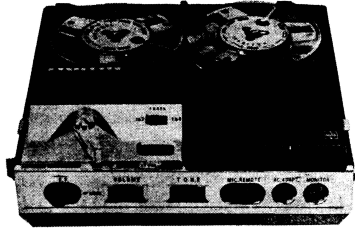


# NATIONAL TAPE RECORDER SERVICE NOTE



**MODEL RQ-116**

## SPECIFICATIONS

<b>Power source:</b>	12 penlight dry cells UM3 9V (6 cells parallel)
<b>Rated output:</b>	500 mW (700 mW maximum)
<b>Tracks:</b>	4 Track
<b>Transistors:</b>	2SB172D (1) 2SB173B (1) 2SB175B (2) 2SB178D (2)
<b>Recording system:</b>	AC bias
<b>Erasing system:</b>	DC erasure
<b>Tape speeds:</b>	3 3/4 ips. (9.5 cm/sec), 1 1/2 ips. (4.75 cm/sec).
<b>Record/playback time:</b>	30 min. at 3 3/4 ips., 60 min. at 1 1/2 ips. with 3" (300ft.) tape.
<b>Fast forward time:</b>	Less than 7 min.
<b>Frequency response:</b>	100-7,000 c/s at 3 3/4 ips. 100-4,000 c/s at 1 1/2 ips.
<b>Recording level indicator:</b>	Level meter
<b>Input impedance:</b>	30 K $\Omega$ unbalanced
<b>Output impedance:</b>	8 $\Omega$ unbalanced
<b>Wow and Flutter:</b>	3 3/4 ips.....less than 0.7 %
<b>Dry cells life:</b>	7 hours (continuous use)
<b>Speaker:</b>	3 1/2" (8 cm) permanent dynamic
<b>Dimensions:</b>	7 3/4" x 2 1/2" x 7 3/8" (197x65x182 mm)
<b>Weight:</b>	4 1/2 lbs. (1.8 kg.....cells not included)

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## FUNCTIONAL PARTS

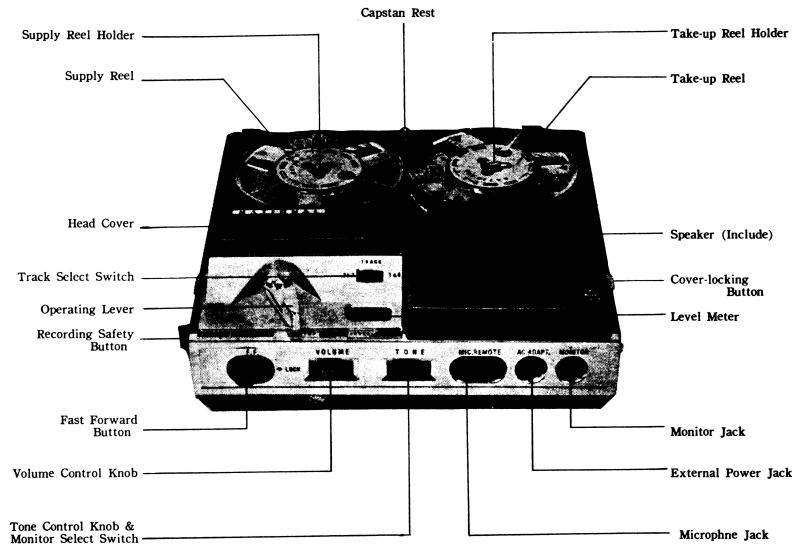


Fig. 1

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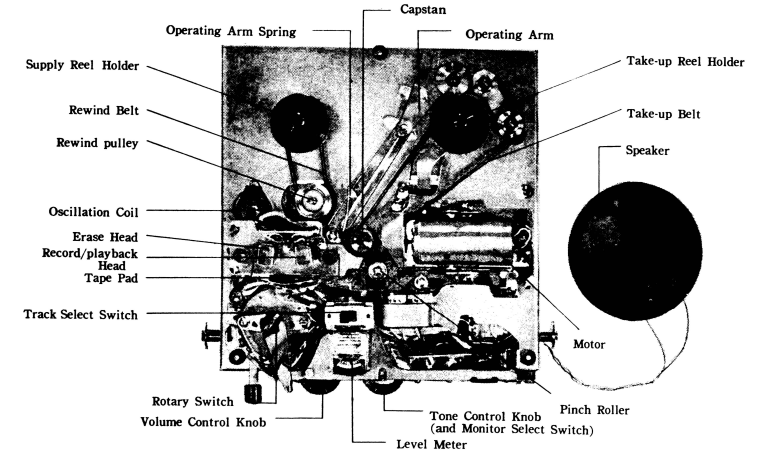
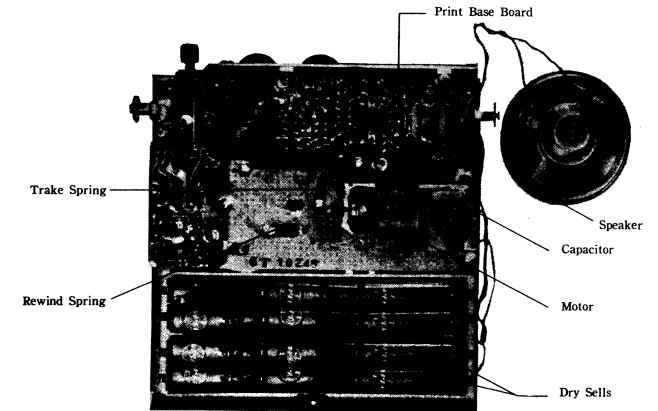


Fig. 2



## HINTS FOR ADJUSTMENT

### Adjustment of Functional Parts

As the adjustment of functional details according to numerical values is practically not easy, determine it by watching actual performances of each part. Balance of capstan and pressure of pads affect the performances of tape-recorder and tape, and shall be carefully conditioned.

### Balance of Capstan and Pinch Roller

When balance is lost, it will result in irregular traveling of or even stretching of one edge of tape. Adjust as shown so that capstan and pinch roller are maintained in a close and parallel contact.

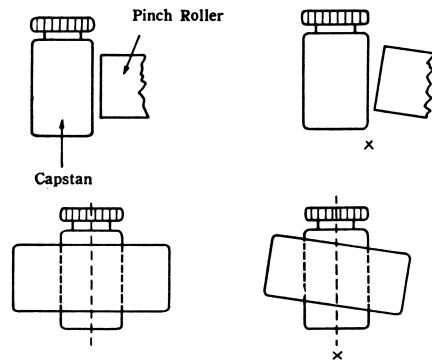


Fig. 9

### Winding Torque for Playback

#### Measurement

- Form a loop at the end of No. 3 Tape by sticking tape end with adhesive tape and place the reel on take-up reel holder as shown Fig. 12.
- Hook Tension Gauge, 50g on the loop at the end of tape.
- Set the unit in playback or record mode.
- Let take-up reel pull Tension Gauge.
- Read the gauge where it ceases to swing. (Repeat several times)
- Normal torque shall be 6-14g for No. 3 Tape, fully wound up.

#### Adjustment

(Adjust with Friction Spring as shown Fig. 12)  
If tension is insufficient, bend strongly the Friction Spring, and if too strong, stretch the Spring in the whole length.

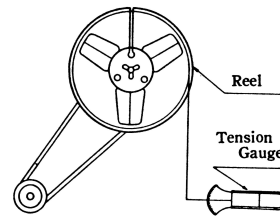


Fig. 10

### Winding Torque for Fast Forward (Fig. 12)

#### Measurement

Measure in a manner similar to playback (Measure the unit in F.F. mode). Normal winding torque in fast forward mode shall be over 20g for No. 3 Tape, fully wound up.

#### Adjustment

Adjust with the pressure degree of supply reel holder to F.F. roller.

### Winding Torque for Rewind

#### Measurement

Measure in manner similar to playback, but the unit in rewind mode..  
Normal torque shall be over 20g for No. 3 Tape, fully wound up.

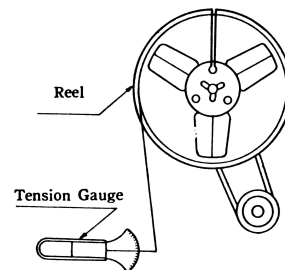


Fig. 11

### Pressure of Tape Pads

#### Measurement

- Set the unit playback mode.
- Read the gauge where Tape Pads are released.
- Normal pressure shall be 8-18g.

### Positions of Heads

With tape in Record or Playback mode, pull forward pressure pad and adjust the level of the Head so that tape will be positioned in relationship to the Head as per the diagram above.

If the level of Head core is too low, lift the Head by inserting spacers underneath.

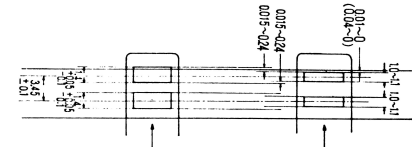


Fig. 12

### Angle of Record/Playback Head

Thread the standard alignment tape on the recorder, playback signal (3000 c/s at 3 3/4 ips) on the tape, and adjust the screw (1) of the head mounting plate for the proper position which will produce maximum output.

After completion of head adjustment the relative positions of head core and tape shall be as shown below.

In case standard alignment tape is unavailable record a signal on tape with a reliable recorder and play it back, adjusting by hearing the head alignment so as to obtain maximum output.

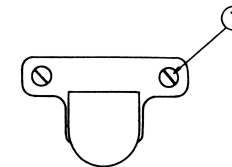


Fig. 13

### Record Bias

A.C. bias system is employed for this tape-recorder, so that when replacing heads, oscillation transformer or transistors on oscillation circuit, etc., readjustment of bias must be made. Adjust it according to the illustration below:

Bias Current	0.7 mA
Bias Frequency	20-30 kc (25 kc desirable)

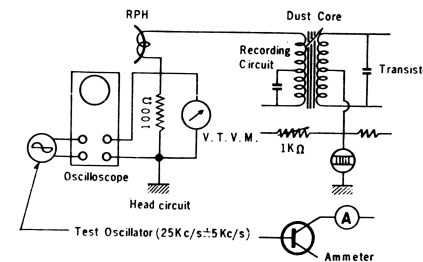


Fig. 14

### Adjust Frequency

- Connect an oscilloscope (pre-adjusted to sync at approximately 25 kc) across a 100 ohm 5% resistor, placed in series with the record head.
- Adjust core of oscillator coil to approximately 25 kc as indicated on oscilloscope.

### Head Current

- Connect a VTVM across a 100 ohm 5% resistor placed in series with the record head.
- Adjust the 1k ohm variable resistor, so that the VTVM reads within the range of 40-70 millivolts. (Current 0.4-0.7 mA.)

### Oscillator Transistor Current

Connect a milli-ammeter in series with the collector. Current must not exceed 0.9 mA. Adjust 1k ohm variable resistor for 0.9 mA reading on the milliammeter. The circuit is so designed that 0.9 mA collector current will produce a bias current of 0.7 mA.

### Erase Current

Normally, 4-6 mA DC will flow through the erase head (Fig. 17). When replacing the erase head, observe polarity.

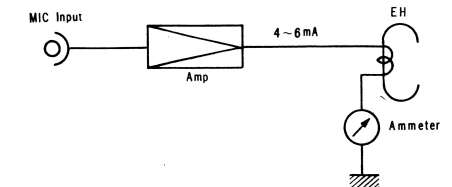


Fig. 15

### Recording Level

The level meter indicates the recording level. Should the level meter fail to indicate the correct range of current in the record head, distortion due to over-modulation, or poor Signal to Noise ratio due to under-modulation, may occur. To test level meter, a VTVM and a 1000 cps oscillator is used.

- Connect a VTVM across a 100 ohm 5% resistor in series with the record head.
- Introduce a 1000 cps signal into the microphone jack.
- The level meter should indicate "O" at a current flow of 40 μA through the record head.

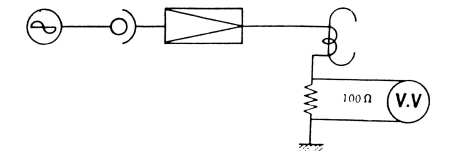


Fig. 16



## TO TAKE APART MAIN PARTS

### Mechanism and Case

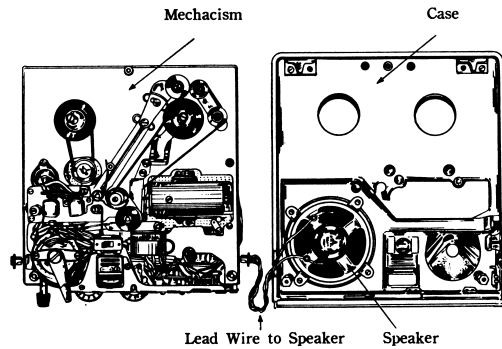


Fig. 19

### Arrangement of Main Parts

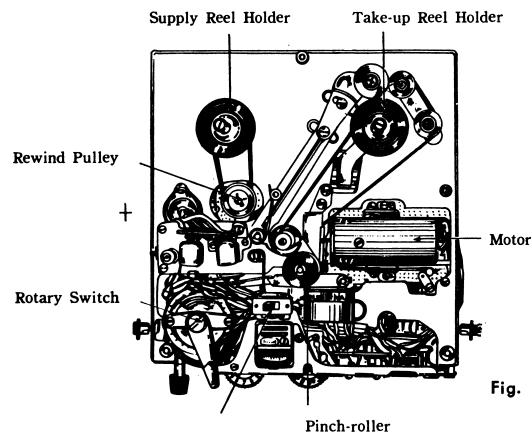


Fig. 20

### Pinch-roller

1. Take off Pinch-roller spring and pull out pinch roller.

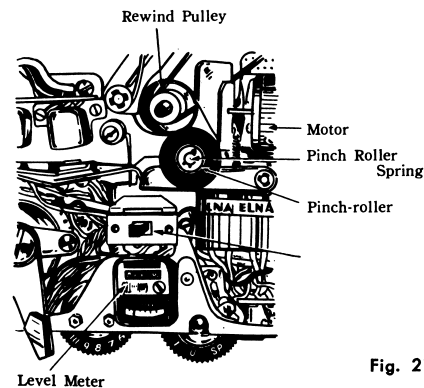


Fig. 21

### Supply Reel Holder

1. Remove screw on Reel Holder taking care not to damage the screw, also remove Reel Holder Spring.
2. Remove Rubber belt, connecting with Rewind Pulley.
3. Pull out Reel Holder.

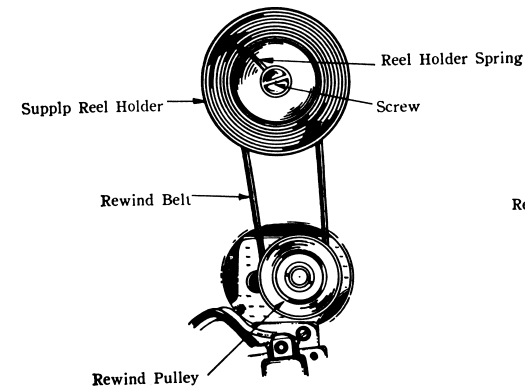


Fig. 22

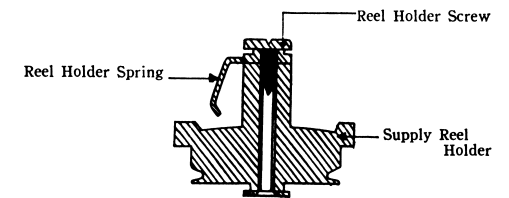


Fig. 23

### Take-up Reel Holder (Same as the case of Supply Reel Holder above)

Take apart the Take-up Reel Holder as bellow condition.

1. When adjusting the pressure of Reel pressing spring.
2. When friction washer is oiled or soiled it has to be removed for cleaning.  
Friction washer shall be removed as follows:
  - a. Remove holding ring.
  - b. Remove friction spring.
  - c. Remove Reel Pulley.
  - d. Remove friction washer.

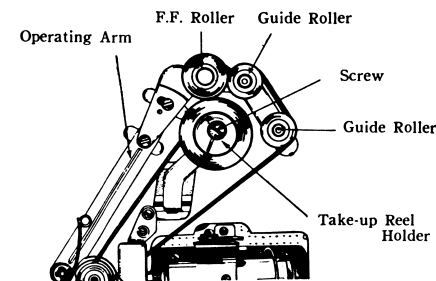


Fig. 24

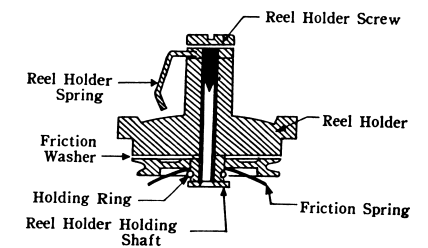
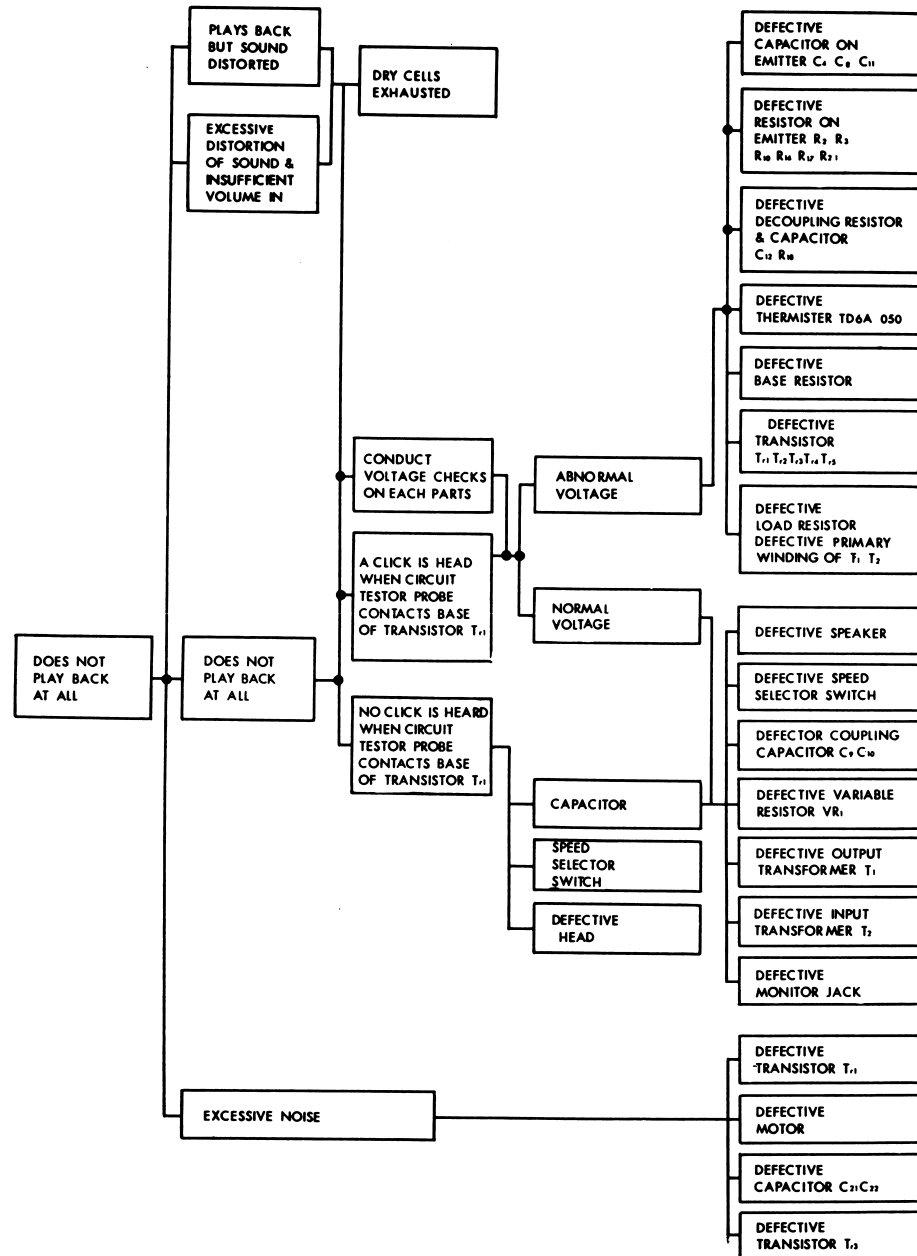


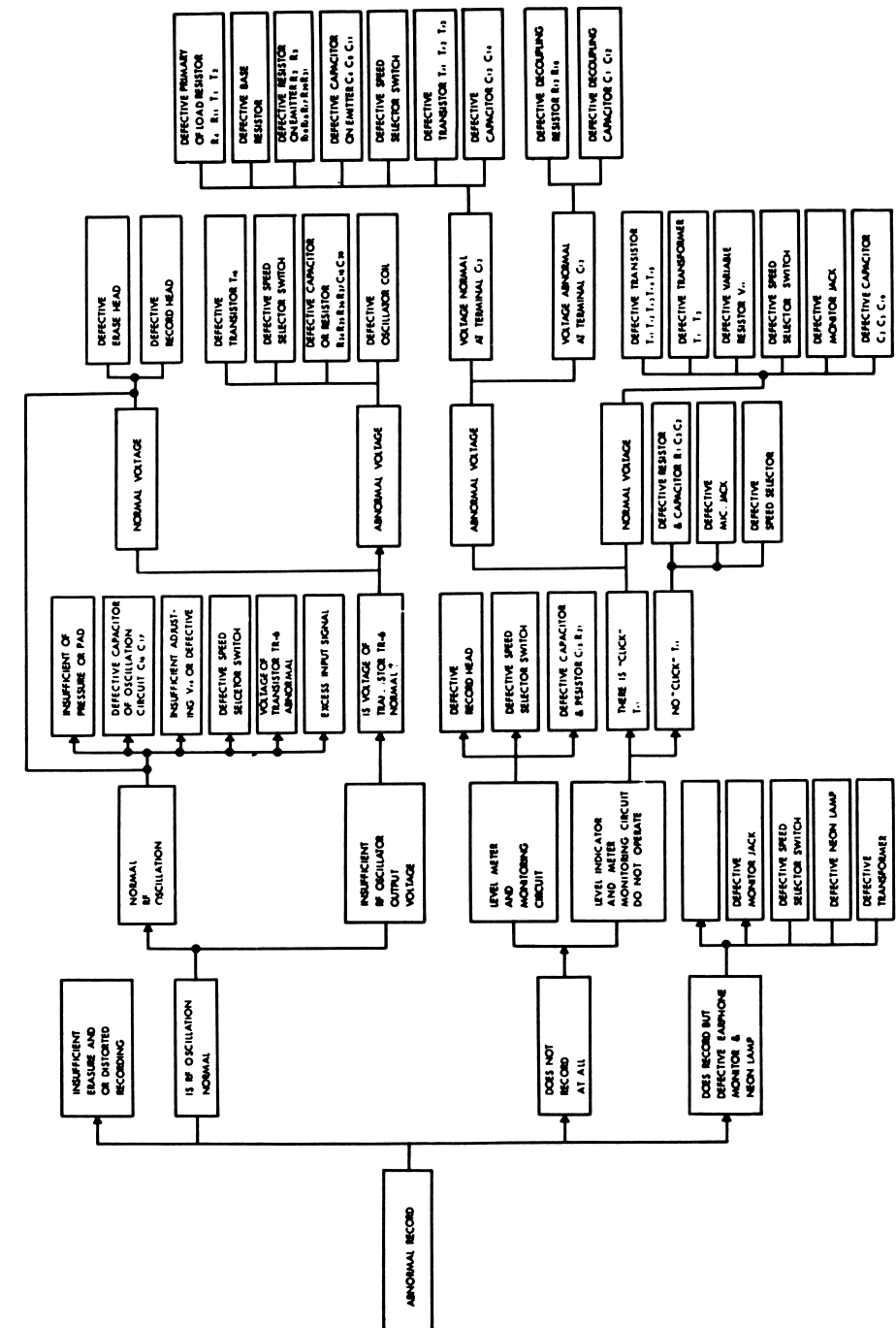
Fig. 25



## NO PLAYBACK



## ABNORMAL RECORDING CIRCUIT



M174 Spring Washer for Capacitor Mounting Board 2 $\phi$   
M175 Spring Washer for Adaptor Jack 2 $\phi$   
M176 Nut for Adaptor Jack 2 $\phi$   
M177 Main Print Base Board  
M178 Print Base Board Spacer  
M179 Screw for Print Base Board 2.6 $\times$ 4 Round Head  
M180 Screw for Print Base Board 2.6 $\times$ 8 Round Head  
M181 Spring Washer for Print Base Board 2.6 $\phi$   
M182 Spring Washer for Print Base Board 2.6 $\phi$   
M183 Fiber Washer for Print Base Board 0.5 $\times$ 2.6 $\times$ 6  
M184 Fiber Washer for Print Base Board 0.5 $\times$ 2.6 $\times$ 6  
M185 52 Holder

R 1 Carbon Film Resistor Rb1/6 RNZK 22K $\Omega$  ( $\pm 10\%$ )  
R 2 " " 12K $\Omega$  "  
R 3 " " 120 $\Omega$  "  
R 4 " " 10K $\Omega$  "  
R 5 " " 200 $\Omega$  "  
R 6 " " 2.7K $\Omega$  "  
R 7 " " 1.2K $\Omega$  "  
R 8 " " 33K $\Omega$  "  
R 9 " " 100K $\Omega$  "  
R10 " " 2.2K $\Omega$  "  
R11 " " 2.7K $\Omega$  "  
R12 " " 1.2K $\Omega$  "  
R13 " " 820 $\Omega$  "  
R14 " " 47K $\Omega$  "  
R15 " " 10K $\Omega$  "  
R16 " " 560 $\Omega$  "  
R17 " " 8.2 $\Omega$  "  
R18 " " 270 $\Omega$  "  
R19 " " 820 $\Omega$  "  
R20 " " 150 $\Omega$  "  
R21 " " 2.2 $\Omega$  "  
R22 " " 100K $\Omega$  "  
R23 " " 47K $\Omega$  "  
R24 " " 100K $\Omega$  "  
R25 " " 6.8K $\Omega$  "  
R26 " Rb1/4LZK 4.7 $\Omega$  "  
R27 " Rb1/6RNYJ 1.2K $\Omega$  ( $\pm 5\%$ )  
R28 " 10 $\Omega$  ( $\pm 10\%$ )  
R29 " 50K $\Omega$   
R30 " 270K $\Omega$   
R31 " 200 $\Omega$  ( $\pm 10\%$ )

C 1 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 10V 50 $\mu$ F  
C 2 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 10V 1 $\mu$ F  
C 3 Myler Capacitor MV 820PF  
C 4 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 6V 30 $\mu$ F  
C 5 Myler Capacitor MV 0.05 $\mu$ F  
C 6 Myler Capacitor MV 0.05 $\mu$ F  
C 7 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 10V 10 $\mu$ F  
C 8 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 6V 30 $\mu$ F  
C 9 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 10V 10 $\mu$ F  
C10 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 10V 10 $\mu$ F  
C11 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 6V 50 $\mu$ F  
C12 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 10V 50 $\mu$ F

C13 Myler Capacitor JV 0.01 $\mu$ F  
C14 Myler Capacitor JV 0.01 $\mu$ F  
C15 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 10V 1 $\mu$ F  
C16 Myler Capacitor MV 820PF  
C17 Myler Capacitor JL 0.002 $\mu$ F  
C18 Myler Capacitor JV 0.02 $\mu$ F  
C19 Myler Capacitor JV 0.005 $\mu$ F  
C20 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 10V 10 $\mu$ F  
C21 Electrolytic Capacitor NCC 6V 30 $\mu$ F  
C22 Electrolytic Capacitor NCT 12V 200 $\mu$ F  
C23 Electrolytic Capacitor NCA 12V 200 $\mu$ F  
C24 Oil Capacitor 10V 10 $\mu$ F

E 1 Record/Playback Head SHL-333  
E 2 Erase Head EHL-113  
E 3 Motor  
E 4 Speaker P-346S  
E 5 Level Meter V-20331

T 1 Input Transformer PIL-1  
T 2 Output Transformer POU-1  
T 3 Filter Coil TCL-1 PCL-1  
T 4 Oscillation Transformer

Tr 1 Transistor 2SB 173B  
Tr 2 " 2SB 175A  
Tr 3 " 2SB 175A  
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Tr 5 " 2SB 178D  
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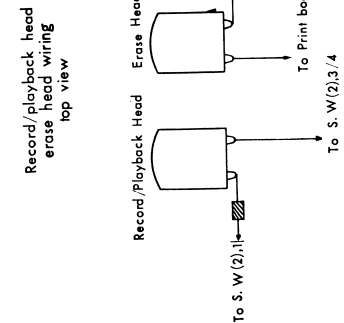
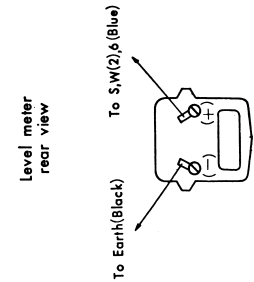
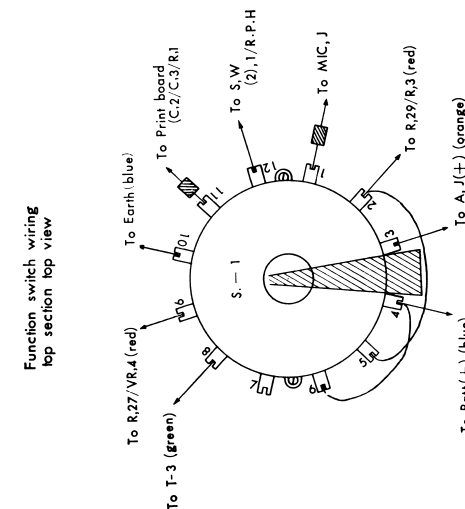
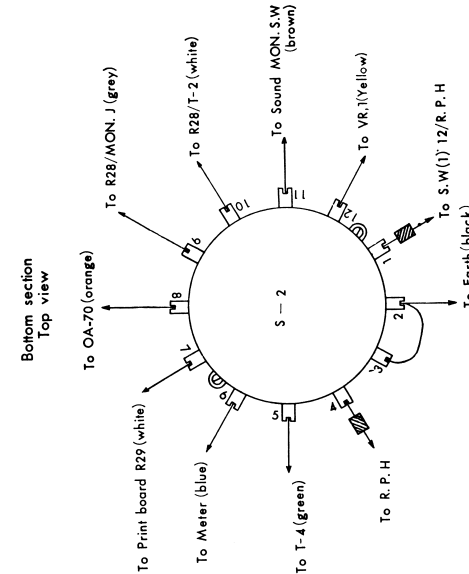
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Thermister MT 25

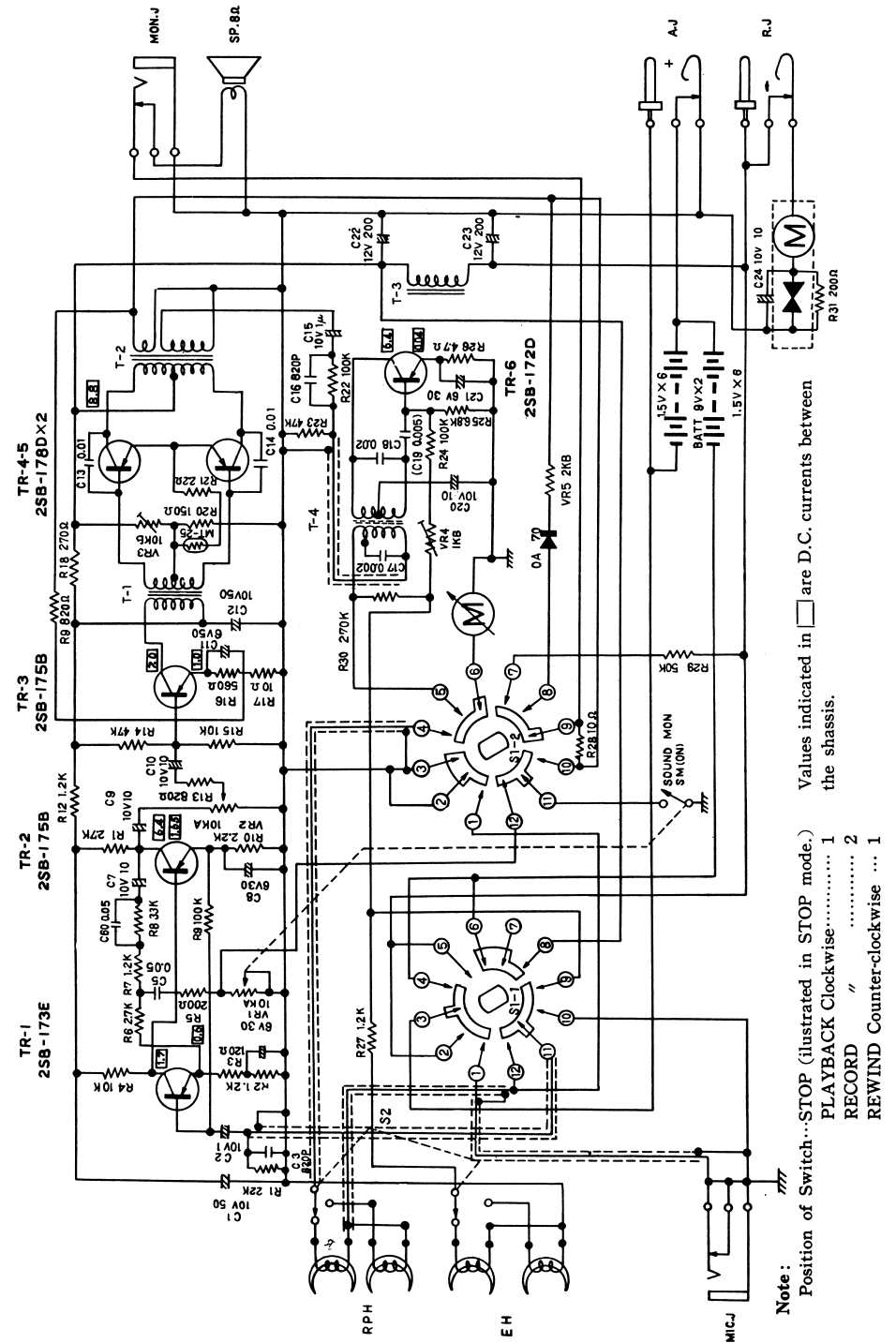
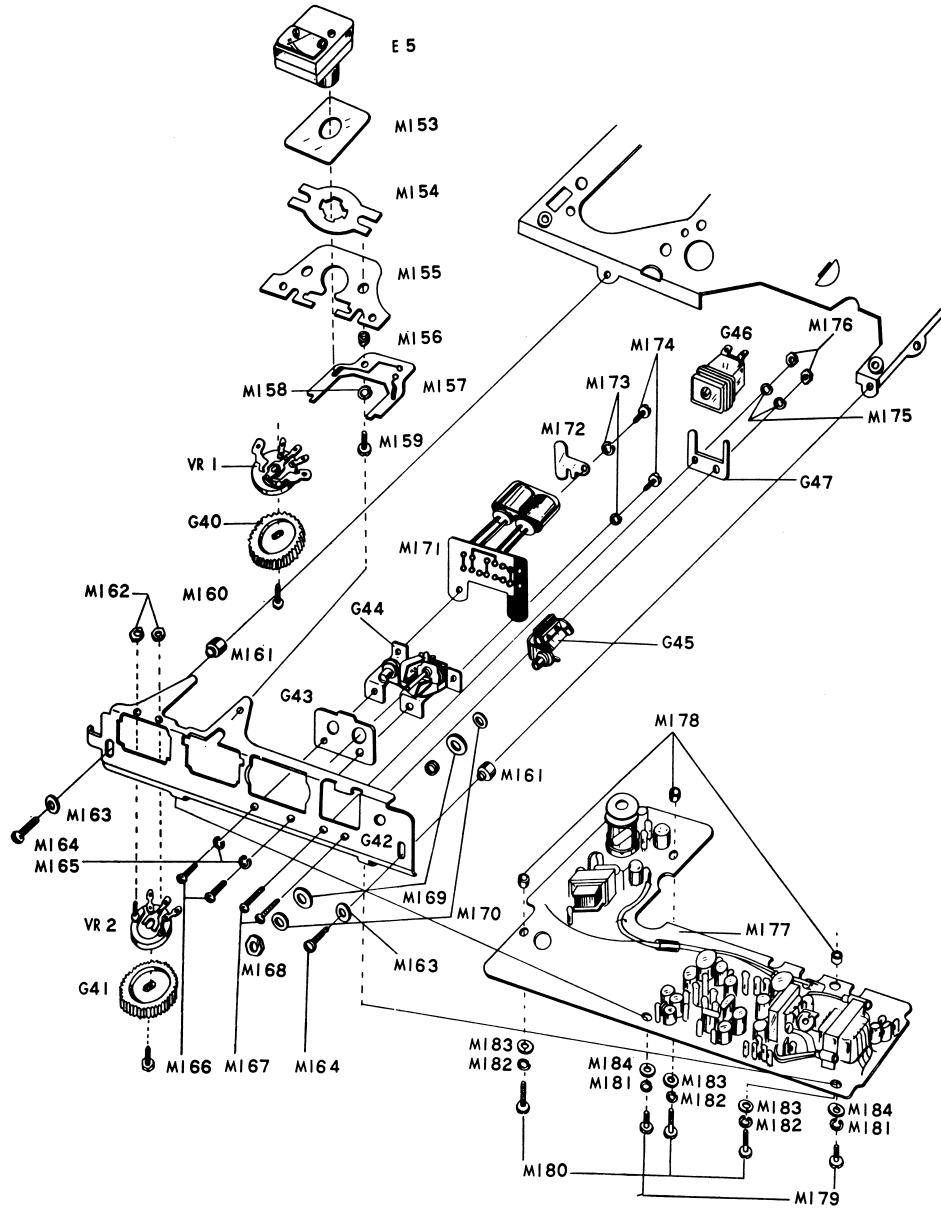
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VR 2 Variable Resistor NV16 10KA  
VR 3 Semi-Fixed Variable Resistor 10K $\Omega$   
VR 4 Semi-Fixed Variable Resistor 1K $\Omega$   
VR 5 Semi-Fixed Variable Resistor 2K $\Omega$

S 1 Rotary Switch  
S 2 Slide Switch

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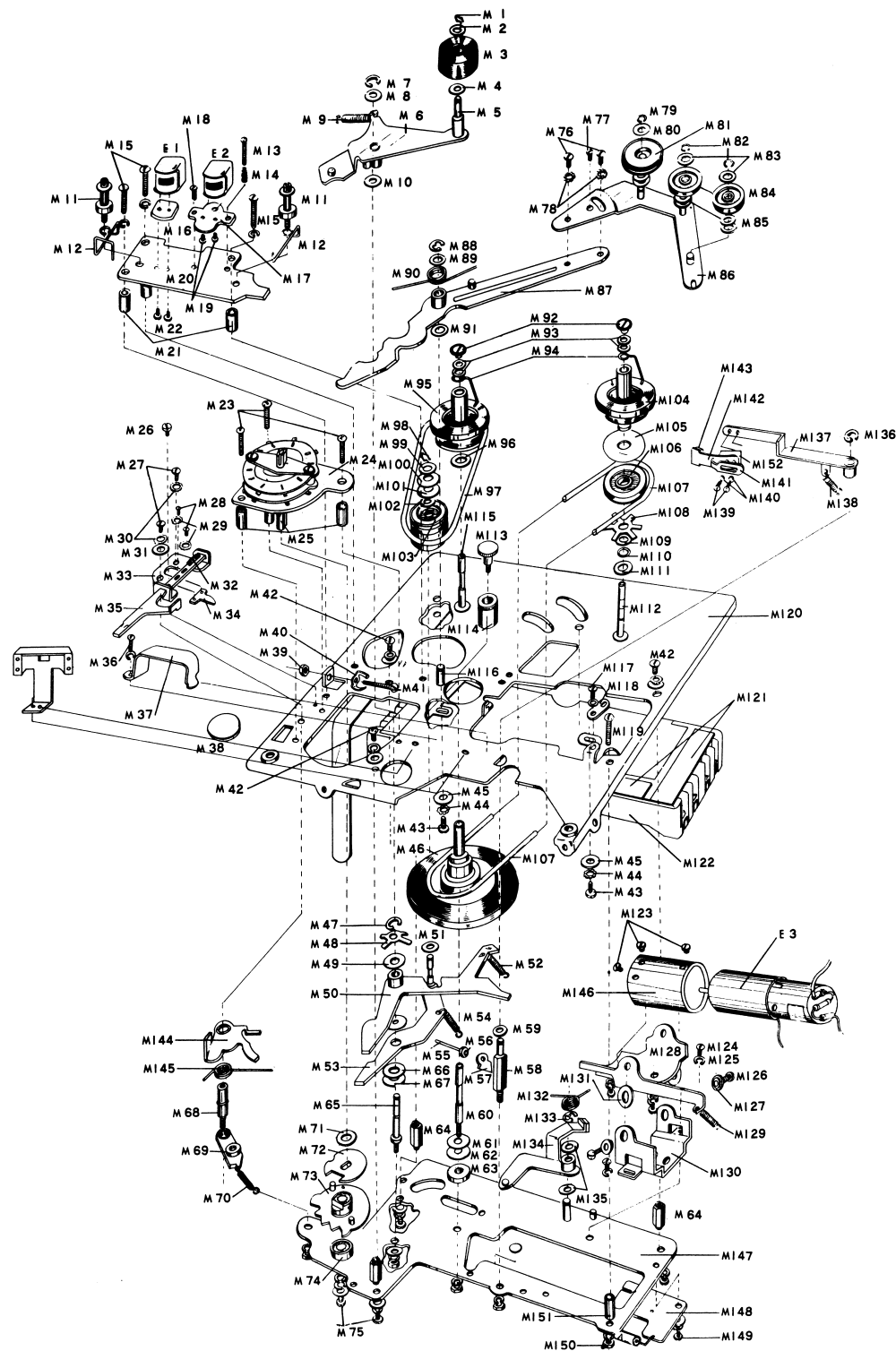
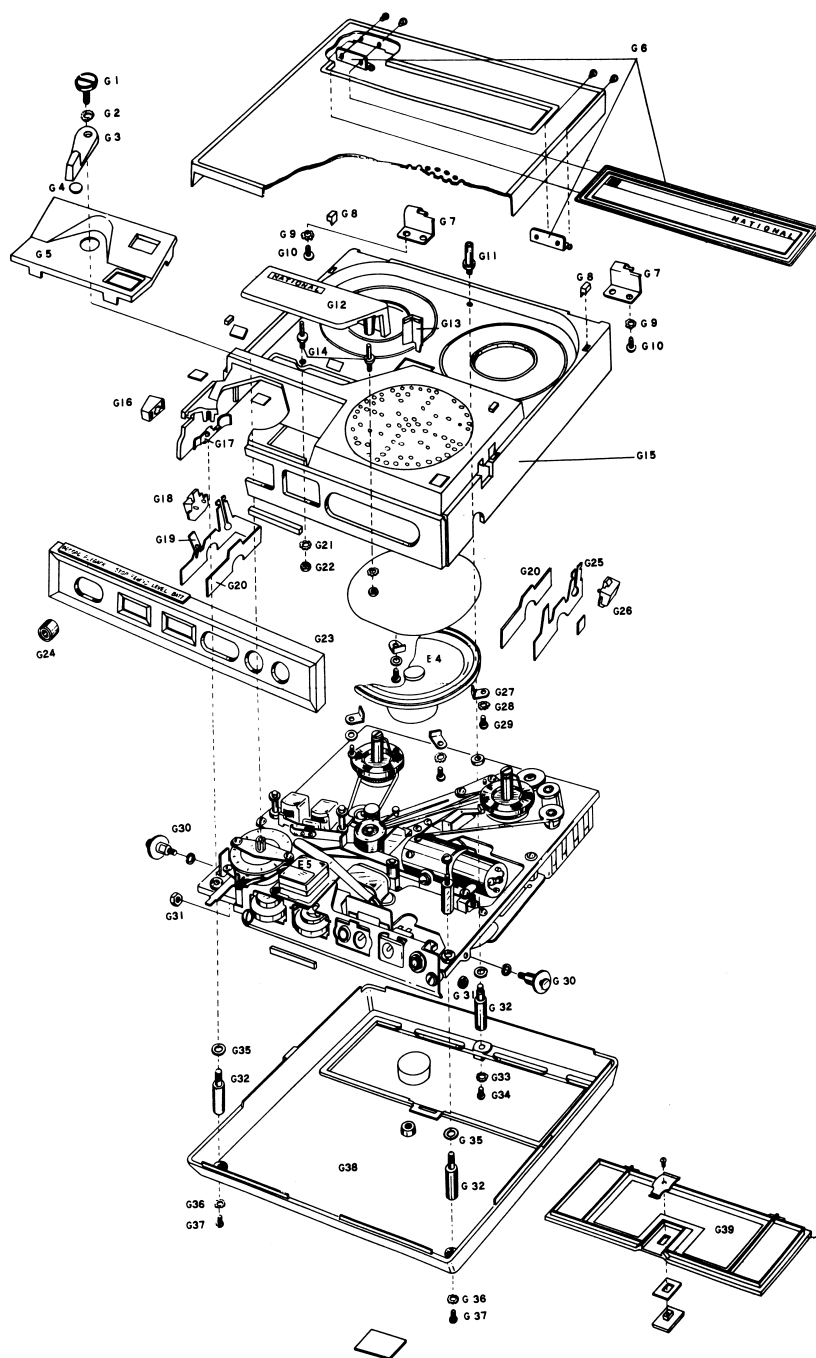




Note: Position of Switch...STOP (illustrated in STOP mode.)  
 PLAYBACK Clockwise..... 1  
 RECORD " "..... 2  
 REWIND Counter-clockwise ... 1

Values indicated in   are D.C. currents between the shassis.

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## REPLACEMENT PARTS

G 1 Screw For Operating Lever  
 G 2 Lock Washer 3.6φ  
 G 3 Operating Lever  
 G 4 Operating Lever Felt  
 G 5 Meter Panel  
 G 6 Cabinet Case A (Assembly)  
 G 7 Cabinet Case Hinge  
 G 8 Rubber Cushion (Large)  
 G 9 Lock Washer 3φ  
 G10 Screw 3φ Round Head  
 G11 Capstan Rest  
 G12 Head Cover  
 G13 Tape Slider  
 G14 Head Cover Plug  
 G15 Cabinet Case B  
 G16 Recording Safety Button  
 G17 Record Lock Lever  
 G18 Lock (Left)  
 G19 Lock Spring (Left)  
 G20 Lock Spring Plate  
 G21 Lock Washer 2.6φ  
 G22 Nut 2.6φ  
 G23 Front Panel  
 G24 F.F. Button  
 G25 Lock Spring (Right)  
 G26 Lock (Right)  
 G27 Speaker Mounting Metal  
 G28 Lock Washer 2.6φ  
 G29 Speaker Mounting Screw 2.6×4 Round Head  
 G80 Band Hook Metal  
 G31 Nut For Band Hook Metal  
 G32 Chassis Pole (Round)  
 G33 Lock Washer 2.6φ  
 G34 Screw 2.6×8 Round Head  
 G35 Washer 3φ  
 G36 Lock Washer 2.6φ  
 G37 Screw 2.6×8 Round Head  
 G38 Cabinet Case C  
 G39 Cells Box Cover (Assembly)  
 G40 Tone Control Knob  
 G41 Volume Control Knob  
 G42 Control Board  
 G43 Conceal Plate for Jack  
 G44 MIC Remote Jack  
 G45 Monitor Jack  
 G46 Adaptor Jack  
 G47 Adaptor Jack Holder  
 M 1 Pinch Roller Spring  
 M 2 Pinch Roller Oil Cap  
 M 3 Pinch Roller  
 M 4 Washer 4.2φ  
 M 5 Pinch Roller Shaft  
 M 6 Pinch Roller Lever

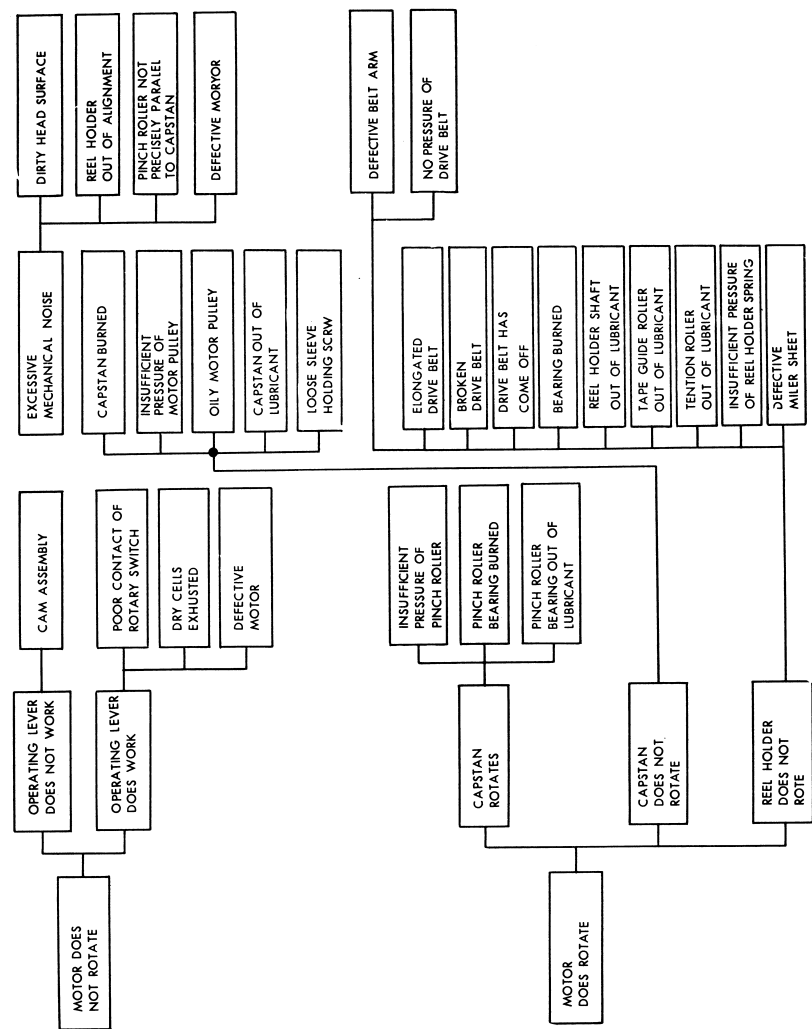
M 7 C Washer 3φ  
 M 8 Fiber Washer 4.2φ  
 M 9 Pinch Roller Spring  
 M10 Fiber Washer 4.2φ  
 M11 Tape Guide  
 M12 Tape Guide Spring (Right)  
 M13 Screw for Head Adjust Plate 2×10 Round Head  
 M14 Spring for Head Adjust Plate  
 M15 Screw for Head Plate 3×15 Round Head  
 M16 Eraser Head Spacer  
 M17 R/P Head Adjust Plate  
 M18 Screw for Head Adjust Plate 2×5 Round Head  
 M19 Screw for Recording Head 2×3 Flat Head  
 M20 Head Plate  
 M21 Head Plate Spacer  
 M22 Screw for Erase Head 2×6 Round Head  
 M23 Screw for Switch Plate 3×10 Philips Head  
 M24 Switch Plate  
 M25 Switch Plate Spacer  
 M26 Screw for F.F. Lever 2.6×3 Flat Head  
 M27 Screw for F.F. Lever Guide 3×6 Round Head  
 M28 Screw for F.F. Arm 2×4 Round Head  
 M29 Lock Washer for F.F. Arm 2φ  
 M30 Lock Washer 3φ  
 M31 Washer 3φ  
 M32 Spring for F.F. Lever  
 M33 F.F. Lever Guide  
 M34 F.F. Arm  
 M35 F.F. Lever  
 M36 Screw for Capacitor Holder 3×4 Round Head  
 M37 Capacitor Holder  
 M38 Meter Cushion  
 M39 Nut 3φ  
 M40 Lug A-4  
 M41 Screw 3×12 Round Head  
 M42 Screw for Chassis Spacer 3×5 Round Head  
 M43 Screw for Battery Box 3×6 Round Head  
 M44 Lock Washer 3φ  
 M45 Washer 3φ  
 M46 Main Pulley  
 M47 C Washer 3φ  
 M48 Spacer Spring  
 M49 Washer 4.1φ  
 M50 Clutch Lever  
 M51 Washer 4.2φ  
 M52 Spring for Clutch Lever  
 M53 Rewind Lever  
 M54 Spring for Rewind Lever  
 M55 Screw for Motor Lift 2×12 Round Head  
 M56 Motor Lift Bushing  
 M57 Motor Lift  
 M58 Tape Pad Arm Shaft  
 M59 Fiber Washer 4.2φ  
 M60 Main Pulley Shaft  
 M61 Washer 4.1φ  
 M62 Washer 4.1φ

M63 Main Pulley Spacer  
 M64 Chassis Spacer  
 M65 Pinch Roller Lever Shaft  
 M66 Washer 6.2φ  
 M67 Washer 6.2φ  
 M68 Catch Lever Shaft  
 M69 Catch Lever  
 M70 Spring for Catch Lever  
 M71 Steel Washer 6.2φ  
 M72 F.F. Cam  
 M73 Operating Plate  
 M74 Switch Shaft Bushing  
 M75 Screw for Switch Shaft 3×5 Round Head  
 M76 Screw for Guide Arm 3×4 Round Head  
 M77 Screw for Guide Arm Set 3.6×3  
 M78 Lock Washer 3φ  
 M79 Spring for F.F. Roller  
 M80 Fiber Washer 3.7φ  
 M81 F.F. Roller  
 M82 Spring for Guide Pulley  
 M83 Fiber Washer 3.7φ  
 M84 Take-up Guide Roller  
 M85 Fiber Washer 3.7φ  
 M86 Take-up Guide Arm  
 M87 Take-up Guide Lever  
 M88 C Washer 3φ  
 M89 Fiber Washer 4.2φ  
 M90 Spring for Take-up Lever  
 M91 Fiber Washer 4.2φ  
 M92 Screw for Reel Holder  
 M93 Washer 3.7φ  
 M94 Reel Holder Spring  
 M95 Supply Reel Holder  
 M96 Fiber Washer 4.2φ  
 M97 Rewind Belt  
 M98 Spring for Rewind Pulley  
 M99 Fiber Washer 4.2φ  
 M100 Washer 4.1φ  
 M101 Washer 4.1φ  
 M102 Rewind Pulley Oil Cap  
 M103 Rewind Pulley  
 M104 Take-up Reel Holder  
 M105 Friction Fiber  
 M106 Friction Pulley  
 M107 Take-up Belt  
 M108 Friction Spring  
 M109 Washer 6.1φ  
 M110 Spring for Friction Pulley  
 M111 Fiber Washer 4.2φ  
 M112 Take-up Reel Holder Shaft  
 M113 Capstan Screw  
 M114 Capstan  
 M115 Supply Reel Shaft  
 M116 Take-up Guide Lever Shaft  
 M117 Screw for Motor Spring Hook  
 M118 Motor Spring Hook

M119 Screw for Chassis Spacer 3×18 Round Head  
 M120 Upper Chassis  
 M121 Fiber for Cells Box  
 M122 Cells Box  
 M123 Screw for Motor Set 2.6×3 Flat Head  
 M124 Screw for Motor Holder 2.6×4 Round Head  
 M125 Spring Washer 2.6φ  
 M126 Screw for Motor Pivot 3×6 Round Head  
 M127 Motor Pivot  
 M128 Motor Clutch Arm  
 M129 Motor Spring  
 M130 Motor Holder  
 M131 Washer 6.2φ  
 M132 Spring for Brake  
 M133 C Washer 3φ  
 M134 Brake Arm  
 M135 Fiber Washer 4.2φ  
 M136 C Washer 3φ  
 M137 Tape Pad Arm  
 M138 Spring for Tape Pad Arm  
 M139 Screw for Tape Pad Metal  
 M140 Spring Washer 2φ  
 M141 Tape Pad Metal  
 M142 Tape Pad  
 M143 Tape Pad Felt (Erase)  
 M144 Record Lock  
 M145 Record Lock Spring  
 M146 Motor Ceild Cover  
 M147 Lower Chassis  
 M148 Print Base for Motor  
 M149 Screw for Motor Print Base 3×4 Round Head  
 M150 Nut 3φ  
 M151 Chassis Spacer  
 M152 Tape Pad Felt (Recording/Playback)  
 M153 Meter Isolation Plate  
 M154 Meter Stopper  
 M155 Meter Plate  
 M156 Tone VR Mounting Spacer 2φ  
 M157 Tone VR Mounting Board  
 M158 Spring Washer for Tone VR Mounting Board  
 M159 Screw for Tone VR Mounting Board 2.0×6 Round Head  
 M160 Screw for Tone VR Knob  
 M161 Control Board Spacer  
 M162 Nut for VR (Volume)  
 M163 Fiber Washer for Control Board  
 M164 Screw for Control Board 3×8  
 M165 Spring Washer for MIC Remote Jack 2φ  
 M166 Screw for MIC Remote Jack 2×4 Round Head  
 M167 Screw for Adaptor Jack 2×6 Round Head  
 M168 Nut for Monitor Jack  
 M169 Fiber Washer for Monitor Jack  
 M170 Steel Washer for Monitor Jack  
 M171 Capacitor Mounting Board  
 M172 Clip Metal  
 M173 Spring Washer for Capacitor Mounting Board

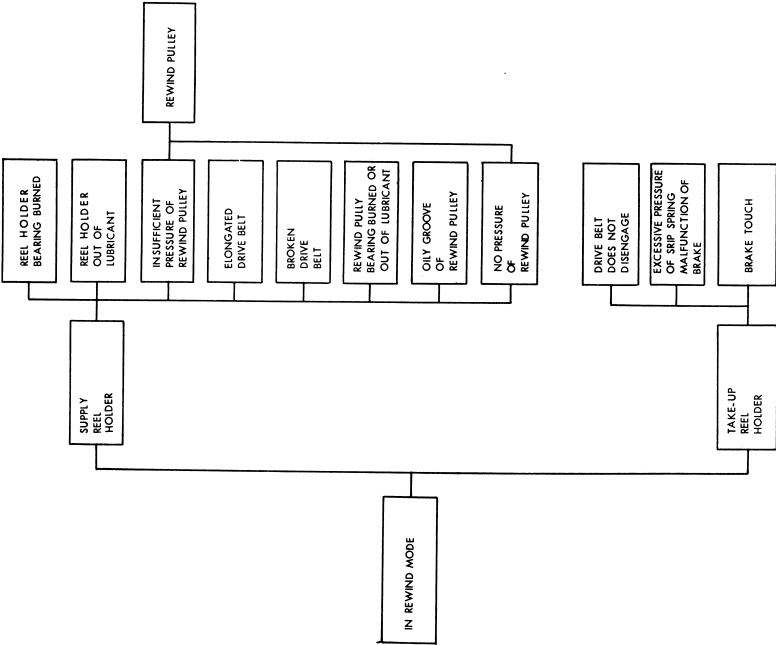
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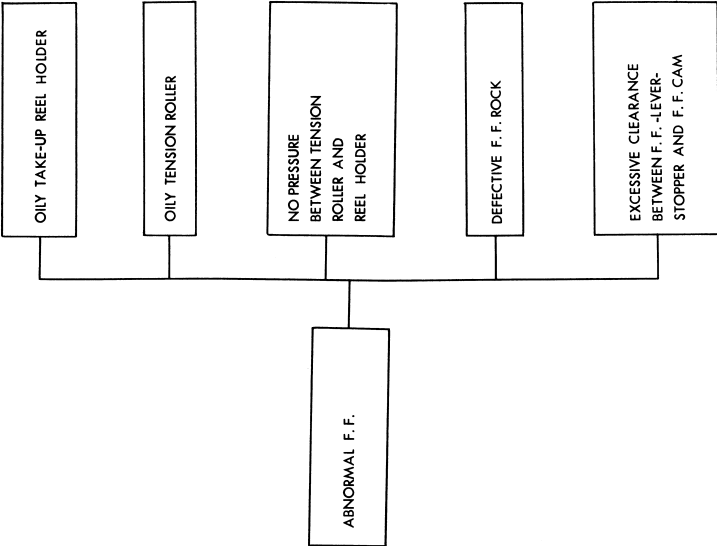
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MALFUNCTIONS IN REWIND MOTION



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MALFUNCTIONS IN FAST FORWARD





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## Rotary Switch

1. Remove 2 Switch holding screws.
2. Pull out Rotary Switch from Shaft.

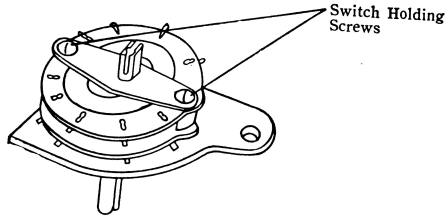


Fig. 26

## Motor

1. Remove Motor lead wires from terminals.
2. Remove Motor-holder holding screw.
3. Remove Motor spring holding screw.
4. Remove Motor set screw.
5. Remove Motor.

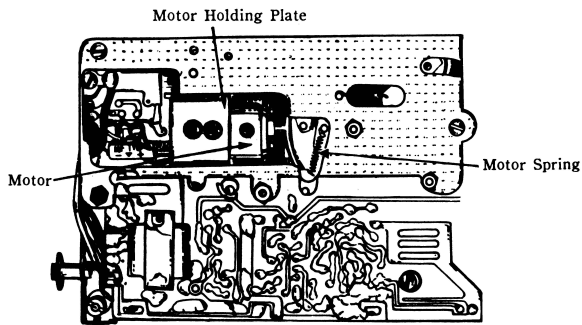


Fig. 27

## Rewind Pulley

1. Remove Spring Washer.
2. Pull out Rewind Pulley upward.

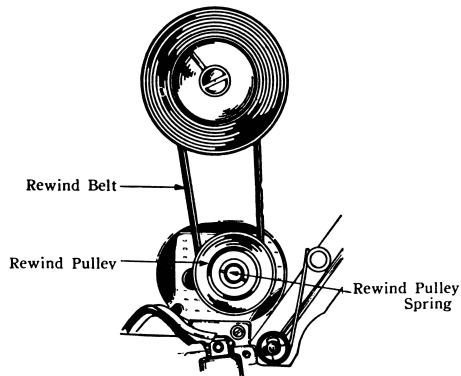


Fig. 28

## Volume and Tone Controls

1. Remove 2 screws (3φ) from Front Chassis, taking care not to damage bakelite supports attached to it.
2. Remove 2 screws (2.6φ) on the front of Print Base-board.
3. Pull out Front Chassis.

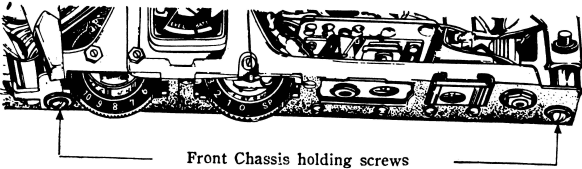


Fig. 29

## Volume Control

1. Remove 2 nuts (2φ), holding Volume Control.
2. Remove wires on Terminals.

## Tone Control

1. Remove 2 screws (2φ) on Front Chassis.
2. Remove white lacquer coating on Front Bakelite Board and Front Chassis.
3. Lightly push out Volume Control from Chassis.
4. Remove wires on Terminals.

## Printed Circuit Board

1. Remove 5 screws (2.6φ), holding Print Base-board.
2. Remove brass supports with care.
3. Lift Base-board lightly from Chassis.

## Speaker

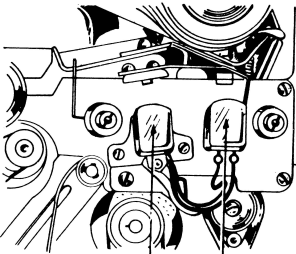
1. Remove 4 holding screws.

## Record/Playback Head

1. Remove 2 holding (adjusting) screws. White lacquer lock shall be removed with thinner.
2. Remove lead wires on terminals.

## Erase Head

1. Remove 3 screws, holding Head Base.
2. Remove 2 screws holding Head at Head Base.
3. Remove lead wires on terminals.



Record/Playback Head Erase Head

Fig

## MAINTENANCE

### Cleaning Lubrication

This tape recorder does not, as a rule, require oiling, but it is preferable to oil once in a year or when parts are repaired, as following;

Capstan bearing	1—2 drops
Pinch roller bearing	1—2 drops
Rewind Pulley bearing	2—2 drops
Motor bearing	1 drop
Reel spindles	1—2 drops

### Record/Playback & Erase Head

Good performance of the recorder depends largely on the maintenance of heads. Accumulation of dust on head cores should not be overlooked.

Dust must be cleaned off with carbon tetrachloride.

Heads might lose their characteristic if used too long since they always have the friction with the tape. Replace with new ones after about 1,000 hours of use.

### Motor

The motor rarely goes wrong, but occasional oiling is necessary. Oil it after each 500 hours of performance. Use spindle oil or machine oil.

### Mechanical Parts

#### 1) Idler

Clean the surface of the idler in contact with the motor-pulley with carbon tetrachloride. Also, clean the surfaces of the motor-pulley and main pulley in contact with the idler. Oil 1-2 drops on bearing after every 200 hours of performance.

#### 2) Pinch Roller

Clean the surface of the pinch roller in contact with the capstan.

Oil 2-3 drops on bearings after every 200 hours of performance.

#### 3) Capstan

Clean the capstan with benzene. Oil 1-2 drops on bearing after every 200 hours. Keep free of oil the surface of the capstan in contact with the pinch roller. Otherwise, the tape may slip and the pinch roller rubber may be damaged.

#### 4) Each parts roller

Oil bearings once every 200 hours. Clean the surface in contact the belt with benzene. Be sure to wipe off any amount of oil on the rubber surface in order to prevent slipping.

## DISASSEMBLING OF MAIN PARTS

### To Take Out Mechanical Parts

Mechanical parts shall be taken apart in sequence of Case Cover; Head Cover; Bottom Cover; Body Case and print Base-board.

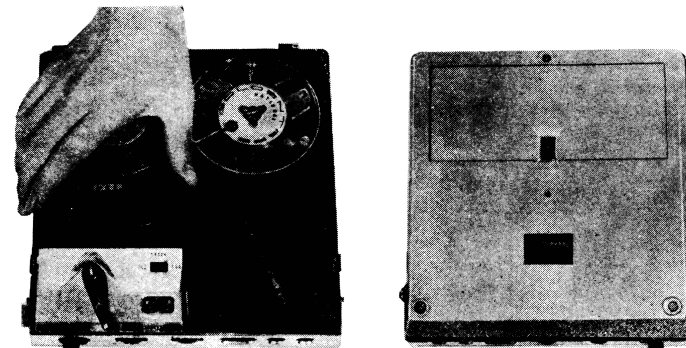


Fig. 17

1. Press Push Buttons on both sides and open Case Cover. Slide Case Cover to the right and take it off hinges.
2. Pull out Head Cover upward.
3. Turn over Tape-recorder, and remove 3 holding screws (2.6φ). Insert a coin in the slit at the side of Bottom Cover, and force it off.
4. To remove Body Case.
  - a. Remove Rotary Switch Lever. Remove Lever holding screw.
  - b. Remove Capstan.
  - c. Turn over Tape-recorder (Bottom Cover already removed). Remove 3 Chassis Poles.
  - d. Lift Chassis starting at Dry Cell Case carefully.

Mechanical parts are take apart as above, but when removing Body Case, care shall be not taken to break lead wires on Speaker.

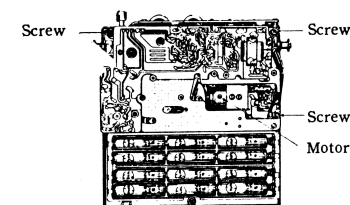


Fig. 18

## MECHANISM

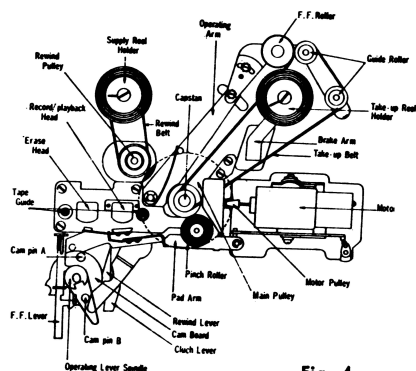


Fig. 4

### Single-Lever Control

This tape-recorder operates by single-lever-control. All movements connected with tape is exclusively controlled by operating-lever, which switches electric power ON and OFF at the same time.

- 1) Turn Operating-lever clockwise to PLAY-BACK to set up mechanism for play-back, and to turn ON power switches for amplifier and motor simultaneously.
- 2) Turn operating-lever counter-clockwise to REWIND to set up mechanism for rewinding and to switch OFF amplifier.
- 3) Press Recording Safety button and turn operating-lever to RECORD. Amplifier now works for recording. Recording Safety button is a locking device to prevent accidental erasure.
- 4) Volume-control knob is used to adjust recording. Level and volume of reproduced sound but has no direct connection to power switch. Level-meter indicate recording level and dry cells Voltage.

### Change of Speeds

Two tape speeds are available by changing capstan diameters. Capstan equipped with outer sleeve works at the speed of 3-3/4 ips. (9.5 cm/sec) and without sleeve, at 1-7/8 ips. (4.75 cm/sec)

### Record (Playback) Mechanism

Performance of mechanism is exactly same for recording and for playback that in the former case, operating-lever shall be turned to RECORD after Recording Safety button is pressed.

Electrical connection within amplifier is shifted to and from recording and playback by means of rotary switch which is controlled by movement of operating lever.

When operation lever is set at RECORD or PLAYBACK, cam-plate turns and cam-pin is freed operating arm, pinchroller arm and brake move in the direction of arrow respectively whereby, pinchroller presses against capstan and transmits rotary motion to tape.

Take-up belt touches pulley at the bottom of take-up reel holder and imparts rotary motion to holder. At the same time, brake comes loose in the direction of arrow and allows holder start winding up tape without slack, Motor starts rotation by means of rotary switch which is synchronized to the movement of cam-plate, Motor-pulley touches rubber tire of main pulley, All these actions occur almost simultaneously and are transmitted from motor through main pulley, capstan, and by the belt to reel-holder. By the rotation of each parts, tape travels.

### Rewind Mechanism

Operating lever at REWIND, cam-pin comes free and rewind-arm moves in the direction of arrow, rewind-pulley touches rubber tire of main pulley, and supply reel holder rotates by means of rubber belt.

Rotary motion is transmitted from motor-pulley to main pulley as in the case of playback. As for take-up reel holder are clearly separated and brake comes off. Reel holder thus rotates freely as pulled by tape.

### Stop Mechanism

Operating lever as STOP, lever is freed and motor stops, and tape also stops instantly without any over-run. Thus is due to back-tension of rewind-belt, when stopped from record or play-back position, and by brake, when stopped from rewind position.

## TRANSMISSION

### a. Recording and Playback

Turn Operating Lever to PLAYBACK

Operating Arm moves toward Take-up Reel Holder, and rubber belt is pressed against Take-up Reel Holder and Motor-pulley is pressed against Main Pulley by which movement is transmitted to Take-up Reel Holder.

Main Pulley rotates and Capstan also rotates, Pinch-roller presses against Capstan and tape is advanced.

Rewind-pulley comes off Main Pulley, and Brake also comes off Take-up Reel Holder.

The above three movements take place almost simultaneously and back-tension in Playback mode is produced by the tension of belt hung between Supply Reel Holder and Rewind pulley.

Turn Operating Lever to RECORD after pressing Record Safety Button.

Electric circuit is set for Recording, while the movement of mechanism remains same as Playback mode.

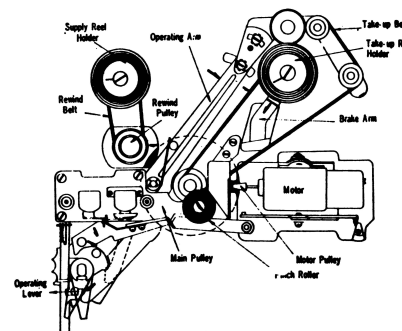


Fig. 5

### b. Selection of Tape Speeds

Tape speed can be readily changed to 1 7/8 ips. (4.75 cm/sec.) by removing Capstan Sleeve. By attaching Sleeve, a speed, 3 3/4 ips. (9.5 cm/sec.) can be obtained.

### c. Fast Forward

By pressing F.F. Lever while in Playback mode, Operating Arm is freed from F.F. Pin at the back of Pinch-roller Arm, and F.F. Roller is pressed by the force of spring against Take-up Reel Holder and turns it fast.

Pinch-roller is freed from Capstan and Pad Arm is pushed by Pinch-roller shaft, and comes off Heads.

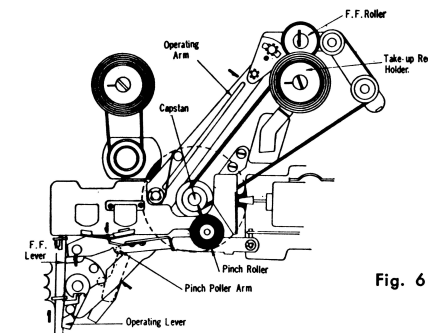


Fig. 6

### d. Rewind

Turn Operating Lever to REWIND

By the action of Cam-plate, Clutch Lever is freed and Motor presses against Main Pulley by the force of spring, and rotation is transmitted to Main Pulley.

Rewind-pulley presses against Main Pulley, and the rotation of Main Pulley is transmitted to Supply Reel Holder through Rewind-pulley and Supply Reel Holder. Thus tape is rewind fast. Brake is freed.

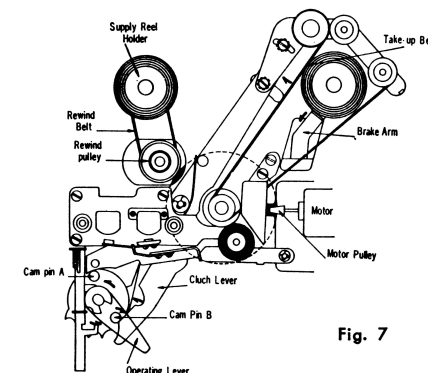


Fig. 7

### e. Stop

Set Operating Lever at STOP

Motor-pulley is freed from Main Pulley.

Pinch-roller is freed from Capstan, and Pads also come off Erase and Record Heads.

Brake is pressed against Supply Reel Holder.

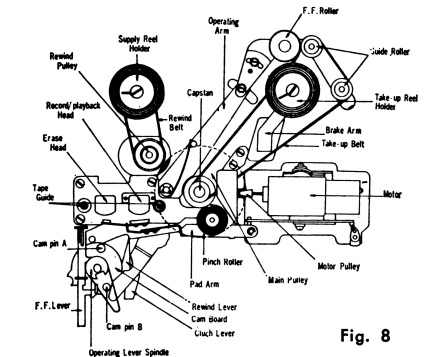


Fig. 8