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1 INTRODUCTION

An automated weather station has now been installed at Culgoora. A set of eleven weather statistics are recorded every hour:

- a). wind speed - the mean, maximum, minimum and variance from the previous hour;
- b). wind direction - hourly mean;
- c). temperatures at ground level and at 10m level - five minute mean;
- d). solar radiation - hourly mean;
- e). barometric pressure - hourly mean;
- f). rainfall - total accumulated during the previous hour;
- g). humidity - hourly mean.

Additional software is provided to allow the archived data to be examined and listed.

This manual describes the operation of the unit, the hardware involved and the maintenance.

2 OPERATION OF THE STATION

The station is automatic - operator intervention is required only to start (or restart) the program, and to supervise the data archiving once a month. The data is written to a 5" floppy diskette every hour (on the hour). Although the diskette's capacity is adequate for several months operation, it would be wise to replace the diskette every month. The PC display maintains a tally of the amount of data stored on the diskette.

2.1 STARTUP

a). The sensors.

The solar radiation monitor requires 240 v. There is a switch in the junction box at the base of the weather station tower; power to the tower derives from a switch board in the control building.

Two other sensors require power: the anemometer and the barometer. In both cases 24 v DC is needed, derived from the logger rack.

The remaining sensors are passive, and need no action to start operation.

b). The logger.

The logger executes a scanning program: every 15 seconds it reads the sensors, scales the data to useful units and then sends the results to the PC. Switching on the logger will cause the program to be transferred from a cartridge tape; the program will then be started automatically. Recovery from a drastic power failure is equally automatic.

The logger has a key switch on the front panel. This needs to be set to the ON position. Two LEDs adjacent to the switch should be lit: one to indicate that the 24 v battery supply is on; the second LED indicates the operational state of the logger (ON or OFF).

Thus the operator's function on start-up is simple: ensure that the tape is in the reader, then switch the unit to ON.

c). The PC.

The PC executes a simple task to accept the data from the logger, compile the statistics, and every hour, on the hour, archive the data.

The startup sequence:

1. Place the system in the upper drive, and the data disk in the lower drive.
2. Switch on the machine; after some diagnostics the computer will display its estimate of time and date. The operator should check that these are correct, and enter either a confirming RETURN or else the correct time/date. **NOTE:** the computer runs on AEST, and not **Summer time**.

3. Type:

```
GWBASIC  
LOAD "ORION.BAS"  
RUN
```

4. The screen should then be cleared, and the current weather values displayed, accumulating over a period of time.

2.2 RESTART

It is possible that a failure may occur after extended power failures, or after violent storms. In this case the logger and/or the PC may need restarting.

- a). Logger : switch off, then ON.
- b). PC. : type RUN

This may produce the error message : "Communications buffer overflow". The response to this is to hit a number of RETURNS, then type: RUN

If all this fails, then switch off the computer and start again.

2.3 BACKUPS

A backup logger program tape and a backup system disk for the PC are kept beside the units. Both are labelled as "Backup".

2.4 DATA ARCHIVING

The data is written to disk automatically, and needs no intervention. The PC display shows the time and date of the last record written; this should be checked periodically as a guide to the health of the PC operations.

Once a month the disk should be replaced with a fresh disk. Remove the disk from the lower drive and insert a fresh one (pre-initialised). This can be done at any time provided that the PC is not attempting to write to the disk - ie, check the time.

Spare (pre-initialised) disks are kept beside the machine.

Initialising the disks: use DISKCOPY on any other PC, with a pre-initialised disk as model.

The Archive disks should be sent to M. Kesteven.

2.5 EXAMINING ARCHIVED DATA

- a). Find a spare PC.
- b). Place the WEATHER system disk in the upper drive, and the archive data disk in the lower.
- c). Type WEATHER to start the task.
- d). Data filename: the standard filename is

B:WEATHER.DAT
- e). Data can be listed and/or printed.

This task can be run on the current data disk: this can be removed from the logging PC provided that no data is to be written to the disk - ie. at times other than on the hour. Check the PC display.

3 HARDWARE OVERVIEW

The station consists of:

- a). The sensors.
- b). An "ORION" data logger which interrogates the sensors.
- c). A P.C. computer which records the data and compiles some statistics.

The logger and the computer are battery powered so the weather station will continue to operate during power failures; however, the solar radiation monitor requires 240 volts power, so the solar radiation data may not be continuous.

4 THE SENSORS

4.1 The Anemometer

This is a WEATHERTRONICS device, model # 2030

It has three cups, 5 cm in diameter, on 8 cm arms. The rotating shaft carries a 30 slot optical chopper. An OPTRON optoelectronic chopper (model OPB 804) detects the rotation of the shaft.

The scaling adopted : $V \text{ (km/hr)} = F \text{ (hz)} * 0.158 + 0.837$
is derived from the WEATHERTRONICS manual.

The wiring diagram for the unit is shown in fig. 1

24 v DC is required; this is derived from the logger rack power supply.

4.2 The wind direction monitor

This is a WEATHERTRONICS device, model #2020

The weather vane drives a 5k Ω variable resistor.

4.3 The temperature probes

These are all four-wire platinum resistor thermometers. Although NML calibration curves are available for all units, we have chosen to use the calibration factors built into the logger.

4.4 Solar radiation (solarimeter)

This is a CASELLA device, model #W6500

The unit requires +10v and -8v power, derived from a 240v unit. It returns a DC analogue voltage, 1 mV/(W/m²).

4.5 The Barometer

This is a WEATHERTRONICS device, model #7100

It requires 24v DC supply, provided directly from the logger rack. The unit is mounted on the logger rack, with a hose connected to the outside to provide the ambient pressure. It returns a DC analogue voltage proportional to the pressure.

The scaling : $P \text{ (mb)} = V * 100. + 600.$ comes from the manual.

4.6 The Rainfall gauge

This is a WEATHERTRONICS device, model #P501 - I/PN 648001

The unit contains a small tipping bucket, each tip corresponding to 0.25 mm of rain. Each "tip" produces a pulse which is counted by the logger.

4.7 The Hygrometer

Not yet installed.

4.8 CONNECTING THE SENSORS TO THE LOGGER.

All the sensors except for the barometer are located on the weather tower to the E of the control building. Four sensors are mounted at the tower top: the anemometer and wind direction; a temperature probe and the hygrometer. A second temperature probe and the solar radiation monitor are at ground level. The rain gauge is some 10m to the south of the tower.

The wiring diagram for the junction box at the tower top is shown in fig.2; the wiring diagram for the ground level junction box is in fig. 3, and the connections at the logger rack are shown in fig. 4

The anemometer is connected to channel 5 in the Counter/Timer module of the logger, as shown in figs 5 and 6.

The rain gauge is connected to channel 21 in the Event/Status module, as shown in fig. 7

All the other sensors are connected to the Reed relay unit, as shown in figs 8,9,10, 11 and 12.

5 PROGRAMMING THE LOGGER

The scanning task in the logger is called "weather", and occupies slot #1 on the tape. The program contains:

5.1 Definition of the scanning task.

In ORION terms:

TA1 OP ME	This is a measurement task
TA1 TR TI DE 5.0	Start after a 5. second delay
TA1 CO * RE IN IN 0:0:15.	Continuous scanning, looping every 15 s
TA1 CH1-5,21,61-65,67,68-70	These are the channels to scan
TA1 AT F	Take 10 readings per sensor
TA1 LO EV	Log every channel sampled
TA1 MA EV	And send a time stamp
TA1 FO CO	Using a compact format
TA1 TO S0	Send the data to the RS232 port S0

5.2 Definition of the channels to be interrogated.

In ORION terms:

CH1-5 SE 902 CO1	Wind speed; frequency measurement, 1.0 sec gate; Conversion routine #1
CH21 SE 741 CO2	Rain gauge; count events
CH61 SE 410	Ground level T; 4-wire platinum resistor
CH63 SE 410	10m level T
CH65 SE 410	Room T
CH67 SE 254 CO3	Wind direction; resistance measurement
CH68 SE 114 CO4	Solar radiation; voltage measurement
CH69 SE 114 CO5	Barometric pressure
CH70 SE 114 CO6	Relative Humidity

5.3 Definition of the calibration algorithms and factors to be applied.

In ORION terms:

CO1 MO SC MC 0.158, 0.837 UN KMH	Conversion routine #1, linear scaling (0.158*x + 0.837), units kmh
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CO2 MO SC MC 0.25, 0. UN MM
CO3 MO SC MC 0.072, 0. UN DEG
CO4 MO SC MC 1000.,0 UN WM2
CO5 MO SC MC 100., 600. UN MB
CO6 MO SC MC 1.,0 UN %

5.4 CONVERSING WITH THE ORION:

The ORION's RS232 output is currently set to: 300 baud, 7 bits, EVEN parity, 1 stop bit.

A terminal should be connected (in place of the PC).

Communication with the ORION is a bit complicated because of the need to distinguish the two competing output channels which share the same RS232 output port: the microprocessor port and the data port. A simple protocol allows the user to switch from one to the other:

! to gain attention of the ORION's microprocessor
to release the ORION, and open the data path.

The procedure to modify a program, for example wouyld be:

! This should return C:
HALT To stop any current task C:
TA1 OP ME ... etc

If data is to flow to S0.

Note: all communication to the ORION must be in upper case.

Further details on the commands available are described in the ORION manual.

6 THE PC PROGRAMS

"ORION", the PC logging task is listed in appendix A. The task runs under GWBASIC. (An as yet unresolved problem prevents a compiled version running)

"WEATHER", the task to examine the archival data is listed in appendix B. This task is compilable.

7 HISTORY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The weather tower was designed by C.J. van der Meulen. The sensors were installed by E.Broderick, with W.Paynten supervising. A.Spencer designed and built the pulse shaper/driver for the anemometer. B.Whitelaw drew the diagrams.

Appendix A

The Data logging program

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10 '  
20 '   ORION weather station logging task  
30 '  
40 ' mjk 11 - NOV - 87  
50 '  
60 '.....  
70 '  
80  DIM POINTS(8), V.DATA(8)  
90  DIM A.NDX(100), B.NDX(100)  
95  DIM ARR.DAT(6,10), INDX(100)  
100 '  
110  FALSE = 0: TRUE = NOT FALSE  
115  PI = 3.1415926#  
117  TM.LOG$ = " (none yet) "  
118  KEY OFF  
119  T.FACT = .9  
120  BLANK$ = STRING$(8,32)  
125 '  
130  OPEN "COM1:" AS #1  
140 '  
150  SKIP = 5  
160 '  
165  GOSUB 2000      : ' task initialiser  
170  GOSUB 1250     : ' screen initialiser  
180 '  
190 '  
200  FIRST.REC = TRUE  
210 ' simple minded loop  
220 '  
230  MSG$ = " "  
240 '  
250  WHILE LOC(1)<>0  
260  A$ = INPUT$(1, #1)  
270  IF (A$ = CHR$(13)) GOTO 370  
280  IF (A$ = CHR$(10)) GOTO 370  
290  MSG$ = MSG$ + A$  
300 '  
310  GOSUB 560  
320  GOTO 500  
330 '  
340 '  
350 '
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360 '
370 '           decide if there is anything worth printing
380 '
390 IF (NOT FIRST.REC) GOTO 460
420 MSG$ = " "
430 FIRST.REC = FALSE
440 GOTO 510
450 '
460   GOSUB 660
470   GOSUB 1100
480   MSG$ = " "
490 '
500 '
510 WEND
520 '
521 THIS.HR = VAL (MID$(TIMES$,1,2))
522 IF (THIS.HR <> LAST.HR) THEN GOSUB 4000
523 '
524 A$ = INKEY$
525 IF ((A$="Q") OR (A$="q")) THEN GOTO 545
526 '
530 GOTO 210
540 '
542 GOSUB 4000 :' write a last record
543 '
545 CLS
546 PRINT: PRINT " Weather logger stopped"
547 PRINT:
548 PRINT "data file now has "; N.RECORDS; " records"
550 '
555 END
557 '.....
560 '
570 '   SUBROUTINE TO WASTE TIME
580 '
590   J = 0
600   FOR I = 1 TO SKIP
610     J = J + 1
620   NEXT I
630 '
640 RETURN
645 '.....
650 '
660 '   subroutine to parse an input line
670 '
680   PNT = LEN(MSG$)
690   N1 = 1
700   NTERMS = 0
710 '

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720   FOR I = N1 TO PNT
730   IF (ASC(MID$(MSG$,I,1)) > 32) GOTO 770
740   NEXT I
750   GOTO 1080
760 '
770 '
780   N1 = I
790 '           is this time ?
800 '
810   IF (MID$(MSG$,N1,1) <> "S") GOTO 880
820 '
830   NTERMS = 1
840   POINTS(1) = -1
850   TM.STR$ = MID$(MSG$,N1+6,10)
851   TIMES$ = TM.STR$
852   TM.STR$ = TIMES$
860   GOTO 1080
870 '
880 '           ":" ?
890   IF (MID$(MSG$,N1,1) <> ":") GOTO 940
900   N1 = N1 + 19
910   IF (N1 < PNT) GOTO 940
920   GOTO 1080
930 '
940   IF (MID$(MSG$,N1,1) <> "C") GOTO 1030
950   NTERMS = NTERMS + 1
960   PT = VAL(MID$(MSG$,N1+2,3))
962   POINTS(NTERMS) = PT
964   IF ((PT>0) AND (PT<6)) THEN POINTS(NTERMS) = 1
970   V.DATA(NTERMS) = VAL(MID$(MSG$,N1+6,7))
980   N1 = N1 + 20
990   IF (N1 < PNT) GOTO 720
1000 '
1010   GOTO 1080
1020 '
1030  IF (MID$(MSG$,N1,1) = "D") GOTO 1080
1040  PRINT "possible trouble : "
1050  PRINT MSG$
1070 '
1080  RETURN
1085 '.....
1090 '
1100 ' Subroutine to describe the values found
1110 '
1120 IF (NTERMS = 0) GOTO 1220
1130 FOR I = 1 TO NTERMS
1140 IF (POINTS(I) = -1) GOTO 1200
1150 A1 = A.NDX(POINTS(I)) : B1 = B.NDX(POINTS(I))
1160 LOCATE A1,B1 : PRINT BLANK$

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1170   LOCATE A1,B1: PRINT USING "#####.#"; V.DATA(I)
1172   J = INDX(POINTS(I))
1175   GOSUB 7000      : ' update the data
1180   GOTO 1210
1190 '
1200   LOCATE 6,33: PRINT TM.STR$
1210   NEXT I
1220 '
1230   RETURN
1235 '.....
1240 '
1250 ' subroutine to initialise the screen
1260 '
1270   CLS
1280   LOCATE 2,10
1290   PRINT "Culgoora weather station and logger - jan6/88 version"
1300 '
1310   LOCATE 3, 60
1320   PRINT DATE$
1330 '
1340   LOCATE 6, 5
1350   PRINT "time of last data sample : "
1360 '
1370   LOCATE 8, 1 : PRINT "wind speed : "
1383   LOCATE 8, 25: PRINT "k/hr"
1385   A.NDX(1) = 8: B.NDX(1) = 15
1390   A.NDX(2) = 8: B.NDX(2) = 15
1400   LOCATE 8, 40: PRINT "wind direction : "
1410   LOCATE 8,70: PRINT "degs"
1420   A.NDX(67) = 8: B.NDX(67) = 60
1430 '
1440   LOCATE 11,1
1450   PRINT "ground temp : "
1455   LOCATE 11, 25: PRINT "C"
1460   A.NDX(61) = 11: B.NDX(61) = 15
1470   LOCATE 11, 40
1480   PRINT "10m temp : "
1485   LOCATE 11, 70: PRINT "C"
1490   A.NDX(63) = 11: B.NDX(63) = 60
1500 '
1510   LOCATE 14,1
1520   PRINT "precipitation : "
1525   LOCATE 14,25: PRINT "mm"
1530   A.NDX(21) = 14: B.NDX(21) = 15
1540   LOCATE 14, 40
1550   PRINT "humidity : "
1555   LOCATE 14, 70 : PRINT "%"
1560   A.NDX(70) = 14: B.NDX(70) = 60
1570 '

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1580 LOCATE 17,1
1590 PRINT "pressure : "
1595 LOCATE 17,25 : PRINT "mb"
1600 A.NDX(69) = 17: B.NDX(69) = 15
1610 LOCATE 17, 40
1620 PRINT "sol. rad : "
1625 LOCATE 17, 70 : PRINT "W/sqm"
1630 A.NDX(68) = 17: B.NDX(68) = 60
1640 '
1645 LOCATE 20,1 : PRINT "room temp : "
1647 LOCATE 20, 25: PRINT "C"
1650 A.NDX(65) = 20: B.NDX(65) = 15
1670 LOCATE 22,1
1680 PRINT "Last record at "; TM.LOG$;
1682 PRINT "  there are now "; N.RECORDS; " records on disk"
1685 PRINT " This task started on "; STRT.DATE$;
1687 PRINT "  at "; STRT.TIME$
1690 '
1692 LOCATE 25,1
1693 PRINT "Type Q to halt task";
1700 RETURN
1705 '.....
1999 '
2000 ' Subroutine to initialise the various arrays
2010 '
2030 '
2040 STRT.DATE$ = DATE$
2045 STRT.TIME$ = TIME$
2050 '
2060 GOSUB 3000  :' zeroes the data array
2070 '
2080 INDX(1) = 1  :' wind speed
2090 INDX(2) = 1  :' wind speed
2100 INDX(21) = 6 :' precipitation
2110 INDX(61) = 3 :' ground level temperature
2120 INDX(63) = 4 :' 10 m temp
2130 INDX(65) = 5 :' room temperature
2140 INDX(67) = 2 :' wind direction
2145 INDX(68) = 9 :' solar radiation
2150 INDX(69) = 7 :' pressure
2160 INDX(70) = 8 :' humidity
2170 '
2180 LAST.HR = VAL (MID$(TIME$,1,2))
2200 '
2210 OPEN "b:records.dat" FOR INPUT AS #3
2220 INPUT #3, N.RECORDS
2230 CLOSE #3
2240 '
2280 RETURN

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2285 ' .....
2999 '
3000 ' Subroutine
3010 '     zeroes the data array
3020   FOR I = 1 TO 2
3030     FOR J = 1 TO 6
3040       ARR.DAT(J,I) = 0!
3045       IF (J=3) THEN ARR.DAT(J,I) = 1000000!
3050     NEXT J
3060   NEXT I
3070 '
3080   FOR I = 1 TO 9
3090     FOR J = 4 TO 6
3100       ARR.DAT(J,I) = 0!
3110     NEXT J
3120   NEXT I
3130 '
3135   ARR.DAT(5,3) = 1!
3136   ARR.DAT(5,4) = 1!
3140 '
3180 RETURN
3185 ' .....
3999 '
4000 ' Subroutine to log data to disk
4010 '
4020   OPEN "b:weather.dat" FOR APPEND AS #2
4030 '
4040   TM.LOG$ = TIME$
4050 '
4060   PRINT #2, TM.LOG$, DATE$
4070 '
4080 ' gather the statistics
4090 '     wind
4100   J = 1
4110   GOSUB 5000
4120 '
4130 '     wind direction
4140   J = 2
4150   GOSUB 6000
4160 '
4170   J = 3       :' ground temp
4180   GOSUB 5000
4190 '
4200   J = 4       :' 10 m temp
4210   GOSUB 5000
4220 '
4222   J = 7       :' pressure
4224   GOSUB 5000
4226 '

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4230 J = 8           : ' humidity
4240 GOSUB 5000
4250 '
4251 J = 9           : ' INSOLATION
4252 GOSUB 5000
4253 '
4260 PRINT #2, ARR.DAT(4,1), ARR.DAT(5,1), ARR.DAT(2,1),
      ARR.DAT(3,1)
4270 PRINT #2, ARR.DAT(2,2), ARR.DAT(4,3), ARR.DAT(4,4),
      ARR.DAT(4,7)
4280 PRINT #2, ARR.DAT(1,6), ARR.DAT(4,8), ARR.DAT(4,9)
4290 '
4300 CLOSE (2)
4310 '
4315 GOSUB 9000  : ' update record number counter
4317 '
4320 GOSUB 3000 : ' zero the data arrays
4330 '
4340 GOSUB 1250 : ' refresh the screen
4350 '
4360 LAST.HR = THIS.HR
4370 '
4390 '
4400 RETURN
4405 '.....
4999 '
5000 ' subroutine
5010 '     generate the statistics
5020 '
5030 WEIGHT = ARR.DAT(6,J)
5040 IF (WEIGHT = 0) GOTO 5150
5050 '
5060 MEAN = ARR.DAT(4,J) / WEIGHT
5070 '
5080 RMS = ARR.DAT(5,J) / WEIGHT - MEAN*MEAN
5090 IF (RMS < 0) GOTO 5160
5100 RMS = SQR (RMS)
5110 GOTO 5200
5120 '
5150 '     problems
5160 RMS = 0!
5170 '
5200 ARR.DAT(4,J) = MEAN
5210 ARR.DAT(5,J) = RMS
5220 '
5230 RETURN
5235 '.....
5999 '
6000 ' subroutine to deal with the wind direction

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6010 '
6020 IF (ARR.DAT(1,J) = 0 ) GOTO 6500
6030 '
6040 CC = ARR.DAT(4,J)
6050 SS = ARR.DAT(5,J)
6060 '
6070 GOSUB 8000 : ' get ATAN2D
6160 '
6170 ARR.DAT(2,J) = TT
6180 '
6500 RETURN
6505 .....
6999 '
7000 ' Subroutine to update the data arrays
7010 '
7015 DATUM = V.DATA(I)
7020 ARR.DAT(1,J) = DATUM
7030 '
7040 IF (J = 2) GOTO 7500 : ' wind direction
7042 IF (J = 3) GOTO 7700 : ' temperature
7044 IF (J = 4) GOTO 7700
7050 '
7060 TMP = ARR.DAT(1,J)
7070 ARR.DAT(4,J) = ARR.DAT(4,J) + TMP
7080 ARR.DAT(5,J) = ARR.DAT(5,J) + TMP*TMP
7090 ARR.DAT(6,J) = ARR.DAT(6,J) + 1
7100 '
7110 IF (ARR.DAT(2,J) < TMP) THEN ARR.DAT(2,J) = TMP
7120 IF (ARR.DAT(3,J) > TMP) THEN ARR.DAT(3,J) = TMP
7130 '
7140 ' check daily wind max/min
7150 '
7160 IF (J <> 1) GOTO 7800
7170 '
7180 IF (ARR.DAT(2,10) < TMP) THEN ARR.DAT(2,10) = TMP
7190 IF (ARR.DAT(3,10) > TMP) THEN ARR.DAT(3,10) = TMP
7200 GOTO 7800
7210 '
7500 T = ARR.DAT(1,2)
7510 T = T * PI / 180!
7520 SPEED = ARR.DAT(1,1)
7530 '
7540 C = COS(T) * SPEED
7550 S = SIN(T) * SPEED
7560 '
7570 ARR.DAT(4,2) = ARR.DAT(4,2) + C
7580 ARR.DAT(5,2) = ARR.DAT(5,2) + S
7590 ARR.DAT(6,2) = ARR.DAT(6,2) + 1
7600 '

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7610 CC = ARR.DAT(4,2)
7620 SS = ARR.DAT(5,2)
7630 GOSUB 8000      : ' get atan2D
7640 '
7650 ARR.DAT(2,2) = TT
7660 '
7665 GOTO 7800
7667 '
7700 '           temperature : want 5 min. averaging
7705 '
7710 ARR.DAT(4,J) = ARR.DAT(4,J)*T.FACT + DATUM
7715 ARR.DAT(6,J) = ARR.DAT(6,J) + ARR.DAT(5,J)
7720 ARR.DAT(5,J) = ARR.DAT(5,J)*T.FACT
7725 '
7800 RETURN
7805 '.....
7999 '
8000 '   subroutine to evaluate ATAN2D
8010 '
8060 IF (CC <> 0) GOTO 8110
8070 TT = PI / 2!
8080 IF (SS < 0) THEN TT = -PI/2!
8090 GOTO 8500
8100 '
8110 TT = SS / CC
8120 TT = ATN(TT)
8130 IF (CC < 0) THEN TT = TT + PI
8140 '
8150 TT = TT * 180! / PI
8160 '
8500 RETURN
8505 '.....
8999 '
9000 'subroutine
9010 '   updates the record counter file
9020 '
9030 OPEN "b:records.dat" FOR INPUT AS #3
9040 INPUT #3, N.RECORDS
9050 CLOSE #3
9060 '
9070 N.RECORDS = N.RECORDS + 1
9080 '
9090 OPEN "b:records.dat" FOR OUTPUT AS #3
9100 PRINT #3, N.RECORDS
9110 CLOSE #3
9120 '
9130 RETURN

```

Appendix B

The data examination program

```
20 '  
30 '   Weather data analysis  
40 '  
50 '   mjk, 7/jan/88  
60 '  
70 '.....  
80 '  
90   DIM ARR.DAT(11), WANT(11), L.TITLE$(11), L.UNIT$(11)  
100 '  
110  FALSE = 0 : TRUE = NOT FALSE  
120 '  
130  KEY OFF  
140 '  
150  GOSUB 2290 :      initialise titles  
160 '  
170  CLS : LOCATE 5,5  
180  INPUT " Enter data filename : ", IN.FIL$  
190 '  
200  OPEN IN.FIL$ FOR INPUT AS #1  
210 '  
220  LOCATE 7,5 : PRINT " Patience while we read the file "  
230 '  
240 '  
250 '          find the first record  
260 '  
270  N.LINE = 0  
280  LINE INPUT #1, F.MSG$  
290  N.LINE = N.LINE + 1  
300  IF (N.LINE>10) GOTO 860      :' probable error  
310  IF (MID$(F.MSG$,3,1)<>"") GOTO 280  
320 '  
330  GOSUB 960      :' read the 3 lines of the first record  
340 '  
350  N.REC = 1  
360  WHILE (NOT EOF(1))  
370    LINE INPUT #1, MSG$  
380    IF (MID$(MSG$,3,1)<>"") GOTO 370    :' resynch if necessary  
390    GOSUB 960      :' read 3 lines of data  
400    N.REC = N.REC + 1  
410  WEND  
420 '  
430  CLOSE #1
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440 '
450 '
460   P.DATE$ = "01-01-1900"
470   OPEN IN.FIL$ FOR INPUT AS #1
480 '
485   SKIP = FALSE
490   MORE = TRUE
500   WHILE (MORE)
510 '
520     GOSUB 1360   :' options setup
530 '
540   IF (NOT MORE) GOTO 800
550 '
560   FOUND = FALSE
570 '
580   WHILE (NOT EOF(1))
590 '
600     IF (NOT SKIP) THEN LINE INPUT #1, T.MSG$
605     SKIP = FALSE
610     IF (MID$(T.MSG$,3,1) <> ":") GOTO 600
620     IF (MID$(T.MSG$,15,10)<>L.DATE$) GOTO 680
630 '
640     GOSUB 1050       :' read and print the data
650     FOUND = TRUE
660     GOTO 710
670 '
680   IF (FOUND) GOTO 730   :' can quit
690 '
700   GOSUB 960           :' skip 3 lines
710   WEND
720 '
730 '
740   PRINT
750 '
760   IN.MSG$ = "Continue"
770   GOSUB 2160         :' asks for yes/no to continue
780   MORE = ANS
790 '
800   WEND
810 '
820   CLOSE #1
830 '
840   END
850 '.....
860   error exit
870 '
880   CLOSE #1
890   CLS
900   PRINT

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910 PRINT " No time stamp found"
920 PRINT " Is "; IN.FIL$; " the correct filename?"
930 PRINT
940 STOP
950 '.....
960 '    subroutine
970 '        reads 3 lines, no data resulting
980 '
990     LINE INPUT #1, C1$
1000    LINE INPUT #1, C2$
1010    LINE INPUT #1, C3$
1020 '
1030 RETURN
1040 '.....
1050 '    subroutine
1060 '        reads 3 lines; extracts 10 items
1070 '
1080 '
1090     FOR I = 1 TO 11
1100         IF ((I=11) AND (L.DATES$<"01-08-1988")) GOTO 1120
1110         INPUT #1, ARR.DAT(I)
1120     NEXT I
1130 '
1140     GOSUB 1180     ':' print
1150 '
1160 RETURN
1170 '.....
1180 '    subroutine
1190 '        prints the required data
1200 '
1210     PRINT MID$(T.MSG$,1,8);
1220     IF (L.PRINT) THEN LPRINT MID$(T.MSG$,1,8);
1230 '
1240     FOR I = 1 TO 11
1250         IF(NOT WANT(I)) GOTO 1300
1260 '
1270         PRINT USING "#####.#"; ARR.DAT(I);
1280         IF (L.PRINT) THEN LPRINT USING "#####.#"; ARR.DAT(I);
1290 '
1300     NEXT I
1310     PRINT " "
1320     IF (L.PRINT) THEN LPRINT " "
1330 '
1340 RETURN
1350 '.....
1360 '    subroutine
1370 '        options setup
1380 '
1390     CLS

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1400 PRINT " There are "; N.REC; " records
1410 PRINT
1420 PRINT " from "; F.MSG$
1430 PRINT " to "; MSG$
1440 '
1450 F.DATE$ = MID$(F.MSG$,15,10)
1460 E.DATE$ = MID$(MSG$,15,10)
1470 IF (NOT FOUND) THEN P.DATE$ = "01-01-1900"
1480 '
1490 LOCATE 6,2
1500 INPUT "Enter date to list (mm-dd-yyyy) : ", L.DATE$
1510 IF ((L.DATE$>=F.DATE$)AND(L.DATE$<=E.DATE$)) GOTO 1560
1520 ERR.MSG$ = "Date not on file"
1530 GOSUB 2680
1540 GOTO 1490
1550 '
1560 LOCATE 8,2
1570 IN.MSG$ = "Do you want to change the options? "
1580 GOSUB 2160
1590 IF (NOT ANS) GOTO 1830
1600 '
1610 IN.MSG$ = "Do you want to list on the printer? "
1620 GOSUB 2160
1630 L.PRINT = ANS
1640 '
1650 PRINT "Options: Wind speed,rms,max,min"
1660 PRINT "      wind dir, temps (ground level and 10m)"
1670 PRINT "      pressure, precipitation, humidity"
1680 PRINT " numbered 1 to 11"
1690 '
1700 INPUT "Enter number of items to list (<9) : ", L.NUM
1710 IF (L.NUM>9) THEN L.NUM = 8
1720 '
1730 FOR I = 1 TO 11
1740 WANT(I) = FALSE
1750 NEXT I
1760 '
1770 FOR I = 1 TO L.NUM
1780 PRINT "Enter "; I; "th. item number ";
1790 INPUT ": ", J
1800 WANT(J) = TRUE
1810 NEXT I
1820 '
1830 SKIP = TRUE
1835 IF (L.DATE$>P.DATE$) GOTO 1870
1840 CLOSE #1
1850 OPEN IN.FIL$ FOR INPUT AS #1
1855 SKIP = FALSE
1860 '

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1870 P.DATES$ = L.DATES$
1880 '
1890 PRINT
1900 PRINT L.DATE$ : PRINT
1910 IF (NOT L.PRINT) GOTO 1940
1920 LPRINT: LPRINT L.DATES$: LPRINT
1930 '
1940 PRINT " time "; : IF (L.PRINT) THEN LPRINT " time ";
1950 FOR I = 1 TO 11
1960 IF (NOT WANT(I)) GOTO 1990
1970 PRINT L.TITLE$(I);
1980 IF (L.PRINT) THEN LPRINT L.TITLE$(I);
1990 NEXT I
2000 PRINT " "
2010 IF (NOT L.PRINT) GOTO 2030
2020 LPRINT " "
2030 '
2040 PRINT " "; : IF (L.PRINT) THEN LPRINT " ";
2050 FOR I = 1 TO 11
2060 IF (NOT WANT(I)) GOTO 2090
2070 PRINT L.UNIT$(I);
2080 IF (L.PRINT) THEN LPRINT L.UNIT$(I);
2090 NEXT I
2100 PRINT " ": PRINT
2110 IF (NOT L.PRINT) GOTO 2130
2120 LPRINT " ": LPRINT " "
2130 '
2140 RETURN
2150 '.....
2160 ' subroutine
2170 ' asks for a yes/no response
2180 ' returns ans (logical)
2190 '
2200 OUT.MSG$ = IN.MSG$ + " [y/n] "
2210 PRINT OUT.MSG$;
2220 INPUT ": ", CH$
2230 '
2240 ANS = TRUE
2250 IF ((CH$="n") OR (CH$="N")) THEN ANS = FALSE
2260 '
2270 RETURN
2280 '.....
2290 ' subroutine
2300 ' initialise the titles and options
2310 '
2320 L.TITLE$(1) = " speed"
2330 L.TITLE$(2) = " rms "
2340 L.TITLE$(3) = " max "
2350 L.TITLE$(4) = " min "

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2360 L.TITLE$(5) = " dirtn"
2370 L.TITLE$(6) = " T(gr)"
2380 L.TITLE$(7) = " T(10)"
2390 L.TITLE$(8) = " Press"
2400 L.TITLE$(9) = " Rain "
2410 L.TITLE$(10) = " Humid"
2420 L.TITLE$(11) = " Sun "
2430 '
2440 L.UNIT$(1) = " km/hr"
2450 L.UNIT$(2) = " km/hr"
2460 L.UNIT$(3) = " km/hr"
2470 L.UNIT$(4) = " km/hr"
2480 L.UNIT$(5) = " degs "
2490 L.UNIT$(6) = " C "
2500 L.UNIT$(7) = " C "
2510 L.UNIT$(8) = " mbars"
2520 L.UNIT$(9) = " mm "
2530 L.UNIT$(10) = " % "
2540 L.UNIT$(11) = " w/sqm"
2550 '
2560 L.PRINT = FALSE
2570 FOR I = 1 TO 11
2580     WANT(I) = FALSE
2590 NEXT I
2600 '
2610     WANT(1) = TRUE
2620     WANT(3) = TRUE
2630     WANT(4) = TRUE
2640     WANT(6) = TRUE
2650 '
2660 RETURN
2670 '.....
2680 '     subroutine
2690 '         error report
2700 '
2710     LOCATE 25,1
2720     PRINT ERR.MSG$
2730 '
2740     BEEP: BEEP
2750 '
2760 RETURN
2770 '.....
2780 '     subroutine
2790 '         extract N.VAL items from the string C.STR$
2800 '
2810     L = LEN(C.STR$)
2820 '
2830     F1 = 0
2840     FOR I = 1 TO N.VAL

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```
2850     F1 = F1 + 1
2860     IF (F1>L) GOTO 2990
2870     IF (MID$(C.STR$,F1,1) = " ") GOTO 2850
2880 '
2890     F2 = F1
2900     F2 = F2 + 1
2910     IF (F2>L) GOTO 2940
2920     IF (MID$(C.STR$,F2,1) <> " ") GOTO 2900
2930 '
2940 '
2950     F3 = F2 - F1
2960     TMP = VAL(MID$(C.STR$,F1,F3))
2970     GOTO 3010
2980 '
2990     TMP = -1
3000 '
3010     INDX = N.START + (I-1)
3020     ARR.DAT(INDX) = TMP
3030 '
3040     NEXT I
3050 '
3060     RETURN
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WIND SPEED SENSOR

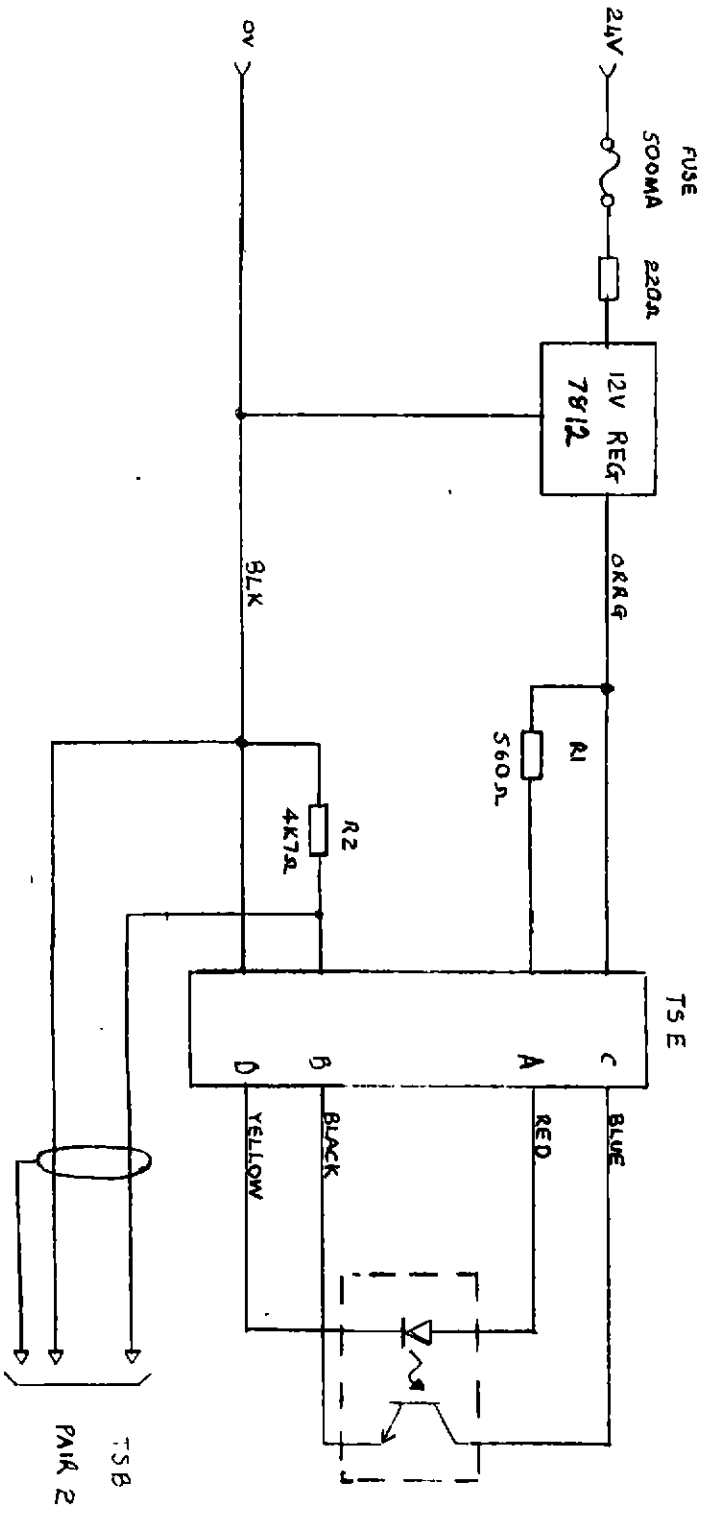
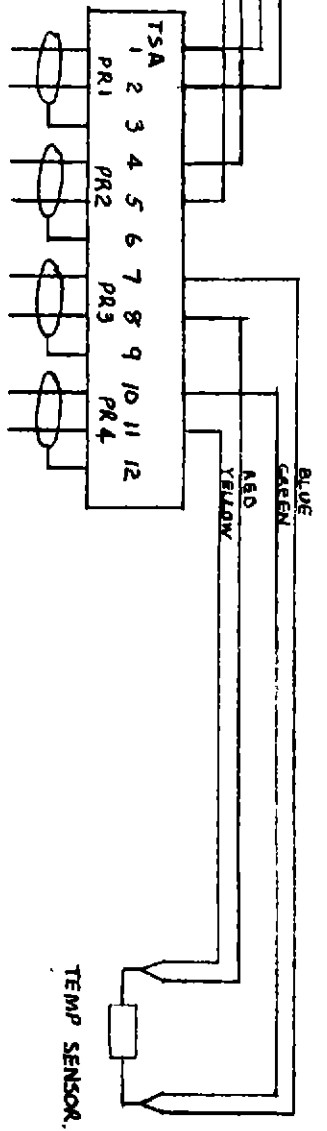


Fig. 1



CULGOORA WEATHER STATION
 TOP JUNCTION BOX WIRING (REVISED)
 (As per Wind Direct Change 6/12/85)

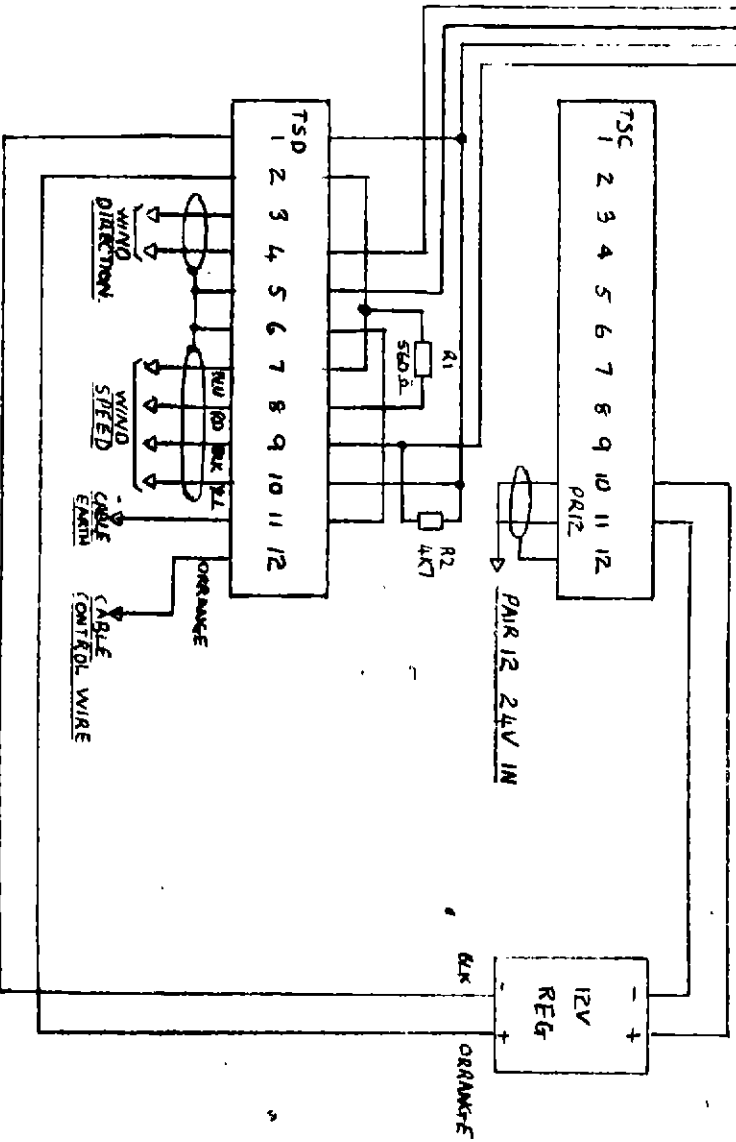
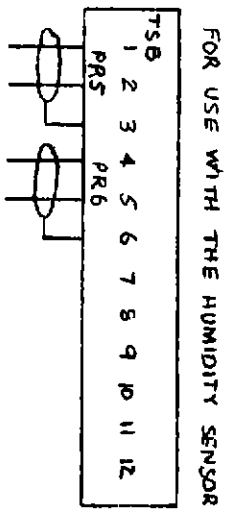


Fig. 2

TO TOP JUNCTION [PAIRS 7 to 11 INC SPARE] BOX

CULGDORA WEATHER STATION
BOTTOM JUNCTION BOX WIRING.

Note: a TTL pulse shaper has been added to PR2 (overmaster)

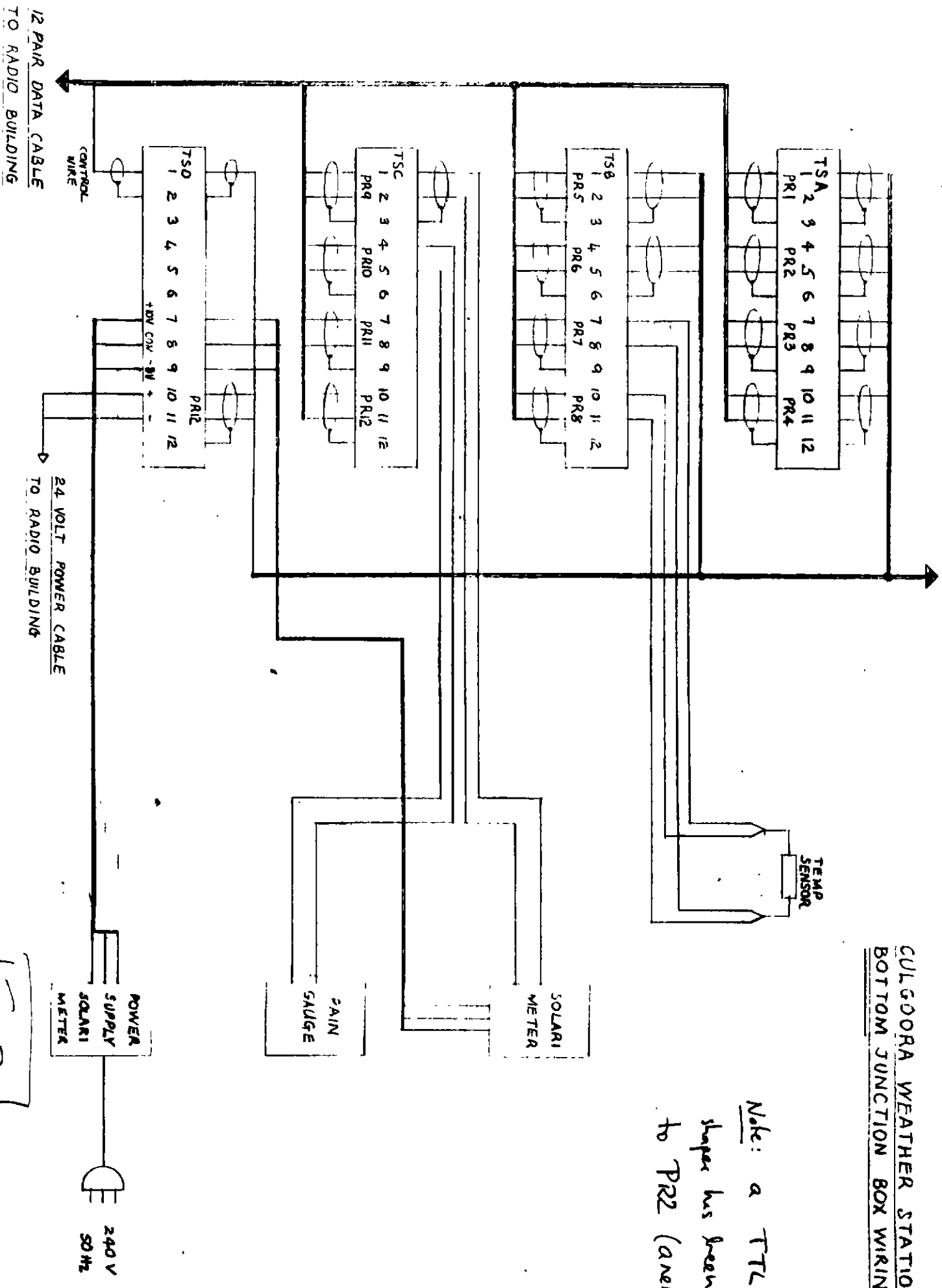
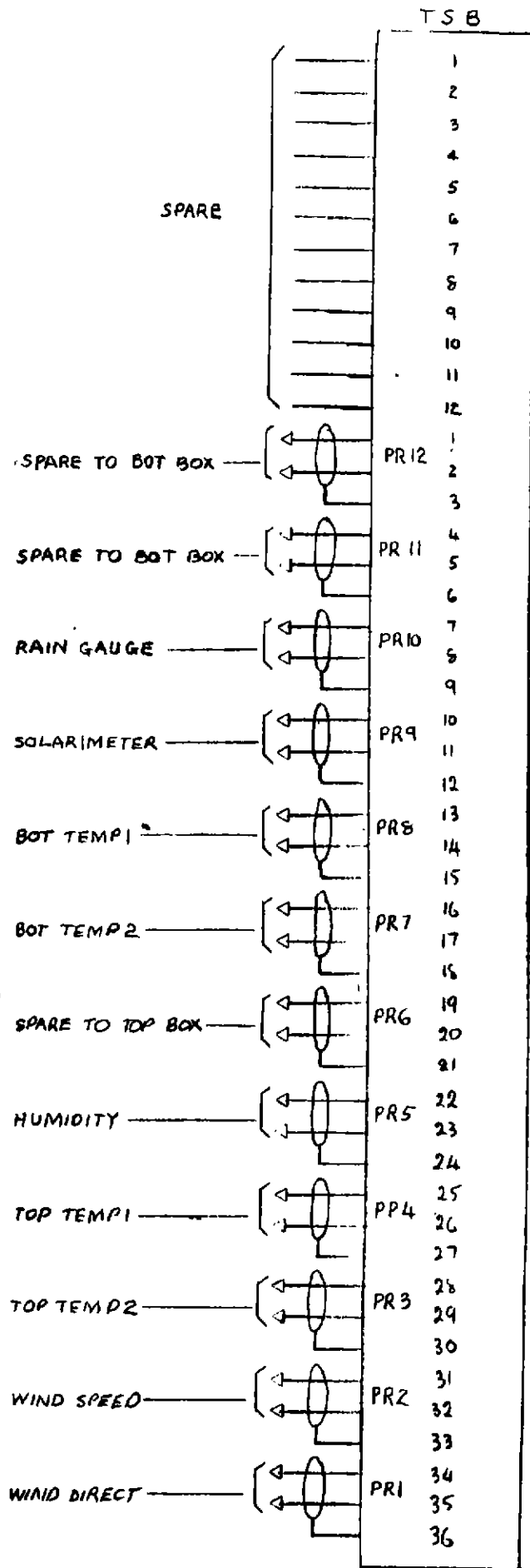


Fig. 3



CULGOORA WEATHER
STATION
CABLE TERMINATION
LOGGER RACK

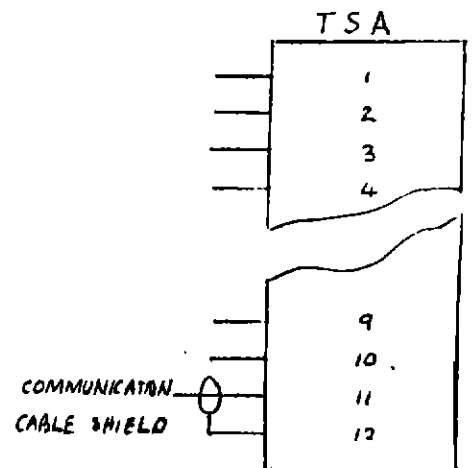


Fig. 4

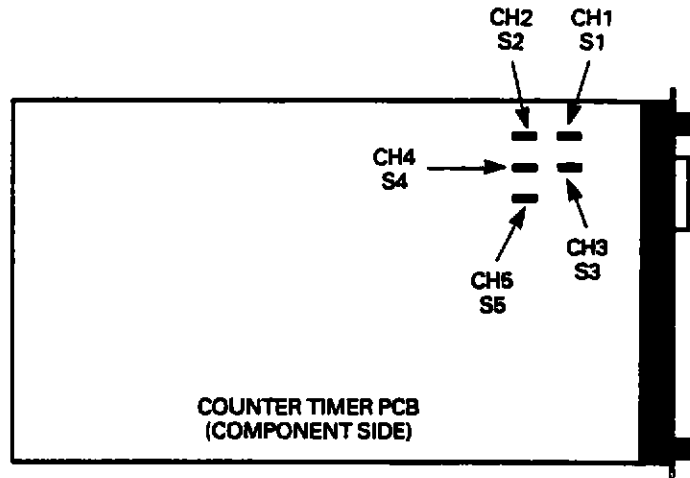
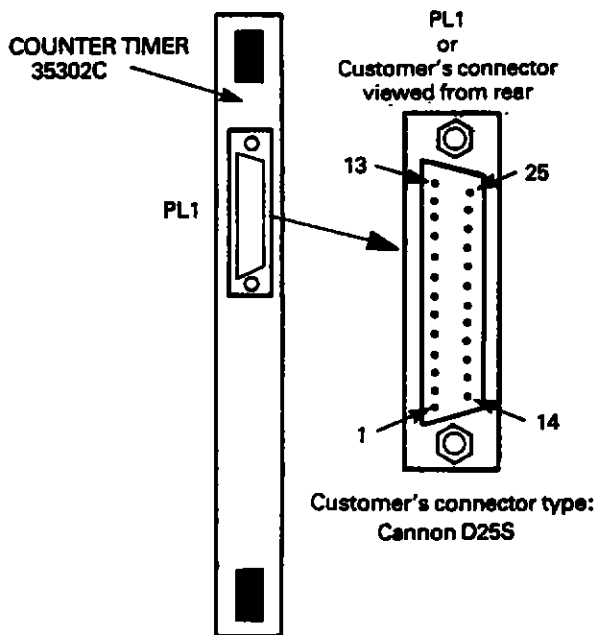
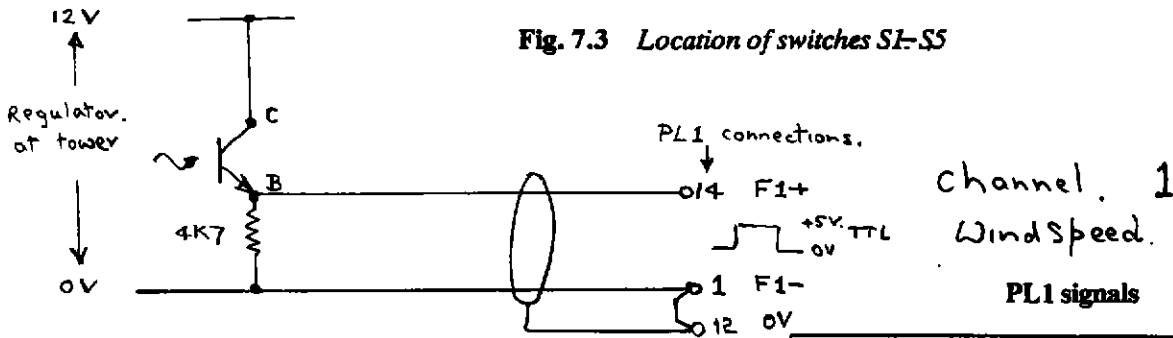


Fig. 7.3 Location of switches S1-S5

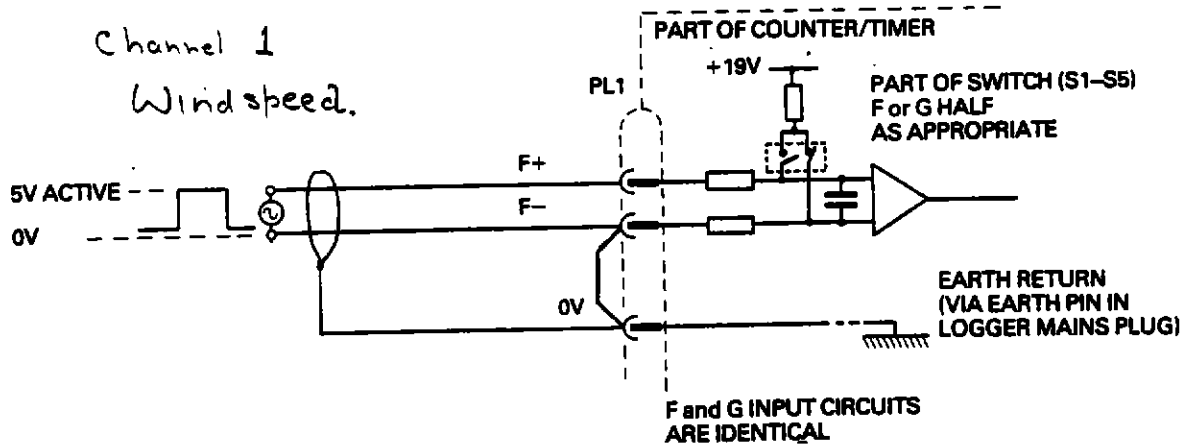


PIN NO.	SIGNAL
1	F1-
2	G1-
3	F2-
4	G2-
5	F3-
6	G3-
7	F4-
8	G4-
9	F5-
10	G5-
11	+19V
12	0V
13	0V19
14	F1+
15	G1+
16	F2+
17	G2+
18	F3+
19	G3+
20	F4+
21	G4+
22	F5+
23	G5+
24	-30V } FOR TEST +12V } PURPOSES ONLY
25	

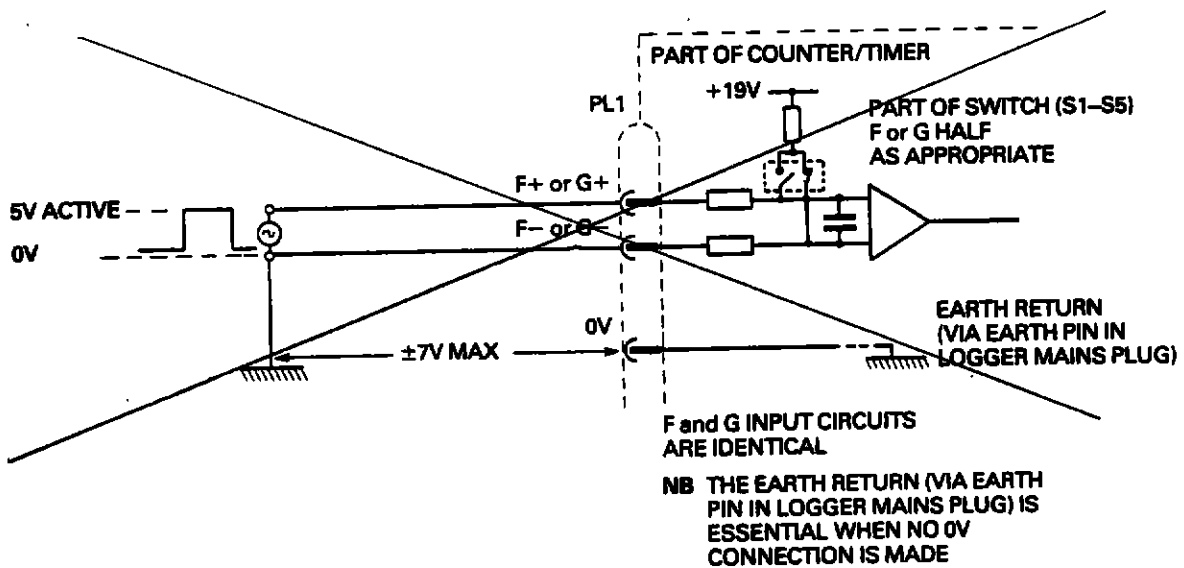
Fig. 5 PL1 Pin Numbering

TTL INPUTS: Active Hi

Input connections for a floating signal source



Input connections for an earthed signal source



S1 to S5 Settings (for floating or earthed signal source)

Required Switch Settings.

S1

S1 to S5 RELATE TO
CHANNELS 1 to 5
RESPECTIVELY

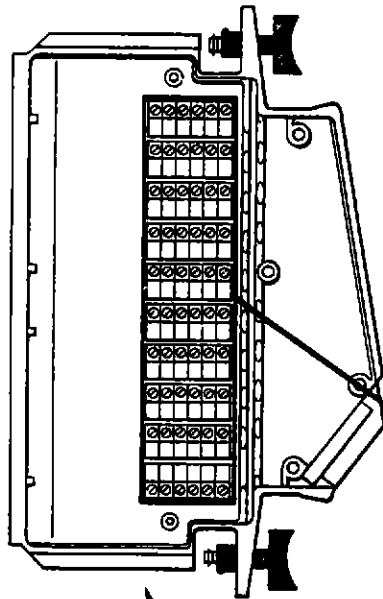
closed
open



BOTH F and G SWITCHES
ARE SHOWN SET FOR TTL
ACTIVE HI INPUT.
F and G SWITCHES MAY BE
SET INDEPENDENTLY FOR
DIFFERENTIAL OR TTL
AS REQUIRED.
(DIFFERENTIAL SETTINGS
ARE SHOWN IN FIG. 7.1)

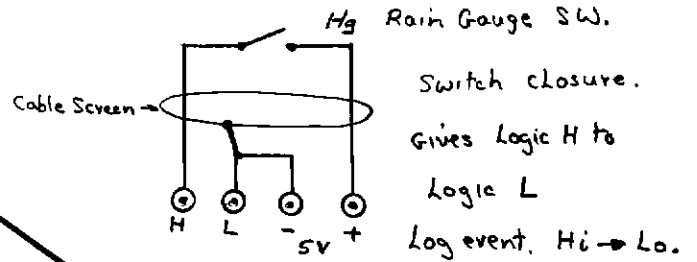
Fig. 6 TTL Inputs: Active Hi

EVENT/STATUS MODULE SLOT 5 35302A
 RAIN GAUGE CONNECTIONS.
 EVENT RECORDING



INPUT CONNECTOR ASSEMBLY
 (COVER PLATE REMOVED)

H	Hi	} see H & L TERMINALS below
L	Lo	
+		5V floating supply



DIGITAL CHANNELS

21		5V		22	
H	L	-	+	L	H
23				24	
H	L			L	H
25				26	
H	L			L	H
27				28	
H	L			L	H
29				30	
H	L			L	H
31				32	
H	L			L	H
33				34	
H	L			L	H
35				36	
H	L			L	H
37				38	
H	L			L	H
39				40	
H	L			L	H

NUMBERING

Numbering for channels 1-20 only is shown; subsequent sets of 20 channels are similarly numbered, ie 21-40, 41 to 60, and so on, up to 181-200.

Channel numbering on any input connector is dependent on which slot it occupies in the logger mainframe.

H & L TERMINALS

For each input channel circuit to conduct, the H terminal must have a +ve potential with respect to the L terminal. When the input circuit conducts the logger gives a measurement of Logic 0. When the input circuit does not conduct the logger gives a measurement of Logic 1.

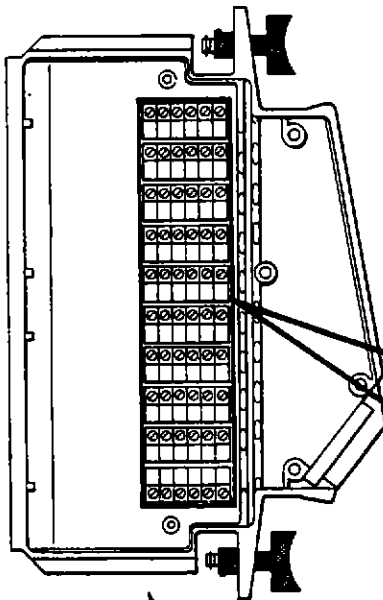
Fig 7 Input Connector: Channel numbering and pin assignment.

Reed Relay Unit. Slot 7. 35301A.

PRT. Connections.
 Wind Direction Connections
 Solar Radiation Connections
 Barometric Pressure Connections
 Relative Humidity Connections

PRT. Recording
 Resistance Recording.
 DC. Volts. Recording.
 DC. Volts Recording.
 DC. Volts Recording.

H	Hi
L	Lo
G	Guard
I _A	Current Source A
I _B	Current Source B
I _C	Common Current Return
S	Sense



INPUT CONNECTOR ASSEMBLY
(COVER PLATE REMOVED)

Channel numbering and pin assignments for 3-pole and 6-pole channels are shown. In practice, any mix of 3-pole and 6-pole channels on the same input connector is permitted. Note that 6-pole channels always have odd numbers. Numbering for Channels 1 to 20 only is shown; subsequent sets of (10 to 20) channels are similarly numbered, i.e. 21 to 40, 41 to 60, and so on up to 181 to 200. Channel numbering on any input connector is dependent on which slot it occupies in the logger mainframe, see Fig 4.4.

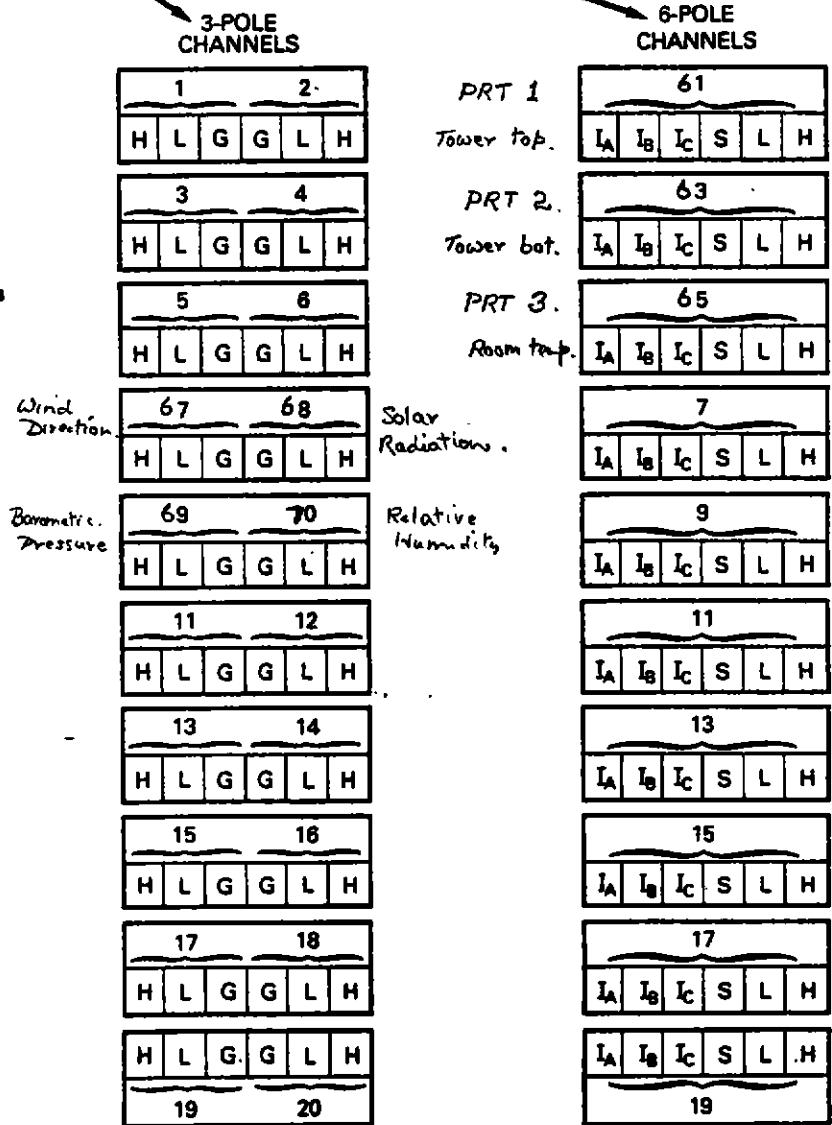
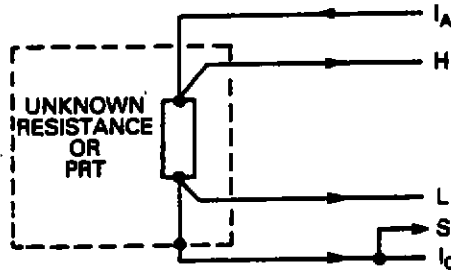


Fig 4.3 Channel Numbering and Assignment of Terminals on the Input Connectors

2.5 4-TERMINAL RESISTANCE OR PRT MEASUREMENT

2.5.1 Theoretical Diagram

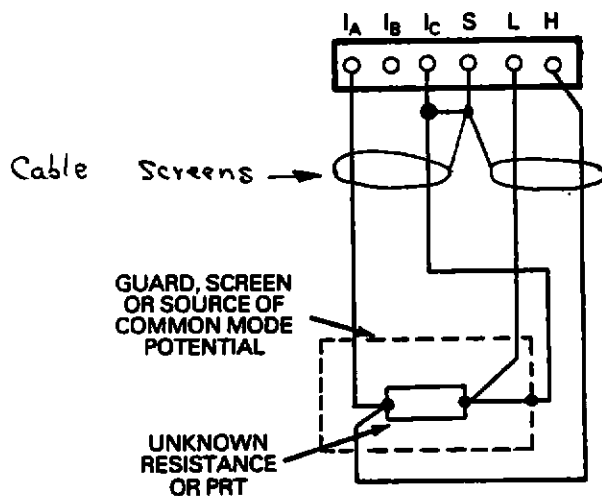


The energising current is generated and switched automatically, no additional linking or connections are required.

2.5.2 Practical Connection Diagram

Slot 7

Connection Diagram for PRTs.

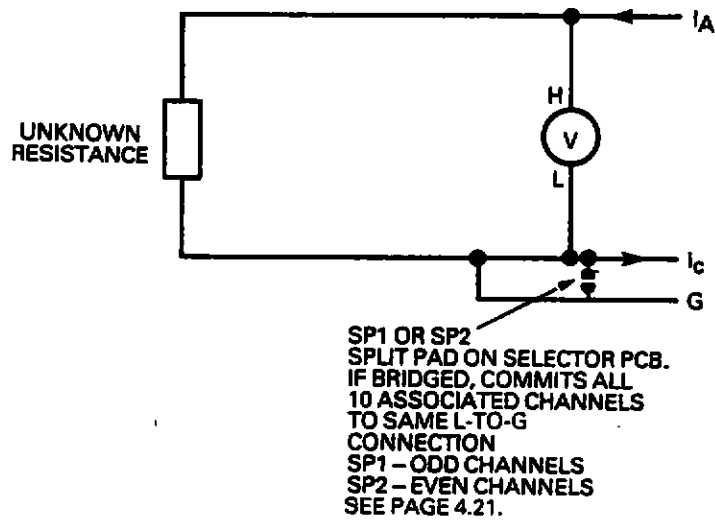


PRT 1.	Tower top.	Ch.	61.
PRT 2.	Tower bot.	Ch.	63.
PRT 3	Room Temp	Ch.	65

Fig. 9

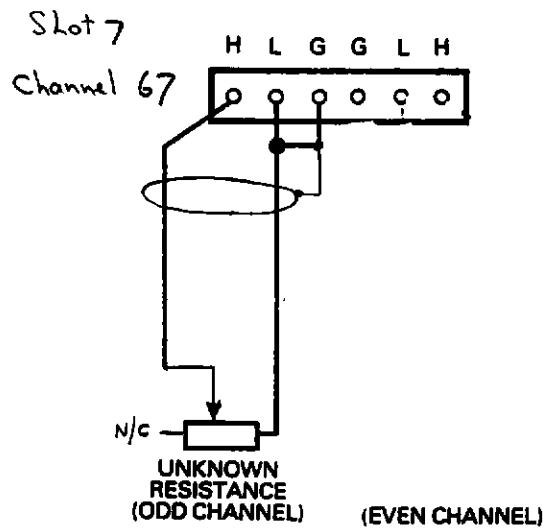
2.4 2-TERMINAL RESISTANCE MEASUREMENT

2.4.1 Theoretical Diagram



2.4.2 Practical Connection Diagram

Wind Direction. Connection.
Resistance measurement.

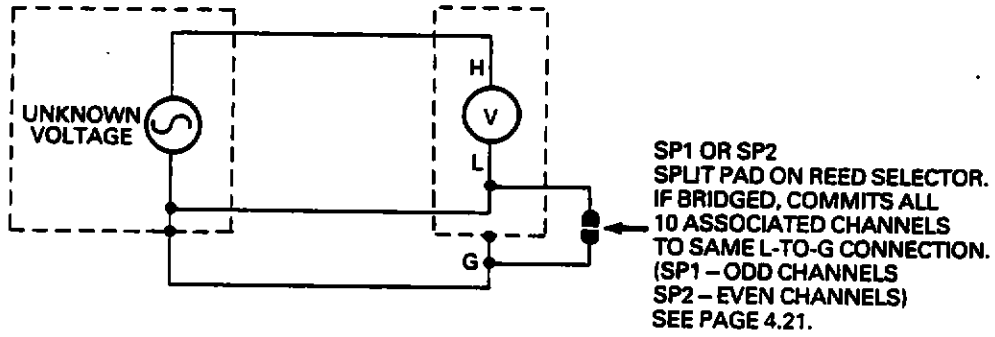


N.B. Use Reed Relay Selector 35301A only. 2-terminal resistance measurement is suitable for applications where less accuracy is required (e.g. measuring 10k to 1% accuracy). For greater accuracy, use 4-terminal resistance measurement, see page 4.24.

Fig. 10

2.2 VOLTAGE MEASUREMENT

2.2.1 Theoretical Diagram



2.2.2 Practical Connection Diagram

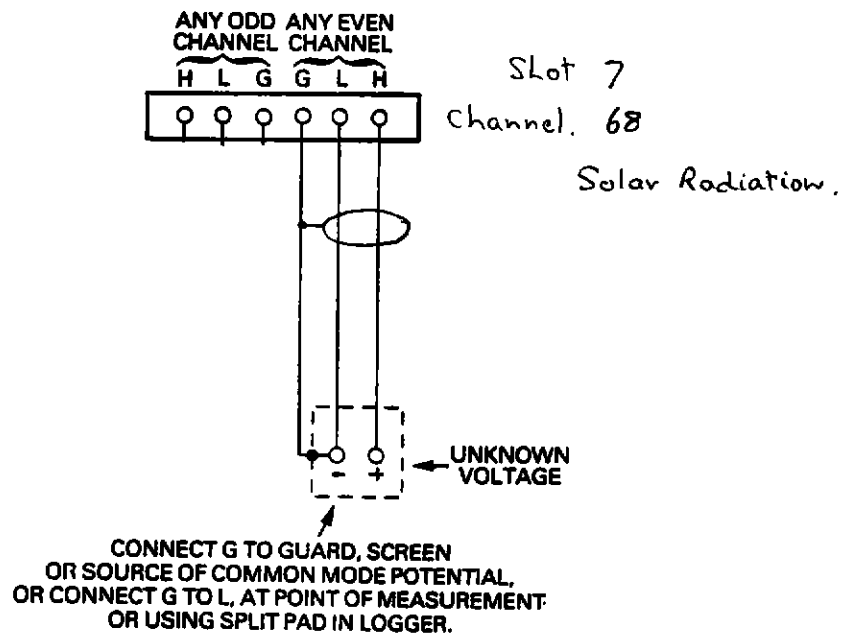
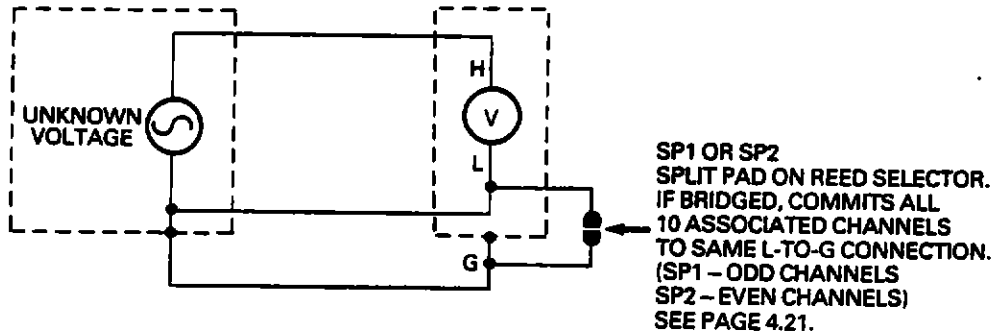


Fig. 11

2.2 VOLTAGE MEASUREMENT

2.2.1 Theoretical Diagram



2.2.2 Practical Connection Diagram

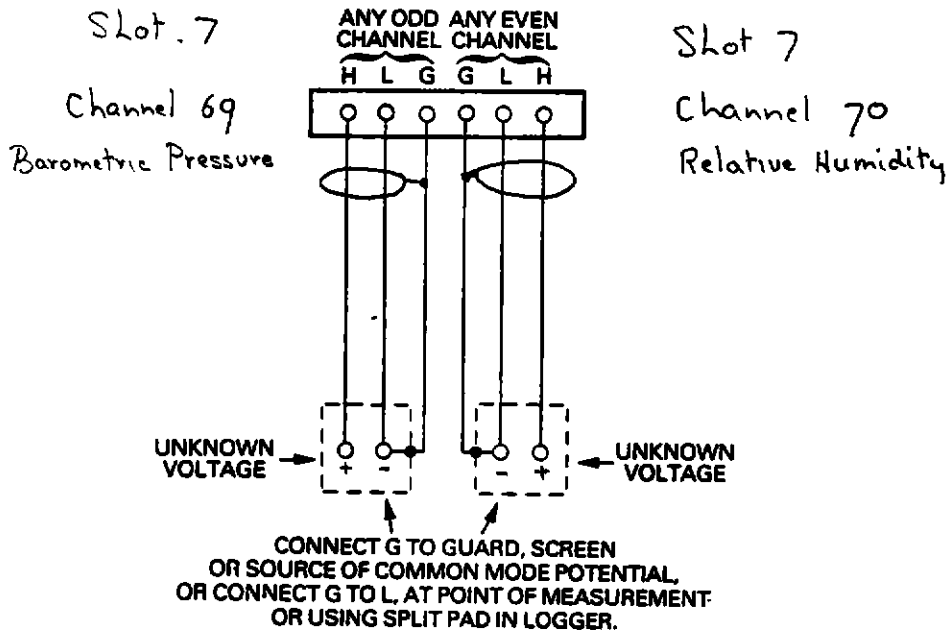


Fig. 12

INTERRUPTER ASSEMBLIES

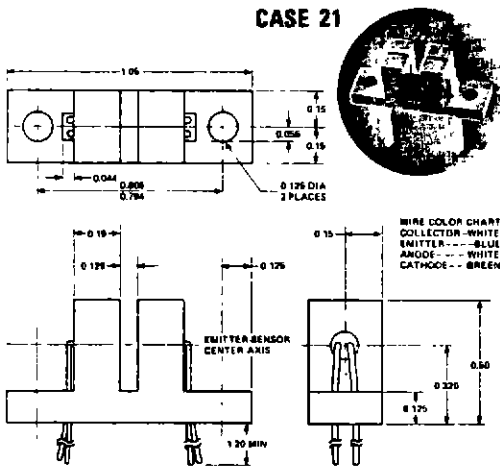
Non-contact switching is provided by OPTRON's optoelectronic interrupter assemblies which consist of a high efficiency gallium arsenide LED and silicon N-P-N phototransistor or photodarlington in a molded plastic housing. A gap in the optoelectronic characteristics (25°C)

housing provides a means of sensing motion of opaque objects. Design flexibility is provided by a variety of gap widths and mounting configurations. In addition, units are available with infrared filters to eliminate background illumination and with apertures for high resolution position sensing.

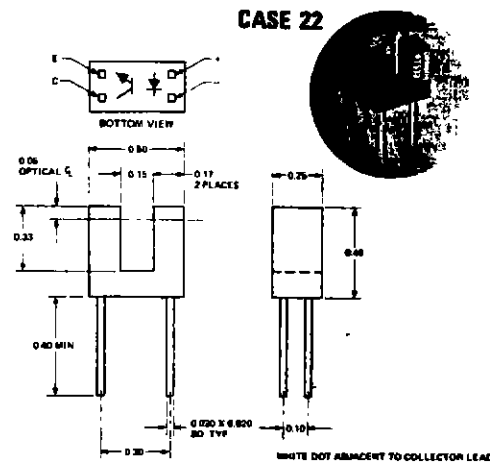
PARAMETER	ON-STATE COLLECTOR CURRENT		OFF-STATE COLLECTOR CURRENT	SATURATION VOLTAGE			LED FORWARD VOLTAGE		RESPONSE TIME	SLOT WIDTH	OUTPUT CONFIGURATION	CASE NUMBER
TEST CONDITION	$V_{CE}=10\text{ V}$ I_F as shown		$V_{CE}=10\text{ V}$ $I_F=0$	I_C and I_F as shown			I_F as shown		$R_L=100\ \Omega$ $V_{CC}=5\text{ V}$ $I_F=40\text{ mA}$			
SYMBOL	I_L		I_D	$V_{CE(SAT)}$			V_F		t_r, t_f	d		
UNIT	mA		nA	VOLTS			VOLTS		μsec	INCHES		
	MIN	I_F mA	MAX	MAX	I_C mA	I_F mA	MAX	I_F mA	TYP	NOM		
OPB 120	0.8	40 (1)	100	0.4	0.4	40	1.5	50	2.5 (3)	0.125	Transistor	21
OPB 242	1.6	40 (1)	100	0.4	0.4	40	1.5	50	2.5 (3)	0.125	Transistor	21
OPB 243	3.2	40 (1)	300	1.1	0.4	50	1.6	50		0.125	Darlington	21
OPB 804	0.5	20	100	0.4	0.25	20	1.7	20	5.0	0.150	Transistor	22
OPB 806	1.6	35 (4)	25 (5)	0.5	0.4	15	1.5	15	2.5	0.125	Transistor	23
OPB 810	2.0	30 (1)	100	0.6	1.8	40	1.8	40	5.0	0.200	Transistor	24
OPB 813	0.5	20	100	0.4	0.25	20	1.7	20	5.0	0.125	Transistor	25
OPB 813S (6)	0.5	20	100	0.4	0.25	20	1.7	20	5.0	0.125	Transistor	25
OPB 814	1.0	10 (1)	100	0.4	0.25	10	1.7	20	5.0	0.125	Transistor	25
OPB 815	1.8	20 (2)	100	0.6	1.8	20	1.7	20	5.0	0.125	Transistor	25

- Notes (1) $V_{CE}=5\text{ V}$
 (2) $V_{CE}=0.6\text{ V}$
 (3) Response time measured with $I_C=0.8\text{ mA}$
 (4) $V_{CE}=0.5\text{ V}$
 (5) $V_{CE}=30\text{ V}$
 (6) Sensor apertured internally to 0.010 x 0.040 inches

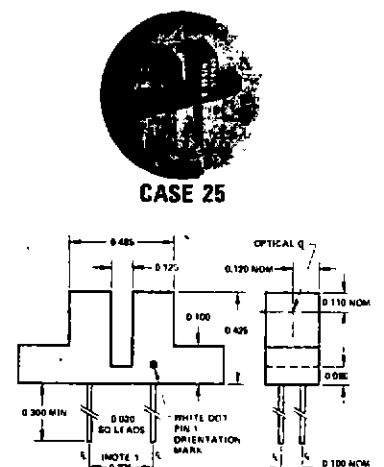
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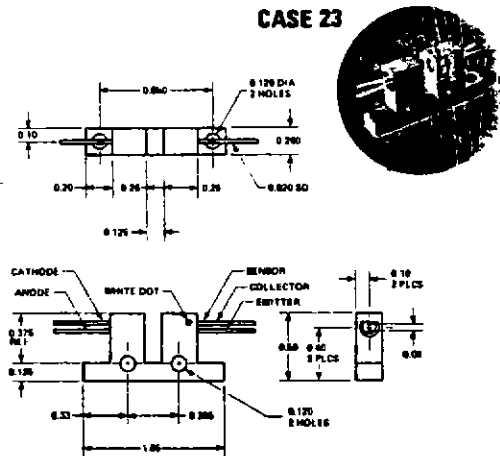
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CASE 24

