

# **PAMS Technical Documentation**

## **NSE–8/9 Series Transceivers**

# **Troubleshooting**

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***Abbreviations in fault finding charts***

BB	Baseband
DC	Direct Current
ESD	Electro Static Discharge
f:	Frequency of signal (measured with Spectrum Analyzer)
LO	Local Oscillator
P:	Power of signal –dB) (measured with Spectrum Analyzer)
PA	Power Amplifier
PCB	Printed Circuit Board
PLL	Phase Locked Loop
RF	Radio Frequency
RX	Receiver
T:	Time between pulses
TX	Transmitter
UHF	Ultra High Frequency
V:	Voltage of signal (measured with oscilloscope)
VCO	Voltage controlled oscillator
VHF	Very High Frequency

## Baseband Trouble Shooting

The following hints should facilitate finding the cause of the problem when the circuitry seems to be faulty. This troubleshooting instruction is divided into the following section.

- 4.1 Phone is totally dead
- 4.2 Flash programming doesn't work
- 4.3 Power doesn't stay on or phone is jammed
- 4.4 Display Information: Contact Service
- 4.5 The phone doesn't register to the network or phone doesn't make a call
- 4.6 Plug in SIM card is out of order ( insert SIM card or card rejected).
- 4.7 Audio fault.
- 4.8 Charging Fault

The first thing to do, is carry out a through visual check of the module.

Ensure in particular that:

- a) there is not any mechanical damage (especially battery connector X101, X102)
- b) solder joints are OK

**NOTE:** X201 is a connection that is ONLY present in the production. Therefore it is not applicable for the PAMS repair.

Service interface J100 - J105 should be used along with service tools:

- TDS-7 ( Service battery )
- MJS-13 ( Module repair Jig )

The diagnostics on the following pages assumes that the transceiver bd. Is placed in the MJS-13 jig.

### 4.1. Phone is totally dead

This means that the phone doesn't take current at all when the power switch S416 is pressed or when the watchdog disable pin (X201 pin 11) is grounded. Used battery voltage must be higher than 1,9 V. Otherwise the hardware of the switcher V105 and CCONT (N100) will not operate reliable.

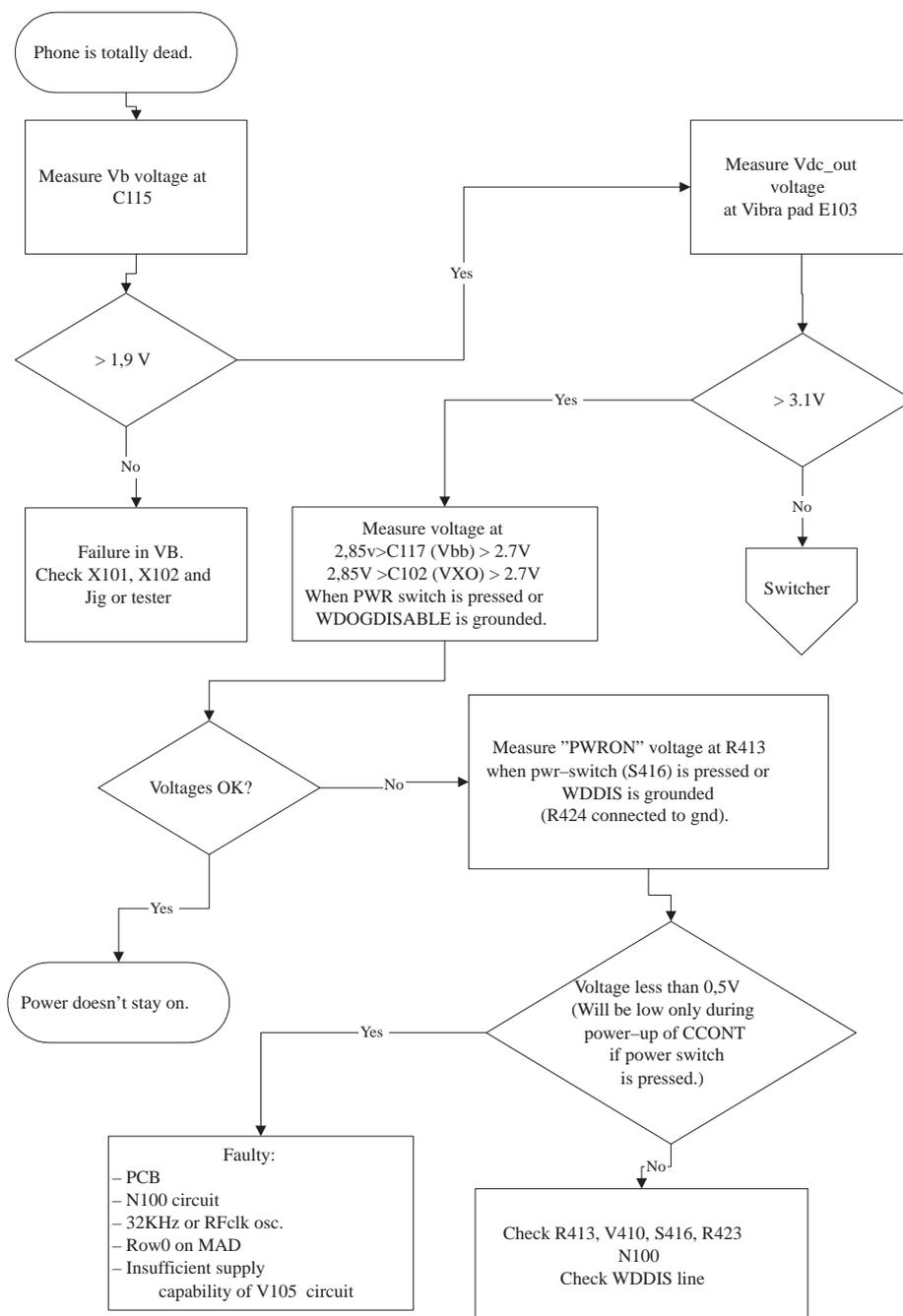


Figure 4-1

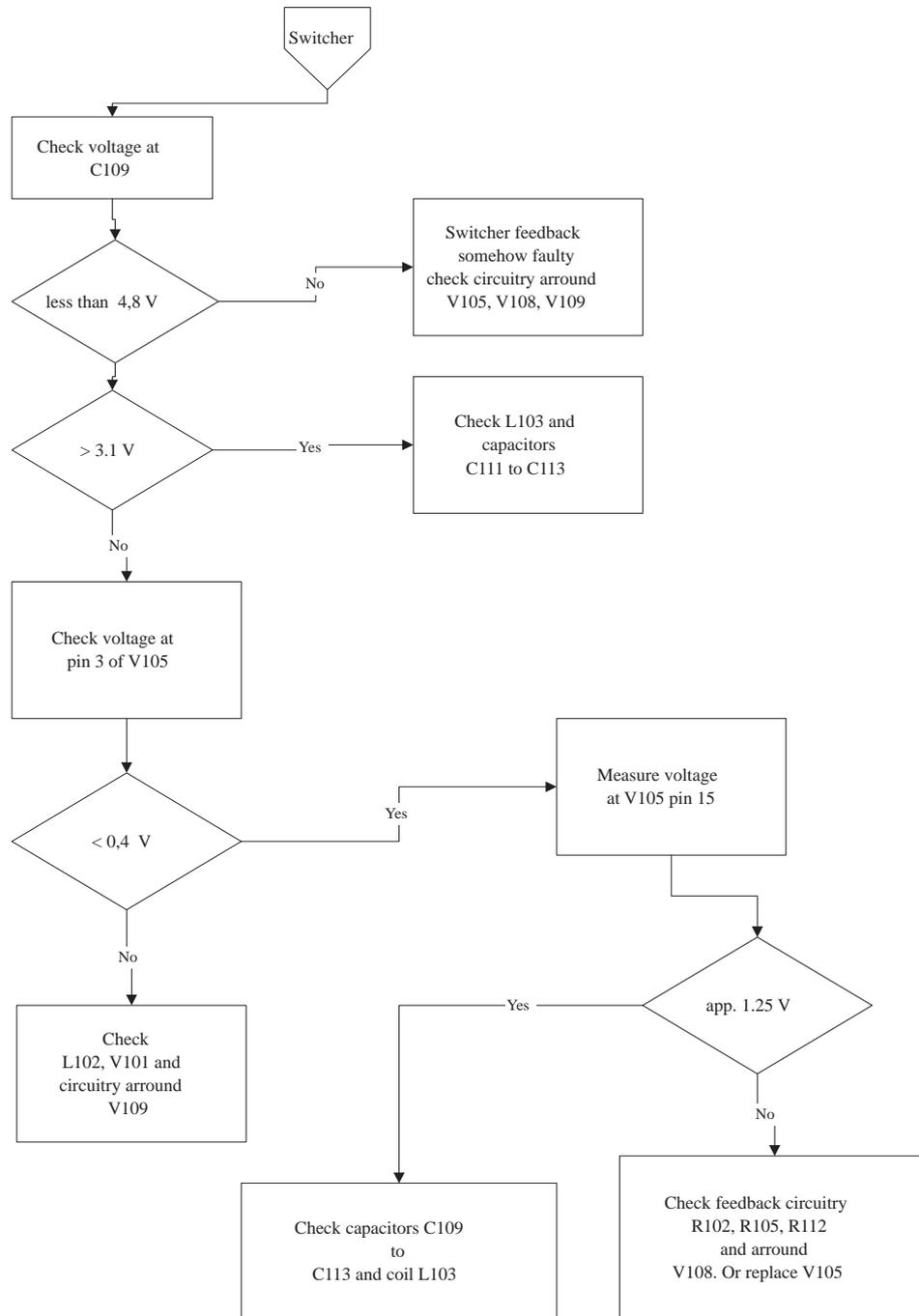


Figure 4-2

### 4.2. Flash programming doesn't work

The flash programming can be done via panel connector X201 or via service interface J100 - J105.

In production, the first programming is done via panel connector X201. After this, the panel connector is cut away, thus other flash programming must be done via service interface J100 - J105.

The main differences between these are:

- a) FLASH programming voltage is produced different way.
- b) Signal routings are different.

The fault finding diagrams for flash programming are shown in Figure 4-3, Figure 4-4 and Figure 4-5.

In flash programming error cases the flash prommer can give some information about a fault.

The fault information messages could be:

- MCU doesn't boot
- Serial clock line failure
- Serial data line failure
- External RAM fault
- Algorithm file or alias ID don't find
- MCU flash Vpp error

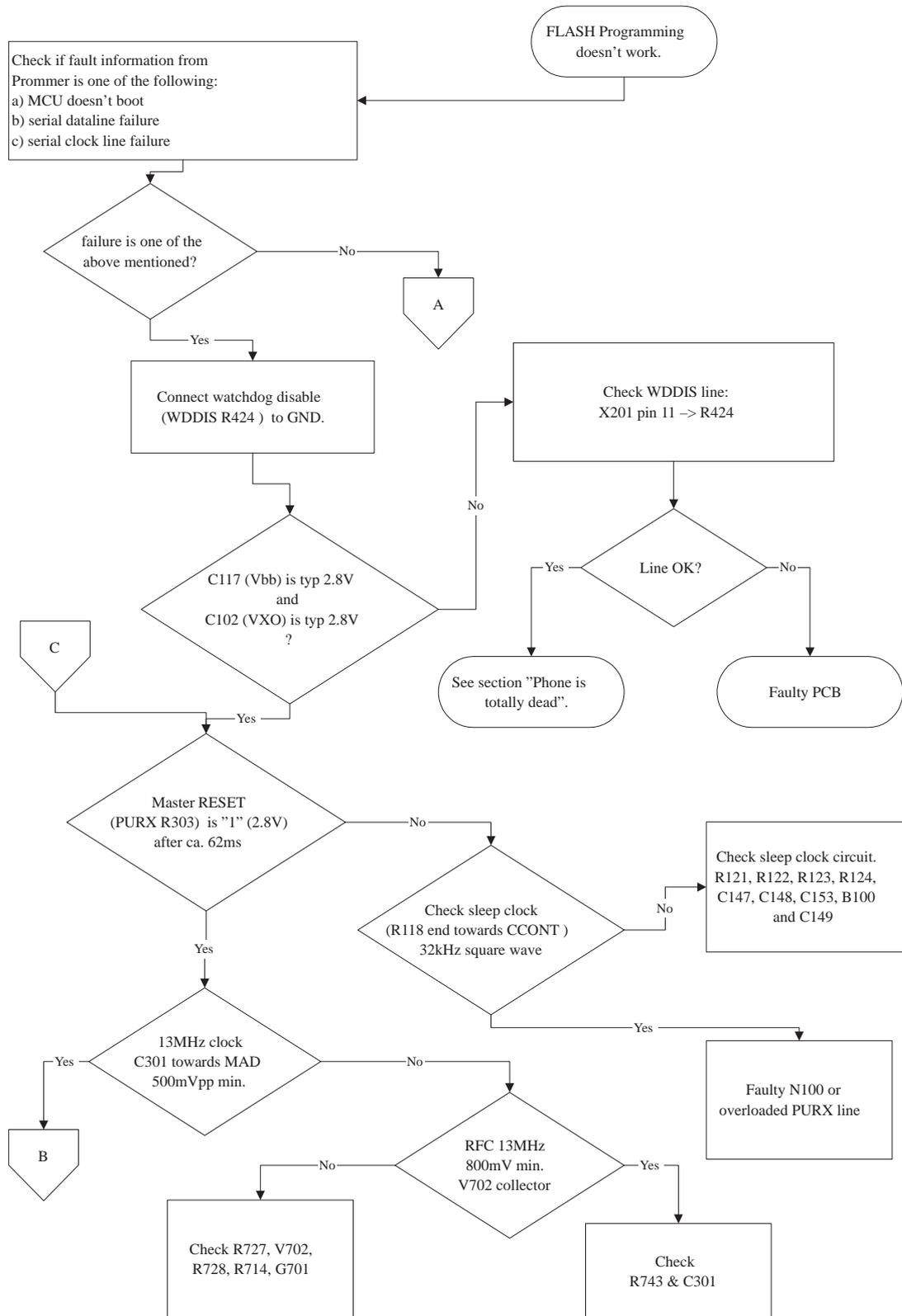


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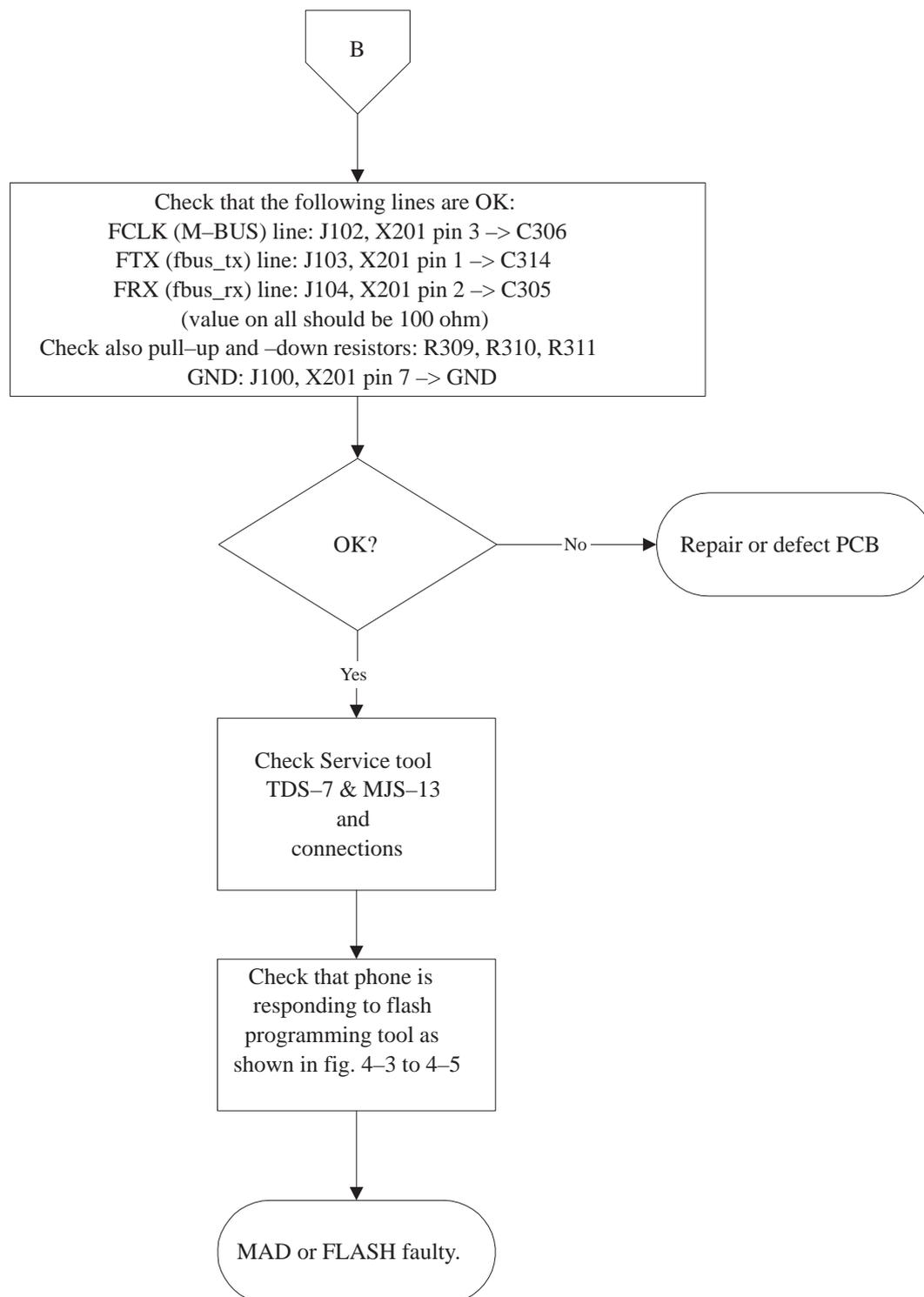


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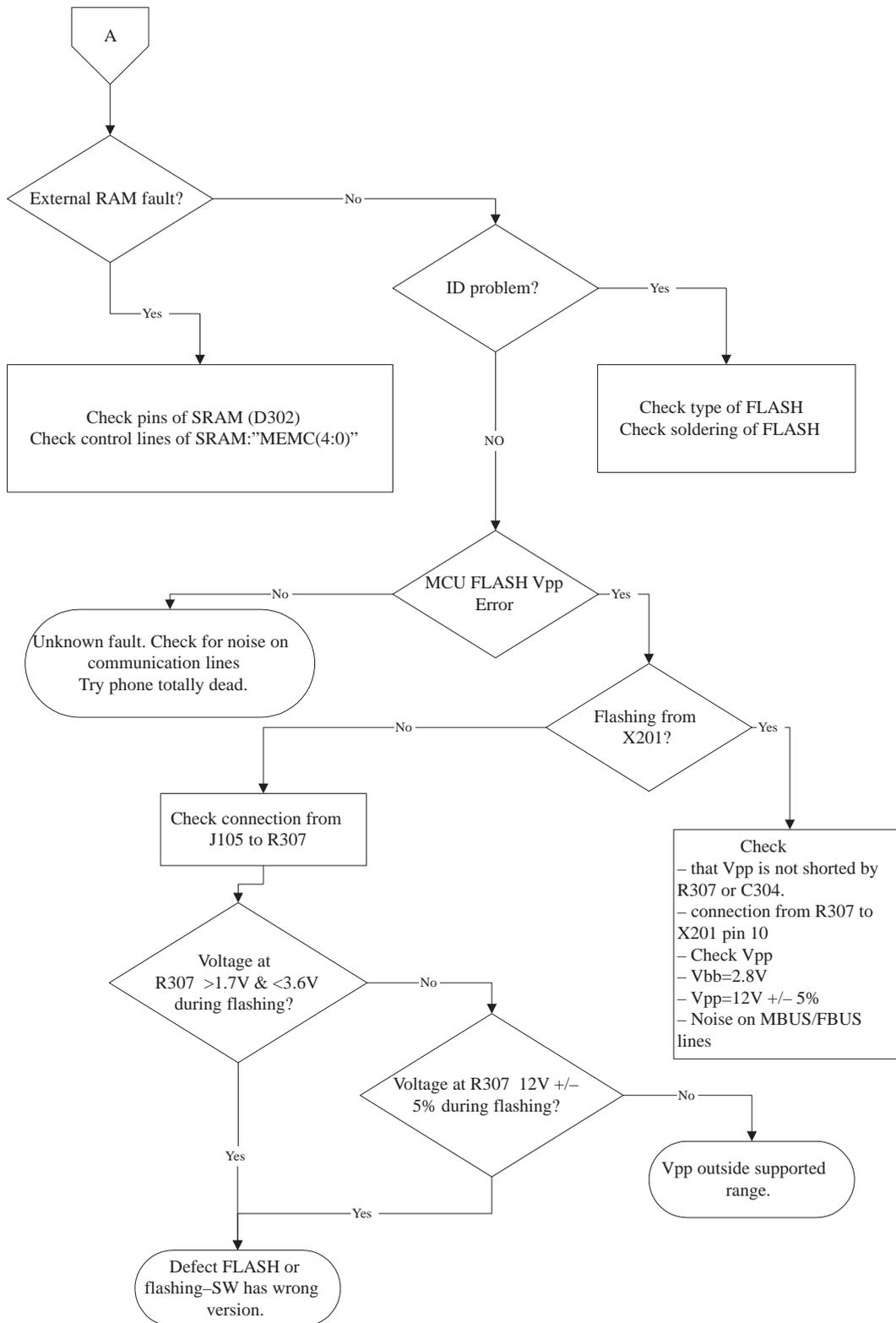


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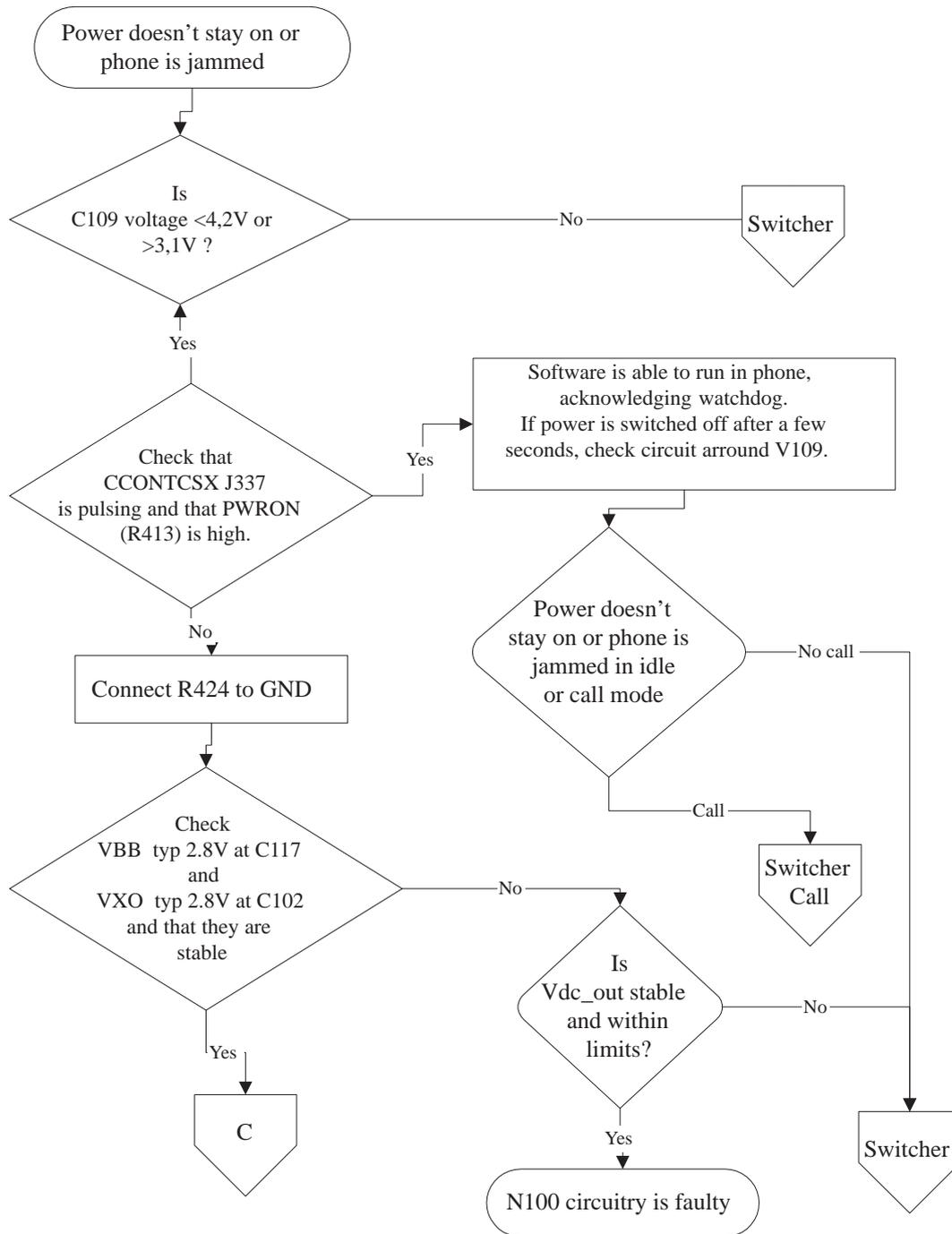
### **4.3. Power doesn't stay on or phone is jammed**

If this kind of fault has come after flash programming, there are most probably open pins in ICs. The soldered joints of ICs: D300 (MAD2Pr1), D301 (FLASH), N100 (CCONT), D302 (SRAM) are useful to check at first.

Normally the power will be switched off by CCONT (N100) after 32 seconds, if the watchdog of the CCONT can not be served by software.

Check watchdog is updated. Check that PWRON (at R413) is high and that CCONTCSX (J337) toggles. In the normal case there is a short burst of pulses every 8 seconds.

The power off function of CCONT can be prevented by connecting a short circuit wire from R424 to ground (Watchdog disabled).



**Figure 4-6**

The LABEL "C" refers to Figure 4-3, The Label "Switcher" refers to Figure 4-2

### 4.4. Display Information: Contact Service

This fault means that software is able to run and thus the watchdog of CCONT (N100) can be served.

Selftest functions are run when power is switched on and software is started to execute from flash.

If any of selftests is failed, contact service information will be shown on display.

- a) Check Selftest status in WinTesla
- b) Check that content of EEPROM D303 and flash D301 is correct
- c)

### 4.5. The phone doesn't register to the network or phone doesn't make a call

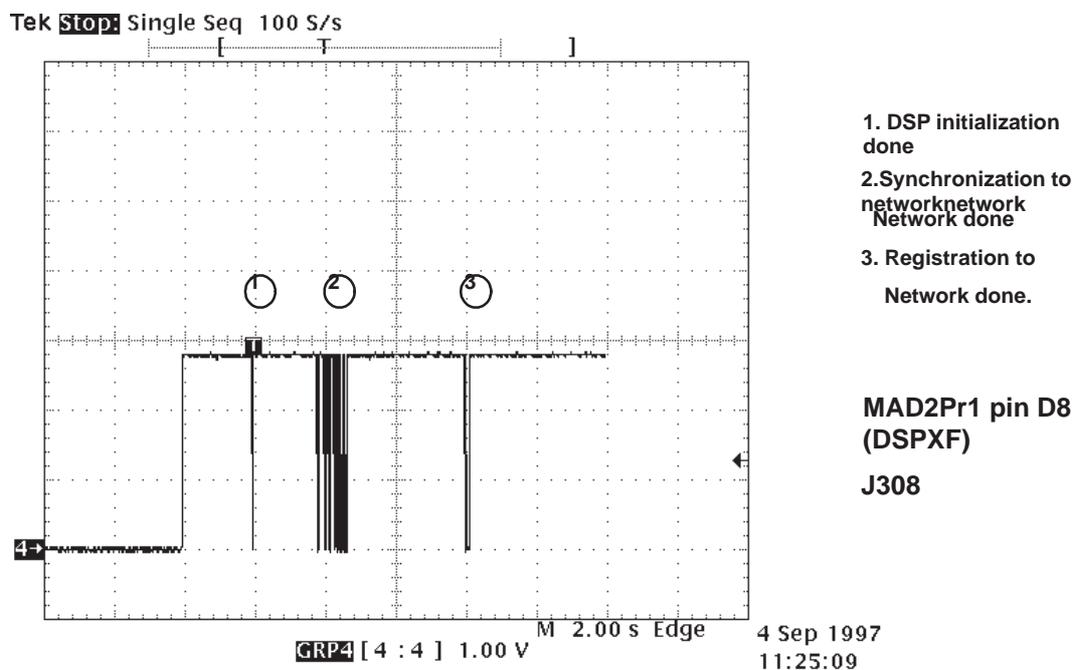
If the phone doesn't register to the network or the phone doesn't make a call, the reason could be either the baseband or the RF part.

The phone can be set to wanted mode by Wintesla service software and determine if the fault is in RF or in baseband part (RF interface measurements).

The control lines for RF part are supplied both the System Asic (MAD2;D300) and the RFI (Cobba\_GJP; N200). MAD2Pr1 handles digital control lines (like synthena, TxP etc.) and Cobba handles analog control lines (like AFC, TxC etc.).

The DSP software is constructed so that operation states of DSP (MAD2Pr1) can be seen in external flag (DSPXF) output pin J308.

After power up, DSP signals all completed functions by changing the state of the XF pin (see Figure 4-7, Figure 4-8, Figure 4-9 and Figure 4-10).



The states of DSP (MAD2) after power on

Figure 4-7

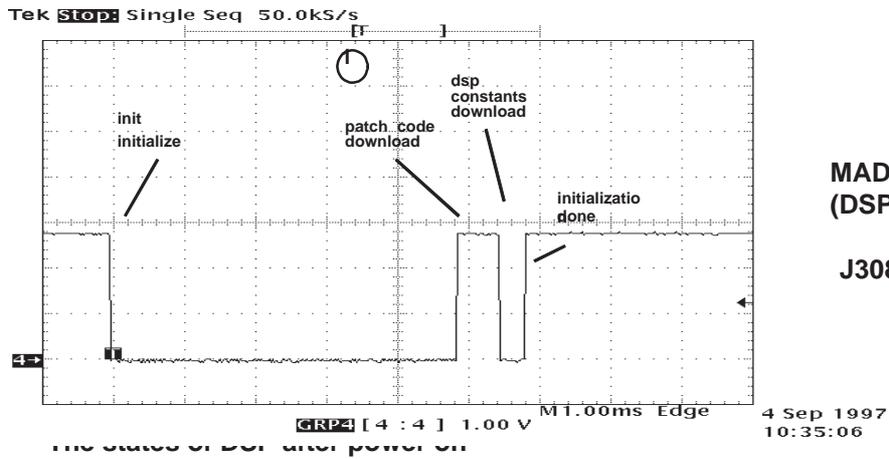


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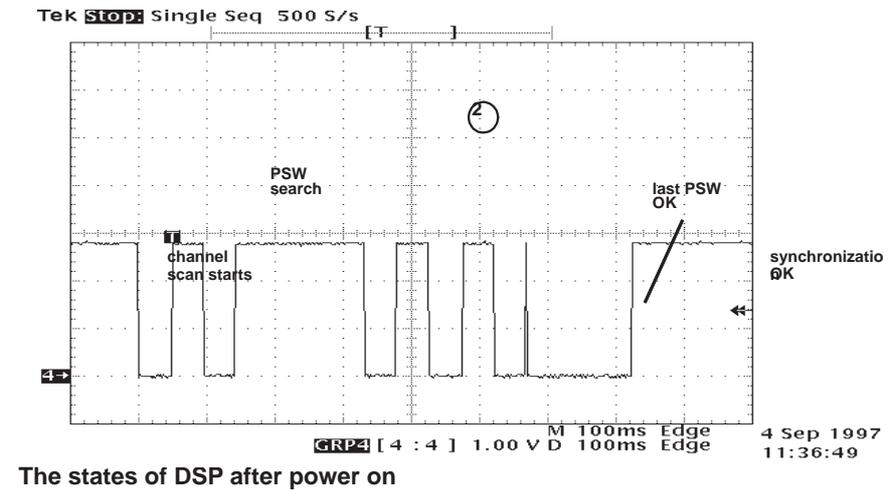


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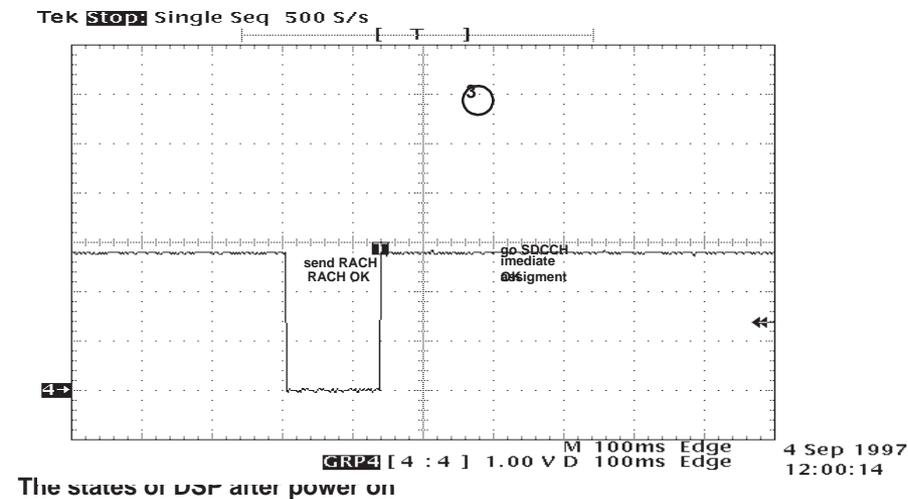


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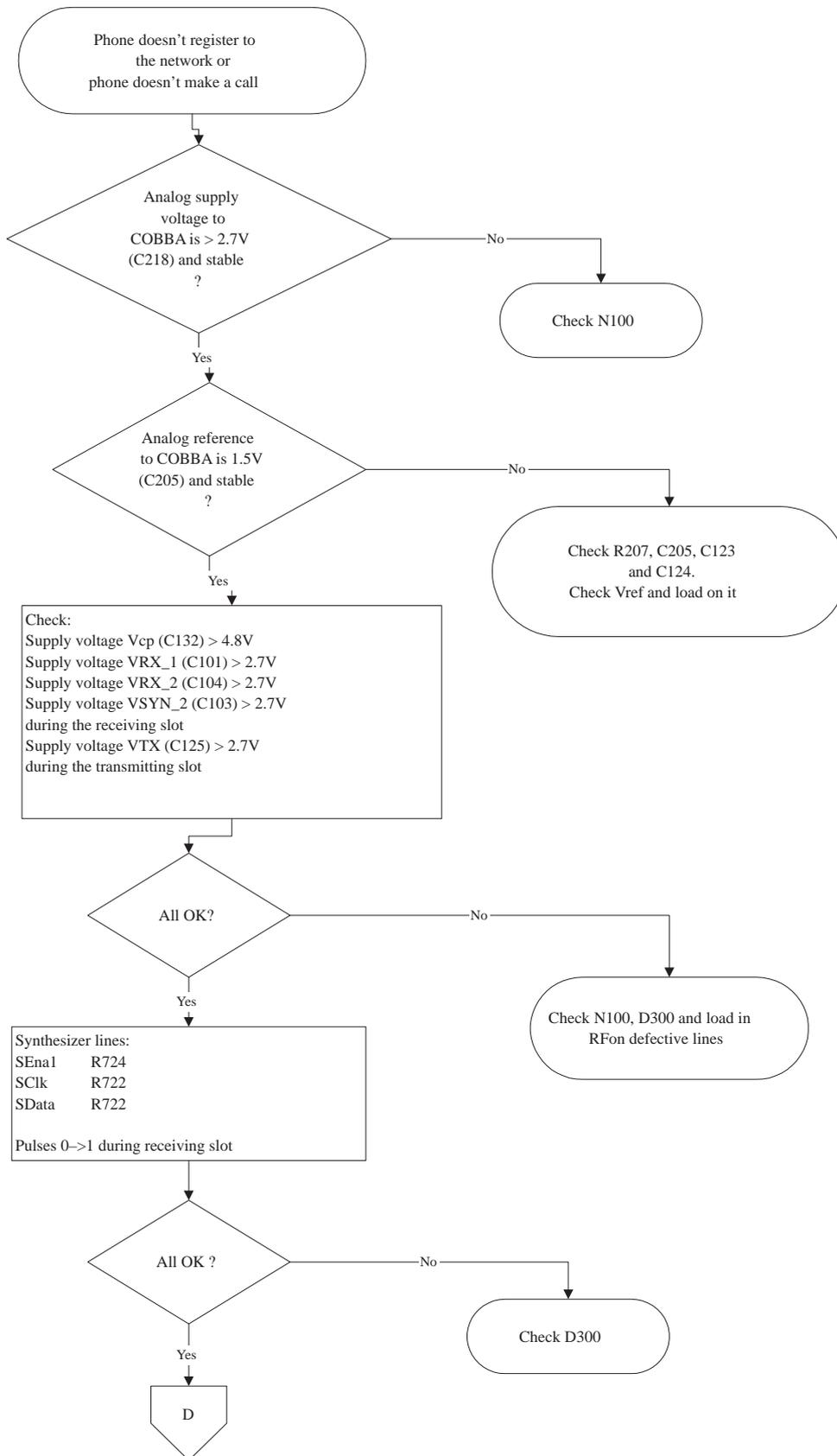


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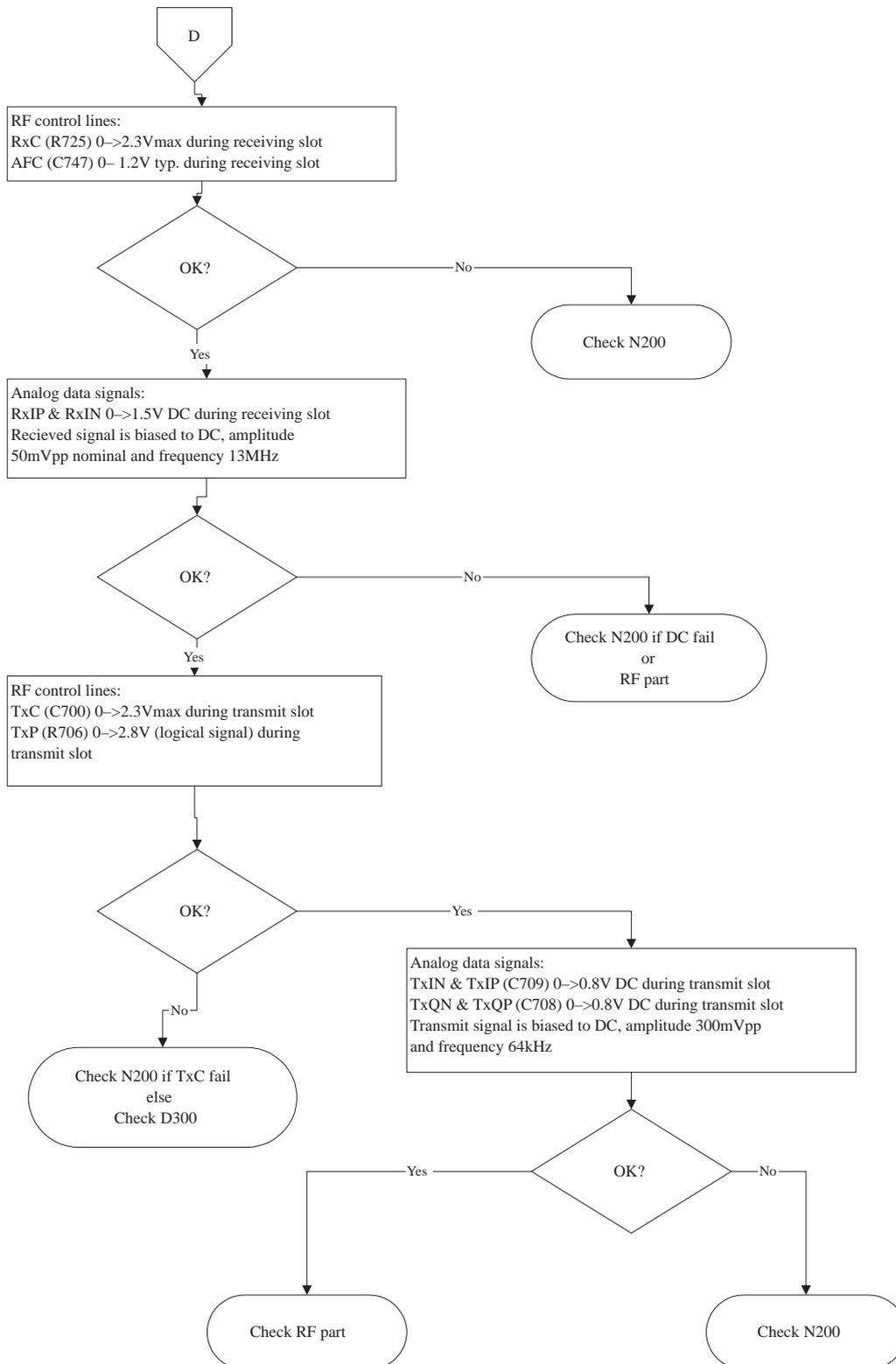


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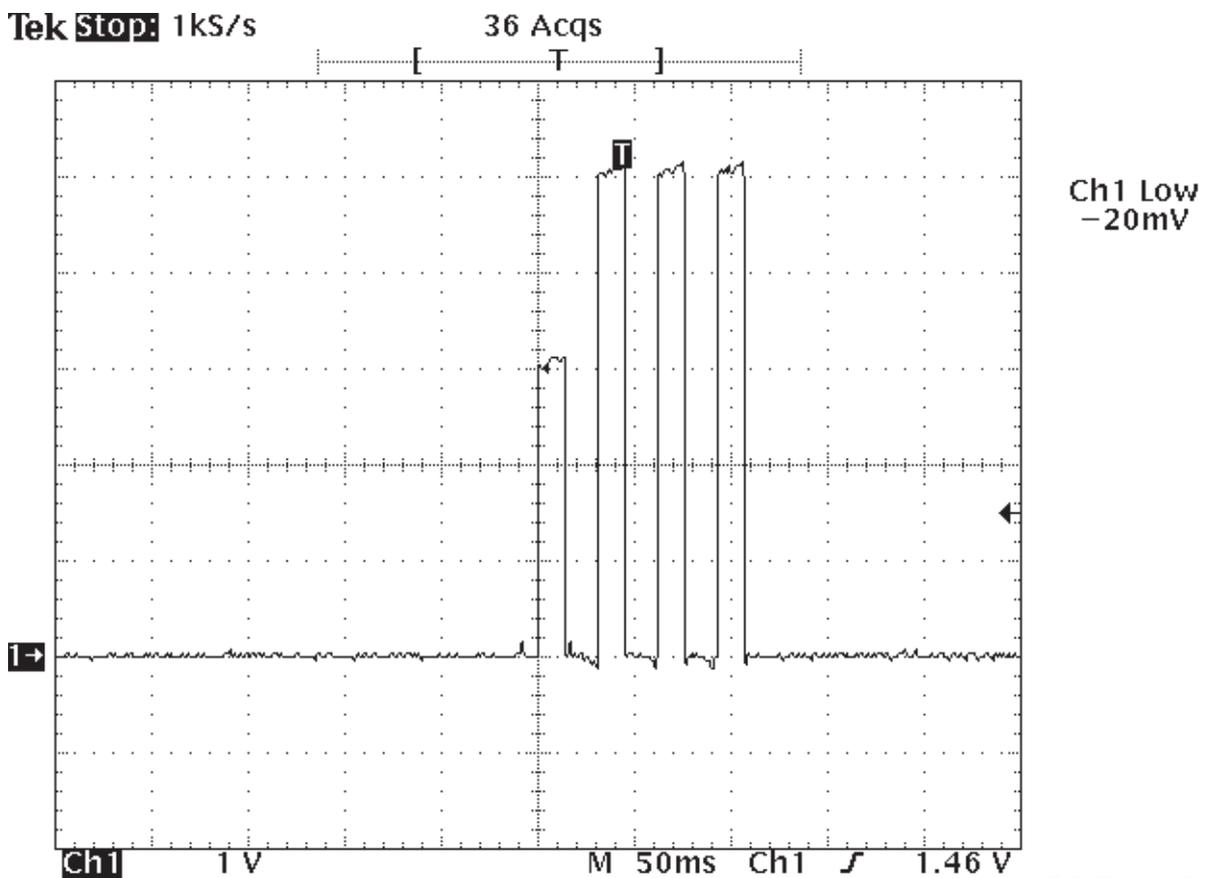
**4.6. Plug in SIM card is out of order ( insert SIM card or card rejected).**

The hardware of the SIM interface from MAD2Pr1 (D300) to the SIM connector (X100) can be tested without SIM card.

When the power is switched on, all the used lines (VSIM, RST, CLK, DATA) rises up to 3V one time and 5V tree times (see fig 5).

Thus "Insert SIM card" faults can be found without SIM card.

The fault information "Card rejected" means that ATR message (the first message is always sent from card to phone) is sent from card to phone but the message is somehow corrupted, data signal levels are wrong etc. or factory set values (stored to the EEPROM) are not correct.



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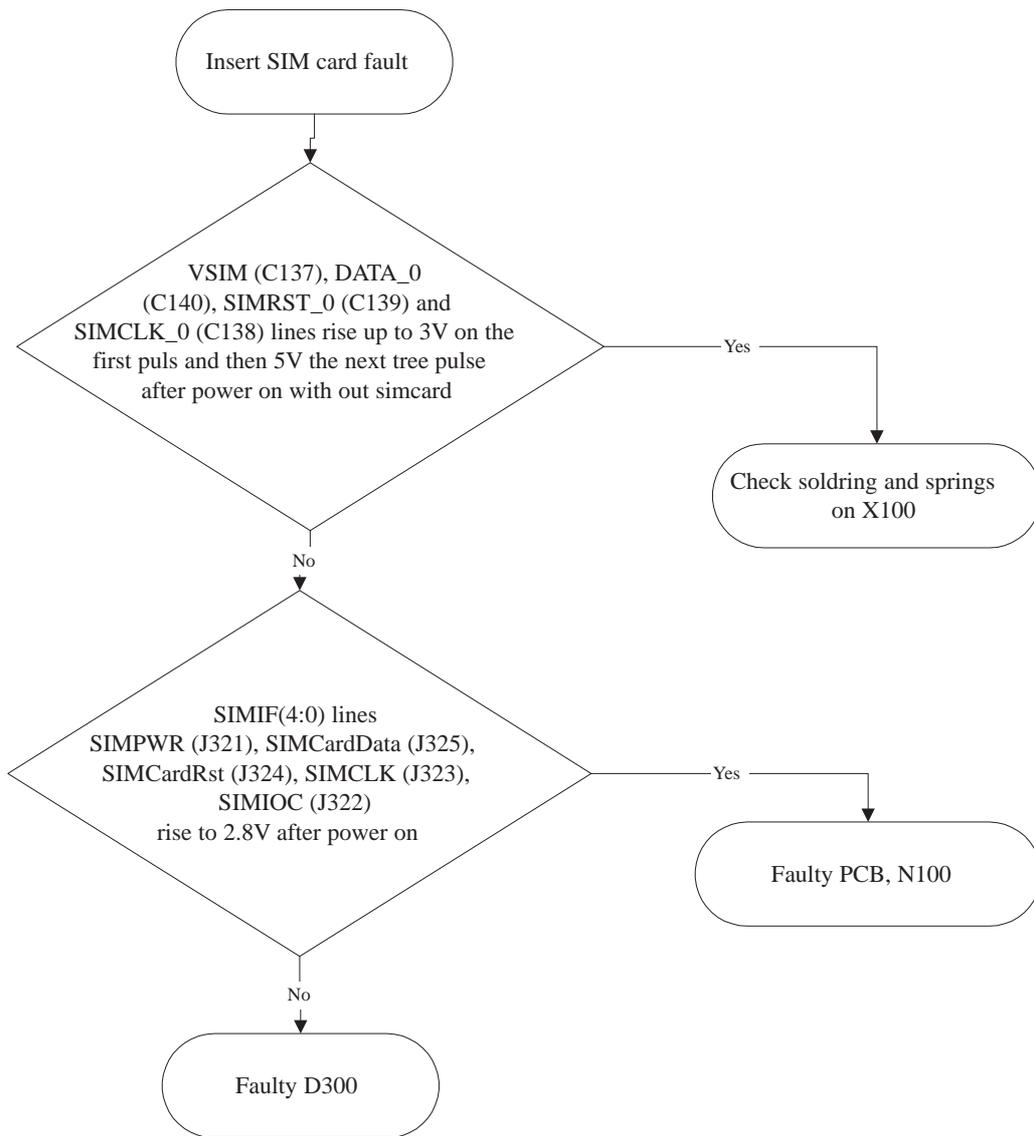


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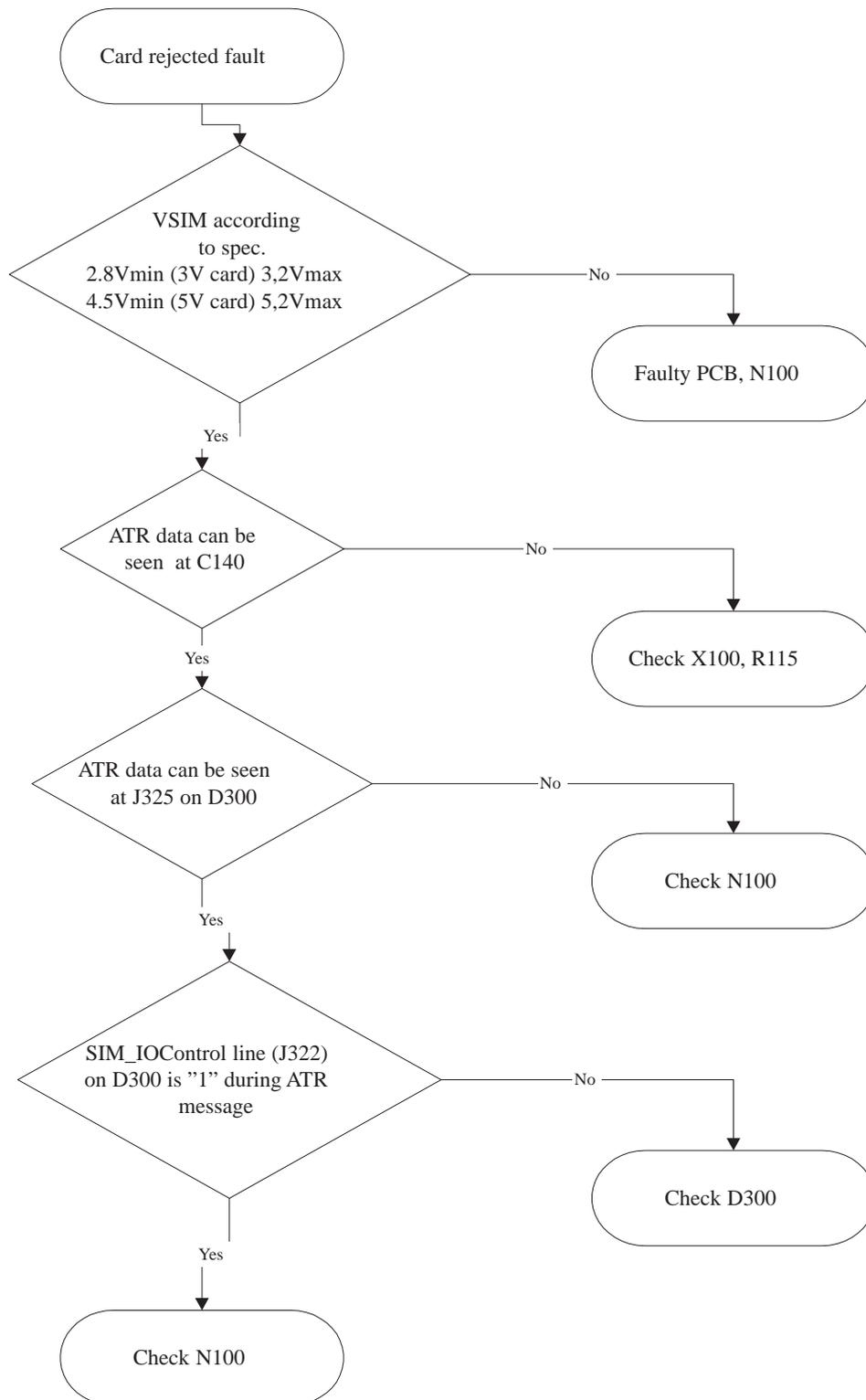


Figure 4-14

## 4.7. Audio fault.

Upon disassembly it is wise to check the spring contacts of the audio transducers and bottom connector

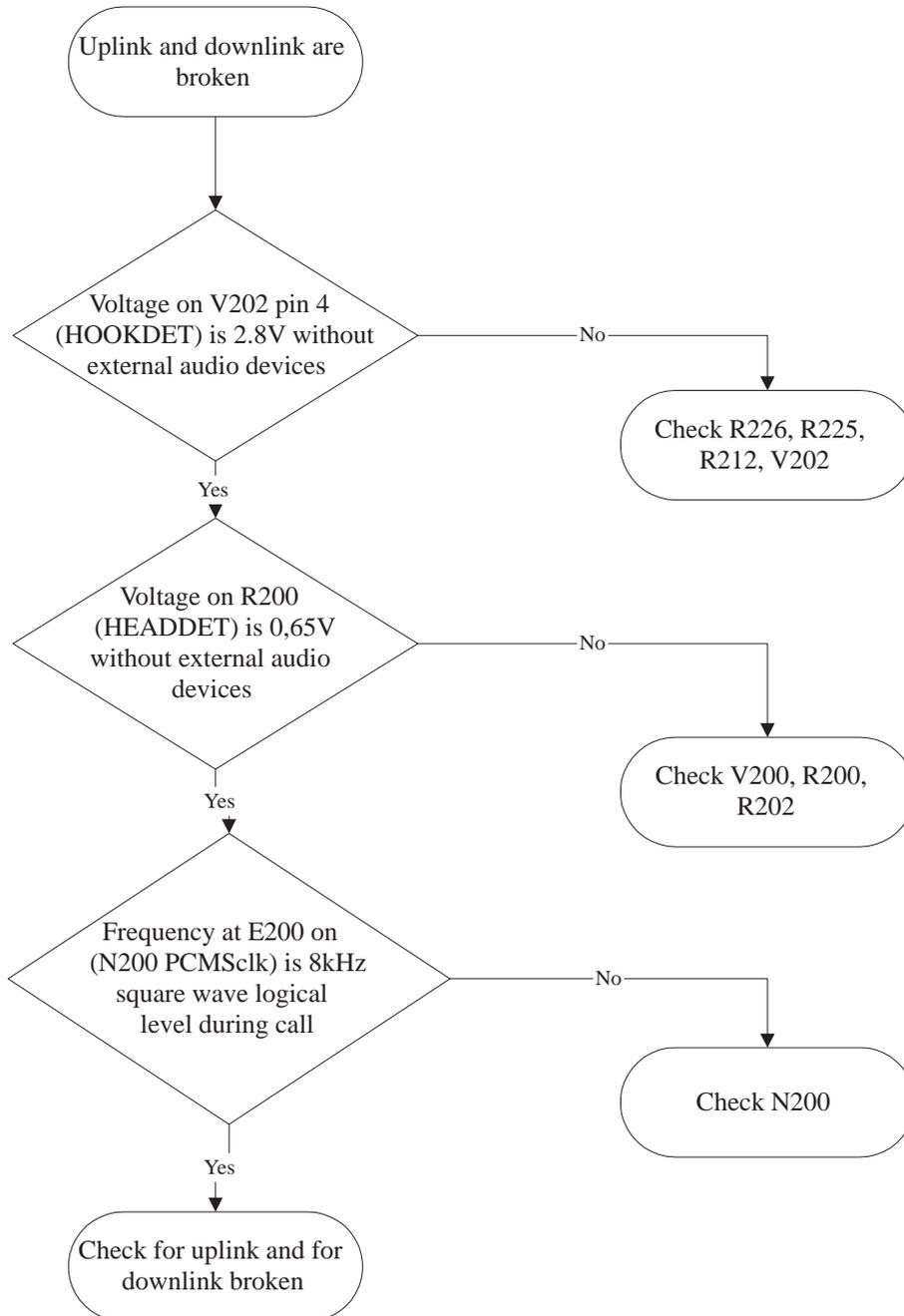


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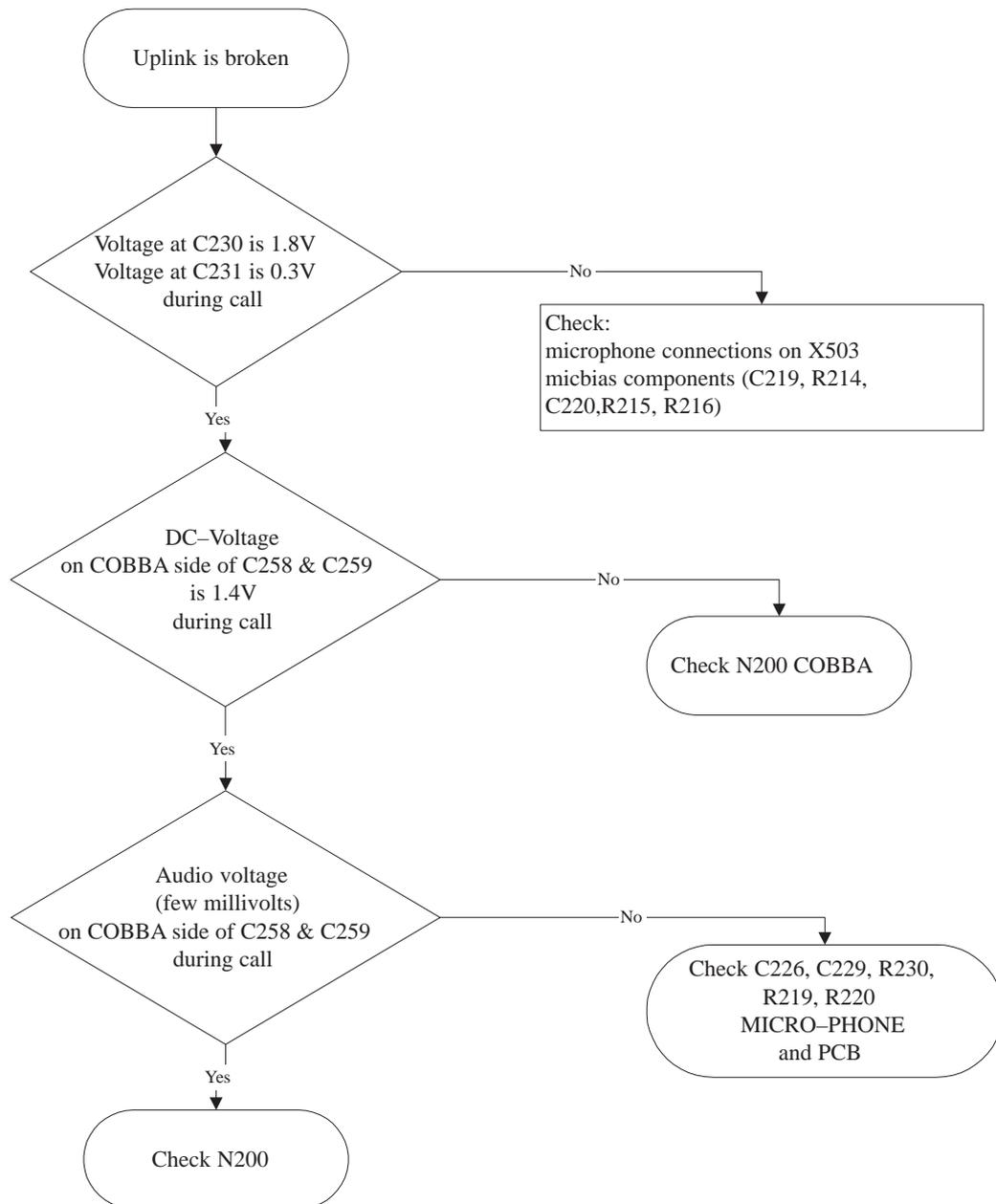


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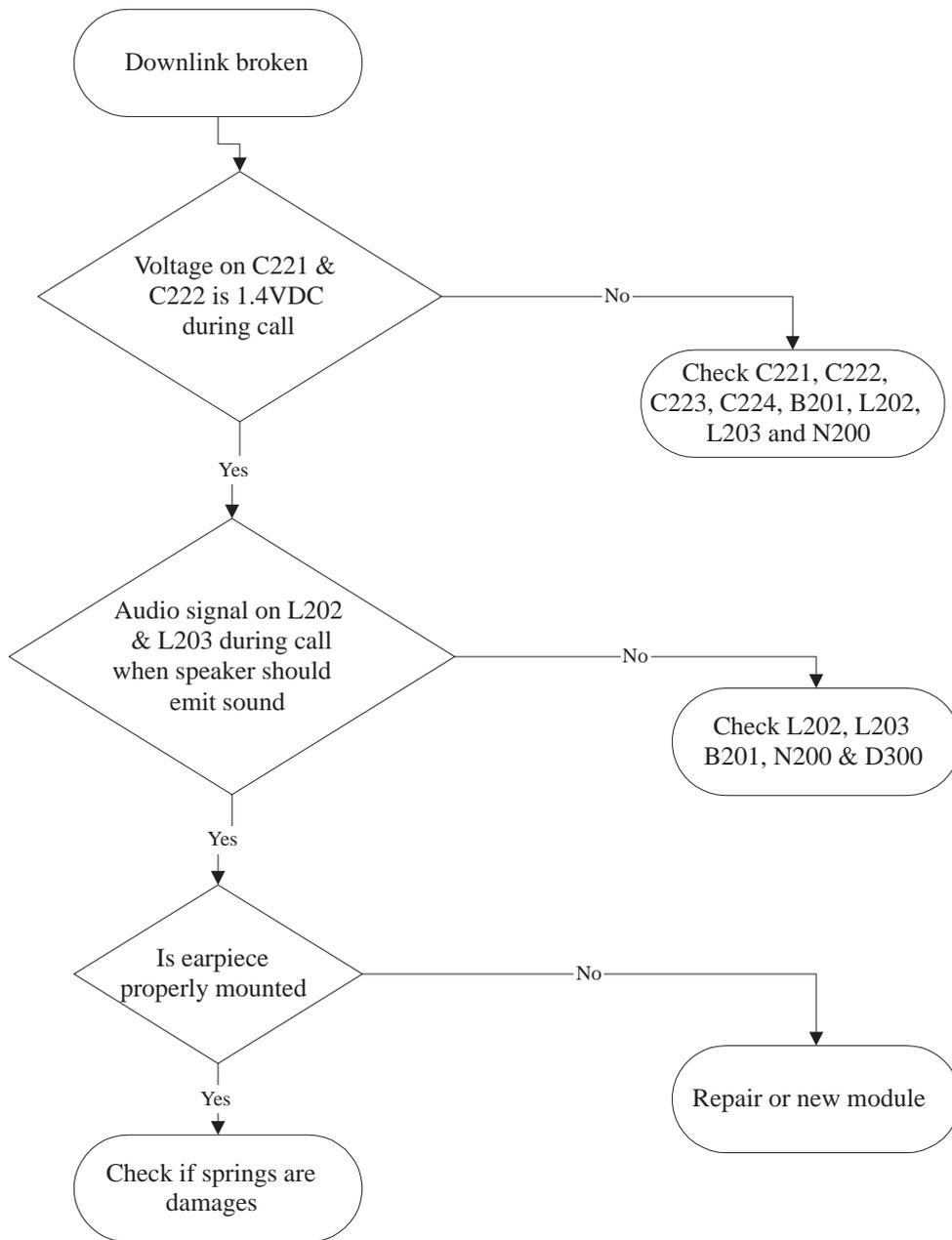


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## 4.8. Charging Fault

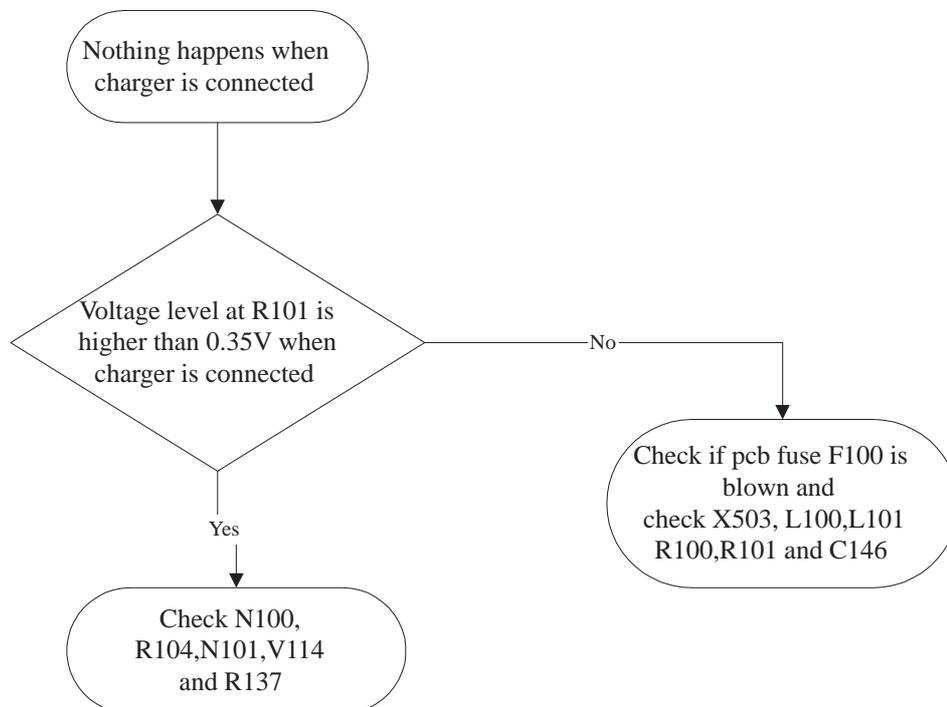


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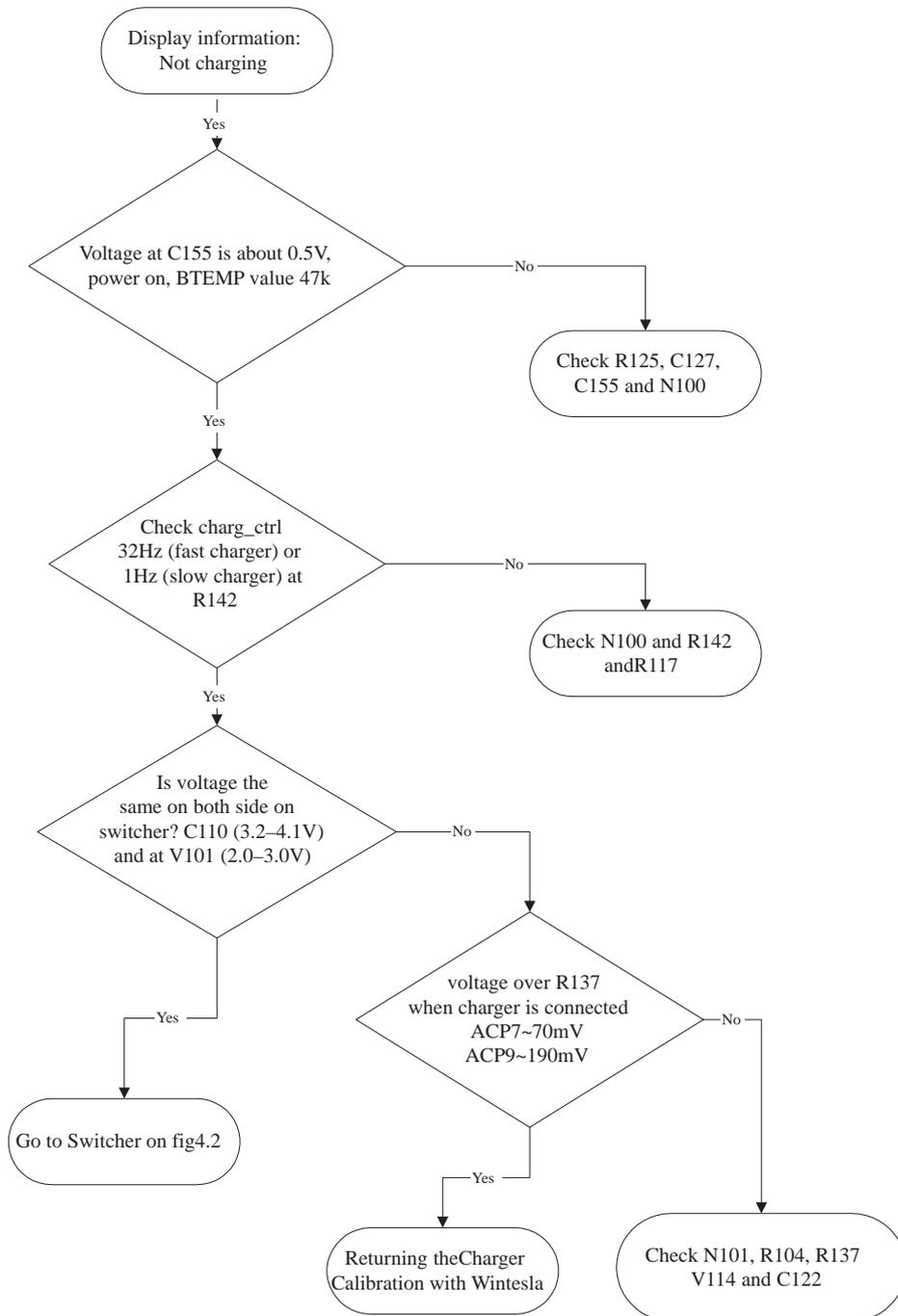


Figure 4-19

## RF Troubleshooting

Measurements should be done using Spectrum Analyzer with high-frequency 500 ohm passive probe (LO-/reference frequencies and RF-power levels) and Oscilloscope with a 10:1 probe (DC-voltages and low frequency signals).

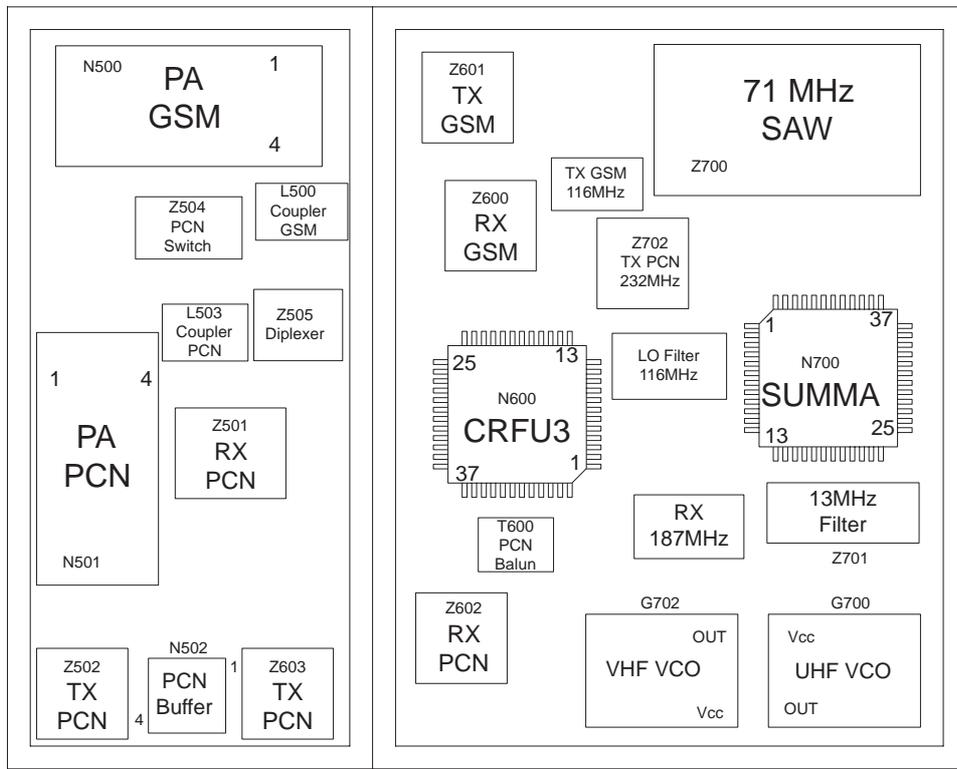
RF-section is mainly build from two ASICS CRFU3 (N600) and SUMMA (N700), external filters, MMIC PA-modules (N500, N501) and two synthesizers. For easier troubleshooting, this RF troubleshooting document is divided into five sections: GSM Receiver, GSM Transmitter, PCN Receiver, PCN Transmitter and Synthesizer parts. The tolerance is specified for critical signals/voltages.

Before changing either of the ASIC's, please check the following things: The soldering and connections of pins of the ASIC's are OK, supply voltages are OK and the signals of the synthesizers are coming to ASIC's. This will prevent the unnecessary changing of the ASIC's.

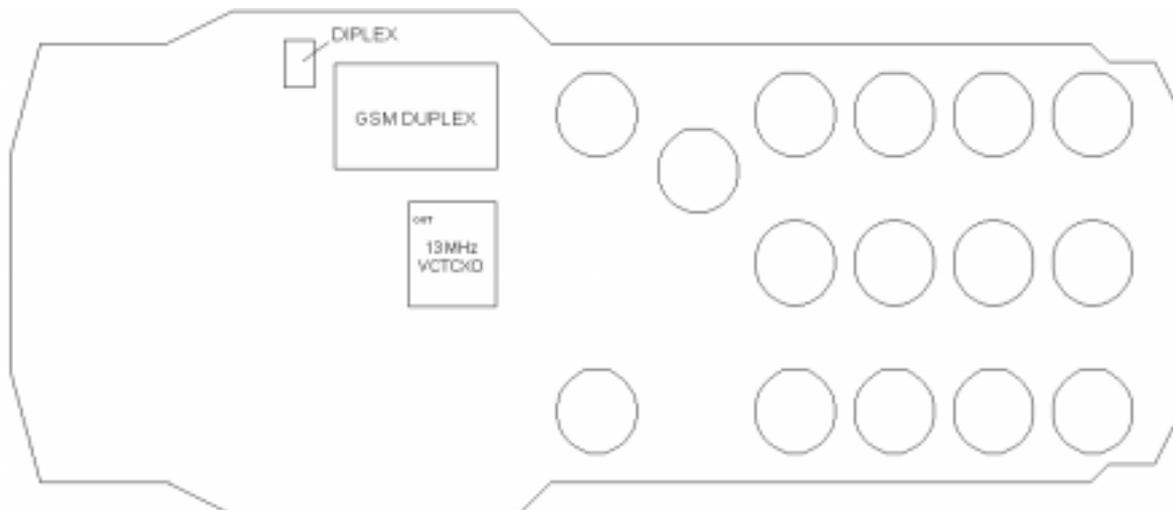
Please note that the grounding of the PA-module is directly below PA-module so it is difficult to check. **The PA-module is static discharge sensitive!** So ESD protection must be used when dealing with PA-module (ground straps and ESD soldering irons). The PA's are class 3 moisture sensitive so parts must be dry bake.

There are still a lot of discrete components (resistors, inductors and capacitors) which troubleshooting is done just by checking that component is soldered or it is not missing from PCB.

**PCB Bottom view(GF7)**



**PCB Top view (GF7 + GD7)**



## 2. GSM Receiver

### 2.1 . **General instructions for GSM RX troubleshooting**

Start WinTesla-Service-Software and

Select:	<u>P</u> roduct	Alt+p
	<u>B</u> and	b
	<u>G</u> SM	g
Select:	<u>T</u> esting	Alt+e
	<u>R</u> F Controls	r
	<u>R</u> X Continuous	Alt+r
	Cont. Mode Ch: 60	Alt+o, 60
	Front <u>E</u> nd On	(if Front End is off, Alt+e)

Apply a 947.0 MHz (channel 60) -50 dBm signal to MJS-13 RF-connector. This signal is tracked through RX-path and will make the troubleshooting of the RX easier.

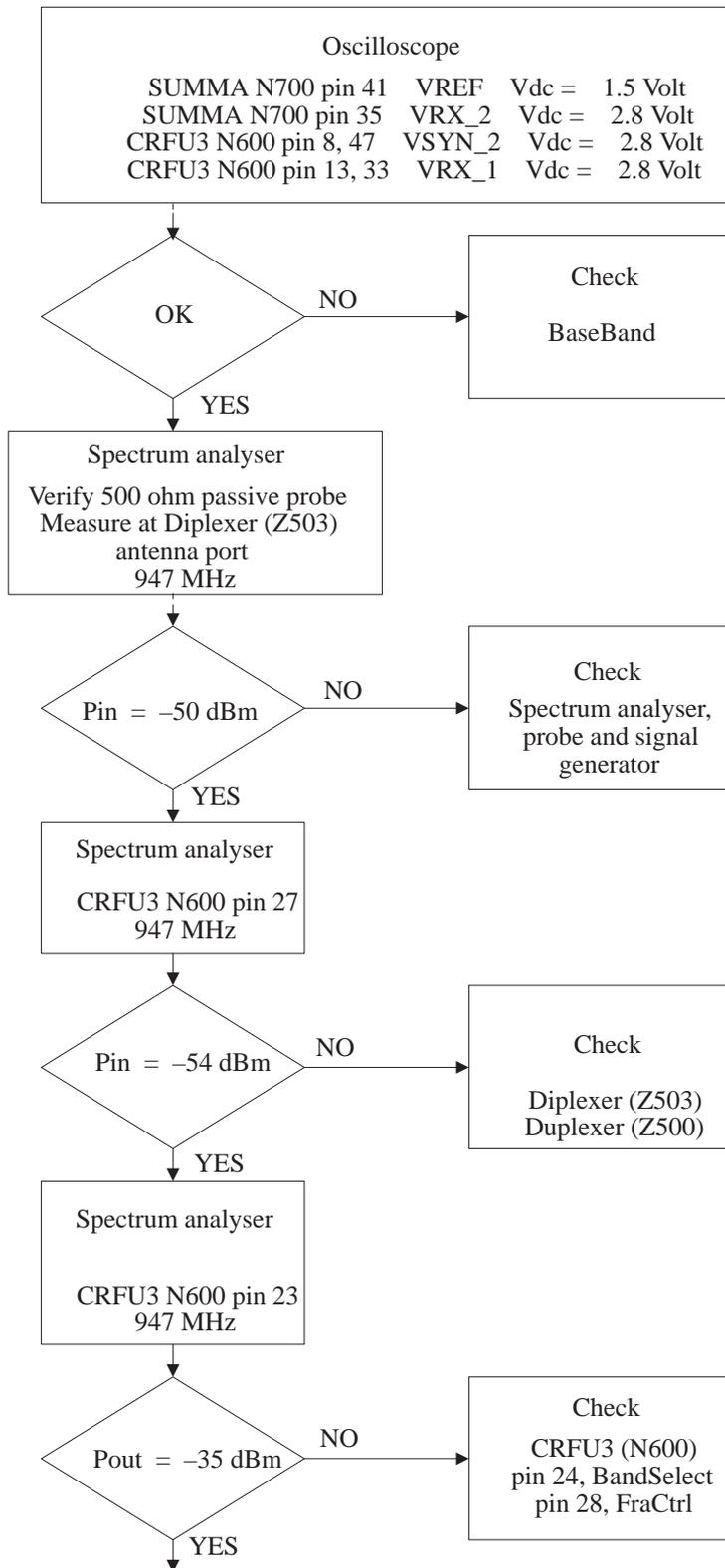
### 2.2 . **Path of the received GSM signal**

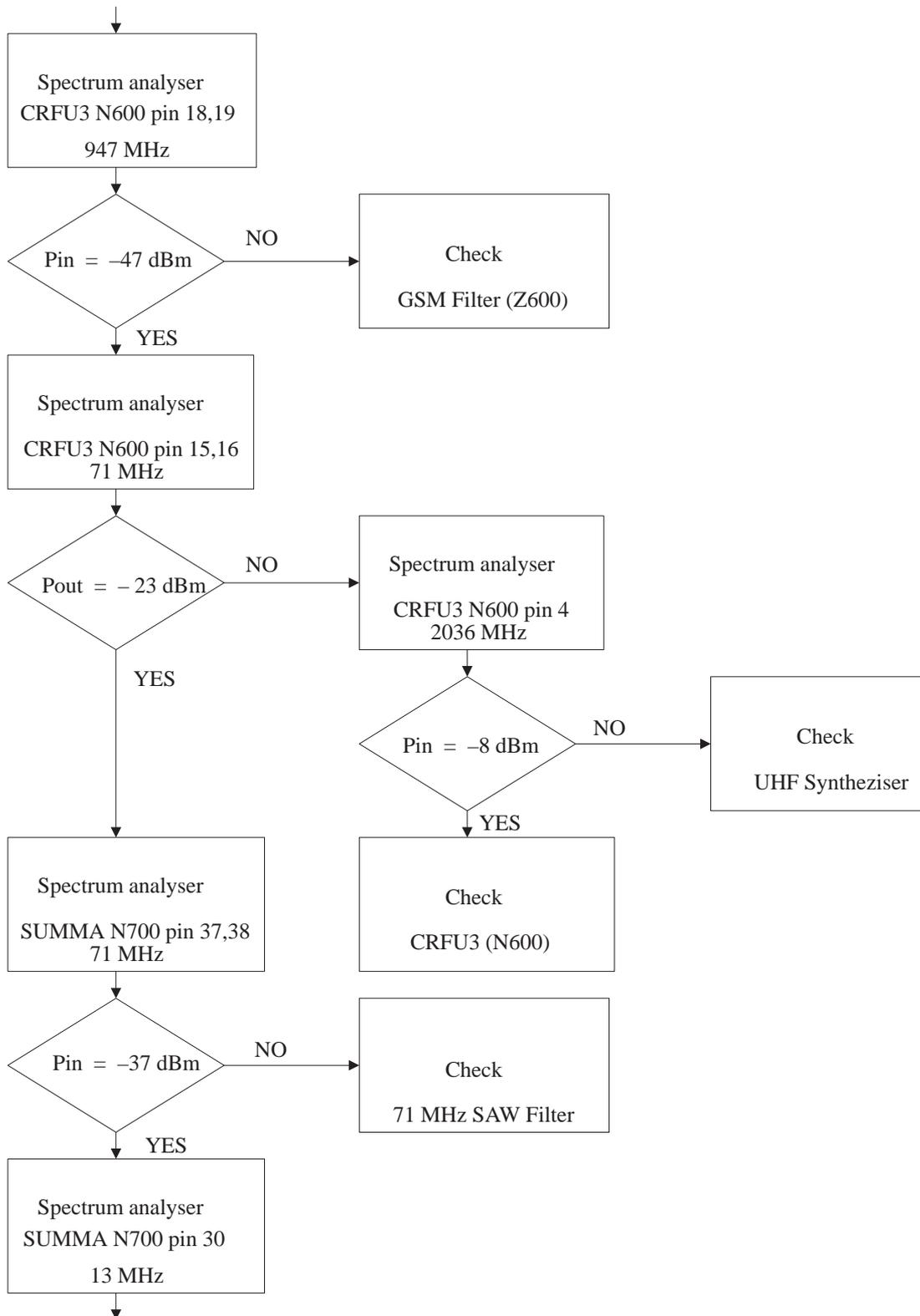
This path defines the general route of the received signal:

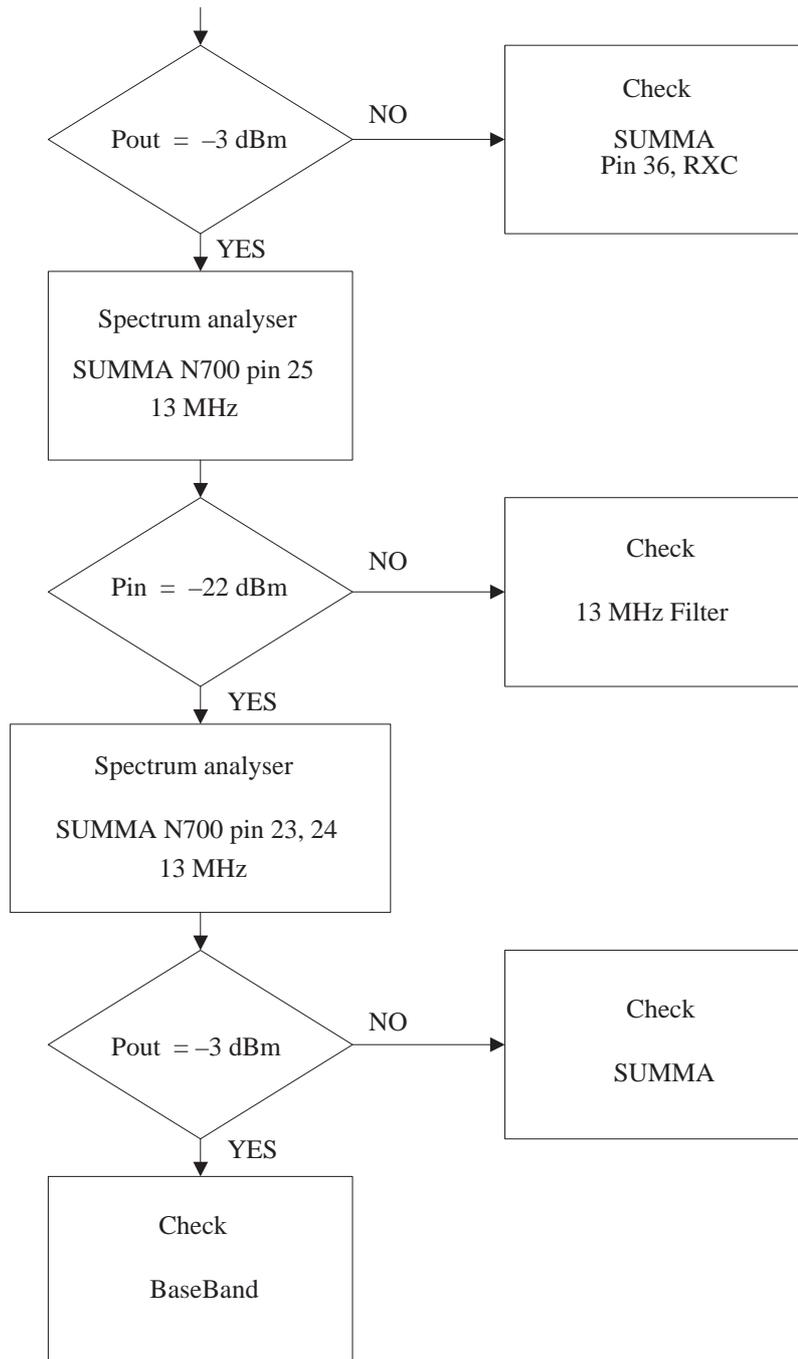
Antenna, Diplexer (Z503), Duplexer (Z500), CRFU3 (LNA N600), GSM Filter (Z600), CRFU3 (Mixer N600), SAW 71MHz Filter (Z700), SUMMA (N700), 13Mhz Filter (Z701), SUMMA, COBBA\_GJP (N200).

The related component number(s) are defined inside (.).

### 2.3. *Fault finding chart for GSM receiver*







### 3. PCN Receiver

#### 3.1 . **General instructions for PCN RX troubleshooting**

Start WinTesla-Service-Software and

Select:	<u>P</u> roduct	Alt+p
	<u>B</u> and	b
	<u>P</u> CN	p
Select:	<u>T</u> esting	Alt+e
	<u>R</u> F Controls	r
	<u>R</u> X Continuous	Alt+r
	Cont. Mode Ch: 700	Alt+o, 700
	Front <u>E</u> nd On	(if Front End is off, Alt+e)

Apply an 1842.8 MHz (MID channel) -50 dBm signal to MJS-13 RF-connector. This signal is tracked through RX-path and will make the troubleshooting of the RX easier.

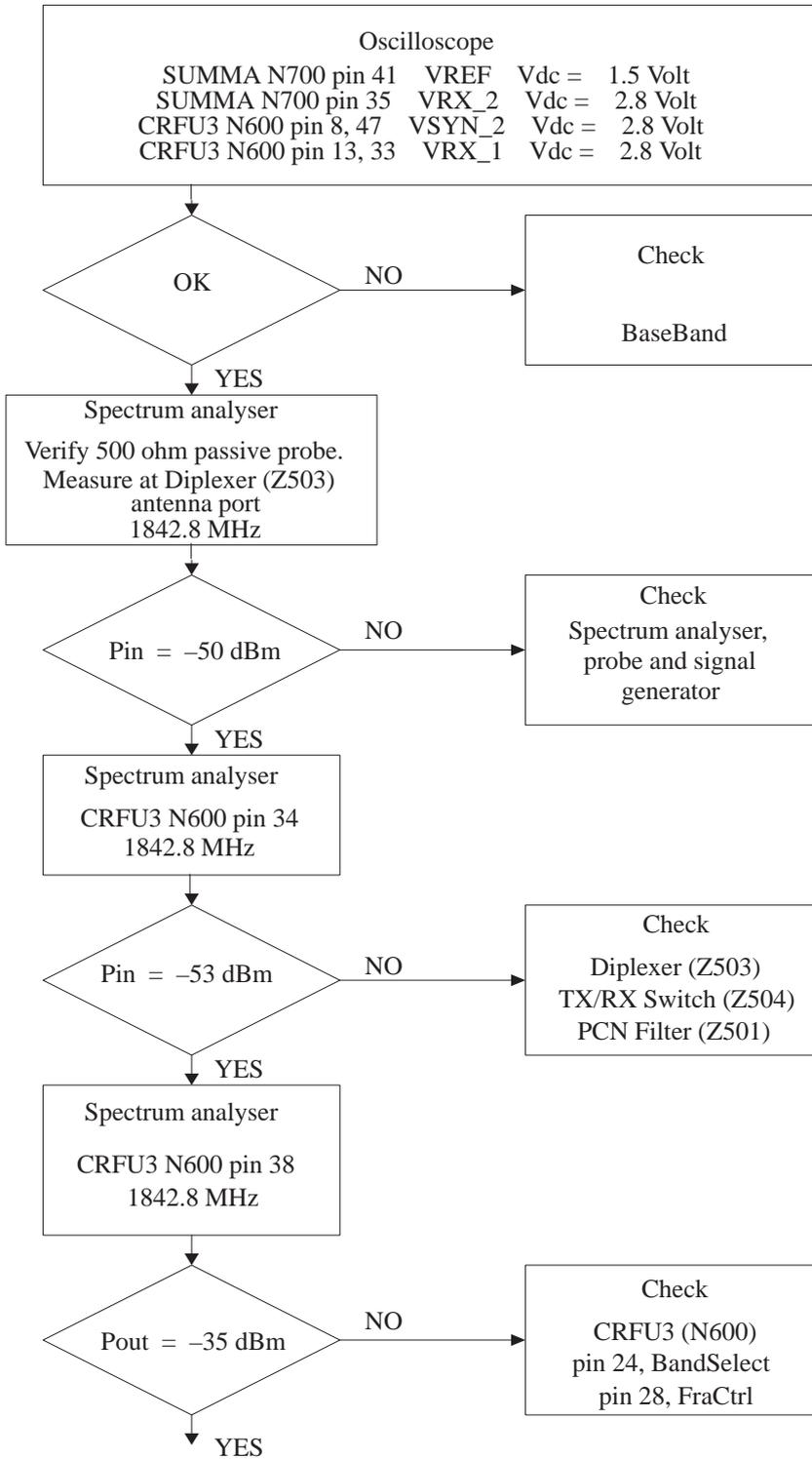
#### 3.2 . **Path of the received PCN signal**

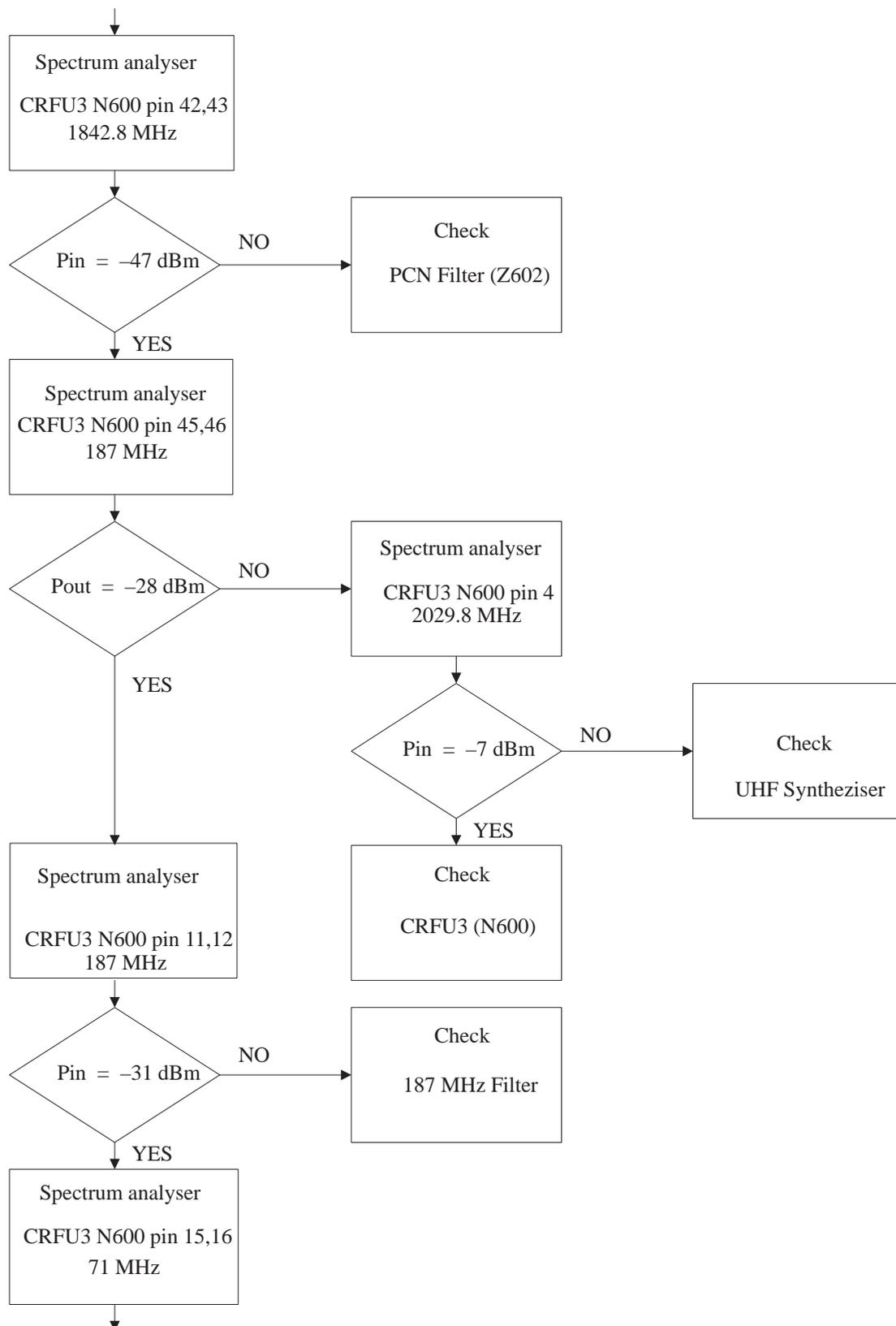
This path defines the general route of the received signal:

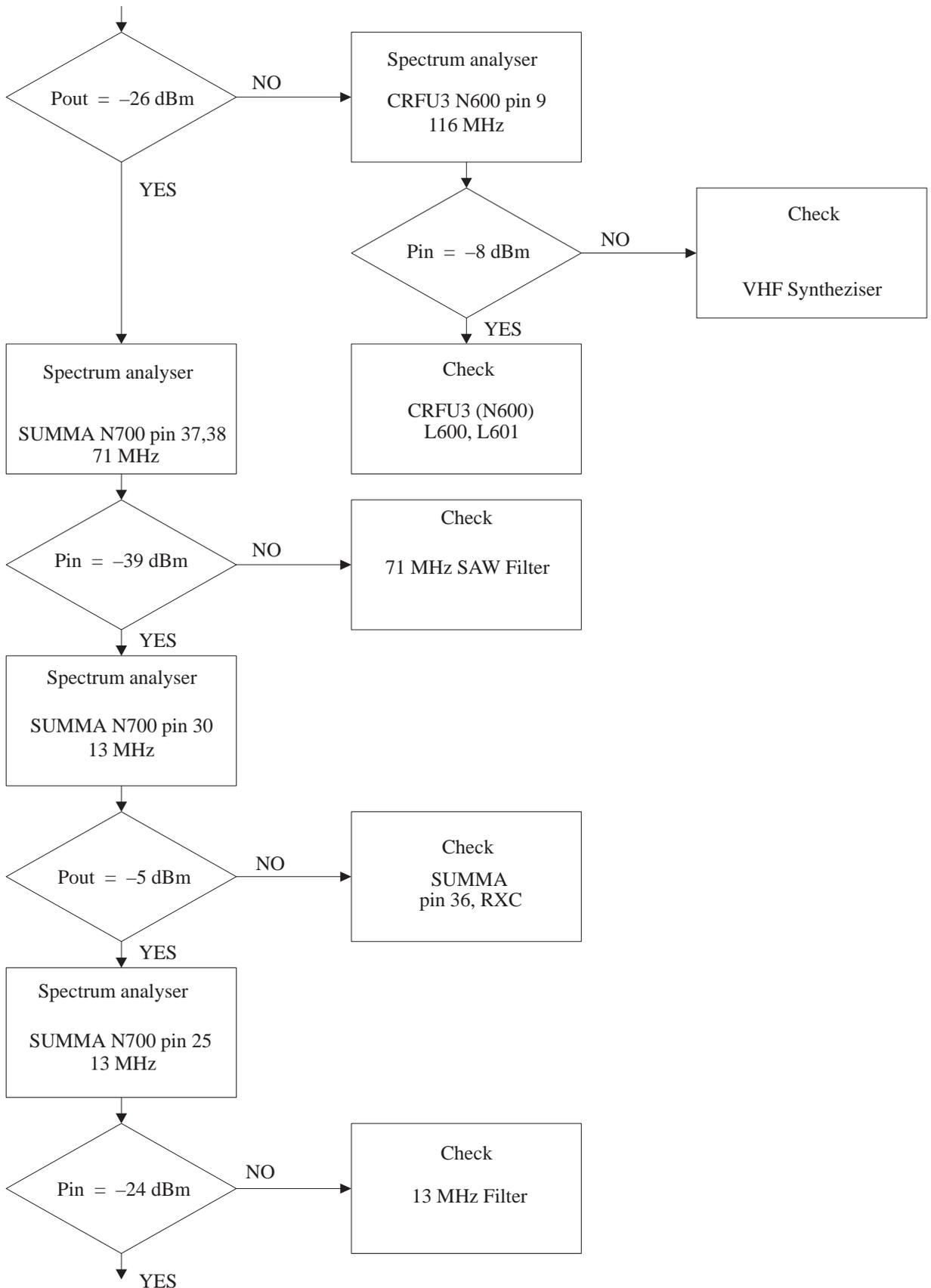
Antenna, Diplexer (Z503), TX/RX Switch (Z504), PCN Filter (Z501), CRFU3 (LNA N600), PCN Filter (Z602), CRFU3 (Mixer N600), LC 187 MHz Filter (L604), CRFU3 (Mixer N600), SAW 71MHz Filter (Z700), SUMMA (N700), 13Mhz Filter (Z701), SUMMA, COBBA\_GJP (N200).

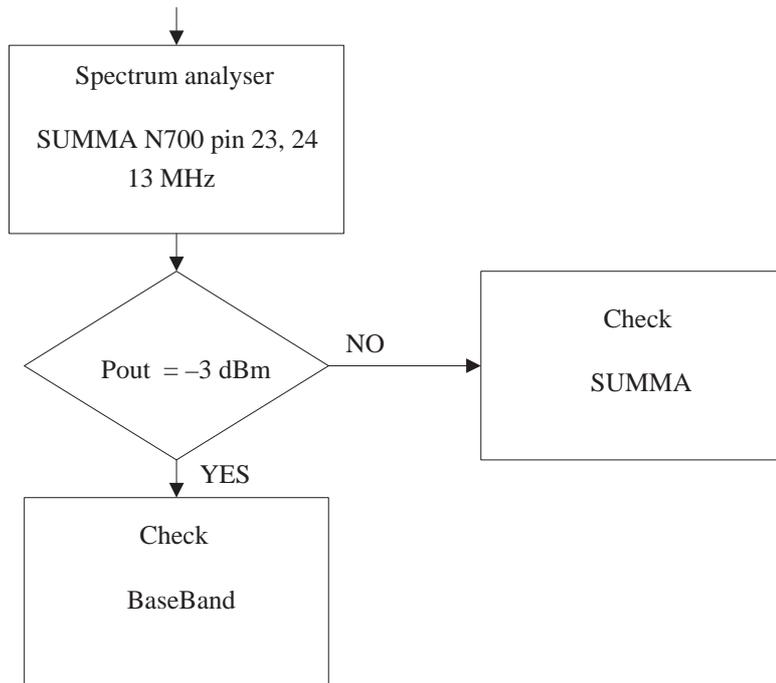
The related component number(s) are defined inside (.).

### 3.3 Fault finding chart for PCN receiver









## 4. GSM Transmitter

### 4.1 *General instructions for GSM TX troubleshooting*

Apply a RF-cable to the MJS-13 RF-connector to allow the transmitted signal act as normal. RF-cable should be connected to measurement equipment or to at least a 10-dB attenuator, otherwise the PA may be damaged.

Start WinTesla-Service-Software and

Select:	<u>P</u> roduct	Alt+p
	<u>B</u> and	b
	<u>G</u> SM	g
Select:	<u>T</u> esting	Alt+e
	<u>R</u> F Controls	r
	<u>T</u> X Power Level : BASE	Alt+x, b
	TX <u>C</u> ontinuous	Alt+c
	TX <u>D</u> ata Type: Random	Alt+d, r
	Channe <u>l</u> : 60	Alt+n, 60
	<u>A</u> pply	Alt+a

### 4.2 . *Path of the transmitted GSM signal*

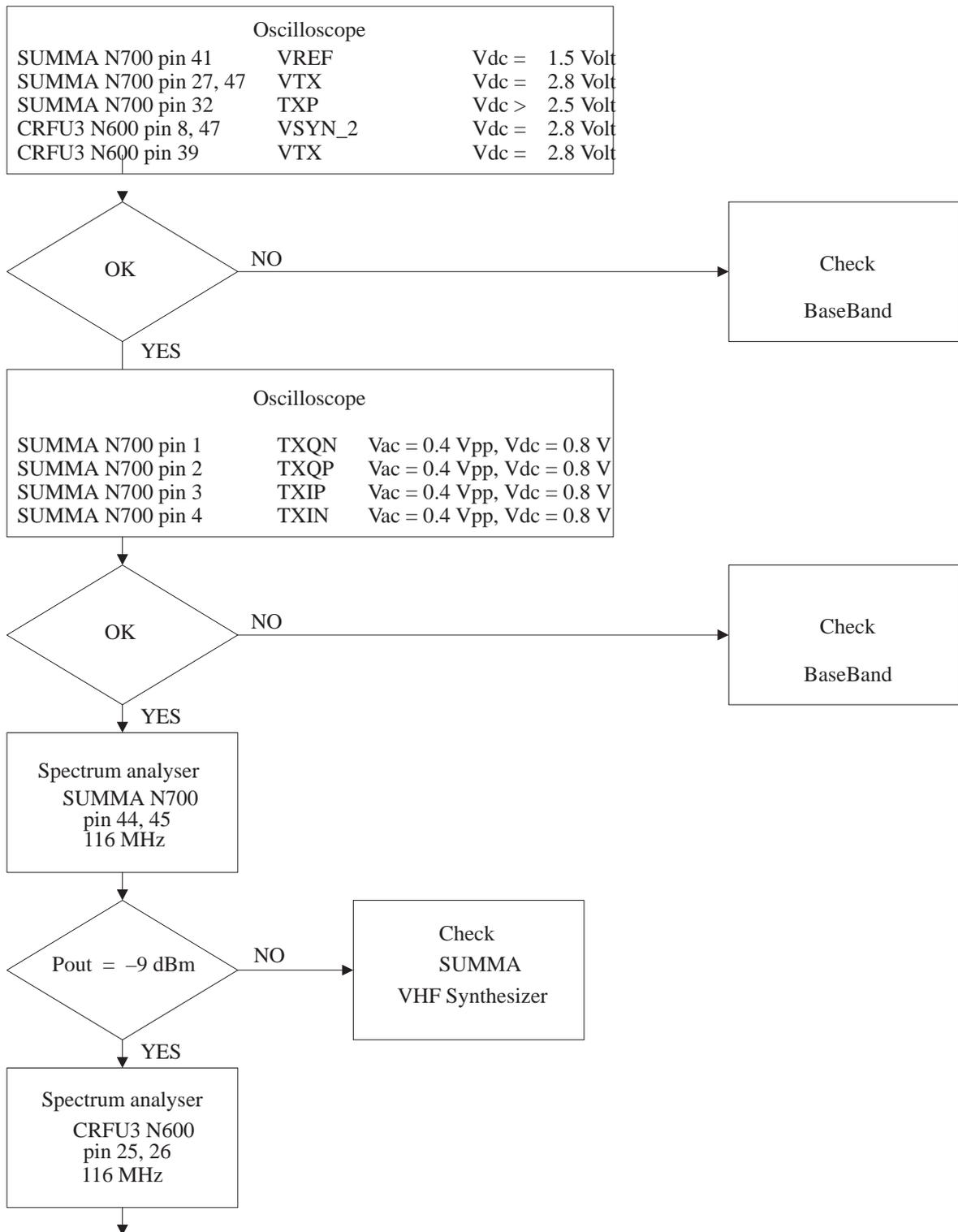
This path defines the general route of the transmitted signal:

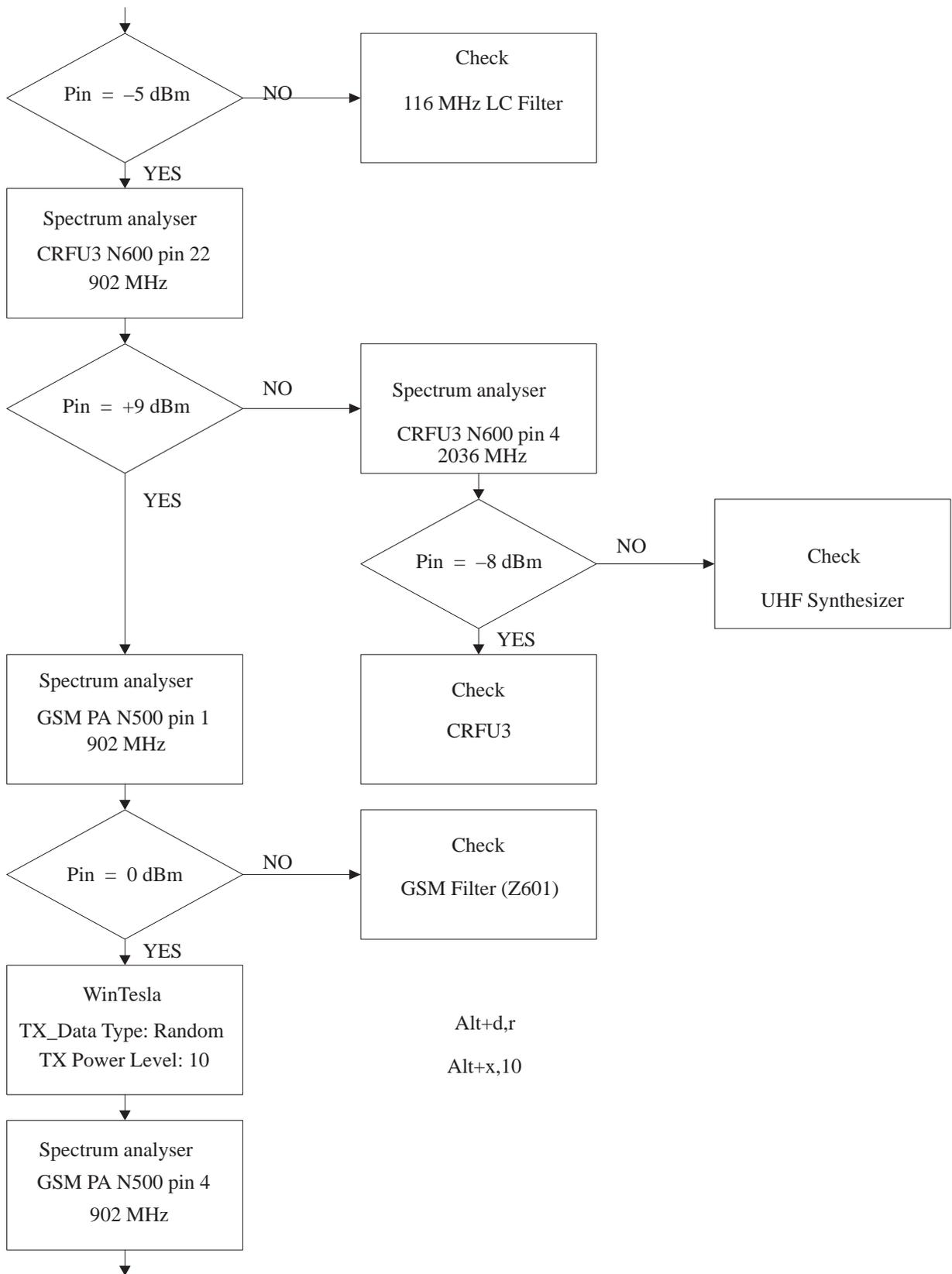
COBBA\_GJP (N200), SUMMA(N700), 116 MHz Filter (L703, L704, L708), CRFU3 (Upconverter N600), GSM Filter (Z601), MMIC PA (N500), Directional Coupler (L500), Duplexer (Z500), Diplexer (Z503), Antenna.

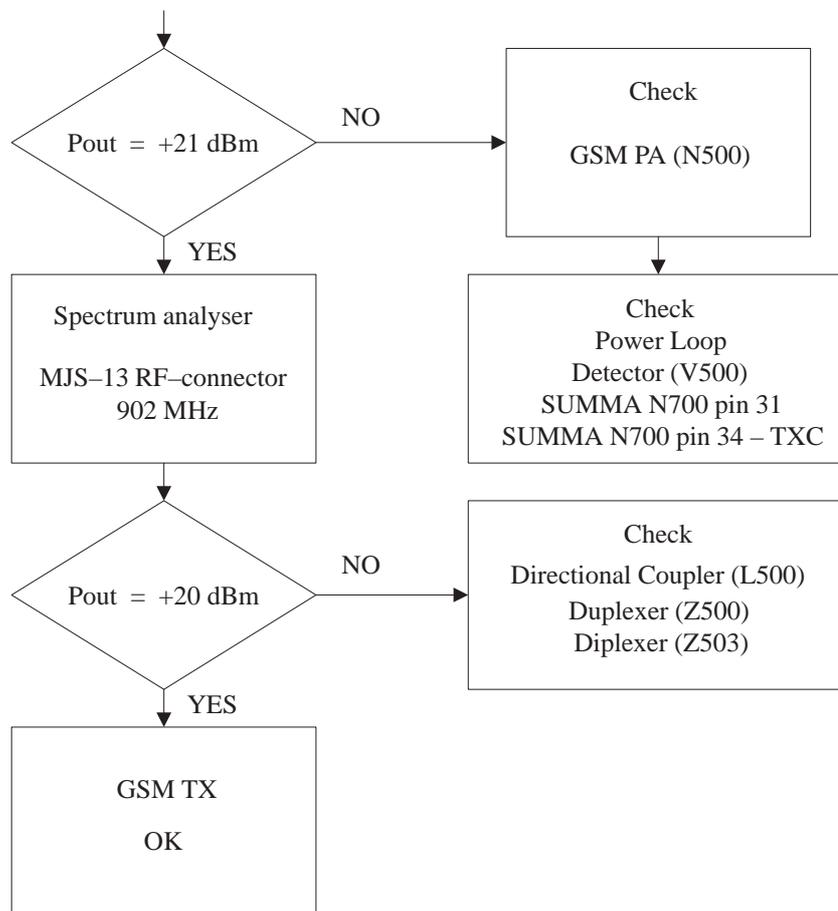
The related component number(s) are defined inside (.).

There is also power detection (V500) and power control circuits inside SUMMA for transmitter power control.

### 4.3 . *Fault finding chart for GSM transmitter*







## 5. PCN Transmitter

### 5.1 . General instructions for PCN TX troubleshooting

Apply a RF-cable to the MJS-13 RF-connector to allow the transmitted signal act as normal. RF-cable should be connected to measurement equipment or to at least a 10-dB attenuator, otherwise the PA may be damaged.

Start WinTesla-Service-Software and

Select:	<u>P</u> roduct	Alt+p
	<u>B</u> and	b
	<u>P</u> CN	p
Select:	<u>T</u> esting	Alt+e
	<u>R</u> F Controls	r
	<u>T</u> X Power Level: BASE	Alt+x, b
	TX <u>C</u> ontinuous	Alt+c
	TX <u>D</u> ata Type: Random	Alt+d, r
	<u>C</u> hannel: 700	Alt+n, 700
	<u>A</u> pply	Alt+a

### 5.2 . Path of the transmitted PCN signal

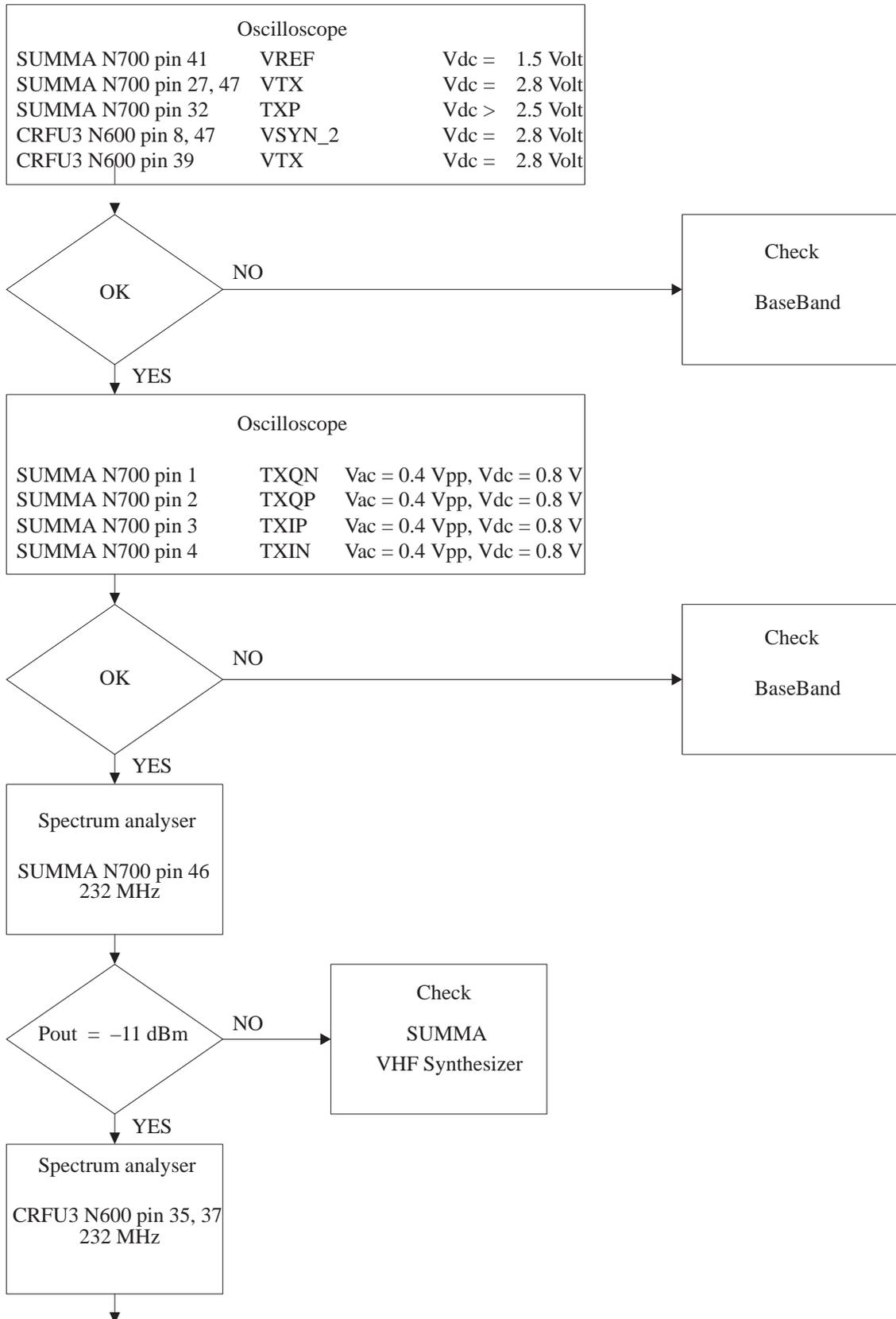
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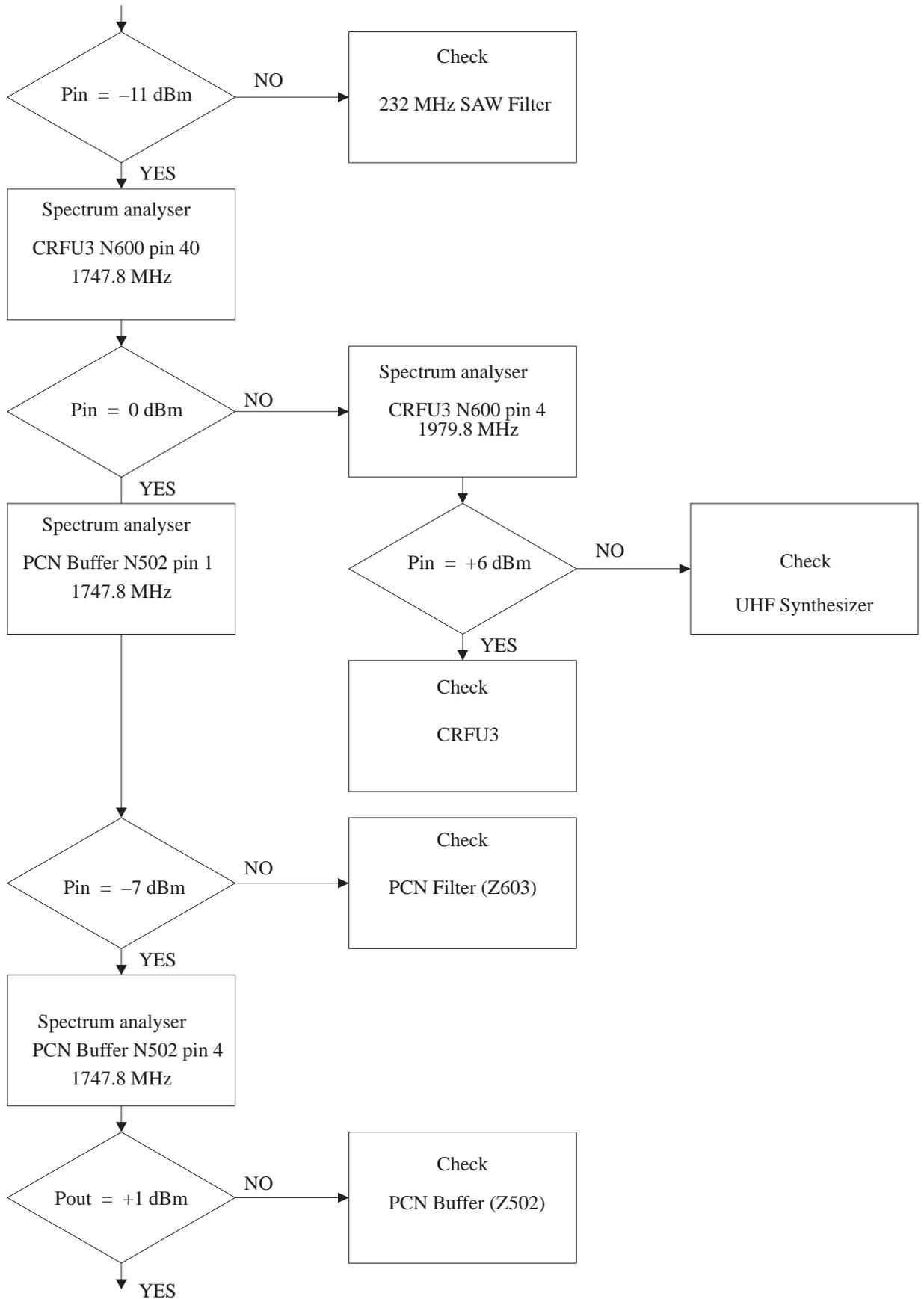
COBBA\_GJP (N200), SUMMA (N700), 232 MHz SAW Filter (Z702), CRFU3 (Upconverter N600), PCN Filter (Z603), PCN Buffer (N502), PCN Filter (Z502), MMIC PA (N501), Directional Coupler (L500), TX/RX Switch (Z504), Diplexer (Z503), Antenna.

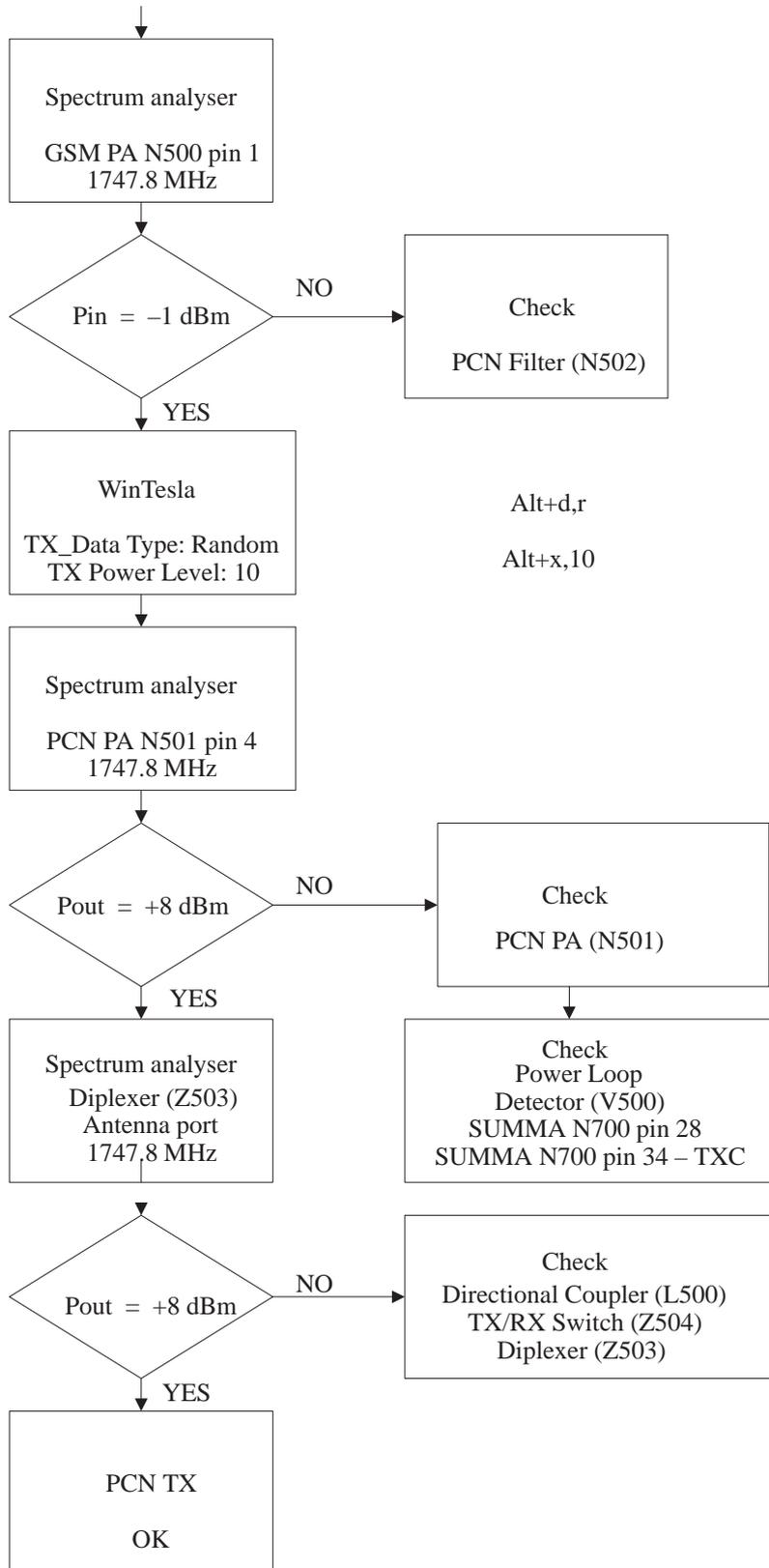
The related component number(s) are defined inside (.).

There is also power detection (V500) and power control circuits inside SUMMA for transmitter power control.

**5.3. Fault finding chart for PCN transmitter**







## 6. Synthesizers

There are three oscillators generating the needed frequencies for RF-section. 13 MHz reference oscillator, 464 MHz VHF VCO and UHF VCO.

The frequency range for UHF VCO is

GSM TX:	2012.4 ... 2061.6 MHz,
PCN TX:	1942.2 ... 2016.8 MHz,
GSM RX:	2012.4 ... 2061.6 MHz,
PCN RX:	1992.2 ... 2066.8 MHz.

### 6.1 . **General instructions for Synthesizer troubleshooting**

Start WinTesla-Service-Software and

Select:	<u>P</u> roduct	Alt+p
	<u>B</u> and	b
	<u>G</u> SM	g
Select:	<u>T</u> esting	Alt+e
	<u>R</u> F Controls	r
	<u>R</u> X Continuous	Alt+r
	<u>C</u> ont. Mode Ch: 60	Alt+o, 60

### 6.2 .. **13 MHz reference oscillator**

The 13 MHz oscillator (G701) is controlled by COBBA\_GJP (N200). This 13 MHz signal is pulse-shaped and connected to SUMMA (N700) and it is also buffered, filtered and connected to MAD2 (D300).

### 6.3. **VHF VCO**

The 464 MHz VHF VCO (G702) signal is used to generate the 116 MHz- and 232 MHz signals inside SUMMA. The 116 MHz signal is used in GSM transmitter and in PCN receiver. The 232 MHz signal is used in PCN transmitter.

**Fault finding table for VHF VCO**

The fault finding is as described for UHF VCO with following exceptions:

	UHF VCO		VHF VCO	
1	SUMMA N700 pin 21	changed to	SUMMA N700 pin 12	Vdc = 1.8 ... 3.0 Volt
2	UHF VCO G700	changed to	VHF VCO G702	
3	SUMMA UHF PLL	changed to	SUMMA VHF PLL	
4	UHF VCO G700 OUT-pin	changed to	VHF VCO G702 OUT-pin	Pout > -3 dBm

The exceptions will be inside (.) in the fault finding chart for the UHF VCO.

**6.4. UHF VCO**

UHF VCO (G700) is used to generate the first injection for RX (GSM 2012.4 ... 2061.6 MHz, PCN 1992.2 ... 2066.8 MHz) and the final injection for TX (GSM 2012.4 ... 2061.6 MHz, PCN 1942.2 ... 2016.8 MHz). The output frequency of the module depends on the DC-control voltage coming from SUMMA.

**6.5. Fault finding chart –UHF VCO and 13 MHz ref. oscillator**

