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<u>Identification</u>

GETCF - a subroutine to GET-the-Common-File-number.

Purpose

GETCF will find out the current common file directory number from the supervisor and return this information to the user.

Method

A supervisor entry has been provided which returns the common file directory number in the AC in a packed way. A library subroutine has been provided which will unpack and convert this information so that it can be used by MAD or Fortran programs.

Usage

As a supervisor entry:

TSX GETCF.4

(TIA =HGETCF)

- Upon return, the AC will be zero if the user is switched to his own file directory. Otherwise, the logical AC will contain a word of the form LM, CFN, RM, PRN.
- LM, the prefix, is the 3 left-most bits of the first letter of the problem number.
- RM, the tag, is the 3 right-most bits of the first letter of the problem number.
- CFN, the decrement, is the 2's complement of the common file directory number.
- PRN, the address, is the numeric field of the problem number in binary.

as a library subroutine:

FAP: TSX GETCFN, 4 PHE CFN

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FORTRAN: CFS = GETCFN(CFN)

MAD: CFS = GETCFN. (CFN)