SECTION 18

STRUCTURAL REPAIR

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18-1. STRUCTURAL REPAIR.

18-2. REPAIR CRITERIA. Although this section outlines repair permissible on structure of the aircraft, the decision of whether to repair or replace a major unit of structure will be influenced by such factors as time and labor available, and by a comparison of labor costs with the price of replacement assemblies. Past experience indicates that replacement, in many cases, is less costly than major repair. Certainly, when the aircraft must be restored to its airworthy condition in a limited length of time,

replacement is preferable. Restoration of a damaged aircraft to its original design strength, shape, and alignment involves careful evaluation of the damage, followed by exacting workmanship in performing the repairs. This section suggests the extent of structural repair practicable on the aircraft, and supplements Federal Aviation Regulation, Part 43. Consult the factory when in doubt about a repair not specifically mentioned here.

18-3. EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS.

18-4. SUPPORT STANDS. Padded, reinforced sawhorse or tripod type support stands, sturdy enough to support any assembly placed upon them, must be used to store a removed wing or tailcone. Plans for local fabrication of support stands are contained in figure 18-1. The fuselage assembly, from the tailcone to the firewall, must NOT be supported from the underside, since the skin bulkheads are not designed for this purpose. Adapt support stands to fasten to the wing attach points or landing gear attach points when supporting a fuselage.

18-5. FUSELAGE REPAIR JIGS. Whenever a repair is to be made which could affect structural alignment, suitable jigs must be used to assure correct alignment of major attach points, such as fuselage, firewall, wing and landing gear. These fuselage repair jigs are obtainable from the factory.

18-6. WING JIGS. These jigs serve as a holding fixture during extensive repair of a damaged wing, and locates the root rib, leading edge and tip rib of the wing. These jigs are also obtainable from the factory.

18-7. WING TWIST AND STABILIZER ANGLE-OF-INCIDENCE.

18-8. Wing twist (washout) and horizontal stabilizer angle of incidence are shown below. Stabilizers do not have twist. Wings have no twist from the root to the lift strut station. All twist in the wing panel occurs between this station and the tip rib. Refer to figure 18-2 for wing twist measurement.

WING	
Twist (Washout)	3°
STABILIZER	
Angle of Incidence	-3° 30'

18-9. REPAIR MATERIALS. Thickness of a material on which a repair is to be made can easily be determined by measuring with a micrometer. In general, material used in Cessna aircraft covered in this manual is made from 2024 aluminum alloy, heat treated to a -T3, -T4, or -T42 condition. If the type of material cannot readily be determined, 2024-T3 may be used in making repairs, since the strength of -T3 is greater than -T4 or -T42 (-T4 and -T42 may be used interchangeably, but they may not be substituted for -T3). When necessary to form a part with a smaller bend radius than the standard cold bending radius for 2024-T4, use 2024-0 and heat treat to 2024-T42 after forming. The repair material used in making a repair must equal the gauge of the material being replaced unless otherwise noted. It is often practical to cut repair pieces from service parts listed in the Parts Catalog. A few components (empennage tips, for example) are fabricated from thermo-formed plastic or glass-fiber constructed material.

18-10. WING.

18-11. DESCRIPTION. The wing assemblies are a semicantilever type employing semimoncoque type of structure. Basically, the internal structure consists of built-up front and rear spar assemblies, a formed auxiliary spar assembly and formed sheet metal nose, intermediate, and trailing edge ribs. Stressed skin, riveted to the rib and spar structures, completes the rigid structure. Access openings (hand holes with removable cover plates) are located in the underside of the wing between the wing root and tip section. These openings afford access to aileron bellcranks, flap bellcranks, electrical wiring, strut attach fittings, control cables and pulleys, and control disconnect points.

18-12. WING SKIN.

18-13. NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. Any smooth dents in the wing skin that are free from cracks, abrasions and sharp corners, which are not stress wrinkles and do not interfere with any internal structure or mechanism, may be considered as negligible damage. In areas of low stress intensity, cracks, deep scratches, or deep, sharp dents, which after trimming or stop-drilling can be enclosed by a two-inch circle, can be considered negligible if the damaged area is at least one diameter of the enclosing circle away from all existing rivet lines and material edges. Stop drilling is considered a temporary repair and a permanent repair must be made as soon as practicable.

18-14. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. Figure 18-4 outlines typical repair to be employed in patching skin. Before installing a patch, trim the damaged area to form a retangular pattern, leaving at least a one-half inch radius at each corner, and de-burr. The sides of the hole should lie span-wise or chord-wise. A circular patch may also be used. If the patch is in an area where flush rivets are used, make a flush patch type of repair; if in an area where flush rivets

are not used, make an overlapping type of repair. Where optimum appearance and airflow are desired, the flush patch may be used. Careful workmanship will eliminate gaps at butt-joints; however, an epoxy type filler may be used at such joints.

18-15. DAMAGE NECESSITATING REPLACEMENT OF PARTS. If a skin is badly damaged, repair must be made by replacing an entire skin panel, from one structural member to the next. Repair seams must be made to lie along structural members and each seam must be made exactly the same in regard to rivet size, spacing, and pattern as the manufactured seams at the edges of the original sheet. If the manufactured seams are different, the stronger must be copied. If the repair ends at a structural member where no seam is used, enough repair panel must be used to allow an extra row of staggered rivets, with sufficient edge margin, to be installed.

18-16. WING STRINGERS.

18-17. NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. Refer to paragraph 18-13.

18-18. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. Figure 18-5 outlines a typical wing stringer repair. Two such repairs may be used to splice a new section of stringer material in position, without the filler material.

18-19. DAMAGE NECESSITATING REPLACEMENT OF PARTS. If a stringer is so badly damaged that more than one section must be spliced, replacement is recommended.

18-20. WING AUXILIARY SPARS.

18-21. NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. Refer to paragraph 18-13.

18-22. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. Figure 18-8 illustrates a typical auxiliary spar repair.

18-23. DAMAGE NECESSITATING REPLACEMENT OF PARTS. If damage to an auxiliary spar would require a repair which could not be made between adjacent ribs, the auxiliary spar must be replaced.

18-24. WING RIBS.

18-25. NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. Refer to paragraph 18-13.

18-26. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. Figure 18-6 illustrates a typical wing rib repair.

18-27. DAMAGE NECESSITATING REPLACEMENT OF PARTS. Leading and trailing edge ribs that are extensively damaged can be replaced. However, due to the necessity of unfastening an excessive amount of skin in order to replace the rib, they should be repaired if practicable. Center ribs, between the front and rear spar should always be repaired if practicable.

18-28. WING SPARS.

18-29. NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. Due to the stress which wing spars encounter, very little damage can be considered negligible. All cracks, stress wrinkles, deep scratches, and sharp dents must be repaired. Smooth dents, light scratches and abrasions may be considered negligible.

18-30. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. Figure 18-7 illustrates typical spar repairs. It is often practical to cut repair pieces from service parts listed in the Parts Catalog. Service Kits are available for certain types of spar repairs.

18-31. DAMAGE NECESSITATING REPLACEMENT OF PARTS. Damage so extensive that repair is not practicable requires replacement of a complete wing spar. Also refer to paragraph 18-2.

18-32. AILERONS.

18-33. NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. Refer to paragraph 18-13.

18-34. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. The repair shown in figure 18-9 may be used to repair damage to aileron leading edge skins. Figure 18-4 may be used to repair damage to flat surfaces between corrugations. when damage area includes corrugations refer to figure 18-3A. It is recommended that material used for repair be cut from spare parts of the same guage and corrugation spacing. Following repair the aileron must be balanced. Refer to paragraph 18-36 and figure 18-3 for balancing the aileron. If damage would require a repair which could not be made between adjacent ribs, see the following paragraph.

18-35. DAMAGE NECESSITATING REPLACEMENT OF PARTS. If the damage would require a repair which could not be made between adjacent ribs, complete skin panels must be replaced. Ribs and spars may be repaired, but replacement is generally preferable. Where extensive damage has occured, replacement of the aileron assembly is recommended. After repair and/or replacement, balance aileron in accordance with paragraph 18-36 and figure 18-3.

18-36. AILERON BALANCING. Following repair, replacement or painting, the aileron must be balanced. Complete instructions for fabricating balancing fixtures and mandrels and their use are given in figure 18-3.

18-37. WING FLAPS.

18-38. NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. Refer to paragraph 18-13.

18-39. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. Flap repairs should be similar to aileron repairs discussed in paragraph 18-34. A flap leading edge repair is shown in figure 18-10. If an overlapping patch is to be used, be sure it will not interfere with the wing during flap operation

18-40. DAMAGE NECESSITATING REPLACEMENT OF PARTS. Flap repairs which require replacement of parts should be similar to aileron repairs discussed in paragraph 18-35. Since the flap is not considered a moveable control surface, no balancing is required.

18-41. WING LEADING EDGE.

18-42. NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. Refer to paragraph 18-13.

18-43. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. A typical leading edge skin repair is shown in figure 18-9. An epoxy-type filler may be used to fill gaps at butt-joints. To facilitate repair, extra access holes may be installed in the locations noted in figure 18-11. If the damage would require a repair which could not be made between adjacent ribs, refer to the following paragraph.

18-44. DAMAGE NECESSITATING REPLACEMENT OF PARTS. For extensive damage, complete leading edge skin panels must be replaced. To facilitate replacement, extra access holes may be installed in the locations noted in figure 18-11.

18-45. ELEVATORS AND RUDDER.

18-46. NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. Refer to paragraph 18-13. The exception to negligible damage on the elevator surfaces is the front spar, where a crack appearing in the web at the hinge fittings or in the structure which supports the overhanging balance weight is not considered negligible. Cracks in the overhanging tip rib, in the area at the front spar intersection with the web of the rib, also cannot be considered negligible.

18-47. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. Skin patches illustrated in figure 18-4 may be used to repair skin damage between corrugations. For skin damage which includes corrugations, refer to figure 18-3A. Following repair the elevator/rudder must be balanced. Refer to figure 18-3 for balancing. If damage would require a repair which could not be made between adjacent ribs, see the following paragraph.

18-48. DAMAGE NECESSITATING REPLACEMENT OF PARTS. If the damaged area would require a repair which could not be made between adjacent ribs, complete skin panels must be replaced. Ribs and spars may be repaired, but replacement is generally preferable. Where extensive damage has occurred, replacement of the entire assembly is recommended. After repair and/or replacement, balance elevators and rudder in accordance with paragraph 18-49 and figure 18-3.

18-49. ELEVATOR AND RUDDER BALANCING. Following repair, replacement or painting, the elevators and rudder must be balanced. Complete instructions for fabricating balancing fixtures and mandrels and their use are given in figure 18-3.

18-50. FIN AND STABILIZER.

18-51. NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. Refer to paragraph 18-13.

18-52. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. Skin patches illustrated in figure 18-4 may be used to repair skin damage. Access to the dorsal area of the fin may be gained by removing the horizontal closing rib at the bottom of the fin. Access to the internal fin structure is best gained by removing skin attaching rivets on one side of the rear spar and ribs, and springing back the skin. Access to the stabilizer structure may be gained by removing skin attaching rivets on one side of the rear spar and ribs, and springing back the skin. If the damaged area would require a repair which could not be made between adjacent ribs, or a repair would be located in an area with compound curves, see the following paragraph.

18-53. DAMAGE NECESSITATING REPLACEMENT OF PARTS. If the damaged area would require a repair which could not be made between adjacent ribs, or the repair would be located in an area with compound curves, complete skin panels must be replaced. Ribs and spars may be repaired, but replacement is generally preferable. Where damage is extensive, replacement of the entire assembly is recommended.

18-54. FUSELAGE.

18-55. DESCRIPTION. The fuselage is of semi-monocoque construction, consisting of formed bulkheads, longitudinal stringers, reinforcing channels, and skin panels.

18-56. NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. Refer to paragraph 18-13. Mild corrosion appearing upon alclad surfaces does not necessarily indicate incipient failure of the base metal. However, corrosion of all types must be carefully considered, and approved remedial action taken. Small cans appear in the skin structure of all metal aircraft. It is strongly recommended however, that wrinkles which appear to have originated from other sources, or which do not follow the general appearance of the remainder of the skin panels, be thoroughly investigated. Except in the landing gear bulkhead areas, wrinkles occurring over stringers which disappear when the rivet pattern is removed, may be considered negligible. However, the stringer rivet holes may not align perfectly with the skin holes because of a permanent "set" in the stringer. If this is apparent, replacement of the stringer will usually restore the original strength characteristics of the area.

NOTE

Wrinkles occurring in the skin of the main landing gear bulkhead areas must not be considered negligible. The skin panel must be opened sufficiently to permit a thorough examination of the lower portion of the landing gear bulkhead and its tie-in structure.

Wrinkles occurring in open areas which disappear when the rivets at the edge of the sheet are removed, or a wrinkle which is hand removable, may often be repaired by the addition of a 1/2 x 1/2 x .060 inch 2024-T4 extruded angle, riveted over the wrinkle and extended to within 1/16 to 1/8 inch of the nearest structural members. Rivet pattern should be identical to existing manufactured seam at edge of sheet. Negligible damage to stringers, formed skin flanges, bulkhead channels, and like parts is similar to that for the wing skin, given in paragraph 18-13.

18-57. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. Fuselage skin repairs may be accomplished in the same manner as wing skin repairs outlined in paragraph 18-14. Stringers, formed skin flanges, bulkhead channels and similar parts may be repaired as shown in figure 18-5.

18-58. DAMAGE NECESSITATING REPLACEMENT OF PARTS. Fuselage skin major repairs may be accomplished in the same manner as the wing repairs outlined in paragraph 18-15. Damaged fittings must be replaced. Seat rails serve as structural parts of the fuselage and must be replaced if damaged.

18-58A. BONDED DOORS.

18-58B. REPAIRABLE DAMAGE. Bonded doors may be repaired by the same methods used for riveted structure. Rivets are a satisfactory substitute for bonded seams on these assemblies. The strength of the bonded seams in doors may be replaced by a single 3/32, 2117-AD rivet per running inch of bond seam. The standard repair procedures outlined in AC43.13-1 are also applicable to bonded doors.

18-59. BULKHEADS.

18-60. LANDING GEAR BULKHEADS. Since these bulkheads are highly stressed members, irregularly formed to provide clearance for control cables, fuel lines, etc., the patch-type repairs will be, for the most part, impractical. Minor damage, consisting of small nicks or scratches, may be repaired by dressing out the damaged area, or by replacement of rivets. Any other damage must be repaired by replacing the landing gear support assembly as an aligned unit.

18-61. REPAIR AFTER HARD LANDING. Buckled skin or floorboards, and loose or sheared rivets in the area of the main gear support will give evidence of damage to the structure from an extremely hard landing. When such evidence is present, the entire support structure must be examined, and all support forgings must be checked for cracks, using a dye penetrant and proper magnification. Bulkheads in the damaged area must be checked for alignment, and deformation of the bulkhead webs must be determined with the aid of a straightedge. Damaged support structure, buckled floorboards and skins, and damaged or questionable forgings must be replaced.

18-62. REPLACEMENT OF HI-SHEAR RIVETS. Hi-shear rivet replacement with close tolerance bolts or other commercial fasteners of equivalent strength properties is permissible. Holes must not be elongated, and the Hi-shear substitute must be a smooth push fit. Field replacement of main landing gear forgings on bulkheads may be accomplished by using:

a. NAS464P* Bolt, MS21042-* Nut and AN960-* washer in place of Hi-Shear Rivets for forgings with machined flat surface around attachment holes.

b. NAS464P* Bolt, ESNA 2935* Mating Base Ring, ESNA LH 2935* Nut for forgings (with draft angle of up to a maximum of 8°) without machined flat surface around attachment holes.

*Dash numbers to be determined according to the size of the holes and the grip lengths required. The bolts grip length should be chosen so that No threads remain in the bearing area.

18-63. FIREWALL DAMAGE. Firewalls may be repaired by removing the damaged material and splicing in a new section. The new portion must be lapped over the old material, sealed with Pro-Seal #700 (Coast Pro-Seal Co., Chemical Division, 2235 Beverly Blvd, Los Angeles, California), compound or equivalent, and secured with stainless steel rivets. Damaged or deformed angles and stiffeners may be repaired as shown in figure 18-12, or they may be replaced. A severely damaged firewall must be replaced as a unit.

18-64. ENGINE MOUNT.

18-65. DESCRIPTION. The mount for the aircraft engine is constructed of 4130 chrome-molybdenum steel tubing. A truss structure, fastened to the firewall at four points, supports a cradle arrangement. This cradle arrangement with its supporting lugs, forms the base for rubber shock mounted engine supports.

18-66. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS. All welding on the engine mount must be of the highest quality since the tendency of vibration is to accentuate any minor defect present and cause fatigue cracks. Engine mount members are preferably repaired by using a larger diameter replacement tube, telescoped over the stub of the original member using fishmouth and rosette type welds. However, reinforced 30-degree scarf welds in place of the fishmouth welds are considered satisfactory for engine mount repair work.

18-67. ENGINE MOUNT SUPPORT CRADLE DAMAGE. Minor damage such as a crack adjacent to an engine attaching lug may be repaired by rewelding the cradle tube and extending a gusset past the damaged area. Extensively damaged parts must be replaced.

18-68. DAMAGE INVOLVING ENGINE MOUNTING LUGS AND ENGINE MOUNT TO FUSELAGE ATTACHING FITTINGS. Engine mounting lugs and engine mount-to-fuselage attaching fittings should not be repaired but must be replaced.

18-69. BAFFLES. Baffles ordinarily require replacement if damaged for cracked. However, small plate reinforcements riveted to the baffle will often prove satisfactory both to the strength and cooling requirements of the unit.

18-70. ENGINE COWLING.

18-71. REPAIR OF COWLING SKINS. If extensively damaged, complete sections of cowling must be replaced. Standard insert-type skin patches, however, may be used if repair parts are formed to fit. Small

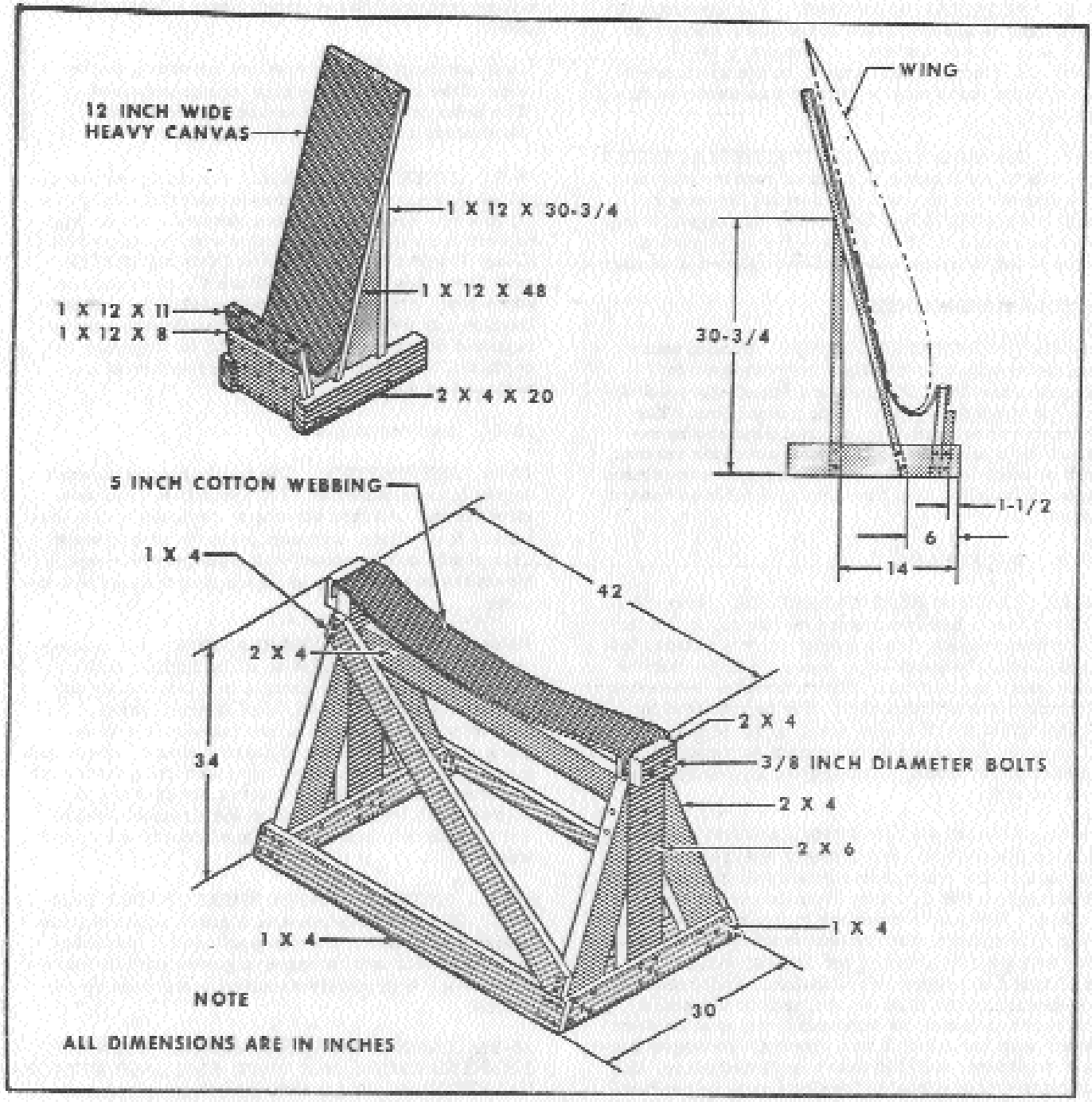
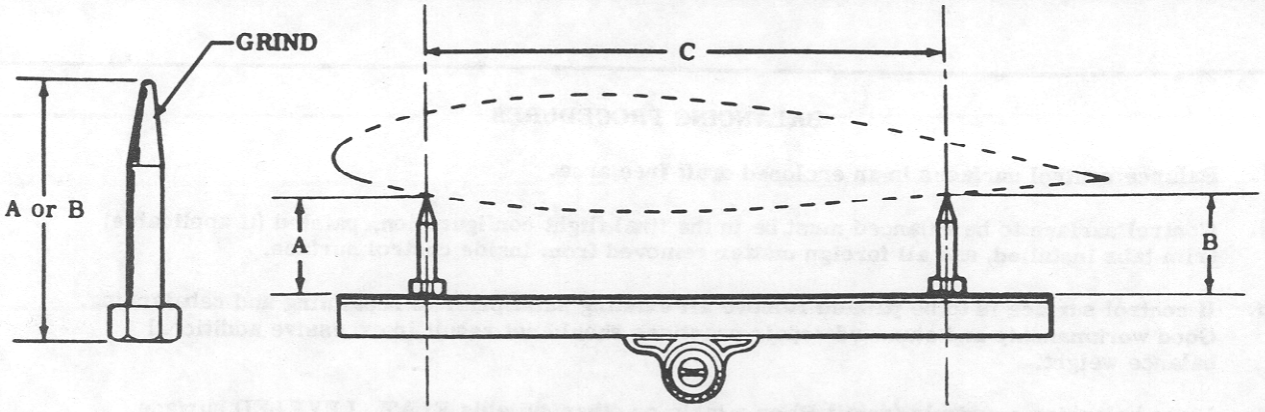


Figure 18-1. Wing and Fuselage Support Stands

cracks may be stop-drilled and dents straightened if they are reinforced on the inner side with a doubler of the same material. Bonded cowling may be repaired by the same methods used for riveted structure. Rivets are a satisfactory substitute for bonded seams on these assemblies. The strength of the bonded seams in cowling may be replaced by a single 3/32, 2117-AD rivet per running inch of bond seam. The standard repair procedures outlined in AC43.13-1 are also applicable to cowling.

18-72. REPAIR OF REINFORCEMENT ANGLES. Cowl reinforcement angles, if damaged, must be replaced. Due to thier small size they are easier to replace than to repair.

18-73. REPAIR OF ABS COMPONENTS. Resolin Repair Kit Number 404 may be obtained from the Cessna Service Parts Center for repair of ABS components.



A	B	C	WING STATION
2.00	1.00	29.50	39.00
2.00	1.00	29.50	100.50
★ .59	1.00	24.00	207.00
● .45	1.00	24.00	207.00

★THRU 1972 MODELS

●BEGINNING WITH 1973 MODELS

ALL WING TWIST OCCURS BETWEEN STA. 100.50 AND STA. 207.00.
(Refer to paragraph 18-7).

MEASURING WING TWIST

If damage has occurred to a wing, it is advisable to check the twist. The following method can be used with a minimum of equipment, which includes a straightedge (32" minimum length of angle, or equivalent), three modified bolts for a specific wing, and a protractor head with level.

1. Check chart for applicable dimension for bolt length (A or B).
2. Grind bolt shanks to a rounded point as illustrated, checking length periodically.
3. Tape two bolts to straightedge according to dimension C.
4. Locate inboard wing station to be checked and make a pencil mark approximately one-half inch aft of the lateral row of rivets in the wing leading edge spar flange.
5. Holding straightedge parallel to wing station (stating as clear as possible from "cans"), place longer bolt on pencil mark and set protractor head against lower edge of straightedge.
6. Set bubble in level to center and lock protractor to hold this reading.
7. Omitting step 6, repeat procedure for each wing station, using dimensions specified in chart. Check to see that protractor bubble is still centered.
8. Proper twist is present in wing if protractor readings are the same (parallel). Forward or aft bolt may be lowered from wing .10 inch mazimum to attain parallelism.

Figure 18-2. Checking Wing Twist

epoxy filler or a paste made of the plastic shavings and the solvent. Again, the crack may be reinforced with a doubler on the back side for additional strength. After the repair has been made, the area may be sanded smooth and painted. Parts that are extensively damaged require replacement instead of repair.

18-74. REPAIR OF GLASS-FIBER CONSTRUCTED COMPONENTS. Glass-fiber constructed components on the aircraft may be repaired as stipulated in instructions furnished in Service Kit SK182-12. Observe the resin manufacturer's recommendations concerning mixing and application of the resin. Epoxy resins are preferable for making repairs, since epoxy compounds are usually more stable and predictable than polyester and, in addition, give better adhesion.

BALANCING PROCEDURES

1. Balance control surfaces in an enclosed draft free area.

2. Control surface to be balanced must be in the final flight configuration, painted (if applicable) trim tabs installed, and all foreign matter removed from inside control surface.

3. If control surface is to be painted remove all existing paint prior to repainting and rebalancing. Good workmanship and standard repair practices should not result in excessive additional balance weight.

4. Place balancing mandrels (detail B) on a table or other suitable FLAT, LEVELED surface. Mandrels must be placed at 90° to the hinge line of the control surface.

5. On control surfaces with the piano type hinges, insert inboard and outboard hinges into slotted ends of the balancing mandrels, making sure that balancing mandrels are 90° to the hinge line. On control surfaces with the bearing type hinge point, bolts or pins are inserted through the attaching brackets, then placed on the knife edges of the mandrels as illustrated in (detail H).

6. AILERONS.

   a.

   (1) Block up the trailing edge of the aileron until a spirit-level protractor placed on the front face of the aileron spar at W.S. 154.00 (± 6.00), (detail E), indicates 57° 10', (detail D).

   (2) ALTERNATE METHOD:
   Measure the vertical distance from the aileron hinge point to the leveled surface. Subtract 1.80 inches, then block up trailing edge of the aileron to this measurement.

   b. With the aileron blocked in position place the balancing beam (detail A) at W.S. 154.00, (90° to the hinge line), and adjust the trailing edge support on the balancing beam (detail D) until the beam is level. If the aileron has not been disturbed during this operation, the beam is now parallel to the aileron chord line at W.S. 154.00 (detail D).

   NOTE

   The above procedure must be performed with care. Small angular discrepancies will produce large balancing errors.

   c. Remove balancing beam and balance the beam by itself at the knife edges by adding washers as shown, (detail C).

   d. Place the balancing beam on the aileron in its original position, then remove the blocks from beneath the trailing edge.

   e. Place the sliding weight (detail D) on the forward end of the balancing beam, moving it along the beam until the beam is again level. A small, lightweight, spirit-level may be used for this purpose provided it is symmetrical about its bubble reference and this reference is placed on the beam directly over the aileron hinge line (detail D).

   f. If aileron is correctly balanced, the position of the sliding weight with respect to the aileron hinge line, will produce a moment about the hinge line somewhere within the underbalance tolerance listed in the chart on (Sheet 5 of 5).

   g. If modification of the aileron balance weight is necessary to correct an out-of-tolerance condition, the balance weight can be lightened by drilling out part of the weight on the inboard end. The weight can be increased by a reasonable amount by ordering additional weight and gang channel listed in the applicable Parts Catalog, and installing next to the inboard weight the minimum amount necessary for correct balance. The minimum amount that must be installed, however, must contain at least two attaching rivets. If this minimum amount results in an over-balanced condition, the new weight and/or old weights can be lightened.

Figure 18-3. Control Surface Balancing (Sheet 1 of 5)

7. RUDDER AND ELEVATORS.

a. With the rudder/elevator set upon a FLAT, LEVELED surface, block up the trailing edge until a center line through the attaching bolt and the trailing edge is equal distance from the leveling surface (detail H).

b. Place the balancing beam (detail A) on the rudder/elevator near the center attaching bracket, (90° to the hinge line). Adjust the trailing edge support on the balancing beam (detail H) until the beam is level. If the rudder/elevator has not been disturbed during this operation, the beam is now parallel to the chord line of the rudder/elevator.

NOTE

The above procedure must be performed with care. Small angular discrepancies will produce large balancing errors.

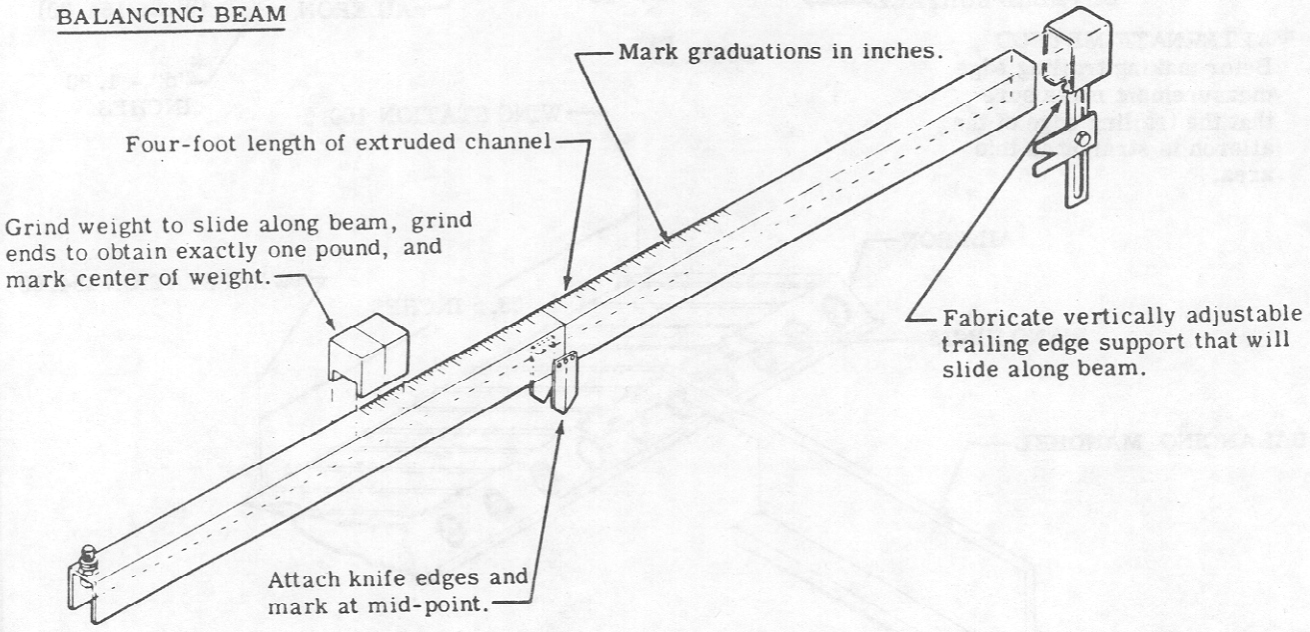
c. Mark position of the balancing beam, then remove and balance the beam by itself at the knife edges by adding washers as shown in (detail C).

d. Place the balancing beam on the rudder/elevator in its original position, then remove the block from beneath the trailing edge.

e. Place the sliding weight (detail H) on the forward end of the balance beam, move it along the beam until the beam is again level. A small, lightweight, spirit-level may be used for this purpose provided it is symmetrical about its bubble reference and this reference is placed on the beam directly over the rudder/elevator hinge line (detail H).

f. If the rudder/elevator is correctly balanced, the position of the sliding weight with respect to the rudder/elevator hinge line, will produce a moment about the hinge line somewhere within the underbalance tolerance listed in the chart on (Sheet 5 of 5).

g. If modification of the rudder/elevator balance weight is necessary to correct an out-of-balance condition, the balance weight can be lightened by drilling out part of the weight. The weight can be increased by fusing bar stock solder to the weight after removal from rudder/elevator.



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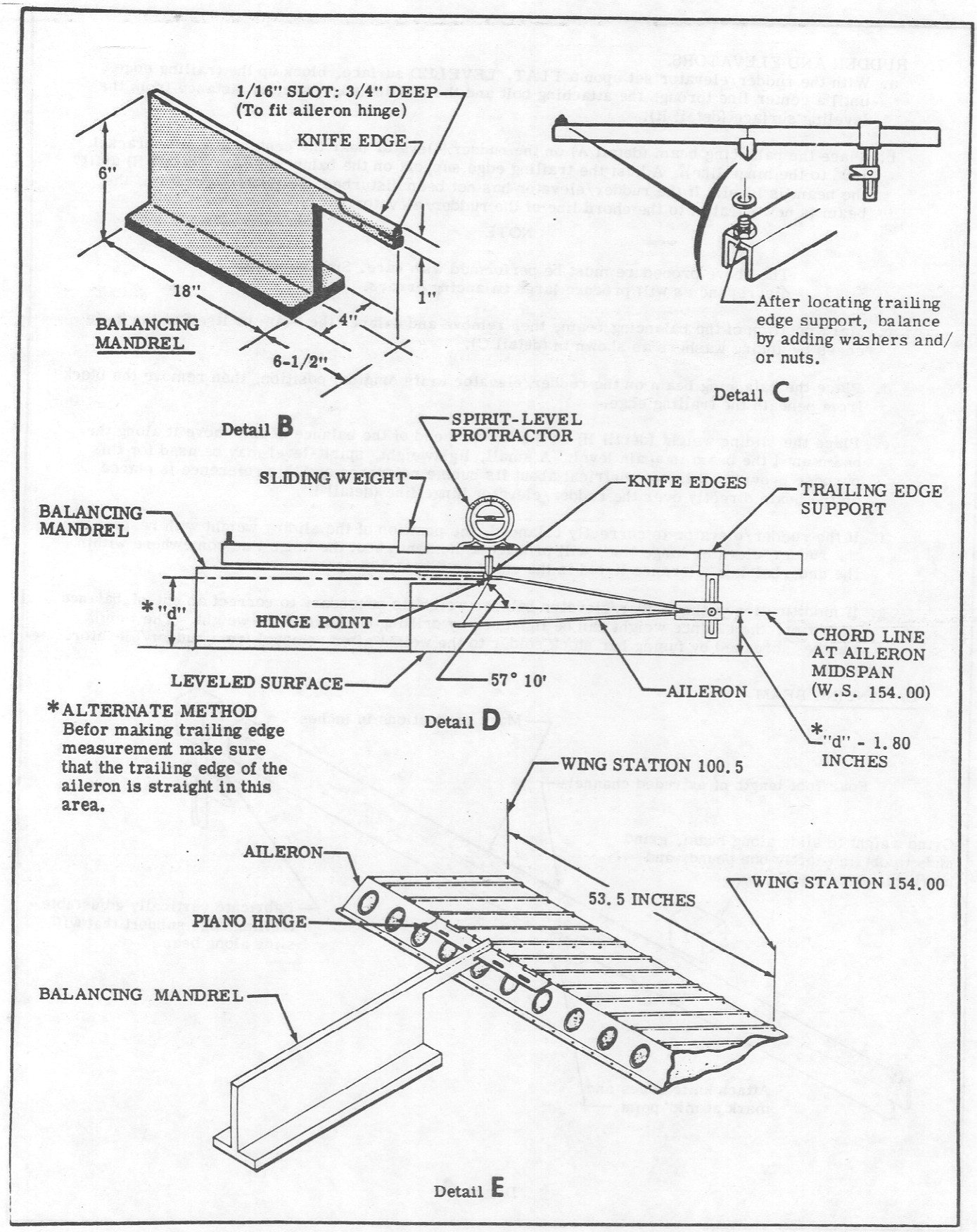

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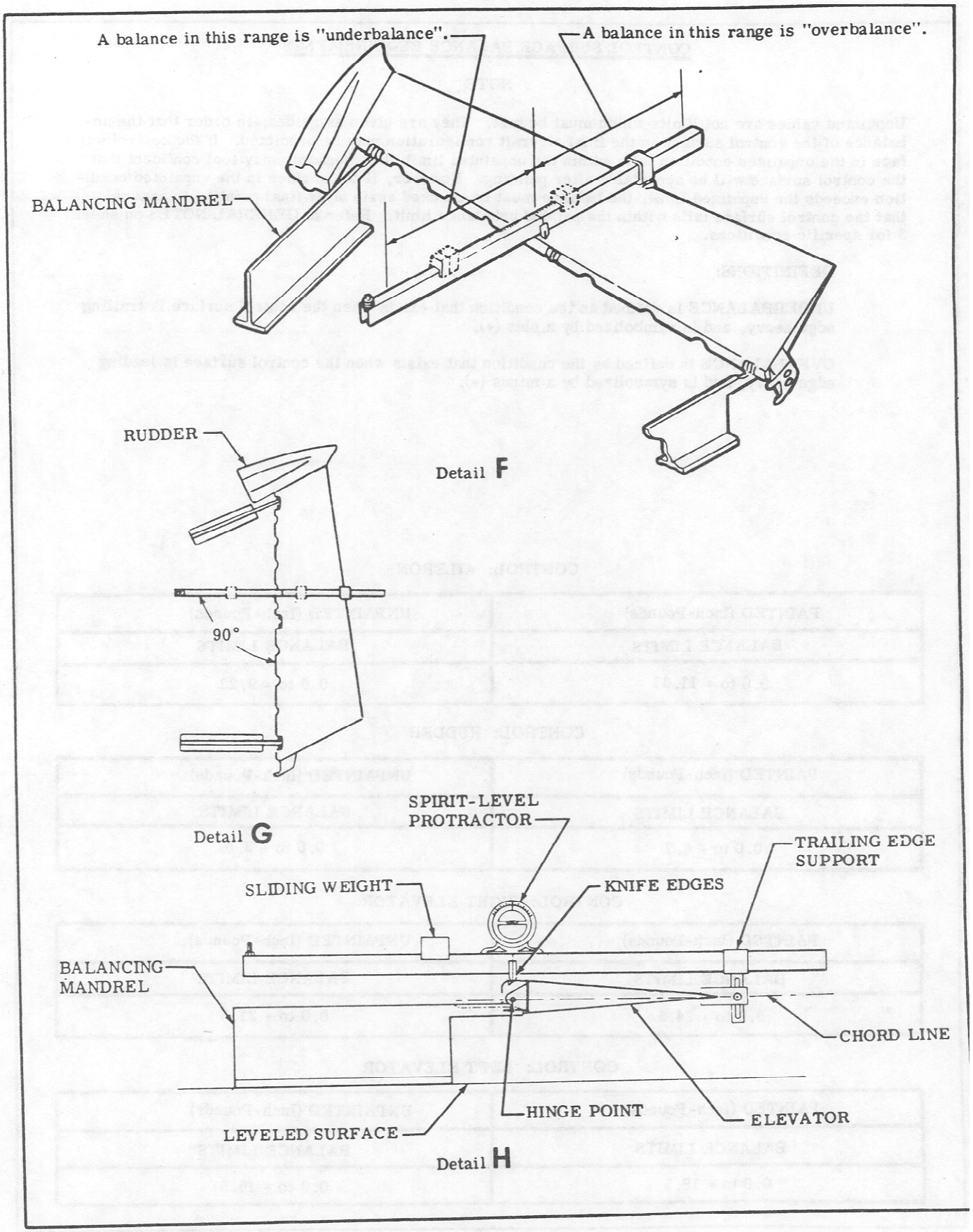


Figure 18-3. Control Surface Balancing (Sheet 4 of 5)

CONTROL SURFACE BALANCE REQUIREMENTS

NOTE

Unpainted values are not limits which must be met. They are given as guides, in order that the unbalance of the control surface in the final aircraft configuration may be predicted. If the control surface in the unpainted condition falls within the unpainted limit, the mechanic may feel confident that the control surface will be acceptable after painting. However, if the surface in the unpainted condition exceeds the unpainted limit, the balance must be checked again after final painting to assure that the control surface falls within the painted unbalance limit. Refer to GENERAL NOTES on sheet 3 for specific conditions.

DEFINITIONS:

UNDERBALANCE is defined as the condition that exists when the control surface is trailing edge heavy, and is symbolized by a plus (+).

OVERBALANCE is defined as the condition that exists when the control surface is leading edge heavy, and is symbolized by a minus (-).

CONTROL: AILERON

PAINTED (Inch-Pounds)	UNPAINTED (Inch-Pounds)
BALANCE LIMITS	BALANCE LIMITS
0.0 to + 11.31	0.0 to + 9.23

CONTROL: RUDDER

PAINTED (Inch-Pounds)	UNPAINTED (Inch-Pounds)
BALANCE LIMITS	BALANCE LIMITS
0.0 to + 6.7	0.0 to + 3.61

CONTROL: RIGHT ELEVATOR

PAINTED (Inch-Pounds)	UNPAINTED (Inch-Pounds)
BALANCE LIMITS	BALANCE LIMITS
0.0 to + 24.5	0.0 to + 21.5

CONTROL: LEFT ELEVATOR

PAINTED (Inch-Pounds)	UNPAINTED (Inch-Pounds)
BALANCE LIMITS	BALANCE LIMITS
0.0 to + 18.5	0.0 to + 15.5

Figure 18-3. Control Surface Balancing (Sheet 5 of 5)

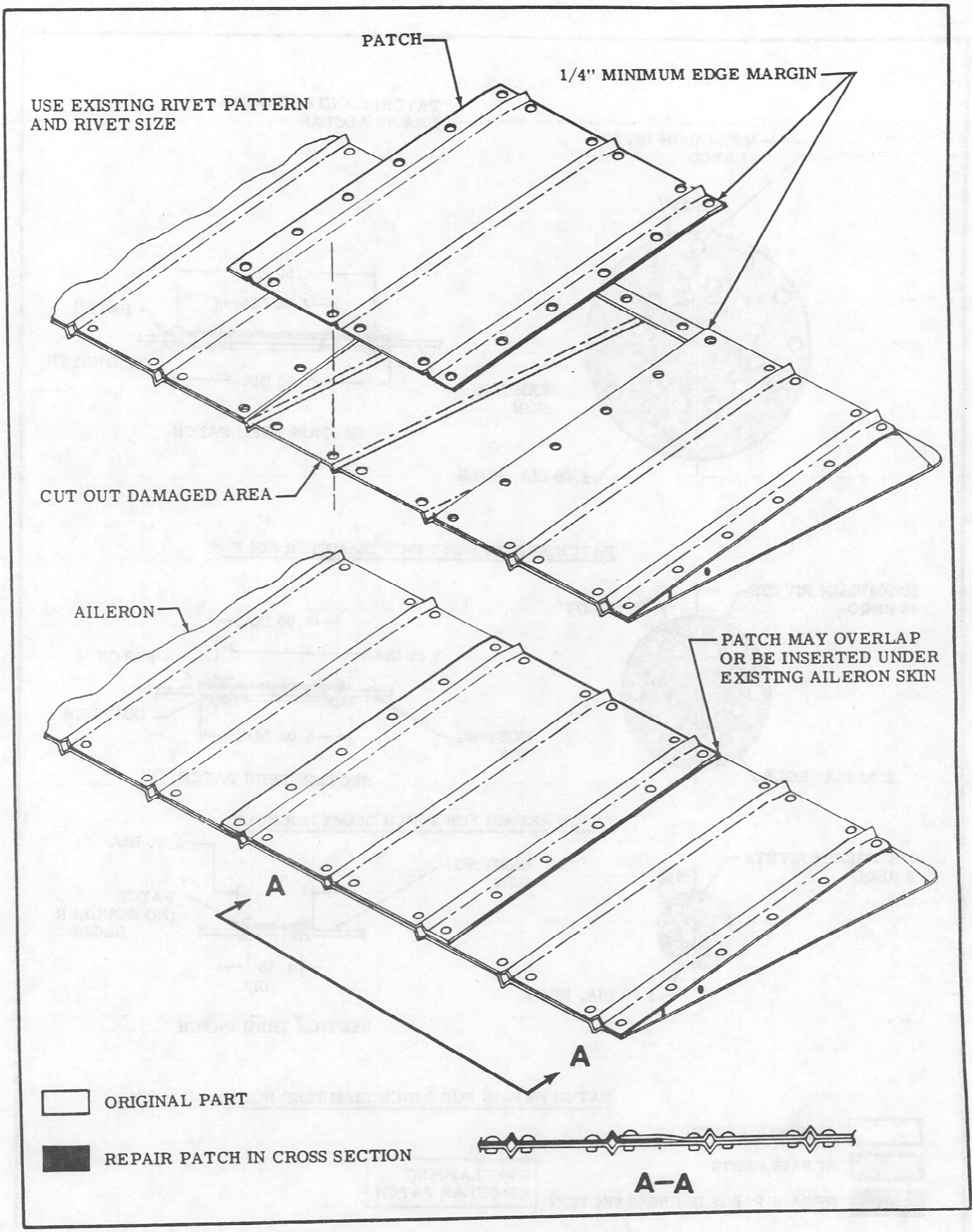
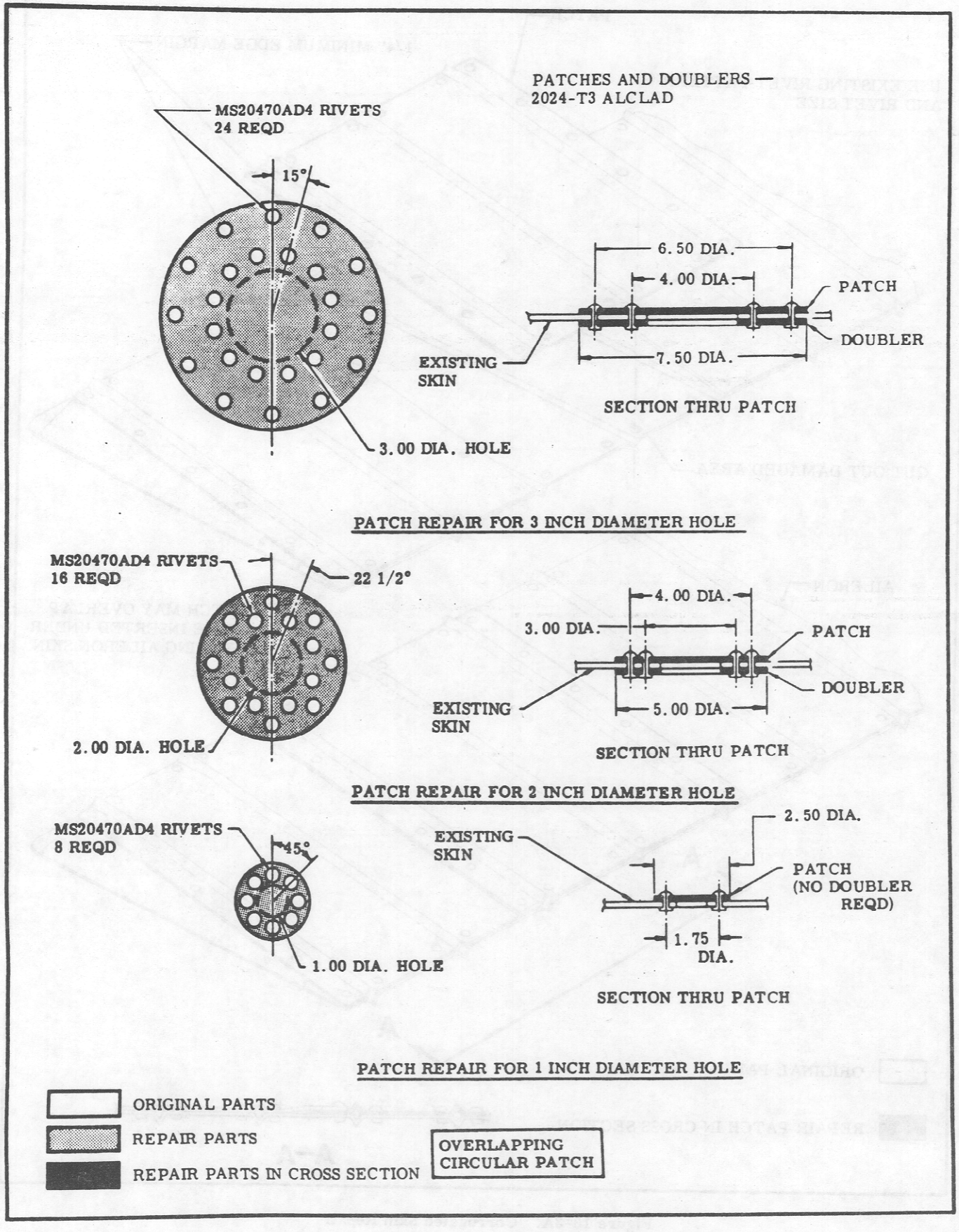


Figure 18-3A. Corrugated Skin Repair



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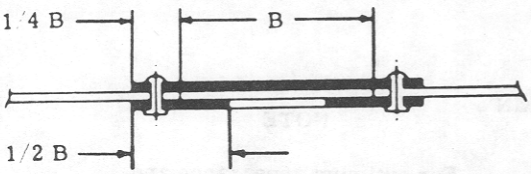
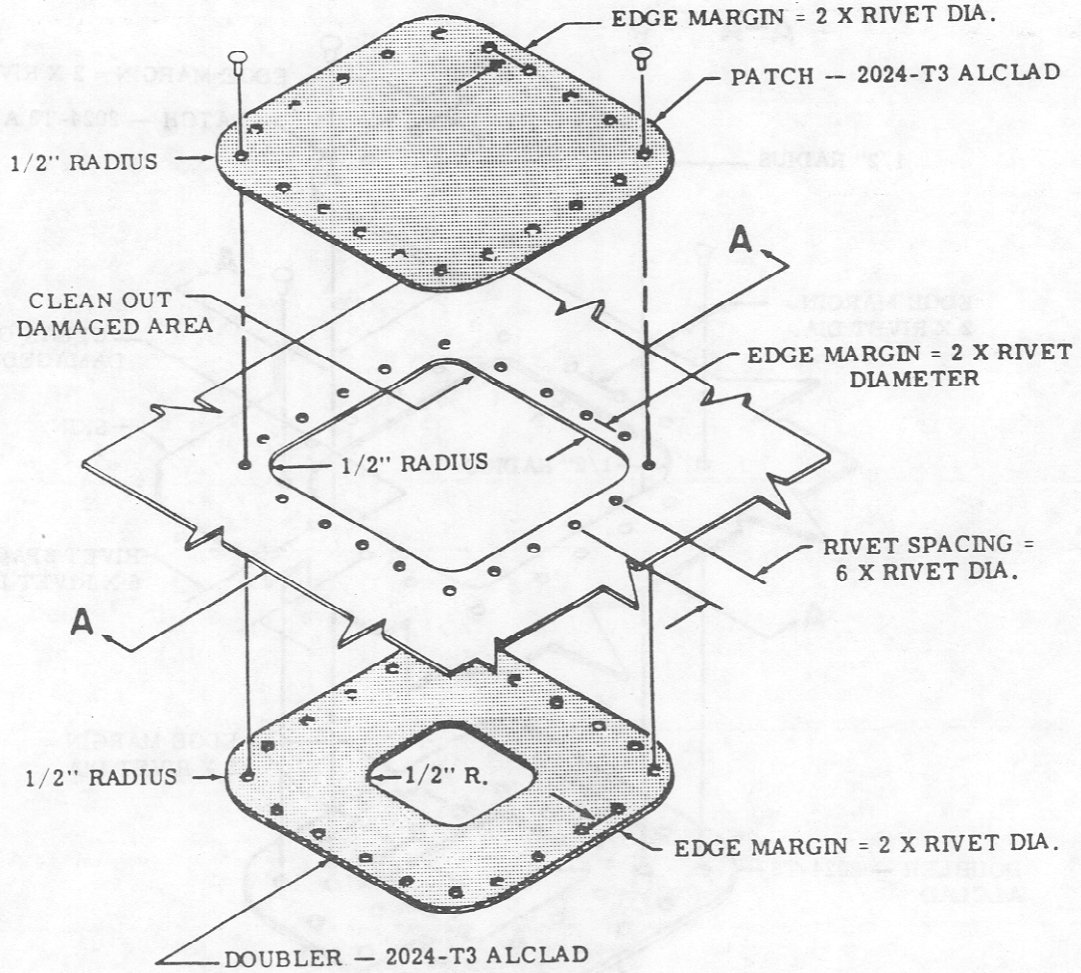


SECTION THRU ASSEMBLED PATCH

A–A



OVERLAPPING RECTANGULAR PATCH

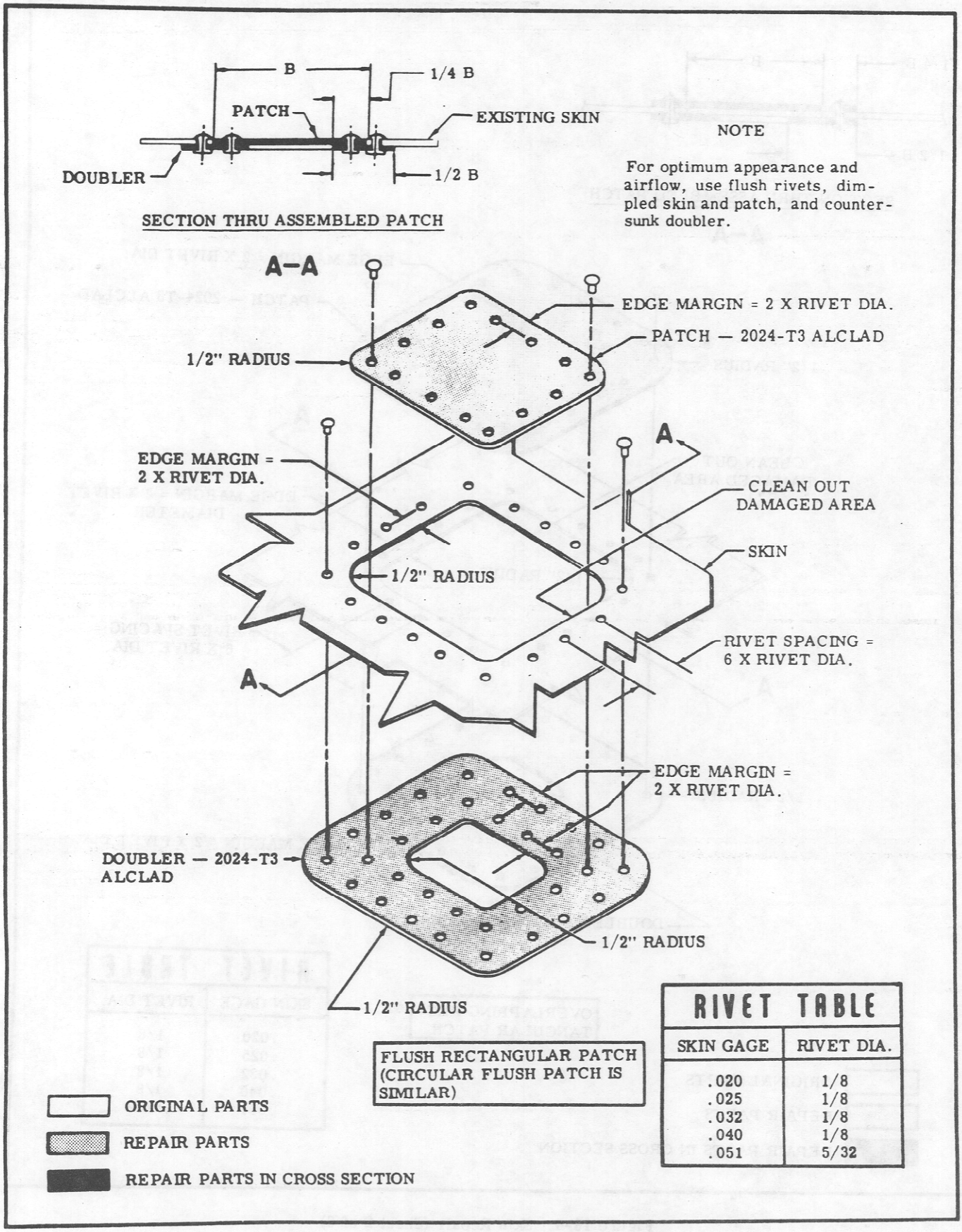
RIVET TABLE	
SKIN GAGE	RIVET DIA.
.020	1/8
.025	1/8
.032	1/8
.040	1/8
.051	5/32

ORIGINAL PARTS

REPAIR PARTS

REPAIR PARTS IN CROSS SECTION

Figure 18-4. Skin Repair (Sheet 2 of 6)



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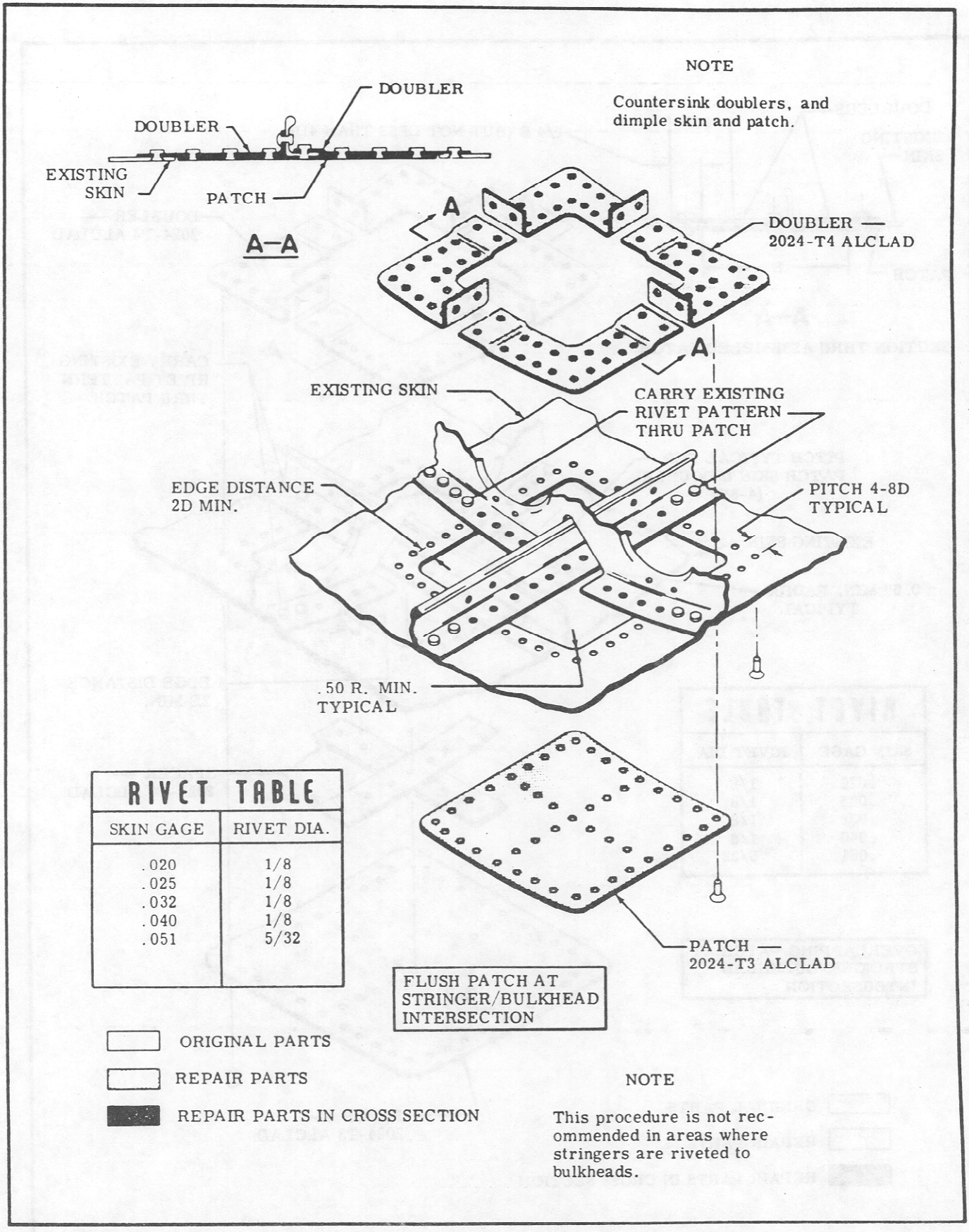

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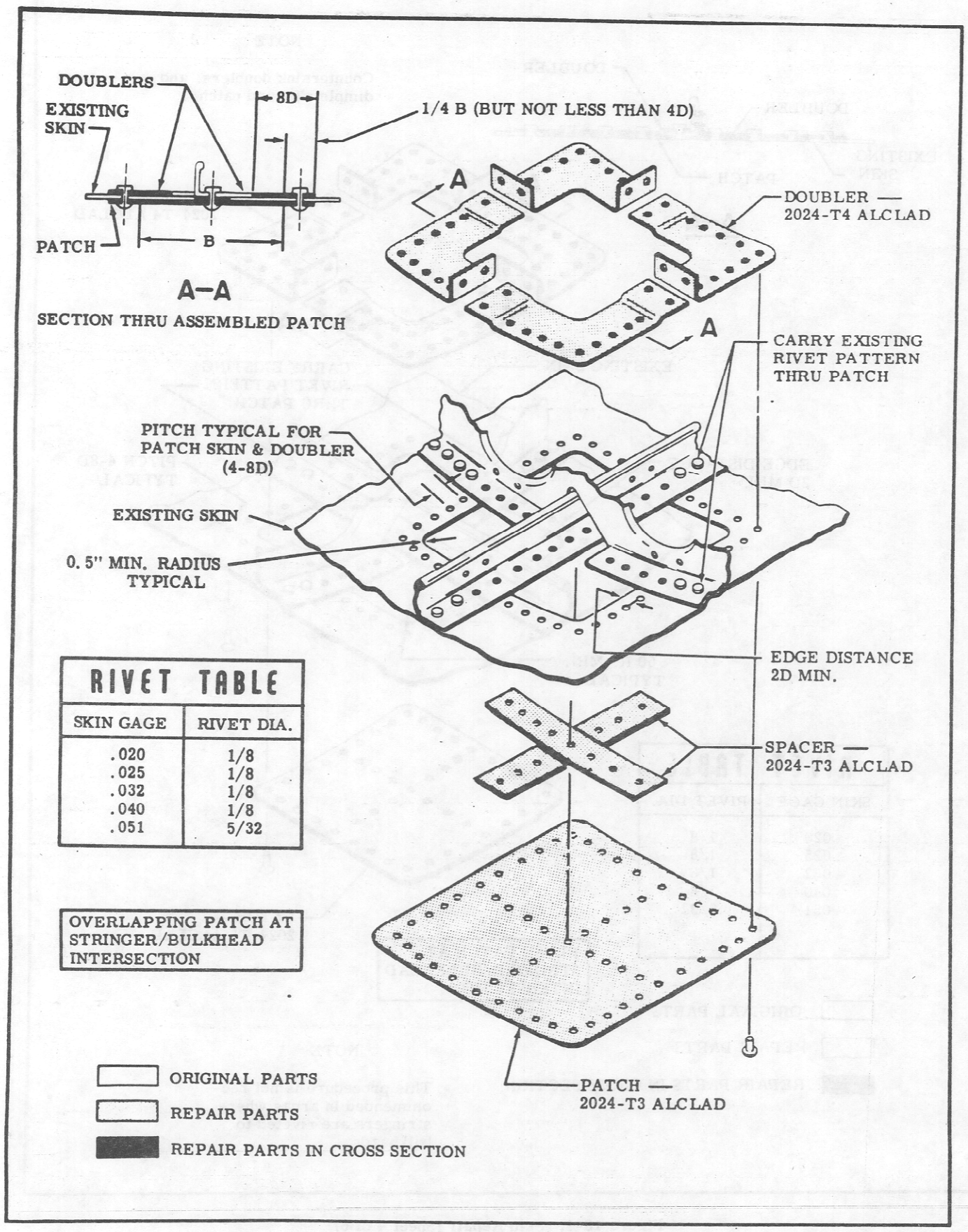

RIVET TABLE	
SKIN GAGE	RIVET DIA.
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.025	1/8
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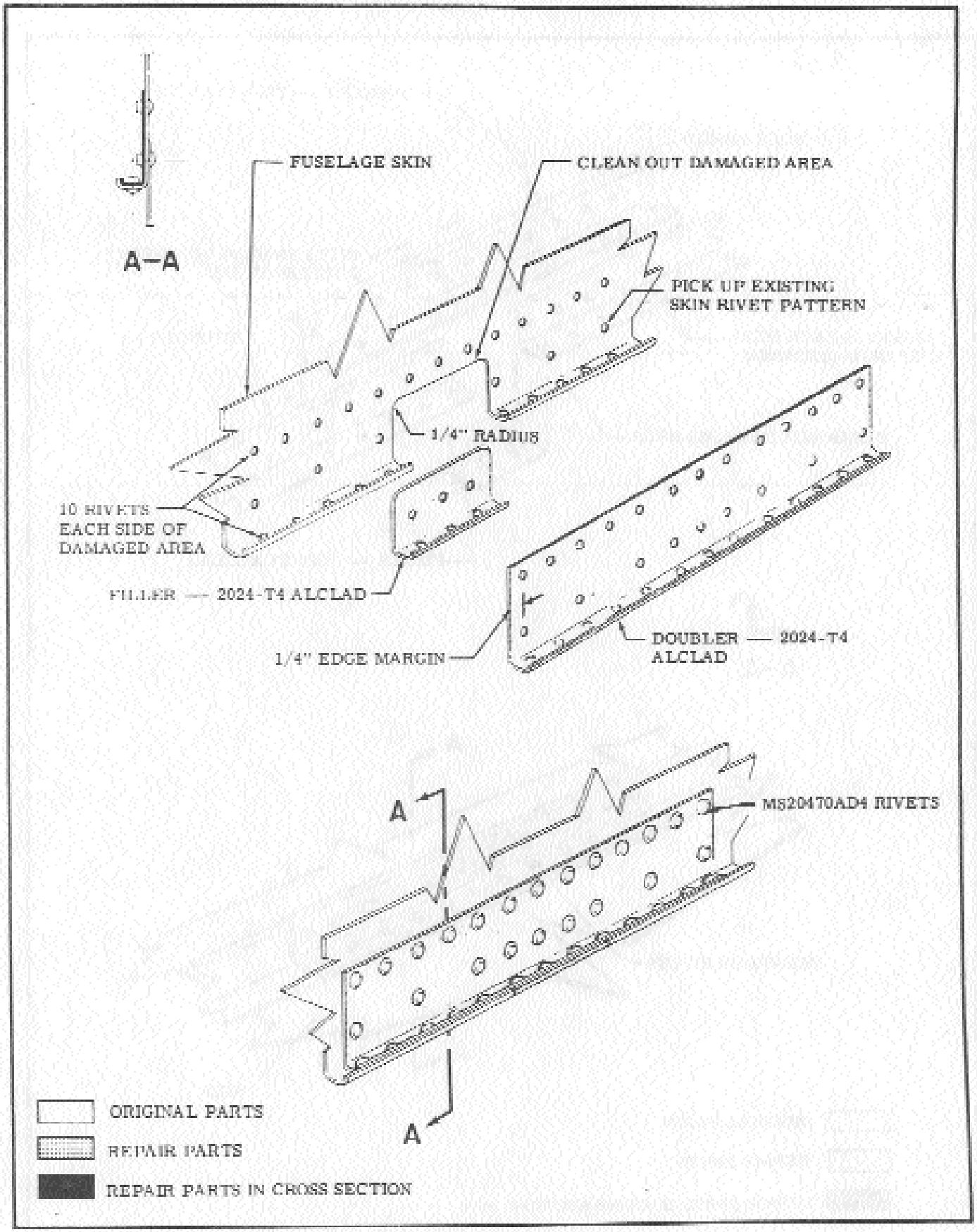
OVERLAPPING PATCH AT STRINGER/BULKHEAD INTERSECTION

Figure 18-4. Skin Repair (Sheet 5 of 6)



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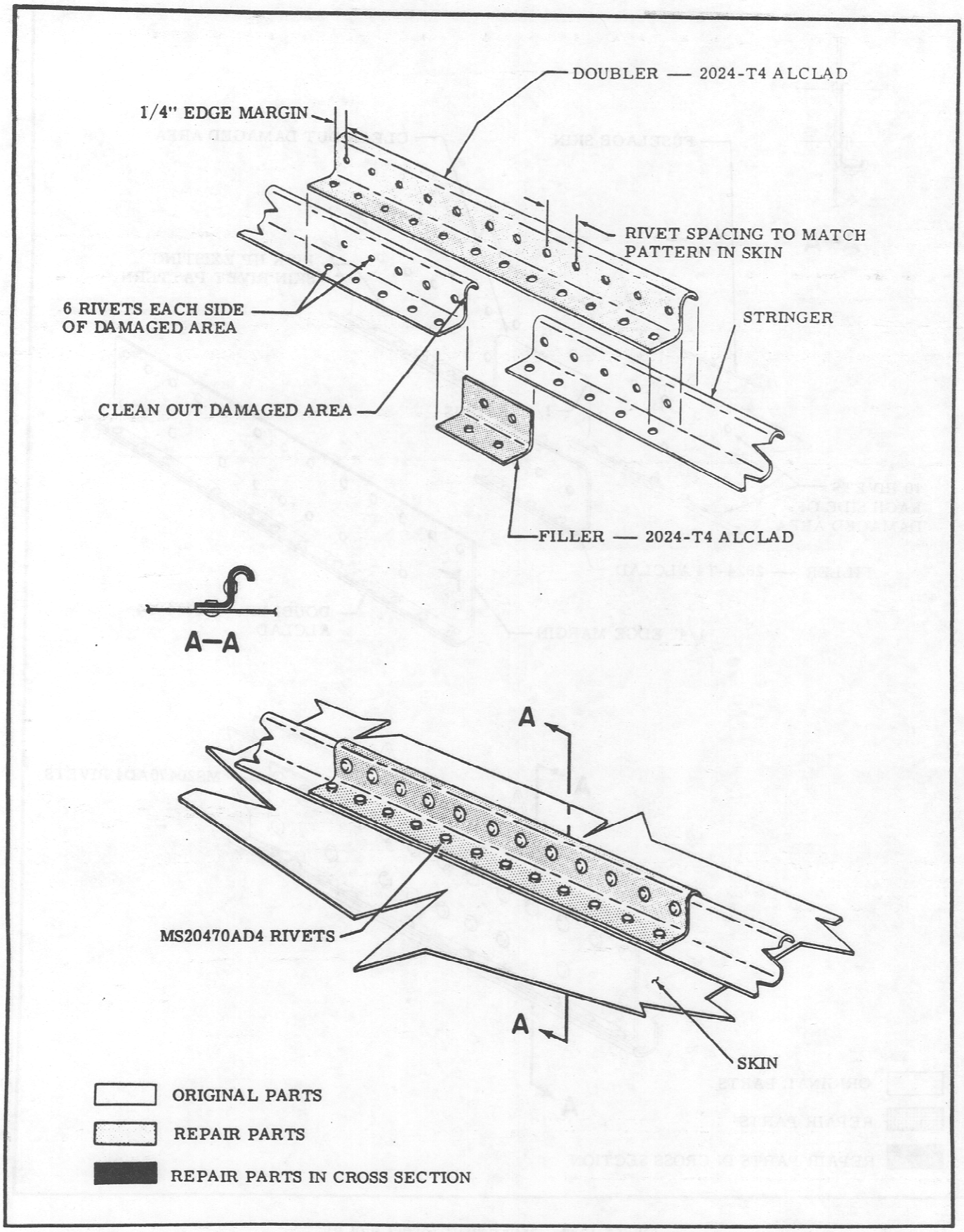
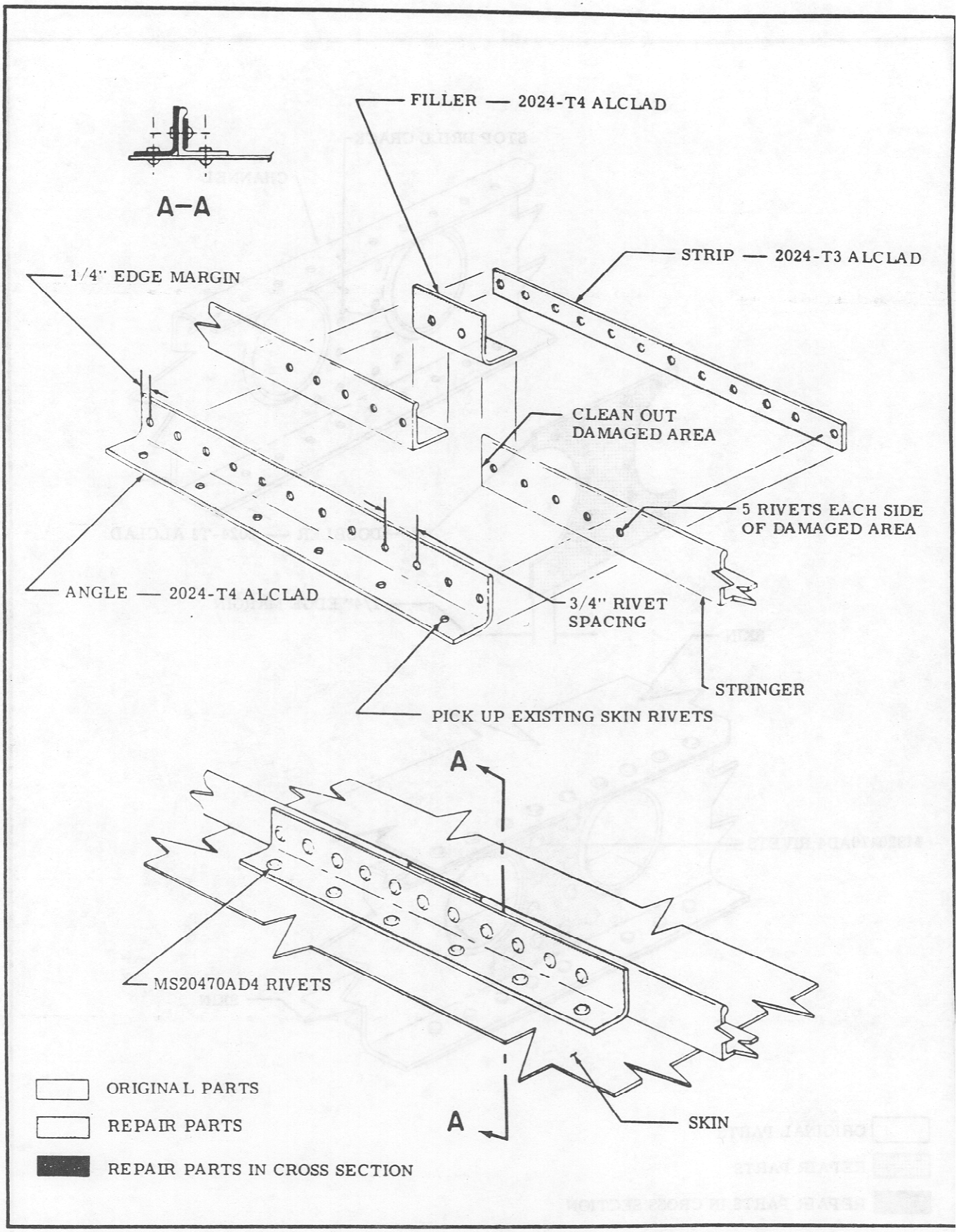


Figure 18-5. Stringer and Channel Repair (Sheet 1 of 4)



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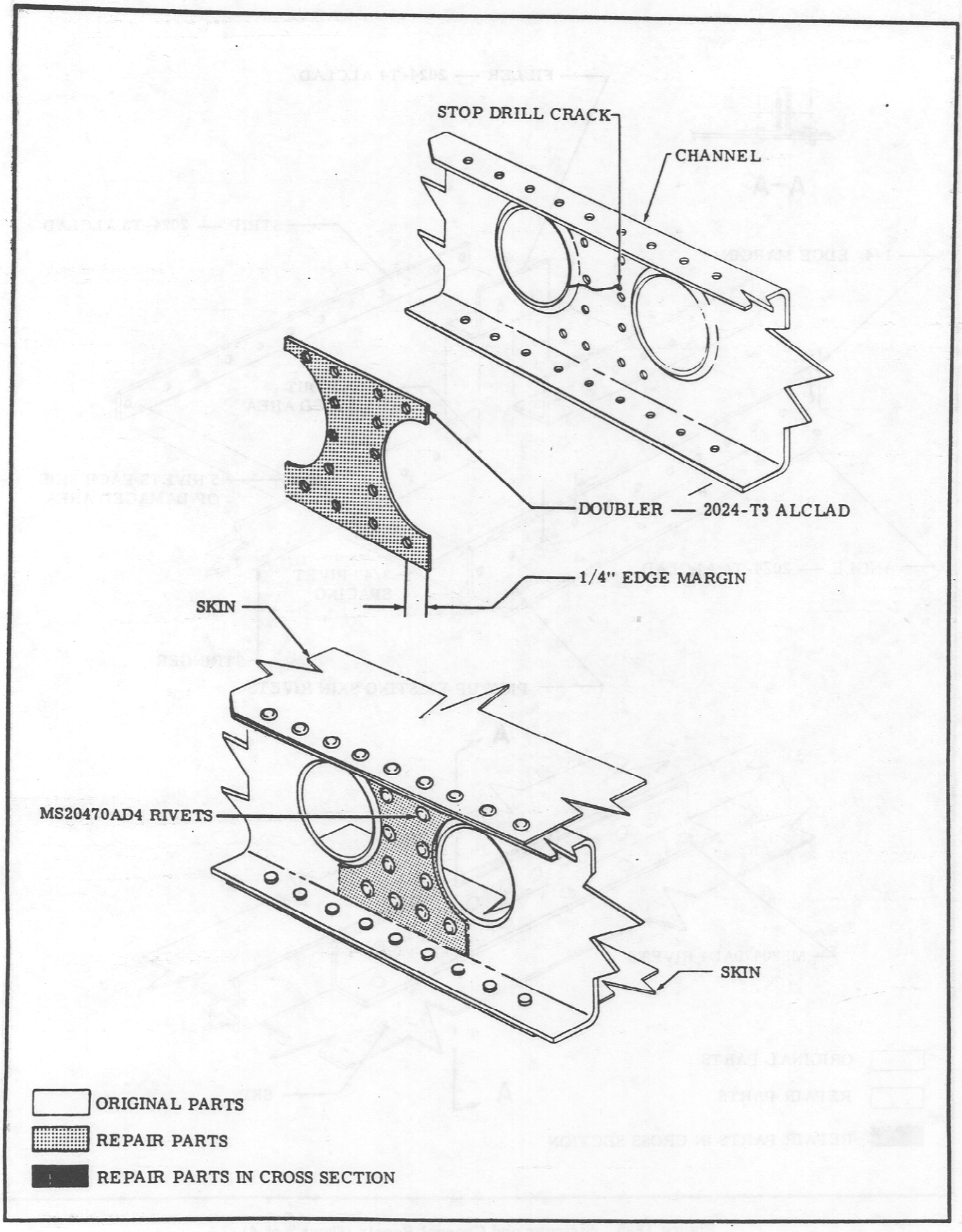

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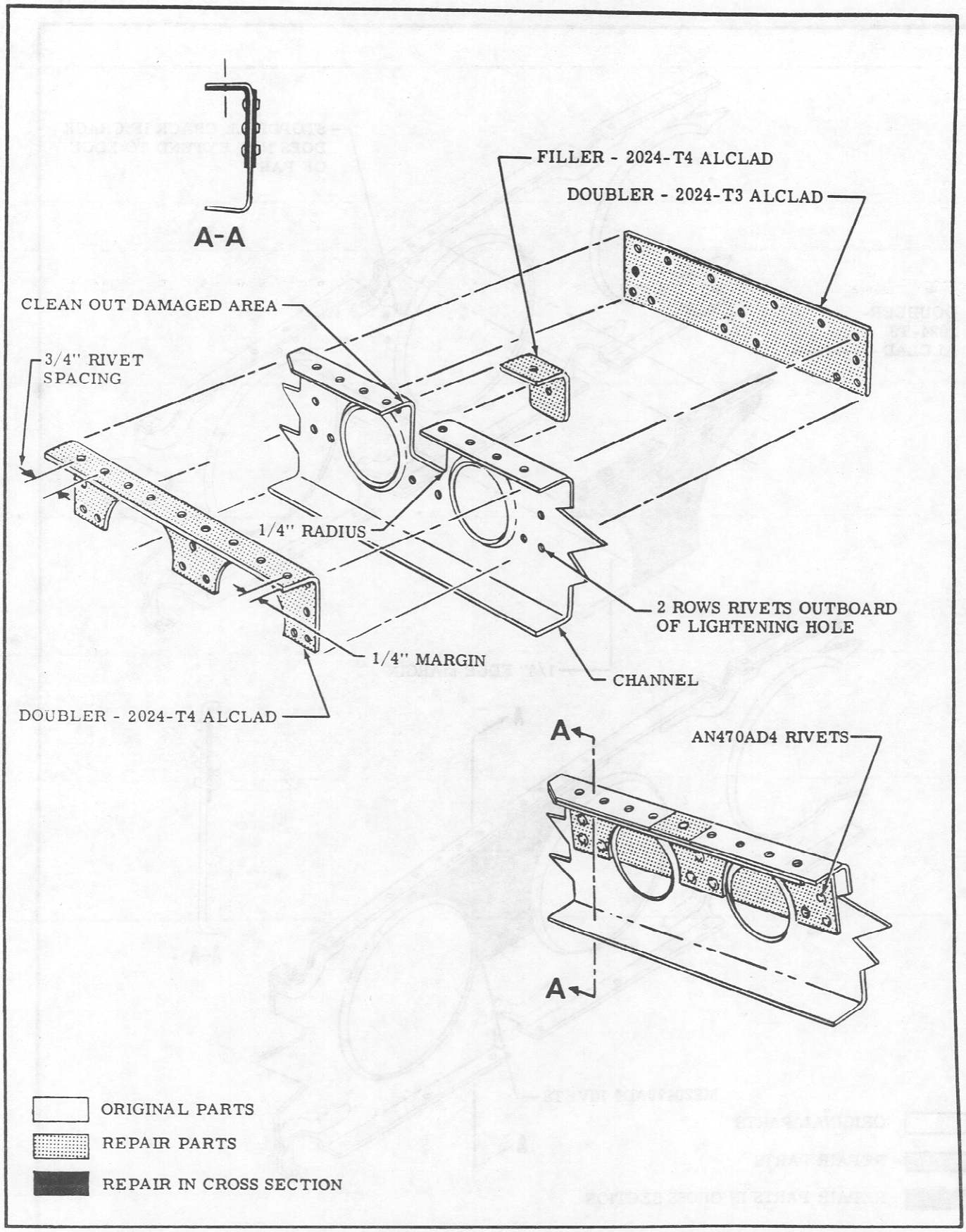

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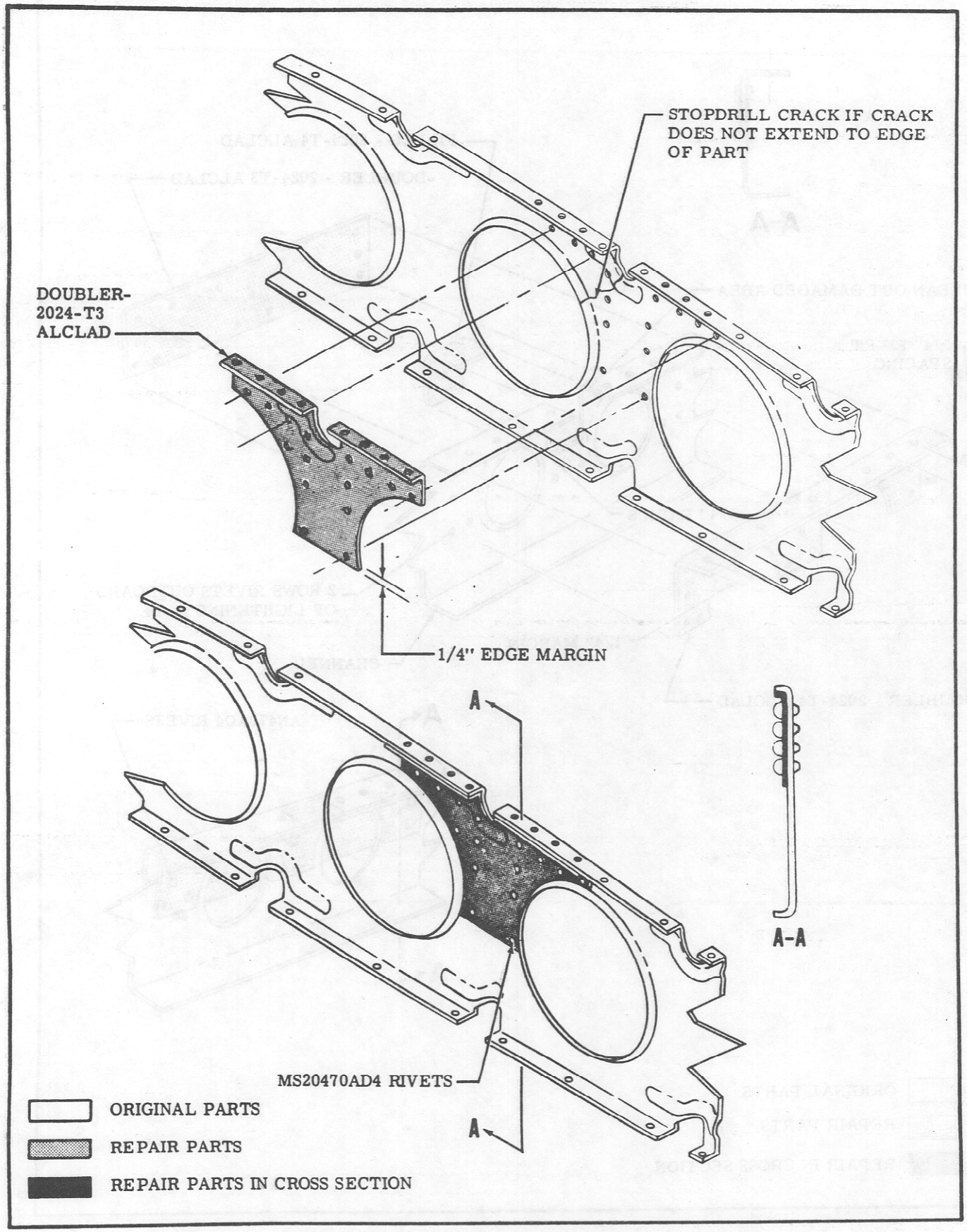

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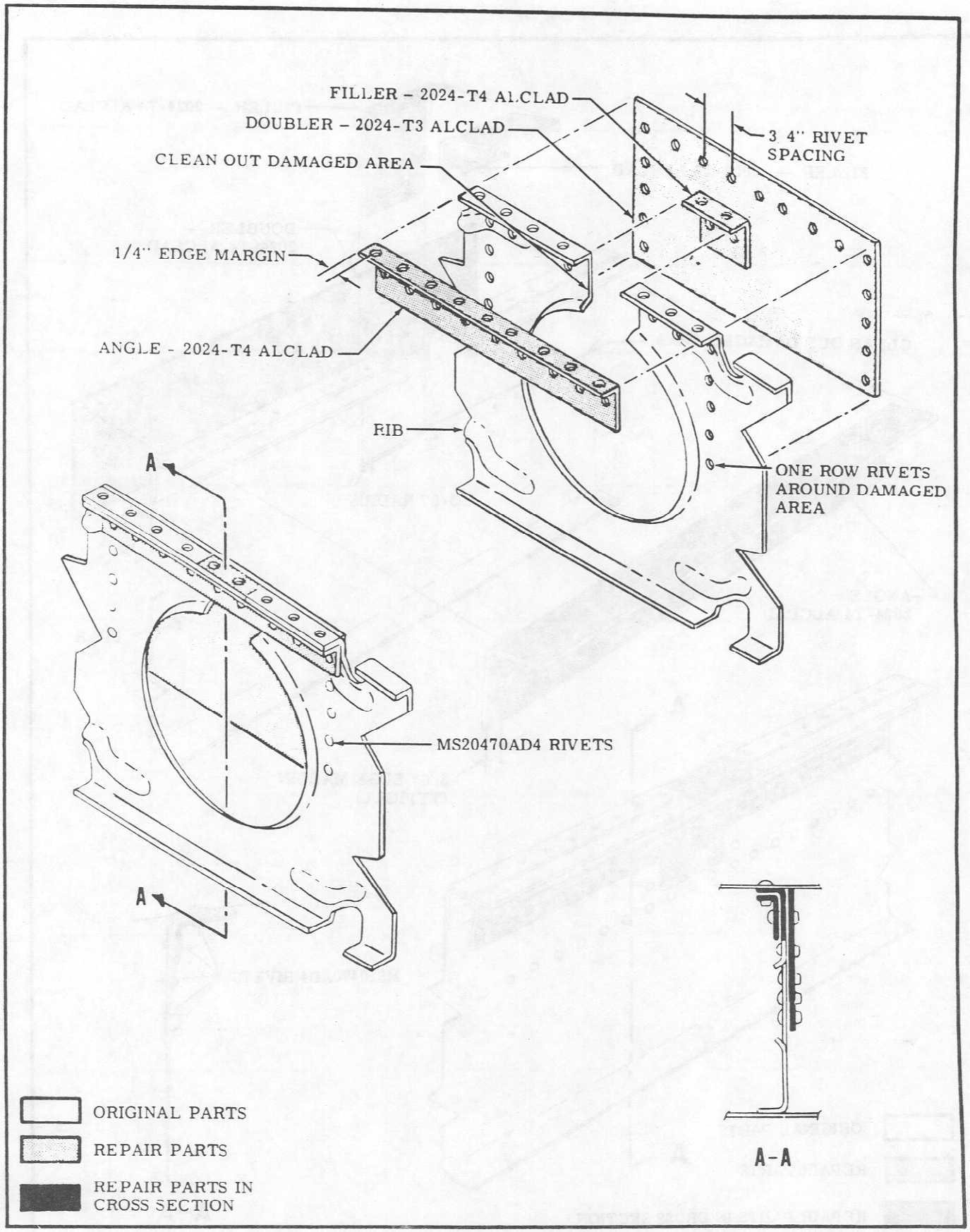

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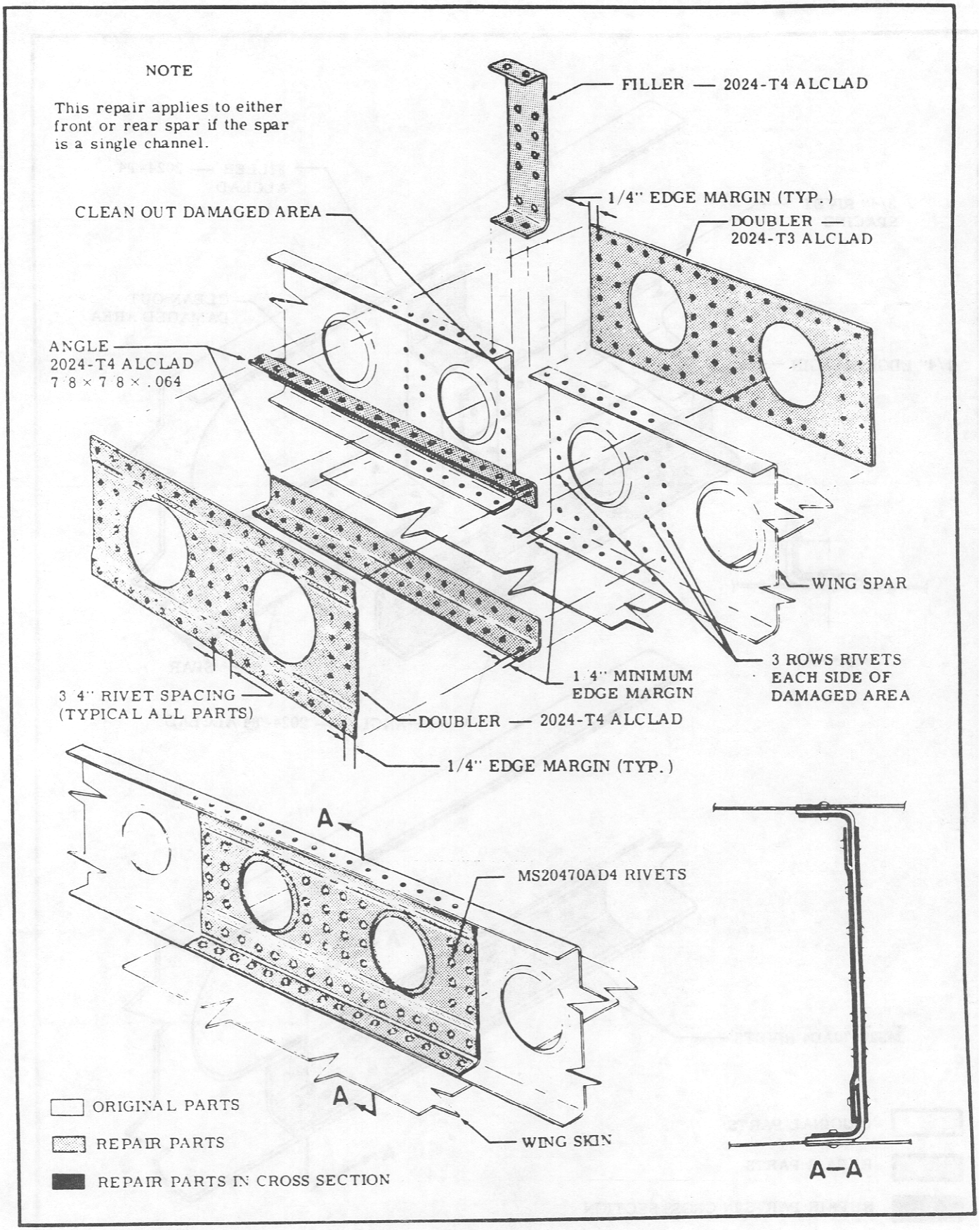


Figure 18-7. Wing Spar Repair (Sheet 2 of 3)

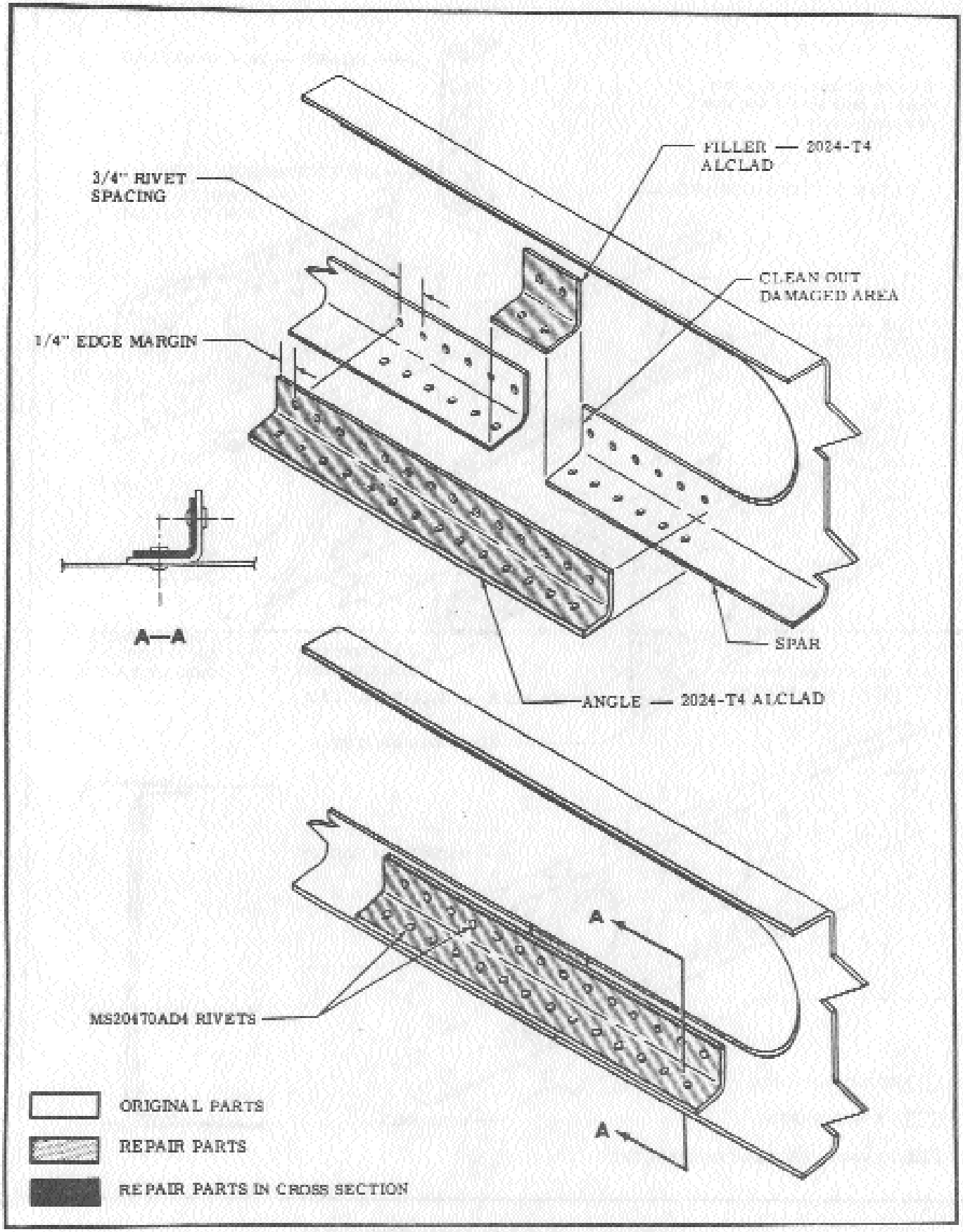


Figure 18-7. Wing Spar Repair (Sheet 3 of 3)

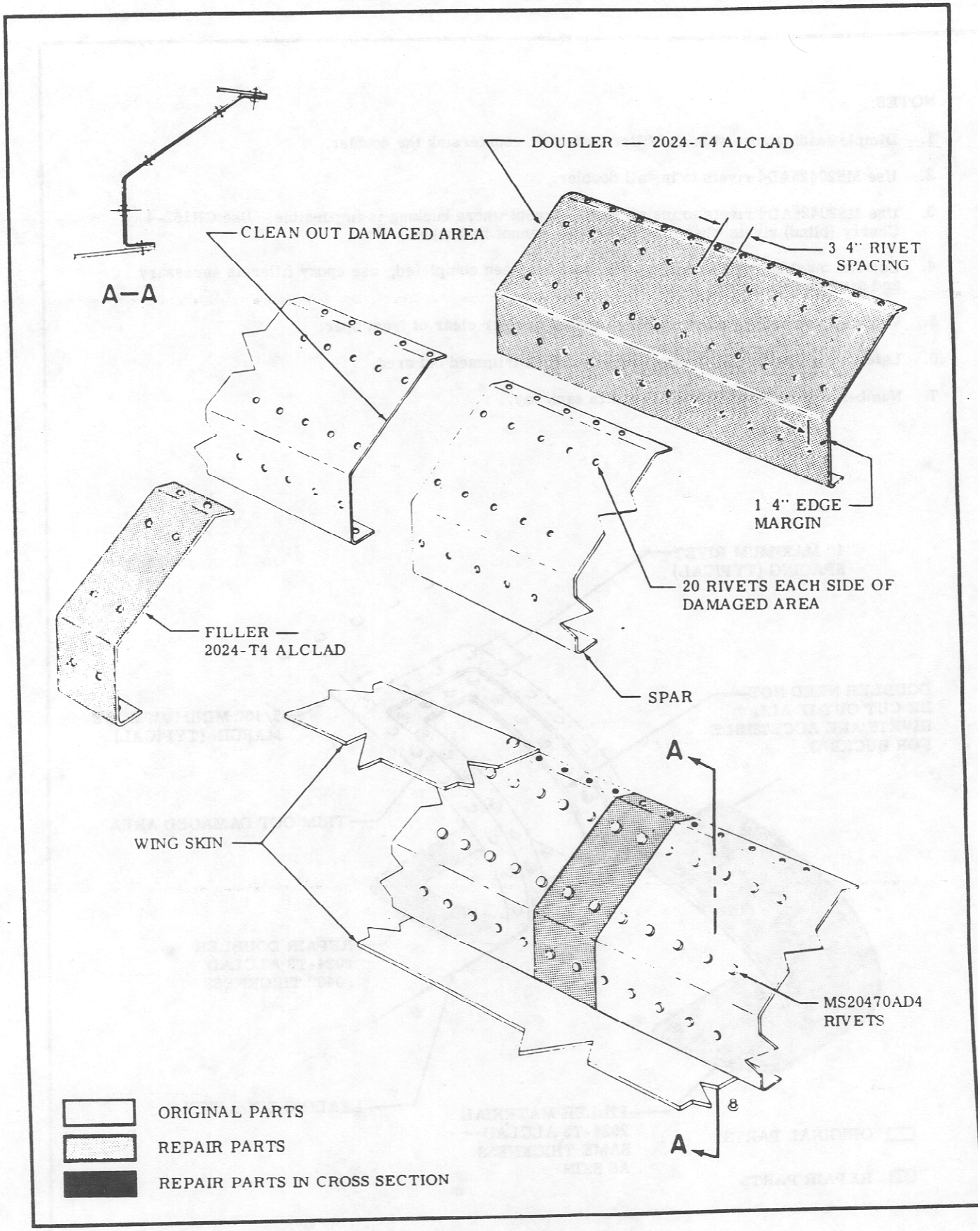


Figure 18-8. Auxiliary Spar Repair

NOTES:

1. Dimple leading edge skin and filler material; countersink the doubler.
2. Use MS20426AD4 rivets to install doubler.
3. Use MS20426AD4 rivets to install filler, except where bucking is impossible. Use CR162-4 Cherry (blind) rivets where regular rivets cannot be bucked.
4. Contour must be maintained; after repair has been completed, use epoxy filler as necessary and sand smooth before painting.
5. Vertical size is limited by ability to install doubler clear of front spar.
6. Lateral size is limited to seven inches across trimmed out area.
7. Number of repairs is limited to one in each bay.

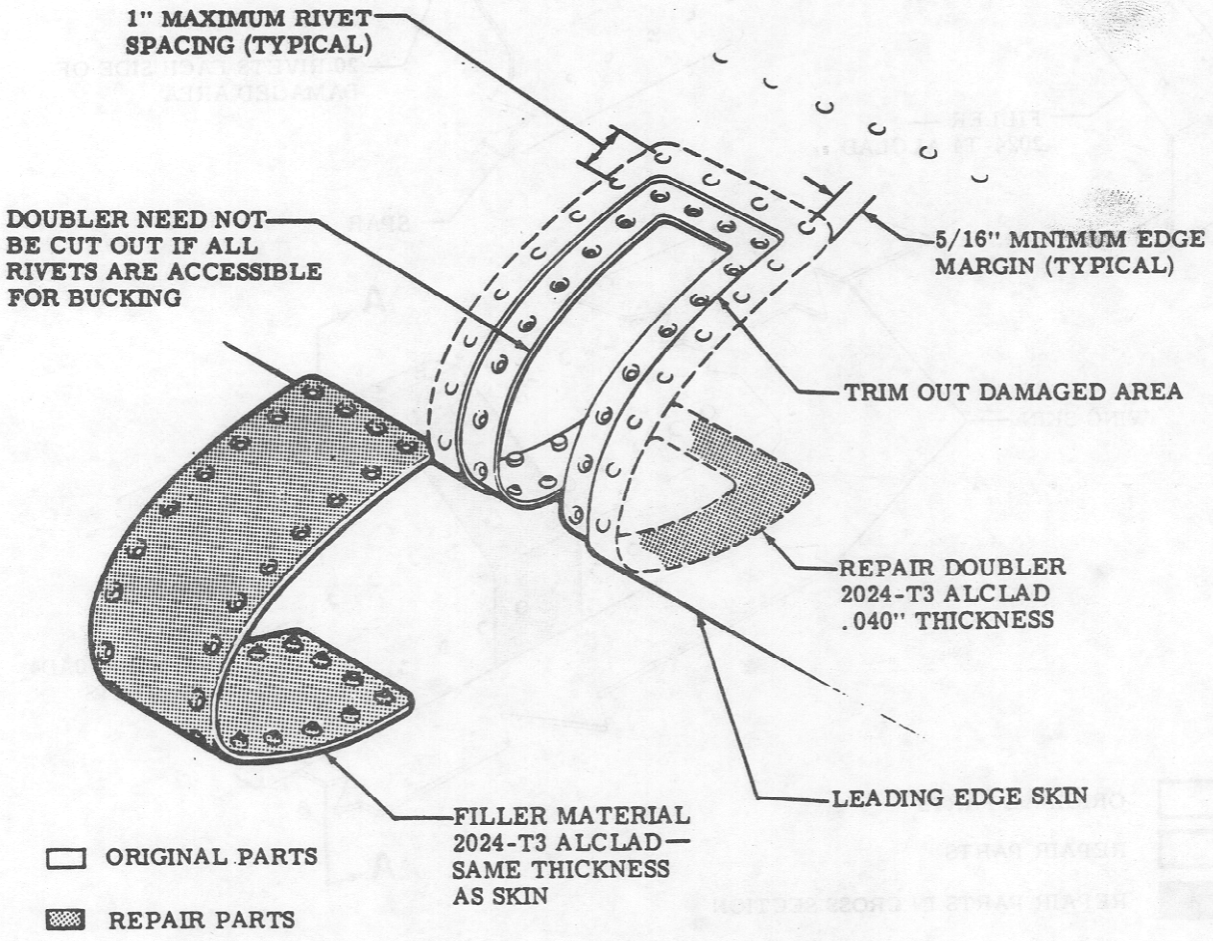


Figure 18-9. Leading Edge Repair

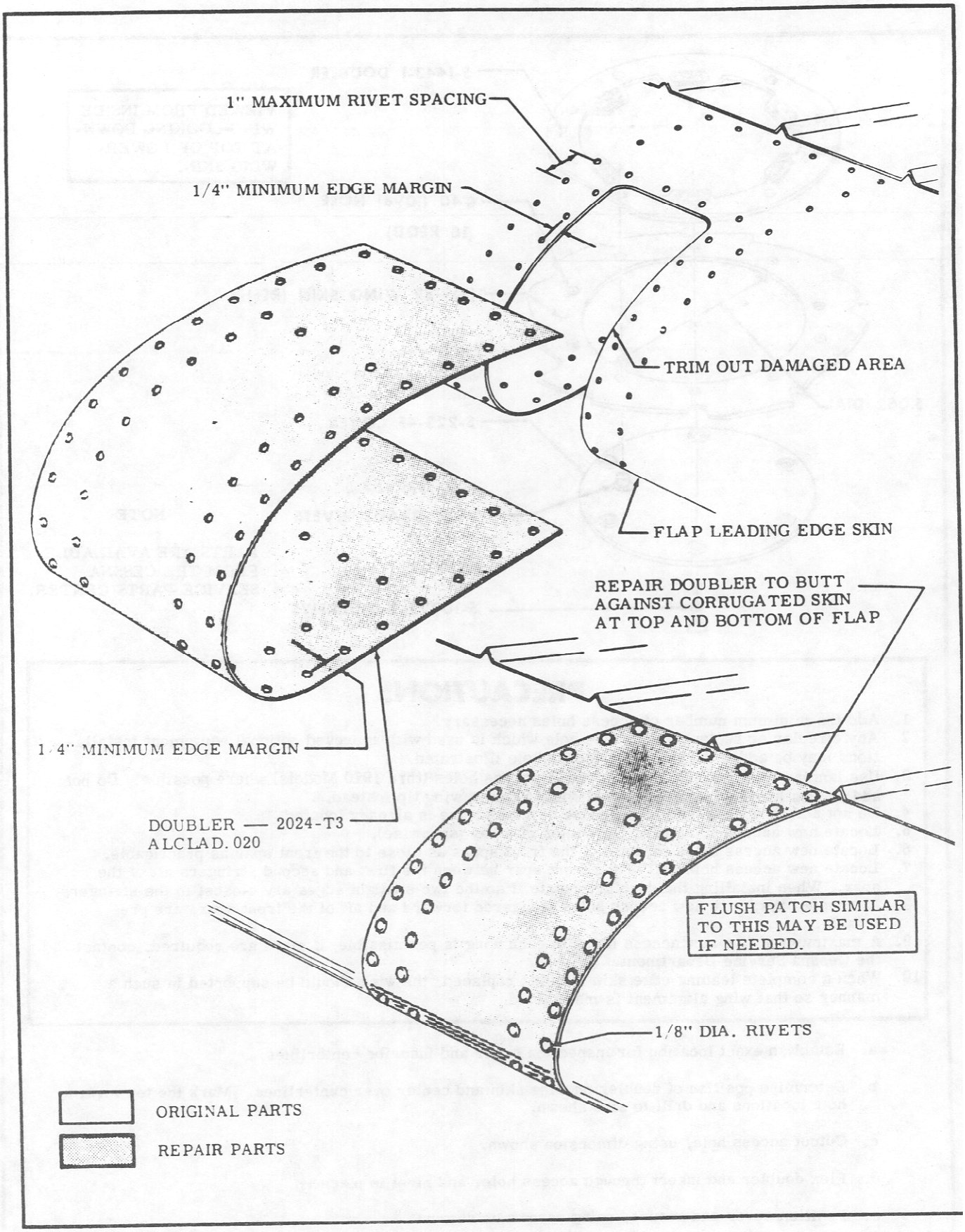
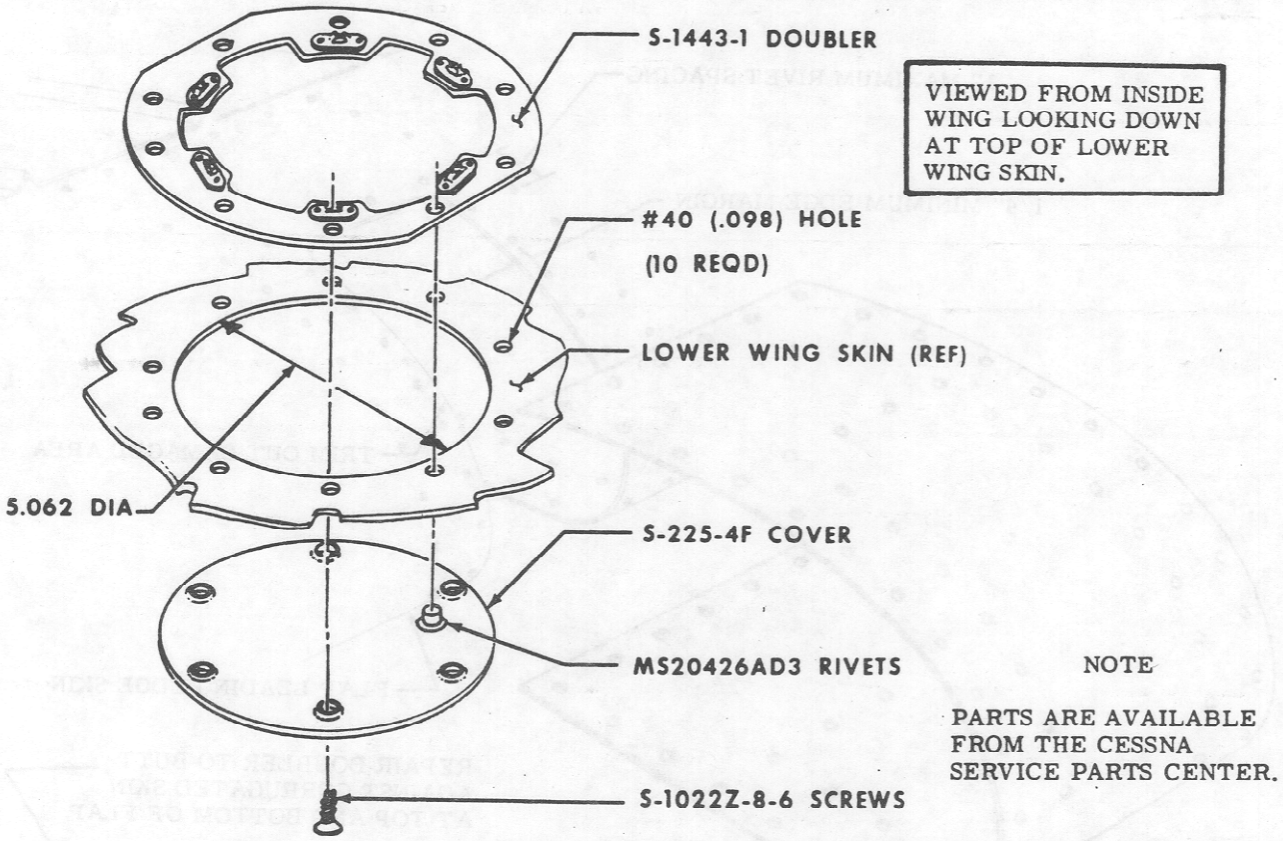


Figure 18-10. Flap Leading Edge Repair



PRECAUTIONS

1. Add the minimum number of access holes necessary.
2. Any circular or rectangular access hole which is used with approved optional equipment installations may be added in lieu of the access hole illustrated.
3. Use landing light installations instead of access holes (thru 1970 Models) where possible. Do not add access holes at outboard end of wing; remove wing tip instead.
4. Do not add an access hole in the same bay where one is already located.
5. Locate new access holes near the center of a bay (spanwise).
6. Locate new access holes forward of the front spars as close to the front spar as practicable.
7. Locate new access holes aft of the front spar between the first and second stringers aft of the spar. When installing the doubler, rotate it so the two straight edges are closest to the stringers.
8. Alternate bays, with new access holes staggered forward and aft of the front spar, are preferable.
9. A maximum of five new access holes in each wing is permissible; if more are required, contact the Cessna Service Department.
10. When a complete leading edge skin is being replaced, the wing should be supported in such a manner so that wing alignment is maintained.

a. Establish exact location for inspection cover and inscribe centerlines.

b. Determine position of doubler on wing skin and center over centerlines. Mark the ten rivet hole locations and drill to size shown.

c. Cutout access hole, using dimension shown.

d. Flex doubler and insert through access hole, and rivet in place.

e. Position cover and secure, using screws as shown.

Figure 18-11. Access Hole Installation

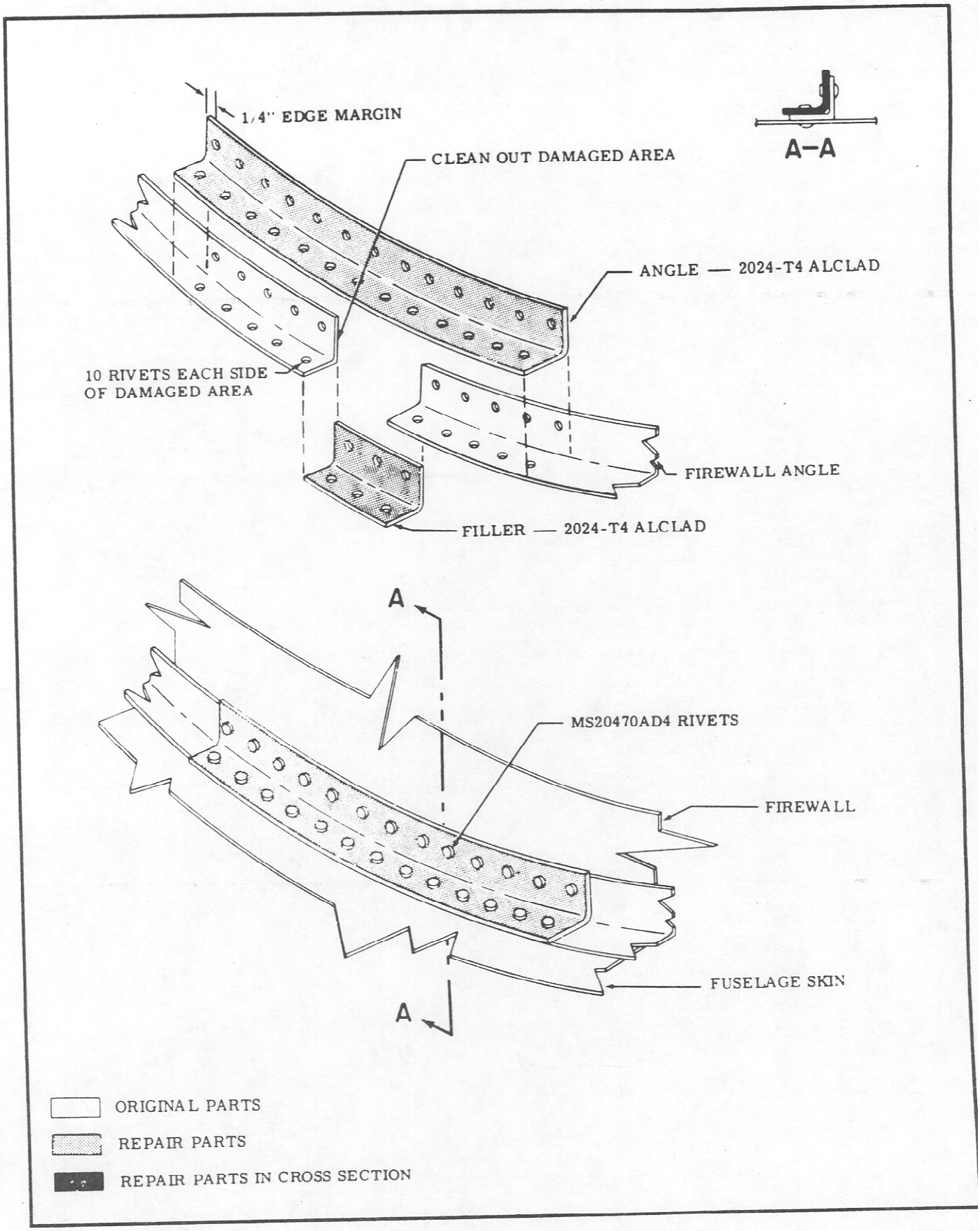


Figure 18-12. Firewall Angle Repair