#### I. Capabilities

- A. a pair basic object, allowed operations
- B. certain operations on capabilities are permitted
  - 1) copy
  - 2) reduce allowed operations
    - a) parameters

capability 0,A

set of allowed operations A'

b) result
A:=AnA'

# II. Basic objects

Associated with each kind of basic object are a number of possible operations. Each possible operation has 1 or more parameters, the first of which must be a capability for an object of the proper kind, and one of the allowed operations of the capability must be the operation in question.

## A. Permanent file

- 1) This is a scope file which is stored in a special area of the disk, or might be saved on tape.
- 2) Possible operations
  - a) read
  - b) re-write
  - c) destroy
  - d) append

#### B. Directory Page

- 1) This is a sequence of pairs

  The 1st member of the pair is a BCD name

  The 2nd member of the pair is a capability
- 2) Possible Operations
  - a) get entry

2nd parameter is a BCD name

b) make new entry
2nd parameter is a BCD name
3rd parameter is a capability

c) delete entry
2nd parameter is a capability

d) modify entry same parameters as b)

e) destroy page

### c. Accounting Block

- 1) This specifies who or what job number is to be charged for files and directory pages.
- 2) Possible Operations
  - a) more permanent file
  - b) more directory page
  - c) more accounting block

Copy capability (D2,D2P)
Reduce capabilities (DLP, {Get entry})
Modify entry (DS,'J1',D2P)
Make entry (D2.'password',D1)
Make entry (D,'D2',D2)

This places control under password control, known only to the person who ran this job.

- B) To allow persons with job number JU to make files of up to H half tracks total, and make directory pages step to P sectors total:
  - 1) Directory (D2)
    Get entry (D2, 'password', D)
    Get entry (D, 'A', A)
    Make account block (A, AU, H, P)
    Make directory page (A, DU)
    Make entry (DU, 'A', AU)
    Make entry (DU, 'D', DU)
    Get entry (D, 'DS', DS)
    Make entry (DS, 'JU', DU)
  - 2) The user can now place his accounting block under password control if he desires, similiar to the way directory D was placed under password control.
  - 3) This same directory could have been placed under several job numbers if desired.