File No. S360-03
Form A27-2702-0

IBM Systems Reference Library

IBM System/360 Component Description

IBM 2250 Display Unit Model 2

IBM 2840 Display Control Model 1

This document presents detailed information about IBM 2250 Display Unit Model 2/IBM 2840 Display Control Model 1 programming, operation, and special features. The material is presented with the assumption that the reader has read the IBM System/360 Principles of Operation manual, Form A22-6821.

The following publications may also be of interest to the reader:

- IBM System/360 Component Description: IBM 2250 Display Unit Model 1, Form A27-2701.
- IBM System/360 Component Description: IBM 2280 Film Recorder, IBM 2282 Film Recorder/Scanner, Form A22-6853.
- IBM System/360 Operating System, Graphic Programming Services for IBM 2250 Display Unit, Preliminary Specifications, Form C27-6909).

Each 2250 Model 1 attaches directly to the System/360 channel and is not used with the 2840 Display Control. Each film unit attaches to a 2840 Display Control Model 1 by means of a 2840 special feature and shares common 2840 circuitry with the attached 2250-2 Display Unit(s). Various film unit/2250-2 configurations are described in the film unit publication.

Copies of this and other IBM publications can be obtained through IBM Branch Offices.
Address comments concerning the contents of this publication to:
IBM Corporation, Product Publications, Dept. 528, Kingston, New York 12401

CONTENTS

INTRODUCTION 5

2250 OPERATIONS 7
General 7
Displays 8
Vectors and Points 9
Characters 10
Light Pen Detect 11
Alphameric Keyboard 12
Programmed Function Keyboard 15

2840 OPERATIONS WITH ATTACHED 2250's 17
Orders 17
Order Format 17
Graphic Mode Orders 17
Character Mode Orders 19
Control Mode Orders 20
Display Regeneration 21
Display Regeneration Timing 22

2840 OPERATIONS WITH THE CHANNEL 25
Interface Operations 25
Commands 26
Write Buffer Command 28
Read Commands 28
Control Commands 31
Sense Command 32
Instructions 32
Test I/O 33
Halt I/O 33
Examples of 2840/2250 Operations 33
Example 1: Displaying an Image on One 2250 . . . 34
Example 2: Light Pen Operation - 2250 Equipped with Programmed Function Keyboard 35
Example 3: Alphameric Keyboard Operation 36

CONTROLS AND INDICATORS 37
Basic Operator Controls and Indicators 37
Metering 37

APPENDIX A: HEXADECIMAL - DECIMAL CONVERSION . 39

APPENDIX B: STATUS SENSE COMBINATIONS 44

GLOSSARY 46

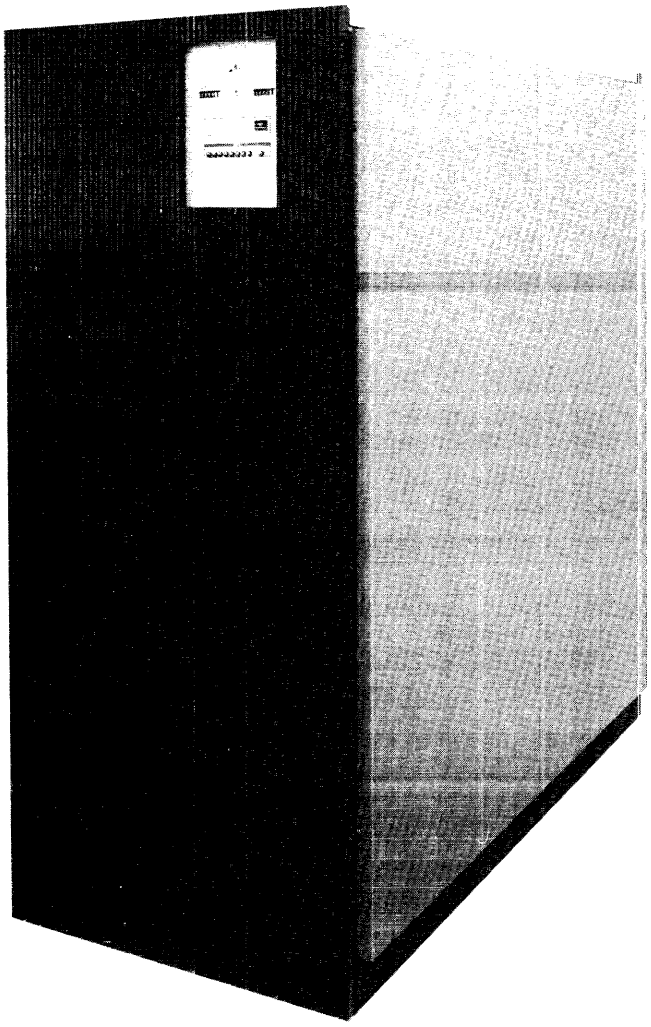
INDEX 47

ILLUSTRATIONS

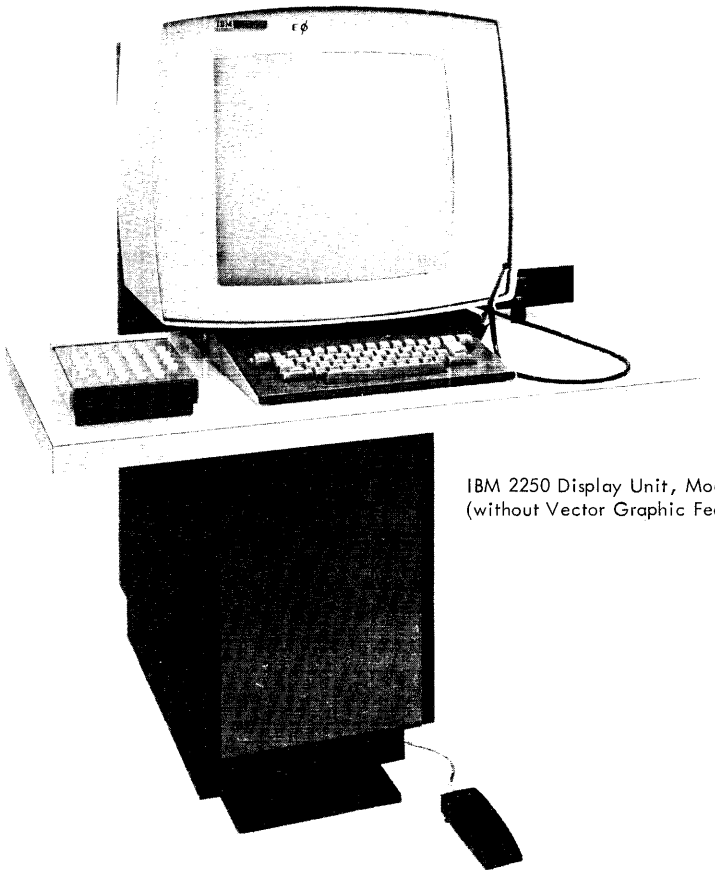
Figure 1 Attachment of 2840-1/2250-2 Configuration to System/360 5
Figure 2 Example of a 2250 Display 7
Figure 3 Functional Sections of a 2250-2 8
Figure 4 Display Area Coordinate Addressing System 9
Figure 5 Examples of Display Area Coordinate Address Modification by the 2250 . . . 9
Figure 6 Character Set and Code Assignments . . . 11
Figure 7 Character Grid Coordinate System . . . 12
Figure 8 Strokes That Form the Letter "A" 13
Figure 9 Character and Line Spaces 13
Figure 10 Light Pen 14
Figure 11 Alphameric Keyboard. 14
Figure 12 Programmed Function Keyboard 15
Figure 13 Functional Sections of the 2840-1 and a 2250-2 18
Figure 14 Read Manual Input Command Response . . 29
Figure 15 Programmed Function Keyboard Overlay (Top View) 30
Figure 16 Buffer Program Example Display 34
Figure 17 2250-2 Operator Controls and Indicators. . 37
Figure 18 2840-1 Operator Panel 38

TABLES

Table 1 Character Display Characteristics . . . 10
Table 2 Mode Orders 19
Table 3 Maximum Vector Densities Per Display (25-ms Regeneration Cycle) 23
Table 4 Maximum Character Densities per 2250 Display (25-ms Regeneration Cycle) . . 23
Table 5 Status Byte Bit Assignments 26
Table 6 Commands Used with the 2840 27
Table 7 Sense Bit Assignments 33
Table 8 Buffer Program Example 35



IBM 2840 Display Control, Model 1.



IBM 2250 Display Unit, Model 2.
(without Vector Graphic Feature)

The IBM 2250 Display Unit Model 2 (Frontispiece), with the IBM 2840 Display Control Model 1, extends the data processing power of System/360 computers (1) to handle the graphic information associated with scientific and engineering applications and (2) to provide faster and more effective retrieval and graphic expression of management and business operating data. The 2250 Model 2, under control of the 2840 Model 1, displays graphic images in the form of lines, points, and characters. A light pen and two keyboards allow on-line user interaction.

Each 2250 can operate up to 2000 feet from the 2840, thereby bringing the power of the computer to the user's normal working area. Furthermore, the sharing of a common control unit (the 2840) by several 2250's results in more economical configurations for the multi-console environment.

The 2840 can control the operation of up to four 2250 Model 2 Display Units (Figure 1). The 2840 attaches to the System/360 Central Processing Unit (CPU) via either a selector or a multiplexor channel and takes the position of one control unit on the interface (up to eight control units can be attached to a channel interface). The channel provides the 2840 with the data to be displayed and with the control information necessary to direct the operation of the 2840 and associated display units. The 2840 contains buffer storage in which digitally coded images are stored for each attached 2250. The buffer enables image regeneration as well as message composition from the 2250 alphameric keyboards, thereby allowing the 2840 and attached 2250's to operate concurrently with the computer system, freeing the CPU and the channel for other functions. The portion of buffer storage used for any attached 2250 is

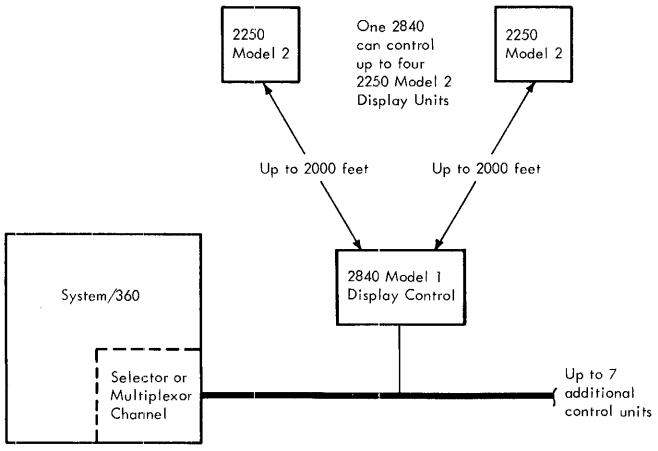


Figure 1. Attachment of 2840-1/2250-2 Configuration to System/360

program-assignable and can be varied under program control. The 2840 controls the operation of each attached 2250. By means of shared circuitry and interleaved operations in the 2840, each 2250 can be independently operated, and different images can be generated simultaneously on each display.

The 2250 is organized around a cathode-ray tube (CRT) on which computer-programmed graphic and alphameric information is displayed at high speed, thereby providing visual communications between the computer and the user. In addition, keyboards and a light pen provide the user with a versatile means of entering and modifying computer information.

The basic 2250 (without special features) displays graphic information in the form of points, straight lines (horizontal and vertical vectors) of unrestricted length, and 45-degree vectors of limited length. It also displays alphameric characters, including alphabetics, numerics, and special symbols. For increased capability of the 2250, the following special features are available:

Absolute Vector Graphics - Allows vectors of unrestricted length at any angle to be drawn on the CRT. To use this capability, one absolute vectors control feature is required in the 2840, and one absolute vectors feature is required in each 2250 Model 2.

Alphameric Keyboard - Provides a typewriter-like keyboard with which the user can perform editing functions and compose messages consisting of letters, numbers, and/or special symbols for entry into the 2840 buffer and CPU main storage.

Programmed Function Keyboard - Provides communication between the user and the computer. The keyboard consists of keys, indicators, and sensing switches for use with replaceable descriptive overlays. The function of each key and indicator is program-defined and is identified to the user and to the program by the overlay coding. The program associated with the overlay code and the selected key then directs the requested operation. For example, as a result of a key depression, the program might direct the computer to enlarge, to reduce, or to delete the image displayed by the associated 2250.

Light Pen Detect - Enables the user to communicate with the program; the user points a pen-like device at a portion of the displayed image (vector, point, or character) and depresses a foot switch, thereby identifying that portion of the image to the computer for action determined by the program. With appropriate programming, the user may add, delete, or rearrange displayed data with the light pen.

When a 2250 is not in the same room with the 2840 and the CPU, a telephone is required near the 2250 so that the 2250 operator can communicate with the CPU installation.

The basic 2840 (without special features) can control two 2250 Model 2 Display Units. The basic 2840 contains an 8,192-byte buffer and a character generator. The character generator can translate one System/360 eight-bit byte representation of an alphameric character into a sequence of signals which, when converted to analog deflection signals by the 2250, cause the character to be drawn on the 2250 CRT display area. A standard character set of 63 alphabetics, numerics, and special symbols is provided; two character sizes are program-selectable. For increased capability of the 2840, the following special features are available:

Buffer Expansion - Provides an additional 8,192 bytes of buffer storage, increasing the total 2840 buffer storage capability to 16,384 bytes. The additional storage is program-assignable to any of the attached 2250's.

Display Multiplexor - Allows attachment of two additional 2250 Model 2 Display Units to the 2840 Model 1. A maximum of one display multiplexor feature can be installed on one 2840 Model 1, allowing attachment of up to four 2250 Model 2 Display Units.

Vector Graphic Control - Enables operation of the 2250 absolute vector graphics feature. One vector graphic control feature is required when any or all of the attached 2250's are equipped with the absolute vector graphics feature.

Film Unit Attachment - Provides for the attachment and control of the IBM 2280 Film Recorder and the IBM 2282 Film Recorder/Scanner. A film unit attached to a 2840 time-shares both the buffer storage and the character generator with any attached 2250. A maximum of four 2250-2's or of three 2250-2's and one film unit can be attached to one 2840-1. The basic 2840-1 has attachments for two graphic devices. Through use of a display multiplexor, two additional graphic devices can be attached. Inclusion of a film unit requires a film unit attachment feature. The following configurations can be selected:

Film Units	2250-2's	Display Multiplexor Feature	Film Unit Attachment Feature
0	1 or 2	0	0
0	3 or 4	1	0
1	0 or 1	0	1
1	2 or 3	1	1

The IBM System/360 Component Description for the 2280 and the 2282 (Form A22-6853) describes film unit operations with the 2840.

GENERAL

Each 2250-2 under control of a 2840-1, generates images on the 12-inch by 12-inch display area of a 21-inch cathode-ray tube (CRT). An image can be composed of straight lines (vectors), points, standare characters in two sizes, and special characters formed with vectors and points (Figure 2).

A visible display is produced when an electron beam in the CRT strikes the phosphor-coated CRT screen, causing the portion of the coating struck by the beam to glow briefly. Normally, the glow fades within a fraction of a second, too soon for the human eye to carefully perceive and identify the image. For this reason, the display must be redrawn continuously (regenerated) at a rate that will cause the display to appear steady and stationary to the observer. Regeneration is performed automatically under control of a program in the 2840. The 2840 accomplishes regeneration by continuously retransmitting a series of information for a display to the 2250; this information can be modified during regeneration by the 2840 as directed by the operator and/or the program to update or change the display. The 2250 also performs various nondisplay services for the user by providing the interface between the user and the problem program with these devices:

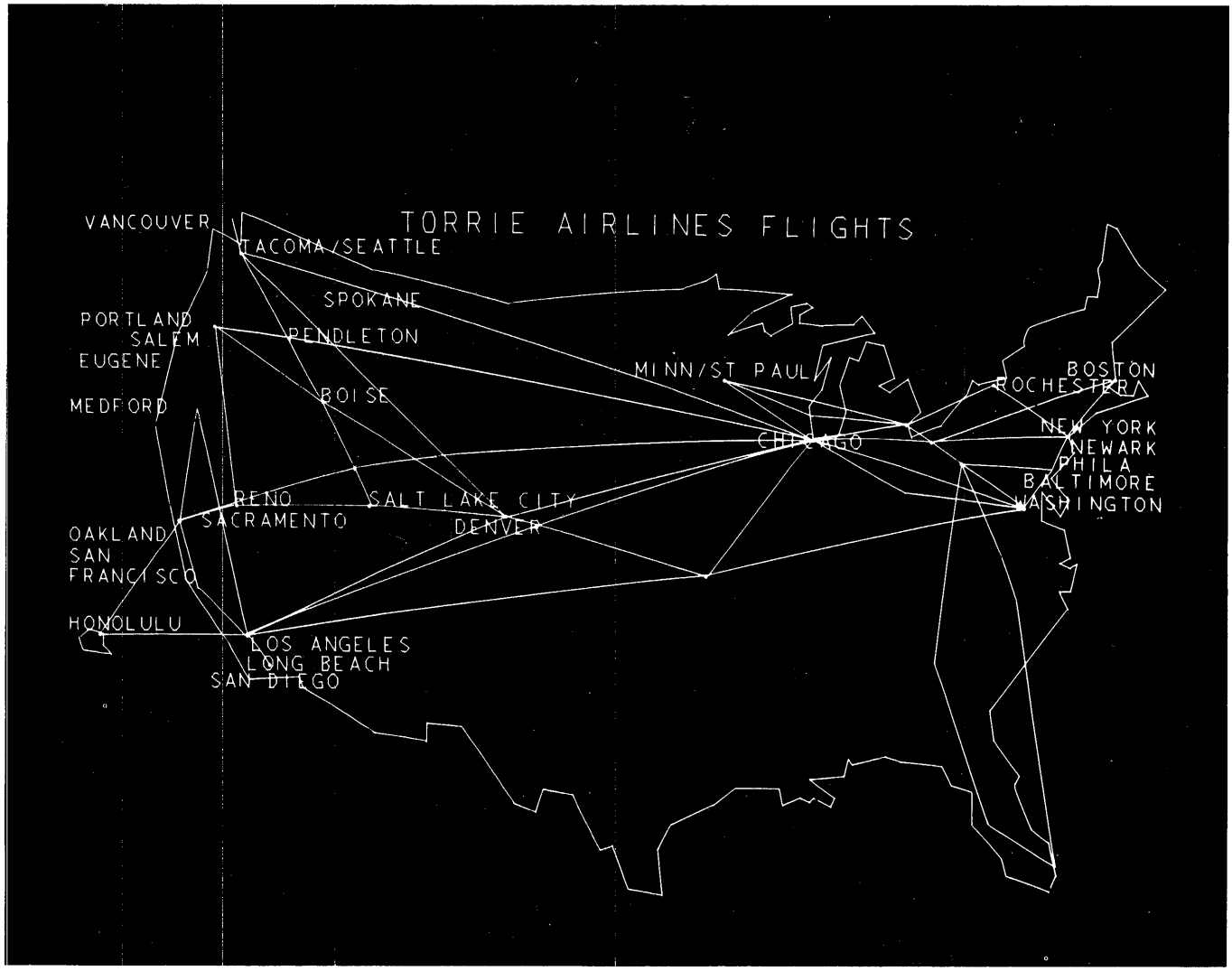


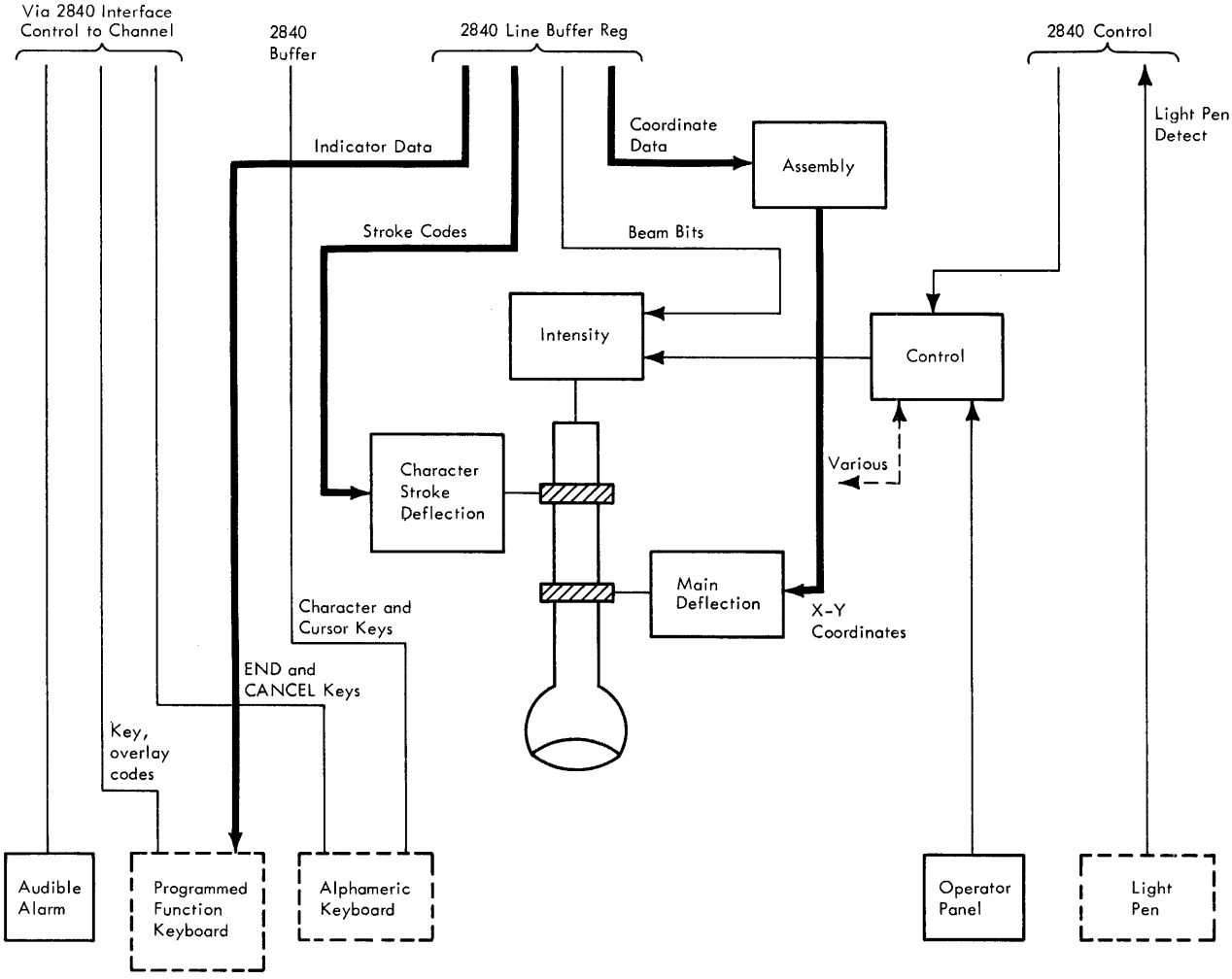
Figure 2. Example of a 2250 Display

1. The programmed function keyboard, which contains keys and overlays (for user communication to the program) and indicators (for program communication to the user).
2. The alphameric keyboard, with which the user can change, edit, or create character displays.
3. The light pen, which enables the user to specify a vector, point, or character for operations as determined by the program, the alphameric keyboard, or the programmed function keyboard.
4. The audible alarm, which enables the program to inform the operator that action is required.

The functional sections of the 2250 are shown in Figure 3. The functions represented by solid blocks are provided in the basic units, whereas those represented by dashed blocks are available as special features. Dark connecting lines represent data flow, and the light lines represent signal routing.

DISPLAYS

A display program positions information on the 2250 display area by specifying the horizontal (X) and vertical (Y) coordinates on a virtual square grid composed of possible electron-beam-deflection end points. This grid covers the 12-inch by 12-inch display area on the face of the CRT; it comprises 1,024

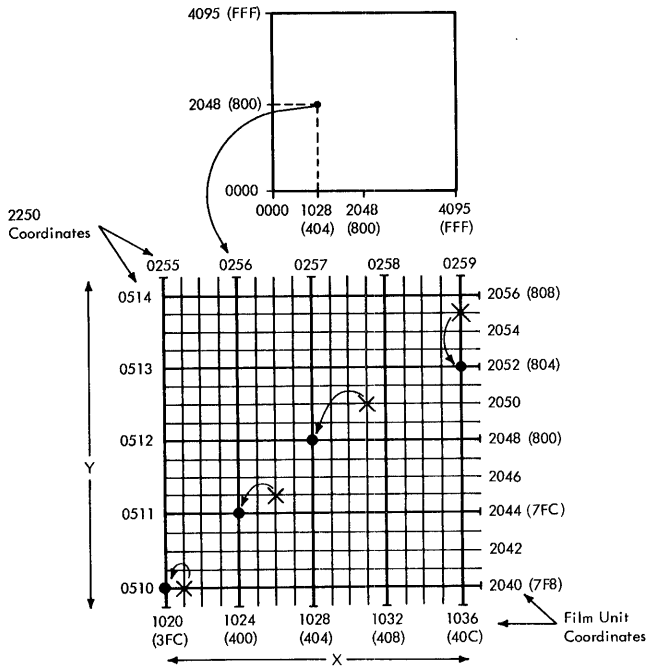


Notes:
1. Dashed blocks represent special feature functions.
2. Heavy lines represent data flow.

Figure 3. Functional Sections of a 2250-2

equally spaced X positions and 1,024 equally spaced Y positions (Figure 4).

The X and Y coordinates of each element of a display (each point, line end-point, and character area centroid) are specified by data stored in the 2840. This data can control either the 2250 or the 2280. The grid of addressable coordinates for a device is called its "raster". The space between two addressable lines on the raster is called a raster unit. Because of the difference in addressable resolution of the 2250 and the 2280 or 2282, a 2250 raster unit represents 1/1,023 of the image, whereas a 2280 raster unit represents 1/4,095 of the same image. For the rest of this document the term "raster units" refers to 1/1,023 of the image. The data format in the 2840 provides for the 4,096-by-4, 096-position grid in the 2280. Program compatibility is maintained for the 2250 by disregarding the two low-order (binary) bits of the 4,096-by-4,096 X and Y coordinates; thus, each element is positioned on an adjacent coordinate of the 1,024-by-1,024 grid. The maximum shift is three-fourths of a 2250 raster unit (three 2280 raster units), a shift in the image that is not noticeable to the user (Figure 5).

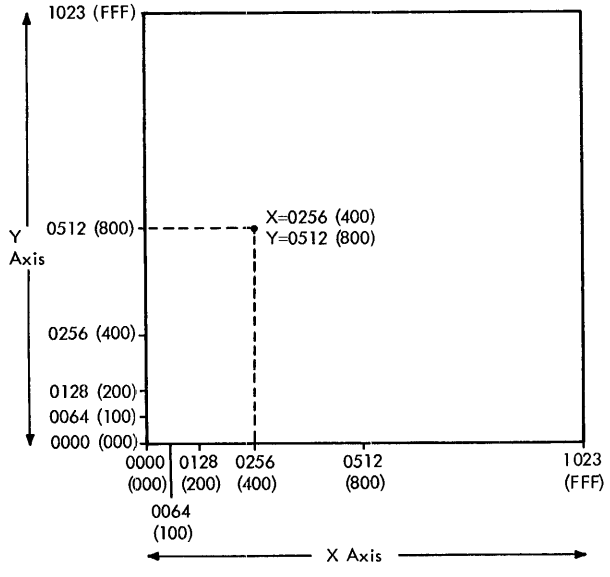


Notes:
1. X=Position specified by 2840 data.
2. ●=Position selected by 2250 from this data.
3. Numbers in parentheses are hexadecimal equivalents.

Figure 5. Examples of Display Area Coordinate Address Modification by the 2250

Vectors and Points

During vector or point display operations, positioning data from the 2840 directs electron beam movement (deflection) on the 1,023-by-1,023 raster unit display area. First, control signals from the 2840 specify whether the 2250 is to display vectors or points. The 2840 then sends a set of positioning data to the 2250 for each vector or point to be displayed.



Note: Numbers in parentheses are hexadecimal equivalents.

Figure 4. Display Area Coordinate Addressing System

Each set of positioning data addresses one X, Y coordinate to which the electron beam is to be repositioned. Beam deflection is always from the previously addressed coordinate, where the beam is currently positioned, to the new coordinate. If vectors are specified by the 2840, the beam is turned on as it is being repositioned, displaying a vector between the current coordinate and the new coordinate specified; if points are specified, the beam is turned on after it has been repositioned, displaying a point at the new coordinate. Points plotted 4 or more raster units apart can be distinguished by the user as distinct points.

The 2250 can also "position" the electron beam without causing a visible beam path or beam position on the display. This capability is used (1) to select a starting location for displaying characters and (2) to start the display of a new set of vectors. Each set of positioning data from the 2840 contains a beam control (blanking) bit, which specifies whether the 2250 is to display (unblank) or is not to display (blank) the resulting vector or point.

The basic 2250 can display straight vectors in the horizontal (X axis) and vertical (Y axis) directions with no length limitations and at 45-degree angles up to ±20 X, ±20 Y raster units in length

(approximately 1/4-inch long). Longer 45-degree vectors or vectors at angles other than 90 degrees or 45 degrees may not be straight. Blanked vectors of any length and direction can be used for beam-positioning. With the absolute vector graphics feature, straight vectors can be displayed between any two addressable points on the CRT display area.

Each set of positioning data is transferred in four eight-bit bytes to the 2250. The electron beam deflection to the previously addressed coordinate can still be in progress when the new coordinate is received. When this deflection is completed, the blanking bit is sent to the intensity control section, and the X, Y coordinate bits are sent to the main deflection section.

The main deflection section applies X and Y analog values for the current beam position to the deflection coil of the CRT until new positioning data is received. When the new data is received, the analog values start changing to reflect the new position. As the analog values change, the beam moves, causing the image to be displayed. If the blanking bit specifies a blanked vector or point, the beam moves without being displayed. If the blanking bit specifies an unblanked vector or point, the electron beam is deflected and unblanked, as required, to form a vector or point as previously specified by the 2840.

The X, Y position registers in the main deflection section always contain the X, Y address of the current beam position in digital form; the 2840 can retrieve this data and the blanking bit, reconstructing the most recent positioning data.

Characters

A standard set of characters can be displayed in either of two sizes by a 2250; this set consists of 63 alphabetics, numerics, and symbols (Figure 6). Any characters that are not in this set can be created with vectors and/or points.

In Character mode, the X, Y coordinate (on the 1,024-by-1,024 position display area) at which the electron beam is currently positioned becomes the center point of a basic-size or large-size character area. The 2840 specifies the character size, which is maintained throughout one Character mode operation. The beam must be positioned by the program to a starting coordinate by a blanked point or vector before a character display operation is started. The character area is divided into a grid format of 8X-by-8Y addressable points of which 7X and 8Y are used (Figure 7). The character grid points do not coincide with the 1,024-by-1,024 main deflection grid points. Characters are drawn in this area with a series of high-speed deflections, or "strokes". An average of six such strokes is required to form one character. Each stroke end point is specified by an X, Y character grid coordinate sent from the 2840 to the character deflection section (Figure 3). This section converts each coordinate to X and Y analog signals, which are applied to the high-speed character stroke deflection coil of the CRT.

The main deflection system and the character deflection system operate independently. The main deflection system maintains the current beam position (the center point of the character grid) by supplying a constant X and Y analog voltage to the main deflection yoke. At the same time, the character deflection system forms a character by moving the beam at high speed between various addressed points in the character grid area. Figure 8 illustrates the strokes used to form the character "A".

Table 1 lists the characteristics of a character display. Character spacing (Figure 9) is an automatic function of the 2250. After each character is formed, the main deflection system automatically moves the electron beam in the +X direction to the new character area center point. The beam is moved a distance of 14 raster units (when displaying basic-size characters) or 21 raster units (when displaying large-size characters). The program can initiate additional spaces of 14 or 21 raster units each by specifying space characters to the 2840. Hence, one space character results in a distance of 28 or 42 raster units between the center point of the previously specified character area and the center point of the next character area. The null character does not cause a display and does not affect character-spacing circuitry.

Table 1. Character Display Characteristics

Characteristics	Character Size	
	Basic	Large
Characters per line (max.)	74	49
Lines per display (max.)	52	35
Number of characters on display (max.)	3,848	1,715
Character spacing (raster units)	14	21
Line spacing (raster units)	20	30

Line spacing is initiated either by the program or by the 2250. The program initiates a line space by specifying a new line (NL) character to the 2840. The 2840, in turn, decodes the character and sends resulting signals to the 2250 main deflection section, which repositions the electron beam to the first character area center point of a new line. The new line is 20 or 30 raster units below the previous line,

Character Codes (Hexadecimal) (see notes)																
Bits 4-7	Bits 0-3															
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
0	NUL				SP	&	-									0
1							/		A*	J*			A	J		1
2									B*	K*	S*		B	K	S	2
3									C*	L*	T*		C	L	T	3
4									D*	M*	U*		D	M	U	4
5		NL*							E*	N*	V*		E	N	V	5
6									F*	O*	W*		F	O	W	6
7									G*	P*	X*		G	P	X	7
8									H*	Q*	Y*		H	Q	Y	8
9									I*	R*	Z*		I	R	Z	9
A					¢	!		:								
B					.	$	,	#								
C					<	*	%	@								
D					(	)	___	'								
E					+	;	>	=								
F					|	¬	?	"								

Legend:

* Codes (in addition to undefined codes) not assigned by the alphameric keyboard

SP - Space

NUL - Null

NL - New Line

Examples:

Character	Byte Code
A	81 or C1
9	F9
%	6C
NUL	00

Note

Character code assignments other than those shown within the heavily outlined portions of the chart above are undefined. If an undefined character code is programmed, the character that will be displayed is not specified. The character displayed by the 2250 Model 2 for a given undefined character code may be different for other devices. IBM reserves the right to change at any time the character displayed by the 2250 for an undefined character code.

Figure 6. Character Set and Code Assignments

depending on the character size; the first character area center point of a new line is always at X = 0000. Successive NL characters cause successive lines to be stepped.

If an NL code is not specified, the 2250 displays characters up to the end of a line, automatically steps to a new line, and continues the display. The 2250 performs automatic line spacing whenever the last character formed is so near the right boundary of the display area that character spacing cannot be completed. This occurs when the center point of the last character formed is to the right of X = 1,009 (basic size) or X = 1,002 (large size).

The 2250 automatically positions the beam for a new line at the top of the display area (X = 0000, Y = 1023) only when the last line is so near the lower boundary that line spacing cannot be completed. This occurs when the line is below Y = 0,019 (basic size) or Y = 0,029 (large size).

LIGHT PEN DETECT

The light-pen detect feature consists of a pen-like device (Figure 10) containing a light-sensitive element and a special light-pen foot switch. The user communicates with the computer by pointing the light pen at the section of the image on the CRT display area (character, vector, or point) that he wants to detect. When the light pen is in the desired position, the user depresses the foot switch, enabling light-pen operation. The light pen detects light from the CRT beam when the beam passes within the field

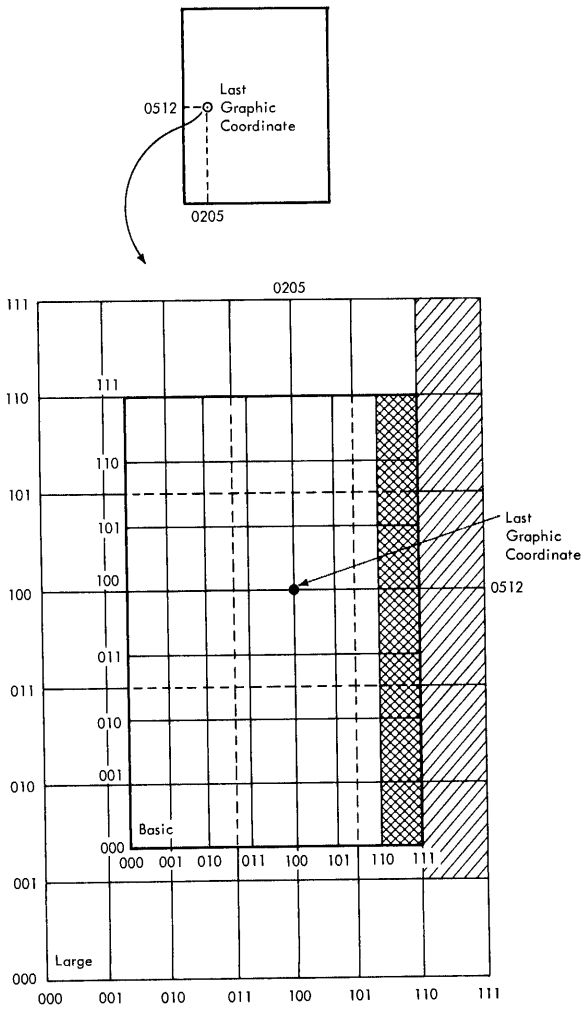


Figure 7. Character Grid Coordinate System

of view of the pen. One detect can occur for each depression of the foot switch. When the light-pen detect occurs, regeneration for the associated 2250 stops before the next point, vector, or character is displayed.

The user, then, has identified a section of the image for action as determined by the CPU program. By operating the light pen, in conjunction with appropriate keyboard action and programming, a user can add, delete, or rearrange displayed data.

ALPHAMERIC KEYBOARD

This feature provides a typewriter-like keyboard from which the user can compose and/or modify messages on the CRT display area. Message areas on the display can be protected from keyboard action by the program. A dash-like mark, called a cursor, is displayed beneath a character or character position to indicate (to the user) where a character can be modified or inserted by keyboard action. For example, when a cursor is displayed under one character in a line of characters, that character can be changed or blanked by keyboard action. Also, if a cursor is displayed under a position without a character, a character can be inserted in that position by keyboard action. A cursor can also appear beneath a protected character position; however, that position cannot be used for character insertion or modification from the keyboard.

As messages are being composed or altered by the alphameric keyboard, the changes are inserted in the displayed data during the normal display regeneration cycle. This allows the operator to verify the message and make corrections as necessary. When the message is completed, the operator can inform the program by depressing the ALT and END keys.

The keyboard (Figure 11) contains 44 keys and a space bar, which provide a selection of 63 standard characters. Alphabetic keys compose upper-case characters regardless of the status of the shift key. In addition to the standard character keys, the following function keys are provided.

SHIFT: When depressed, allows selection of the upper character by dual-character keys. When released, the lower character can be selected. The SHIFT key must be released when using the End, Cancel, or Null function. When depressed with the ALT key, unlocks the keyboard.

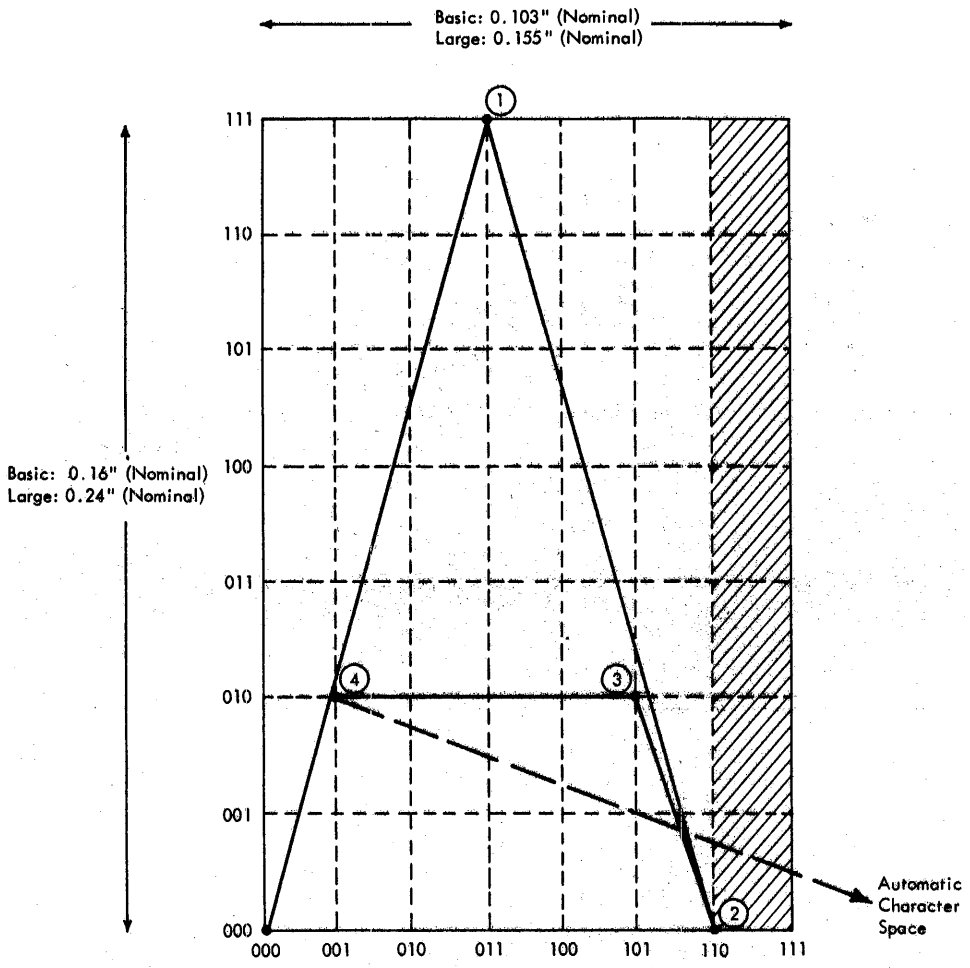
LOCK: While depressed, locks the SHIFT key in the depressed position.

END: Informs the program that a manual alphameric keyboard operation is completed.

CANCEL: The function of this key is determined by the application program: one possible function might be to provide the user with a method of requesting a program subroutine.

ALT: When depressed with the SHIFT key released, allows selection of the Null, End, or Cancel function. When depressed with the SHIFT key, unlocks the keyboard.

JUMP: Moves the cursor in the forward direction from its current position to the first character position of the next unprotected character area. This area may be before the cursor starting position if all positions following the cursor starting position are protected. If the cursor is in a protected character area, and if the display does not have an unprotected area (this is a programming error), depressing the JUMP key initiates a continuous search by the 2840 for an unprotected area. The display continues to cycle during this search; however, it



Note: Circled numbers refer to the sequence in which the deflection end points are addressed.

Figure 8. Strokes That Form the Letter "A"

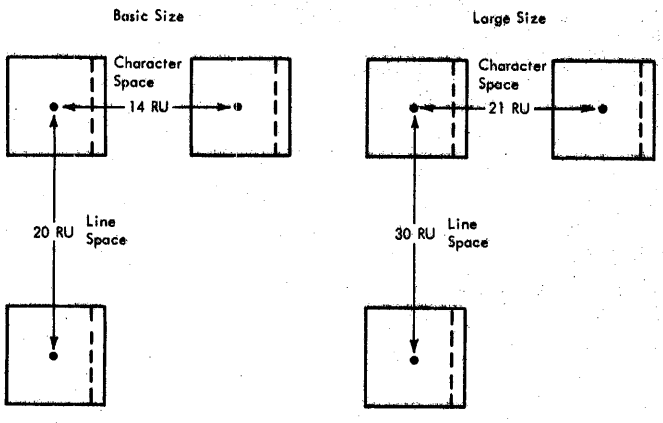


Figure 9. Character and Line Spaces

cannot be changed or stopped by the channel program. Recovery can be made by disabling the 2250 or by a reset at the CPU.

ADVANCE: Advances the cursor one character position without changing the characters displayed. If the cursor is under the last character position of the unprotected area, it will not advance.

BACKSPACE: Backspaces the cursor one character position without changing the characters displayed. If the cursor is under the first character position of the character area, the cursor will not backspace.

CONTINUOUS: Allows continuous automatic operation of an ADVANCE, BACKSPACE, SPACE, NULL, alphameric, or special character key at the rate of the regeneration cycle.

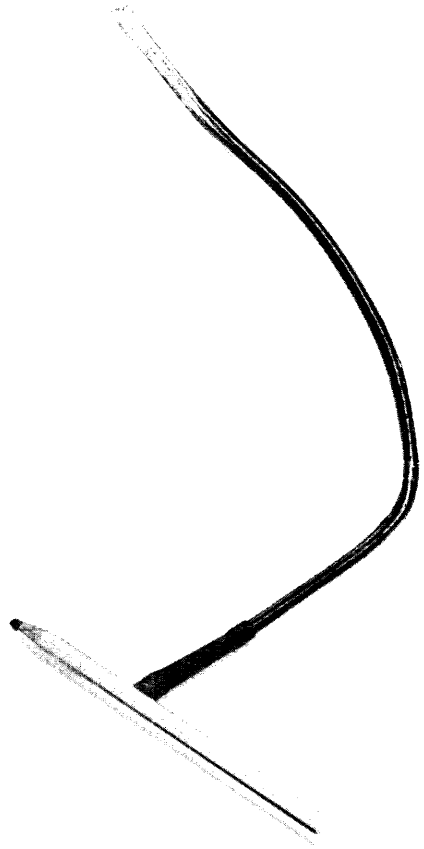


Figure 10. Light Pen

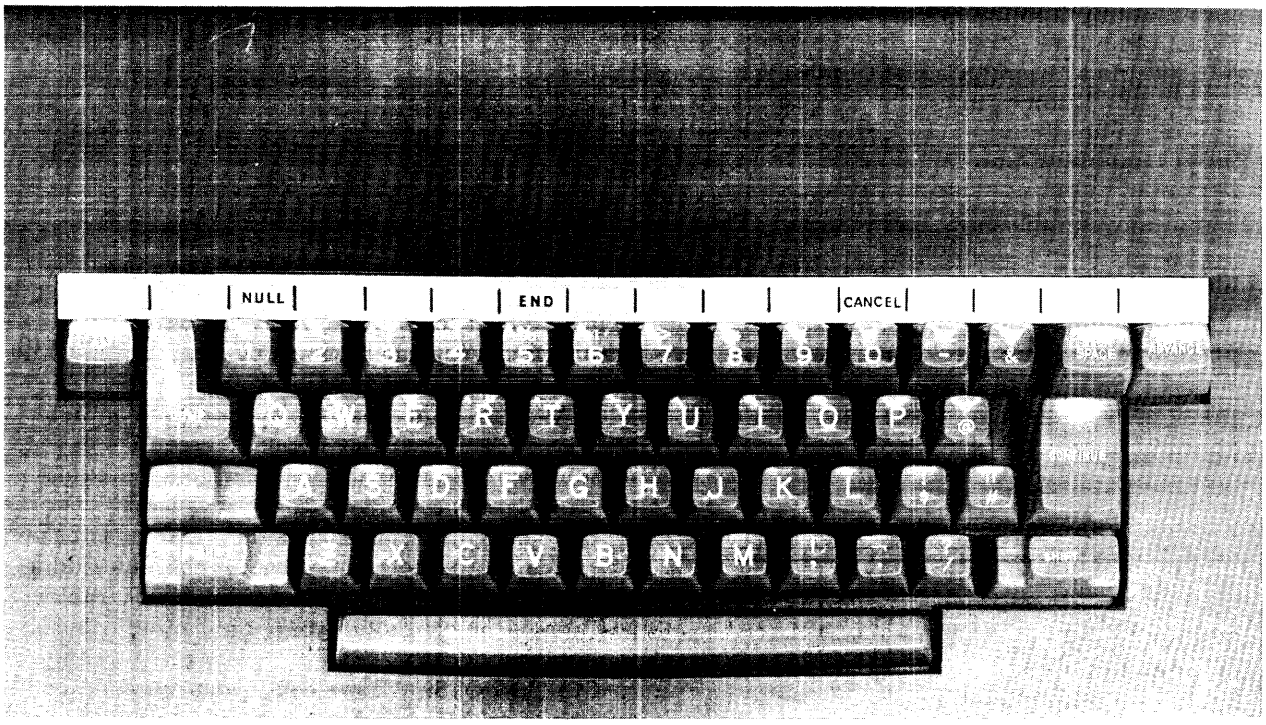


Figure 11. Alphameric Keyboard

The cursor symbol is displayed under the character position at which the character selected by the user at the alphameric keyboard will be placed. The user can move the cursor to any desired position within a character area by depressing the ADVANCE or BACKSPACE key; the cursor can be moved out of a protected or unprotected area into the next unprotected area only by the JUMP key or by the program. If a cursor is not displayed, characters cannot be inserted. A cursor must be inserted by the program if keyboard operations are required. If the cursor is in a protected character area, it must be moved to an unprotected area by the JUMP key before the character keys become effective. Cursor operation in a protected area is the same as in an unprotected area except that a character cannot be inserted or changed from the keyboard.

When the cursor is inserted by the program into a buffer location that contains a null or new line (NL) code, the cursor is displayed on the 2250 CRT display area under the character from the next position, since null and NL do cause spacing to the next character position but do not cause a display. If the user attempts to insert a character into a position where the cursor is actually with a null or NL character, the character is inserted in the position containing the cursor, and all other characters to the right of the null or NL are shifted one character space to the right to make room for the new character; with the null, this shifting may cause automatic linespacing (where the last character in the line might be sufficiently to the right side of the display area so that the shift causes it to start a new line).

As each character position is used by the keyboard, the cursor is automatically displayed at the next sequential character position until it is in the last character position of the unprotected area. When this occurs, the cursor remains assigned to the last position until repositioned by the program or by the JUMP, ADVANCE, or BACKSPACE key.

PROGRAMMED FUNCTION KEYBOARD

The programmed function keyboard (Figure 12) contains 32 keys, 32 indicators, and eight switches to

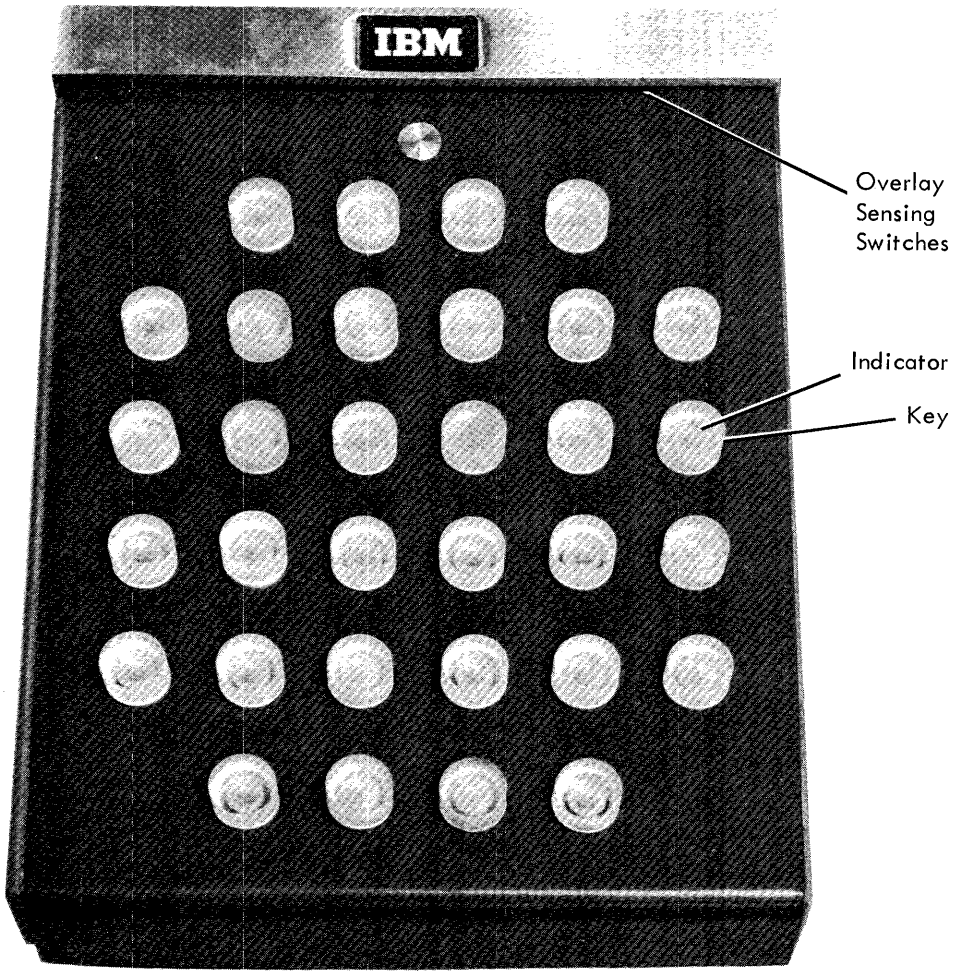


Figure 12. Programmed Function Keyboard

sense the code punched into the overlay. The application programs define the function of each key and indicator. Each of 256 possible overlays identifies the function of the keys and indicators, both to the operator and to the CPU program. Each key can initiate a subroutine associated with the respective overlay program. When a key is pressed, the keyboard is electrically locked (keys can be pressed, but they will have no effect). The overlay sensing switch configuration is sent to the program with each key code, thereby identifying the overlay being used. The program then acts on the displayed image as directed by the program subroutine associated with the key and overlay codes. For example, the subroutine might direct the 2250 to enlarge, reduce, or delete the displayed images.

Plastic overlays (PN 5704496) are available directly from the DP Administration Operations Office (AOO). One overlay punch (PN 5704549) per installation is furnished to each customer at no charge. Additional punches can be ordered on an MES from IBM Kingston.

Each of the 32 programmed function keyboard keys has a built-in indicator. The operation of these indicators is independent of the operation of the keys; however, the indicators can be used for associated functions such as informing the operator of the keys that can be, or have been, activated.

The operations performed by 2250 Model 2 Display Units are controlled by a 2840 Model 1 Display Control. All attached 2250's share the 2840 buffer (Figure 13), which is used for display regeneration. A buffer program comprising image data bytes and associated control bytes is received from the channel and placed into the buffer under channel program control. These bytes are then used by the 2840 to maintain display regeneration simultaneously for the associated 2250's. This process frees the channel and the CPU for other operations during display regeneration.

The basic 2840 buffer can store up to 8,192 bytes; when equipped with the buffer expansion special feature, the buffer can store up to 16,384 bytes. The byte storage locations are assigned sequential permanent addresses: 0 through 8,191, or 0 through 16,383. During display operations, bytes are read from the buffer in pairs, as needed by the attached 2250's: one from an even-numbered address, and one from the next sequential odd-numbered address. The maximum effective data rate is 1.8 μs per byte.

The buffer area (block of buffer locations) used with each 2250 is assigned in the buffer program. Two or more 2250's can display the same image from the same buffer area, or each 2250 can display from different buffer areas. The size of each assigned buffer area is determined by the buffer program and is, therefore, variable. An address register associated with each 2250 specifies the buffer location at which data for that 2250 will be stored or from which it will be retrieved. The address registers are loaded initially by the program; they can then be automatically stepped by buffer addressing circuitry, reset by buffer control circuitry, or reloaded by a channel program.

ORDERS

The buffer program consists of orders interleaved with data. Orders are interpreted by the 2840 as requests to perform logical operations such as unconditional transfers or requests to decode subsequent data in any one of the available data modes (e.g., Point Plot, Large Character, etc.). The data bytes following each order contain information necessary to define points, vectors, or characters.

Order Format

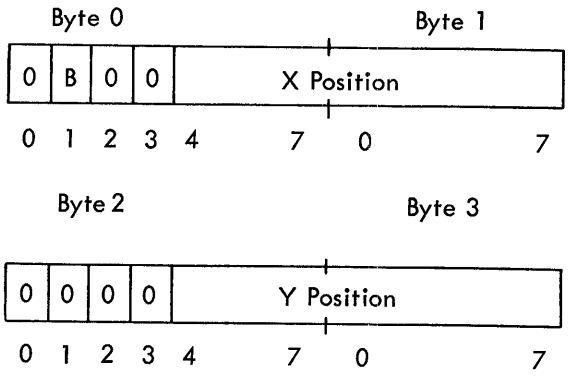
An order is composed of a variable number of consecutive bytes: The first two bytes are always the set mode (SM) byte and a mode control (MC) byte. The SM byte contains a fixed code (hexadecimal 2A) that marks the beginning of a new order. The MC byte contains a variable code. Because a variable number of associated data bytes can immediately follow an MC byte, the unique SM byte is provided to allow 2840 circuitry to detect the presence of a new order. The SM byte must always be located at an even-numbered buffer address, and the MC byte must immediately follow the SM byte.

The SM byte resets, modifies, or clears the present mode of operation, and the associated MC byte defines the new mode of operation. The display unit remains in the new mode until another order is received from the buffer and is executed. Once a mode other than Transfer or 4-Byte No Op is entered, each even-address byte thereafter is checked to determine whether it contains the SM code (indicating the start of a new order). When a four-byte order such as Transfer or 4-Byte No Op is executed, the second even byte is not checked for an SM code, but each even byte thereafter is checked as in other modes.

The orders used in the 2840 are divided into three groups, or modes: Graphic, Character, and Control. The orders in each mode are listed in Table 2. They are also described, by mode, in the following paragraphs. Both the SM and MC bytes are coded in hexadecimal, which is described in Appendix A.

Graphic Mode Orders

Graphic mode orders are used for point and vector plotting and for electron beam positioning. These orders are normally followed in a buffer program by data bytes; they are sent by the 2840 to the 2250 associated with the buffer program. Each group of four data bytes identifies one beam deflection end point:



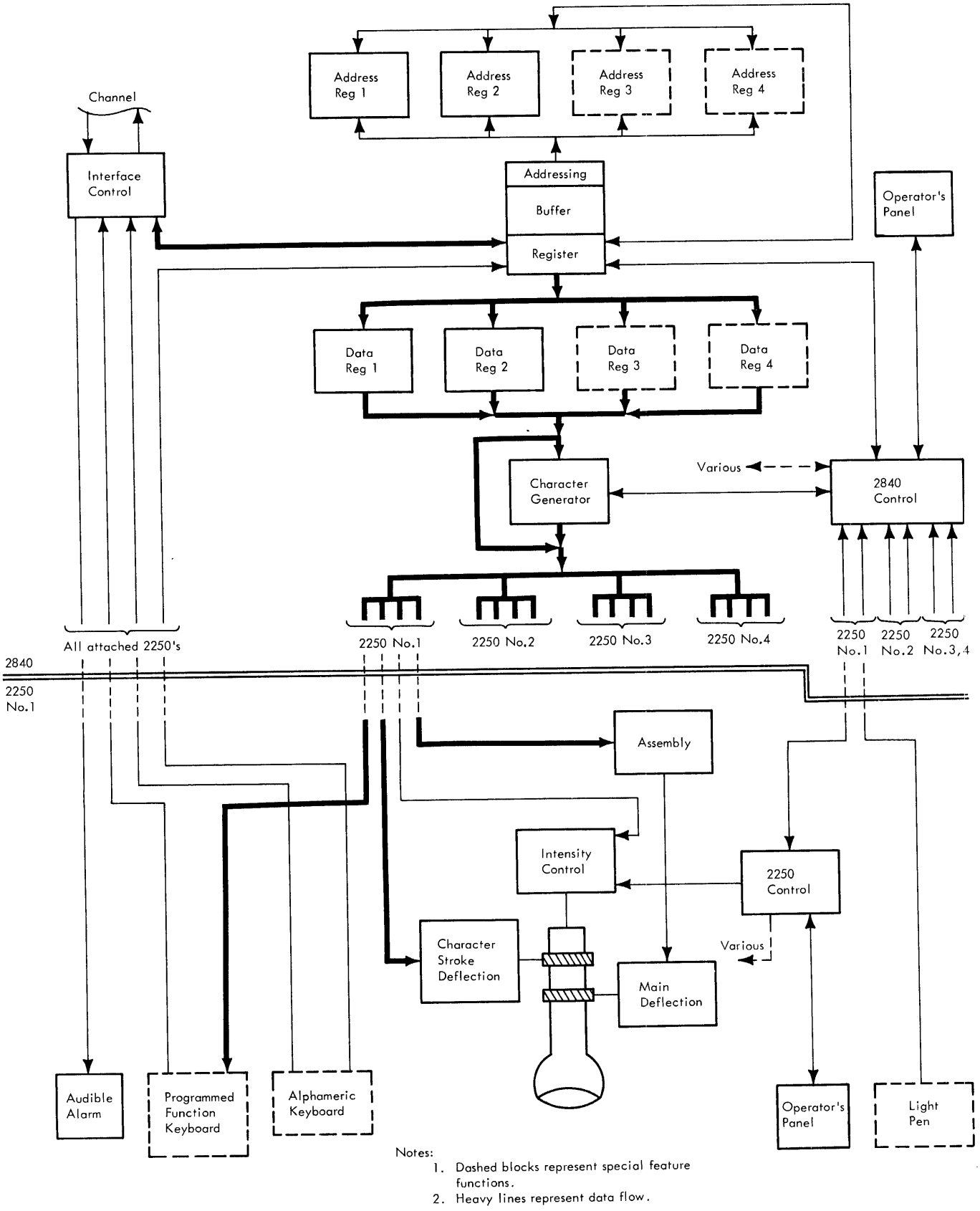


Figure 13. Functional Sections of the 2840-1 and a 2250-2

Table 2. Mode Orders

Mode	Order		Mnemonic[1]	SM	MC
Graphic	Enter Graphic Mode, Absolute Point Plotting		GEPM (A) (ABS)	2A	00
	Enter Graphic Mode, Absolute Vector		GEVN (A) (ABS)	2A	02
Character	Enter Character Mode Fixed, Basic Size (unprotected)		GECF (B) (BASIC)	2A	40[2]
	Enter Character Mode Fixed, Large Size (unprotected)		GECF (L) (LARGE)	2A	41[3]
	Enter Character Mode Protected, Basic Size		GECP (B) (BASIC)	2A	44
	Enter Character Mode Protected, Large Size		GECP (L) (LARGE)	2A	45
Control	Enter 2-Byte No-Op		GNOP2	2A	80
	End Order Sequence	2-Byte Class	GEOS	2A	81
	Start Regeneration Timer		GSRT	2A	82
	Enter 4-Byte No-Op		GNOP4	2A	C0
	Transfer Unconditional	4-Byte Class	GTRU ADDR	2A	FF

NOTES

1. Parameters are shown after each mnemonic; parentheses indicate optional parameters (any one of the parenthesized parameters after the mnemonic can be used).
2. An MC code of 50 or 52 can also be used: GECV (B) (BASIC) (S) (SMALL)
3. An MC code of 51 can also be used: GECV (L) (LARGE)

A vector or point is displayed when the blanking bit (B) is 0, and the beam is positioned without causing a display when the blanking bit is 1.

In the basic 2250, Vector mode is used to draw horizontal, vertical, and 45-degree vectors. The 45-degree vector capability is included so that characters can be formed in Vector mode; it should not be used for X- or Y-axis distances of greater than 20 raster units, or the resulting vectors may not be straight. With the absolute vector graphics feature, straight vectors can be drawn between any two addressable points on the CRT display area. An isolated line drawn between two arbitrary points requires a vector with a 1 blanking bit (no display) followed by a vector with a 0 blanking bit (drawing the line). For complete images that are displayed in less than 25 ms, the beam should be returned to the center of the display area (X = 512, Y = 512) after the image is displayed; this positioning should immediately follow the image data in the buffer program. Data is transferred from the buffer to the data registers as needed by each display. In the Graphic mode, each byte of data is transferred from the data register to the associated 2250.

Character Mode Orders

Each Character mode order prepares the 2840 to operate with character data bytes during regeneration for the 2250 for which the buffer area is assigned and prepares the 2250 to display standard characters in the specified size. Character data bytes are stored in sequential buffer locations following the order. Each data byte contains the code of an alphameric or control character from the standard character set (Figure 6). For example, the letter G is specified when a data byte is coded C7 (hexadecimal).

When an enter character mode order is detected, the 2840 control section prepares the character generator for operations with the selected character size. Then, each pair of character data bytes

read from the buffer following the order is transferred from the buffer to the data register associated with the 2250 for which the data is being provided. The first of these two bytes is then transferred to the character generator, which, in turn, transfers a series of bytes to the 2250. These bytes contain the stroke codes (X, Y character grid coordinates) required by the 2250 to form the character specified by the data byte. When more than one 2250 is in Character mode, the character generator provides stroke bytes to each 2250 as required. When the proper number of stroke codes are generated for the character selected by the first data byte in a data register, the second data byte is transferred to the character generator, initiating the generation of a new series of stroke bytes.

The space code causes the generation of a signal that initiates one character space operation by the 2250 main deflection section. Each of the other 62 legitimate character codes causes a series of coded stroke bytes to be generated.

New line characters can appear anywhere in the string of character data except in the position immediately preceding or following an order; null characters can appear anywhere in the string. Because the null character requires a data byte, it can be used for reserving, initializing, or filling out a string of character bytes to satisfy a control boundary requirement.

Characters selected at an alphameric keyboard can be entered into a portion of the buffer area in which the block of data is preceded by an unprotected Character mode order. When received by the 2840, the character code is inserted into the buffer location to which the cursor is assigned, replacing the code currently in the location, and the cursor is automatically assigned to the next sequential location. A cursor inserted into the buffer by the channel program identifies the specific buffer byte location into which a keyboard character can be entered. The 2840 interrogates the 2250 to determine whether an alphameric keyboard key is depressed. If any key other than END or CANCEL is depressed, the 2250 responds with the code of the depressed key. The assignment of a cursor to a buffer location does not disturb the data in that location. When a buffer location contains a cursor, and a character is read for display regeneration, the character in that location is handled in a normal manner by the 2840. When the 2840 receives the code of the ADVANCE, BACKSPACE, JUMP, or SPACE key in response to the interrogation, the cursor is moved accordingly, but data in the location is not changed. When a message is completed, the user can signal the channel program by pressing the END key. The program can then retrieve all or part of the message from the 2840 buffer and store it in CPU main storage, either in place of the message that was changed or modified, or elsewhere in main storage.

The character represented by the first data byte following an Enter Character mode order is drawn on the CRT display area at the coordinate at which the beam was last positioned. Therefore, the beam is normally moved to a desired starting location by a blanked Graphic mode vector or point before entering Character mode. Automatic spacing circuitry in the 2250 can then control the spacing between characters and between lines. Spacing can be accomplished through alphameric keyboard operations such as Space and Jump, or it may be accomplished through programmed Graphic mode operations.

Control Mode Orders

Control mode orders are used to maintain and/or to change the status of regeneration for a 2250.

2-Byte No-Op

This SM-MC byte pair constitutes the complete order. This order causes the 2840 to reset either Character mode or Graphic mode, if existant, and to perform no operation with subsequent data bytes from the buffer area until the next SM code is found at an even address.

4-Byte No-Op

This SM-MC byte pair requires any two additional bytes to complete the four-byte order. This order causes the 2840 to reset the last mode and to perform no operation (both with the last two bytes of the order and with subsequent data bytes from the buffer area) until the next SM code is encountered in an even location. This order can be used as a No Operation/Transfer Unconditional switch by having the address portion of a transfer unconditional order located in the second two bytes and the 4-Byte No-Op SM-MC in the first two bytes. The program can then replace this MC byte in the buffer with the MC byte of a transfer unconditional order, changing the regeneration sequence.

End Order Sequence

This control order terminates regeneration for the associated 2250. It causes the Attention and Unit Check bits to be set in the status byte and the End Order Sequence bit to be set in sense byte 1.

Start Regeneration Timer

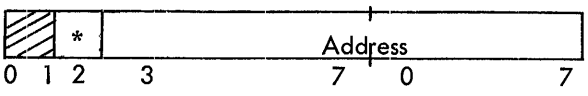
This order prevents displays with short buffer programs from using unnecessary buffer cycles, thereby freeing buffer cycles of other display programs. One 25-ms regeneration timer is provided in the 2840 for each attached 2250. The operation of each timer is independent of the others. Buffer service following the start regeneration timer order is delayed if the timer for the associated 2250 has not completed the current 25-ms time period. When the time period is completed, the timer is restarted, and buffer service for image regeneration is resumed.

The start regeneration timer control order must be included in each regeneration sequence. The regeneration rate is variable up to a rate of 40 cps (25 ms frame times) and is determined by the regeneration timer or by the amount of display information. (Messages that require less than 25 ms to regenerate will be displayed at the maximum rate of 40 cps.) A steady display image can be obtained with a regeneration rate of 30 to 40 cps.

The start regeneration timer order also initiates interrogation of the 2250. Each time this order is decoded, the 2250 being serviced is interrogated to determine if a programmed-function key or alphameric key is depressed. All keyboard operations, programmed function and alphameric, will not be recognized by the 2840 during regeneration unless this order is used in the regeneration sequence.

Transfer Unconditional

This SM-MC byte pair requires two additional bytes containing a buffer address to complete the 4-byte order. Each image to be regenerated must have the transfer unconditional control order as the last order in the sequence. This order causes the buffer to effect a subsequent buffer operation at the location defined by the transfer address. If the location that is transferred to is not an even byte that contains an SM code, sequential buffer locations are read until an SM code is decoded in an even location. Transfer unconditional orders are used to define the end of a buffer area assigned to the attached 2250. The last four locations in the buffer area contain a four-byte transfer order, specifying a transfer to the first location of the buffer area. The format of the two address bytes in this order is:



*High-order bit if 16,384 byte buffer; if 8,192-byte buffer, bit 3 is high-order bit, and bit 2 is ignored by the buffer addressing circuitry.

DISPLAY REGENERATION

Display regeneration is initiated by the channel program, which specifies a starting buffer location for the selected 2250. Two bytes, one from the specified location and one from the next sequential location, are then read from the buffer. These bytes should be the Set Mode (SM) and the Mode Code (MC) of an order. If the first byte does not contain the SM code, additional byte pairs are read sequentially from the buffer until an SM code is decoded in the first byte of a byte pair. The MC byte of the order is then decoded. The start regeneration timer order, GSRT, is normally the first order in the regeneration sequence (this order must be included in each regeneration sequence). After the first order is decoded and operated, the 2840 control section requests buffer service (two more bytes from the buffer), continuing regeneration. Thereafter, byte pairs are retrieved from the buffer as required by the 2840 circuitry and the 2250's being serviced.

When displays are being regenerated simultaneously for more than one 2250, the 2840 alternately checks each 2250 and associated 2840 circuitry to determine whether it requests service and provides service as required. For example, if data bytes are needed for 2250 No. 1 (Figure 13), the contents of address register 1 are used to read two bytes from the buffer: one from the addressed buffer location, and one from the next sequential buffer location. Also, the contents of address register 1 are stepped by 2 in preparation for the next service sequence. The 2840 then determines whether 2250 No. 2 needs data bytes; if it does, the contents of address register 2 are used to read two bytes from the buffer in an operation similar to that described for the 2250 No. 1.

During display regeneration, each byte pair read from the buffer (except the second byte pair of a four-byte order) is checked for an SM code in the first byte. The presence of an SM code identifies the byte pair as either a complete order or the first half of an order; the absence of an SM code in the first byte identifies the byte pair as data.

When the first byte for a specific 2250 contains the SM code, the second byte (MC byte) is decoded, and resulting signals are sent to the 2840 control section. These signals set up the various conditions necessary for proper interpretation of subsequent data for the 2250. The data for each 2250 is interpreted as defined by the last order decoded for that 2250.

Buffer service requests for each 2250 are satisfied sequentially. The next two bytes read from the buffer for 2250 No. 1 are either another order, the second two bytes of a four-byte order, or graphic or character data. Operation with another order is the same as just described. The second two bytes

of a four-byte order will be either no-op'ed (Enter 4-Byte No-Op) or passed to address register 1, the address register associated with 2250 No. 1 (Transfer Unconditional).

Each Graphic and Character mode order is normally followed by a series of data bytes. These bytes are stored in consecutive buffer locations following the associated order. Every byte pair containing data is checked for an SM code in the buffer register; therefore, orders can follow orders without intervening data. When an SM is not found, the byte pair is transferred to the data register associated with the 2250 being serviced (for example, data register 1 when the data is for 2250 No. 1).

Once the byte pair is in the data register, the specific Character mode or Graphic mode order last decoded for the associated 2250 determines how the two bytes will be used. Data bytes following a Graphic mode order are transferred directly to the appropriate 2250; the data bytes following a Character mode order are transferred to the character generator.

The 2840 attempts to transfer bytes sequentially to all 2250's, either directly from the data registers or from the character generator. Byte transfer for a specific 2250 does not occur when certain control conditions exist (e.g., light pen detect). If byte transfer for one 2250 halts, transfer continues for other 2250's.

Each pass through the regeneration sequence for a 2250 continues until a four-byte transfer unconditional order is decoded. This order is normally used to branch from the last address in the buffer area used by a 2250 to the first address of the area, completing a loop for regeneration of the image. In this way, the display is repetitively rewritten, or regenerated, from bytes in the same buffer area. Regeneration continues automatically until stopped by the channel program, by a parity check, by an end order sequence order, or by a light-pen interrupt.

DISPLAY REGENERATION TIMING

The execution time available to display a flicker-free image is 25 ms. An image that requires less than 25 ms display time is held to a regeneration rate of 40 cps by the start regeneration timer order so that a constant intensity level is maintained. An image that requires more than 25 ms display time has a regeneration rate of less than 40 cps, a rate that may result in objectional flicker.

The execution time of a display program is determined by the order execution time, the data display time, and the buffer access time. Also affecting execution are the number of 2250's operating simultaneously and the length of cable attaching each 2250 to the common 2840.

Because of the many variable involved, it is impractical to attempt precise computations of execution times. Instead, these paragraphs present a qualitative description of system operation, followed by results for specific test cases. Execution times for other images can be approximated by interpolation.

All 2250's attached to a common 2840 share the 2840 buffer cycles. This sharing is accomplished with interleaved accesses to the buffer. Each order requires one or more buffer accesses, the data for each line or point requires two accesses, and the data for each pair of characters requires one access. Buffer access time is 3.6 μs per byte pair.

Each 2250 is polled sequentially by address for buffer service requests, starting with the 2250 having the next-higher address from the 2250 currently receiving service. Thus, all 2250's have equal priority in the polling sequence, regardless of address assignment. Polling is accomplished concurrently with buffer service; therefore, buffer efficiency approaches 100 percent during periods of high demand.

The execution time required for the order portion of a display program can be computed by (1) summing the number of order byte-pairs in the individual display program for each 2250 and (2) multiplying the total by 3.6 μs. The result of this calculation is then subtracted from 25 ms to determine the time available for actual image display. It is therefore desirable to minimize the number of orders in each 2250 display program.

Beam positioning time is obtained in one of two ways:

(1) If $N \leq 16$,
Positioning time = 8 μs, or

(2) If $N > 16$,
Positioning time = $8 + 92 \left(\frac{N-16}{1007}\right)$ μs,

where: N = number of raster units of the axis (X or Y) having the greater change. For example, when the X-axis change is 100 raster units and the Y-axis change is 1023 raster units (full-scale deflection), N is equal to 1023.

NOTE: Add 1 μs to the beam-positioning time calculated for each unblanked point; this allows for intensification after beam motion is complete.

These methods of computing beam-positioning time can also be used to compute Character mode fly-back time (the time to reposition the beam to the start of a new line). However, the beam-positioning time in Graphic mode is not equivalent to actual elapsed time between adajcent beam deflections and cannot be used to compute execution time for a display program. Fetching of the next Graphic mode

X-Y coordinate is overlapped with beam motion for the current X-Y coordinate. This fetch time includes polling for 2250 buffer service requests, buffer access, decision and data flow logic delays, and cable delays. The sum of these delays often exceeds beam-positioning time, resulting in a wait between adjacent beam deflections.

Fetch time imposes a minimum effective Graphic mode cycle time of 17 μs per deflection. When several consoles are operating simultaneously, the fetch time increases, and the minimum cycle time is more than 17 μs.

For example, assume that four 2250's are simultaneously drawing vectors that require 8 μs each for beam positioning. Eight buffer accesses, totaling 28.8 μs, are required for each group of four vectors. Therefore, the effective Graphic mode cycle time is at least 28.8 μs, even though beam positioning requires only 8 μs. If all four 2250's were drawing vectors with beam-positioning time greater than 28.8 μs, the Graphic mode cycle time would be approximately equal to beam-positioning time.

Table 3 lists the number of vectors that can be displayed by a 2250 during one 25-ms regeneration cycle when operating in various system configurations. The messages used to obtain the figures in this table contained one Enter Graphic mode order, one start regeneration timer order, and one transfer unconditional order.

Character execution time is dependent on the number of strokes required to draw the character. An average of six strokes is required per visible character. The space (blank), null, and new line characters are each equivalent to a one-stroke visible character. A text message that contains a normal complement of spaces will average five strokes per character position. Flyback time can be computed from the beam-positioning formula presented earlier in this section. For practical purposes, total message flyback time is proportional to the number of characters in a message and is almost independent of the number of lines used to display the message; this assumes that all lines start at the left margin (X = 0000) and that new line characters terminate each line after the last visible character.

The number of characters that can be displayed per console in 25 ms is determined by the number of 2250's displaying simultaneously and by the cable length. Buffer access delay does not impact character message size as heavily as it impacts graphics. The reasons for this are twofold. First, a character is stored in the buffer as one byte of data; therefore, one buffer access will fetch two characters (this is one-fourth the number of accesses required for characters). Secondly, the individual strokes that compare the characters are generated by a logic matrix which operates independently of the buffer and which can service several 2250's simultaneously.

Table 3. Maximum Vector Densities Per Display (25-ms Regeneration Cycle)

Cable Length	Vector Length (RU)	Number of 2250's in Configuration			
		1	2	3	4
100 ft	16	1500	1500	1020	800
	31	1470	1470	1020	800
	63	1420	1420	1020	800
	127	1150	1150	1020	800
	511	465	465	465	465
	1023	250	250	250	250
1000 ft	16	1350	1350	925	725
	31	1320	1320	925	725
	63	1270	1270	925	725
	127	1025	1025	925	725
	511	465	465	465	465
	1023	250	250	250	250
2000 ft	16	1200	1200	800	675
	31	1170	1170	800	675
	63	1120	1120	800	675
	127	925	925	800	675
	511	465	465	465	465
	1023	250	250	250	250

Maximum number of vectors that can be displayed in 25 ms by any console in the configuration.

Table 4 lists the maximum number of characters that can be displayed per console in 25 ms (as determined for several system configurations). The message used to obtain this data consisted of text material (Lincoln's Gettysburg Address), one Enter Character mode order, one start regeneration timer order, and one transfer unconditional order.

Table 4. Maximum Character Densities per 2250 Display (25-ms Regeneration Cycle)

Cable Length	Character Size	Number of 2250's in Configuration	
		1-2	3-4
100 ft	Basic	2100	2000
	Large	1750	1650
1000 ft	Basic	2000	1950
	Large	1750	1650
2000 ft	Basic	1750	1700
	Large	1500	1400

Maximum number of characters that can be displayed in 25 ms by any console in the configuration.

Execution times for messages with mixed graphic and character data can be approximated by prorating Tables 3 and 4. For example, assume that four 2250's are each displaying 200 basic-size characters and 600 vectors that are each 127 raster units long. Also assume that the cable length is 100 feet for each 2250. The calculation of approximate execute time for this example is:

$$\text{Execution time} = \left(\frac{200}{2000} + \frac{600}{800}\right) 25 \text{ ms}$$
$$= (0.1 + 0.75)\ 25$$
$$= 21.3 \text{ ms.}$$

The 2840-1 attaches to either a multiplexor or a selector channel of System/360 via the standard input/output (I/O) interface (Figure 2). Multiplexor channel operations are in the Burst mode. The channel, in turn, is attached to main storage and to the central processing unit (CPU).

The channel program controls all 2840 operations by transmitting information across the interface. This information is composed of (1) address bytes, which select one control unit (2840) and one device (2250) attached to the control unit; (2) command bytes, which specify the type of operation to be performed by the 2840 for that 2250; (3) data bytes, which are stored in the buffer for use as orders and associated display data during display regeneration; and (4) various control signals. Status bytes, which are automatically generated by the 2840, inform the channel program of the general condition of a 2250 and the 2840 at various stages of an operation.

INTERFACE OPERATIONS

The interface operations, discussed briefly in the following paragraphs, are described in more detail in the IBM System/360 Principles of Operation manual (SRL A22-6821). The CPU program initiates 2840 operations with a Start I/O instruction. This instruction identifies the I/O control unit and device, in this case, the 2840 and a 2250, and causes the channel to fetch the channel address word (CAW) from a fixed location in main storage. The CAW designates the storage protection key and the location in main storage from which the channel subsequently fetches the first channel control word (CCW). The CCW specifies the command to be executed and the number and address in CPU main storage of any bytes to be transmitted.

The channel then attempts to select the 2840 and a 2250 by sending a unique address byte to the 2840 and other control units on the channel or subchannel. Each control unit and device controlled by the channel has a unique address. The address byte for a 2840/2250 configuration is coded as follows:

XXXXXXXX
2840 2250
Address Address

If the 2840 recognizes both addresses, it logically connects to the channel and responds to the selection by returning the address byte to the channel. The channel subsequently sends the command code over the interface, and the 2840 responds with a status byte indicating whether it can execute the command. If execution of the command involves the transfer of data, the channel is set up to respond automatically to service requests from the 2840, and the 2840 assumes further control of the operation. The operation of a command can be terminated either by the channel or by the 2840.

When the channel has transferred the information specified by a CCW, it can continue the activity initiated by Start I/O by fetching a new CCW, thereby restarting the cycle. The fetching of this new CCW is called "chaining", and the CCW's belonging to such a sequence are said to be chained. All CCW's in a chain apply to the control unit (2840) and the device (2250) specified in the original Start I/O instruction. Two types of chaining are provided: data-byte chaining, and command chaining. During data chaining, the new CCW fetched by the channel defines a new main storage area for the original command. During command chaining, the new CCW fetched by the channel specifies a new command.

All display regeneration must be stopped during interface activity in which data is transmitted to or from the 2840 and display control circuitry. Interface activity for such devices as the programmed function keyboard do not affect display operations; therefore, it is not required to stop regeneration when setting programmed function keyboard indicators. When a sequence of unchained commands is presented across the interface, the buffer attempts display regeneration for all but the addressed 2250's during the period between the interface disconnect and the start of a new command. This condition of the buffer initiating regeneration for short intervals can be avoided by command chaining. Regeneration is stopped during the period when command chaining is in effect across the interface. When the chained sequence is completed, regeneration is continued.

The device status byte (Table 5) is sent to the channel (1) as a response to initial selection of the 2840, (2) when an interrupt condition occurs, and/or (3) during the ending phase of a 2840 operation involving data transfer between the 2840 and the channel. During the initial selection sequence, the status byte is sent to the channel after a command is received. An all-zero status byte is sent when the command is accepted by the 2840; it is also sent in response to a Test I/O instruction if other status is not pending. The Unit Check bit is set if the command is not accepted by the 2840 because of program or equipment error. The Device End and Channel End bits are set in response to commands that do not cause data transfer (Set Audible Alarm, Control No-Op, Insert Cursor, and Remove Cursor). When status is pending or stacked (a previous status byte

Table 5. Status Byte Bit Assignments

Bit	Name	Condition
0	Attention	Indicates a request for service from alphameric keyboard or programmed function keyboard; program should respond by issuing a Read Manual Input command. Also, the setting of both the Attention bit and the Unit Check bit indicates an interrupt condition, such as light pen detect or data check during the regeneration cycle. The program should respond by issuing a Sense command.
1	Status Modifier	Set with the Busy bit to indicate stacked status for a 2250 other than the addressed 2250.
2	Control Unit End	Set following a Busy, Status Modifier condition when the pending or stacked status is cleared to indicate that the accompanying status is the outstanding status.
3	Busy	Set in response to all commands if an interruption condition exists. The outstanding status accompanies the busy indication. The Busy bit is also set with the Status Modifier bit to indicate pending or stacked status for a 2250 which is not addressed.
4	Channel End	Set when the transfer of data and control information between the 2840 and the channel is complete. Both Channel End and Device End are set for an ending status.
5	Device End	Set when the 2840 has completed operation of a command and is prepared to accept a new command. Both Device End and Channel End are set for an ending status.
6	Unit Check	Set when an irregular program or equipment condition is detected at the 2840. The program should always respond by issuing a Sense command for further definition of the condition before the 2840 takes action in response to the outstanding command. If command execution has started, the Channel End and Device End bits also are set. If the condition is detected during regeneration, the Attention bit is set in addition to the Unit Check bit. Both the Attention bit and the Unit Check bit are set to indicate a light pen detect condition, an End Order Sequence order, or a Data Check.
7	Unit Exception	Not used.

is awaiting transfer to the channel), the waiting status byte, with the Busy bit set, is sent to the channel in response to all commands; the command is not accepted by the 2840. For a Test I/O instruction, the waiting status byte is presented without the Busy bit set.

During an ending operation, a status byte is sent to the channel at the completion of a 2840 operation involving data transfer with the channel. The ending operation status byte always relates to the command operation just ending. The normal ending status byte will have only the Channel End and Device End bits set. Any error condition associated with the operation just executed will cause additional status bits to be set. Ending status causes an I/O interrupt unless chaining is specified.

When an interrupt condition occurs while the 2840 is operating asynchronously (not selected by the channel), the Attention bit or both the Attention bit and the Unit Check bit will be set in the status byte. An interrupt condition can be caused by a light-pen detect, a programmed function key activation, an alphameric keyboard END or CANCEL key activation, a buffer parity error, or an end-order sequence order. When an interrupt status occurs, the 2840 requests selection from the channel and sends the status byte to the channel when selection is accomplished. This status byte will be in the CSW stored by the I/O interrupt generated by the channel. The status byte is reset by the 2840 after the status information has been accepted by the channel.

COMMANDS

Four basic types of command are used with the 2840: Write, Read, Control, and Sense. The Write command initiates data transfer into the 2840 buffer area for the selected 2250. Read commands cause data transfer from the 2840 buffer or from the selected 2250 registers (programmed function keyboard, X, Y position registers, etc.), via the 2840, to the channel. Control commands initiate the setting of programmed function indicators, activate single-stroke audible alarms at the selected 2250 (which attract operator attention to the display unit),

and control display regeneration and cursor insertion. The Sense command causes the transfer of Sense bits to the channel; these bits indicate various control and/or check conditions in the 2840 and a 2250.

The specific commands, their codes, and the minimum features required for their use are listed in Table 6. The coding is in hexadecimal, which is shown in Appendix A. In addition to the four basic types of commands, the 2840 responds to the Test I/O and Halt I/O CPU instructions. The commands accepted as valid by the 2840 depend on the features attached to the selected 2250. When a command that refers to an optional feature is presented, and when the selected 2250 does not have that feature, the command is treated as invalid and is rejected, causing no 2840/2250 operation.

During loading of the buffer, bytes are normally received from the channel in the following sequence:

1. A unit address byte, which selects the 2840 and a 2250. This selection is accomplished in the 2840 interface control section.
2. A Set Buffer Address Register and Stop command, which stops regeneration for the selected 2250 (if in progress) and initiates a request to the channel for two address bytes. When received, these two address bytes are passed by the interface control section and the buffer register to the address register associated with the selected 2250, selecting a buffer starting address.
3. A Write Buffer command, which specifies that a buffer write operation is to be performed and initiates a request to the channel for data bytes. When received, these data bytes are written into consecutive buffer locations, starting at the location specified by the address register.
4. If operating with an alphameric keyboard, a Set Buffer Address Register and Stop command, which selects the address for insertion, can be followed by an Insert Cursor command, which causes a cursor to be inserted.

Display generation for a 2250 is initiated in the following sequence:

1. A unit address byte is received from the channel, selecting the 2840 and the 2250 at which the display is to be generated.
2. A Set Buffer Address and Start command is received from the channel; this command initiates a request to the channel for two address bytes. When received, the address bytes are placed in the address register for the selected 2250, specifying the buffer location at which byte retrieval for display generation will start. The command then allows

Table 6. Commands Used with the 2840

Channel Command	2250 Command	Command Code	Mnemonic	Feature Requirements*	
				Alphameric Keyboard	Programmed Function Keyboard
Write	Write Buffer	01	WRT		
Read	Read Buffer	02	RBFR		
	Read Manual Inputs	0E	RMAN	X (or)	X
	Read Cursor	06	RCSR	X	
	Read XY Position Registers	12	RXY		
	Read Output Registers**	0A	ROR		
Control	No Operation	03	NOOP		
	Set Buffer Address Register and Start	27	SBAS		
	Set Buffer Address Register and Stop	07	SBA		
	Insert Cursor	0F	CSRI	X	
	Remove Cursor	1F	CSRR	X	
	Set Programmed Function Indicators	1B	SPFI		X
	Set Audible Alarm	0B	ALRM		
Sense	Sense	04	SNS		

*X - The special feature required for operation of the command.

Blank - The special features that do not affect operation of the command.

**Read Output Registers is a diagnostic command which is accepted and performed only when the 2840 CE key switch is in the CE position and the CHECK STOP switch is in the DEVICE STOP position. The command causes four 2840 registers to be read out.

the 2840 to read two bytes from the buffer, thereby initiating display generation.

The above sequence can then be repeated for another 2250. Display regeneration for all 2250's is interrupted while display generation is being initiated for any 2250.

Write Buffer Command

The Write Buffer command causes the data bytes received by the 2840 following the command to be placed into consecutive buffer locations at a maximum rate of 2.1 μs per byte. Buffer regeneration for the selected 2250 must be stopped before an attempt to write into the buffer. If regeneration is in progress when the Write Buffer command is received, the command will not be accepted, the Unit Check bit will be set in the status byte, and the Command Reject and Buffer Running bits will be set in the sense byte.

The normal sequence for buffer write operations begins, after selection of a 2250, with a Set Buffer Address Register and Stop control command followed by a Write Buffer command. Command chaining can be used. The Set Buffer Address Register and Stop command stops regeneration and sets the buffer addressing circuitry for the selected 2250 to the address at which writing is to start. The data bytes following the Write Buffer command are stored in consecutive buffer locations. In the write operation, data transmission is terminated under channel byte count control. Once the data is written, display generation can be started by a Set Buffer Address Register and Start command. If the channel attempts to write past the last buffer location, wrap-around occurs (writing continues from the first buffer location); this destroys any data previously stored in these locations. Writing into a buffer location that contains a cursor causes the cursor to be removed.

All data bytes are parity checked as they are received from the interface. Detection of a data parity error does not terminate the write operation; however, it does cause the Unit Check bit to be set in the status byte. The Unit Check indication is sent to the channel as part of ending status when the write operation is completed. A data parity error also causes the Bus Out Check bit to be set in the sense byte. No parity correction is performed on data bytes with parity errors. In response to the Unit Check status, the program should issue a Sense command for further definition of the check condition. Then, after analyzing the sense data, the CPU should correct the data in the buffer by rewriting. Since the 2840 does not perform parity correction on the data byte(s) with bad parity, an attempt by the program to start regeneration without correcting the data in the buffer will result in a buffer-parity-initiated interrupt.

Read Commands

Read commands initiate information transfer from the 2840 or from the selected 2250, via the 2840, to the channel at a maximum rate of 2.1 μs per byte. Several types of Read commands can be used, depending on the optional features installed in the 2250 (Table 6). Any Read command bit configuration that is not valid for the selected 2250 causes the setting of the Unit Check bit in the status byte and the Command Reject bit in the sense byte.

Read Buffer Command

This command causes the transfer of sequential buffer data bytes to the channel via the I/O interface. Buffer regeneration for the selected 2250 must be stopped for this command to operate; failure to stop regeneration causes the Unit Check bit (in the status byte) and the Command Reject and Buffer Running bits (in the sense byte) to be set.

The Set Buffer Address Register and Stop control command stops regeneration for the selected 2250 and specifies the first buffer location to be read. Command chaining can be used. Once buffer regeneration is stopped, single or multiple read operations can be performed. The read operation is terminated by channel byte count control, which determines that the number of bytes specified by the program has been read. If the channel attempts to read past the last buffer location, wrap-around occurs (reading continues from the first buffer location). Note that whenever a location that contains a cursor is read, only the data, not the cursor, is sent to the channel.

All bytes are checked for correct parity as they are read from the buffer. Detection of a parity error does not terminate the read operation but does cause the Unit Check bit to be set in the status byte. This status is sent to the channel when the read operation is completed. A parity error also causes the Data Check bit to be set in the sense byte. In response to the Unit Check status, the program should issue a Sense command for further definition of the check condition. A Set Buffer Address Register and Start command is used to continue regeneration for the selected 2250 after the Read Buffer command is completed.

Read Manual Input Command

This command is used to transfer alphameric keyboard or programmed function keyboard information

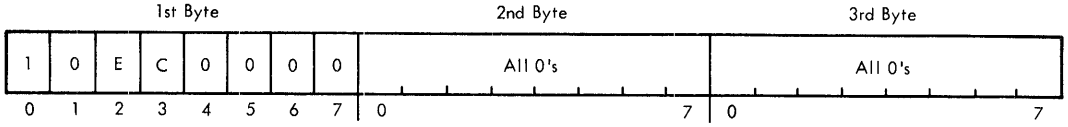
to the channel. Activation of the alphameric keyboard END or CANCEL key or activation of any programmed function key causes the Attention bit to be set in the status byte when the 2250 is interrogated and if the status and sense registers are clear. The start regeneration timer order interrogates the 2250 when regeneration is in progress. When regeneration is not in progress, the regeneration timer is automatically restarted when the time period expires. In this case, interrogation of the 2250 for Attention status occurs each time the timer is automatically restarted. The attention status is passed to the channel at the earliest appropriate time, such as at the end of current channel operations, causing an I/O interrupt. If the 2840 cannot pass this status to the channel before the next 2250 is interrogated, the status of the next 2250 is not accepted by the 2840 until the 2840 status and sense registers have been cleared by the 2840 - channel interface operations. When a key is activated, the keyboard remains locked until status is presented to the channel. The channel program must then respond with a Read Manual Input command to determine which key was pressed. This command does not affect buffer operation. The 2840 responds to the Read Manual Input command by sending three bytes to the channel.

If an alphameric keyboard END or CANCEL key caused the Attention status, the 2840 sends the three bytes shown in Figure 14(a) to the channel in response to a Read Manual Input command. Bit 0 of byte 0 is set to a 1 to indicate to the program that an alphameric key has been depressed. Bytes 1 and 2 will always contain all 0's.

If the programmed function keyboard caused the Attention status, the 2840 sends the three bytes shown in Figure 14(b) to the channel in response to a Read Manual Input command. Bit 1 of byte 0 is set to a 1 to indicate to the program that one of the 32 programmed function keys has been depressed. Byte 1 contains a five-bit binary key code which corresponds to this key.

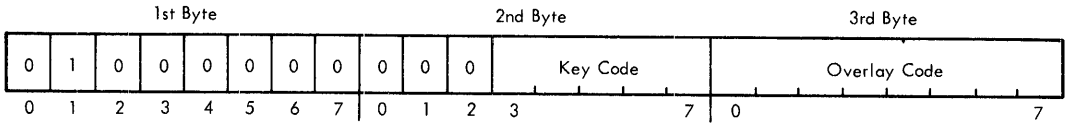
Byte 2 contains an eight-bit binary code which represents one of 256 possible keyboard overlays.

a. Alphameric Keyboard



Notes:
1. Bit 0 of 1st byte is a 1, indicating response is for alphameric keyboard.
2. Bit 2 of 1st byte is a 1 when the END key causes the Attention status.
3. Bit 3 of 1st byte is a 1 when the CANCEL key causes the Attention status.

b. Programmed Function Keyboard



Notes:
1. Bit 1 of 1st byte is a 1, indicating response is for programmed function keyboard.
2. The relationship of key code in 2nd byte to the depressed key is:

Depressed Key	Key Code (Bits 3-7)
0	00000
1	00001
≈	≈
30	11110
31	11111

3. The relationship of the overlay code to the overlay punches is:

Overlay Punch	Overlay Code
None	00000000
7	00000001
6	00000010
6 and 7	00000011
≈	≈
0 thru 6	11111110
0 thru 7 or No overlay	11111111

Figure 14. Read Manual Input Command Response

Figure 15 is a drawing of an overlay. Note that the top edge of the overlay has punch positions numbered 0 through 7. These positions correspond to byte 2, bits 0 through 7, of the Read Manual Input command response. When an overlay punch position is punched, a 1 appears in the corresponding bit position in byte 2 of the command response. (Punch 7 is least significant.) For example, if overlay punch positions 3, 5, and 7 are punched, byte 2 of the command response is 00010101, or hexadecimal 15. Overlays can be marked by typewriter, ball-point pen, pencil, etc. A clear lacquer spray is suggested for fixing the marking on the overlay (to prevent smudging).

Once a key on the alphameric or programmed function keyboard has been depressed, its keyboard is locked. The alphameric keyboard is reset: (1) when an alphameric keyboard character is stored in the buffer, or (2) after a Read Manual Input command is executed or when the alphameric keyboard SHIFT and ALT keys are simultaneously depressed.

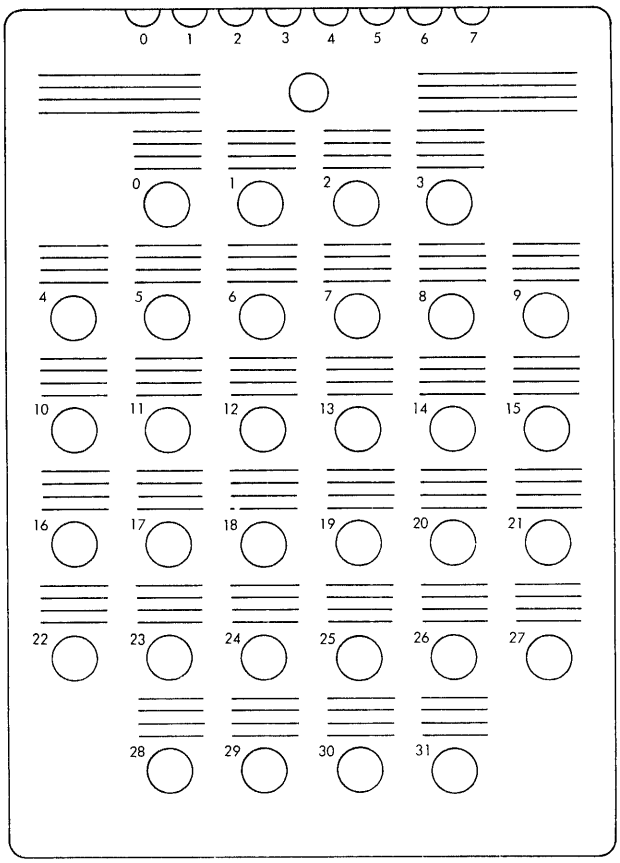


Figure 15. Programmed Function Keyboard Overlay (Top View)

Read Cursor Command

With the Read Cursor command, as with the Read Buffer command, data bytes are taken sequentially from the buffer area of the selected 2250 and are passed to the channel. The distinction is in the termination. Data transmission is terminated in a Read Cursor operation by whichever of the following occurs first:

1. Channel byte count control determines that the number of bytes specified by the program have been read.
2. A buffer location to which a cursor is assigned is read.

When a cursor is encountered during a Read Cursor operation, the code 0001 1010 (hexadecimal 1A) is transmitted to the channel; the byte from the location to which the cursor is assigned is not transmitted. Note that whenever the buffer location that is assigned a cursor is read during a read buffer operation, only the byte in that location, not the cursor code, is transmitted to the channel. The Read Cursor command, with the skip flag set in the CCW, can be used with the Sense command to find the buffer address to which the cursor is assigned.

Buffer regeneration for the selected 2250 must be stopped for this command to operate; failure to stop regeneration causes the Unit Check status bit and the Command Reject and Buffer Running sense bits to be set. A Set Buffer Address Register and Start command is used to start regeneration for the selected 2250 after the Read Cursor operation is completed.

Read XY Position Registers

This command can be used both for obtaining light-pen detect data and for diagnostic purposes. It allows the CPU program to determine the values in the 2250 main deflection registers. In response to this command, the 2250 sends four bytes of XY data to the channel in the same format as the four Graphic mode data bytes (refer to Order description). If this command is issued by the program in response to a light-pen detect on graphic data (point or vector), the XY position data returned by the 2250 will be the X and Y coordinate of the end point of the graphic data causing the detect. If the light-pen detect was on a character, the position data is the X and Y coordinates of the center point of the next character following the character causing the detect (see Figure 9). Regeneration for the selected 2250 must have stopped before this command is issued; failure to stop regeneration causes the Unit Check status bit and the Command Reject and Buffer Running sense bits to set.

Control Commands

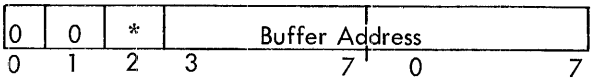
Several control commands can be used, depending on the type of optional features installed in the selected 2250 (Table 6). Any control command bit configuration that is not valid for the selected 2250 causes the setting of the Unit Check bit in the status byte and the Command Reject bit in the sense byte.

No Operation Command

This command performs no operation. It is an immediate command, and data bytes are not transferred.

Set Buffer Address Register and Start Command

This four-byte command initiates display regeneration for the selected 2250. It is normally used after, and can be chained to, a Write Buffer, Read Buffer, Read Cursor, Insert Cursor, and Remove Cursor command. The second two bytes of this command specify the buffer location at which regeneration should start:



*Most significant bit if addressing 16,384-byte buffer; this bit is 0 if addressing 8,192-byte buffer (bit 3 is most significant bit).

The first two bytes of this command cause regeneration of all attached displays to stop and cause a request for two bytes (a buffer address) from the channel. These bytes, when received at the interface control section, are passed to the address register for the selected 2250. The command then enables display regeneration for the selected 2250 by allowing two bytes to be read from the buffer; the first byte is from the location addressed by the command, and the second byte is from the next consecutive location. These should be the first two bytes of an order, initiating regeneration operations in the 2840 and the 2250. Regeneration of the other attached displays then continues automatically.

The buffer starting location selected by this command should always have an even-numbered address and should always contain the first (SM) byte of an order. If both conditions are not met, sequential buffer locations are read and decoded in the buffer register until an SM byte is decoded from an even address; at this time, the byte in the next sequential address is read and decoded, starting the regeneration operation.

Programming Note: The Set Buffer Address Register and Start command resets Graphic or Character mode, if active, in the selected 2250.

Set Buffer Address Register and Stop Command

This command can be used to stop regeneration for a selected 2250. It causes regeneration to stop, if in progress, and initiates a request to the channel for two buffer address bytes. When received from the channel, these two bytes are placed, via the interface control section and the buffer register (Figure 13) into the address register for the selected 2250. The address bytes are coded as shown for the Set Buffer Address Register and Start command. The Set Buffer Address Register and Stop command will usually precede Write, Read, Insert Cursor, or Remove Cursor commands and may be chained to commands that specify these operations.

Set Audible Alarm Command

This immediate command causes activation, for a short period, of a buzzer (single-stroke audible alarm) at the selected 2250.

Programming Note: Bit 34 of the Set Audible Alarm CCW (the Select Incorrect Length Indicator bit) must be a 1.

Set Programmed Function Indicators Command

This command is used to light and extinguish programmed function keyboard indicators as specified in four data bytes that follow the command byte. These indicators, numbered 0 to 31 (Figure 12), are associated with the four data bytes as follows:

Byte	Bit Position							
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
2	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
3	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Any data bit that is a 1 causes its associated indicator to light; any data bit that is a 0 causes its associated indicator to extinguish. The operation of this command does not affect regeneration.

Insert Cursor Command

This immediate command must be preceded by a Set Buffer Address Register and Stop command which stops regeneration for the selected 2250, if in progress, and identifies the buffer location to which the

cursor is to be assigned. The cursor indication for the addressed buffer location is then set without disturbing the data byte in that location. If a Set Buffer Address Register and Stop command is not issued before the Insert Cursor command when the buffer is operating, the Insert Cursor command is rejected, the Unit Check bit is set in the status byte, and the Command Reject and Buffer Running bits are set in the sense byte. Once inserted, the cursor can be repositioned (1) with alphameric keyboard action, (2) with a Set Buffer Address Register and Stop command followed either by a Remove Cursor command or an Insert Cursor command, or (3) with a Set Buffer Address and Stop command and an Insert Cursor command followed by a Write Buffer command (replacing the character at the cursor position) and an Insert Cursor command.

Programming Notes:

(1) Bit 34 of the Insert Cursor CCW must be a 1.
(2) The cursor must be inserted in a character data field only. When stored in any other field, the cursor is not displayed, and it cannot be controlled by keyboard action.
(3) Only one cursor can exist in an even-odd byte pair. Either the Insert Cursor command or the keyboard will remove the existing cursor from the byte pair during insertion of the new cursor.

The cursor should not be inserted into a buffer program that does not have an unprotected character area. If the cursor is placed in a protected area of such a program, and if the JUMP key is pressed at a 2250 alphameric keyboard, regeneration continues for the 2250. However, the 2840 continuously searches for an unprotected character area in the display program for that 2250 and will not operate any commands (except No Op) received while the 2250 causing the search is selected, even though the 2840 responds with normal initial status. Channel recovery from an unexecuted command can be accomplished with a Halt I/O instruction. Buffer program recovery can be accomplished by logically disabling the 2840 on the 2250 causing the search or by performing a reset at the CPU.

Remove Cursor Command

This immediate command must be preceded by a Set Buffer Address Register and Stop command, which stops regeneration for the selected 2250, if it is in progress, and identifies the buffer location from which the cursor assignment is to be removed. The cursor indication for the addressed buffer location is then cleared. Failure to precede this command with a Set Buffer Address Register and Stop command causes the same actions as described for the Insert Cursor command. Note that any time data is written into a buffer location, the cursor indication for that location is automatically cleared.

Programming Note: Bit 34 of the Remove Cursor CCW must be a 1.

Sense Command

This command is used to obtain data relative to unit status and to a light-pen detect address; it can be issued by the program at any time. A Sense command is the normal response from the program to an interrupt caused by Unit Check status. (The various status and sense bit combinations are given in Appendix B.)

The information provided by the 2840 in response to the Sense command is more detailed than that supplied in the status byte. In response to the Sense command, the 2840 can return four bytes of sense information. The first two bytes contain error and control information, and the last two bytes contain the current contents of the selected 2250's address register. If regeneration for the selected 2250 has not been stopped before a Sense command is issued, the last two sense bytes will contain a meaningless address, and the Buffer Running bit (byte 0, bit 6) will be set. The sense bit assignments are shown in Table 7.

Programming Note: The initial status response to a Sense command is Channel End and Device End when the Sense command is issued to a 2250 which did not cause the interrupt. Thus, issuing more than one Sense command to a selected 2250 causes this condition if a subsequent interrupt condition has occurred for another 2250.

The information in sense bytes 0 and 1 (except Buffer Running and Character Mode) is reset by any of the following conditions:

1. The next command, even if invalid or with bad parity, with the exception of Sense or Control No Operation unless status is stacked.
2. By a new status condition if the Sense command has been issued previously for the data presently in the sense register.

The information in all sense bytes is reset by a machine reset or a system reset.

INSTRUCTIONS

The normal interaction between the 2840 and its host CPU is controlled by channel commands. Only two CPU instructions, Test I/O and Halt I/O, give the CPU program a means of direct access to the 2840.

Table 7. Sense Bit Assignments

Byte	Bit	Name	Indication
0	0	Command Reject	Indicates invalid modifier bit in command, or indicates invalid command sequence.
0	1	Intervention Required	Not used.
0	2	Bus Out Check	Indicates a Bus Out parity error on a command or data byte.
0	3	Equipment Check	Indicates a parity error on data received at 2250.
0	4	Data Check	Set when a buffer parity error occurs either during a read operation or during image regeneration.
0	5	Overrun	Not used.
0	6	Buffer Running	Indicates regeneration is in process for the selected 2250.
0	7		Not used.
1	0	Light Pen Detect	Set when the light-pen detect occurs.
1	1	End Order Sequence	Set when regeneration for the selected 2250 is stopped by an end order sequence control order.
1	2	Character Mode	Set when in Character mode, clear when in Graphic mode. Used with Light Pen Detect bit.
1	3		Not used.
1	4		Not used.
1	5	2840 Output Check	Indicates a parity error in 2840 on data transmitted to a 2250.
1	6	2840 Input Check	Indicates a parity error in 2840 on data received from a 2250.
1	7		Not used.
2	0		Not used.
2	1		Not used.
2	2		Not used.
2	3	Bit 13 (High-Order Bit)	Contents of the address register associated with the selected 2250. These bits are meaningless except during the following conditions:
2	4	Bit 12	1. When Light Pen Detect bit set - Address of character causing detect or first byte of XY data for point or vector causing detect. Used with Character Mode bit.
2	5	Bit 11	
2	6	Bit 10	
2	7	Bit 9	
3	0	Bit 8	
3	1	Bit 7	2. When End Order Sequence bit is set - Address of location immediately following two-byte end order sequence order.
3	2	Bit 6	
3	3	Bit 5	
3	4	Bit 4	
3	5	Bit 3	3. When Data Check bit is set - During regeneration, address of byte with bad parity. (During read or write, the buffer address register contains the address at which the next byte will be written or read.)
3	6	Bit 2	
3	7	Bit 1 (Low-Order Bit)	4. At the completion of a Read Cursor command - Address of location immediately following location (1) to which cursor is assigned, or (2) at which the CCW count became zero, terminating the operation.

Table 7. Sense Bit Assignments (Cont)

Test I/O

The unit will respond to the Test I/O instruction with a status byte. If there is no outstanding status information, an all-zero status byte will be sent.

Halt I/O

A CPU-executed Halt I/O instruction causes the channel to disconnect from the 2840, resulting in termination of the current I/O operation. (The Halt I/O instruction stops all channel operation with the selected 2840.) This does not affect display regeneration that is currently in progress.

The Halt I/O instruction can be issued at various phases of interface activity. If the Halt I/O instruction is issued after initial status and before ending status, the 2840 responds by sending a status byte to the channel. This status byte has the Channel End, Device End, and any error condition bits set. At all other times, the status byte is not sent to the channel. If a Halt I/O is issued when the 2840 has stacked status, the Halt I/O is executed and the stacked status is preserved and presented to the channel after the instruction has been completed.

EXAMPLES OF 2840/2250 OPERATIONS

The following examples illustrate regeneration, alphameric-keyboard, and light-pen operations with a sample buffer program. Descriptions of the command and status sequences associated with these

operations and descriptions of how these operations affect the buffer program and the display are also included. System/360 programming is not discussed.

Example 1: Displaying an Image on One 2250

A. Problem: Display a box and alphabetic characters (Figure 16) on the CRT display area of a 2250 equipped with an alphameric keyboard, and allow characters selected at the alphameric keyboard to be displayed.

B. Command Sequence at the 2840:

1. Set Buffer Address Register and Stop - address N: Stops regeneration for the selected 2250, if in progress, and sets the associated buffer address register to N, defining the first location of the buffer area to be used for the selected 2250.
2. Write Buffer: Causes the transfer of orders and data (Table 8) from the channel to consecutive buffer locations, starting at location N. This block of orders and data will be used to generate the desired image.
3. Set Buffer Address Register and Stop - address N + 42: Sets the associated buffer address register to N + 42.
4. Insert Cursor: Causes a cursor to be inserted in location N + 42. When the display is initiated, a cursor is displayed on the CRT display area in the position selected for buffer location N + 42, signifying to the operator that a character can be inserted from the keyboard. When a character is inserted, the cursor automatically moves to the next sequential location.

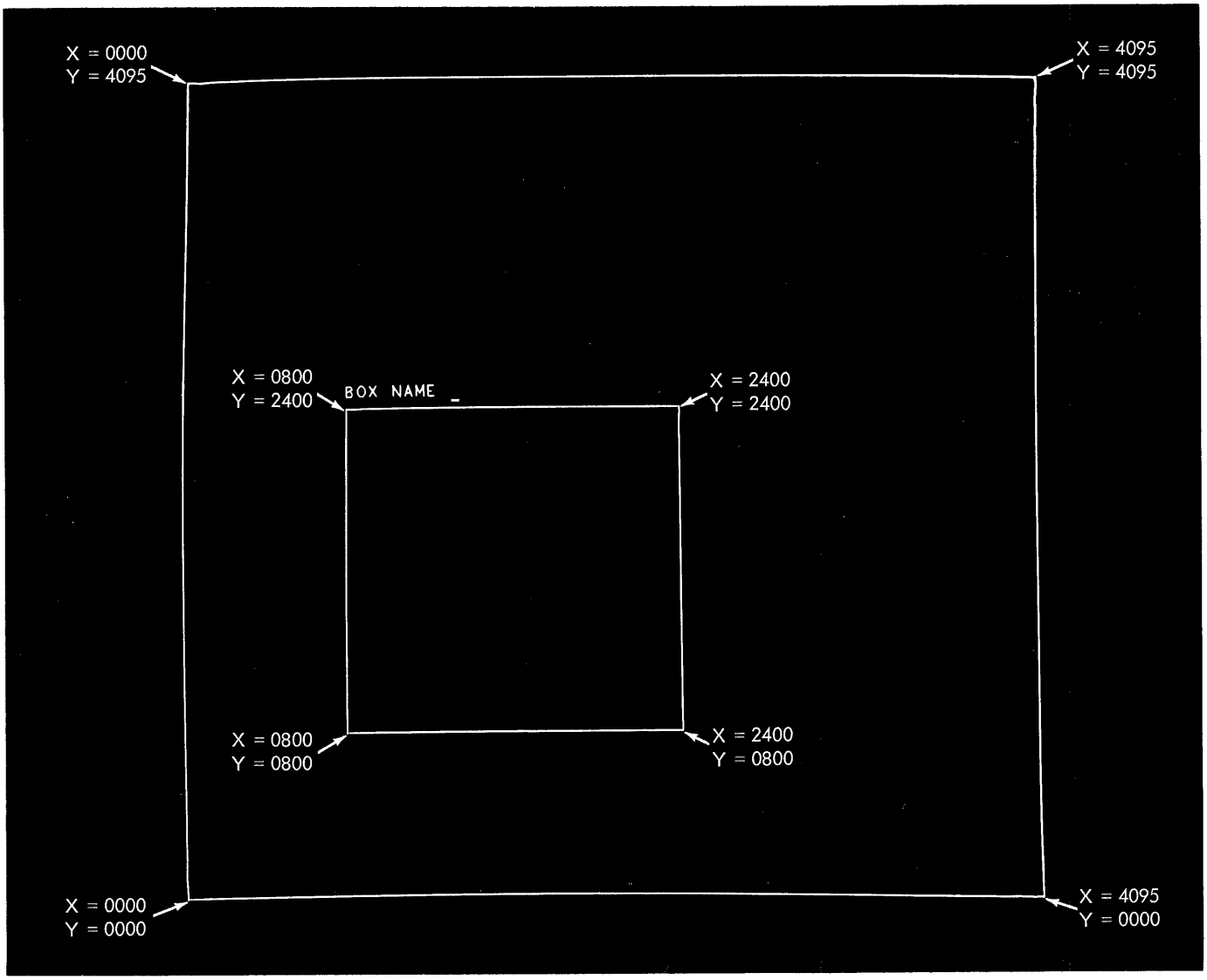


Figure 16. Buffer Program Example Display

Table 8. Buffer Program Example

Buffer Location	Content	Function
N, N+1	2A/82	Start Regeneration Timer order.
N+2, +3	2A/02	Enter Graphic Mode, Absolute Vector order.
N+4, +5	B, 800	Blanked beam moved to position 800X,
N+6, +7	800	800Y, establishing the starting point for drawing box.
N+8, +9	UB, 2400	Unblanked beam moved to location
N+10, +11	800	2400X, drawing bottom horizontal line.
N+12, +13	UB, 2400	Unblanked beam moved to location
N+14, +15	2400	2400Y, drawing right vertical line.
N+16, +17	UB, 800	Unblanked beam moved to location
N+18, +19	2400	800X, drawing top horizontal line.
N+20, +21	UB, 800	Unblanked beam moved to location
N+22, +23	800	800Y, drawing left vertical line and completing the box.
N+24, +25	B, 400	Blanked beam moved to position 400X,
N+26, +27	2800	2800Y, establishing the starting point for plotting characters.
N+28, +29	2A/44	Enter Character Mode Protected Basic Order.
N+30, +31	B/O	The word "BOX" followed by a space is
N+32, +33	X/SP	plotted.
N+34, +35	N/A	The word "NAME" is plotted.
N+36, +37	M/E	
N+38, +39	SP/NULL	Space after "NAME"; NULL makes next byte an even byte.
N+40, +41	2A/40	Enter Character Mode Fixed (basic or large size) order (unprotected).
N+42, +43	SP/SP	Blank spaces for operator to key in box
N+44, +45	SP/SP	name. First character of name is keyed
N+46, +47	SP/SP	into location N+42, where cursor is positioned; cursor then moves to N+43.
N+48, +49	2A/FF	Transfer Unconditional order to location
N+50, +51	N	N, regenerating the display.

5. Set Buffer Address Register and Start - address N: Sets the associated buffer address register to N, disconnects the 2840 from the channel if it is the last command in the chain (thereby allowing the channel to perform operations with other devices), allows regeneration to continue for other 2250's, and initiates a buffer service request for the 2250 associated with buffer area N through N + 51. Regeneration for this 2250 starts from location N. The display is then generated and regenerated under control of the orders and data read from the buffer as described in the "Function" column of Table 8.

Example 2: Light Pen Operation - 2250 Equipped with Programmed Function Keyboard

A. Problem: With a light pen, delete a line from the box drawn in Example 1.

B. Sequence:

1. At programmed function keyboard, the operator inserts the proper overlay and presses the key that indicates the delete function to the program, causing an I/O interrupt with the Attention bit set in the CSW.
2. The program responds to the I/O interrupt with a Read Manual Input command.
3. The 2840 responds to this command with (1) a data byte that specifies to the program that the interrupt was caused by the programmed function keyboard, (2) the code of the pressed key, and (3) the code of the overlay. (The Channel End and Device End status bits signal the end of this command.) The overlay and key are associated with a CPU program routine. This routine determines the command-response from information, that the operator desires to delete a portion of the display and will use the light pen to indicate the specific portion to be deleted. The program then waits for a light-pen detect condition.
4. The operator activates the light pen on the line to be deleted, initiating an asynchronous status with the Attention and Unit Check bits set in the CSW, causing an I/O interrupt.
5. The program responds to this interrupt with a Sense command.
6. The 2840 responds to the Sense command with four bytes, which inform the CPU that the light pen has been activated and indicate the first of the four buffer locations at which the coordinates of the line activated on are stored. For example, if the bottom horizontal line of the box shown in Figure 16 activates the light pen, buffer address N+8 is returned to the channel. (The Channel End and Device End status bits signal the end of this command.)
7. The CPU program determines, from the sense data, the line to be deleted. One method the program can use to delete the line is to retransmit the byte in location

N + 8 (the first X byte), but with the blanking bit set to 1, specifying a blanked vector. In this way, the beam is properly positioned to draw the right vertical line of the box. The following command and data sequence received by the 2840 could be used:

a. Command: Set Buffer Address Register and Stop, Address N + 8.
b. Command: Write.
c. Data: First byte of X data with blanking bit set to 1.
d. Command: Set Buffer Address Register and Start, Address N.

Example 3: Alphameric Keyboard Operation

A. Problem: With the buffer contents the same as in Example 1, and with the display regenerating, insert a box name using the alphameric keyboard.

B. Sequence:

1. The operator observes the cursor to determine where the first character will be inserted. The cursor inserted in buffer location N + 42 is displayed two spaces to the right of E in the word NAME (Figure 16, Table 8). Note that the cursor bit in a buffer location is not associated with the data bits in that location; this bit causes a cursor to be displayed beneath the character selected by the data bits. In this example, the data bits in locations N + 42 through N + 47 specify space codes, causing six consecutive spaces to be left on the display for the insertion of data.
2. The operator presses a control on the alphameric keyboard: either a character key (to insert a character), or the space bar (to move to the next position without displaying a character). In either case, the cursor automatically moves to the next position.
3. The operator inserts the box name in the manner described in sequence 2, using a maximum of six positions. The characters that have been inserted are stored in buffer locations N + 42 through N + 47 and are displayed on the CRT display area. If buffer location N + 47 is used for insertions, the cursor remains in that location until it is moved (either by the program or by the alphameric keyboard BACKSPACE or JUMP key). If the JUMP key is activated, the cursor is moved to location N + 42, which, because of regeneration, is the first location following N + 49 that contains unprotected data.
4. The operator checks the name and makes changes, as necessary, by positioning the cursor with the BACKSPACE, ADVANCE, and/or JUMP key and by keying in the desired change.
5. When the desired message is displayed, the operator presses the END key, locking the keyboard and setting the Attention bit in the status byte.
6. The program responds to this I/O interrupt and CSW containing Attention status with a Read Manual Input command.
7. The 2840 responds to this command with three bytes that specify to the program that the Attention status was caused by the alphameric keyboard END key.
8. The program then analyzes this information and issues the following command sequence to retrieve the inserted data:
   a. Set Buffer Address Register and Stop, address N + 42.
   b. Read Buffer, specifying a byte count of 6 to the channel.

BASIC OPERATOR CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

All 2250 Display Units are equipped with the following basic controls and indicators (Figure 17):

POWER ON key/indicator: Applies power to the 2250; indicator is lit when power is applied. (The time delay between activation of this key and the appearance of a display is nominally 25 seconds, which allows for circuit warmup.)

POWER OFF key: Removes power from the 2250.

BRIGHTNESS control: Controls the light intensity of the overall display for a given regeneration rate. It should be in a setting that allows point plots, end points, and short-length vectors to be visible while the DYNAMIC VECTOR INTENSITY and DYNAMIC CHARACTER INTENSITY controls are fully counterclockwise. If this causes a display in which character and line intensity is not uniform, the appropriate dynamic control can be used to optimize the intensity. Failure to observe this procedure may result in faulty light-pen operation.

DYNAMIC VECTOR INTENSITY control: Controls line/vector light intensity.

DYNAMIC CHARACTER INTENSITY control: Controls character light intensity; operational only when 2250 is equipped with character generator feature.

The 2840 is equipped with the following operator controls and indicators (Figure 18):

POWER ON key/indicator: Applies power to the 2840; indicator lights when power is applied.

POWER OFF IF IN LOCAL key: Removes power from the 2840 if the internal REMOTE-LOCAL key is in the local position.

NOTE: Any power on-off transition in the 2840 while the CPU is running will cause system errors.

READY indicators:

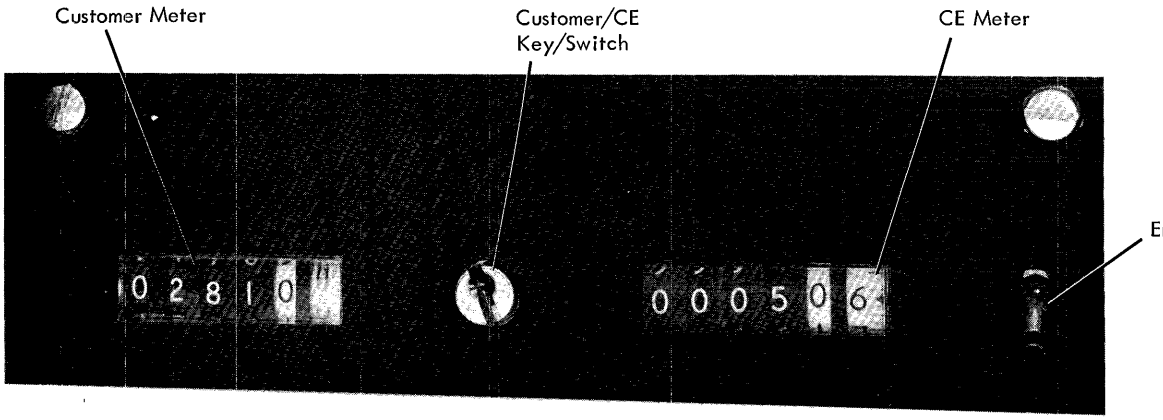
a. DEVICE 0 through 3: Each indicator is lit when its associated 2250 is in the ready condition (power on and logically enabled).
b. 2840: Lit when the 2840 is in the ready condition.

METERING

Each 2840 and 2250 is equipped with the following meters and controls (Figures 17 and 18):

Customer Meter: Records time when the unit is logically enabled and the CE key is in the customer position.

CE (Customer Engineer) Meter: Records time when selected by the CE key switch.



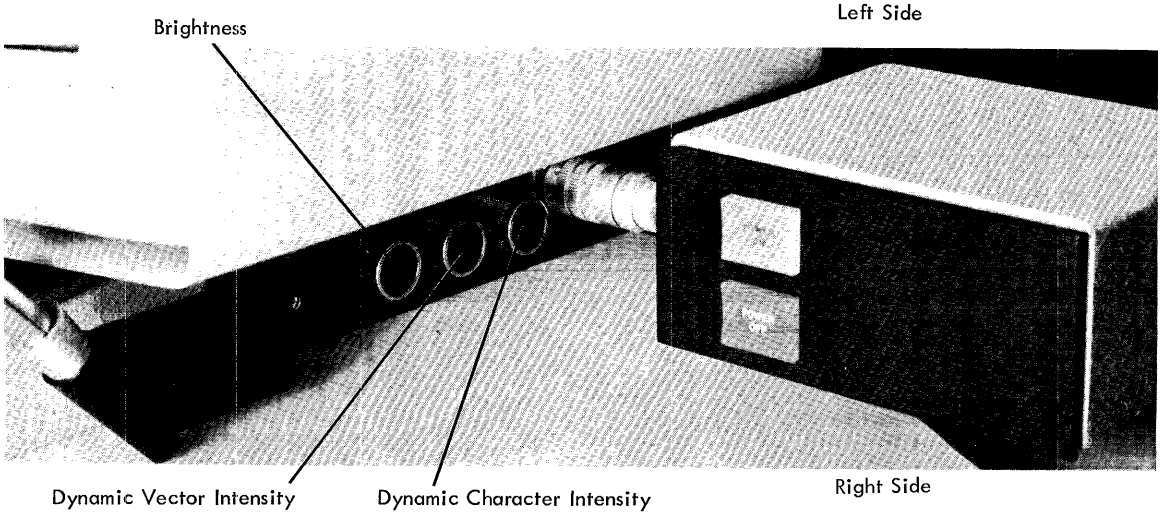


Figure 17. 2250-2 Operator Controls and Indicators

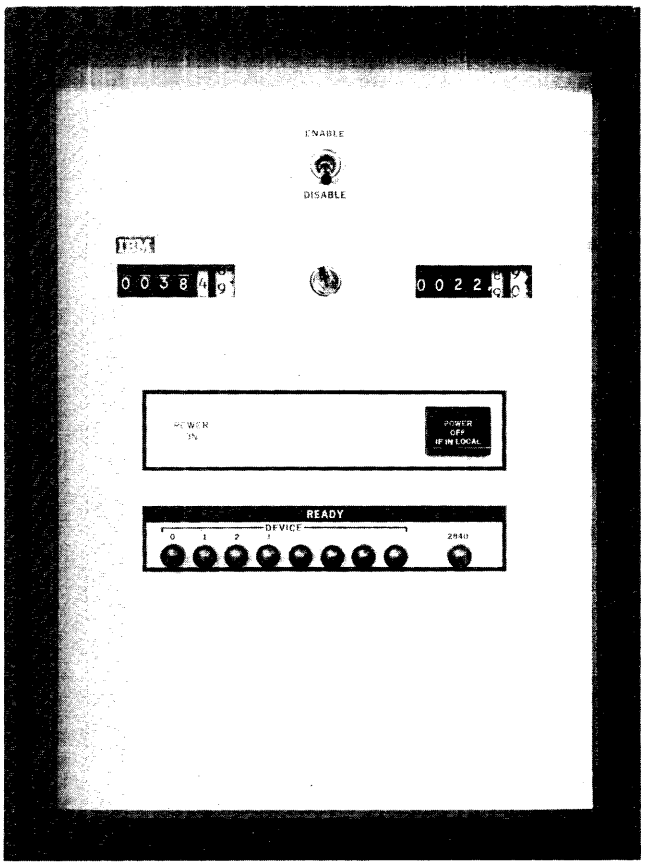


Figure 18. 2840-1 Operator Panel

Enable Switch: Allows the unit to become logically enabled or disabled.

CE Key Switch: Determines which meter (customer or CE) will be used to record time.

Each unit can be switched from logically enabled to logically disabled, or vice versa, only when the CPU is in a wait or stopped state. The customer meter on a unit that is logically disabled will be prevented from recording time. When a unit CE Key Switch is in the customer engineer position, the CE meter on the unit will record time, and the customer meter will be inoperative. When a 2840 customer meter is recording time, a signal is sent to all attached 2250 display units, allowing the 2250 customer meters to record time. The CPU cluster meter is conditioned to record time when the 2840 is operating with the channel.

Meter operation for the 2840 is as follows:

1. The 2840 customer or CE meter will run when the 2840 is enabled and the CPU cluster meter is running, or when the 2840 is enabled and the buffer is running.
2. The 2840 customer meter will run when item 1 is satisfied and the 2840 CE switch is not in the CE position.
3. The 2840 meter will run when item 1 is satisfied and the 2840 CE switch is in the CE position.

Meter operation for a 2250-2 is as follows:

1. The 2250-2 customer meter will run when the 2250-2 is enabled, the 2840 is recording time on the 2840 customer meter, and the 2250-2 CE switch is not in the CE position.
2. The 2250-2 CE meter will run when the 2840 is recording time on the 2840 customer meter, the 2250-2 CE switch is in the CE position, and the 2250-2 is enabled.

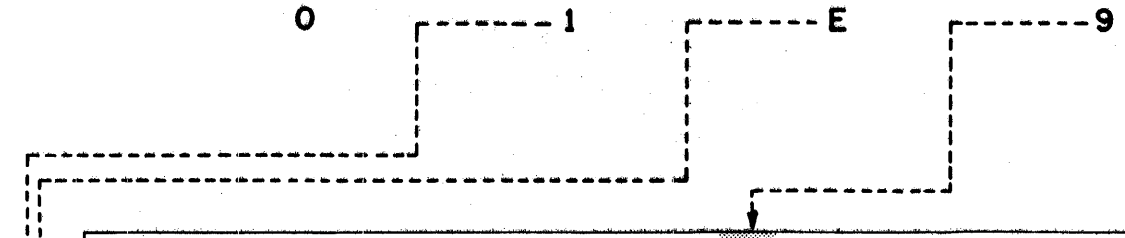
The table in this appendix provides for direct conversion of decimal and hexadecimal numbers in these ranges:

Hexadecimal	Decimal
000 to FFF	0000 to 4095

For numbers outside the range of the table, add the following values to the table figures:

Hexadecimal	Decimal
1000	4096
2000	8192
3000	12288

Hexadecimal	Decimal
4000	16384
5000	20480
6000	24576
7000	28672
8000	32768
9000	36864
A000	40960
B000	45056
C000	49152
D000	53248
E000	57344
F000	61440



	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

11313

	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
34_	0832	0833	0834	0835	0836	0837	0838	0839	0840	0841	0842	0843	0844	0845	0846	0847
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

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
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
47_	1136	1137	1138	1139	1140	1141	1142	1143	1144	1145	1146	1147	1148	1149	1150	1151
48_	1152	1153	1154	1155	1156	1157	1158	1159	1160	1161	1162	1163	1164	1165	1166	1167
49_	1168	1169	1170	1171	1172	1173	1174	1175	1176	1177	1178	1179	1180	1181	1182	1183
4A_	1184	1185	1186	1187	1188	1189	1190	1191	1192	1193	1194	1195	1196	1197	1198	1199
4B_	1200	1201	1202	1203	1204	1205	1206	1207	1208	1209	1210	1211	1212	1213	1214	1215
4C_	1216	1217	1218	1219	1220	1221	1222	1223	1224	1225	1226	1227	1228	1229	1230	1231
4D_	1232	1233	1234	1235	1236	1237	1238	1239	1240	1241	1242	1243	1244	1245	1246	1247
4E_	1248	1249	1250	1251	1252	1253	1254	1255	1256	1257	1258	1259	1260	1261	1262	1263
4F_	1264	1265	1266	1267	1268	1269	1270	1271	1272	1273	1274	1275	1276	1277	1278	1279
50_	1280	1281	1282	1283	1284	1285	1286	1287	1288	1289	1290	1291	1292	1293	1294	1295
51_	1296	1297	1298	1299	1300	1301	1302	1303	1304	1305	1306	1307	1308	1309	1310	1311
52_	1312	1313	1314	1315	1316	1317	1318	1319	1320	1321	1322	1323	1324	1325	1326	1327
53_	1328	1329	1330	1331	1332	1333	1334	1335	1336	1337	1338	1339	1340	1341	1342	1343
54_	1344	1345	1346	1347	1348	1349	1350	1351	1352	1353	1354	1355	1356	1357	1358	1359
55_	1360	1361	1362	1363	1364	1365	1366	1367	1368	1369	1370	1371	1372	1373	1374	1375
56_	1376	1377	1378	1379	1380	1381	1382	1383	1384	1385	1386	1387	1388	1389	1390	1391
57_	1392	1393	1394	1395	1396	1397	1398	1399	1400	1401	1402	1403	1404	1405	1406	1407
58_	1408	1409	1410	1411	1412	1413	1414	1415	1416	1417	1418	1419	1420	1421	1422	1423
59_	1424	1425	1426	1427	1428	1429	1430	1431	1432	1433	1434	1435	1436	1437	1438	1439
5A_	1440	1441	1442	1443	1444	1445	1446	1447	1448	1449	1450	1451	1452	1453	1454	1455
5B_	1456	1457	1458	1459	1460	1461	1462	1463	1464	1465	1466	1467	1468	1469	1470	1471
5C_	1472	1473	1474	1475	1476	1477	1478	1479	1480	1481	1482	1483	1484	1485	1486	1487
5D_	1488	1489	1490	1491	1492	1493	1494	1495	1496	1497	1498	1499	1500	1501	1502	1503
5E_	1504	1505	1506	1507	1508	1509	1510	1511	1512	1513	1514	1515	1516	1517	1518	1519
5F_	1520	1521	1522	1523	1524	1525	1526	1527	1528	1529	1530	1531	1532	1533	1534	1535

11314

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
60 _	1536	1537	1538	1539	1540	1541	1542	1543	1544	1545	1546	1547	1548	1549	1550	1551
61 _	1552	1553	1554	1555	1556	1557	1558	1559	1560	1561	1562	1563	1564	1565	1566	1567
62 _	1568	1569	1570	1571	1572	1573	1574	1575	1576	1577	1578	1579	1580	1581	1582	1583
63 _	1584	1585	1586	1587	1588	1589	1590	1591	1592	1593	1594	1595	1596	1597	1598	1599
64 _	1600	1601	1602	1603	1604	1605	1606	1607	1608	1609	1610	1611	1612	1613	1614	1615
65 _	1616	1617	1618	1619	1620	1621	1622	1623	1624	1625	1626	1627	1628	1629	1630	1631
66 _	1632	1633	1634	1635	1636	1637	1638	1639	1640	1641	1642	1643	1644	1645	1646	1647
67 _	1648	1649	1650	1651	1652	1653	1654	1655	1656	1657	1658	1659	1660	1661	1662	1663
68 _	1664	1665	1666	1667	1668	1669	1670	1671	1672	1673	1674	1675	1676	1677	1678	1679
69 _	1680	1681	1682	1683	1684	1685	1686	1687	1688	1689	1690	1691	1692	1693	1694	1695
6A _	1696	1697	1698	1699	1700	1701	1702	1703	1704	1705	1706	1707	1708	1709	1710	1711
6B _	1712	1713	1714	1715	1716	1717	1718	1719	1720	1721	1722	1723	1724	1725	1726	1727
6C _	1728	1729	1730	1731	1732	1733	1734	1735	1736	1737	1738	1739	1740	1741	1742	1743
6D _	1744	1745	1746	1747	1748	1749	1750	1751	1752	1753	1754	1755	1756	1757	1758	1759
6E _	1760	1761	1762	1763	1764	1765	1766	1767	1768	1769	1770	1771	1772	1773	1774	1775
6F _	1776	1777	1778	1779	1780	1781	1782	1783	1784	1785	1786	1787	1788	1789	1790	1791
70 _	1792	1793	1794	1795	1796	1797	1798	1799	1800	1801	1802	1803	1804	1805	1806	1807
71 _	1808	1809	1810	1811	1812	1813	1814	1815	1816	1817	1818	1819	1820	1821	1822	1823
72 _	1824	1825	1826	1827	1828	1829	1830	1831	1832	1833	1834	1835	1836	1837	1838	1839
73 _	1840	1841	1842	1843	1844	1845	1846	1847	1848	1849	1850	1851	1852	1853	1854	1855
74 _	1856	1857	1858	1859	1860	1861	1862	1863	1864	1865	1866	1867	1868	1869	1870	1871
75 _	1872	1873	1874	1875	1876	1877	1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887
76 _	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897	1898	1899	1900	1901	1902	1903
77 _	1904	1905	1906	1907	1908	1909	1910	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919
78 _	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935
79 _	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
7A _	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
7B _	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983
7C _	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
7D _	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
7E _	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
7F _	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041	2042	2043	2044	2045	2046	2047

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
80 _	2048	2049	2050	2051	2052	2053	2054	2055	2056	2057	2058	2059	2060	2061	2062	2063
81 _	2064	2065	2066	2067	2068	2069	2070	2071	2072	2073	2074	2075	2076	2077	2078	2079
82 _	2080	2081	2082	2083	2084	2085	2086	2087	2088	2089	2090	2091	2092	2093	2094	2095
83 _	2096	2097	2098	2099	2100	2101	2102	2103	2104	2105	2106	2107	2108	2109	2110	2111
84 _	2112	2113	2114	2115	2116	2117	2118	2119	2120	2121	2122	2123	2124	2125	2126	2127
85 _	2128	2129	2130	2131	2132	2133	2134	2135	2136	2137	2138	2139	2140	2141	2142	2143
86 _	2144	2145	2146	2147	2148	2149	2150	2151	2152	2153	2154	2155	2156	2157	2158	2159
87 _	2160	2161	2162	2163	2164	2165	2166	2167	2168	2169	2170	2171	2172	2173	2174	2175
88 _	2176	2177	2178	2179	2180	2181	2182	2183	2184	2185	2186	2187	2188	2189	2190	2191
89 _	2192	2193	2194	2195	2196	2197	2198	2199	2200	2201	2202	2203	2204	2205	2206	2207
8A _	2208	2209	2210	2211	2212	2213	2214	2215	2216	2217	2218	2219	2220	2221	2222	2223
8B _	2224	2225	2226	2227	2228	2229	2230	2231	2232	2233	2234	2235	2236	2237	2238	2239
8C _	2240	2241	2242	2243	2244	2245	2246	2247	2248	2249	2250	2251	2252	2253	2254	2255
8D _	2256	2257	2258	2259	2260	2261	2262	2263	2264	2265	2266	2267	2268	2269	2270	2271
8E _	2272	2273	2274	2275	2276	2277	2278	2279	2280	2281	2282	2283	2284	2285	2286	2287
8F _	2288	2289	2290	2291	2292	2293	2294	2295	2296	2297	2298	2299	2300	2301	2302	2303
90 _	2304	2305	2306	2307	2308	2309	2310	2311	2312	2313	2314	2315	2316	2317	2318	2319
91 _	2320	2321	2322	2323	2324	2325	2326	2327	2328	2329	2330	2331	2332	2333	2334	2335
92 _	2336	2337	2338	2339	2340	2341	2342	2343	2344	2345	2346	2347	2348	2349	2350	2351
93 _	2352	2353	2354	2355	2356	2357	2358	2359	2360	2361	2362	2363	2364	2365	2366	2367
94 _	2368	2369	2370	2371	2372	2373	2374	2375	2376	2377	2378	2379	2380	2381	2382	2383
95 _	2384	2385	2386	2387	2388	2389	2390	2391	2392	2393	2394	2395	2396	2397	2398	2399
96 _	2400	2401	2402	2403	2404	2405	2406	2407	2408	2409	2410	2411	2412	2413	2414	2415
97 _	2416	2417	2418	2419	2420	2421	2422	2423	2424	2425	2426	2427	2428	2429	2430	2431
98 _	2432	2433	2434	2435	2436	2437	2438	2439	2440	2441	2442	2443	2444	2445	2446	2447
99 _	2448	2449	2450	2451	2452	2453	2454	2455	2456	2457	2458	2459	2460	2461	2462	2463
9A _	2464	2465	2466	2467	2468	2469	2470	2471	2472	2473	2474	2475	2476	2477	2478	2479
9B _	2480	2481	2482	2483	2484	2485	2486	2487	2488	2489	2490	2491	2492	2493	2494	2495
9C _	2496	2497	2498	2499	2500	2501	2502	2503	2504	2505	2506	2507	2508	2509	2510	2511
9D _	2512	2513	2514	2515	2516	2517	2518	2519	2520	2521	2522	2523	2524	2525	2526	2527
9E _	2528	2529	2530	2531	2532	2533	2534	2535	2536	2537	2538	2539	2540	2541	2542	2543
9F _	2544	2545	2546	2547	2548	2549	2550	2551	2552	2553	2554	2555	2556	2557	2558	2559

U1315

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
A0 _	2560	2561	2562	2563	2564	2565	2566	2567	2568	2569	2570	2571	2572	2573	2574	2575
A1 _	2576	2577	2578	2579	2580	2581	2582	2583	2584	2585	2586	2587	2588	2589	2590	2591
A2 _	2592	2593	2594	2595	2596	2597	2598	2599	2600	2601	2602	2603	2604	2605	2606	2607
A3 _	2608	2609	2610	2611	2612	2613	2614	2615	2616	2617	2618	2619	2620	2621	2622	2623
A4 _	2624	2625	2626	2627	2628	2629	2630	2631	2632	2633	2634	2635	2636	2637	2638	2639
A5 _	2640	2641	2642	2643	2644	2645	2646	2647	2648	2649	2650	2651	2652	2653	2654	2655
A6 _	2656	2657	2658	2659	2660	2661	2662	2663	2664	2665	2666	2667	2668	2669	2670	2671
A7 _	2672	2673	2674	2675	2676	2677	2678	2679	2680	2681	2682	2683	2684	2685	2686	2687
A8 _	2688	2689	2690	2691	2692	2693	2694	2695	2696	2697	2698	2699	2700	2701	2702	2703
A9 _	2704	2705	2706	2707	2708	2709	2710	2711	2712	2713	2714	2715	2716	2717	2718	2719
AA _	2720	2721	2722	2723	2724	2725	2726	2727	2728	2729	2730	2731	2732	2733	2734	2735
AB _	2736	2737	2738	2739	2740	2741	2742	2743	2744	2745	2746	2747	2748	2749	2750	2751
AC _	2752	2753	2754	2755	2756	2757	2758	2759	2760	2761	2762	2763	2764	2765	2766	2767
AD _	2768	2769	2770	2771	2772	2773	2774	2775	2776	2777	2778	2779	2780	2781	2782	2783
AE _	2784	2785	2786	2787	2788	2789	2790	2791	2792	2793	2794	2795	2796	2797	2798	2799
AF _	2800	2801	2802	2803	2804	2805	2806	2807	2808	2809	2810	2811	2812	2813	2814	2815
B0 _	2816	2817	2818	2819	2820	2821	2822	2823	2824	2825	2826	2827	2828	2829	2830	2831
B1 _	2832	2833	2834	2835	2836	2837	2838	2839	2840	2841	2842	2843	2844	2845	2846	2847
B2 _	2848	2849	2850	2851	2852	2853	2854	2855	2856	2857	2858	2859	2860	2861	2862	2863
B3 _	2864	2865	2866	2867	2868	2869	2870	2871	2872	2873	2874	2875	2876	2877	2878	2879
B4 _	2880	2881	2882	2883	2884	2885	2886	2887	2888	2889	2890	2891	2892	2893	2894	2895
B5 _	2896	2897	2898	2899	2900	2901	2902	2903	2904	2905	2906	2907	2908	2909	2910	2911
B6 _	2912	2913	2914	2915	2916	2917	2918	2919	2920	2921	2922	2923	2924	2925	2926	2927
B7 _	2928	2929	2930	2931	2932	2933	2934	2935	2936	2937	2938	2939	2940	2941	2942	2943
B8 _	2944	2945	2946	2947	2948	2949	2950	2951	2952	2953	2954	2955	2956	2957	2958	2959
B9 _	2960	2961	2962	2963	2964	2965	2966	2967	2968	2969	2970	2971	2972	2973	2974	2975
BA _	2976	2977	2978	2979	2980	2981	2982	2983	2984	2985	2986	2987	2988	2989	2990	2991
BB _	2992	2993	2994	2995	2996	2997	2998	2999	3000	3001	3002	3003	3004	3005	3006	3007
BC _	3008	3009	3010	3011	3012	3013	3014	3015	3016	3017	3018	3019	3020	3021	3022	3023
BD _	3024	3025	3026	3027	3028	3029	3030	3031	3032	3033	3034	3035	3036	3037	3038	3039
BE _	3040	3041	3042	3043	3044	3045	3046	3047	3048	3049	3050	3051	3052	3053	3054	3055
BF _	3056	3057	3058	3059	3060	3061	3062	3063	3064	3065	3066	3067	3068	3069	3070	3071

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
C0 _	3072	3073	3074	3075	3076	3077	3078	3079	3080	3081	3082	3083	3084	3085	3086	3087
C1 _	3088	3089	3090	3091	3092	3093	3094	3095	3096	3097	3098	3099	3100	3101	3102	3103
C2 _	3104	3105	3106	3107	3108	3109	3110	3111	3112	3113	3114	3115	3116	3117	3118	3119
C3 _	3120	3121	3122	3123	3124	3125	3126	3127	3128	3129	3130	3131	3132	3133	3134	3135
C4 _	3136	3137	3138	3139	3140	3141	3142	3143	3144	3145	3146	3147	3148	3149	3150	3151
C5 _	3152	3153	3154	3155	3156	3157	3158	3159	3160	3161	3162	3163	3164	3165	3166	3167
C6 _	3168	3169	3170	3171	3172	3173	3174	3175	3176	3177	3178	3179	3180	3181	3182	3183
C7 _	3184	3185	3186	3187	3188	3189	3190	3191	3192	3193	3194	3195	3196	3197	3198	3199
C8 _	3200	3201	3202	3203	3204	3205	3206	3207	3208	3209	3210	3211	3212	3213	3214	3215
C9 _	3216	3217	3218	3219	3220	3221	3222	3223	3224	3225	3226	3227	3228	3229	3230	3231
CA _	3232	3233	3234	3235	3236	3237	3238	3239	3240	3241	3242	3243	3244	3245	3246	3247
CB _	3248	3249	3250	3251	3252	3253	3254	3255	3256	3257	3258	3259	3260	3261	3262	3263
CC _	3264	3265	3266	3267	3268	3269	3270	3271	3272	3273	3274	3275	3276	3277	3278	3279
CD _	3280	3281	3282	3283	3284	3285	3286	3287	3288	3289	3290	3291	3292	3293	3294	3295
CE _	3296	3297	3298	3299	3300	3301	3302	3303	3304	3305	3306	3307	3308	3309	3310	3311
CF _	3312	3313	3314	3315	3316	3317	3318	3319	3320	3321	3322	3323	3324	3325	3326	3327
D0 _	3328	3329	3330	3331	3332	3333	3334	3335	3336	3337	3338	3339	3340	3341	3342	3343
D1 _	3344	3345	3346	3347	3348	3349	3350	3351	3352	3353	3354	3355	3356	3357	3358	3359
D2 _	3360	3361	3362	3363	3364	3365	3366	3367	3368	3369	3370	3371	3372	3373	3374	3375
D3 _	3376	3377	3378	3379	3380	3381	3382	3383	3384	3385	3386	3387	3388	3389	3390	3391
D4 _	3392	3393	3394	3395	3396	3397	3398	3399	3400	3401	3402	3403	3404	3405	3406	3407
D5 _	3408	3409	3410	3411	3412	3413	3414	3415	3416	3417	3418	3419	3420	3421	3422	3423
D6 _	3424	3425	3426	3427	3428	3429	3430	3431	3432	3433	3434	3435	3436	3437	3438	3439
D7 _	3440	3441	3442	3443	3444	3445	3446	3447	3448	3449	3450	3451	3452	3453	3454	3455
D8 _	3456	3457	3458	3459	3460	3461	3462	3463	3464	3465	3466	3467	3468	3469	3470	3471
D9 _	3472	3473	3474	3475	3476	3477	3478	3479	3480	3481	3482	3483	3484	3485	3486	3487
DA _	3488	3489	3490	3491	3492	3493	3494	3495	3496	3497	3498	3499	3500	3501	3502	3503
DB _	3504	3505	3506	3507	3508	3509	3510	3511	3512	3513	3514	3515	3516	3517	3518	3519
DC _	3520	3521	3522	3523	3524	3525	3526	3527	3528	3529	3530	3531	3532	3533	3534	3535
DD _	3536	3537	3538	3539	3540	3541	3542	3543	3544	3545	3546	3547	3548	3549	3550	3551
DE _	3552	3553	3554	3555	3556	3557	3558	3559	3560	3561	3562	3563	3564	3565	3566	3567
DF _	3568	3569	3570	3571	3572	3573	3574	3575	3576	3577	3578	3579	3580	3581	3582	3583

11316

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
E0 _	3584	3585	3586	3587	3583	3589	3590	3591	3592	3593	3594	3595	3596	3597	3598	3599
E1 _	3600	3601	3602	3603	3604	3605	3606	3607	3608	3609	3610	3611	3612	3613	3614	3615
E2 _	3616	3617	3618	3619	3620	3621	3622	3623	3624	3625	3626	3627	3628	3629	3630	3631
E3 _	3632	3633	3634	3635	3636	3637	3638	3639	3640	3641	3642	3643	3644	3645	3646	3647
E4 _	3648	3649	3650	3651	3652	3653	3654	3655	3656	3657	3658	3659	3660	3661	3662	3663
E5 _	3664	3665	3666	3667	3668	3669	3670	3671	3672	3673	3674	3675	3676	3677	3678	3679
E6 _	3680	3681	3682	3683	3684	3685	3686	3687	3688	3689	3690	3691	3692	3693	3694	3695
E7 _	3696	3697	3698	3699	3700	3701	3702	3703	3704	3705	3706	3707	3708	3709	3710	3711
E8 _	3712	3713	3714	3715	3716	3717	3718	3719	3720	3721	3722	3723	3724	3725	3726	3727
E9 _	3728	3729	3730	3731	3732	3733	3734	3735	3736	3737	3738	3739	3740	3741	3742	3743
EA _	3744	3745	3746	3747	3748	3749	3750	3751	3752	3753	3754	3755	3756	3757	3758	3759
EB _	3760	3761	3762	3763	3764	3765	3766	3767	3768	3769	3770	3771	3772	3773	3774	3775
EC _	3776	3777	3778	3779	3780	3781	3782	3783	3784	3785	3786	3787	3788	3789	3790	3791
ED _	3792	3793	3794	3795	3796	3797	3798	3799	3800	3801	3802	3803	3804	3805	3806	3807
EE _	3808	3809	3810	3811	3812	3813	3814	3815	3816	3817	3818	3819	3820	3821	3822	3823
EF _	3824	3825	3826	3827	3828	3829	3830	3831	3832	3833	3834	3835	3836	3837	3838	3839
F0 _	3840	3841	3842	3843	3844	3845	3846	3847	3848	3849	3850	3851	3852	3853	3854	3855
F1 _	3856	3857	3858	3859	3860	3861	3862	3863	3864	3865	3866	3867	3868	3869	3870	3871
F2 _	3872	3873	3874	3875	3876	3877	3878	3879	3880	3881	3882	3883	3884	3885	3886	3887
F3 _	3888	3889	3890	3891	3892	3893	3894	3895	3896	3897	3898	3899	3900	3901	3902	3903
F4 _	3904	3905	3906	3907	3908	3909	3910	3911	3912	3913	3914	3915	3916	3917	3918	3919
F5 _	3920	3921	3922	3923	3924	3925	3926	3927	3928	3929	3930	3931	3932	3933	3934	3935
F6 _	3936	3937	3938	3939	3940	3941	3942	3943	3944	3945	3946	3947	3948	3949	3950	3951
F7 _	3952	3953	3954	3955	3956	3957	3958	3959	3960	3961	3962	3963	3964	3965	3966	3967
F8 _	3968	3969	3970	3971	3972	3973	3974	3975	3976	3977	3978	3979	3980	3981	3982	3983
F9 _	3984	3985	3986	3987	3988	3989	3990	3991	3992	3993	3994	3995	3996	3997	3998	3999
FA _	4000	4001	4002	4003	4004	4005	4006	4007	4008	4009	4010	4011	4012	4013	4014	4015
FB _	4016	4017	4018	4019	4020	4021	4022	4023	4024	4025	4026	4027	4028	4029	4030	4031
FC _	4032	4033	4034	4035	4036	4037	4038	4039	4040	4041	4042	4043	4044	4045	4046	4047
FD _	4048	4049	4050	4051	4052	4053	4054	4055	4056	4057	4058	4059	4060	4061	4062	4063
FE _	4064	4065	4066	4067	4068	4069	4070	4071	4072	4073	4074	4075	4076	4077	4078	4079
FF _	4080	4081	4082	4083	4084	4085	4086	4087	4088	4089	4090	4091	4092	4093	4094	4095

11317

APPENDIX B: STATUS-SENSE COMBINATIONS

Conditions	Status Bits Set	Sense Bits Set
General Conditions		
1. Initial status response to any command except No-Op or to a Test I/O instruction; status not stacked.	All bits zero (indicates command accepted; for Test I/O, indicates no status).	None
2. Initial status response to No Op command.	Channel End, Device End	None
3. Initial status response to any command when the selected 2250 has stacked status.	Busy plus outstanding status	None
4. Initial status response to Test I/O instruction when the selected 2250 has stacked status.	Outstanding status	None
5a. Initial status response to any command or to a Test I/O instruction when issued to a selected 2250 while status is stacked for a nonselected 2250.	Busy, Status Modifier	None
5b. After condition 5a occurs, initial status response to any command or Test I/O instruction for the 2250 that has stacked status.	Control Unit End plus outstanding status	None
6. Ending status for commands involving data transfer.	Device End, Channel End	None
7. Ending status for commands not involving data transfer (e.g., Remove Cursor), except No Op.	Device End, Channel End	None
8. Response to Halt I/O instruction when the Halt I/O is issued after initial status and before ending status.	Device End, Channel End	None
Manual Input Conditions		
1. Asynchronous status when the alphameric keyboard END or CANCEL key is pressed.	Attention	None
2. Asynchronous status when any programmed function keyboard key is pressed.	Attention	None
3. Light pen detect, which causes buffer to stop.	Attention, Unit Check	Light Pen, Buffer Address
4. Asynchronous status when an End Order Sequence order is decoded.	Attention, Unit Check	End Order Sequence, Buffer Address
Interface Error Conditions		
1. Initial status response to a command with invalid modifier bits.	Unit Check	Command Reject

Conditions	Status Bits Set	Sense Bits Set
Interface Error Conditions (Cont)		
2. Initial status response to a command with bad parity.	Unit Check	Bus Out Check
3. Initial status response to a Write Buffer, Read Buffer, Insert Cursor, Remove Cursor, or Read X-Y Position Registers command when the buffer is running.	Unit Check	Command Reject, Buffer Running
4. Ending status when write data from the channel contains a byte with bad parity	Device End, Channel End, Unit Check	Bus Out Check
5. Ending status when read data from the buffer contains a byte with bad parity.	Device End, Channel End, Unit Check	Data Check
6. Initial status response to a Sense command when the Sense command is issued to a 2250 which did not cause the interrupt.	Device End, Channel End	None
Hardware Error Conditions		
1. Asynchronous status when a buffer parity error is detected during regeneration.	Attention, Unit Check	Data Check, Buffer Address
2. Asynchronous status when a parity error is detected, at 2840 output to 2250, in Character or Graphic Data.	Attention, Unit Check	2840 Output Check, Buffer Address
3. Asynchronous status when a parity error is detected, at 2840 input from a 2250, in data from the alphameric keyboard to the buffer.	Attention, Unit Check	2840 Input Check, Character Mode, Buffer Address
4. Asynchronous status when a parity error is detected, at 2250 input, in character or graphic data.	Attention, Unit Check	Equipment Check, Buffer Address
5. Ending status when a parity error is detected, at 2840 output to a 2250, in data associated with Set Programmed Function indicators command.	Unit Check, Device End, Channel End	2840 Output Check, Buffer Address
6. Ending status when a parity error is detected, at 2250 input, in data associated with Set Programmed Function Indicators command.	Unit Check, Device End, Channel End	Equipment Check, Buffer Address
7. Ending status when a parity error is detected, both at 2840 output to a 2250 and at 2250 input, in data associated with Set Programmed Function Indicators command.	Unit Check, Device End, Channel End	Equipment Check, 2840 Output Check, Buffer Address
8. Ending status when a parity error is detected, at 2840 input, in Read Manual Input and Read X-Y Position Registers response data from a 2250.	Unit Check, Device End, Channel End	2840 Input Check, Buffer Address

GLOSSARY

Byte: Basic addressable unit of information consisting of eight bits.

Character mode: A method of 2250 operation whereby characters can be displayed using the character generator feature.

Command: A coded byte from main storage that specifies, to the channel and the 2250, the operation to be performed.

End Point: The address coordinate on the CRT display area to which the electron beam is to be moved.

Graphic Mode: A method of 2250 operation whereby points and/or vectors can be displayed.

Image: The pattern of points, vectors, and/or characters displayed on the CRT display area during a display cycle.

Instruction: A program step that is decoded and executed by the CPU.

Order: Two coded bytes (Set Mode and Mode Control) from main storage that specify a mode of operation to the 2250. It is treated as data by the channel and is sent to the 2250 under command control.

Raster Unit: The distance between any two adjacent addressable points (in the X or Y direction) on the CRT display area.

Regeneration: The process of redisplaying an image, usually at at such a rate (30 to 40 cps), that it appears steady and stationary to the observer.

Stacked Status: (1) The condition of the 2250 when an outstanding status byte has not been sent to the channel or accepted by the channel because of channel activity; the stacked status condition is cleared when the channel accepts the status byte. (2) The condition of a 2250 when it cannot pass a status condition to the 2840 because of 2840 status activity with another 2250. This stacked status is cleared when the 2840 accepts the status.

Vector: A displayed line connecting any two addressable points on the raster unit grid.

INDEX

Absolute vector graphics feature 5, 6
Addressing of the 2840 and a 2250 25
Alphameric keyboard:
  Functional description 12
  Functions of keys 12
  General description 5
  Operations with the buffer 20
Asynchronous status 26
Audible alarm 8
Automatic line spacing 11

Basic-size characters 10
Blanking bit:
  Function 9
  Usage in graphic mode data 19
Buffer expansion feature 6
Buffer program:
  Example 43
  General description 17
  2250 and 2840 operations during display regeneration 21

Channel command word 25
Character area 10
Character deflection system 10
Character display characteristics 10
Character generator operations 20
Character mode:
  Description of data codes 19
  Electron beam positioning 10
  Orders, functional description 19
  2840 data flow description 22
  2840 and 2250 operations 19
Character set and code assignments 10, 11
Character spacing 10
Command chaining 25
Command names, codes, and mnemonics 27
Commands:
  Functional description 26
  Insert Cursor 31
  No Operation 31
  Read Buffer 28
  Read Cursor 30
  Read Manual Inputs 28
  Read Output Registers 27
  Read XY Position Registers 30
  Remove Cursor 32
  Sense 32
  Set Audible Alarm 31
  Set Buffer Address Register and Start 31
  Set Buffer Address Register and Stop 31
  Set Programmed Function Indicators 31
  Storing a buffer program 27
  Write Buffer 28
Control Commands 31

Controls and indicators, operator:
  Metering 37
  On 2840 37
  On 2250 37
Cursor:
  Command operations with 30
  Functional description 15
  Operations in the buffer 20

Data chaining 25
Device status byte:
  Asynchronous status 26
  Bit assignments 26
  Ending status 26
  Functional description 25
  Initial status 25
Display area coordinate addressing system 8, 9
Display multiplexor feature 6
Display regeneration:
  General information 7
  Initiation of 27, 31
  Operation during 2840/channel interface activity 25
  Start Regeneration Timer order control 21
  Termination 22
  Timing 22
  2250 and 2840 operations with buffer program 21

Electron beam blanking and unblanking 9
Electron beam positioning 9
Ending status 25
End Order Sequence order 20
Enter Character Mode Fixed, Basic Size order 20
Enter Character Mode Fixed, Large Size order 20
Enter Character Mode Protected, Basic Size order 20
Enter Character Mode Protected, Large Size order 20
Enter Graphic Mode, Absolute Point Plotting order 17
Enter Graphic Modes Absolute Vector order 17
Enter 2-Byte No-Op order 20
Enter 4-Byte No-Op order 20
Examples of 2840/2250 operations:

  Alaphameric keyboard 36
  Buffer program 43
  Displaying an image on one 2250 34
  Light pen 35
  Purpose of examples 33

Film unit attachment feature 6

Glossary 46
Graphic mode orders:
  Data format 17
  Functional description 17
  2840 data flow description 22

Halt I/O instruction 33
Hexadecimal-decimal conversion 39

Initial status 25
Insert Cursor command 31
Instructions:
  General description 32
  Halt I/O 33
  Test I/O 33

Large-size characters 10
Light pen detect feature:
  General description of feature 5
  2250 operations 11
  2250 operator procedure 11
  Example of operation 35
Line spacing operations at 2250 10

Maximum character densities per 2250 display 23
Maximum vector densities per 2250 display 23
Metering 37

NL character code 11, 20
No Operation command 31
NULL character code 20

Order Descriptions:

  End Order Sequence 20
  Enter Character Mode Fixed, Basic Size 20
  Enter Character Mode Fixed, Large Size 20
  Enter Character Mode Protected, Basic Size 20
  Enter Character Mode Protected, Large Size 20
  Enter Graphic Mode, Absolute Point Plotting 17
  Enter Graphic Mode, Absolute Vector 17
  Enter 2-Byte No-Op 20
  Enter 4-Byte No-Op 20
  Start Regeneration Timer 21
  Transfer Unconditional 21
Orders:
  Basic format 17
  General description 17
  Names, mnemonics, and codes 19

Programmed function keyboards:
  Functional description 15
  General description of feature 5
  Overlay punch position coding 30
  Plastic overlay 16

Raster unit, definition of 9
Read Buffer command 28
Read Cursor command 30
Read Manual Input command:
  Functional description 28
  2840 responses 29
Read Output Registers command 27
Read XY Position Registers command 30
Remove Cursor command 32

Sense Command:
  Bit assignments 33
  Functional description 32
Set Audible Alarm command 31
Set Buffer Address Register and Start command 31
Set Buffer Address Register and Stop command 31
Set Programmed Function Indicators command 31
Start Regeneration Timer order:
  Control of keyboard operations 21
  Functional description 21
Status 25, 26, 44
Status-sense combinations:
  General conditions 44
  Hardware error conditions 45
  Interface error conditions 44
  Manual input conditions 44

Test I/O instruction 33
Transfer Unconditional order 21
2840 operations with attached 2250's 17
2840 operations with the channel 25
2250 main deflection section 10

Vector capability of 2250 without features 9
Vector graphic control feature 6
Vectors and points:
  Data sequence 9
  Functions of positioning data in 2250 9
  Graphic mode orders 17

Write Buffer command 28

X, Y position registers:
  Read X, Y Position Registers command 30
  2250 vector and point operations 10

READER'S COMMENT FORM

IBM System/360 Component Description
IBM 2250 Display Unit Model 2
IBM 2840 Display Control Model 1

Form A27-2702-(

- Your comments, accompanied by answers to the following questions, help us produce better publications for your use. If your answer to a question is "No" or requires qualification, please explain in the space provided below. Comments and suggestions become the property of IBM.

	Yes	No
• Does this publication meet your needs?	☐	☐
• Did you find the material:		
Easy to read and understand?	☐	☐
Organized for convenient use?	☐	☐
Complete?	☐	☐
Well illustrated?	☐	☐
Written for your technical level?	☐	☐

- What is your occupation? _____
- How do you use this publication?

As an introduction to the subject?	☐	As an instructor in a class?	☐
For advanced knowledge of the subject?	☐	As a student in a class?	☐
For information about operating procedures?	☐	As a reference manual?	☐

Other _____

- Please give specific page and line references with your comments when appropriate. If you wish a reply, be sure to include your name and address.

COMMENTS:

- Thank you for your cooperation. No postage necessary if mailed in the U.S.A.

FOLD FOLD

FIRST CLASS
PERMIT NO. 116
KINGSTON, N. Y.

BUSINESS REPLY MAIL
NO POSTAGE STAMP NECESSARY IF MAILED IN U. S. A.

POSTAGE WILL BE PAID BY
IBM CORPORATION
CPO BOX 120
KINGSTON, N. Y. 12401

ATTN: PRODUCT PUBLICATION MANUAL WRITING
DEPARTMENT 528

FOLD FOLD

IBM®

International Business Machines Corporation
Field Engineering Division
112 East Post Road, White Plains, N.Y. 10601
[USA Only]

IBM World Trade Corporation
821 United Nations Plaza, New York, New York 10017
[International]

Printed in U.S.A. A27-2702-0

IBM 2250 Model 2/2840 Model 1 Printed in U.S.A. A27-2702-0

IBM®

International Business Machines Corporation
Field Engineering Division
112 East Post Road, White Plains, N.Y. 10601
[USA Only]

IBM World Trade Corporation
821 United Nations Plaza, New York, New York 10017
[International]