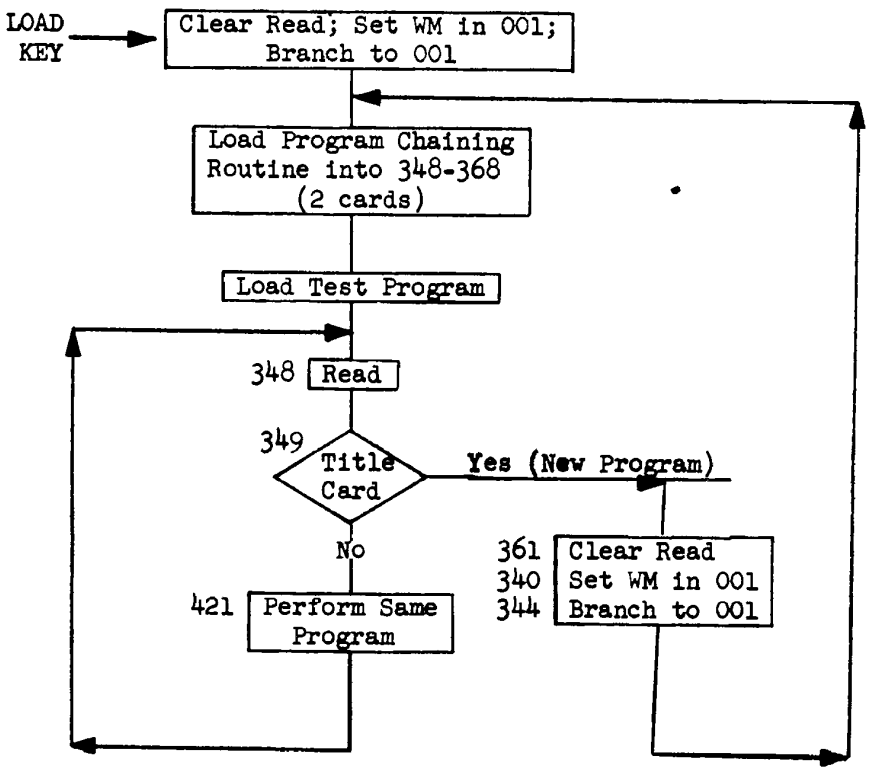
PROGRAM CHAINING ROUTINE

Block No. 0000C

The purpose of the Program Chaining Routine is to permit processing of one test after another without separate handling of each program test block. Thus, one or more test blocks can be loaded into the hopper at a time. Testing will proceed from one block to another automatically.

To accomplish this, each program test block that can be chained has a Title Card numbered 0A in columns 79-80, and two cards numbered 02 and 03 that contain instructions for the Program Chaining Routine. These instructions are loaded in Locations 333-368 and retained in storage until another Title Card is sensed. All test programs will branch to Location 348 to read a card (or read a record from tape) and test for the letter A in Location 080. The result of this test will determine whether to continue the same program or initiate loading of the next program.

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