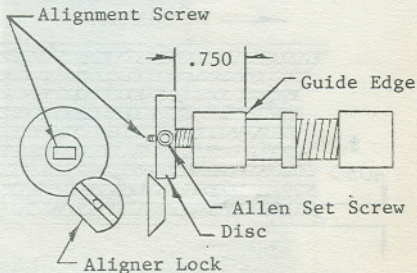


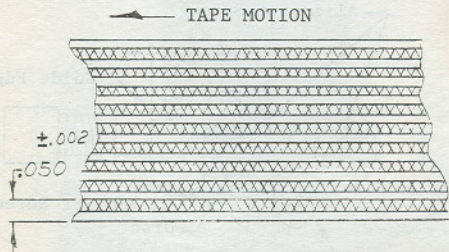
## I. TO ADJUST ALIGNER SHAFT FOR TAPE POSITION

1. Place Feed - Load - Rewind lever to LOAD.
  2. Use a coin, or Allen Wrench, turn aligner locks until flat side is next to aligner disc. Remove aligners by pulling straight outward on discs.
  3. Loosen Allen Head Set screws in both aligner discs. See FIGURE #1.
  4. Rotate disc to adjust distance from inside edge of disc to guide edge to .750 inch on both aligners.
  5. Tighten set screws enough to hold adjustment temporarily.
  6. Install aligners in position and using a coin, or Allen Wrench, turn aligner lock to hold disc in position.
- NOTE: Right side aligner has a keying pin and will fit only that side.



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7. On 6401 set switches to: ENT., REL., ON, AUTO DUP./SKIP OFF, PRG. OFF, SEARCH OFF, PRG. REVERT-OFF-NORMAL TO NORMAL.
8. Install a scratch tape.
9. On the 6401 ground Tape Error Flip-Flop (TEFF - 04A66) and K/8 line (07A03). "K" line and TEFF remain grounded for all subsequent tests.
10. Turn power switch ON; clear 6401 of all program bits (This can be done by placing PRG. switch ON and depressing REL key).
11. Press number 7 key and load all memory positions with all bits which will cause machine to go into tape cycle. Press DUP key and develop a few more records on tape.
12. Measure distance from front edge of tape to inside edge of Channel 1.



This measurement has to be adjusted to  $.050$  inch.

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13. Loosen set screws mentioned in Step 5 and using aligner tool #8008900, turn screw in center of disc counter clockwise to move tape so as to increase measurement, or clockwise to decrease measurement. Turn only a few degrees on each aligner, snug set screw and return to Step 11.

14. Repeat until .050 is obtained.

### II. TO ALIGN THE TAPE FOR LEAST AMOUNT OF MECHANICAL SKEW:

1. Mount and thread IBM master alignment tape TS800, Part Number 432640 or equivalent.

2. BE ABSOLUTELY SURE the 6401 is in VERIFY mode before applying power, so as not to destroy the recording on the master skew tape.

3. Turn power ON and initiate a tape read (This is accomplished by pressing the RELEASE key).

4. Trigger scope on the "8" bit 14A20. This is channel 9, which is nearest to the main plate. Scope settings should be 10 us/cm, 5 v/cm, ext. trigger.

5. Look at "8" bit info 14A20 and observe wave form and timing.

6. Leave scope trigger where it is and move probe to "2" bit (12A20) or Channel 8. If the "2" bit is coming

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### 6. (con't)

later than the "8" bit, the tape is positioned with respect to the head as shown in Figure #3A. Proceed to Step 7. If part of a waveform or no waveform is observed, the tape is positioned with respect to the head as shown in Figure #3B. Now change the SYNC to 13A20, and observe 11A20, then 15A20, etc. In either case, always trigger on the leading channel and align adjacent channels. Go to Step 10.

7. If channel 8 is lagging, now move probe to channel 7, which is "D" bit (18A20). This waveform will probably be lagging more than the previous channel.

8. Continue to channel 6, bit "C" (17A20). Each channel will probably be lagging the previous by a few microseconds. Proceed in order to channel 1 ("4" bit).

9. If channel 1 can be observed, proceed to Step 10. If not, then find the channel which still can be observed and then move to Step 10.

CHANNELS AND TEST POINTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>IBM</u>	<u>CHANNEL</u>	<u>BIT</u>	<u>TEST POINT</u>
4	9	8	14A20
6	8	2	12A20
0	7	D	18A20
1	6	C	17A20
2	5	B	16A20

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<u>IBM</u>	<u>CHANNEL</u>	<u>BIT</u>	<u>TEST POINT</u>
P	4	P	19A20
3	3	A	15A20
7	2	1	11A20
5	1	4	13A20

10. Loosen set screws and using aligner tool #8008900, turn alignment screws, one in and one out, while looking at scope waveform. Waveform should move toward the beginning of the trace, when alignment screws are turned in proper direction. When the waveform has moved back to the approximate position of the trigger channel, then proceed to Step 11.

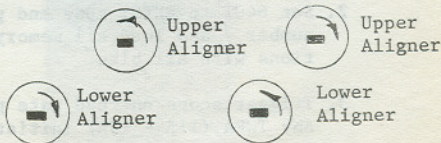
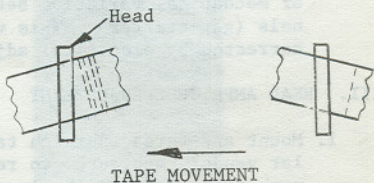


FIGURE #3A

FIGURE #3B

FIGURE #3 shows movement of alignment screws to correct skew

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11. Tighten aligner set screws, but not excessively, as the nylon insert will crush.
12. Recheck channels for accuracy, re-align if needed.
13. Recheck tape tracking as described in I-11 & I-12. NOTE: DO NOT trigger scope on channel 9 and immediately go to an outer channel, as the skew could be great enough to be off a whole frame (80 microseconds). In this case the information would look properly positioned, and would be a false indication.
14. Some heads may exhibit a small amount of mechanical variation between channels (gap-scatter). This will be corrected by electrical adjustments.

### III. READ AMPLITUDE ADJUSTMENT

1. Mount and thread scratch tape, similar vendor, age, etc. to regular work tapes used at the location.
2. Set 6401 to ENTRY mode and press number 7 and load all memory positions with all bits.
3. Trigger scope on read gate pin 69 of any TWRA (11A - 19A) initiate a tape write by pressing DUP key. (You should be writing all bits)
4. Hang probe on anode of CR6 of each TWRA and adjust the channel for an amplitude of 15 volts (+10.6 to -4.4)

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### 4. (con't)

by turning uppermost pot of the associated TWRA. See FIGURE #4 for locations.

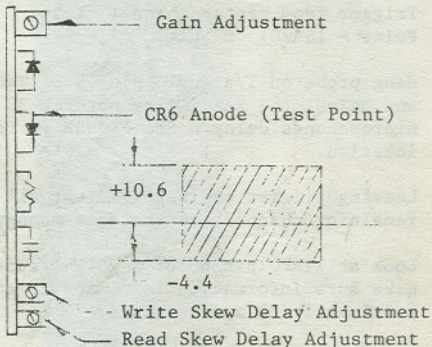


FIGURE #4

## IV. INITIAL WRITE-READ DELAY ADJUSTMENTS

1. While writing tape by pressing DUP key, trigger scope on BTWR signal pin 65 on any TWRA (11A - 19A) and adjust write delay to 30 microseconds. While looking at associated TWRA pin 19 T/ ( ) D signal.
2. Continue to write, trigger on pin 20 of each channel. Adjust read delay pot for that channel to 30 microseconds.

## V. READ DELAY ADJUSTMENT

1. Return the 6401 to VERIFY mode.

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2. Install the master alignment tape.
3. Initiate a tape read (By pressing REL. key).
4. Trigger from center channel (Test Point - 16A20) "B" bit.
5. Hang probe on T/signal, pin 19 of TWRA and adjust the Read Delay pot for 30 microseconds delay. See FIGURE #4 for location.
6. Leaving trigger on 16A20, adjust all remaining channels in the same manner.
7. Look at TINFO pin 60 of any TWRA and make sure information is coming at approximately 30 microseconds.

### VI. WRITE DELAY ADJUSTMENT

1. Install a scratch tape similar to customer work tape.
2. Set 6401 to ENTRY mode. Load memory by pressing number 7 key and initiate all following tape writes by pressing DUP key.
3. Trigger scope on 16A20, and hang probe on 16A19. Using this waveform for reference, adjust all remaining channels. Continue to trigger from 16A20 throughout remaining channels.
4. Hang probe on pin 19 of each TWRA and adjust associated Write Delay pot to correspond with reference waveform.



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5. Recheck all channels.

VII.

1. As a final check, while still triggered on 16A20, observe TINFO, 19A60. A maximum jitter of 10 microseconds is permissible.
2. Remove all jumper wires and make sure the machine writes without a tape error.