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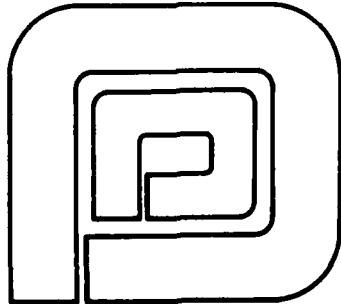
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EVAL SYSTEM SPECIFICATION

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Purpose of the System Specification

The EVAL System Specification is a technical document written for software development personnel. Together with the EVAL Functional Description, it guides the software development effort by identifying the functional requirements and by providing structured logic diagrams that depict the flow, control, and processing of information within the system.

The System Specification is generic and is intended to guide and facilitate the preparation of the language-specific and computer hardware-specific documentation and coding that are necessary to implement and operate EVAL at an installation.

1.2 References

- 1.2.1 IBM, HIPO--A Design Aid and Documentation Technique. Technical Publication GC20-1851-0. White Plains, New York: IBM, October 1974.-
- 1.2.2 Allardyce, Linda B.; Amey, Dorothy M.; Feuerwerger, Phillip H.; Gulick, Roy M. Documentation of Decision-Aiding Software: EVAL Functional Description. McLean, Virginia: Decisions and Designs, Incorporated, November 1979.
- 1.2.3 Allardyce, Linda B.; Amey, Dorothy M.; Feuerwerger, Phillip H.; Gulick, Roy M. Documentation

of Decision-Aiding Software: EVAL Users Manual.
McLean, Virginia: Decisions and Designs, Incorporated, November 1979.

1.3 Terms

1.3.1 EVAL - EVAL is an abbreviation for evaluation, reflecting the system's major area of applicability.

1.3.2 HIPO - The specification uses the standard Hierarchy plus Input-Process-Output (HIPO) diagramming technique to depict the structural design and logical flow of the system. A legend explaining the HIPO diagramming symbols is included. Reference 1.2.1 provides a complete description of the HIPO documentation technique.

2.0 DESIGN DETAILS

2.1 Background

Systems development personnel should refer to the EVAL Functional Description, Reference 1.2.2, in conjunction with the documentation contained in this specification. The Functional Description details the evaluation models implemented by EVAL and discusses the specific functions that the software must perform. In addition, systems development personnel may wish to refer to the EVAL User's Manual, Reference 1.2.3.

2.2 General Operating Procedures

EVAL is a menu-driven system. That is, the system is designed to interact with the user by presenting a sequential hierarchy of menus and asking the user to respond by selecting one option from the current menu. If the user does not select one of the menu options, the system displays the previous menu. In this manner, the user moves up and down the hierarchy, as desired. Whenever data entry is required as a result of option selection, the system specifically requests the data and specifies the format.

The system is also designed to be generally forgiving of procedural errors by the user.

2.3 System Logical Flow

EVAL is a hierarchically structured, modular software system. The system structure and logical flow lends itself to presentation in the form of HIPO diagrams, which are contained in this document.

The main purpose of the HIPO diagrams is to provide, in a pictorial manner, the complete set of modular elements necessary to the operation of EVAL, including all input, output, and internal functional processing. This is done by displaying the input items necessary to the process step which uses them, defining the process, and showing the resulting output of the process step.

The HIPO documentation diagrams are designed and drawn in a hierarchical fashion from the main calling routines to the detail-level operation/calculation routines. Extended written descriptions are given below a HIPO diagram whenever it is deemed necessary.

A complete description and explanation of the symbolic notation used in the HIPO diagrams is given in Reference 1.2.1. An abbreviated legend for the symbols used in this specification is given in Figure 2-1. Note that:

- a. External subroutines are depicted partly in the Process block and partly out. Internal subroutines are always shown within the Process block.
- b. Overview diagrams show general inputs and outputs only, whereas detail/subroutine-level diagrams show specific input/output tables and/or displays.
- c. Rectangular boxes inside the Input/Output block areas are generally used to denote single data items. Two or more boxes are grouped to show that several data items are input/output.
- d. Rectangular boxes inside the Process block indicate repetitive subprocesses.

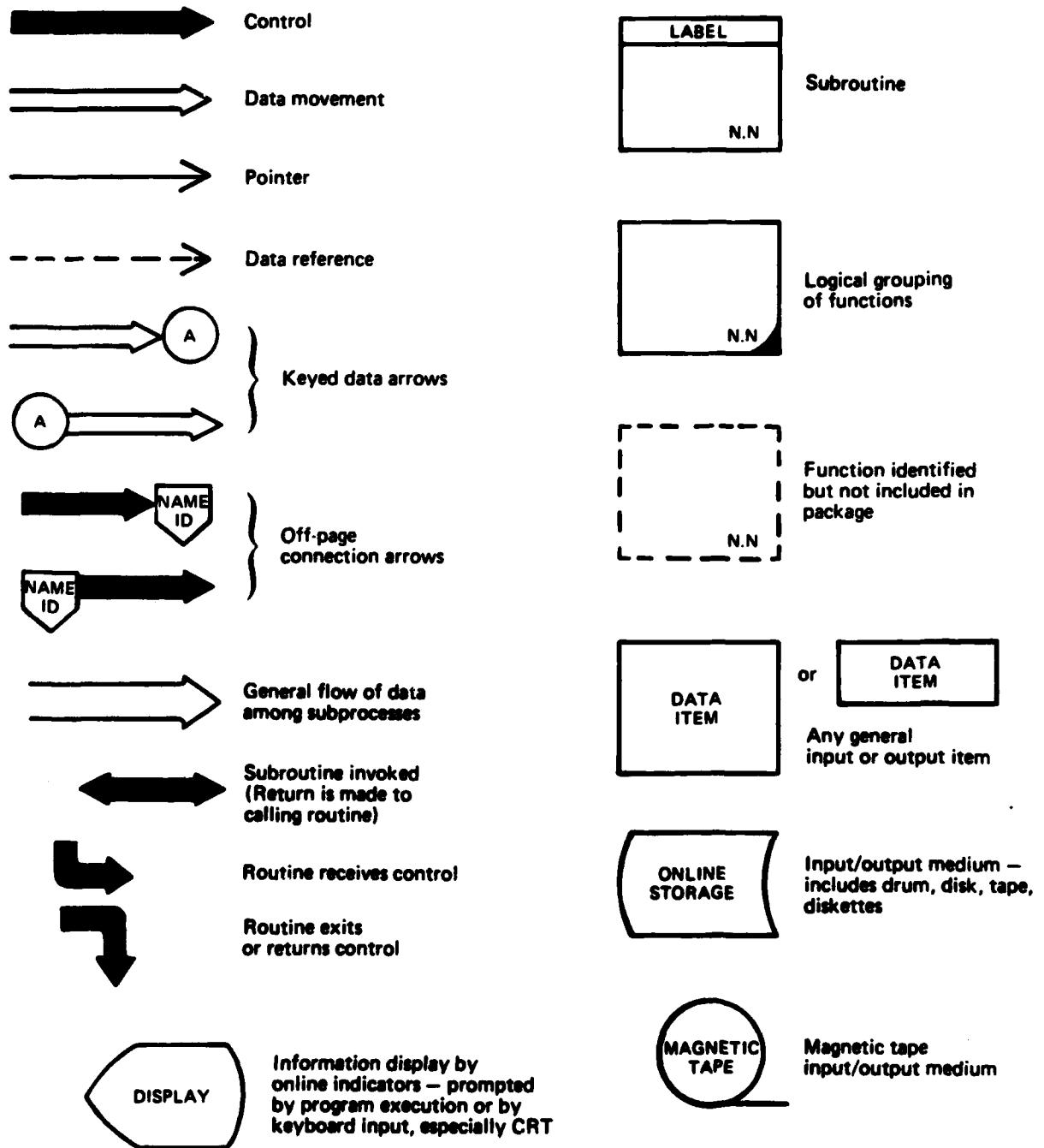


Figure 2-1
LEGEND OF HIPO SYMBOLS

The HIPO diagrams appear in the next section, which completes the system specification.

2.4 HIPO Documentation

The HIPO diagram identification numbers and figure numbers used in this section stand alone; i.e., they start with 1.0, increase hierarchically, and are independent of the numbering scheme used to this point in this document.

The EVAL software consists of two separate subsystems: STRUCTURE and RUN. Figure 2-2 is the system overview chart. The STRUCTURE subsystem is used to create a new evaluation structure or to revise an existing structure. The RUN subsystem is used to specify importance weights and utilities and to display the results of an evaluation model.

Figure 2-3 is a subsystem structure chart for the STRUCTURE subsystem. It represents the overall program logic flow in a visual table of contents. The Visual Table of Contents diagram shows the hierarchical structure, the functional description labels, and the diagram (chart) identifiers of the functions performed by STRUCTURE. Similarly, Figure 2-4 is a visual table of contents diagram for the RUN subsystem.

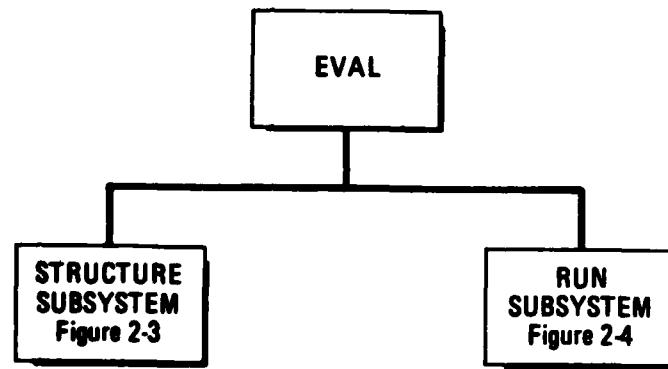
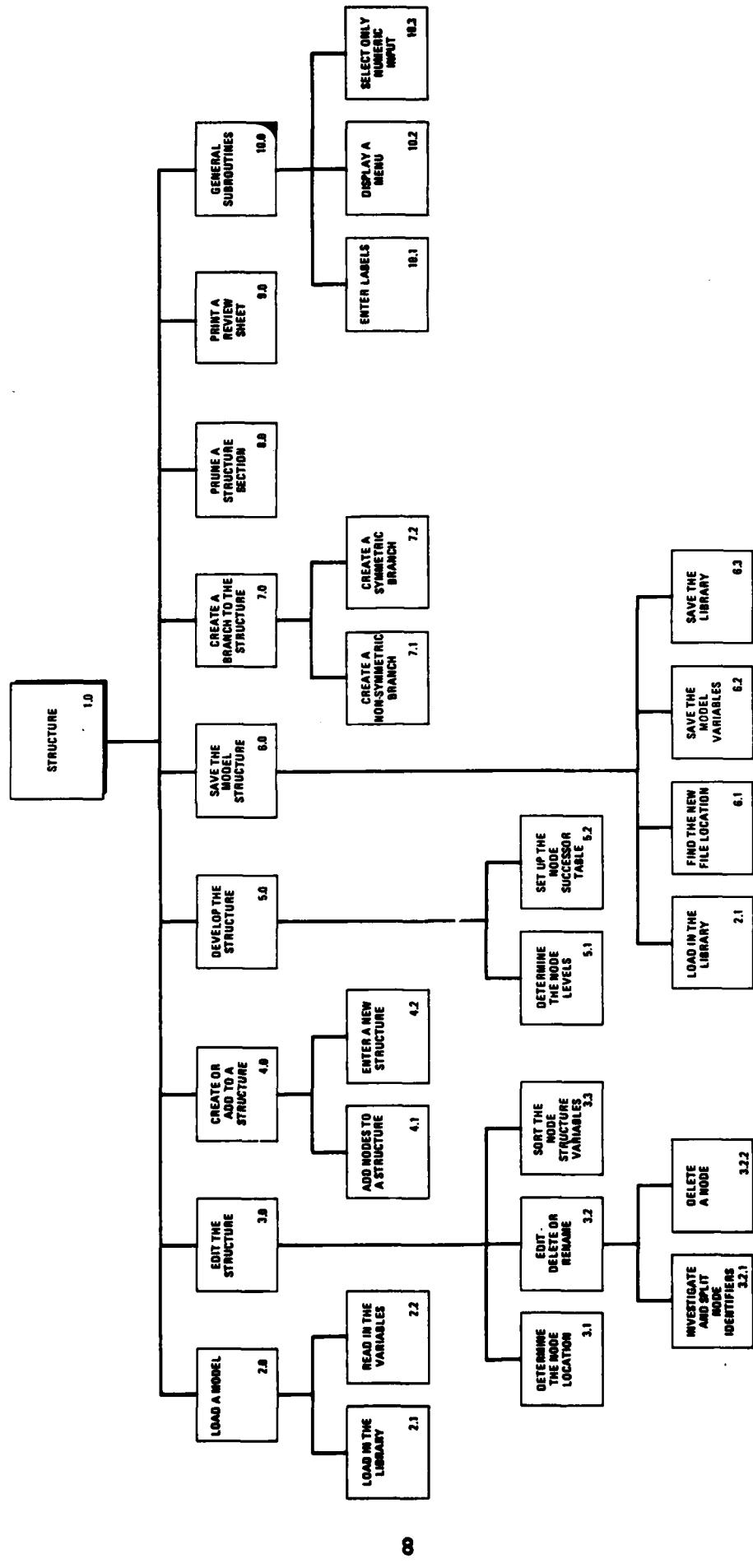


Figure 2-2
EVAL SYSTEM OVERVIEW



STRUCTURE VISUAL TABLE OF CONTENTS

Figure 2-3

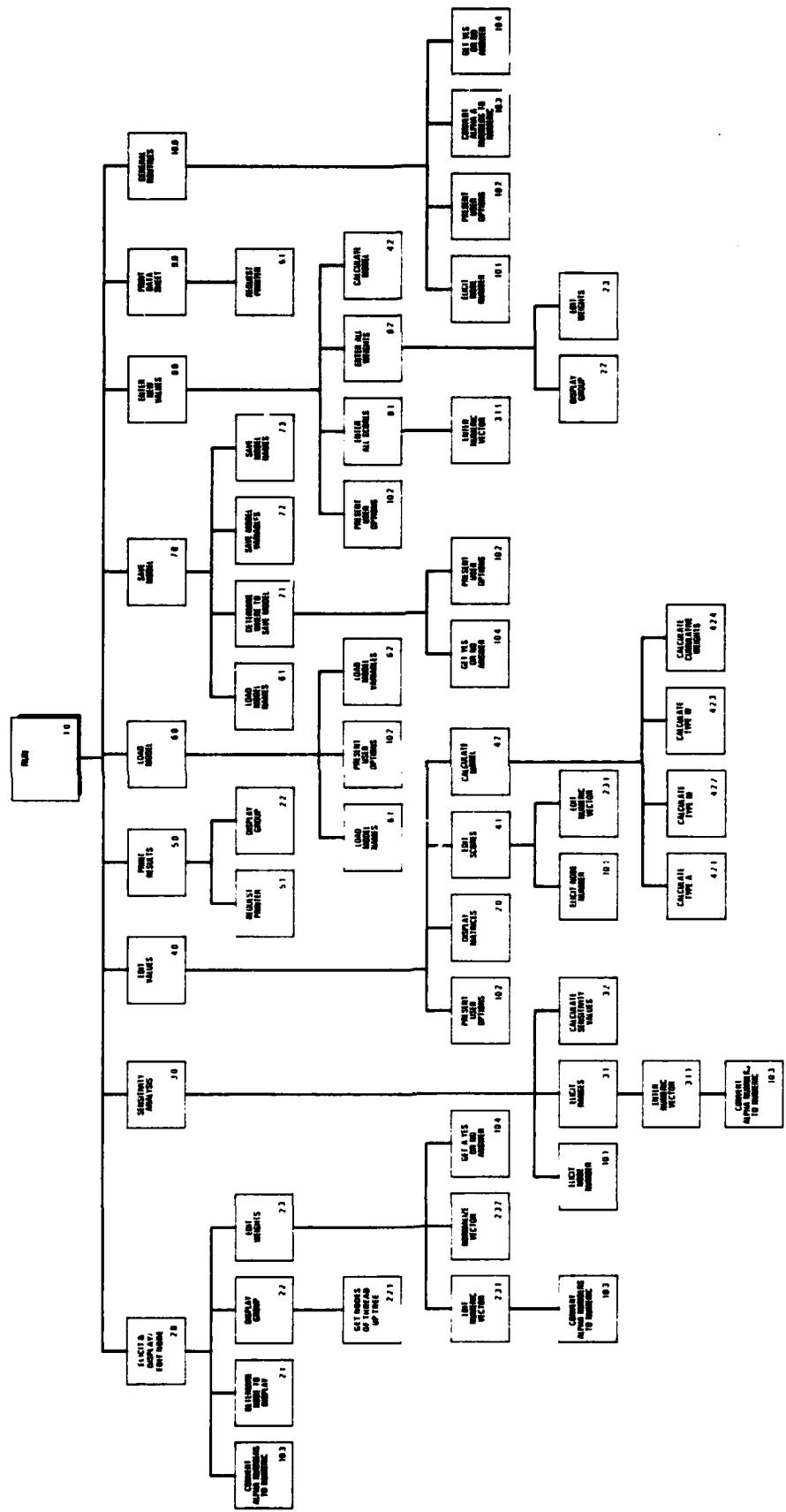
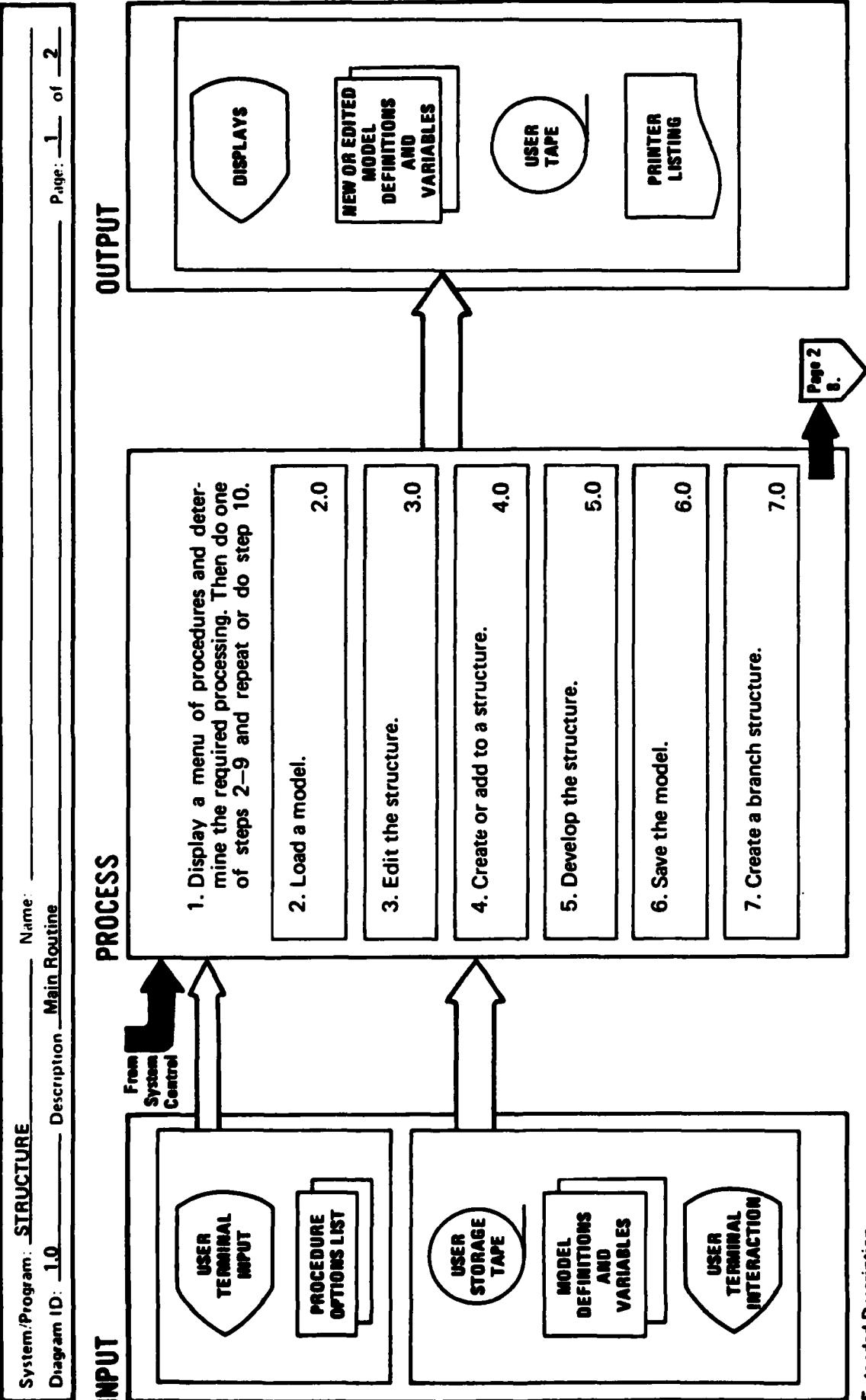


Figure 2-4
RUN VISUAL TABLE OF CONTENTS



Extended Description

- The list of program procedures is displayed so that the user may select the next process to be performed. The list is displayed in menu format which allows the association of position numbers with different options in the list.
- The user is prompted for a choice of operations. The chosen procedure is invoked via one of steps 2-9. If the user responds with blank or null input, then step 10 is executed.
 - The existence of EVAL/STRUCTURE models on tape (storage) is determined and a selected model is read.
 - The structure (or model) currently defined by the program variables may be
 - A new structure may be entered via user interaction or nodes may be added to an existing structure.
 - This step causes the completion of the model structure by setting up variables which interface with the RUN program. This step should always be performed before step 6.
 - The currently defined model structure may be stored via this step.
 - A branch or subtree may be defined and later added to a structure in procedure 4.

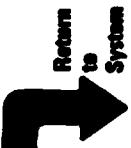
System/Program:	STRUCTURE	Name:	
Diagram ID:	1.0	Description	Main Routine

Page: 2 of 2**PROCESS****OUTPUT**
INPUT


8. Prune a section.

9. Print a review sheet.

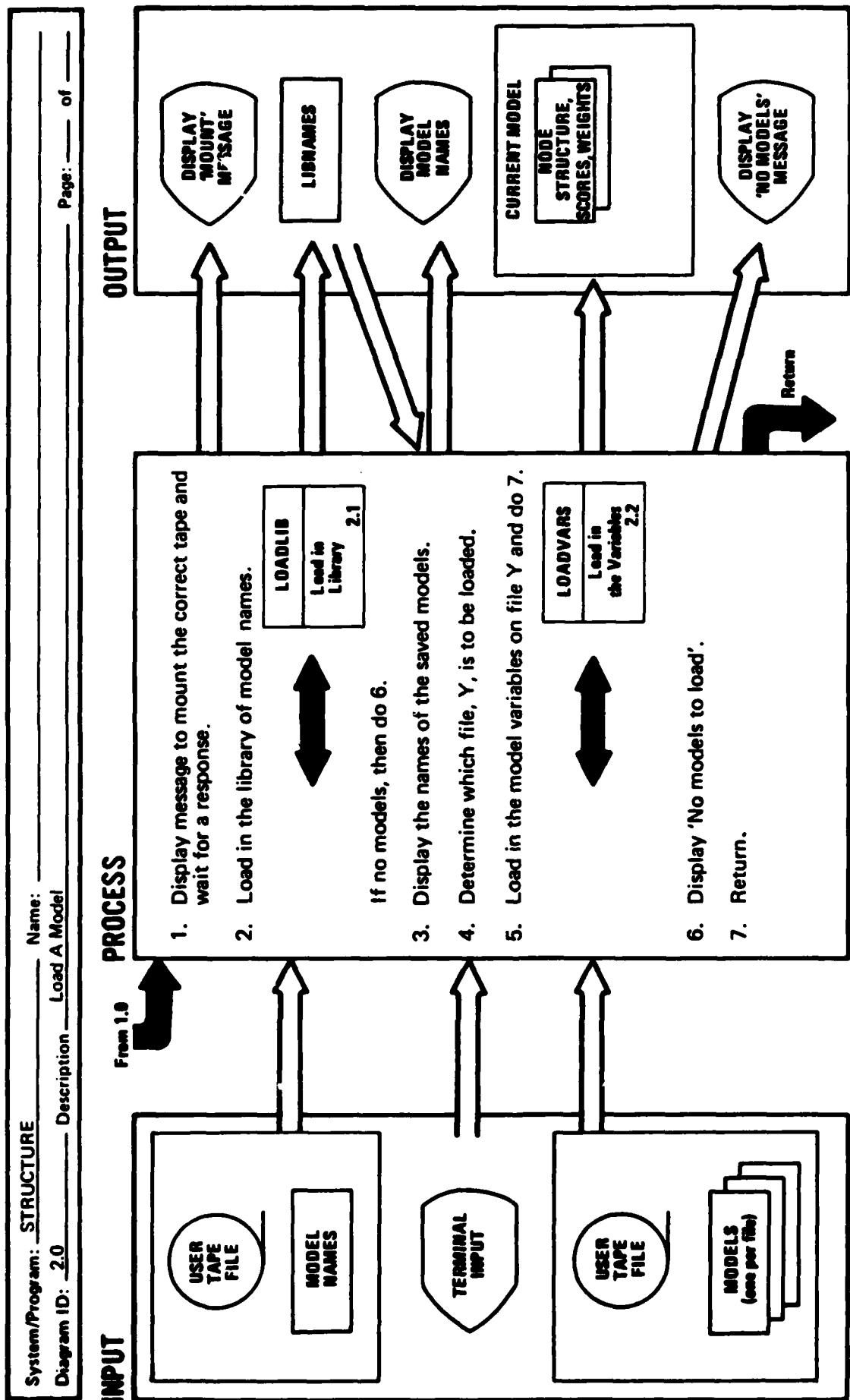
10. Terminate the session.

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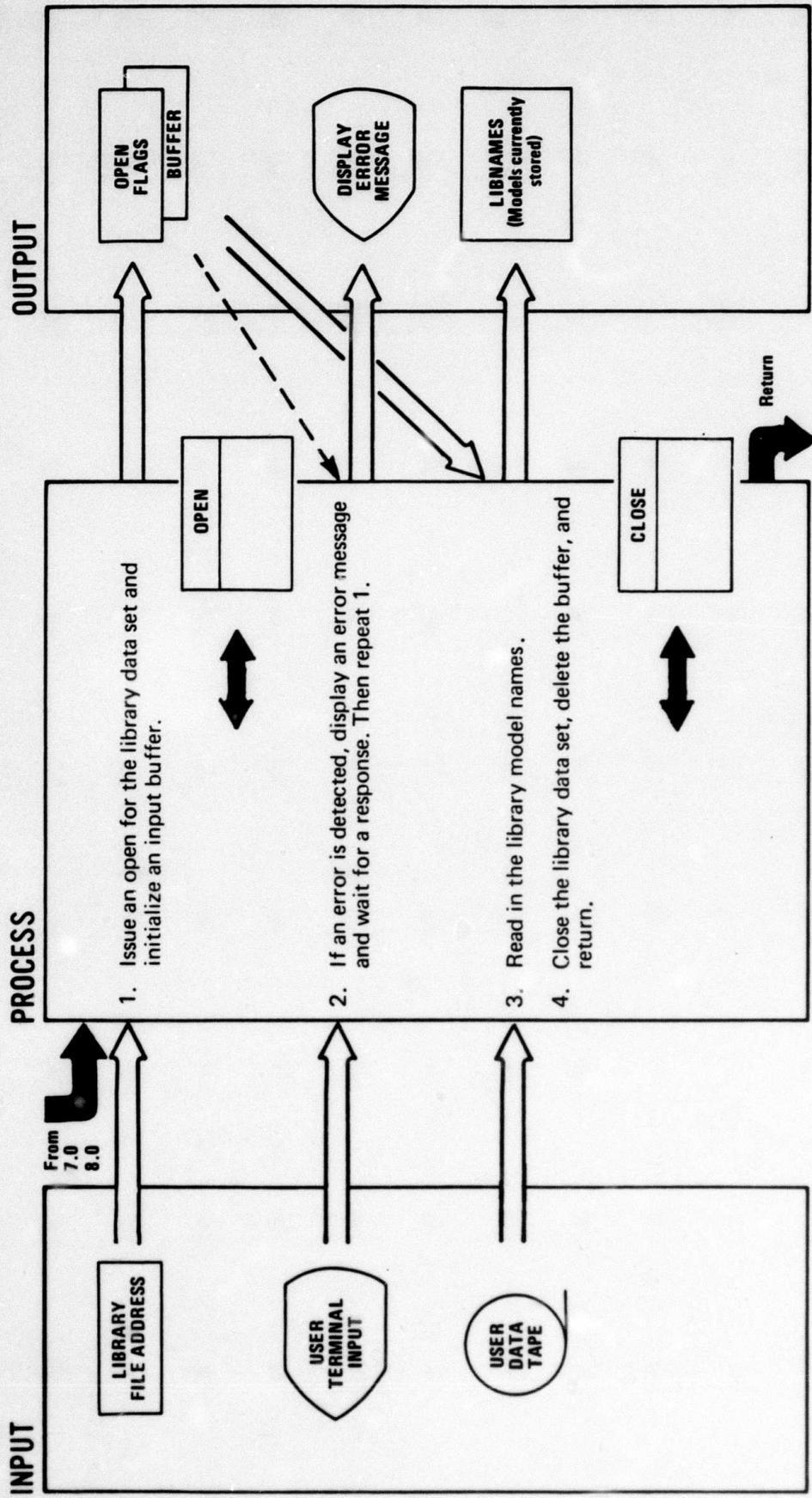
8. Groups of nodes may be deleted from the currently defined structure.

9. A printout of the structure as it is currently defined is obtained.

10. The program ends here: a restart option will cause step 1 to be executed again. When a session is terminated, all branch structures or subtrees defined are deleted.

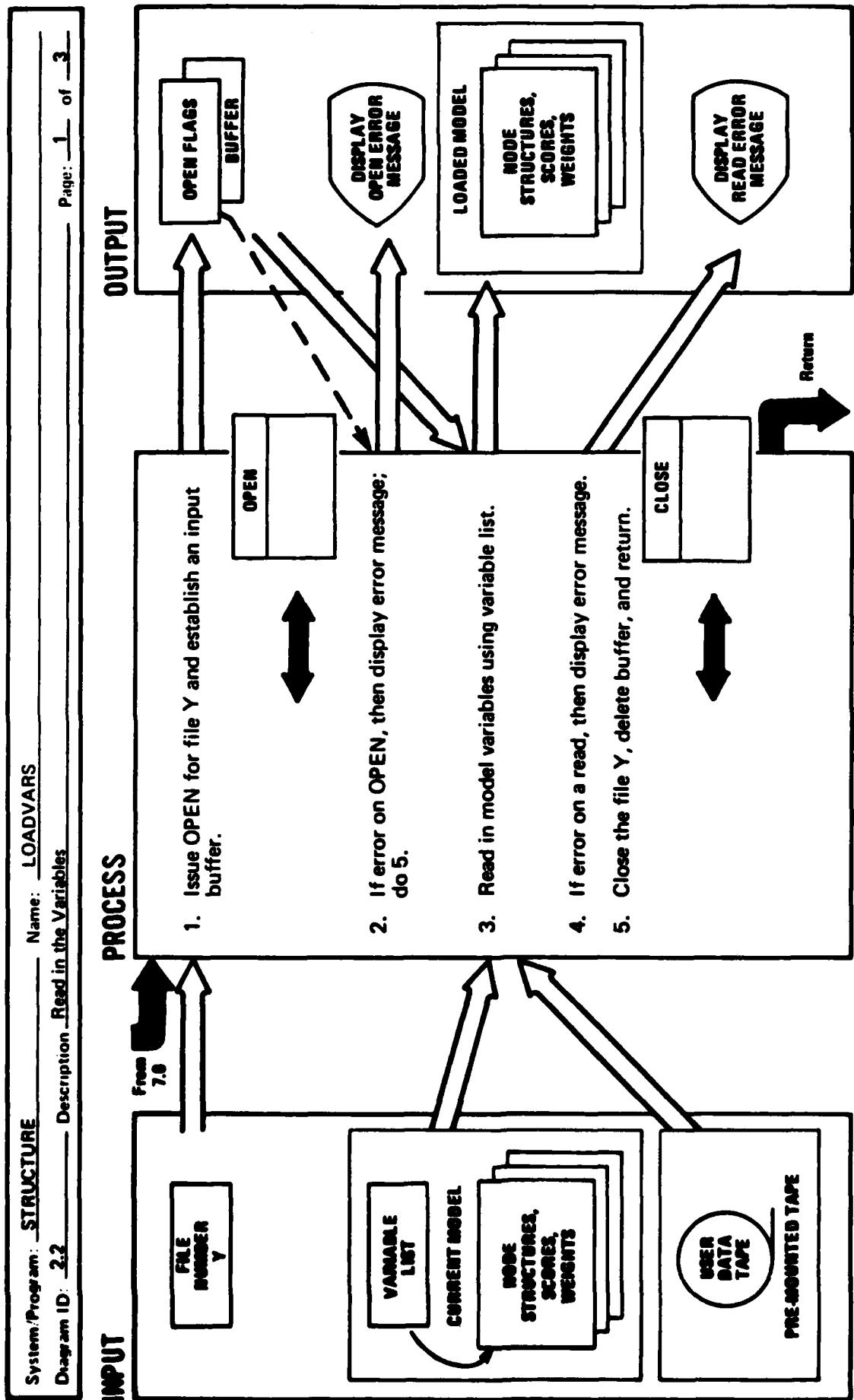


System/Program: STRUCTURE Name: LOADLIB
 Diagram ID: 2.1 Description Load in the Library
 Page: of



Extended Description

- The library file of model names is available on each formatted data tape. The file is usually stored and retrieved as a character array and resides on the same device with model data and structure variables. A system OPEN command is needed to ensure that the data file is online and accessible for reading. An input buffer is needed and provides the link between stored information and program addressable information.
- A system CLOSE command is issued to free the data file for later use.
- The library model names are retrieved from storage. The character array used for holding these model names, LIBNAMES, is of a form which facilitates display; thus, the names may all be of equal character length.
- A system CLOSE command is issued to free the data file for later use.



Extended Description

- 3.** A list of variable Names or identifiers is kept so that load and store routines will always process the variables in the same sequence order.

4. The Model variables retrieved from storage are used in all other program functions (see Diagram 1.0). The variables which must be located are the full names

- OUTLINE TABLE
 - NODE TABLES
 - SCORES
 - WEIGHTS

• CUMULATIVE WEIGHTS

- NODE TYPES
 - DATA LEVEL MASK
 - AGGREGATE NODE INDICES
 - SUCCESSOR TABLE
 - SYSTEMS LABELS

1. The OUTLINE TABLE contains an element for each node in the model, sorted in increasing numerical sequence order. The value is an encoded representation of the node outline number supplied for a node when the model structure is created.

System Program: STRUCTURE Name: LOADVARS
Diagram ID: 2.2 Description Read in the Variables

Page: 2 of 3

INPUT

PROCESS

OUTPUT

Extended Description

2. The **NODE LABELS** contain descriptions (one per node in the same order as the outline table) of nodes that are supplied when the model structure is created.
3. **SCORES** is a numeric array which contains a set of values for each node of the structure. Each set of values consists of one number per system defined in the model.
4. **WEIGHTS** is a numeric vector containing the relative-importance values assigned to each node in the model structure. The elements must appear in the same order as the associated outline numbers. When a model structure is created, the vector is null or contains zeros.
5. For each element in the node outline table, there is an associated element in the CUMULATIVE WEIGHTS vector. The vector will contain the percentage of importance with respect to the entire model when all WEIGHTS have been entered.
6. The **NODE TYPES** are indicators of the type of calculation that is to be used in assessing SCORES and WEIGHTS.
7. The **DATA LEVEL MASK** indicates which nodes are at the data level (bottom level) versus the nodes that are aggregate or non-bottom-level nodes.
8. The **AGGREGATE NODE INDICES** contain the sequence number of elements in the model variables which correspond to only the aggregate nodes. An Aggregate

System/Program: STRUCTURE Name: LOADVARS
Program ID: 2.2 Description Read in the Variables

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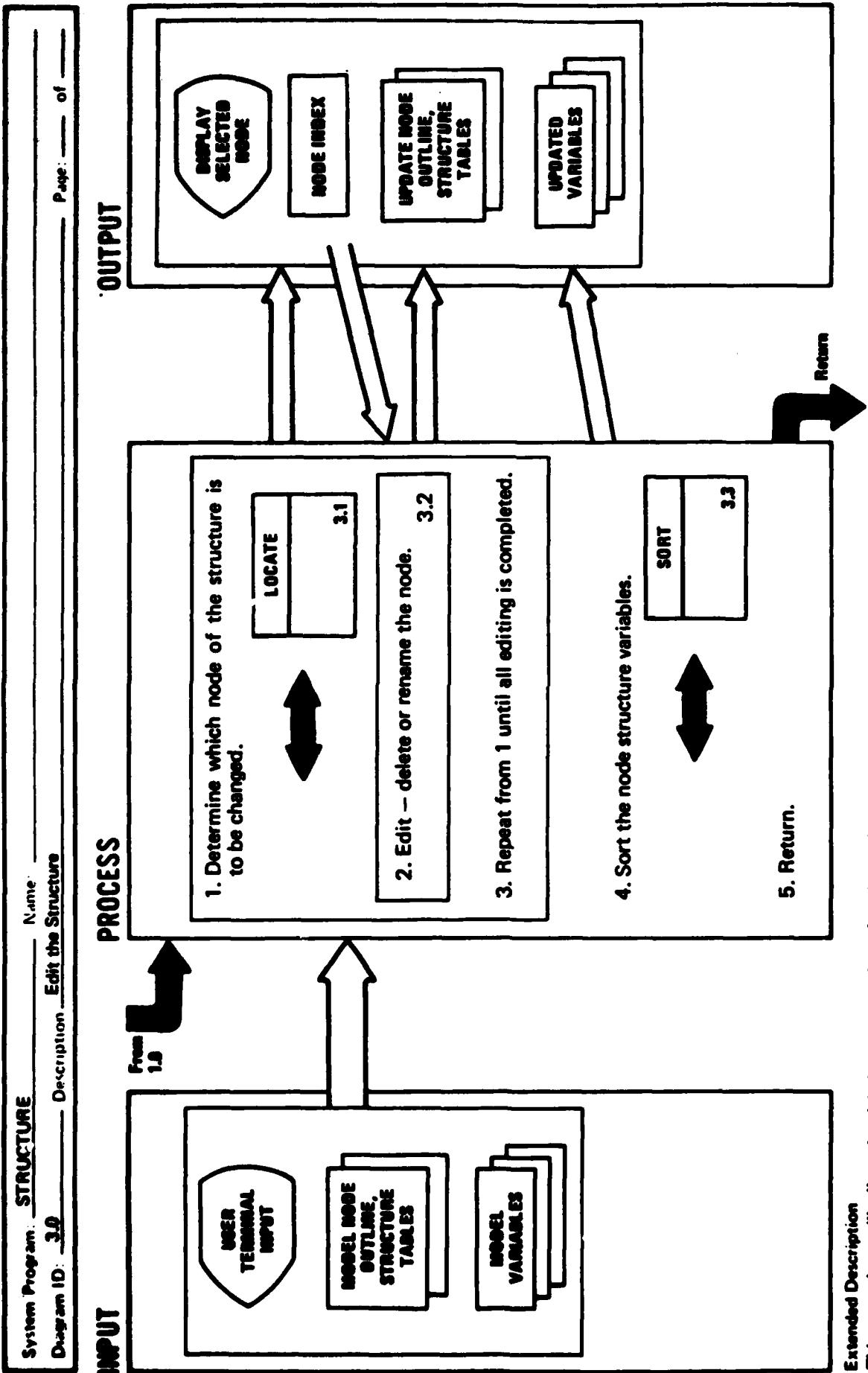
INPUT

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OUTPUT

Extended Description

9. The **SUCCESSOR TABLE** is an array which contains, for each aggregate node, the set of indices of nodes which contribute to a node.
10. The **SYSTEMS LABELS** contain the user-specified character descriptions of the systems being evaluated.

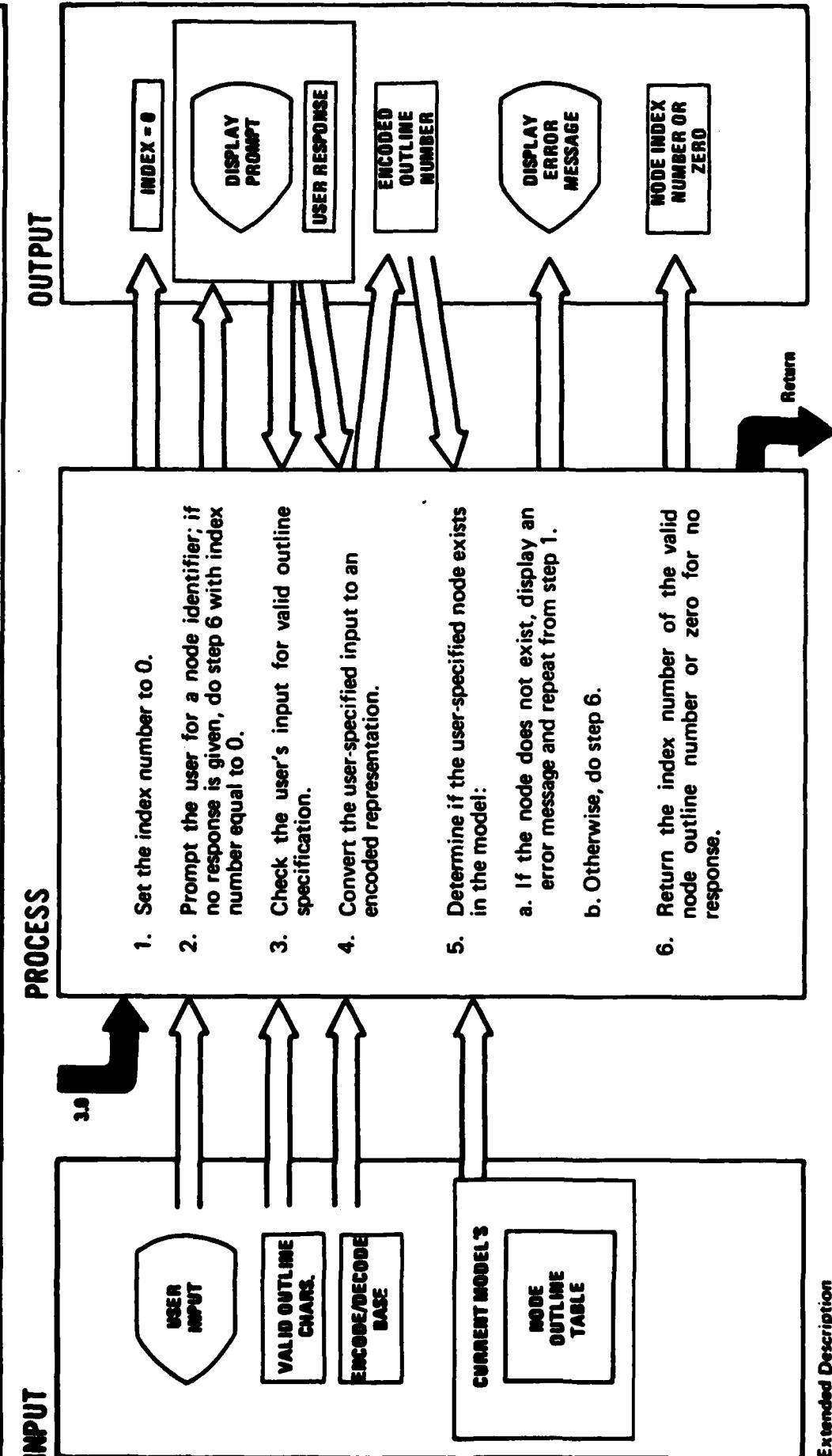


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This procedure will allow the deletion or renaming of nodes within an existing structure and operates on a single node at a time. If a group or subtree of nodes is to be deleted, the user should select the "Prune a section" procedure described in diagram 8.0.

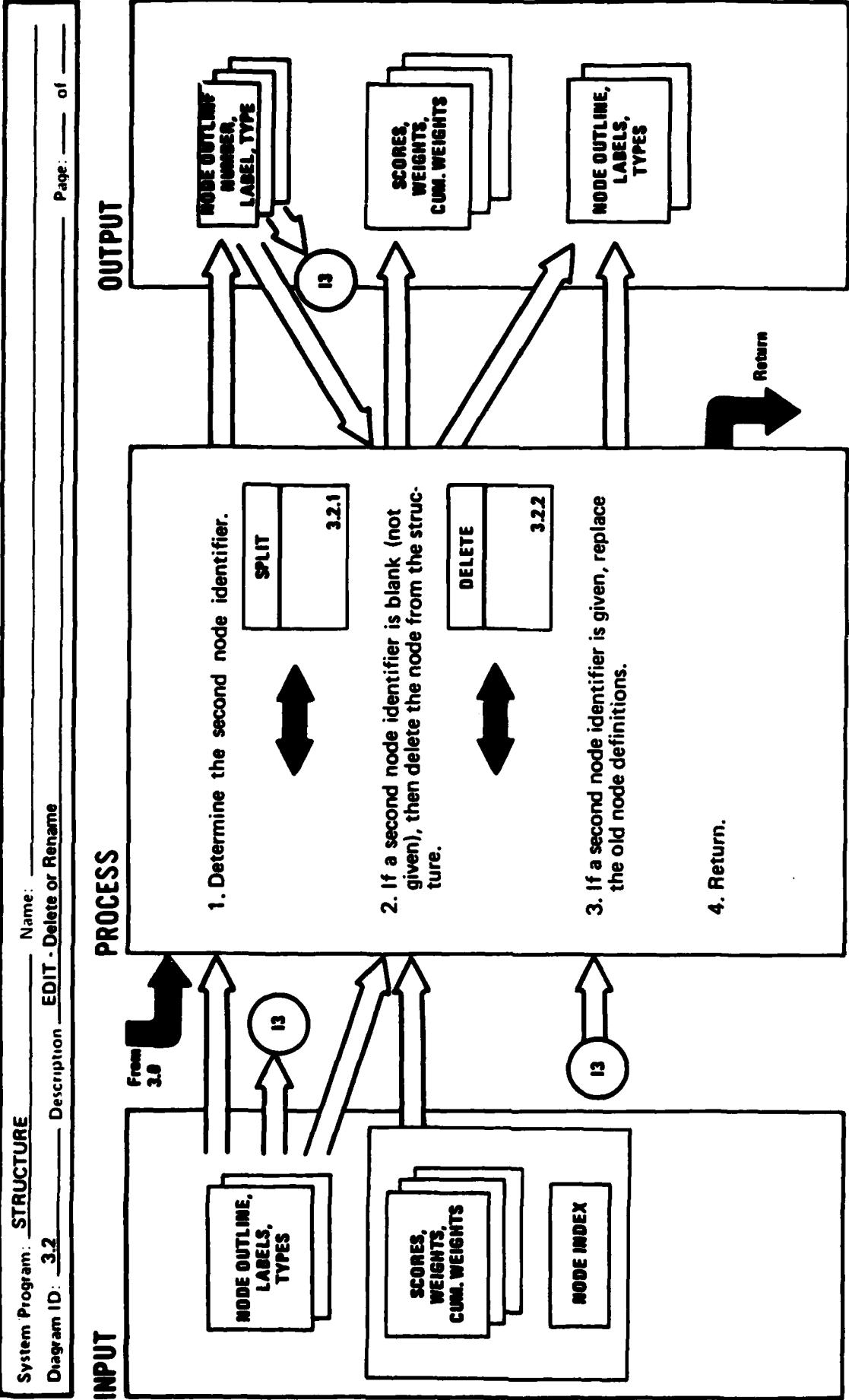
1. The user is prompted for a node identifier. This identifier corresponds to the manner in which the node was named when it was placed in the structure. The outline number is a shortened form of the node's identification. An associated index number is determined which is relative to the node outline and structure tables.
2. The node structure variables are reorganized so that associated nodes are always grouped together after the structure has been edited.

System/Program: STRUCTURE Name: LOCATE
 Diagram ID: 3.1 Description: Determine the Node Location
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Extended Description

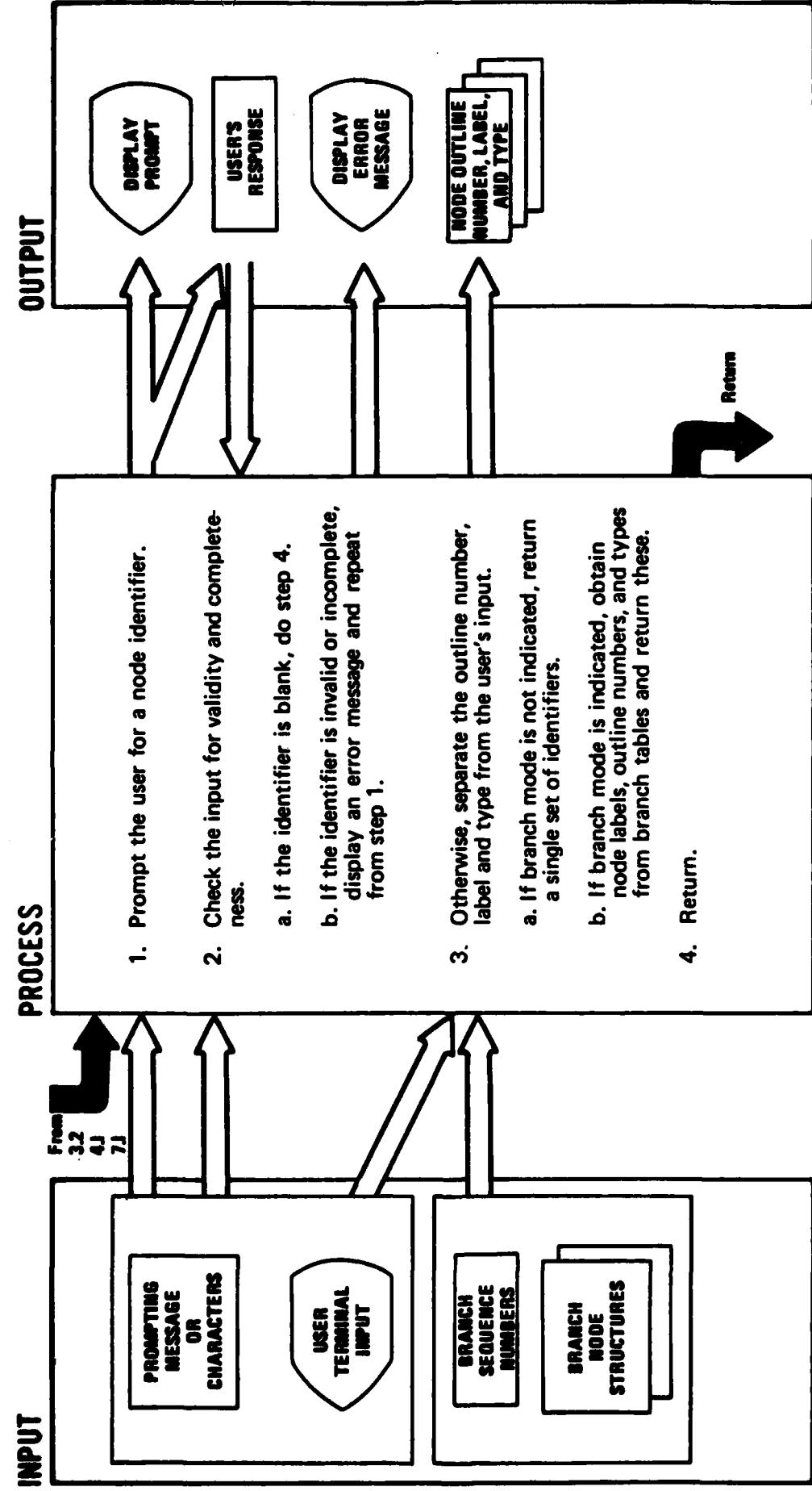
5. The existing outline table is searched for a matching encoded outline number. It is the index into this table of the matching outline number which is returned to the calling routine in step 6.



Extended Description

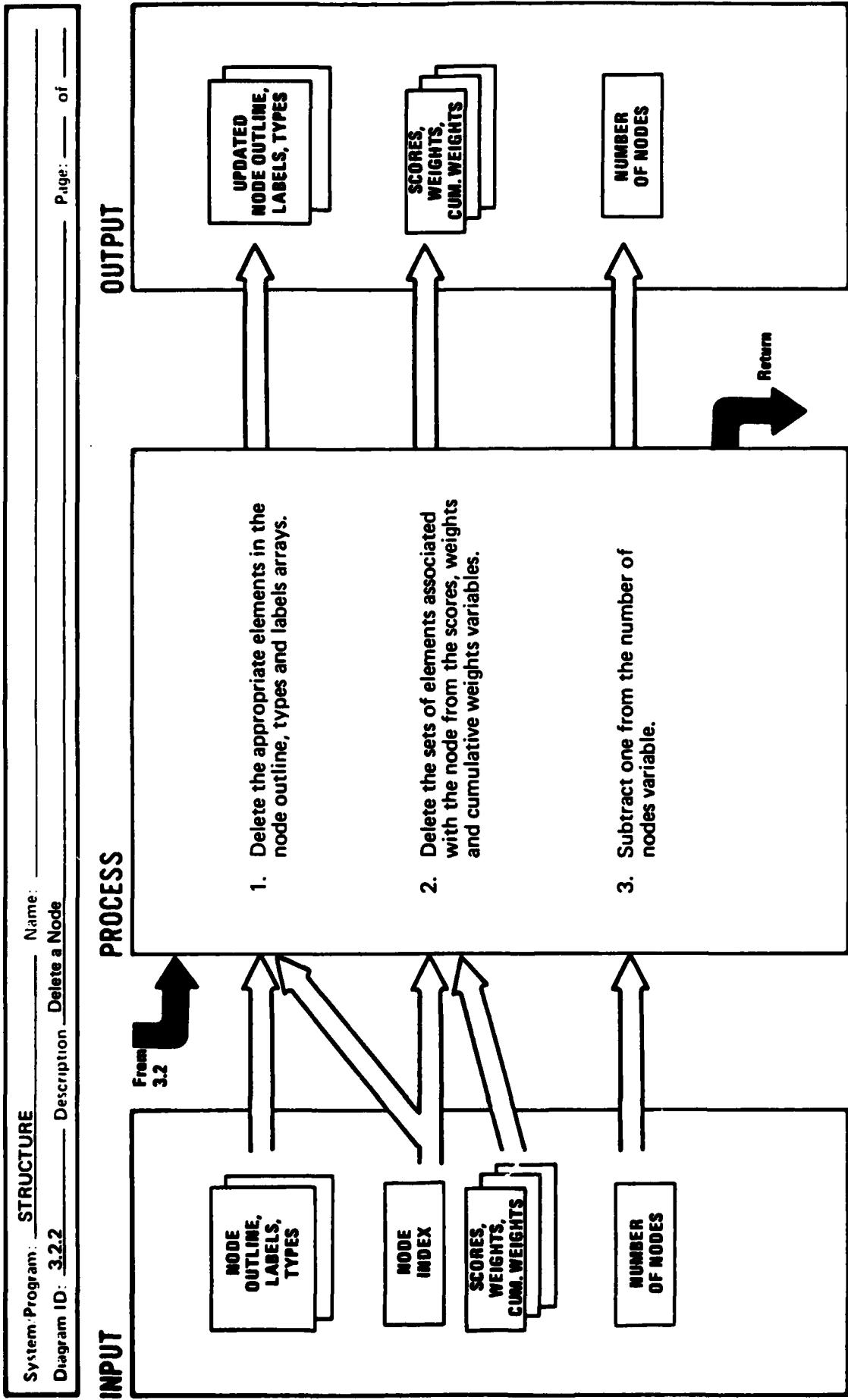
1. The user is prompted for all node identification information — the node outline number, the node label or name and its type. (See diagram 2.2 for a description of these items.)
2. A null entry or blank response from the user indicates that the node is to be deleted from the current structure.
3. Replace the outline number, the node label and type in the appropriate arrays with the new ones.

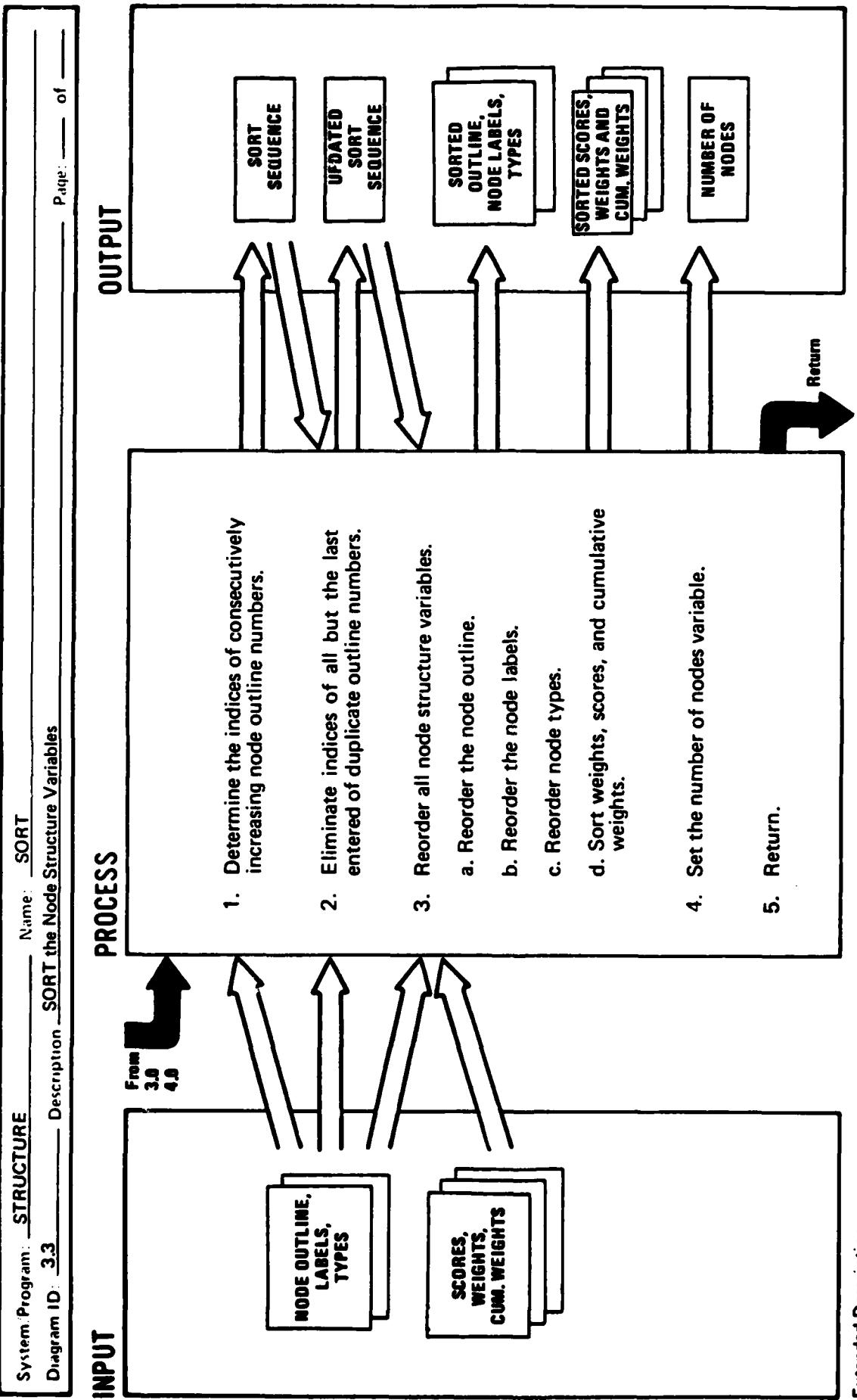
System Program: STRUCTURE Name: SPLIT
 Diagram ID: 3.2.1 Description - Investigate and Split Node Identifiers



Extended Description

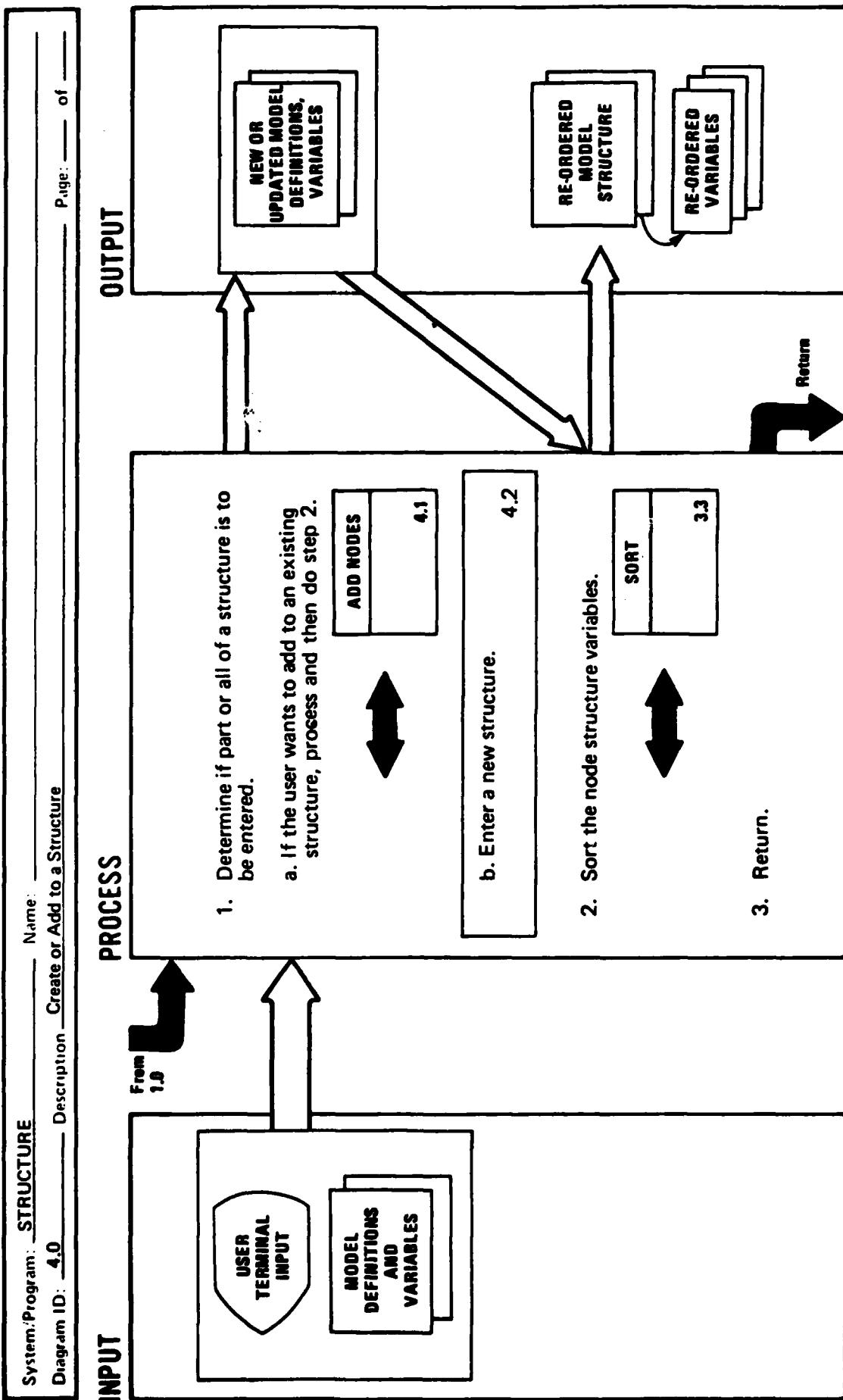
1. The user is required to input the identifying information for a particular node in either an existing structure or one that is currently being defined.
 2. Proper node identification consists of an outline sequence number which has a hierarchical relationship to other nodes in the structure, a label or descriptive name, and a node "type" indicator. The three variables are usually entered with commas or some other punctuation separating each one from the other.
 3. The outline number – numerically encoded to a sufficiently large number, the label, and type are returned as separate variables.
- If a branch or subtree is being specified, the appropriate node labels, outline numbers and types are obtained from the branch structure tables. A group of encoded outline numbers, a group of labels and the group types are all returned to the calling routine. The new outline numbers have been encoded again to agree with the node after which the branch or subtree is being placed in hierarchical fashion.
- A special character, such as an asterisk (*) or pound sign (#), should be used to designate that a group or subtree is being specified. The special character would be the first in the input line of the user's response.

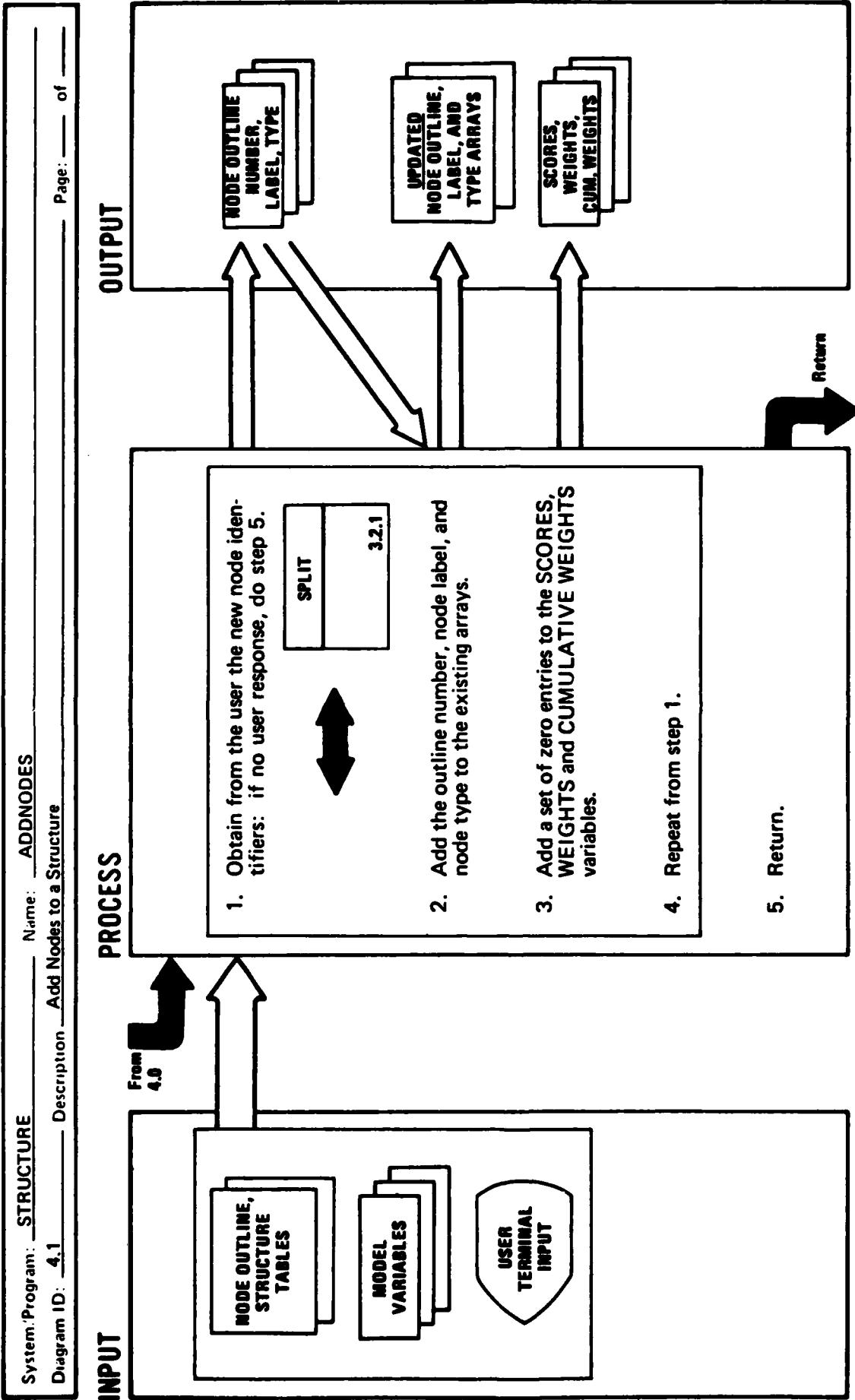




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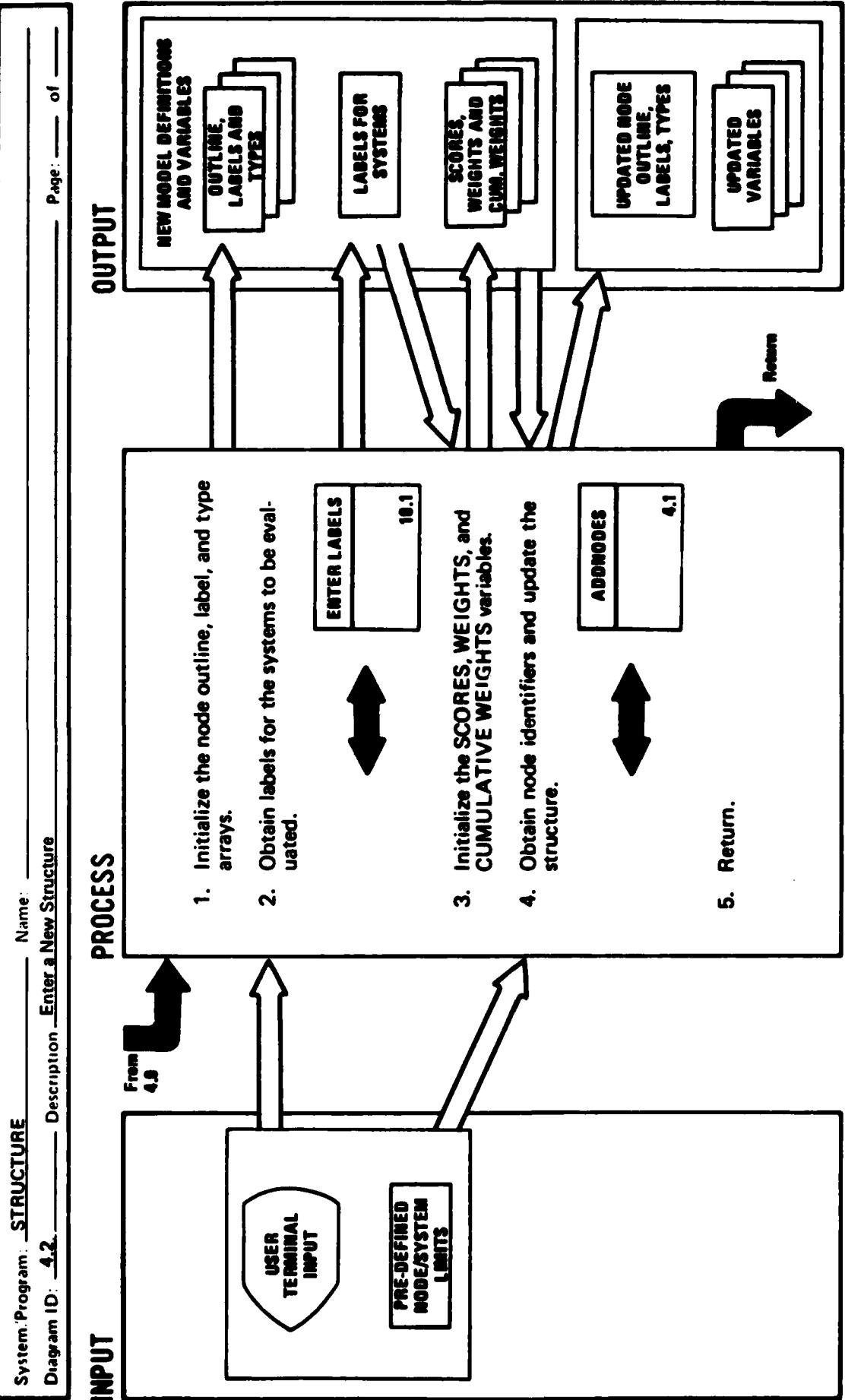
1. The relative indices or locations in the numerically encoded set of outline numbers in increasing value are determined. These indices constitute the sort sequence and will be used to rearrange the structure variables.





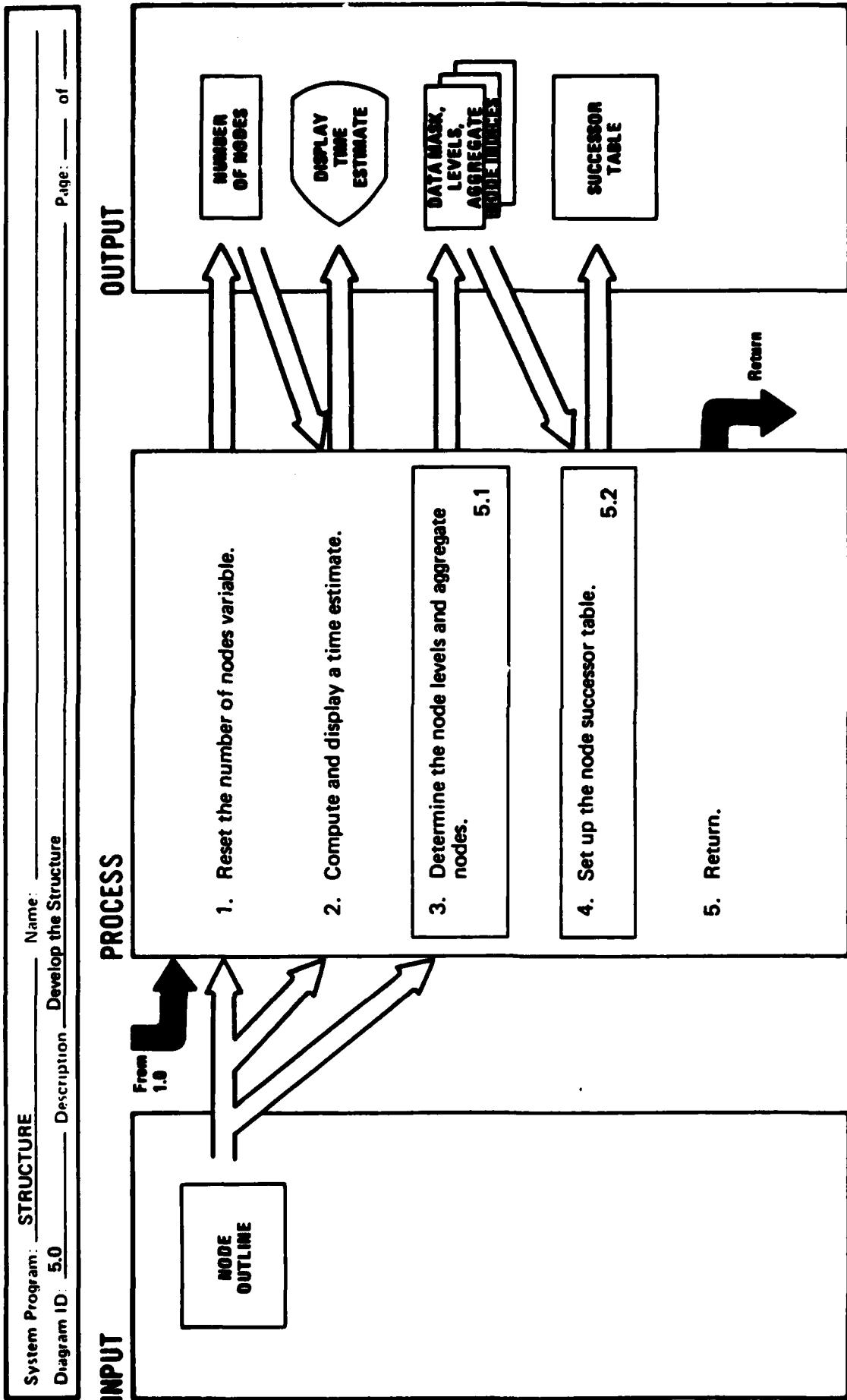
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2 - 3. Additions to previously initialized or existing variables are accomplished by extending the arrays such that the corresponding orders of associated labels, scores, types, weights and decoded outline numbers are the same.



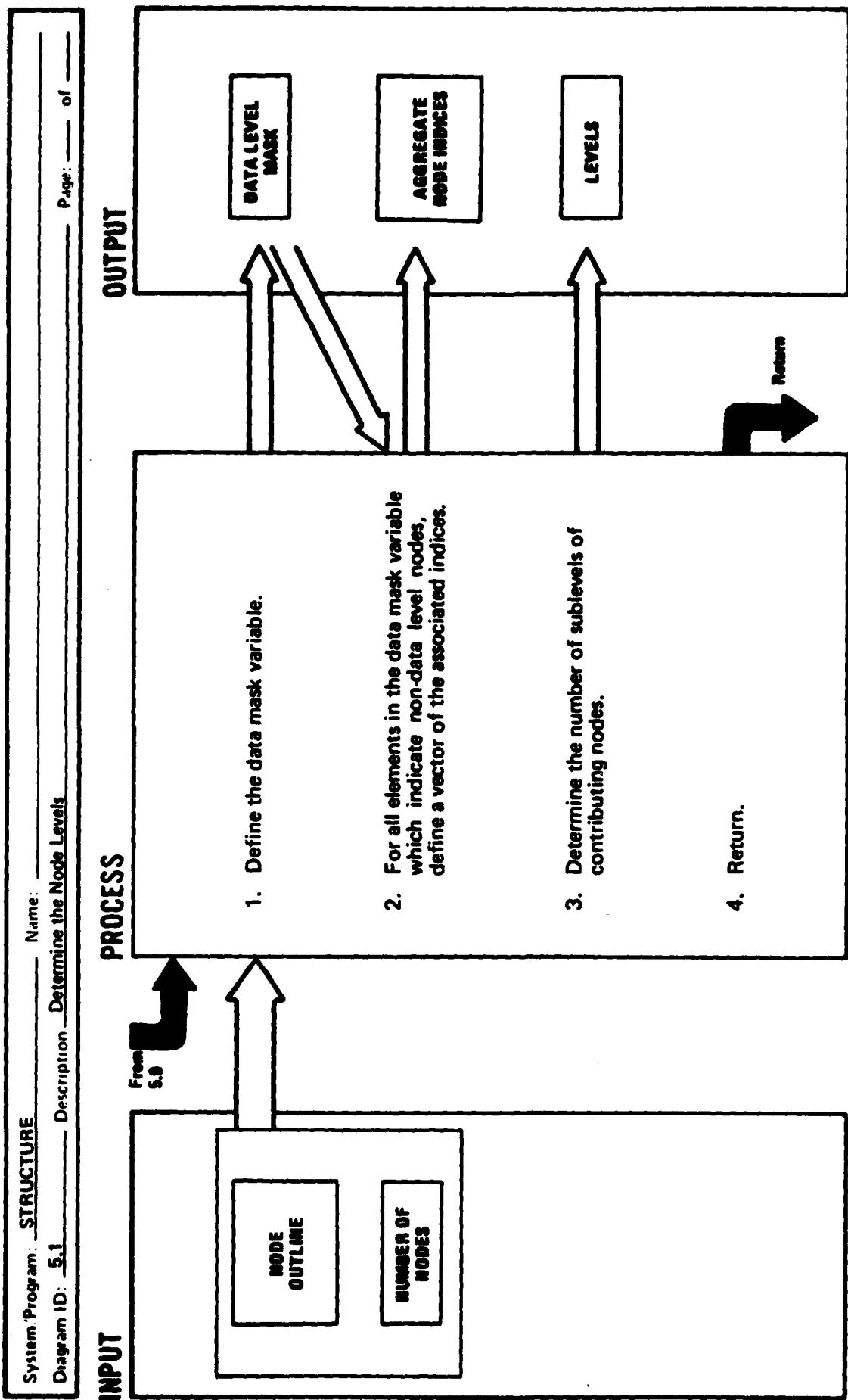
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1. Initialization is caused by establishing null or blank vectors for the specified variables.
2. Labels for the systems to be evaluated are obtained from later storage and for the determination of the length of any set of SCORES.
3. The user is prompted for input which will be used to define a hierarchical tree structure described by outline numbers, labels and types of nodes within the structure.



Extended Description

1. The number of nodes is equal to the number of entries in the outline array.
2. A rough estimate of the amount of time required to perform the developing operation may be displayed. The estimate is derived from the number of nodes in the model.
3. The data level mask indicates which nodes in the model are at the data level and which nodes are aggregate nodes. The aggregate node indices are indices into the node outline of nodes which are not at the data level. The LEVELS variable shows how far away a particular node is from the lowest level.
4. The successor table provides a set of contributing node indices for each aggregate node in the same order as aggregate node appearance in the outline.

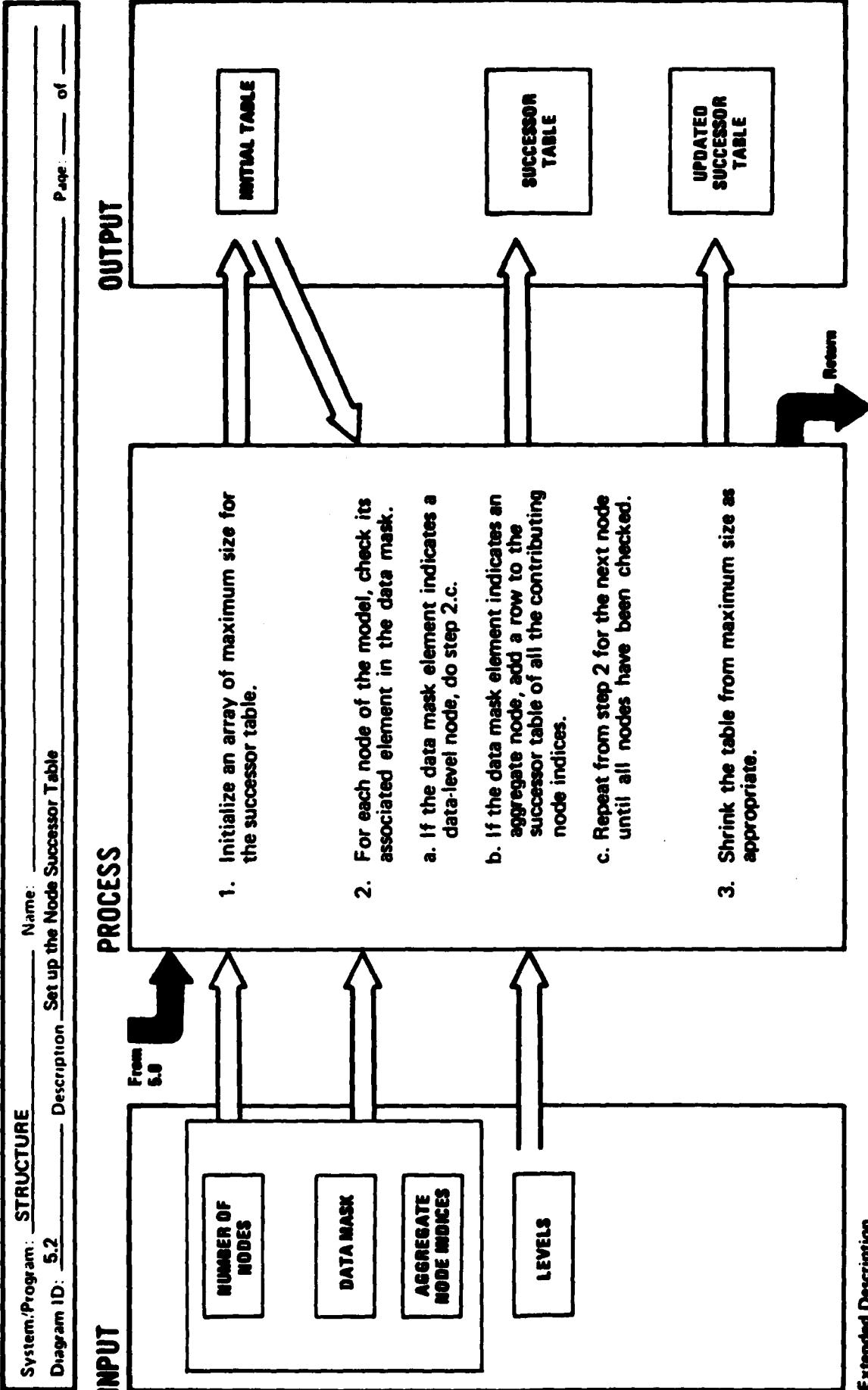


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- For each node in the model outline, an element is placed in a vector to indicate that node is a data level node or that it is an aggregate node having other contributing nodes.
The indicator may be 0 for data level and 1 for the aggregate level or vice versa.
- The data level mask indicator setting for each node in the outline is used to determine the aggregate node indices – indices into the node outline.

- The farthest element or data level node from the topmost node is determined. The topmost node is assigned the number of levels between it and the data level farthest away (the depth of the path with the most sub-level tree branches). All other nodes are assigned a value equal to the top-level's minus its distance (number of levels) from the top.

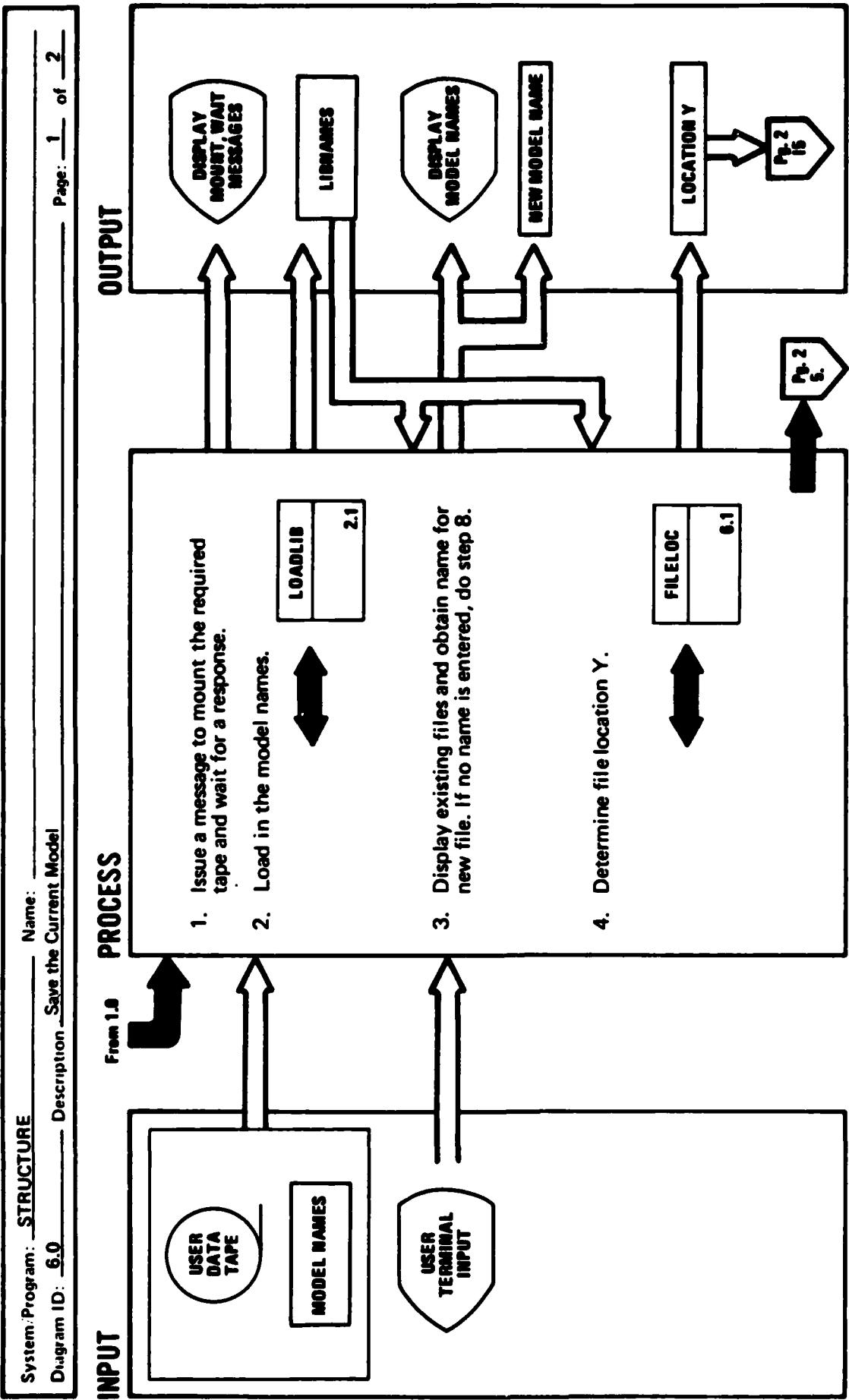
System/Program: STRUCTURE
 Diagram ID: 5.2 Description: Set up the Node Successor Table



Extended Description

1. The maximum size table is prescribed by the number of aggregate nodes and the predefined limit to the number of contributing nodes on any single level.
2. This procedure steps through the data mask variable in sequential order: the contributing nodes of the topmost aggregate node will be added to the successor table first.

- 2.b. If the nodes' associated data mask element indicates an aggregate node, then the contributing nodes are all the nodes which follow in sequential order that have an associated LEVELS number that is less than the selected nodes LEVELS numbers, provided these nodes occur before any node with equal or higher LEVELS number.



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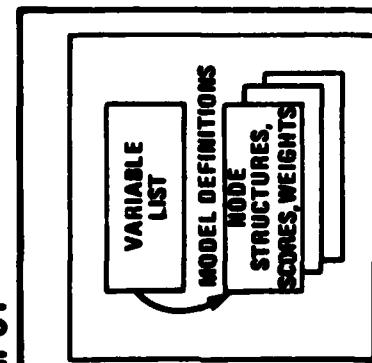
1. The computer program prompts for an indication that the desired storage file/device has been selected and placed online. Any response from the keyboard causes processing to resume.

4. The existing file structure and the amount of available space on the data tape are checked along with the user specification to determine where the model variables are to be stored.

System/Program: STRUCTURE Name: _____
 Diagram ID: 6.0 Description: Save the Current Model

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5. If location Y = 0, then repeat 2.
 Otherwise, save model on file Y.

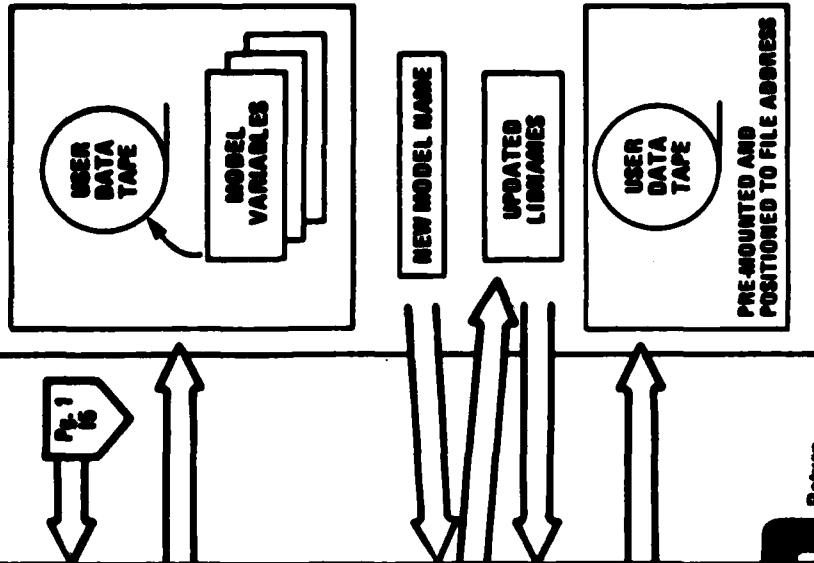


6. Add or replace new file name in list of saved models.
 7. Save the new list of existing models.



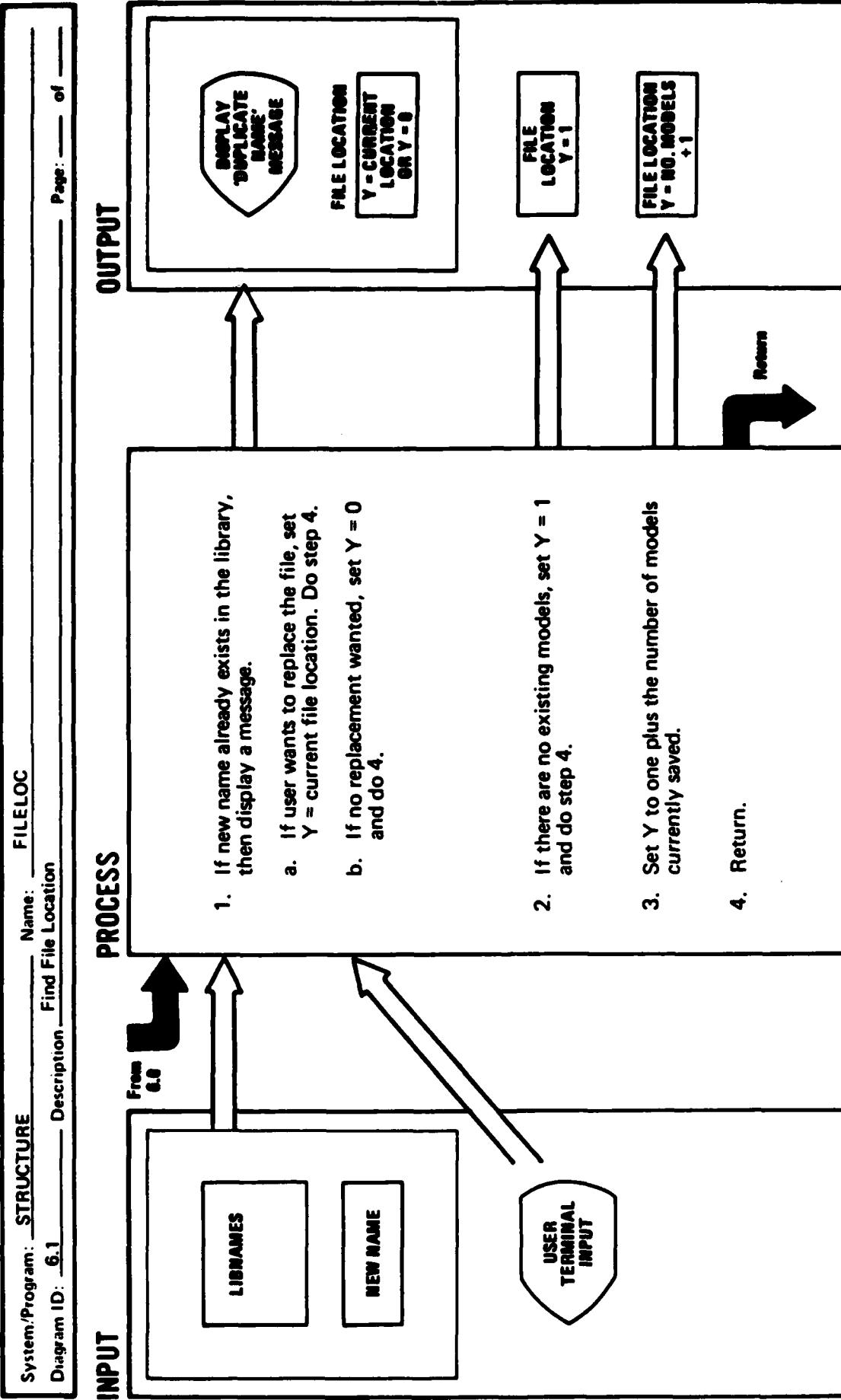
8. Return.

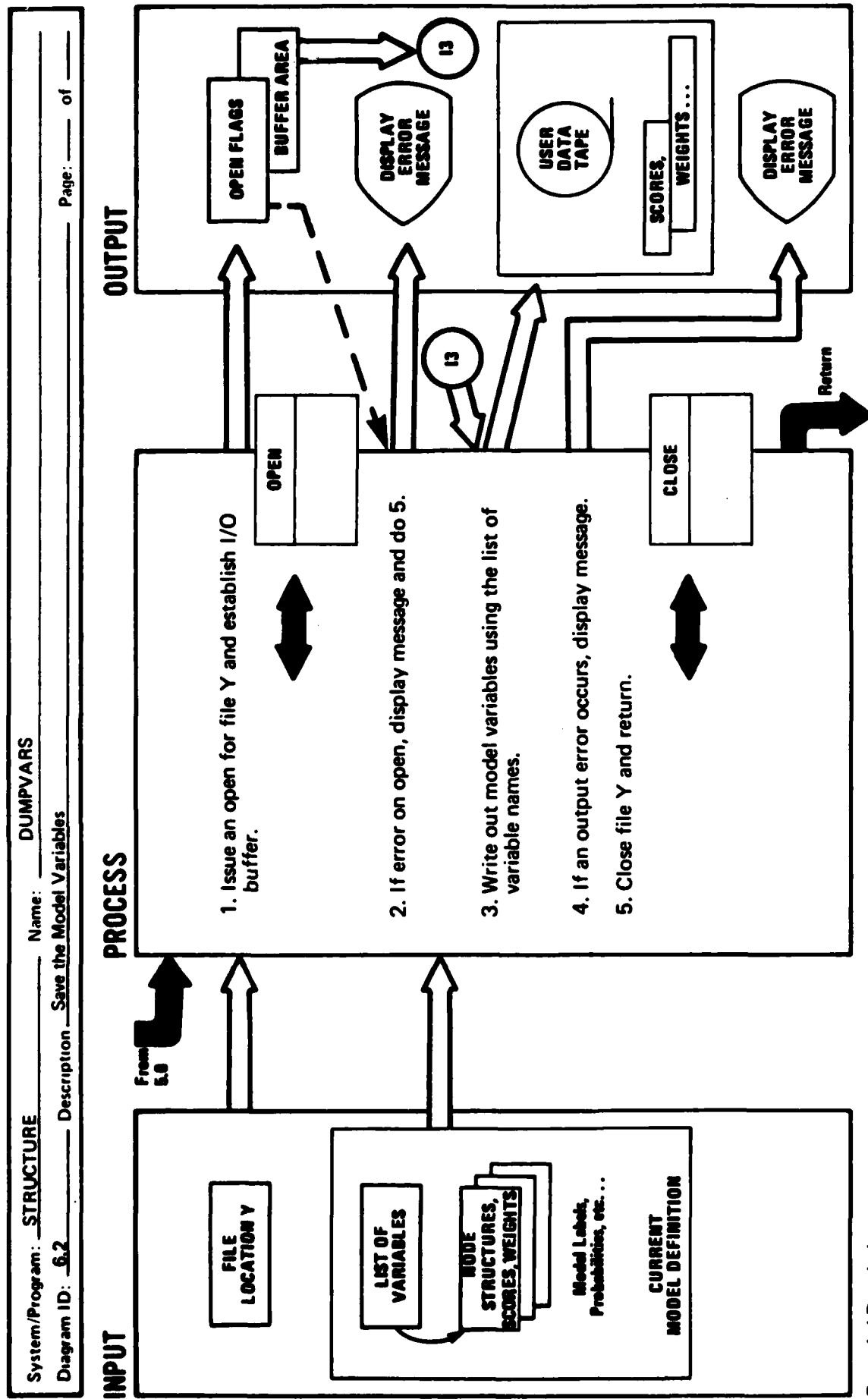
OUTPUT



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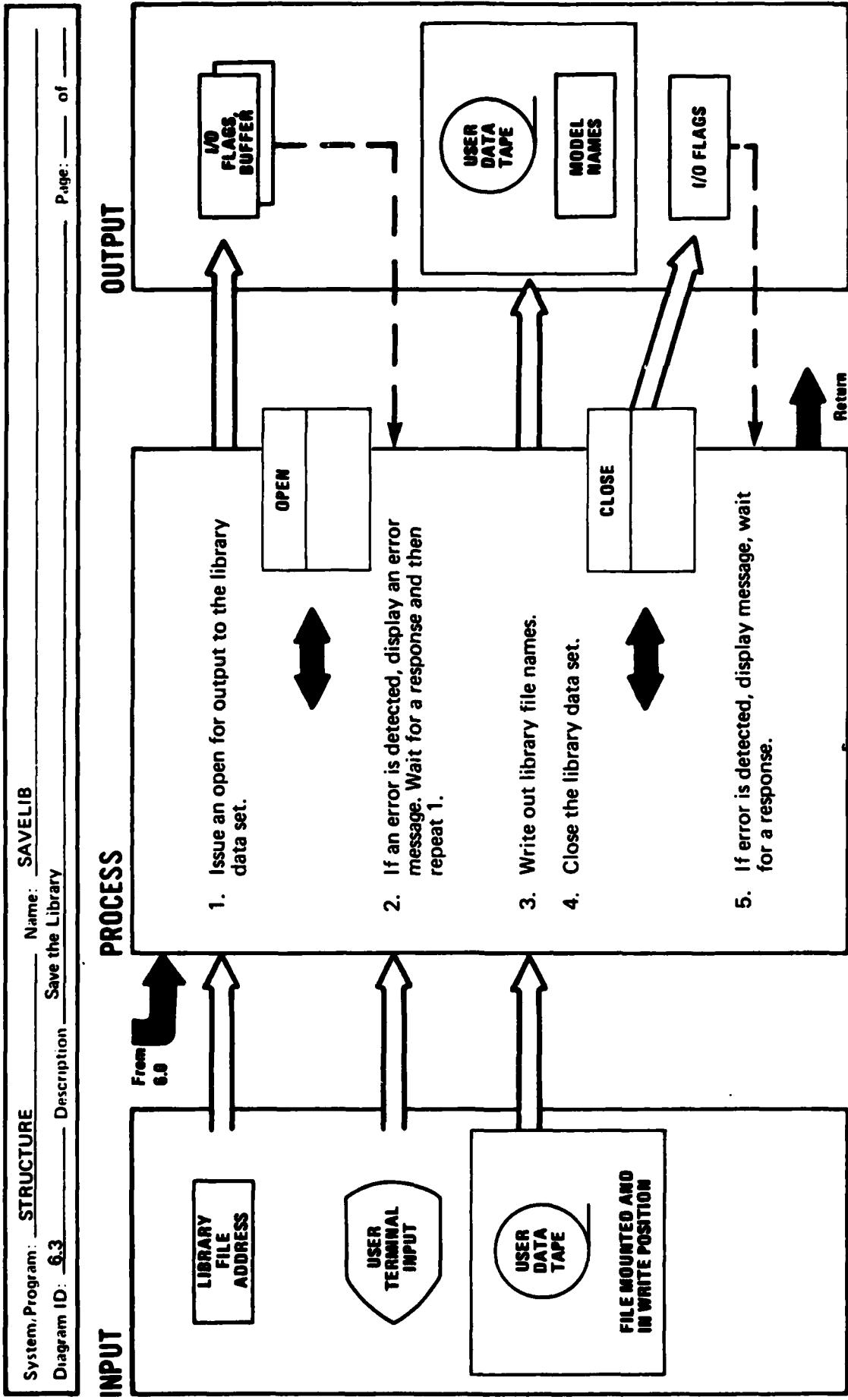
6. The library name list is updated to include the new file. The new model name's position in the LIBNAMES array must be the same relative position to other models stored on the device.

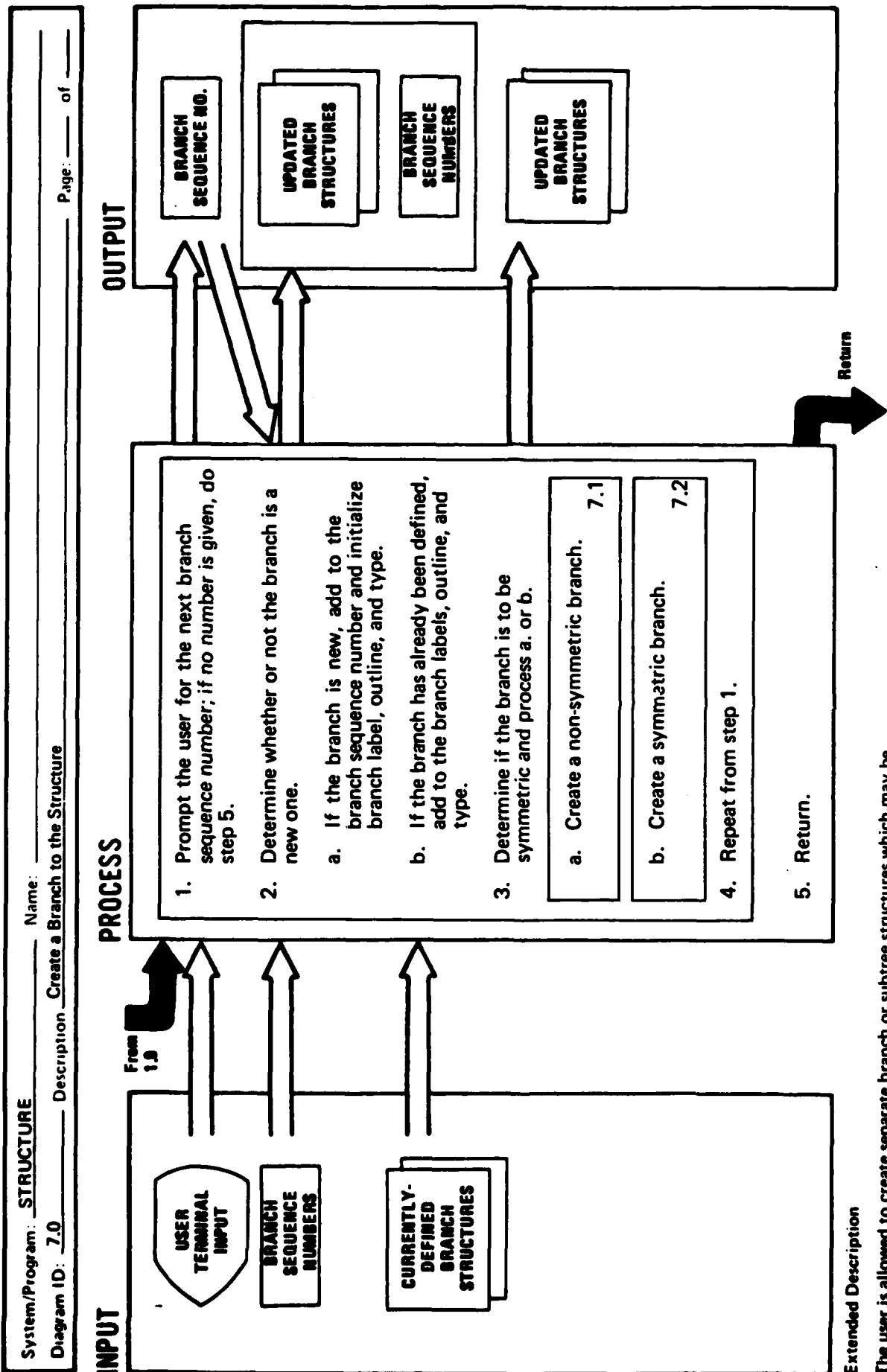




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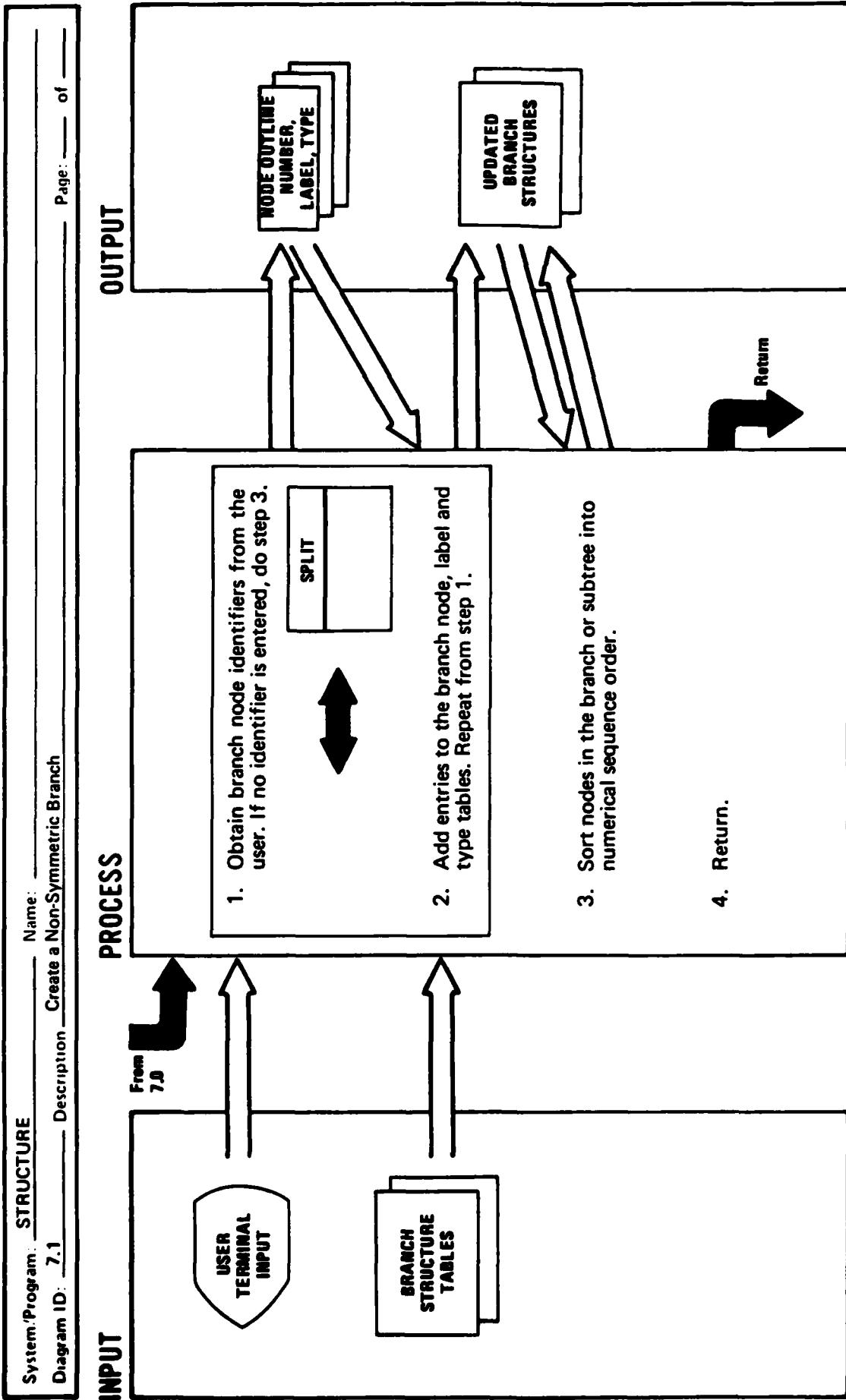
1. The file location Y is used to determine an exact storage position on the selected device.
 3. The list of variable names is identical to the list of names used to Load a Model (see diagram 2.2)



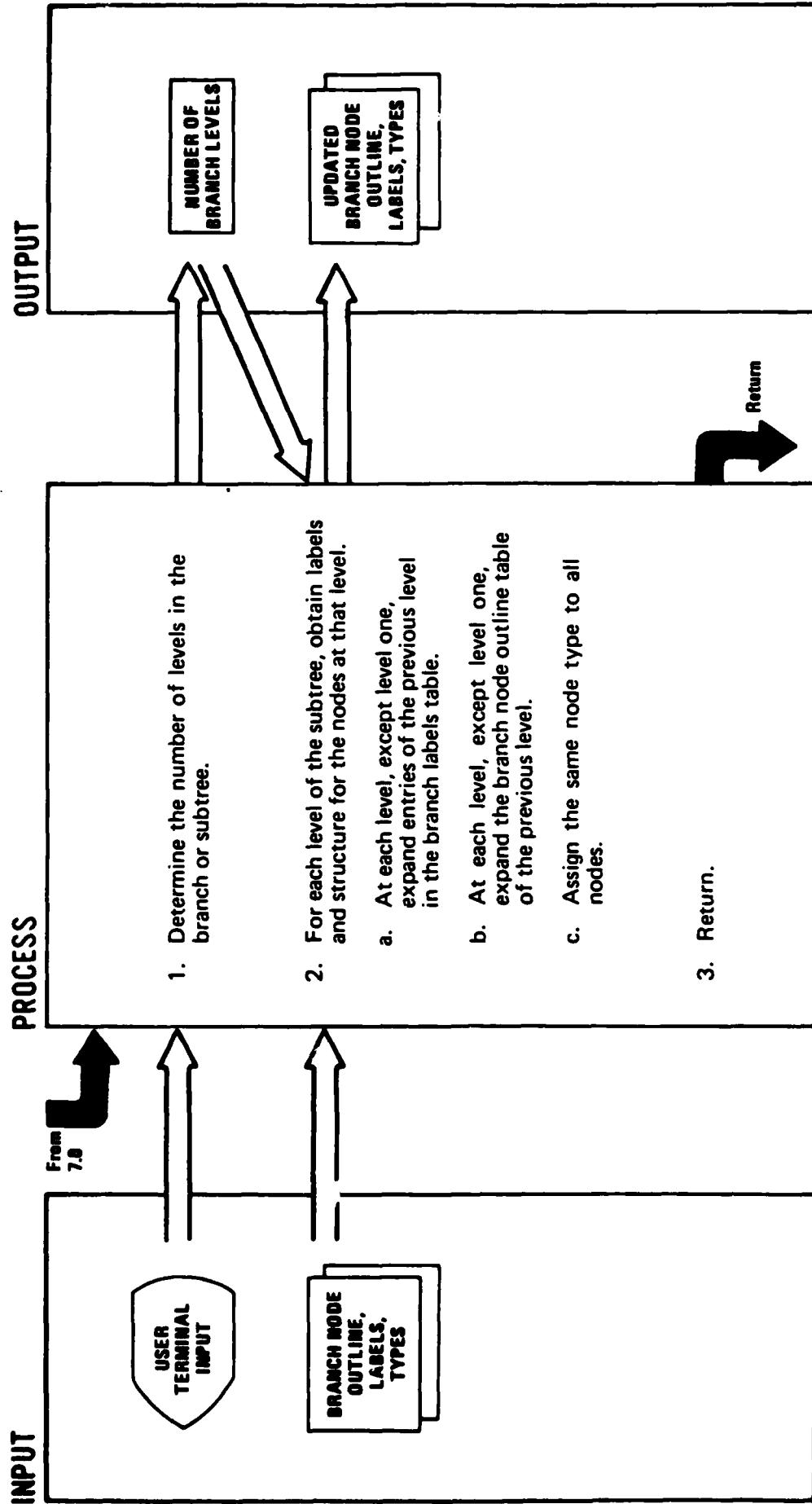


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The user is allowed to create separate branch or subtree structures which may be added to the model structure under the "create a structure" process option.

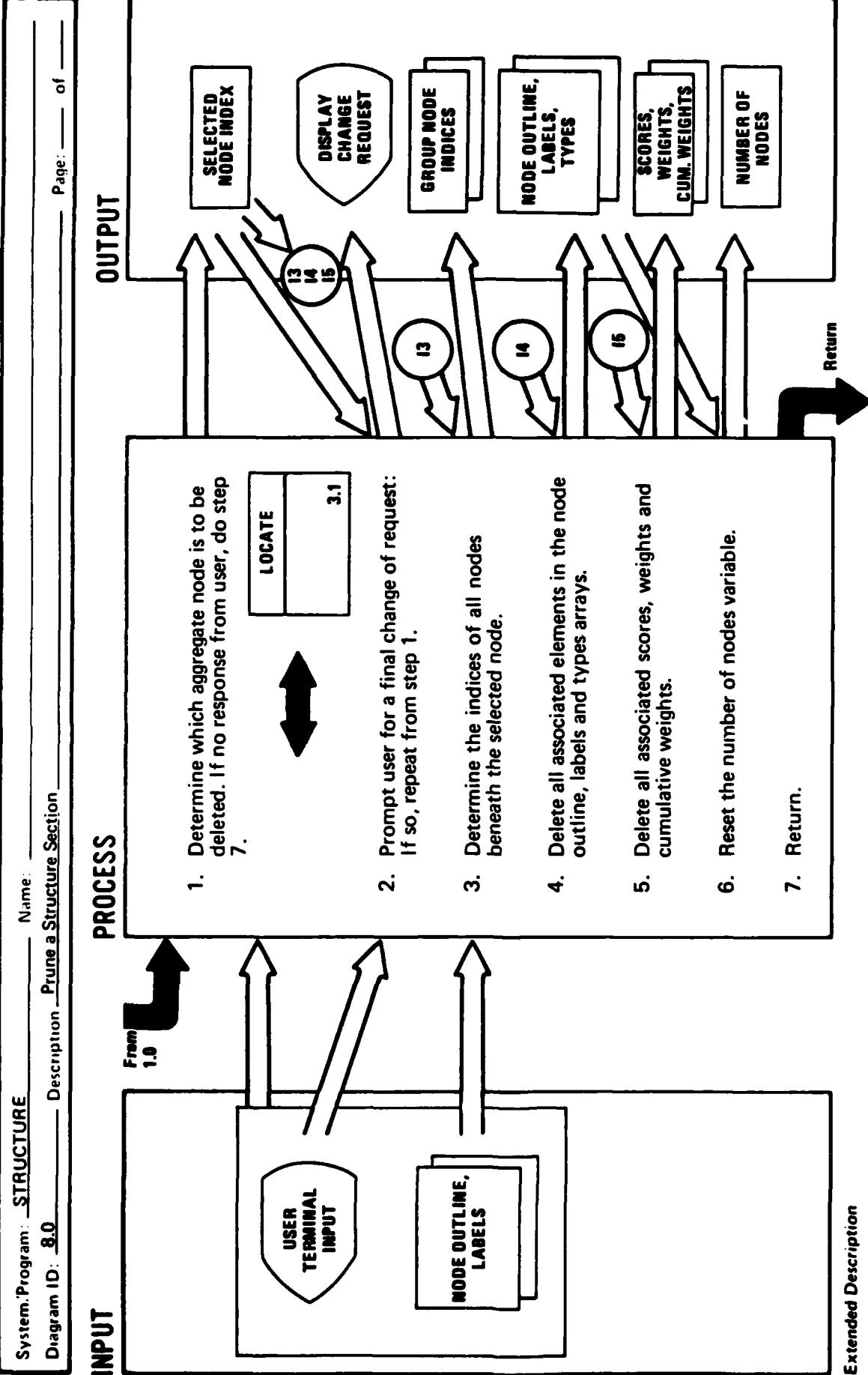


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Diagram ID:	7.2	Description:	Create a Symmetric Branch



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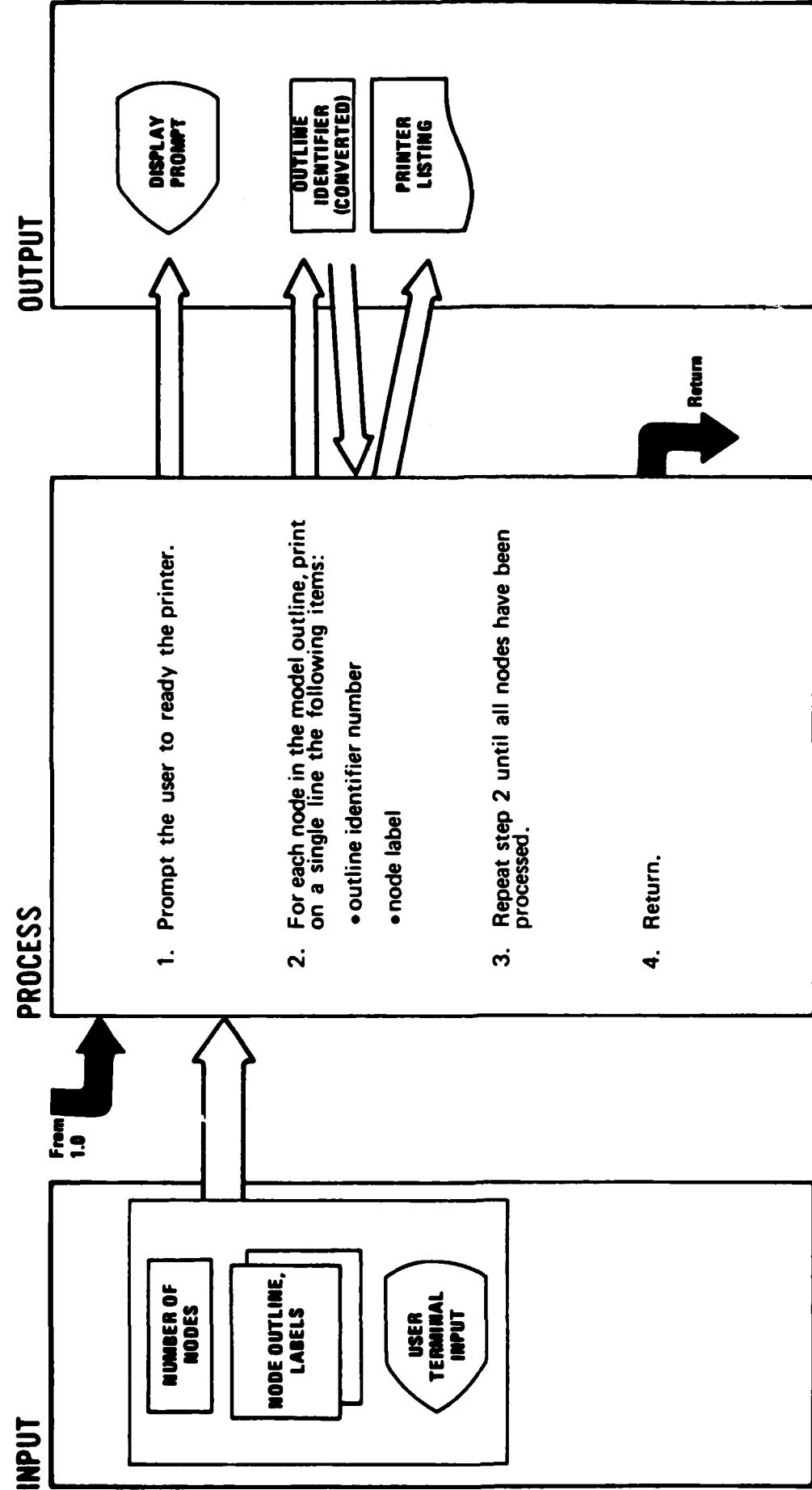
Step 2 processing ensures that for each subsequent level of a multilevel branch structure the outline number, types and labels are all added in the correct numerical sequence to the outline, types and label entries at the previous level. (This is done for every branch node defined at the previous level.)



Extended Description

The routine should be executed whenever a group of nodes is to be deleted from an existing node structure. The grouped nodes are all hierarchically placed below a certain aggregate node; hence, a user specification of an aggregate node in step 1 will cause that node and all its subsequent nodes to be deleted.

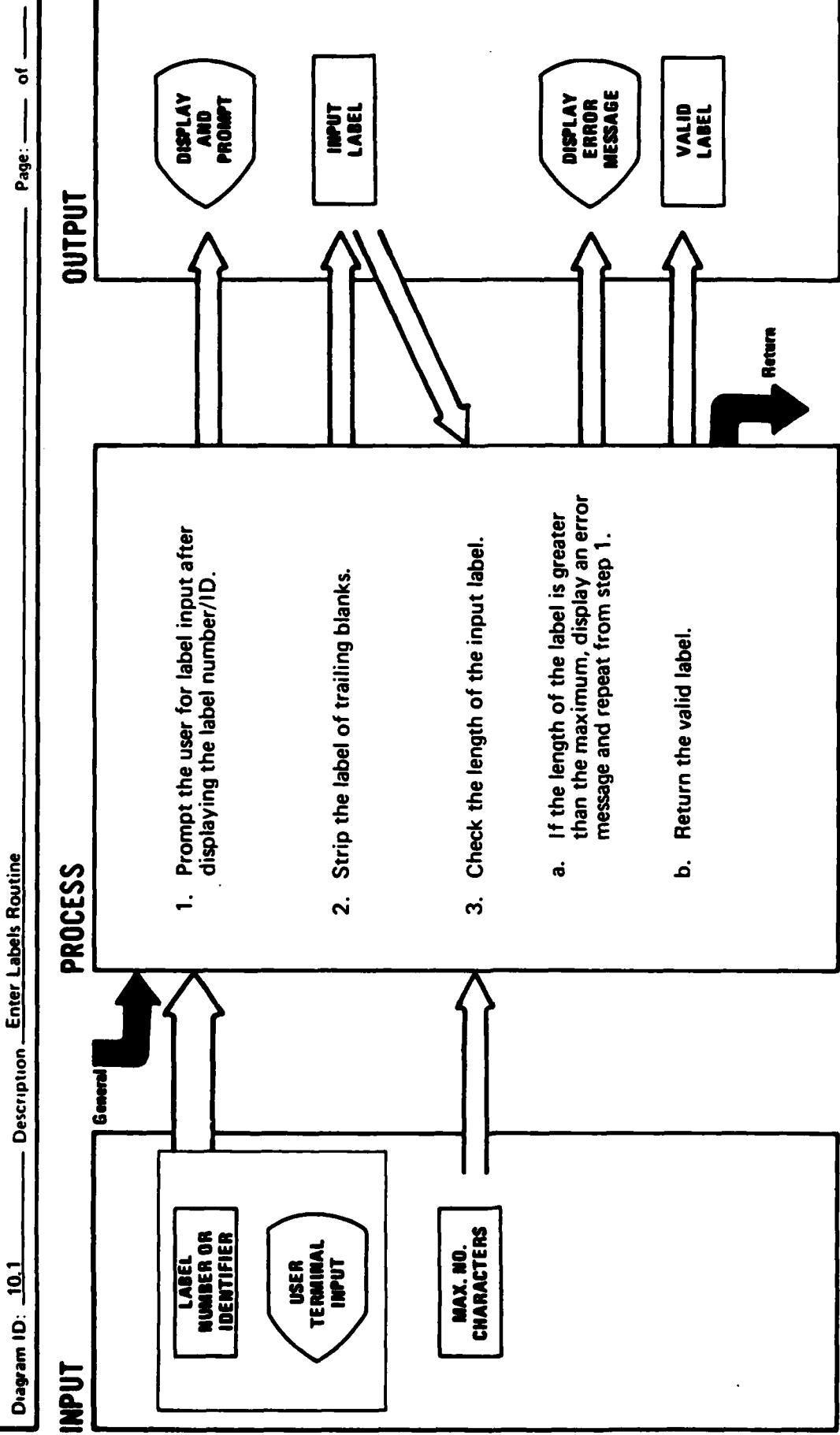
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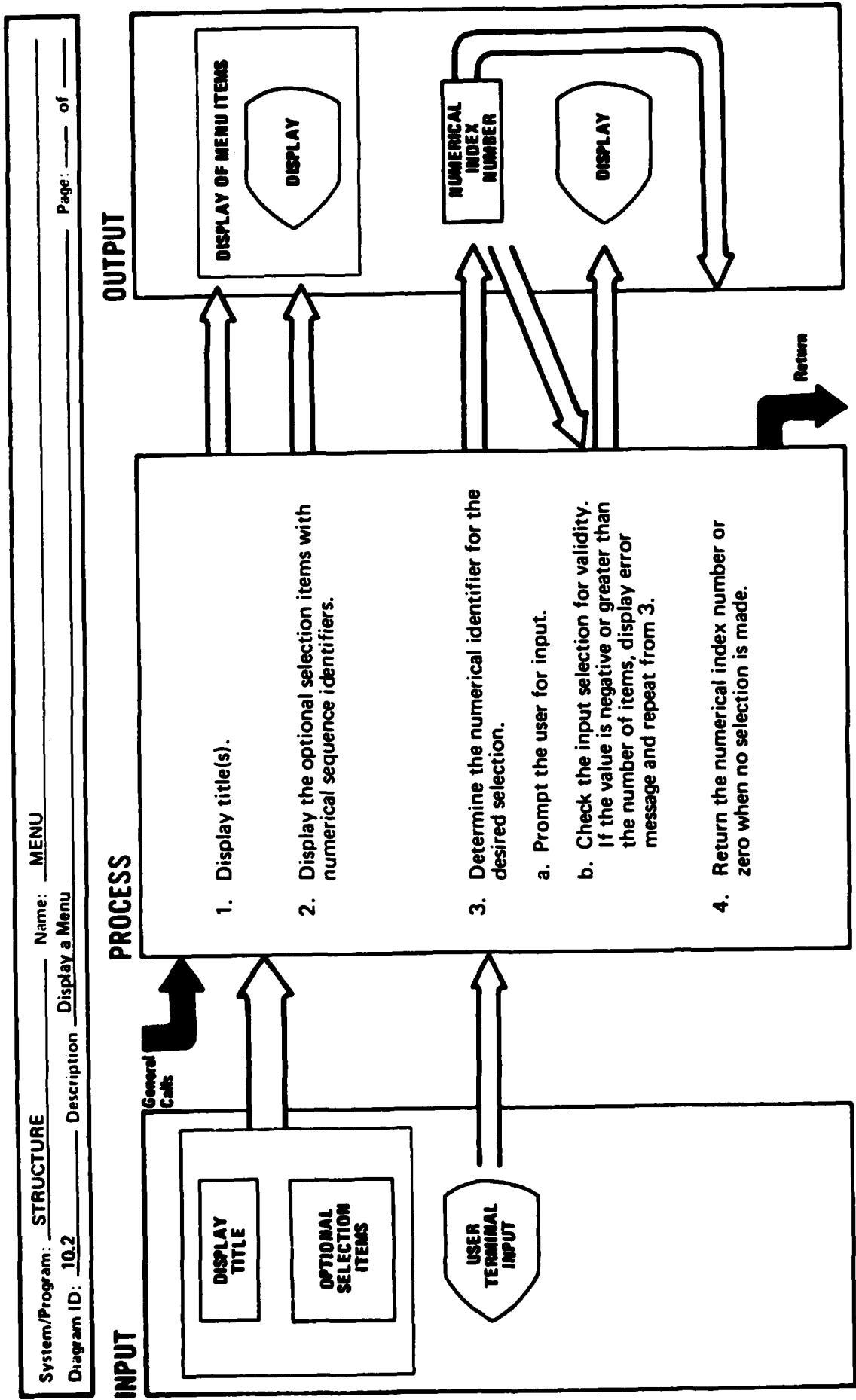


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- The decoded outline identifier number is formatted for output. The output should be equivalent to the user's original input during the creation of the structure.

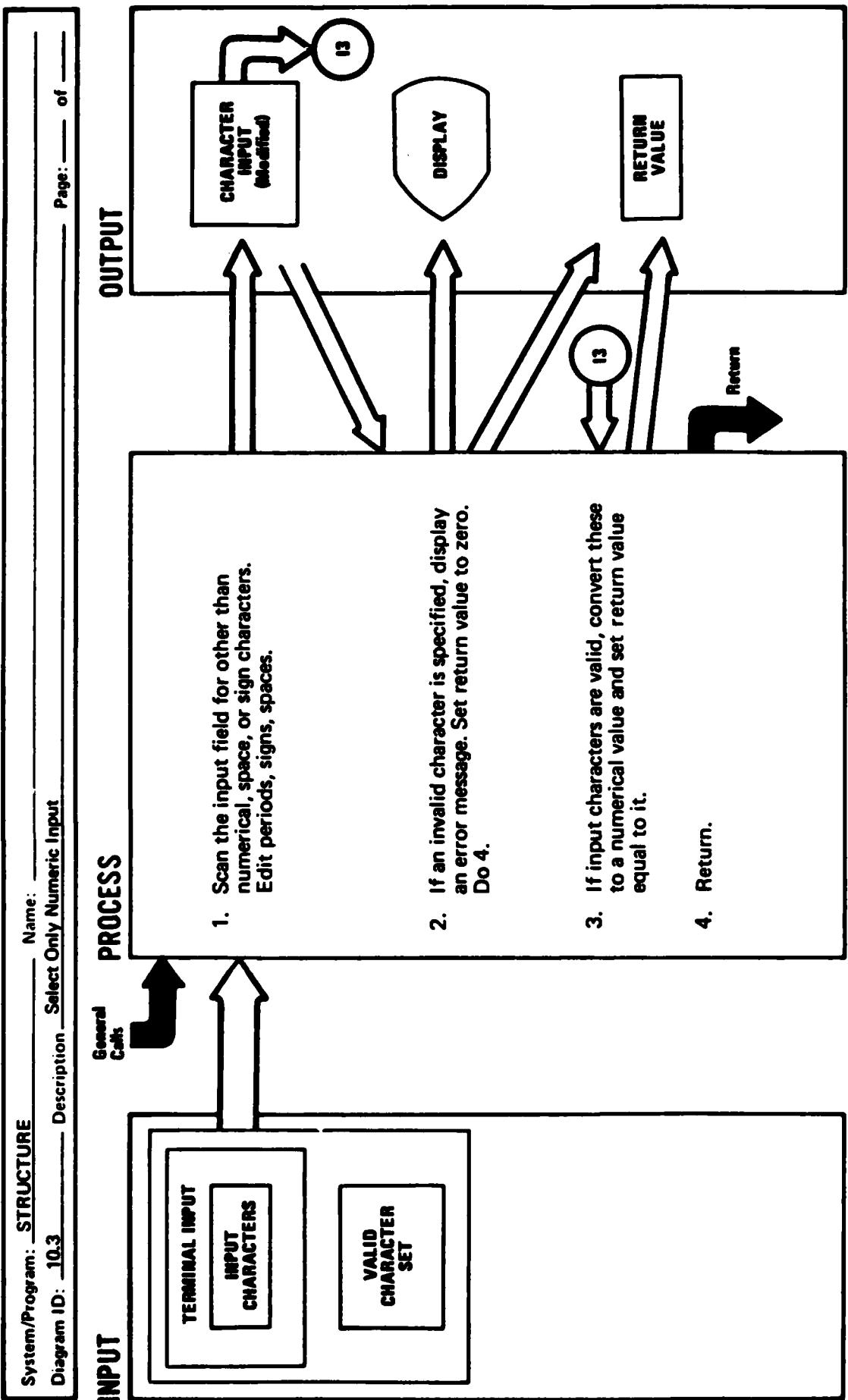
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Diagram ID: 10.1 Description: Enter Labels Routine





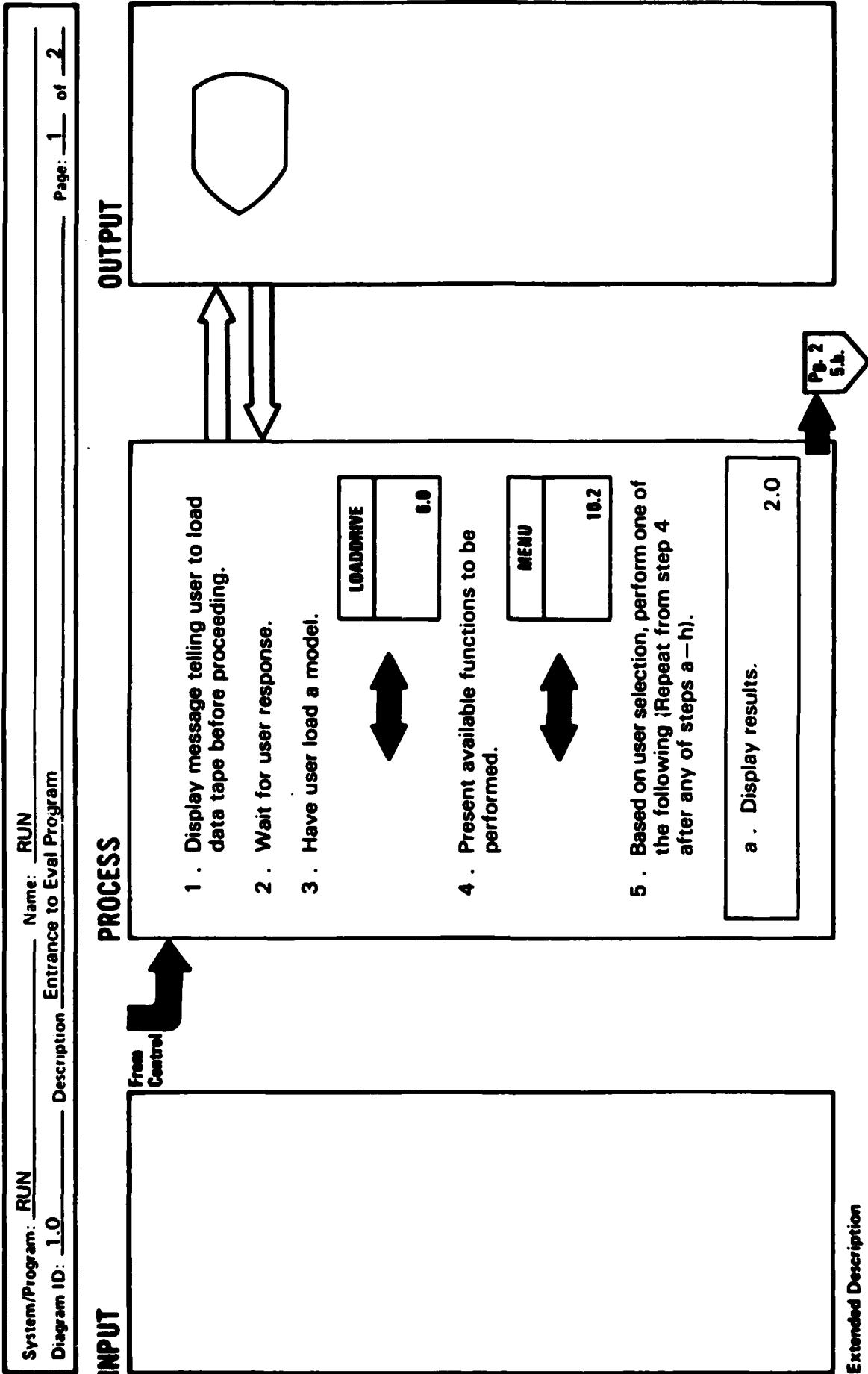
Extended Description

1. The title is passed to this routine so that the display will remain in context with the processing function. For example, a title may be 'DISPLAY RESULTS'.
Check the validity of the user input.
2. The selections that describe what is optimal are passed as input and are displayed in a list or cookbook MENU format along with item sequence numbers.
3. Prompt the user for the item sequence number of the choice selection.
Check the validity of the user input.



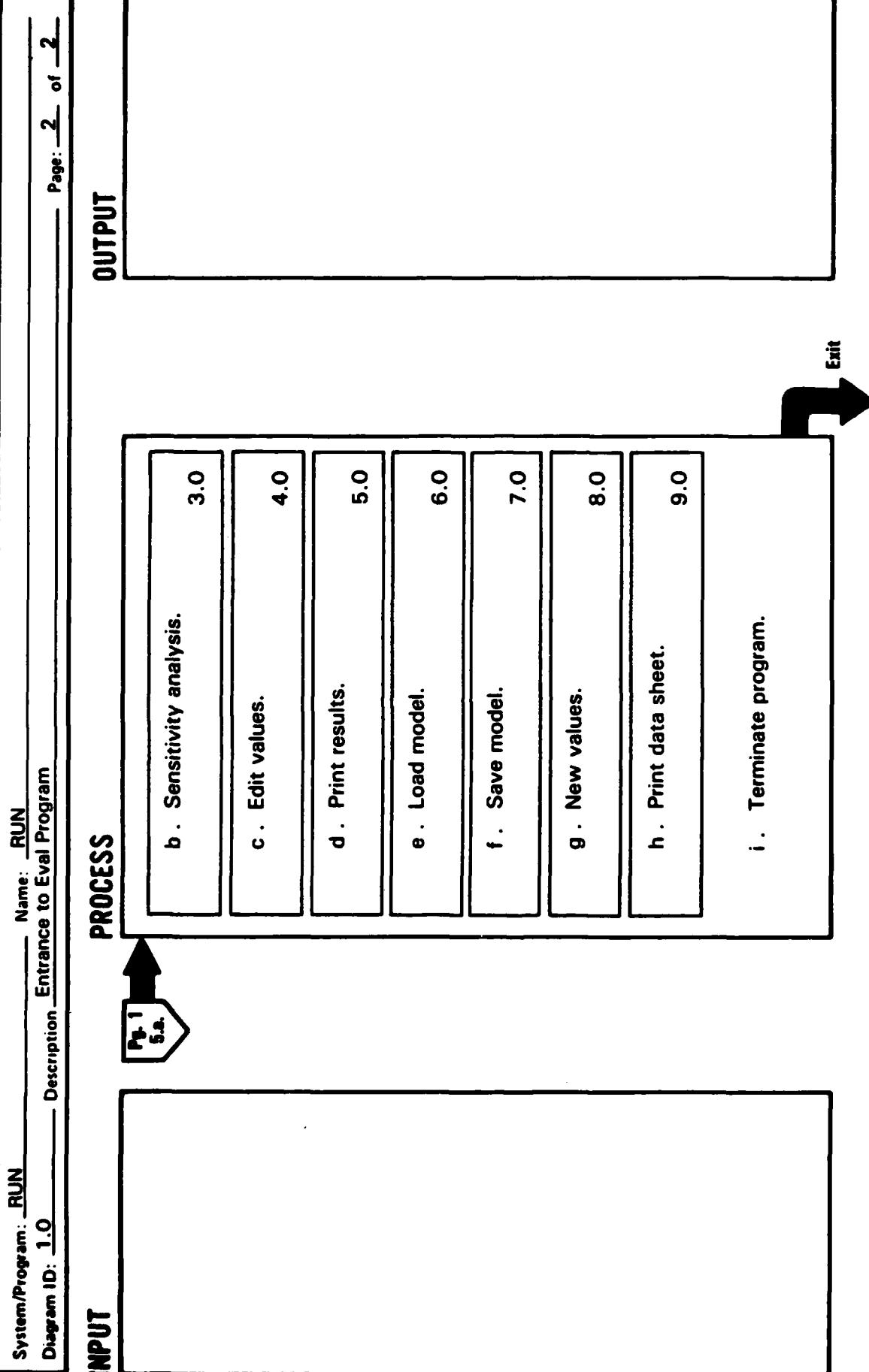
Extended Description

This routine will not be required if system error checking routines interface with the standard keyboard/display input.



Extended Description

3. The model variables are all loaded into the current work area at this time, or whenever the user wishes to load a new model. Consequently, this documentation assumes that these variables are "global" and always available for reference, input to procedures, or modification.



System/Program: RUN Name: SELECT
Diagram ID: 2.0 Description Elicit & Display/Edit Node

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PROCESS

OUTPUT

1. Blank display screen.
2. Display request for node outline number.
3. Read a line from the terminal.
4. Convert input character string to a numeric vector.

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5. If numeric vector is not null,
 - a. Determine node to display/edit.

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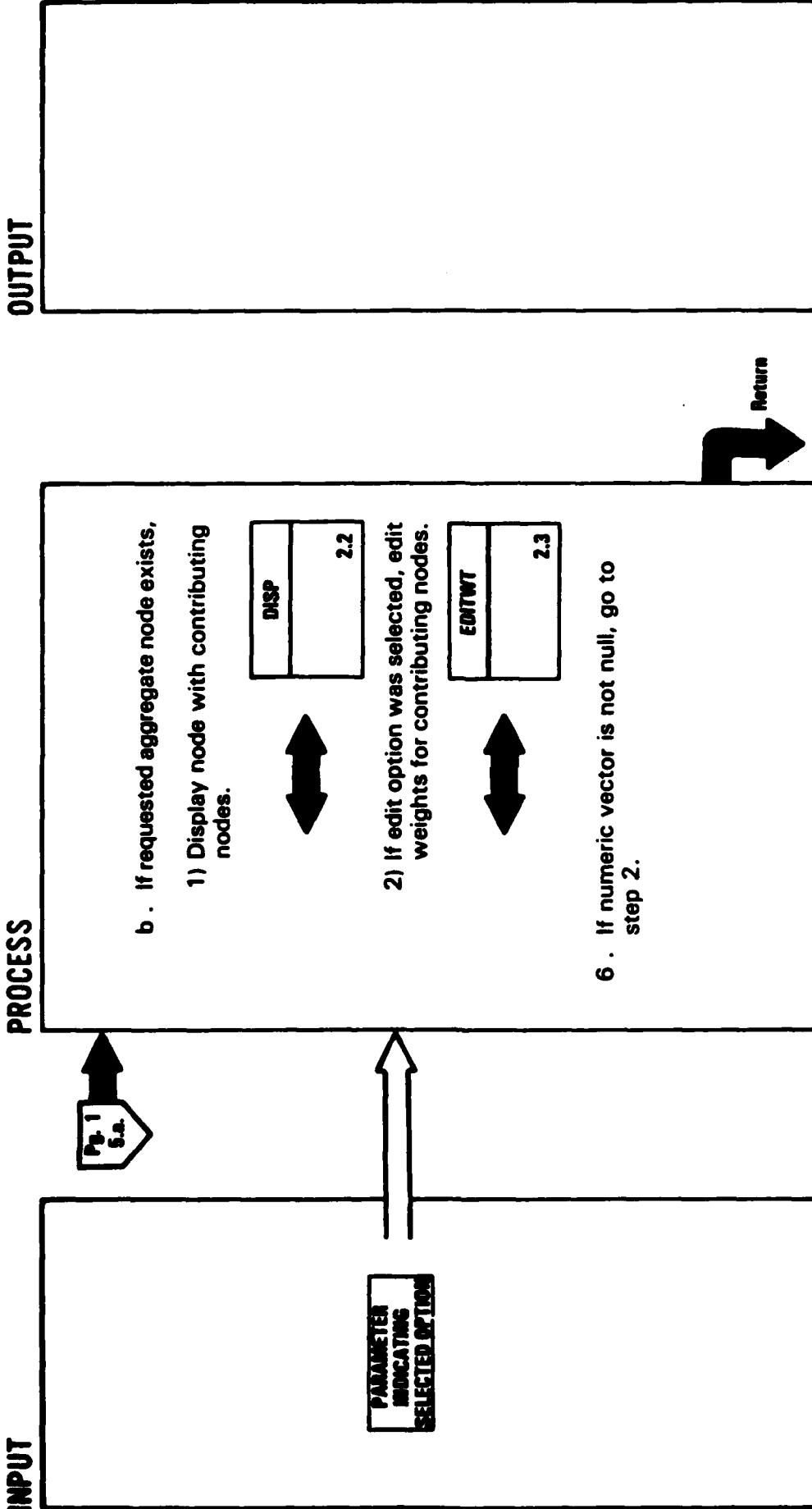
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INPUT

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4.5

System/Program: RUN Name: SELECT
Diagram ID: 2.0 Description Elicit & Display/Edit Node Page: 2 of 2

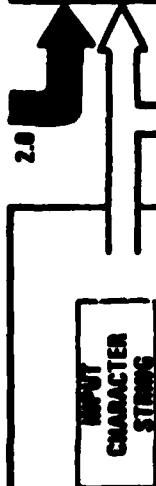
INPUT



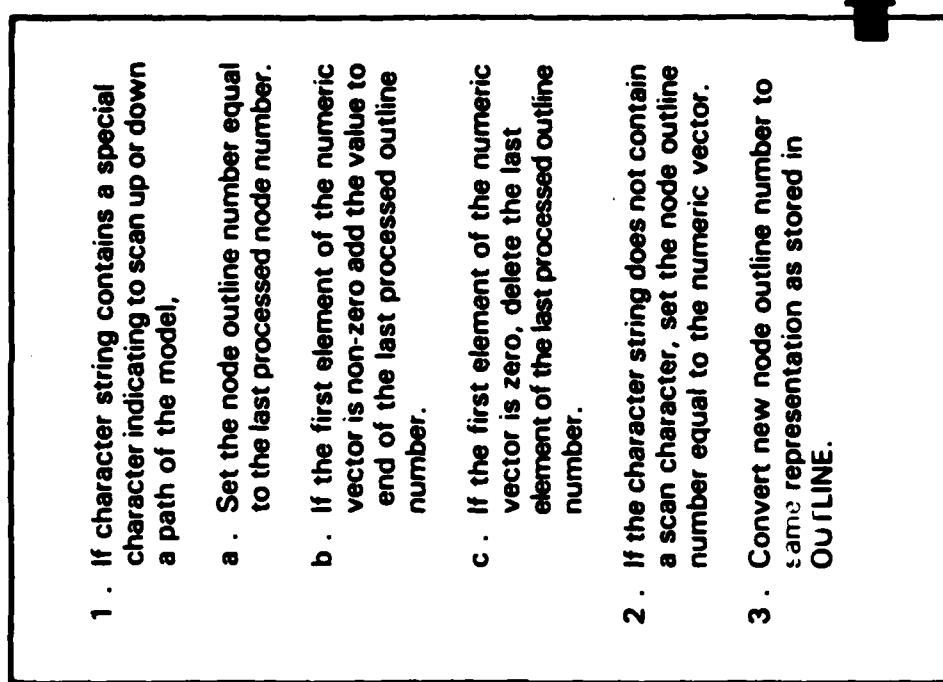
System/Program: RUN Name: GETNODE
 Diagram ID: 2.1 Description Determine Aggregate Node to Display

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INPUT



PROCESS

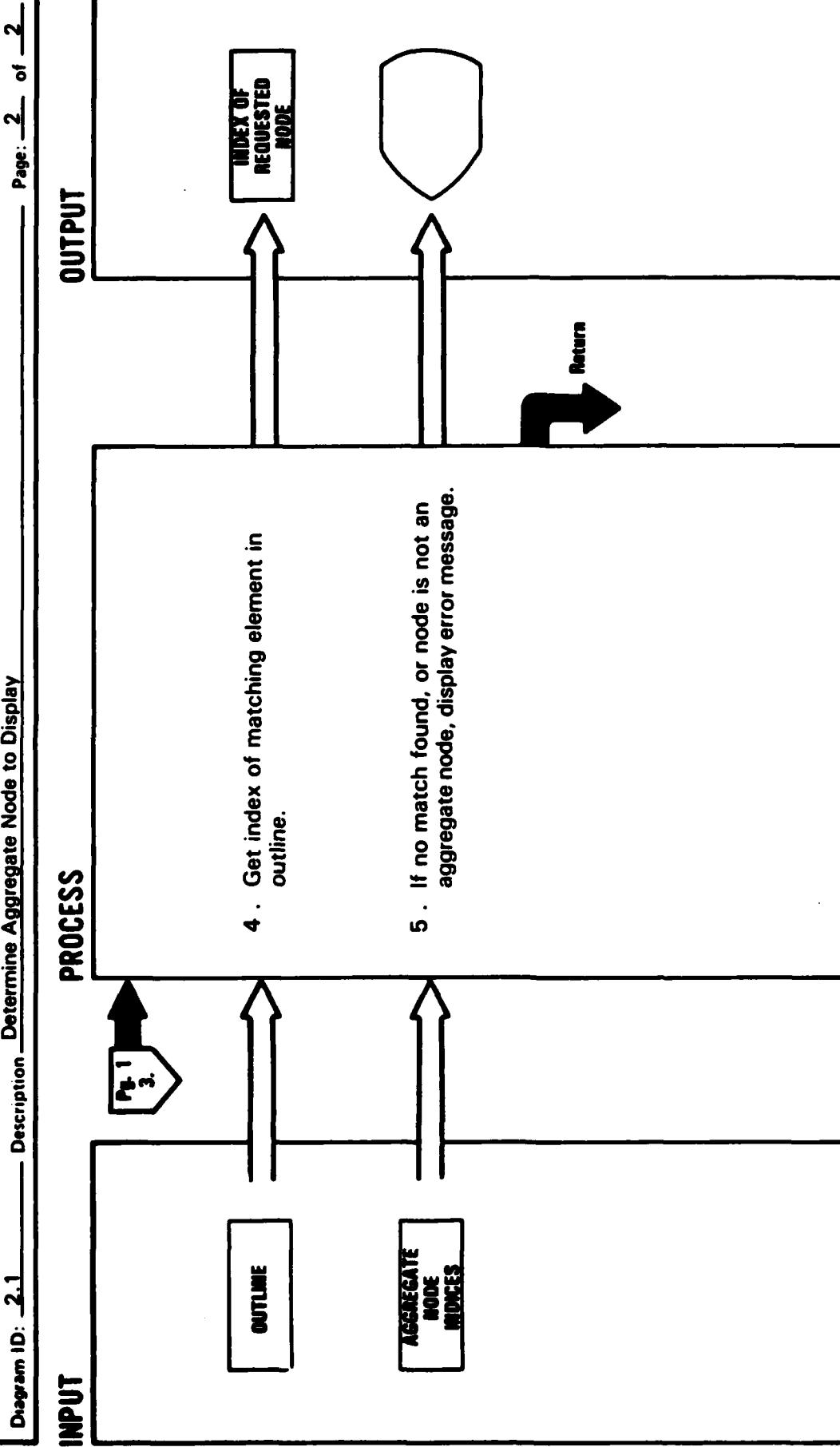


OUTPUT

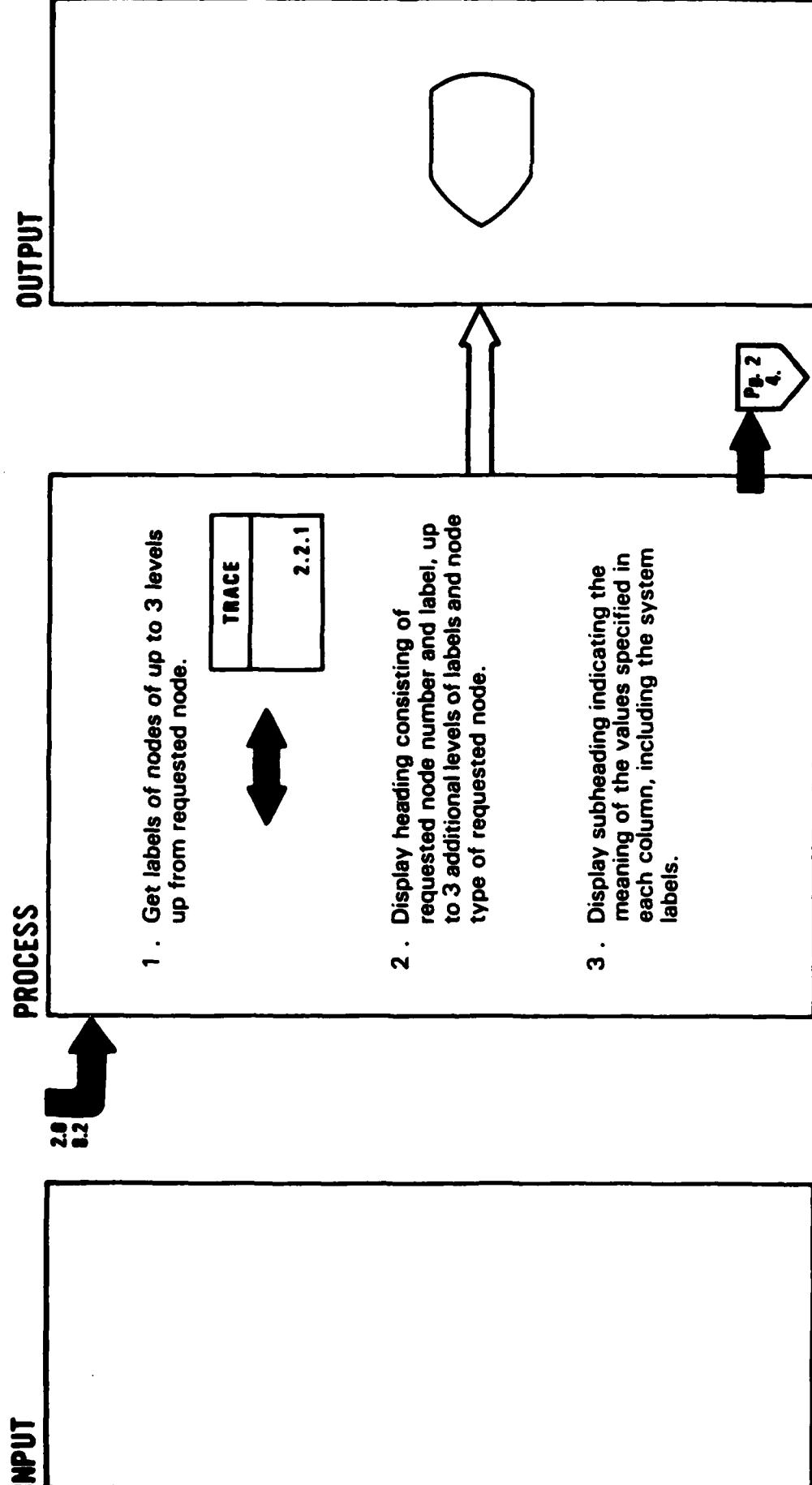
Extended Description

- b. This generates a node outline number one level deeper than the previously processed node. For example, if the previously processed number were 3.2.5 and the input '6' (where the right parenthesis is the scan operator) the new node outline number would be 3.2.5.6.
- c. This generates a node outline number one level higher than the previously processed node. For example, if the previously processed number were 3.2.5 and the input '0' (where the right parenthesis is the scan operator), the new node outline number would be 3.2.

System/Program: RUN Name: GETNODE
Program ID: 2.1 Description: Determine Aggregate Node to Display



System/Program: RUN Name: DISP
Program ID: 2.2 Description Display Group
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System/Program: RUN
Diagram ID: 2.2 Description Display Group

Name: DISP
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INPUT

SUCCESSOR
TABLE, WEIGHTS,
SCORES, DATA
LEVEL, MASK,
CUM. WEIGHTS,
NODE LABELS

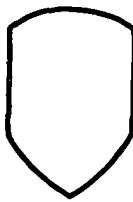
PROCESS

4. Generate and display array consisting
of the following information for each
contributing node:

- a. A sequential number from 1 through
number of contributing nodes.
- b. Node label.
- c. Weight.
- d. Scores for each system.
- e. Cum. weight.

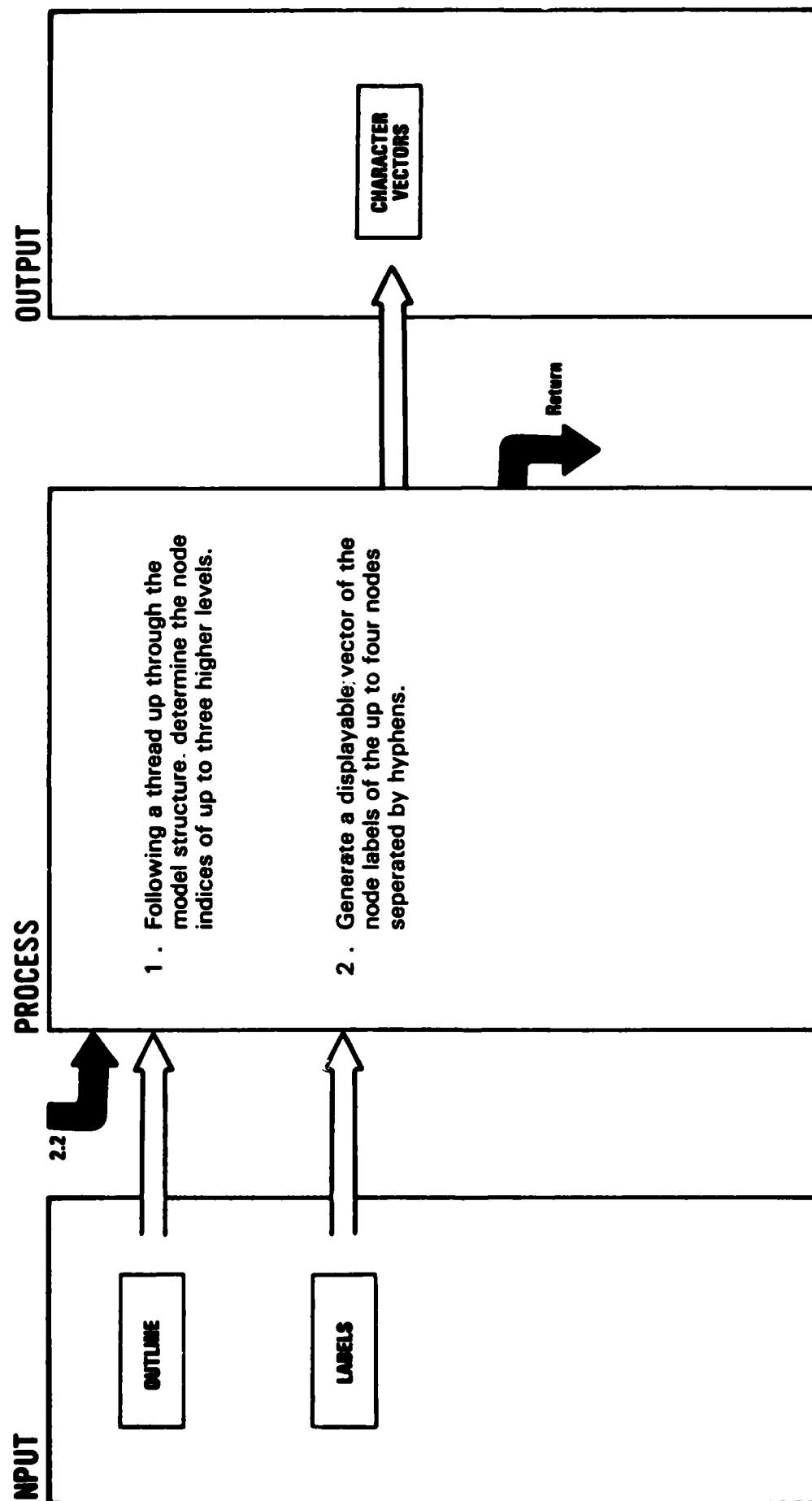
5. Display the total scores and cum.
weight, which are those associated
with requested node.

OUTPUT



Return

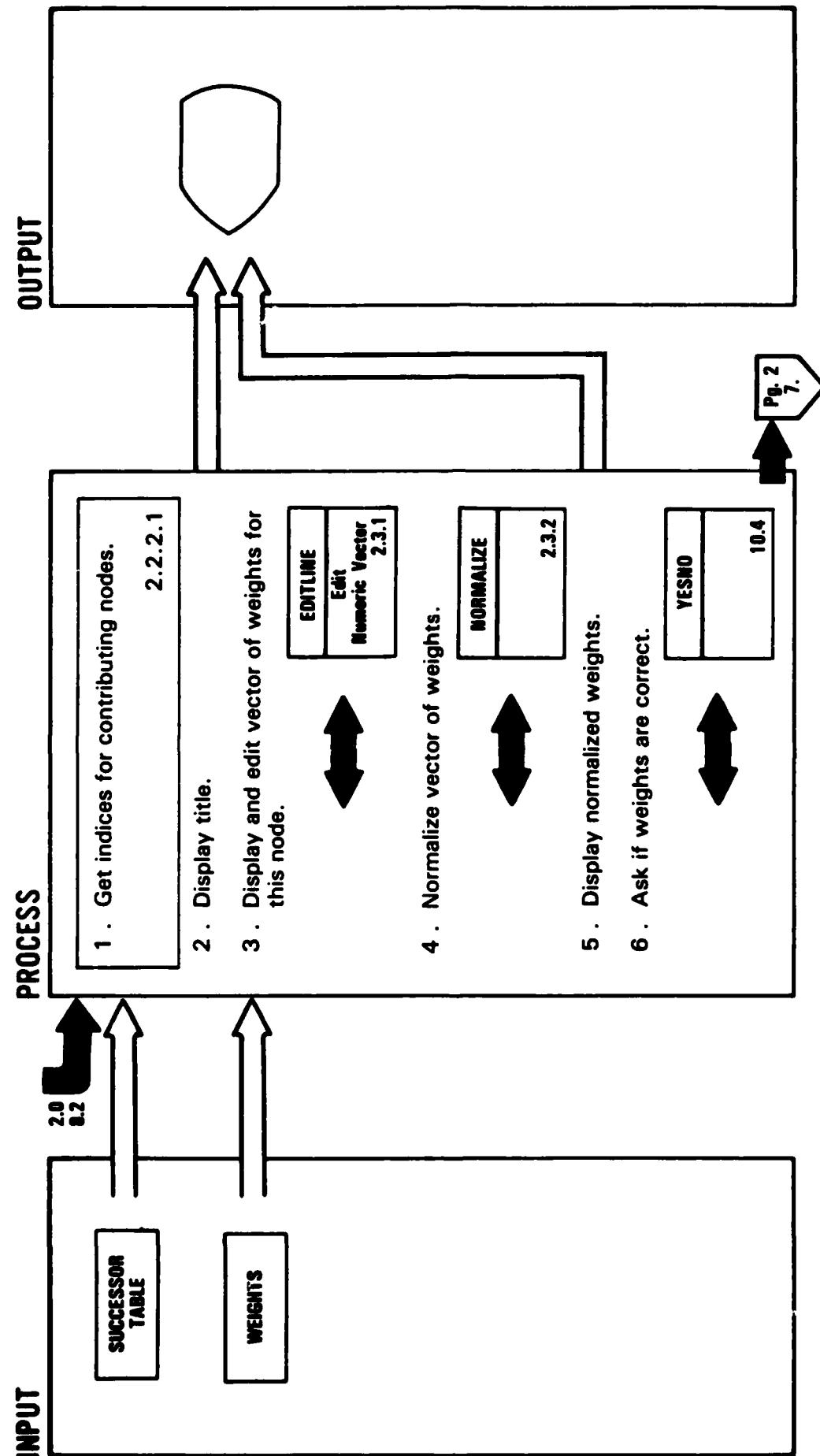
System/Program: RUN Name: TRACE
 Diagram ID: 2.2.1 Description Get Nodes of Thread Up Tree
 Page: _____ of _____

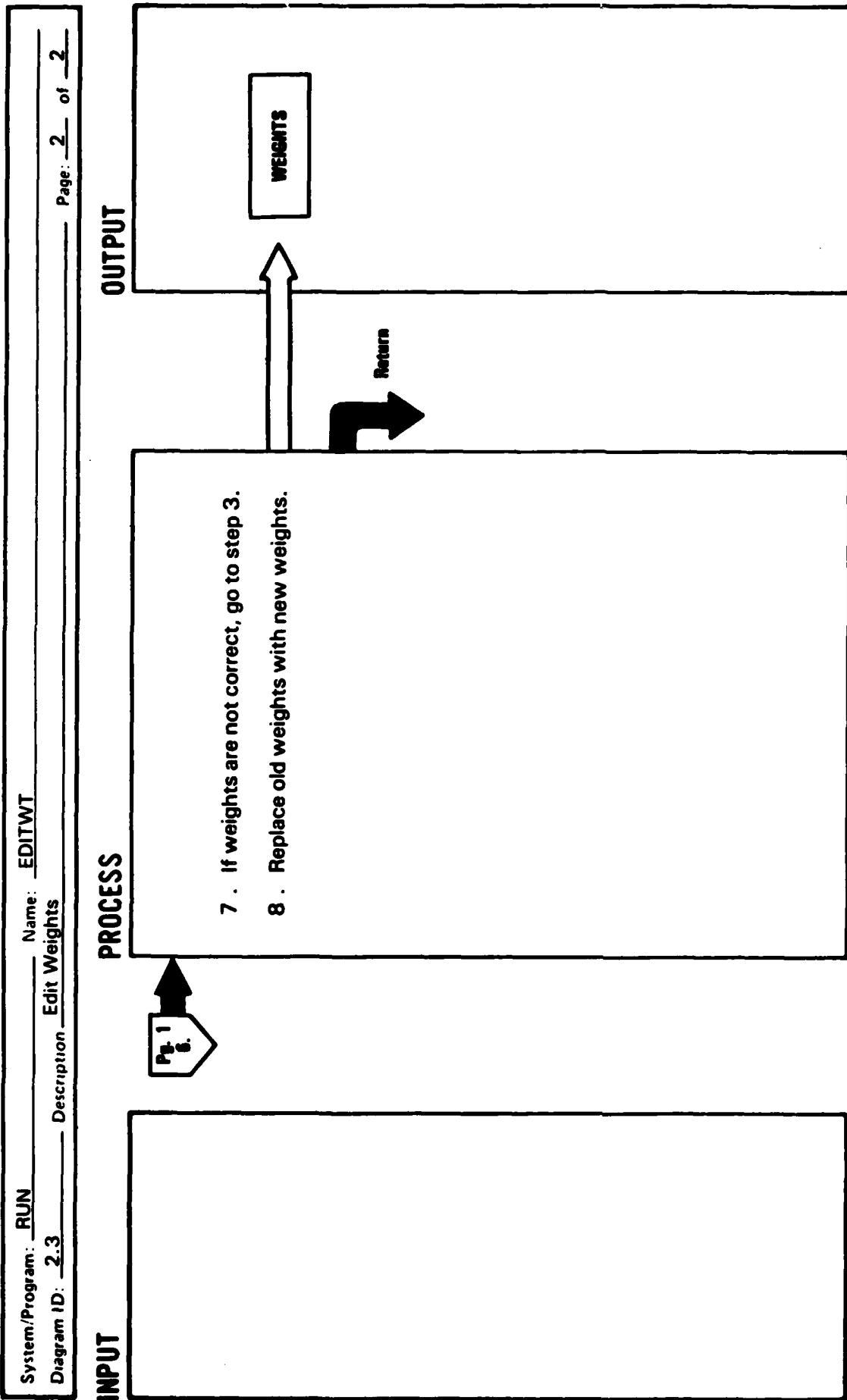


Extended Description

For instance, if the requested node number is 1.4.2.6, the next higher level would be 1.4.2, and the fourth (or highest) calculated level would be 1.4.

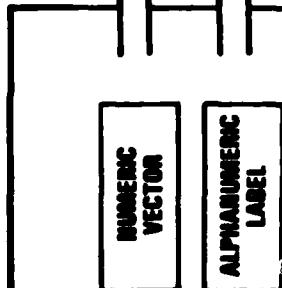
System/Program:	RUN	Name:	<u>EDITWT</u>
Diagram ID:	2.3	Description	Edit Weights
			Page: <u>1</u> of <u>2</u>





System/Program: RUN Name: EDITLINE
Diagram ID: 2.3.1 Description Edit a Numeric Vector

INPUT

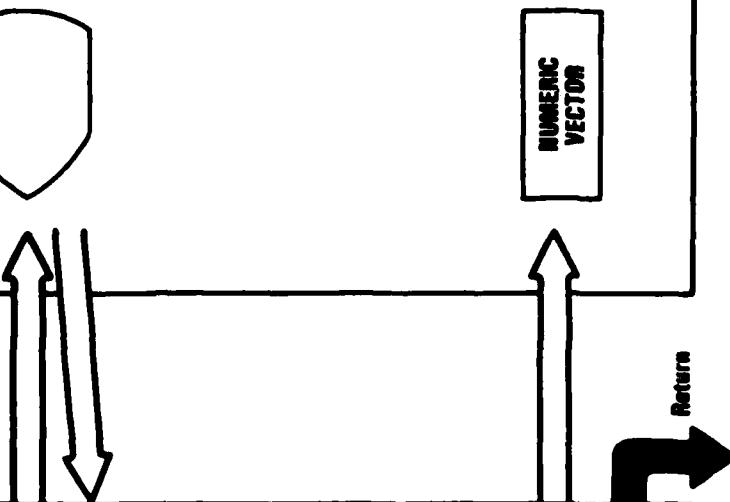


PROCESS

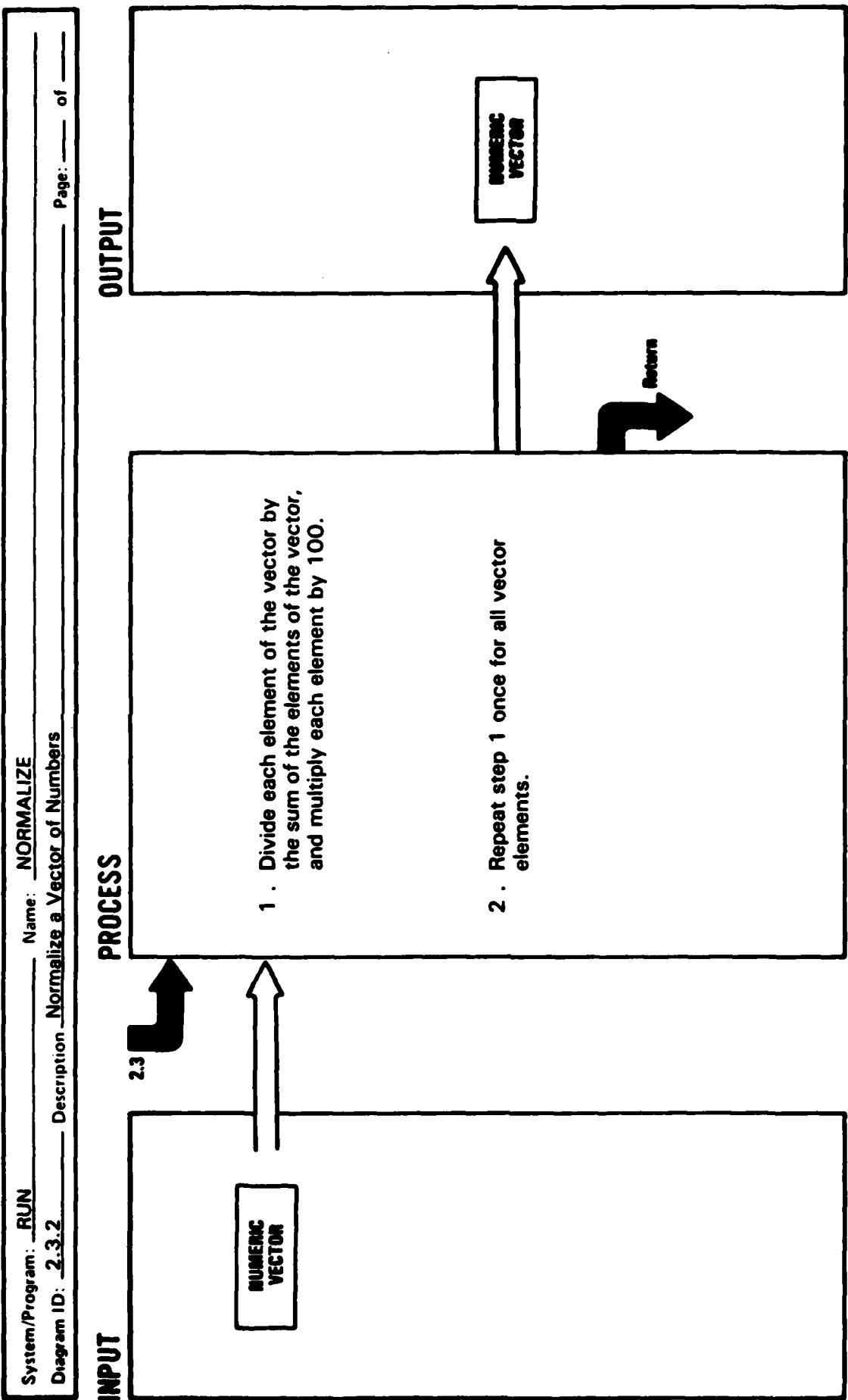
- 1 . Count the number of elements in the input vector.
- 2 . Format the vector, add backspaces for cursor position, attach to label, and display.
- 3 . Read a line from the display.
- 4 . Delete label, convert string into numbers.

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- 5 . If the number of elements is less than the original vector, left justify the vector and fill with zeros.
- 6 . If the number of elements is greater than the original vector, drop the extra elements.

OUTPUT



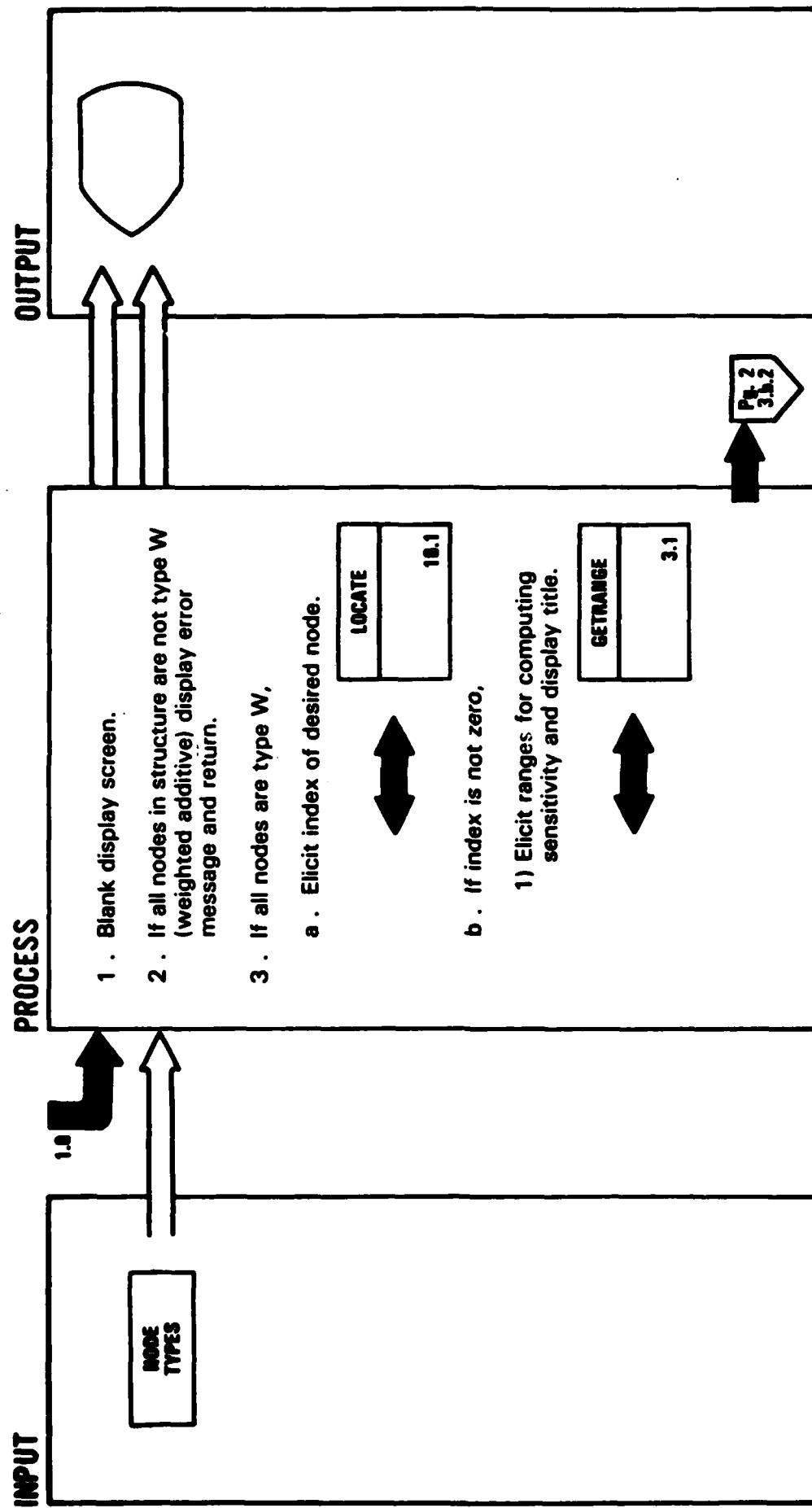
Return



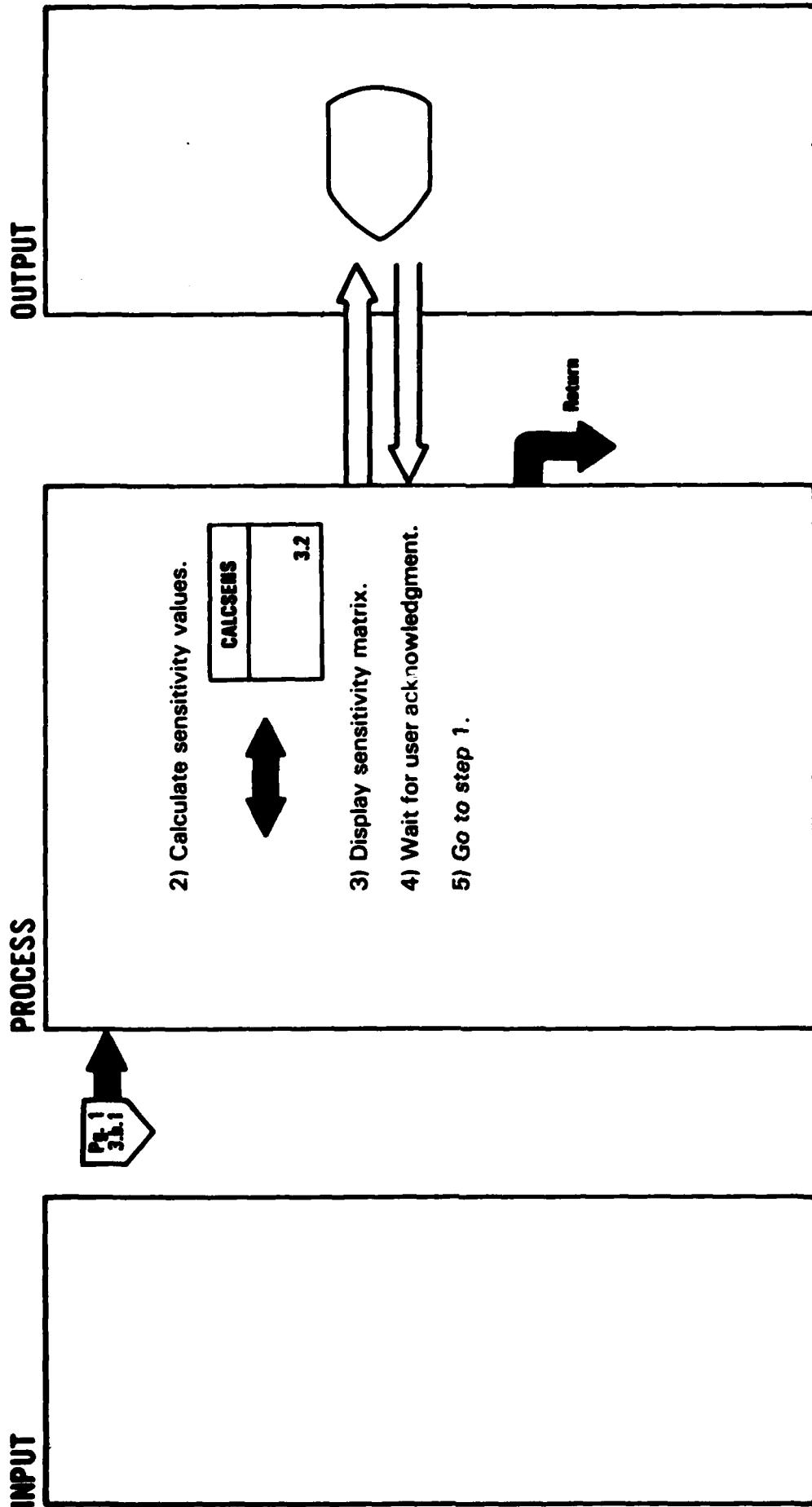
Extended Description

1. Performing this operation converts a group of arbitrary values to a group of values that add up to 100. The values all maintain the same relativity.
2. Performing this operation twice allows the case where the original values are all zero. The final result is a group of equal numbers that add up to 100.

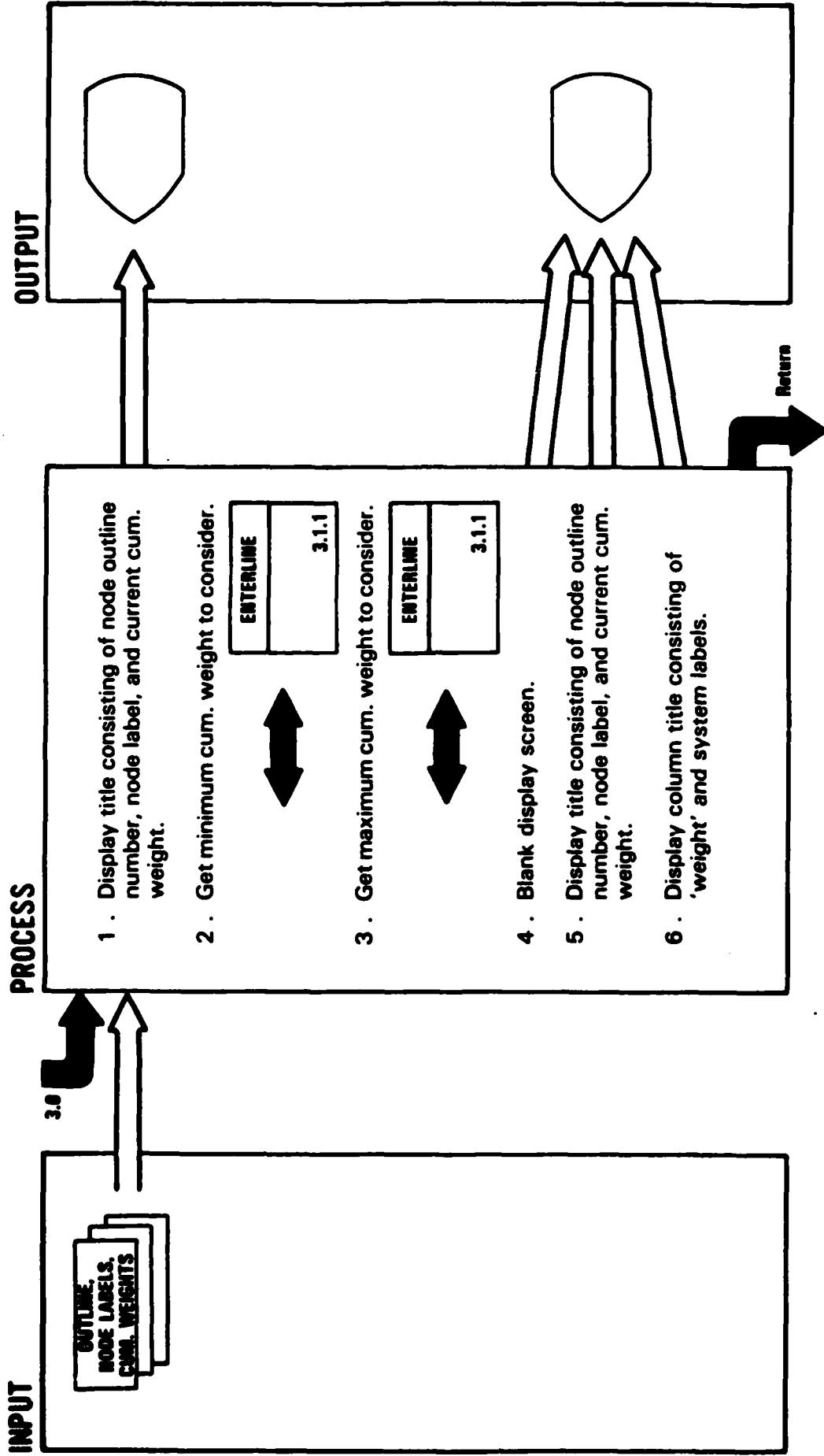
System/Program: RUN Name: SENSITIVITY
 Diagram ID: 3.0 Description Perform Sensitivity Analysis
 Page: 1 of 2

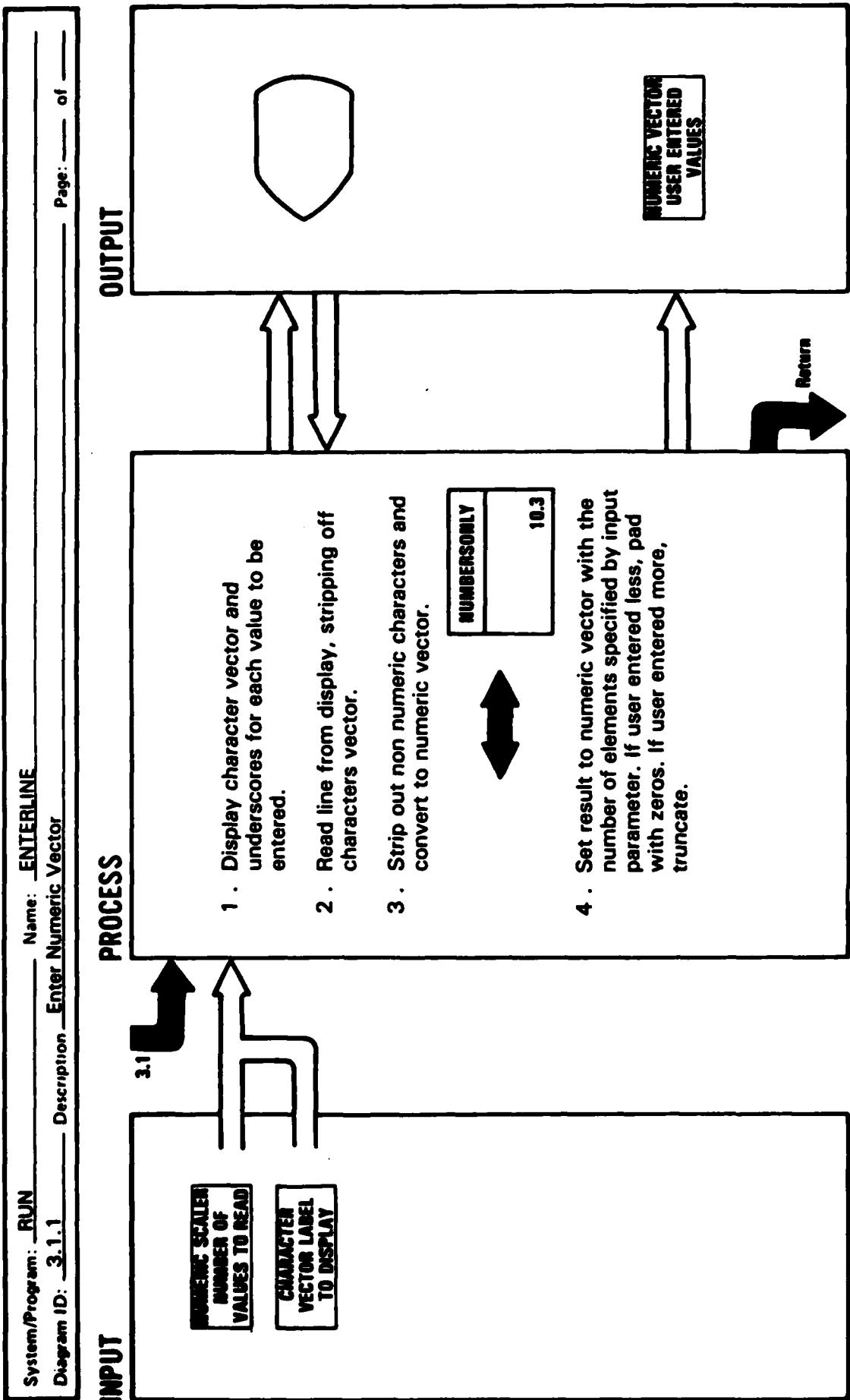


System/Program: RUN Name: SENSITIVITY
Diagram ID: 3.0 Description Perform Sensitivity Analysis Page: 2 of 2



System/Program: RUN **Name:** GETRANGE
Program ID: 3.1 **Description:** Elicit Ranges for Computing Sensitivity Analysis





System Program: RUN Name: CALCSENS
Diagram ID: 3.2 Description Calculate Sensitivity Values

Page: _____ of _____

INPUT

PROCESS

OUTPUT



**SCORES, CUM,
WEIGHTS, NOSYS**



1. Determine the ten increments between the maximum and minimum cum. weights requested.
2. Calculate the results of the model based on the cum. weight of the specified node being altered to the minimum value entered and the maximum value entered.
3. Interpolate the results for the ten increments between the maximum and minimum cum. weights.
4. Generate a displayable matrix containing the 11 cum. weights from the maximum to the minimum values applied to the specified node. The scores of each system (at the top level node) that were calculated from the cum. weight of the specified node being altered, and an indication (*) of which system scores the best at each increment.

Extended Description

2. When the cum. weight of the specified node is altered, the total of the cum. weights of all other nodes automatically goes up or down such that the sum remains the same. The model variable containing the cum. weights does not have to be changed from its original set of values.



System/Program: RUN Name: EDITOR
Diagram ID: 4.0 Description Edit Values

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INPUT

PROCESS

OUTPUT

1.9

1.9

1 . Elicit number of desired option from user.

MENU	10.2
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2 . If option selected,

SELECT	2.0
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a . If edit weights selected,

EDITSC	4.1
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b . If edit scores selected,

ROLLBACK	4.2
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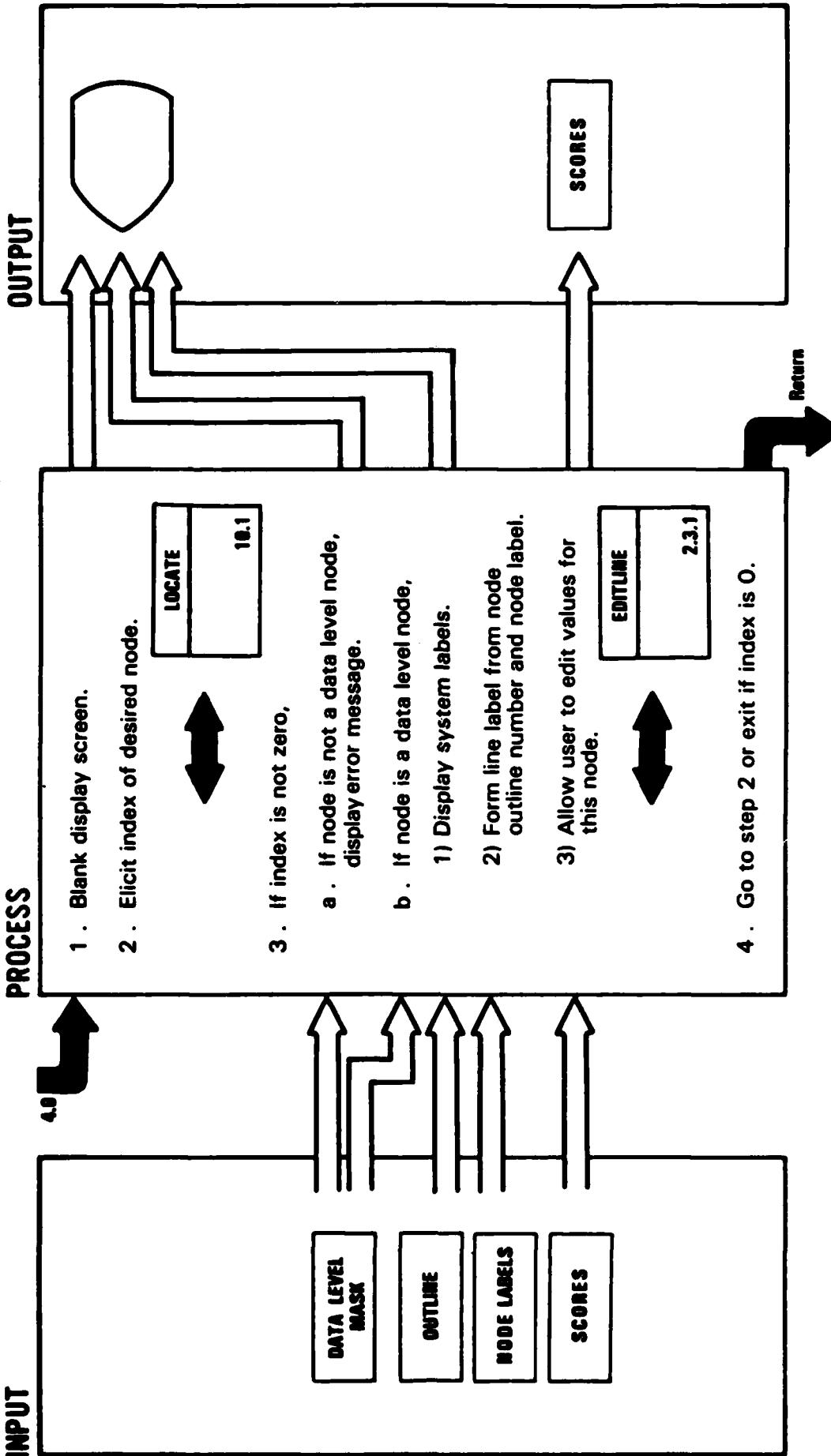


c . Go to step 1.

3 . If no option selected, calculate model.

Return

System/Program: RUN Name: EDITSC
Diagram ID: 4.1 Description Edit Data Level Node Scores
Page: of



System/Program: RUN Name: ROLLBACK
Diagram ID: 4.2 Description Calculate Model

Page: 1 of 2

INPUT

4.0
4.1
**AGGREGATE
NODE INDICES,
SUCCESSOR TABLE
NODE TYPES**

PROCESS

1. Initialize loop index through aggregate node indices.
2. For each aggregate node and its associated contributing nodes (in post order),
 - a . If node is type A, apply additive rule.

A
4.2.1



M
4.2.2



W
4.2.3

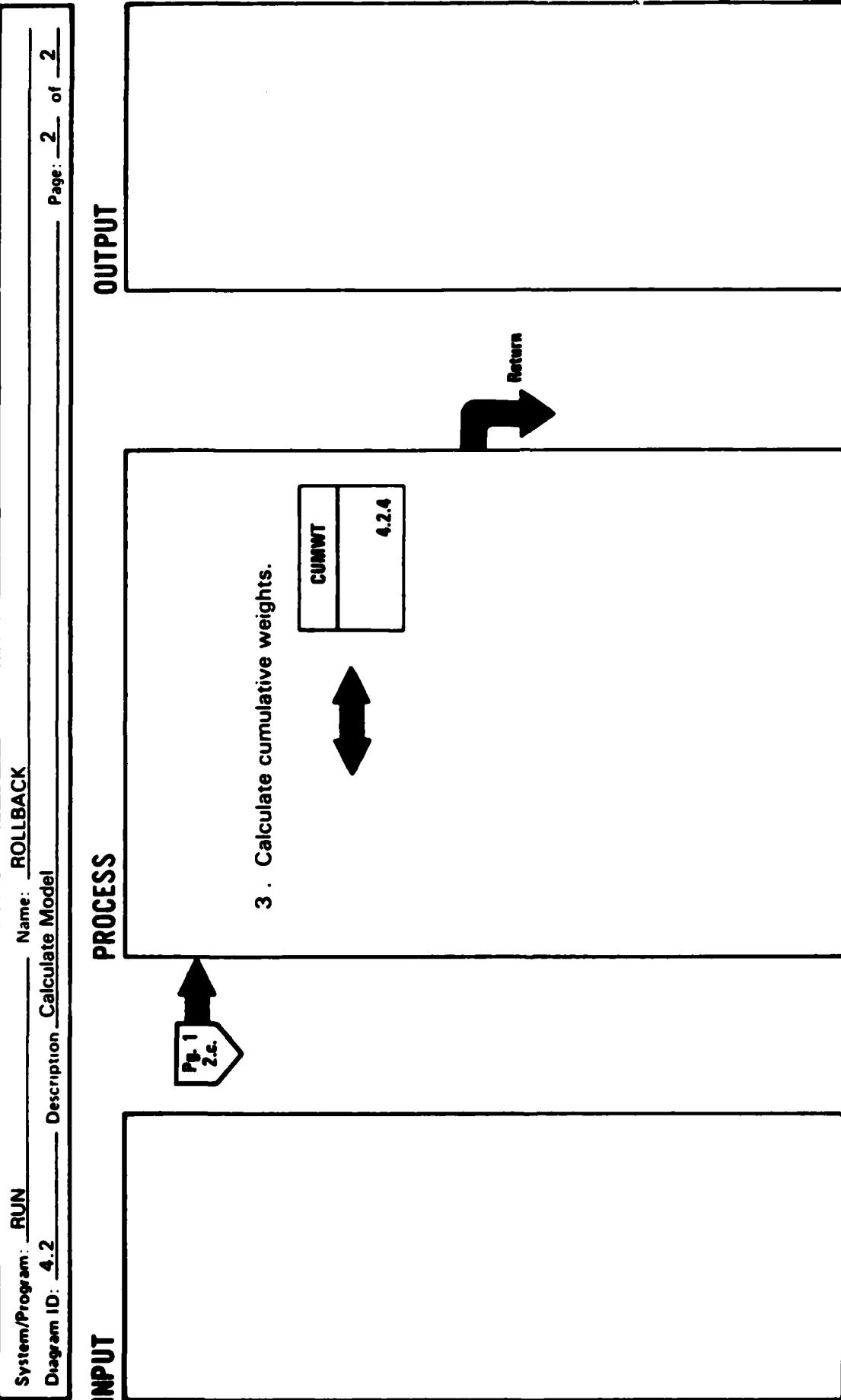


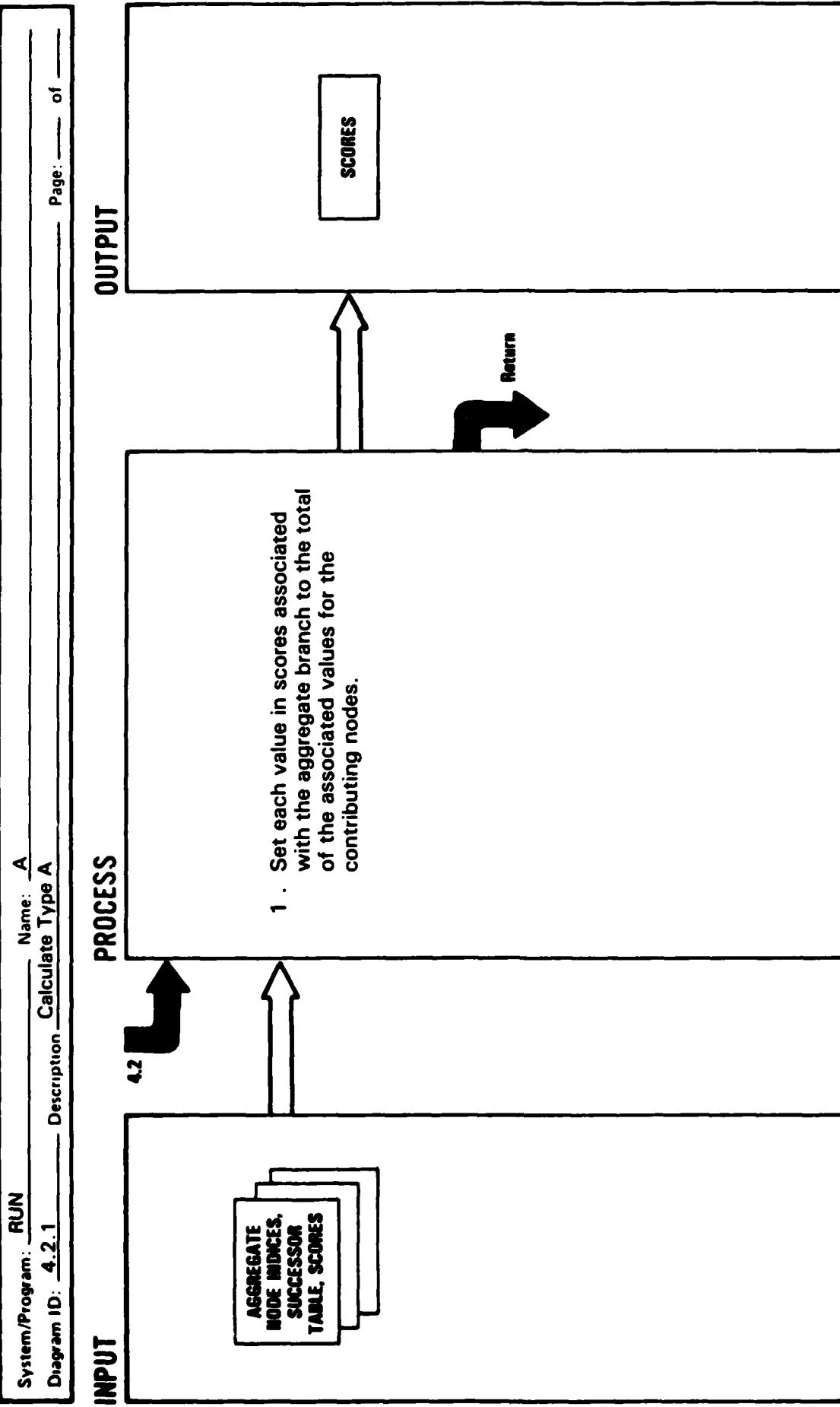
- b . If node is type M, apply multiplicative rule.
- c . If node is type W, apply weighted additive rule.

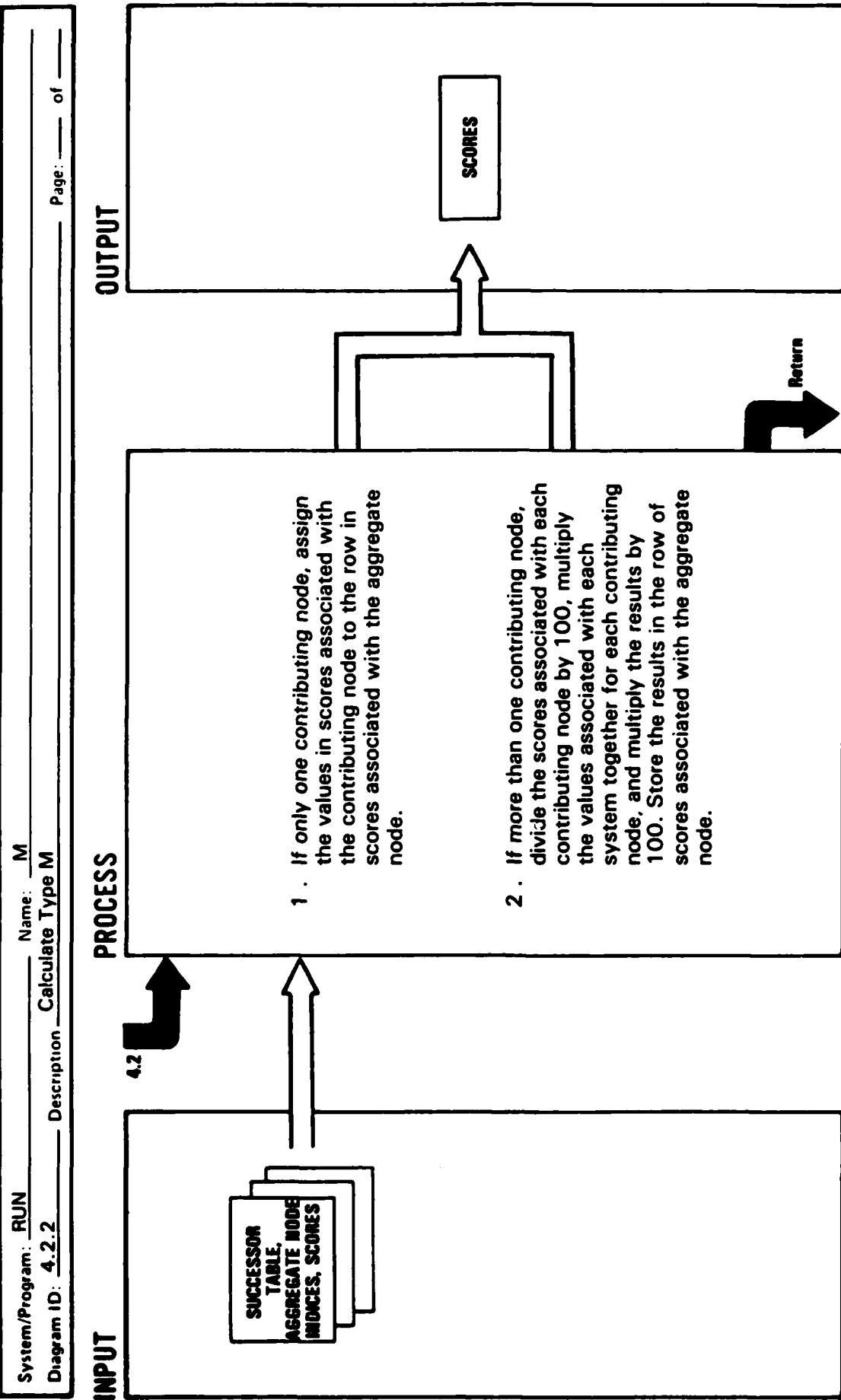
4.2.2
4.2.3



OUTPUT

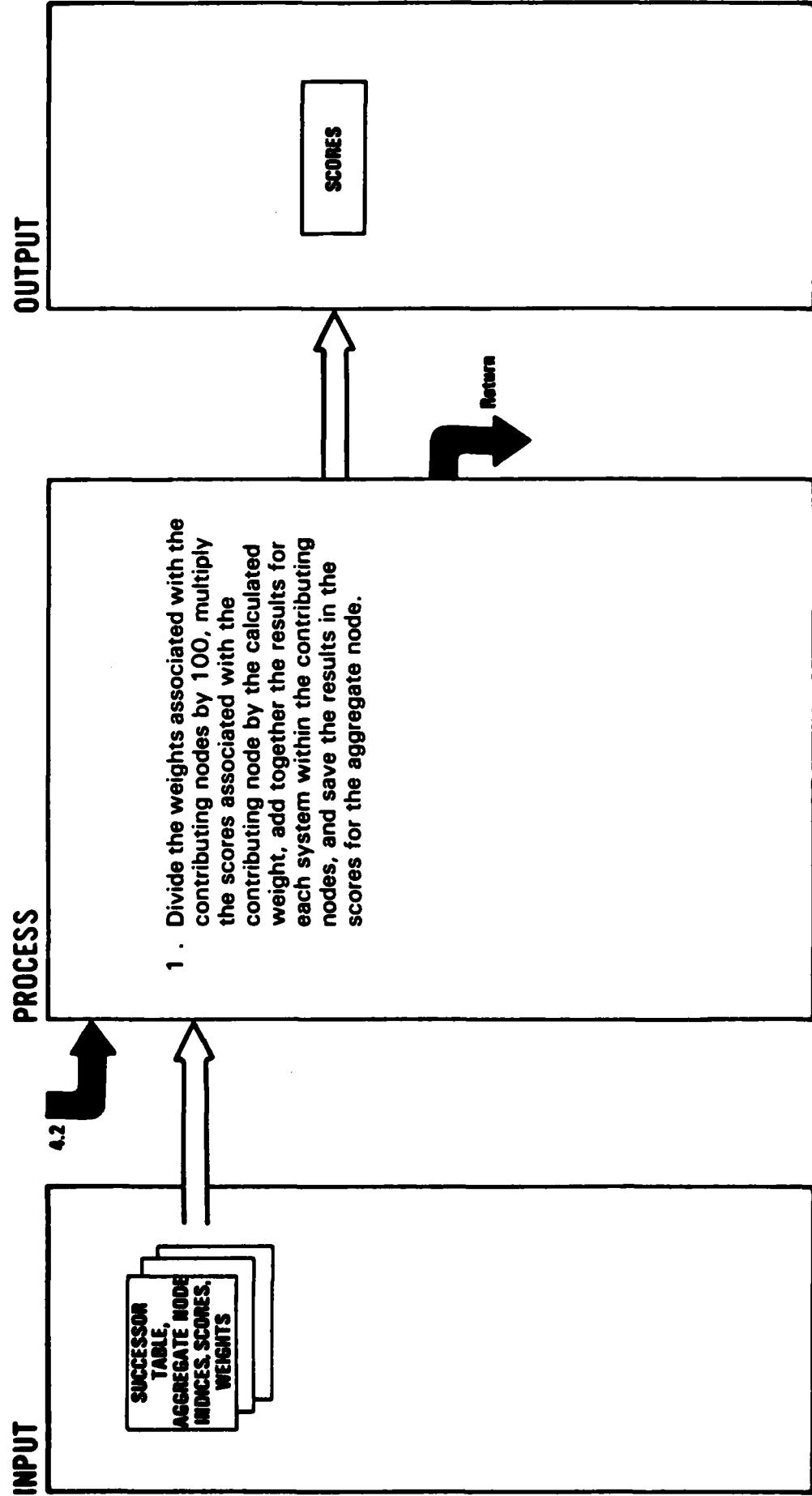




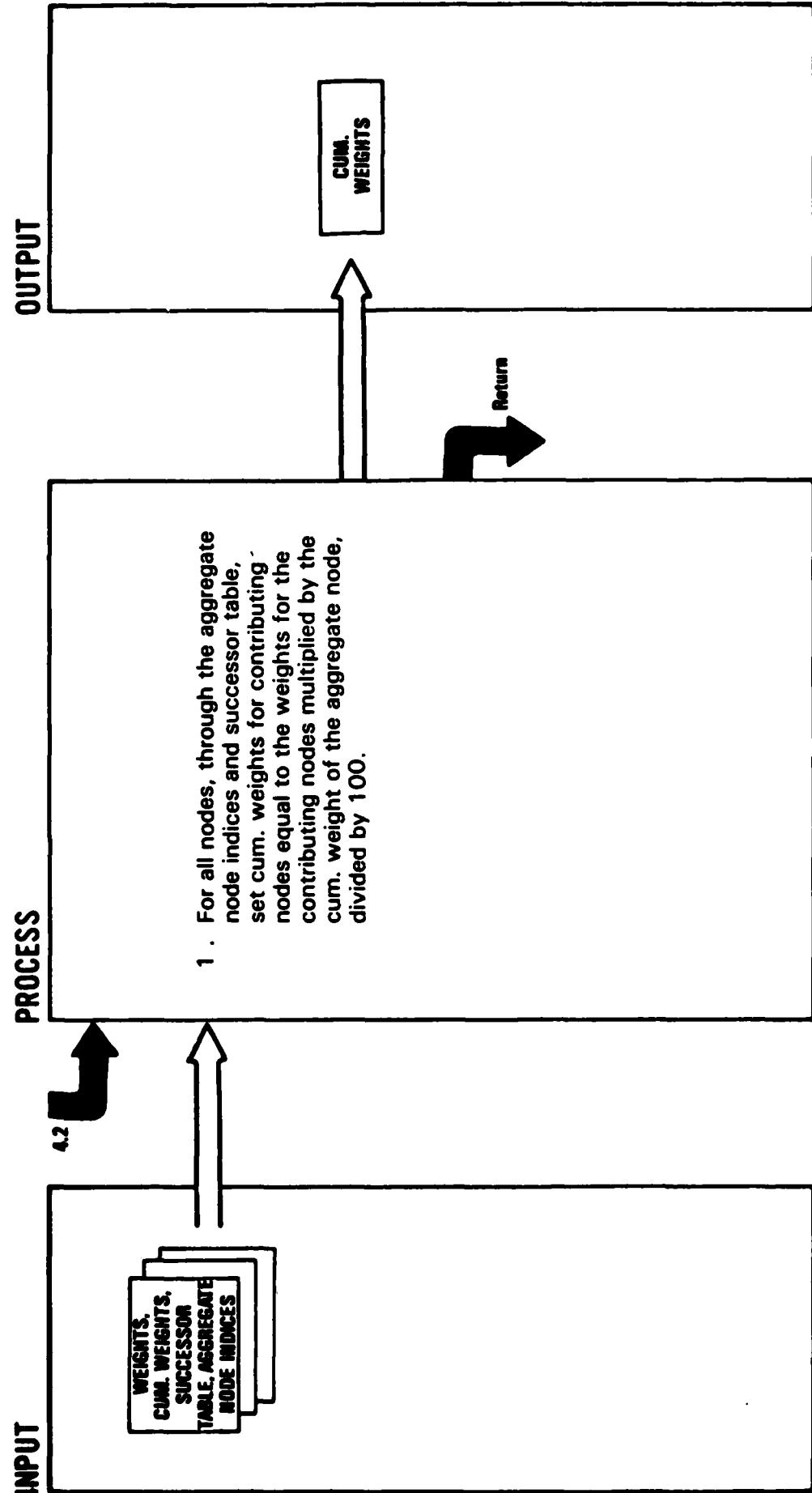


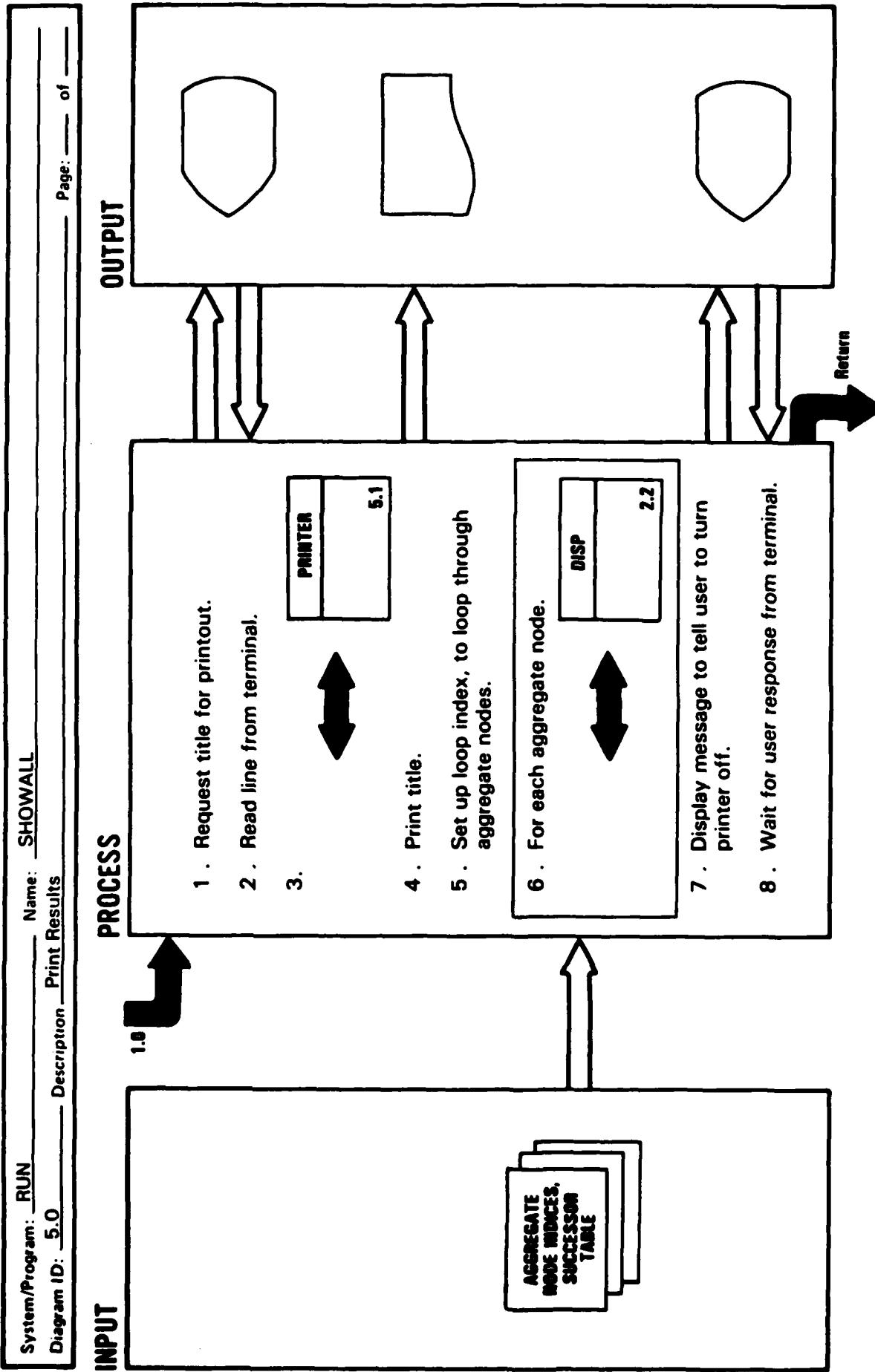
System/Program:	RUN	Name:	<u>W</u>
Diagram ID:	<u>4.2.3</u>	Description:	Calculate Type W

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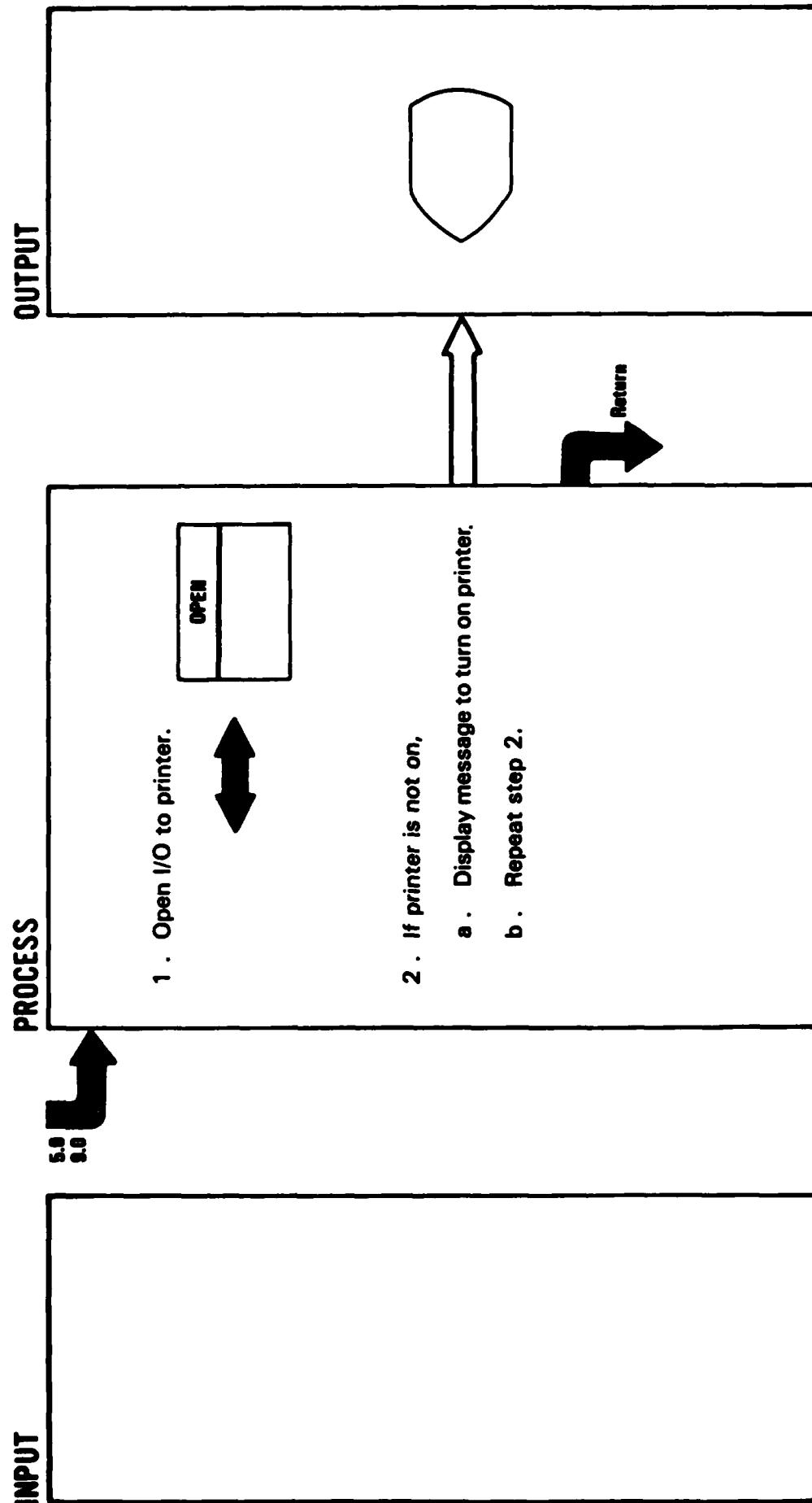


System/Program: RUN Name: CUMWWT
Program ID: 4.2.4 Description Calculate Cumulative Weight





System/Program:	RUN	Name:	PRINTER
Diagram ID:	5.1	Description	



System/Program: RUN Name: LOADDRIVE
Diagram ID: 6.0 Description Load Model From Tapes

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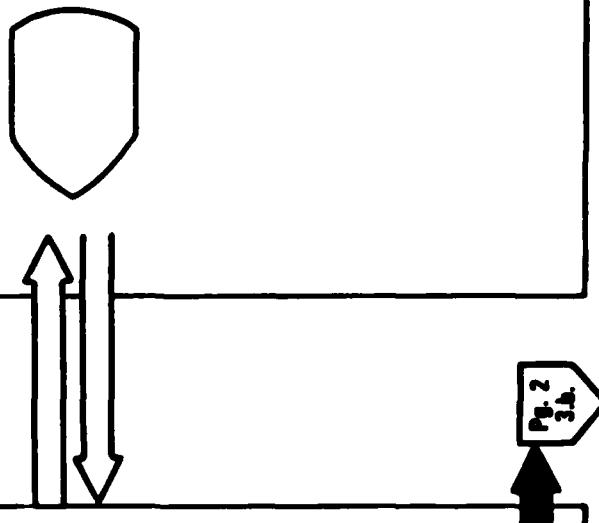
INPUT

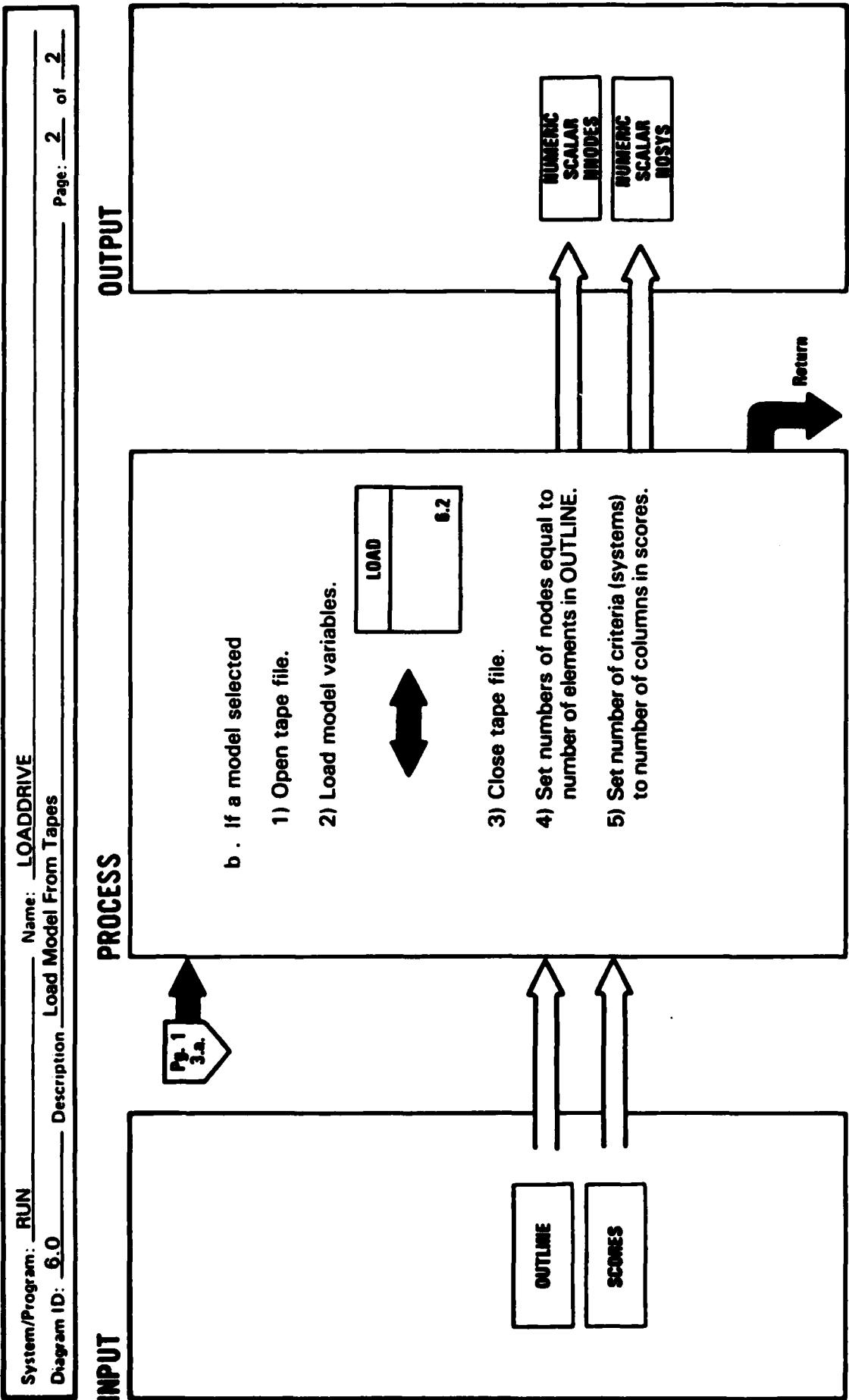


PROCESS

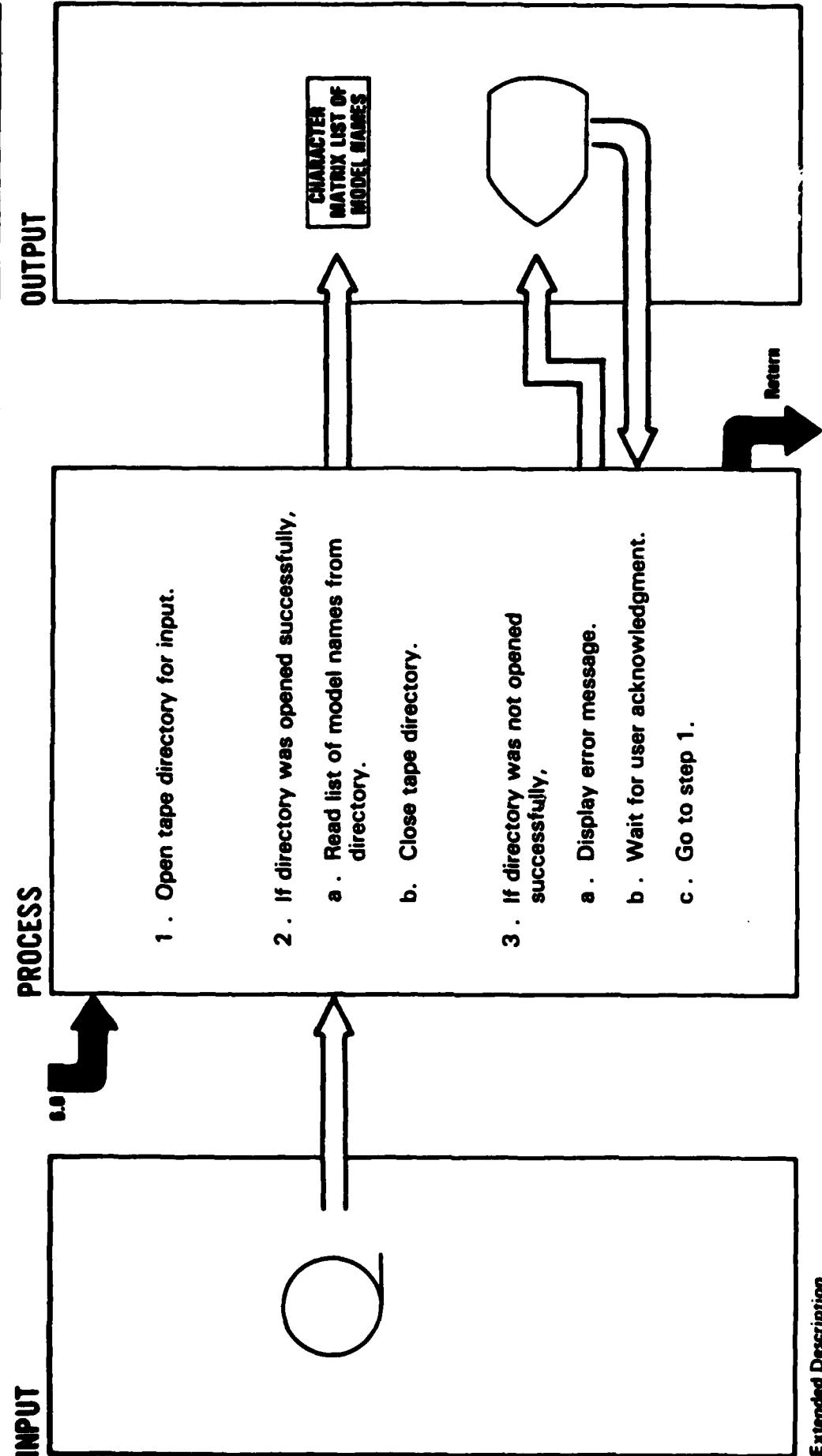
1. Get list of models on tape.
A rectangular button with the word "LOADMS" on the left and the number "6.1" on the right, with a double-headed arrow below it.
2. If there are no models on the tape.
 - a. Display error message.
 - b. Wait for user acknowledgment.
3. If there are models on the tape.
 - a. Elicit desired model from list of model names.
A rectangular button with the word "MENU" on the left and the number "10.2" on the right, with a double-headed arrow below it.

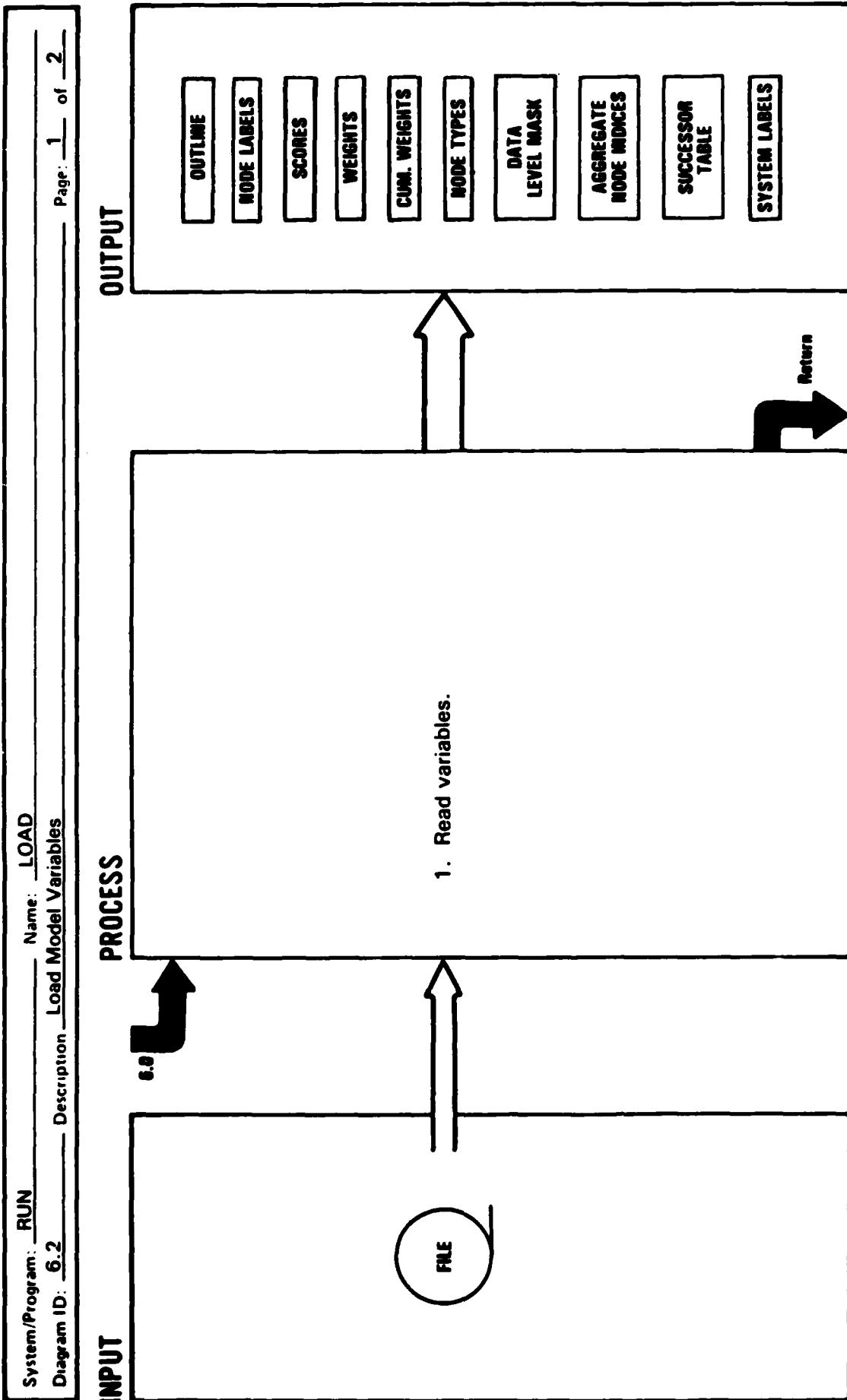
OUTPUT





System/Program: RUN Name: LOADLIB
 Program ID: 6.1 Description Load List of Model Names
 Page: _____ of _____





Extended Description

1. The OUTLINE TABLE contains an element for each node in the model, sorted in increasing numerical sequence order. The value is an encoded representation of the node outline number supplied for a node when the model structure is created.
2. The NODE LABELS contain descriptions (one per node in the same order as the outline table) of nodes that are supplied when the model structure is created.
3. SCORES is a numeric array which contains a set of values for each node of the structure. Each set of values consists of one number per system defined in the model.
4. WEIGHTS is a numeric vector containing the relative-importance values assigned to each node in the model structure. The elements must appear in the same order as the associated outline numbers. When a model structure is created, the vector is null or contains zeros.
5. For each element in the node outline table, there is an associated element in the CUMULATIVE WEIGHTS vector. The vector will contain the percentage of importance with respect to the entire model when all WEIGHTS have been entered.
6. The NODE TYPES are indicators of the type of calculation that is to be used in assessing SCORES and WEIGHTS.

System/Program:	<u>RUN</u>	Name:	<u>LOAD</u>
Diagram ID:	<u>6.2</u>	Description	<u>Load Model Variables</u>

INPUT

PROCESS

OUTPUT

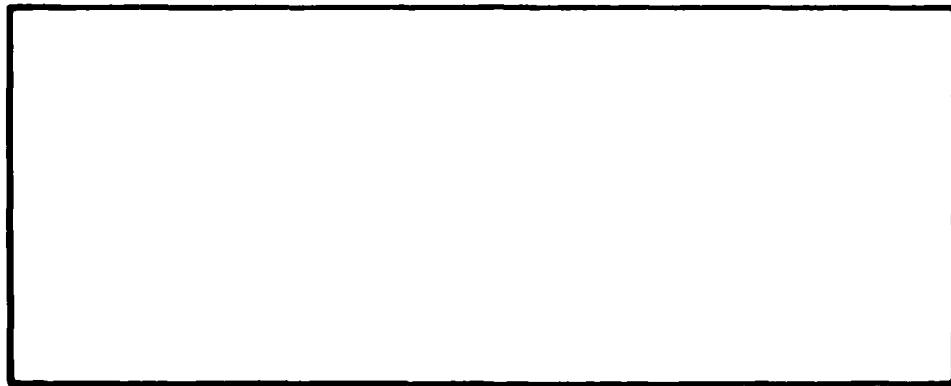
Extended Description

7. The **DATA LEVEL MASK** indicates which nodes are at the data level (bottom level) versus the nodes that are aggregate or non-bottom-level nodes.
8. The **AGGREGATE NODE INDICES** contain the sequence number of elements in the model variables which correspond to only the aggregate nodes. An Aggregate node is a node which has one or more subsequent nodes contributing to it.
9. The **SUCCESSOR TABLE** is an array which contains, for each aggregate node, the set of indices of nodes which contribute to a node.
10. The **SYSTEMS LABELS** contain the user-specified character descriptions of the systems being evaluated.

System/Program: RUN Name: SAVEDRIVE
Diagram ID: 7.0 Description _____

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INPUT



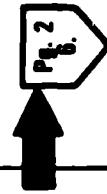
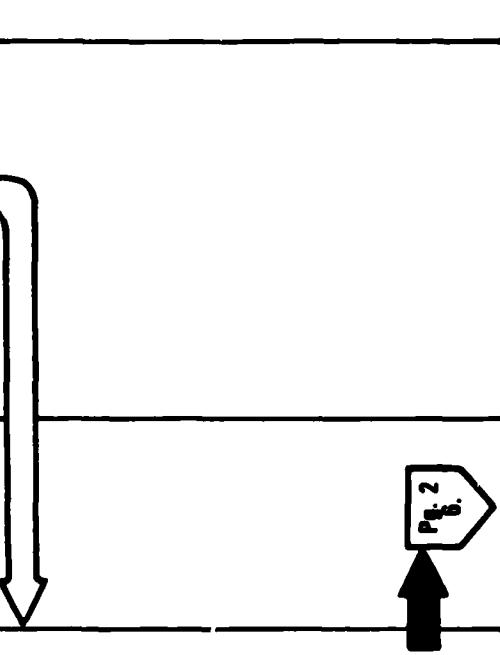
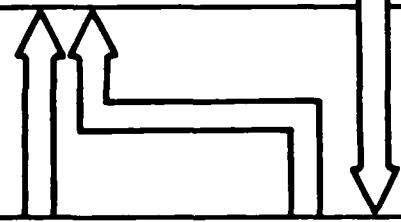
PROCESS

1. Blank screen.
 2. Get names of current models.

LOADUB 6.1
 3. Display current model names.
 4. Request name of model to be saved
from user.
 5. Determine where to save model.

FINDLOC 7.1
- a . If user error, continue with step 4.

OUTPUT



System/Program: RUN Name: SAVEDRIVE
Diagram ID: 7.0 Description _____
Page: 2 of 2

INPUT

PROCESS

OUTPUT



6 . If model to be saved,

- a . Open tape file.
- b . Save model variables.

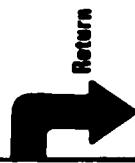
SAVE
1.2



c . Close tape file.

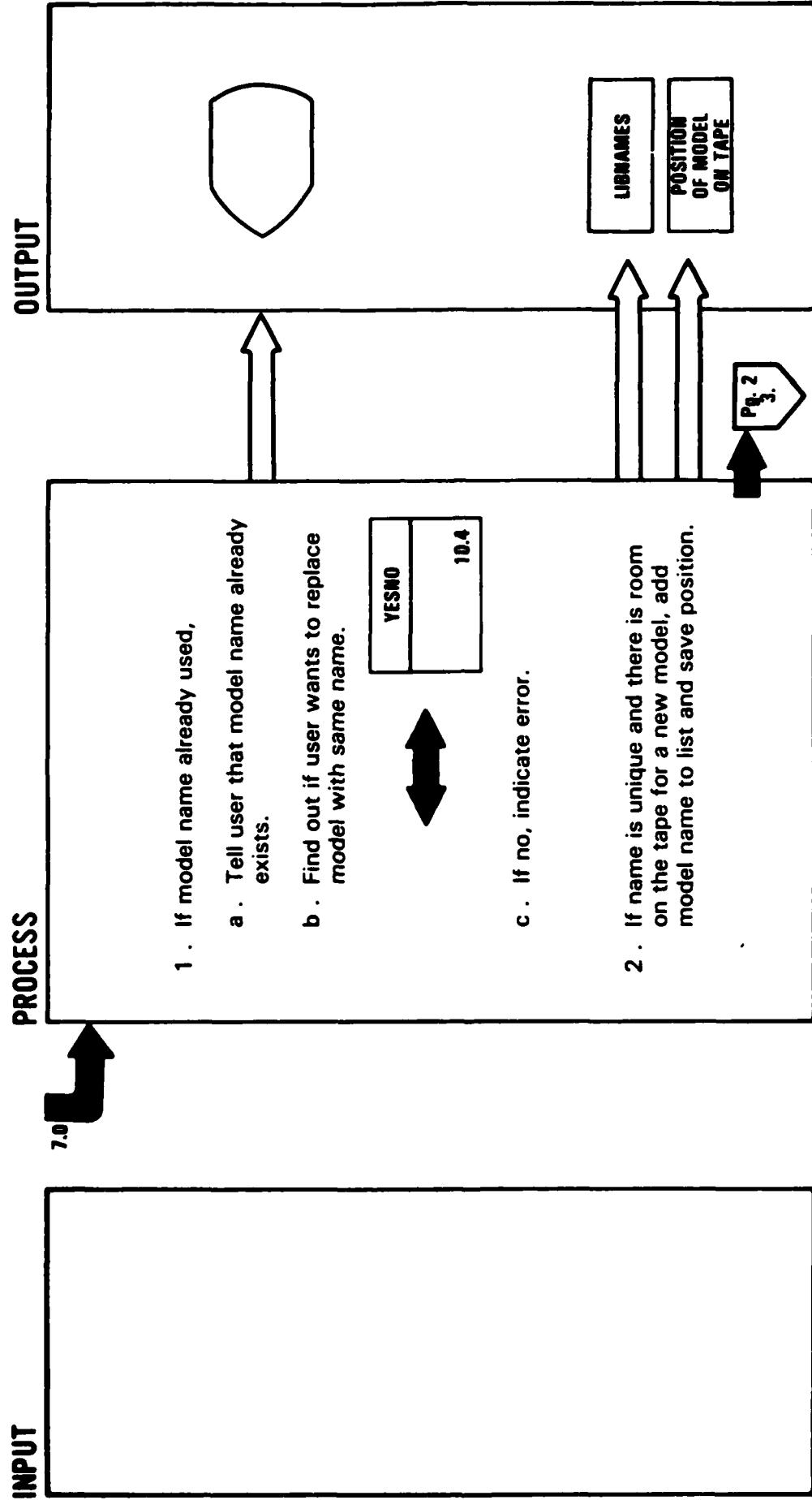
d . Save library.

SAVELIB
1.3



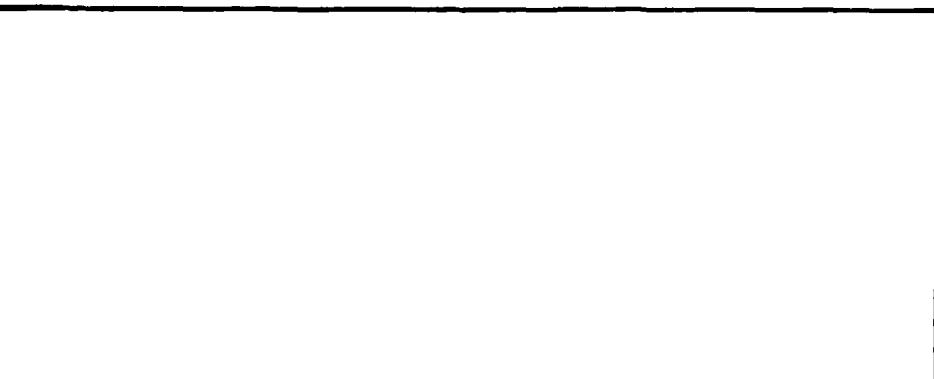
System/Program: RUN Name: FINDLOC
Diagram ID: 7.1 Description Determine Where to Save Model

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System/Program: RUN Name: FLNDLOC
Diagram ID: 7.1 Description Determine Where to Save Model Page: 2 of 2

INPUT



PROCESS

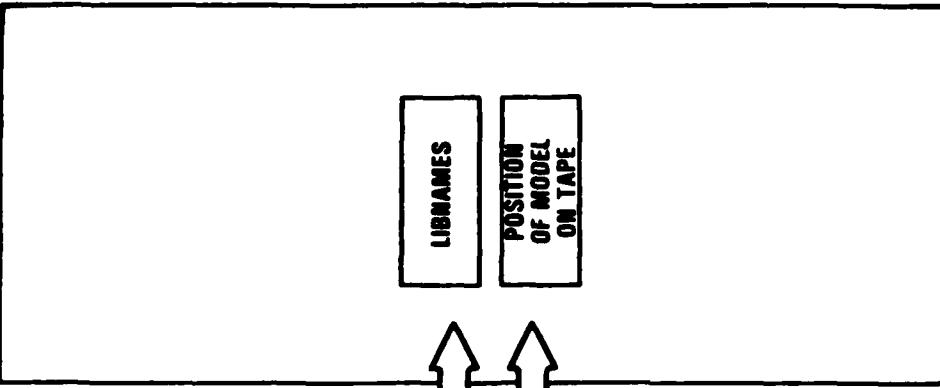
- 3 . If name is unique but there is no room for another model, display current model names and ask user which model to replace.

MENU	10.2
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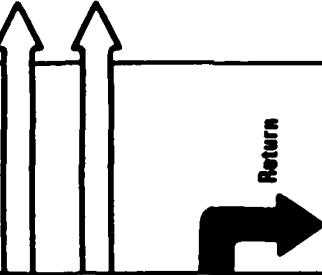


- a . If model name selected, replace old model name with new model name in list, and save position.

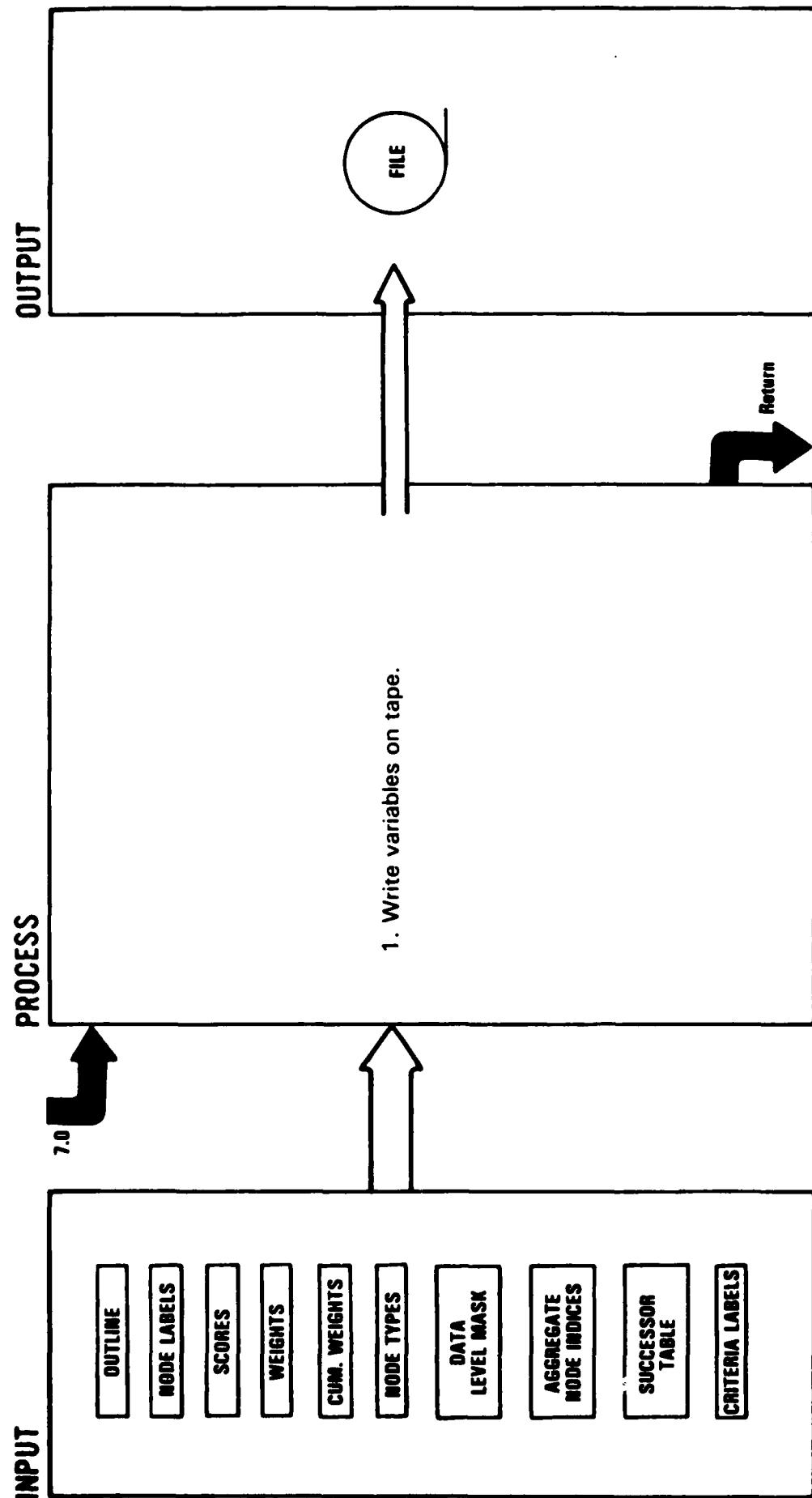
OUTPUT



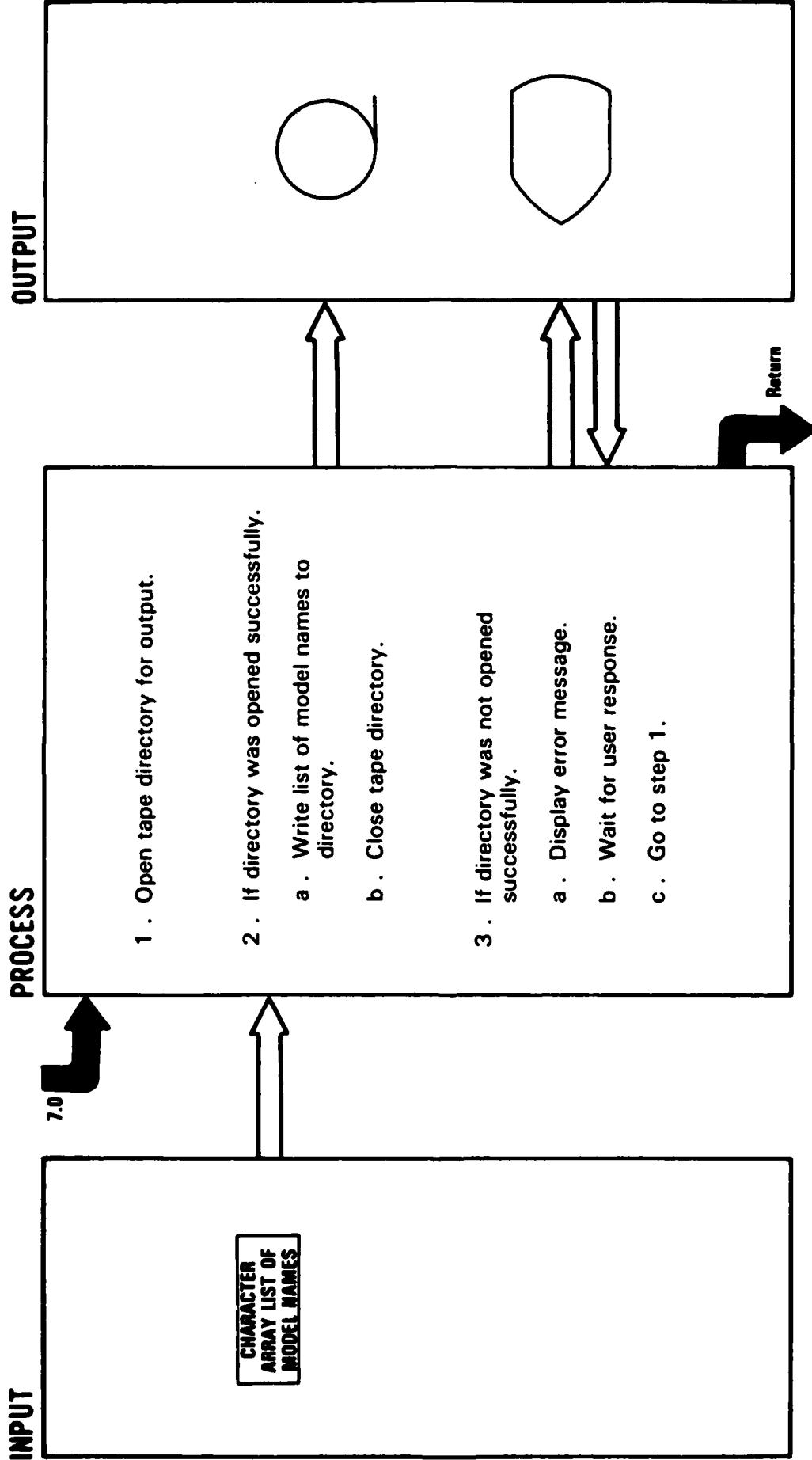
LBNAMES	POSITION OF MODEL ON TAPE
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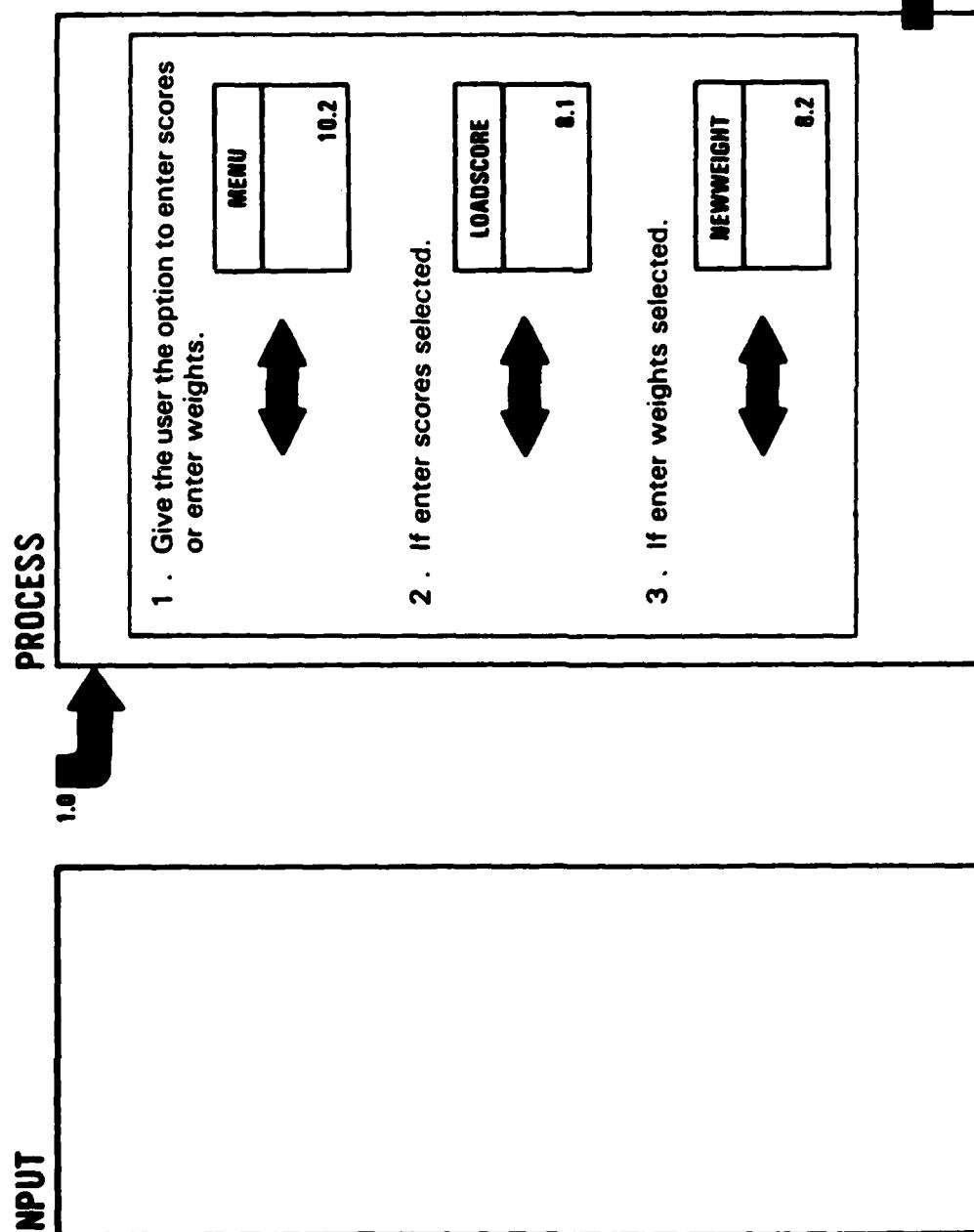
System/Program: RUN Name: SAVE
Diagram ID: 7.2 Description: Save Model Variables on Tape
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System/Program: RUN Name: SAVLIB
Diagram ID: 7.3 Description Save List of Model Names Page: _____ of _____



System/Program: RUN Name: NEWDATA
Diagram ID: 8.0 Description _____
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System/Program: RUN Name: NEWDATA
Diagram ID: 8.0 Description:

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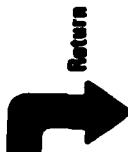
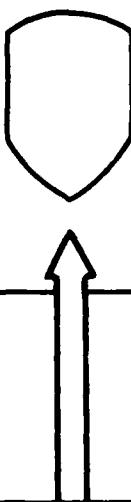
INPUT

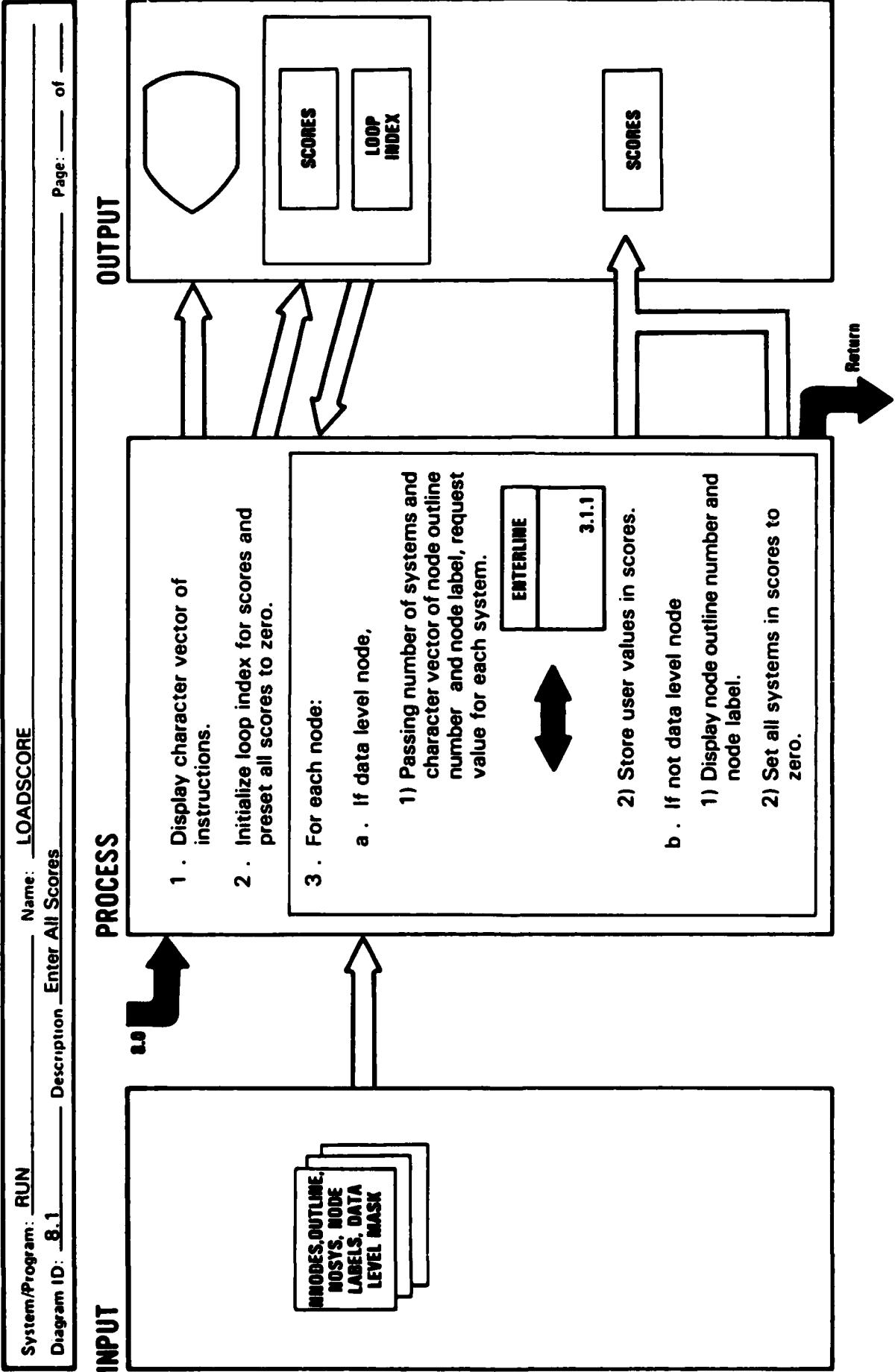
OUTPUT

PROCESS

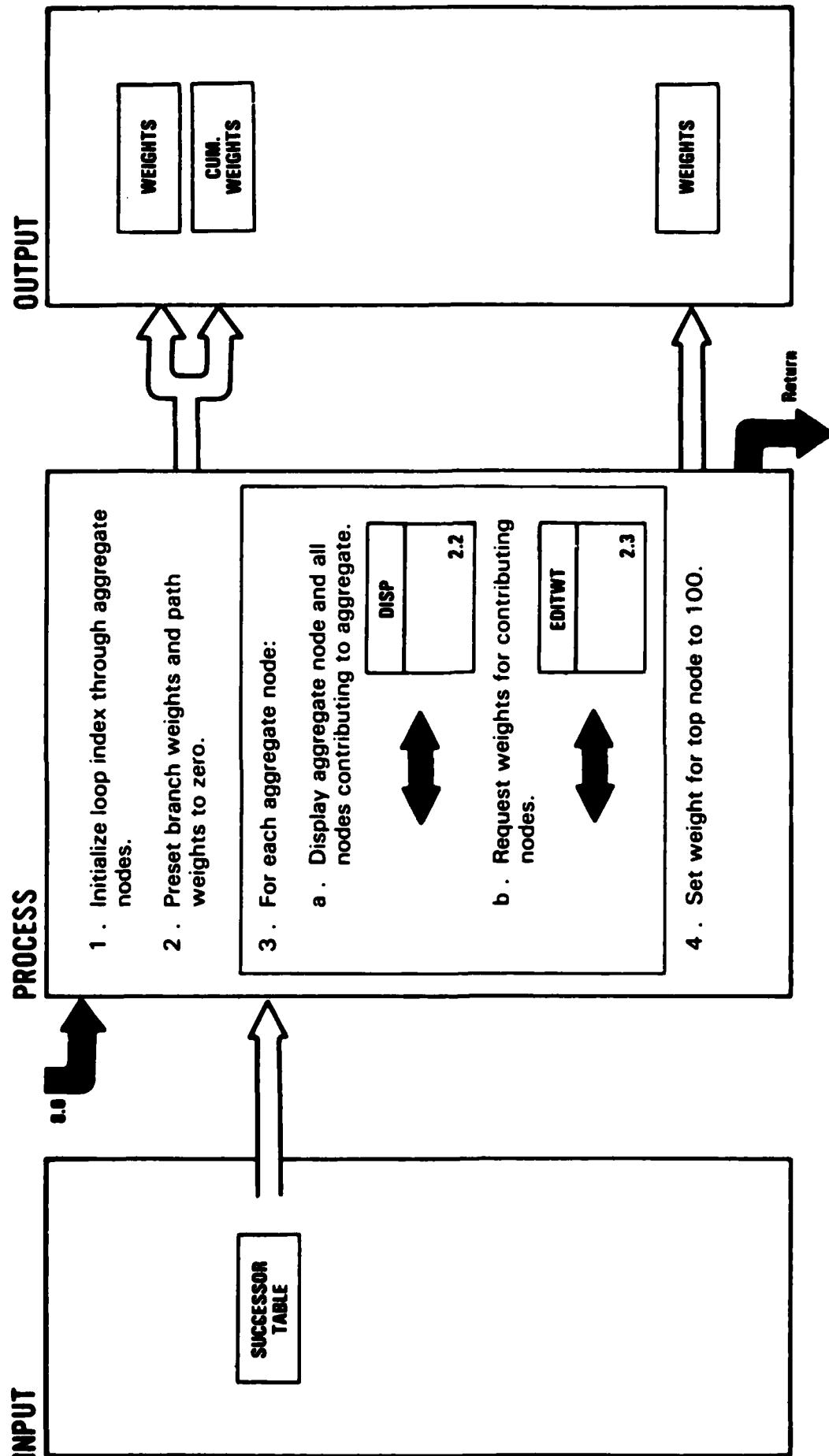
- 4 . When no option selected display message that model is being recalculated.

- 5 . Calculate model.



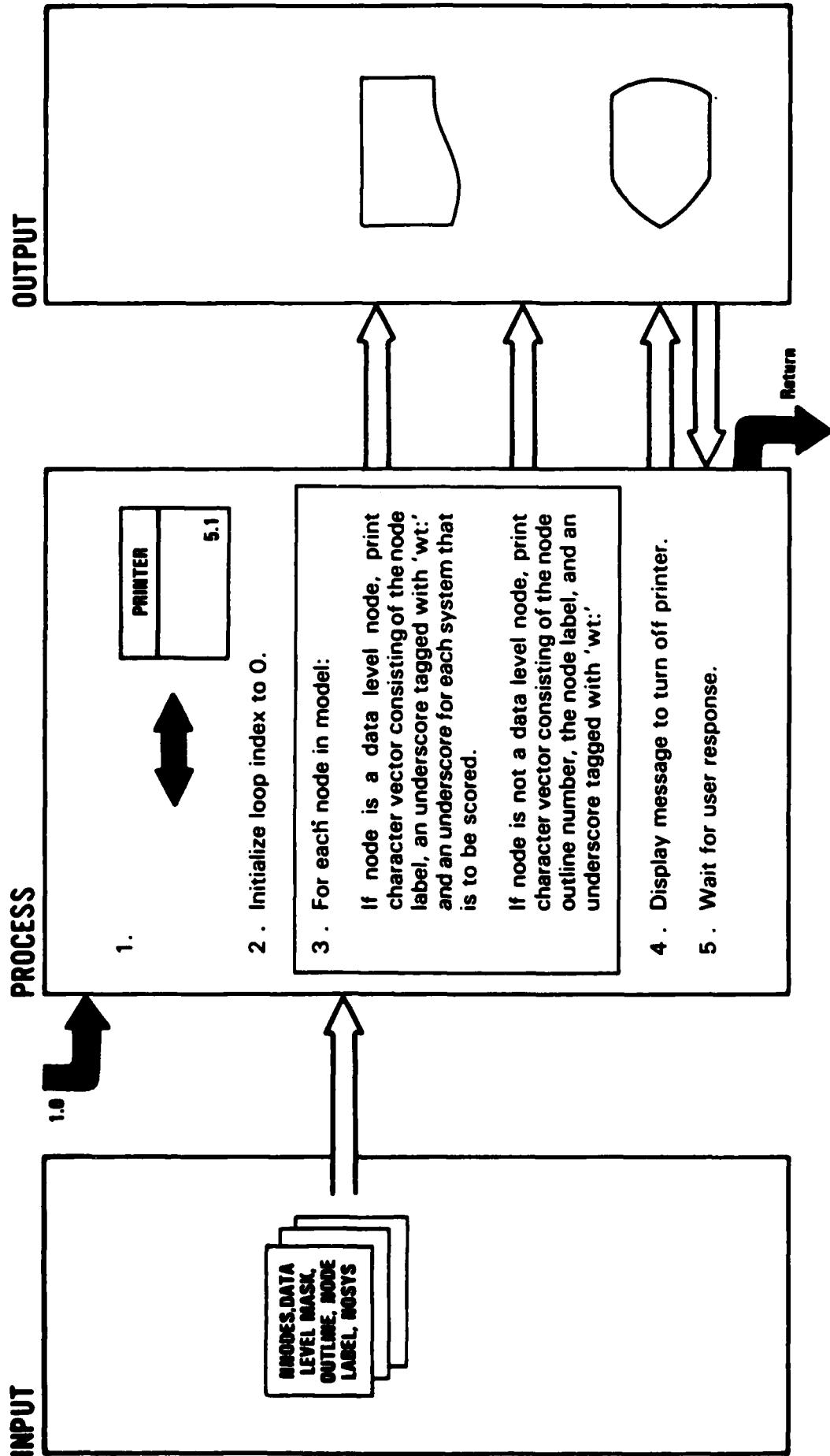


System/Program: RUN Name: NEWWEIGHT
 Diagram ID: 8.2 Description Enter All Weights

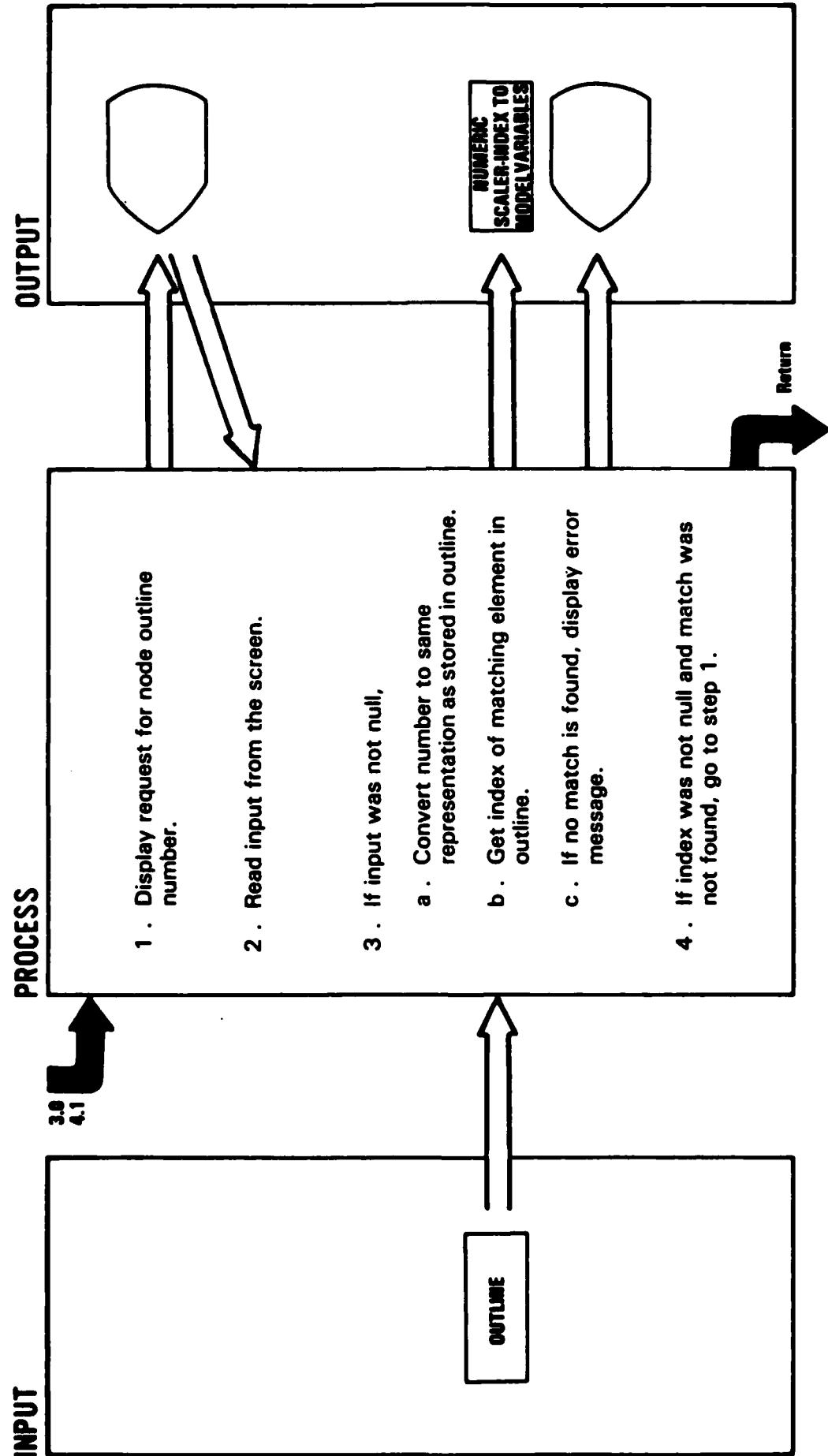


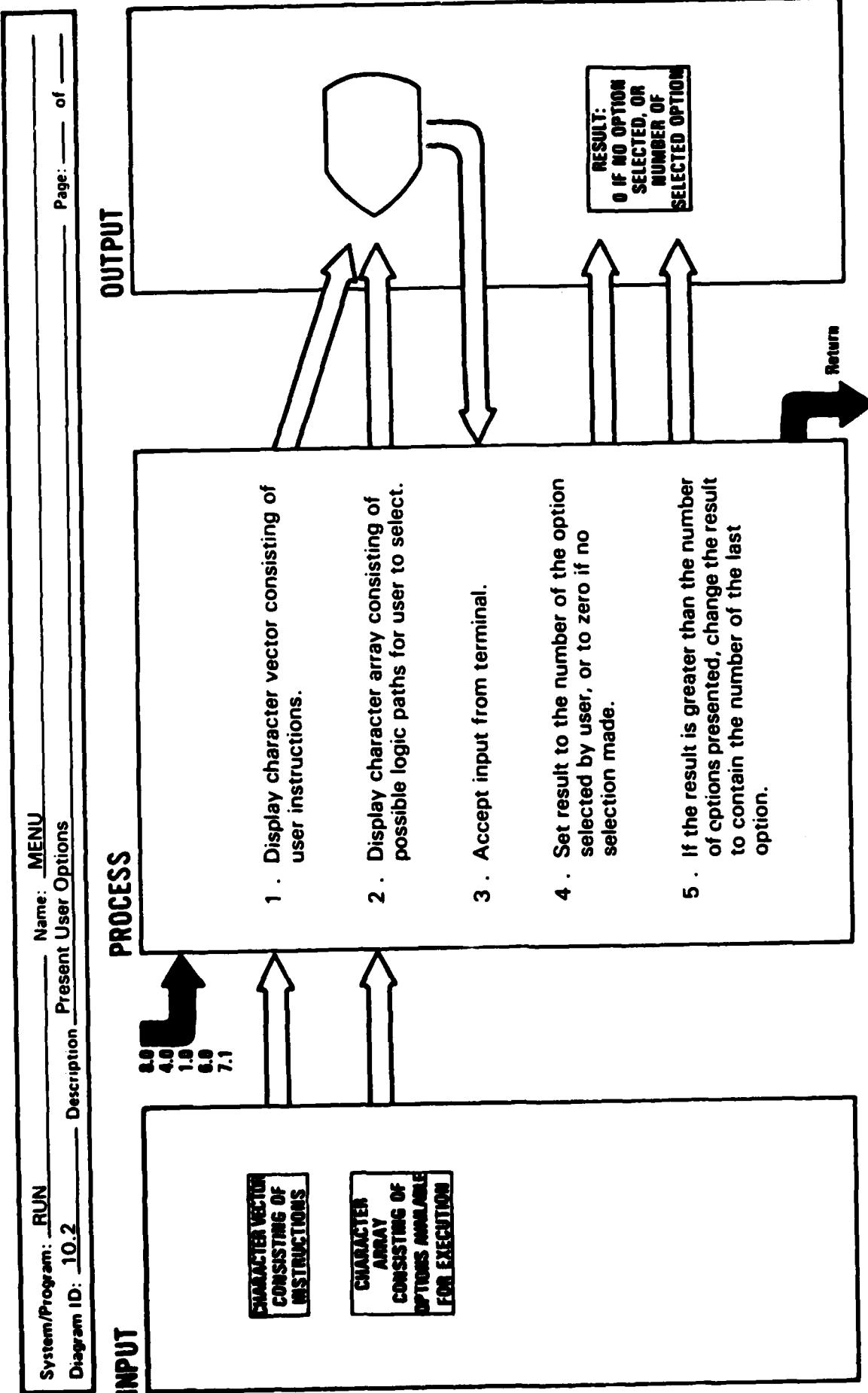
System/Program:	RUN	Name:	DATASHEET
Diagram ID:	9.0	Description:	Print Data Sheet

Page: ____ of ____



System/Program:	<u>RUN</u>	Name:	<u>LOCATE</u>
Diagram ID:	<u>10.1</u>	Description	<u>Elicit Node Number</u>
		Page:	<u> of </u>





System/Program: RUN Name: NUMBERSONLY
Diagram ID: 10.3 Description Convert Character Numbers to Numeric
Page: _____ of _____

