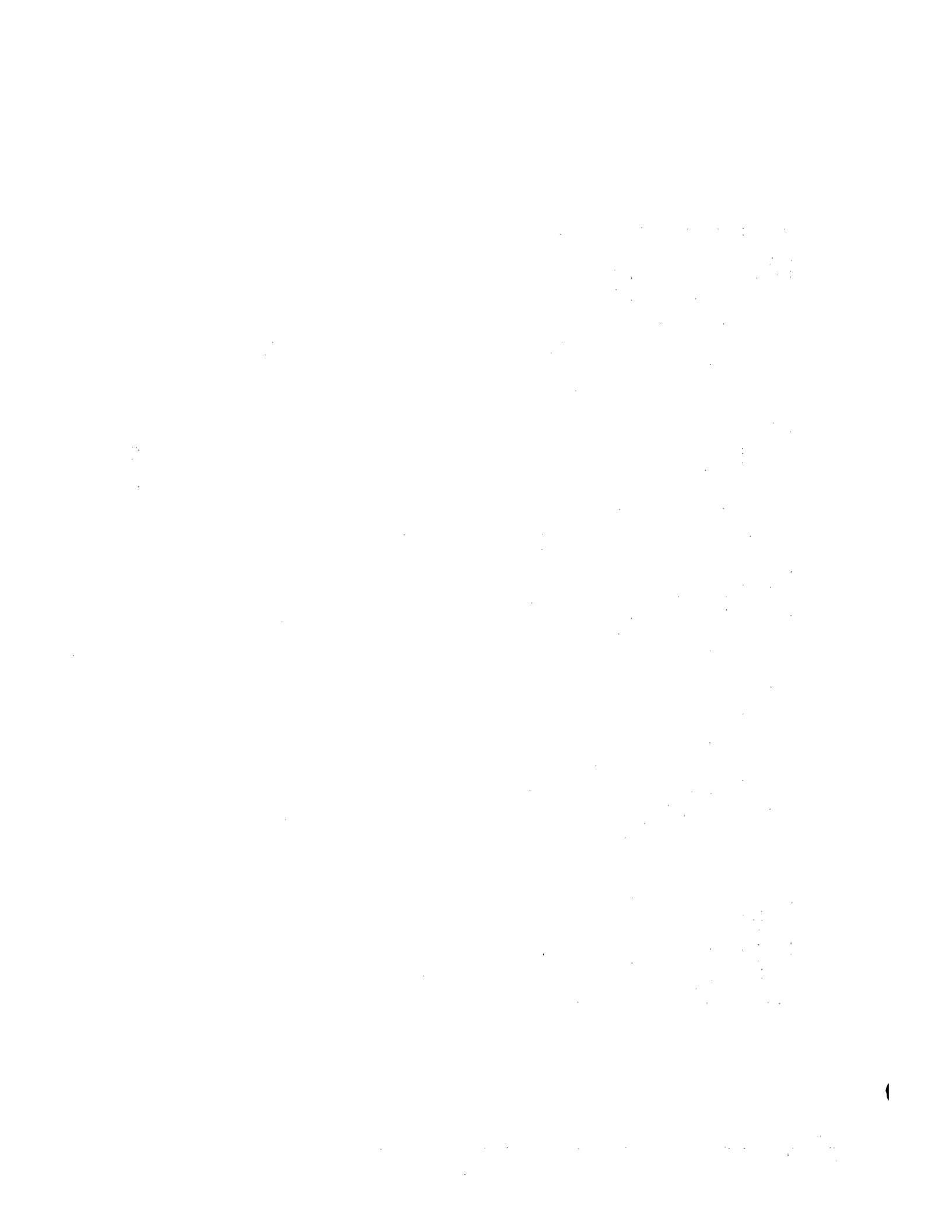
MNEMONIC EXPRESSION	ACTION	HEXADECIMAL REPRESENTATION*	Page
AB	Add Binary	FE	59
AD	Add Decimal	FA	51
CMC	Compare Complete Octets	D5	80
CMI	Compare Immediate to Store	95	78
CMQ	Compare Right Quartets	F9	83
ENS	Enable Single Stop	02 10	123
EDT	Edit	DE	109
HLT	Halt System Operation	0A 00	118
INS	Inhibit Single Stop	02 20	122
JC	Jump on Condition	43	97
JE	Jump if Equal	20	101
JG	Jump if Greater	10	101
JGE	Jump if Greater or Equal	30	101
JL	Jump if Less	C0	101
JLE	Jump if Less or Equal	E0	101
JNE	Jump if Not Equal	D0	101
JRT	Jump and Return	41 F0	107
JS1	Jump on Switch 1	53 80	105
JS2	Jump on Switch 2	40	105
JU	Jump Unconditional	43 F0	102
LOFF	Turn Alert Light Off	02 E0	121
LON	Turn Alert Light On	02 80	120
MVI	Move Immediate Octet	92	67
MVC	Move Complete Octets	D2	69
MVQ	Move Right Quartets	F8	71
NC	And on Complete Octets	D4	91
NOP2	No Operation	07 00	119
NOJ	No Jump	43 00	103
OC	Or on Complete Octets	D6	92
PER	Call Peripheral	9E	129
PK	Pack Right Quartets into Octets	DA	74
SB	Subtract Binary	FF	62
SD	Subtract Decimal	FB	54
SL	Search to the Left	DB	88
SR	Search to the Right	D9	85
SUB	Subroutine Call	41 F0	169
TR	Translate Octets	DC	114
UPK	Unpack Octets into Right Quartets	D8	76
XC	Exclusive Or on Complete Octets	D7	93

* The operation complement is given where it is translated from the mnemonic expression.

Figure 4 : GE-115 INSTRUCTION REFERENCE CHART

Instruct. Length	OPERATION CODES		OP COMP		FIELDS		INDICATORS		NOTES		
	Symbol.	hexa.	Left	Right	Alpha	Beta	UF/OF	ZE/NZ			
6 OCTETS	AD	FA	Length - 1 of ALPHA (00 to 16)	Length - 1 of BETA (00 to 16)	A + B =		0 no overflow 1 overflow	0 result = 0 1 result ≠ 0	AD, AB, SD, SB, MVQ, CMQ and SL are the only GE-115 operations that process data from right to left. All the others process data from left to right. The operation whose mnemonics end by "D" and "Q" treat the right quartets only.		
	AB	FE			A - B =		0 underflow 1 true form	"			
	SD	FB			A ← B		0	"			
	SB	FF			A : B		0 A < B 1 A > B	0 A = B 1 A ≠ B			
	MVQ	F8			Common		A [+] B	1		0 result = 0 1 result ≠ 0	exclusive "or"
	OC	D6			Length - 1 of ALPHA and BETA (000 to 255)		A (+) B	Unchanged		logical "or"	
	NC	D4			A [X] B			logical "and"			
	MVC	D2			A ← B						
	CMC	D5			A : B	0 A < B 1 A > B	0 A = B 1 A ≠ B	The common length is the one defined in symbolic language for ALPHA.			
	6 OCTETS	UPK	D8	Length - 1 of BETA (000 to 255)		normal form	condensed	Unchanged		2 × (length of BETA) = number of unpacked quartets. Left quartets remain unchanged.	
PK		DA	Length - 1 of ALPHA (000 to 255)		condensed	normal form			2 × (length of ALPHA) = number of BETA octets.		
TR		DC			area to be translated	table origin			Table origin + ALPHA value = address of translated octet.		
SR		D9			area searched	character sought	1	0 not found 1 found	If match found octet + 1 address - 1	If search failed last searched + 1 address - 1	
SL		DB							is stored in LOC.		
EDT		DE				mask + result	area edited	1	0 Z sup. 1 non Z sup.	See special chart in EDT.	
4 OCTETS	MVI	92		Immediate octet		single octet		Unchanged		ALPHA octet replaced by immediate octet.	
	CMI	95			"		0 < A imm. 1 > A imm.	0 A = imm. 1 A ≠ imm.	ALPHA octet compared to immediate octet.		
	JC	43	Condition for Jump		Address		Unchanged		See special chart.		
	JRT	41	FD		jumped				Stores return address in LOC and jumps to SIGMA.		
	JS1 JS2	53	80 for sw. 1 40 for sw. 2		to				The operation complement defines the switch.		
	PER	9E	peripheral unit number		Delta		See special chart		For data transfer the two leftmost octets must contain the data length - 1		
2 OCTETS	HLT	0A	00				Unchanged		Brings the program to a halt. To continue press "START".		
	NOP2	07	"						No operation.		
	ENS	02	10						Allows a program halt by means of the "SINGLE-STOP" switch.		
	INS	"	20						Disables the "SINGLE-STOP" switch.		
	LON	"	80						Lights the "ALERT" light on the console panel.		
	LOFF	"	E0						Shuts the "ALERT" light off on the console panel.		

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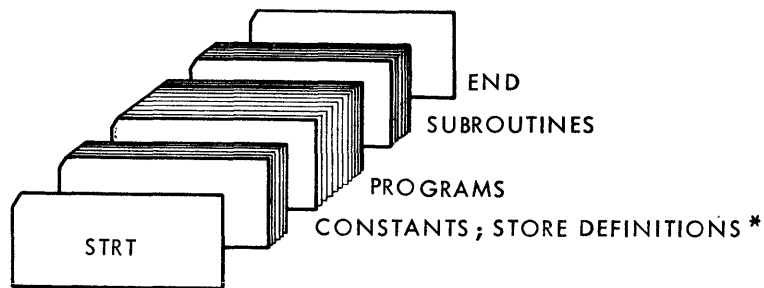
APPENDIX B

ASSEMBLING A PROGRAM

PROGRAMMER PREPARATION

Prior to submitting a program for assembly, the programmer should obtain a listing of the source cards. This listing should be checked against the "PROGRAMMER'S CHECK LIST" (See Figure 1). Corrections that are required should be noted on the listing and a corrected deck prepared.

When the source program cards are correct, the deck for assembly should be prepared as shown below:



* Shown as a block in the beginning of the deck to indicate that constant definitions should not appear within the program instruction sequence.

ASSEMBLER ACTION

The action of the assembler in translating the source program is divided into three parts:

- PART 1 - Source card format scan and content verification, source program listing, control and allocation of addresses,
- PART 2 - Source program translation,
- PART 3 - Listing of the source program and translated formats, production of object program cards.

PART 1 carries out the following operations:

- Reads and verifies the format and contents of the source program cards.
- Prints the source program statements, followed by error indications, if required.
- Builds an address table for names occurring in the source program, and punches a table of names and locations.

PART 2 carries out program translation in one or more stages, depending on the size of the name table. The following two cases are differentiated:

Case 1

- 100 or fewer names (4096 octets of store)
- 600 or fewer names (8192 octets of store)

Case 2

- More than 100 names (4096 octets of store)
- More than 600 names (8192 octets of store)

In case 1, PART 2:

- Reads the name table and stores all of it. Repunches the name table.
- Reads the source program cards and translates them completely.
- Punches out cards containing the source program and the assembled program.

In case 2, PART 2:

- Reads the name table and stores 100 (or 600) elements of the name table.
- Repunches the name table, with an identifying flag on the cards for which information is placed in store.
- Reads the source program cards and translates all references to names for which information is retained in store.
- Punches out cards containing the source program and the partially translated program.
- Repeats the above operations until the source program is completely translated.

PART 3 carries out the following operations:

- Prints the listings of the source program and the translated format of the program.
- Punches out the object program.

AFTER ASSEMBLY

When an error-free assembly is obtained, the assembler listing becomes the primary documentation for the program. Coding sheets, source card lists and any assembler lists with mistake indications are no longer valuable. All notes and corrections should be made on the most recent assembler listing to keep program documentation current.

The source program deck should be kept current as well. Whenever a change or correction is noted, the source card should be prepared and inserted in the program deck. The same procedures, of listing and checking the source cards, should be followed for re-assembly as for a first assembly.

Figure 1 : PROGRAMMER'S CHECK LIST

1. Are the cards in the correct sequence?
2. Is the format of the STRT card correct?
3. Are any names repeated?
4. Does the first instruction to be executed have a name?
5. Does each name used as an operand field specification match a name used in a name field?
6. Are any names in the name field unused? Why?
7. Are operand specifications separated by commas?
8. Are lengths enclosed in parentheses?
9. Are lengths correctly specified according to the data fields which enter the operations?
10. Are increments and decrements to data field references correctly computed?
11. Does data format agree with the expected format for the instructions which process it?
12. Are definition statements entirely separate from the sequence of executable instructions? Are there jumps around any included data or store definitions?
13. Are there any internal code or system dependencies? Why?
14. Are logical sections of the program separated for checking?
15. Are there test output operations included?
16. Are required operator messages included? Are they clear? Is operator intervention really required?
17. Are all indicator tests properly placed?
18. Are input/output operations tested for error? end of file?
19. Are there sufficient comments?
20. Are all subroutines present?
21. Is the END card correct?

APPENDIX C

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BINARY NOTATION

Digital computers store information in the form of on-or-off conditions of electronic devices such as vacuum tubes, transistors, or magnetic cores. The fact that each of these devices can record only two states or conditions naturally gives rise to binary notation for expressing the values. In binary notation two values (0 or 1) may be expressed by each digit, just as in decimal notation ten digit values (0 to 9) are possible.

Binary notation uses the base 2 just as standard decimal notation uses the base ten. That is, if 115 in decimal notation means

$$1 \times 10^2 + 1 \times 10^1 + 5 \times 10^0$$

the same value expressed in binary as 1110011 means

$$1 \times 2^6 + 1 \times 2^5 + 1 \times 2^4 + 0 \times 2^3 + 0 \times 2^2 + 1 \times 2^1 + 1 \times 2^0.$$

Thus,

$$1110011_2 = 115_{10}.$$

The binary equivalents of the digits 0 to 9 using 4 binary digits are:

Decimal	Binary
0	0000
1	0001
2	0010
3	0011
4	0100
5	0101
6	0110
7	0111
8	1000
9	1001

Binary addition and subtraction are performed as shown below :

0	0	1	1	10	11
<u>+ 0</u>	<u>+ 1</u>	<u>+ 0</u>	<u>+ 1</u>	<u>+ 1</u>	<u>+ 1</u>
0	1	1	10	11	100
0	0	1	1	10	11
<u>- 0</u>	<u>- 1</u>	<u>- 0</u>	<u>- 1</u>	<u>- 1</u>	<u>- 1</u>
0	- 1	1	0	1	10

$ \begin{array}{r} 0011 \text{ (=3)} \\ + 0011 \text{ (=3)} \\ \hline \text{carries } 0110 \text{ (=6)} \\ \\ \text{Borrows} \\ 11010 \text{ (=26)} \\ - 01100 \text{ (=12)} \\ \hline 01110 \text{ (=14)} \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{r} 101110 \text{ (=46)} \\ + 10100 \text{ (=20)} \\ \hline 1000010 \text{ (=66)} \text{ carries} \\ \\ \text{Borrows} \\ 10110101 \text{ (=181)} \\ - 01101100 \text{ (=108)} \\ \hline 01001001 \text{ (= 73)} \end{array} $
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Decimal values are not always translated into pure binary when stored in or operated upon by a computer. Frequently, a fixed number of bits is used to express each decimal digit. If four bits are used for each digit, the value 115 can be represented as

	DIGIT 1	DIGIT 2	DIGIT 3
bit pattern	0001	0001	0101
decimal value	1	1	5

Four bits permit values from 0 to 15 to be expressed. While these 16 distinct values are more than enough to express the 10 decimal digits, they are not sufficient to give distinct representation to each alphabetic character. The GE-115 Information Processing System uses eight bits, which have 2^8 or 256 possible configurations, to represent the 10 digits, 26 letters, and other characters, as well as pure binary values from 0 to 255.

APPENDIX D

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HEXADECIMAL -TO - DECIMAL CONVERSION CHART

The table in this appendix may be used for conversion of hexadecimal to decimal numbers, and vice versa, in the following ranges :

Hexadecimal Decimal
000....FFF 0000....4095

For numbers outside these ranges, add hexadecimal 1000 or decimal 4096 to the table figures.

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
00	0000	0001	0002	0003	0004	0005	0006	0007	0008	0009	0010	0011	0012	0013	0014	0015
01	0016	0017	0018	0019	0020	0021	0022	0023	0024	0025	0026	0027	0028	0029	0030	0031
02	0032	0033	0034	0035	0036	0037	0038	0039	0040	0041	0042	0043	0044	0045	0046	0047
03	0048	0049	0050	0051	0052	0053	0054	0055	0056	0057	0058	0059	0060	0061	0062	0063
04	0064	0065	0066	0067	0068	0069	0070	0071	0072	0073	0074	0075	0076	0077	0078	0079
05	0080	0081	0082	0083	0084	0085	0086	0087	0088	0089	0090	0091	0092	0093	0094	0095
06	0096	0097	0098	0099	0100	0101	0102	0103	0104	0105	0106	0107	0108	0109	0110	0111
07	0112	0113	0114	0115	0116	0117	0118	0119	0120	0121	0122	0123	0124	0125	0126	0127
08	0128	0129	0130	0131	0132	0133	0134	0135	0136	0137	0138	0139	0140	0141	0142	0143
09	0144	0145	0146	0147	0148	0149	0150	0151	0152	0153	0154	0155	0156	0157	0158	0159
0A	0160	0161	0162	0163	0164	0165	0166	0167	0168	0169	0170	0171	0172	0173	0174	0175
0B	0176	0177	0178	0179	0180	0181	0182	0183	0184	0185	0186	0187	0188	0189	0190	0191
0C	0192	0193	0194	0195	0196	0197	0198	0199	0200	0201	0202	0203	0204	0205	0206	0207
0D	0208	0209	0210	0211	0212	0213	0214	0215	0216	0217	0218	0219	0220	0221	0222	0223
0E	0224	0225	0226	0227	0228	0229	0230	0231	0232	0233	0234	0235	0236	0237	0238	0239
0F	0240	0241	0242	0243	0244	0245	0246	0247	0248	0249	0250	0251	0252	0253	0254	0255
10	0256	0257	0258	0259	0260	0261	0262	0263	0264	0265	0266	0267	0268	0269	0270	0271
11	0272	0273	0274	0275	0276	0277	0278	0279	0280	0281	0282	0283	0284	0285	0286	0287
12	0288	0289	0290	0291	0292	0293	0294	0295	0296	0297	0298	0299	0300	0301	0302	0303
13	0304	0305	0306	0307	0308	0309	0310	0311	0312	0313	0314	0315	0316	0317	0318	0319
14	0320	0321	0322	0323	0324	0325	0326	0327	0328	0329	0330	0331	0332	0333	0334	0335
15	0336	0337	0338	0339	0340	0341	0342	0343	0344	0345	0346	0347	0348	0349	0350	0351
16	0352	0353	0354	0355	0356	0357	0358	0359	0360	0361	0362	0363	0364	0365	0366	0367
17	0368	0369	0370	0371	0372	0373	0374	0375	0376	0377	0378	0379	0380	0381	0382	0383
18	0384	0385	0386	0387	0388	0389	0390	0391	0392	0393	0394	0395	0396	0397	0398	0399
19	0400	0401	0402	0403	0404	0405	0406	0407	0408	0409	0410	0411	0412	0413	0414	0415
1A	0416	0417	0418	0419	0420	0421	0422	0423	0424	0425	0426	0427	0428	0429	0430	0431
1B	0432	0433	0434	0435	0436	0437	0438	0439	0440	0441	0442	0443	0444	0445	0446	0447
1C	0448	0449	0450	0451	0452	0453	0454	0455	0456	0457	0458	0459	0460	0461	0462	0463
1D	0464	0465	0466	0467	0468	0469	0470	0471	0472	0473	0474	0475	0476	0477	0478	0479
1E	0480	0481	0482	0483	0484	0485	0486	0487	0488	0489	0490	0491	0492	0493	0494	0495
1F	0496	0497	0498	0499	0500	0501	0502	0503	0504	0505	0506	0507	0508	0509	0510	0511

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
20	0512	0513	0514	0515	0516	0517	0518	0519	0520	0521	0522	0523	0524	0525	0526	0527
21	0528	0529	0530	0531	0532	0533	0534	0535	0536	0537	0538	0539	0540	0541	0542	0543
22	0544	0545	0546	0547	0548	0549	0550	0551	0552	0553	0554	0555	0556	0557	0558	0559
23	0560	0561	0562	0563	0564	0565	0566	0567	0568	0569	0570	0571	0572	0573	0574	0575
24	0576	0577	0578	0579	0580	0581	0582	0583	0584	0585	0586	0587	0588	0589	0590	0591
25	0592	0593	0594	0595	0596	0597	0598	0599	0600	0601	0602	0603	0604	0605	0606	0607
26	0608	0609	0610	0611	0612	0613	0614	0615	0616	0617	0618	0619	0620	0621	0622	0623
27	0624	0625	0626	0627	0628	0629	0630	0631	0632	0633	0634	0635	0636	0637	0638	0639
28	0640	0641	0642	0643	0644	0645	0646	0647	0648	0649	0650	0651	0652	0653	0654	0655
29	0656	0657	0658	0659	0660	0661	0662	0663	0664	0665	0666	0667	0668	0669	0670	0671
2A	0672	0673	0674	0675	0676	0677	0678	0679	0680	0681	0682	0683	0684	0685	0686	0687
2B	0688	0689	0690	0691	0692	0693	0694	0695	0696	0697	0698	0699	0700	0701	0702	0703
2C	0704	0705	0706	0707	0708	0709	0710	0711	0712	0713	0714	0715	0716	0717	0718	0719
2D	0720	0721	0722	0723	0724	0725	0726	0727	0728	0729	0730	0731	0732	0733	0734	0735
2E	0736	0737	0738	0739	0740	0741	0742	0743	0744	0745	0746	0747	0748	0749	0750	0751
2F	0752	0753	0754	0755	0756	0757	0758	0759	0760	0761	0762	0763	0764	0765	0766	0767
30	0768	0769	0770	0771	0772	0773	0774	0775	0776	0777	0778	0779	0780	0781	0782	0783
31	0784	0785	0786	0787	0788	0789	0790	0791	0792	0793	0794	0795	0796	0797	0798	0799
32	0800	0801	0802	0803	0804	0805	0806	0807	0808	0809	0810	0811	0812	0813	0814	0815
33	0816	0817	0818	0819	0820	0821	0822	0823	0824	0825	0826	0827	0828	0829	0830	0831
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35	0848	0849	0850	0851	0852	0853	0854	0855	0856	0857	0858	0859	0860	0861	0862	0863
36	0864	0865	0866	0867	0868	0869	0870	0871	0872	0873	0874	0875	0876	0877	0878	0879
37	0880	0881	0882	0883	0884	0885	0886	0887	0888	0889	0890	0891	0892	0893	0894	0895
38	0896	0897	0898	0899	0900	0901	0902	0903	0904	0905	0906	0907	0908	0909	0910	0911
39	0912	0913	0914	0915	0916	0917	0918	0919	0920	0921	0922	0923	0924	0925	0926	0927
3A	0928	0929	0930	0931	0932	0933	0934	0935	0936	0937	0938	0939	0940	0941	0942	0943
3B	0944	0945	0946	0947	0948	0949	0950	0951	0952	0953	0954	0955	0956	0957	0958	0959
3C	0960	0961	0962	0963	0964	0965	0966	0967	0968	0969	0970	0971	0972	0973	0974	0975
3D	0976	0977	0978	0979	0980	0981	0982	0983	0984	0985	0986	0987	0988	0989	0990	0991
3E	0992	0993	0994	0995	0996	0997	0998	0999	1000	1001	1002	1003	1004	1005	1006	1007
3F	1008	1009	1010	1011	1012	1013	1014	1015	1016	1017	1018	1019	1020	1021	1022	1023
40	1024	1025	1026	1027	1028	1029	1030	1031	1032	1033	1034	1035	1036	1037	1038	1039
41	1040	1041	1042	1043	1044	1045	1046	1047	1048	1049	1050	1051	1052	1053	1054	1055
42	1056	1057	1058	1059	1060	1061	1062	1063	1064	1065	1066	1067	1068	1069	1070	1071
43	1072	1073	1074	1075	1076	1077	1078	1079	1080	1081	1082	1083	1084	1085	1086	1087
44	1088	1089	1090	1091	1092	1093	1094	1095	1096	1097	1098	1099	1100	1101	1102	1103
45	1104	1105	1106	1107	1108	1109	1110	1111	1112	1113	1114	1115	1116	1117	1118	1119
46	1120	1121	1122	1123	1124	1125	1126	1127	1128	1129	1130	1131	1132	1133	1134	1135
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