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## Culgoora Weather Station

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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 suply.

#### **4.2      The Wind Direction Monitor**

This is a WEATHERTRONICS device, model #2020

The weather vane drives a  $5k\Omega$  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,  $1 \text{ mV}/(\text{W}/\text{m}^2)$ .

#### **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 gate;	Wind speed; frequency measurement, 1.0 sec 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 km/h	Conversion routine #1, linear scaling (0.158*x + 0.837), units
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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 would 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.Payten supervising. A.Spencer designed and built the pulse shaper/driver for the anemometer. B.Whitelaw drew the diagrams.

## Appendix A

### The Data Logging Program

```
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$(8,32)
125 '
130 OPEN "COM1:" AS #1
140 '
150 SKIP = 5
160 '
165 GOSUB 2000      : ' task initioaliser
170 GOSUB 1250      : ' screen initialiser
180 '
190 '
200 FIRST.REC = TRUE
210 ' simple minded loop
220 '
230 MSG$ = " "
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$(TIME$,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   TIME$ = TM.STR$
852   TM.STR$ = TIME$
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.DATE$<"01-08-1988")) GOTO 1120
1110      INPUT #1, ARR.DAT(I)
1120      NEXT I
1130 '
1140    GOSUB 1180      : print
1150 '
1160 RETURN
1170 '
1180      subroutine
1190          prints the required data
1200 '
1210    PRINT MID$(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.DATE$ = L.DATE$
1880
1890 PRINT
1900 PRINT L.DATE$ : PRINT
1910 IF (NOT L.PRINT) GOTO 1940
1920 LPRINT: LPRINT L.DATE$: LPRINT
1930
1940 PRINT " time "; : IF (L.PRINT) THEN LPRINT " time ";
1950 FOR I = 1 TO 11
1960 IF (NOT WANT(I)) GOTO 1990
1970 PRINT L.TITLE$(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$(5) = " dirln"
2370      L.TITLE$(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
```

WIND SPEED SENSOR

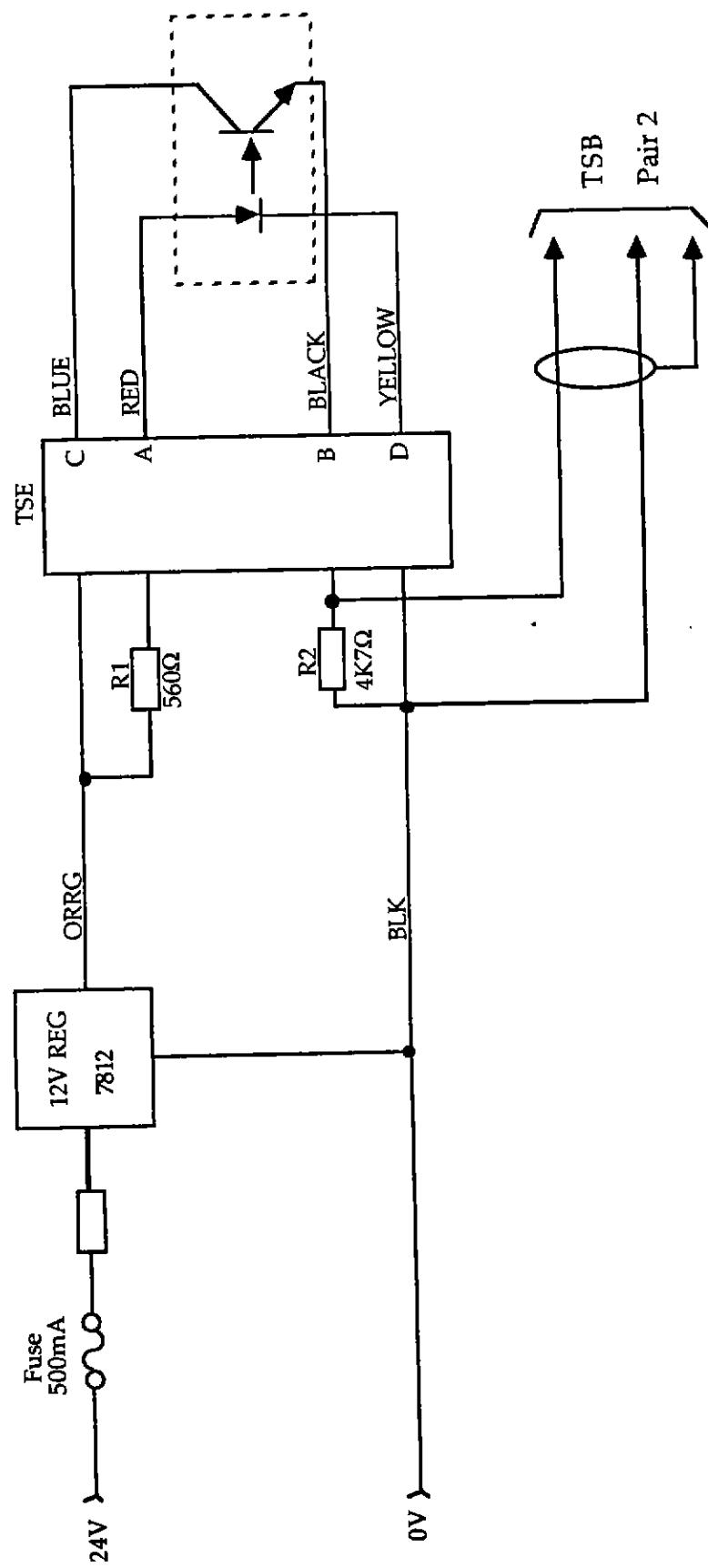


Fig. 1

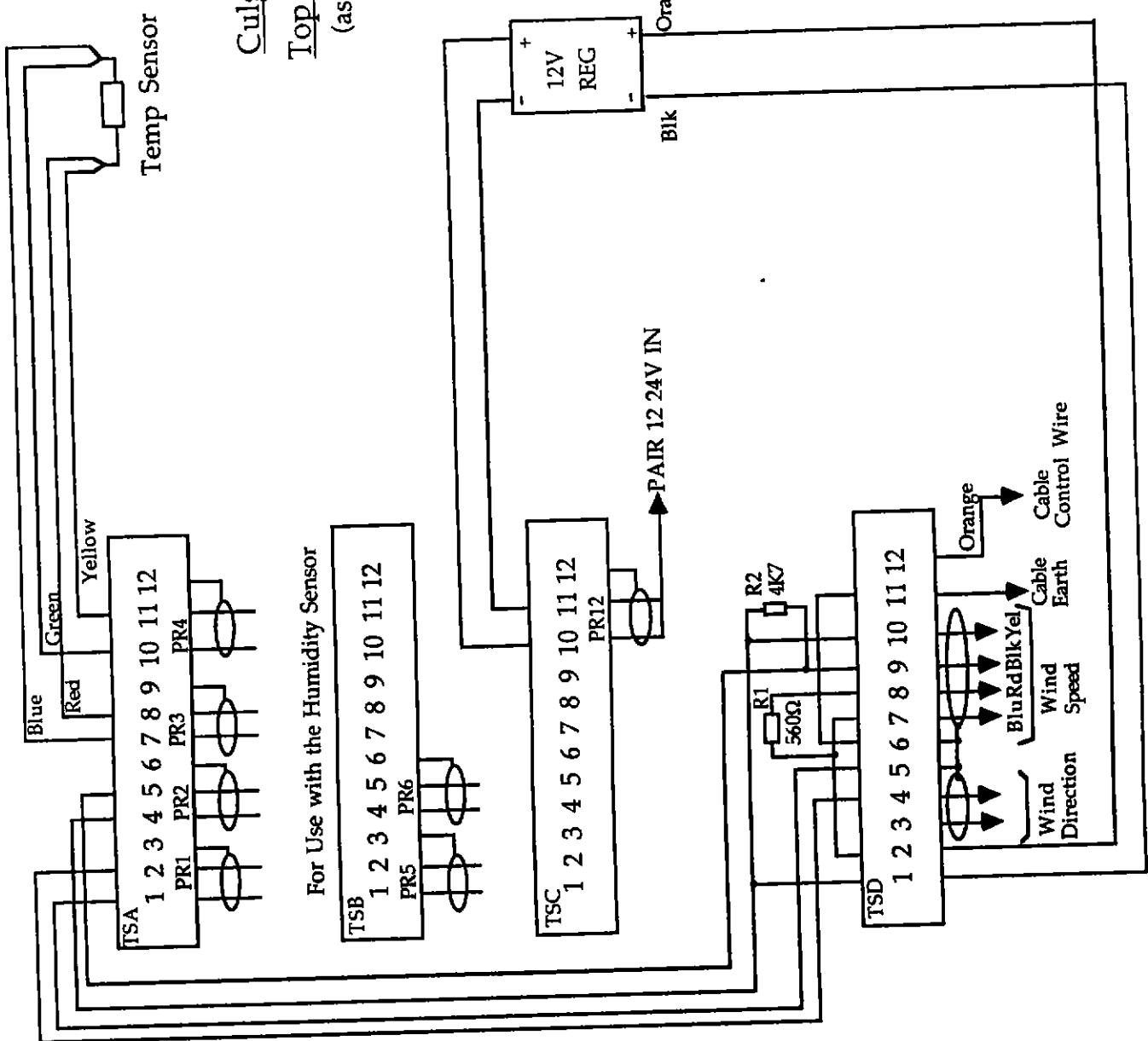
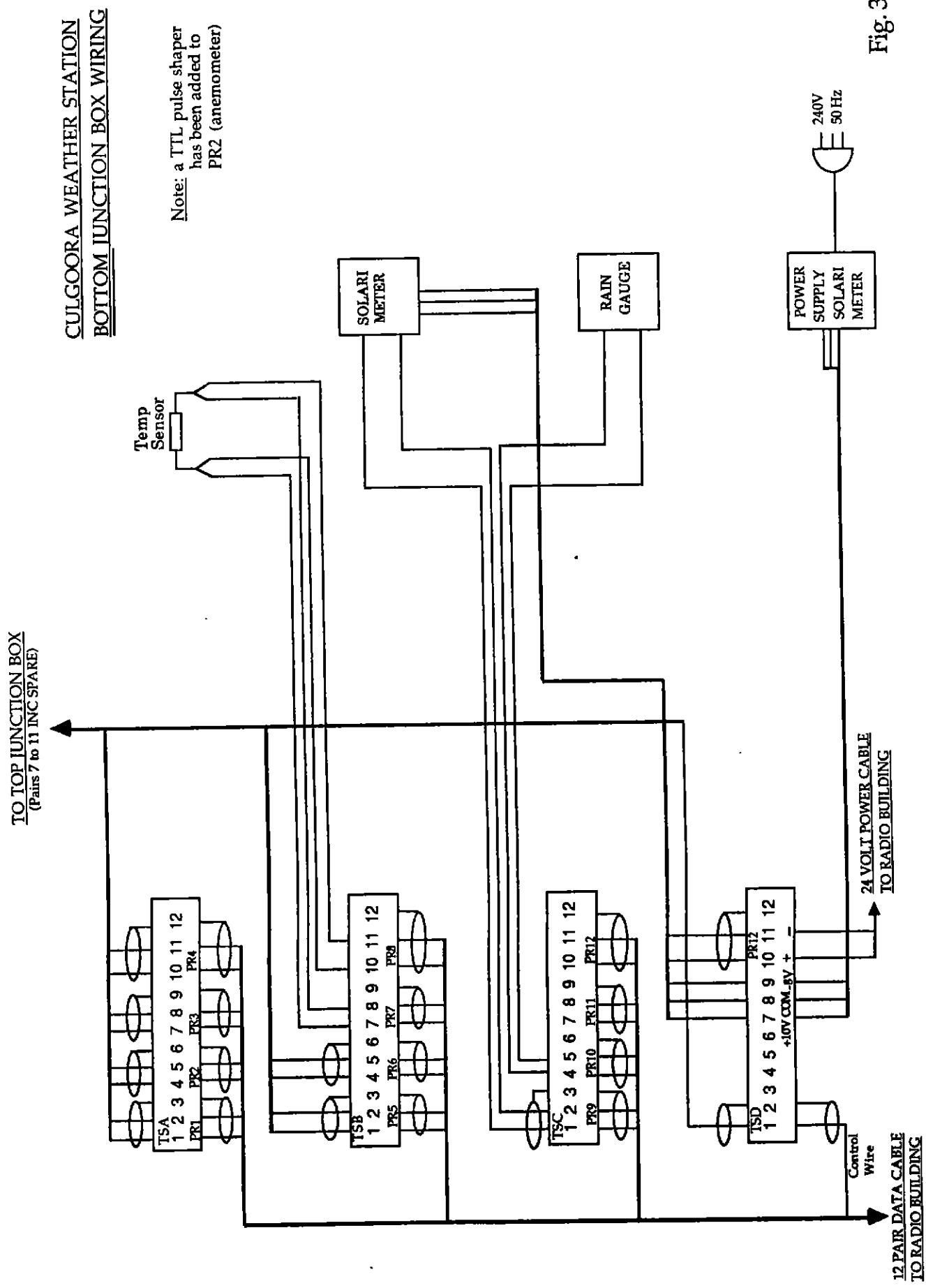


Fig. 2

Fig. 3



CULGOORA WEATHER  
STATION

CABLE TERMINATION  
LOGGER RACK

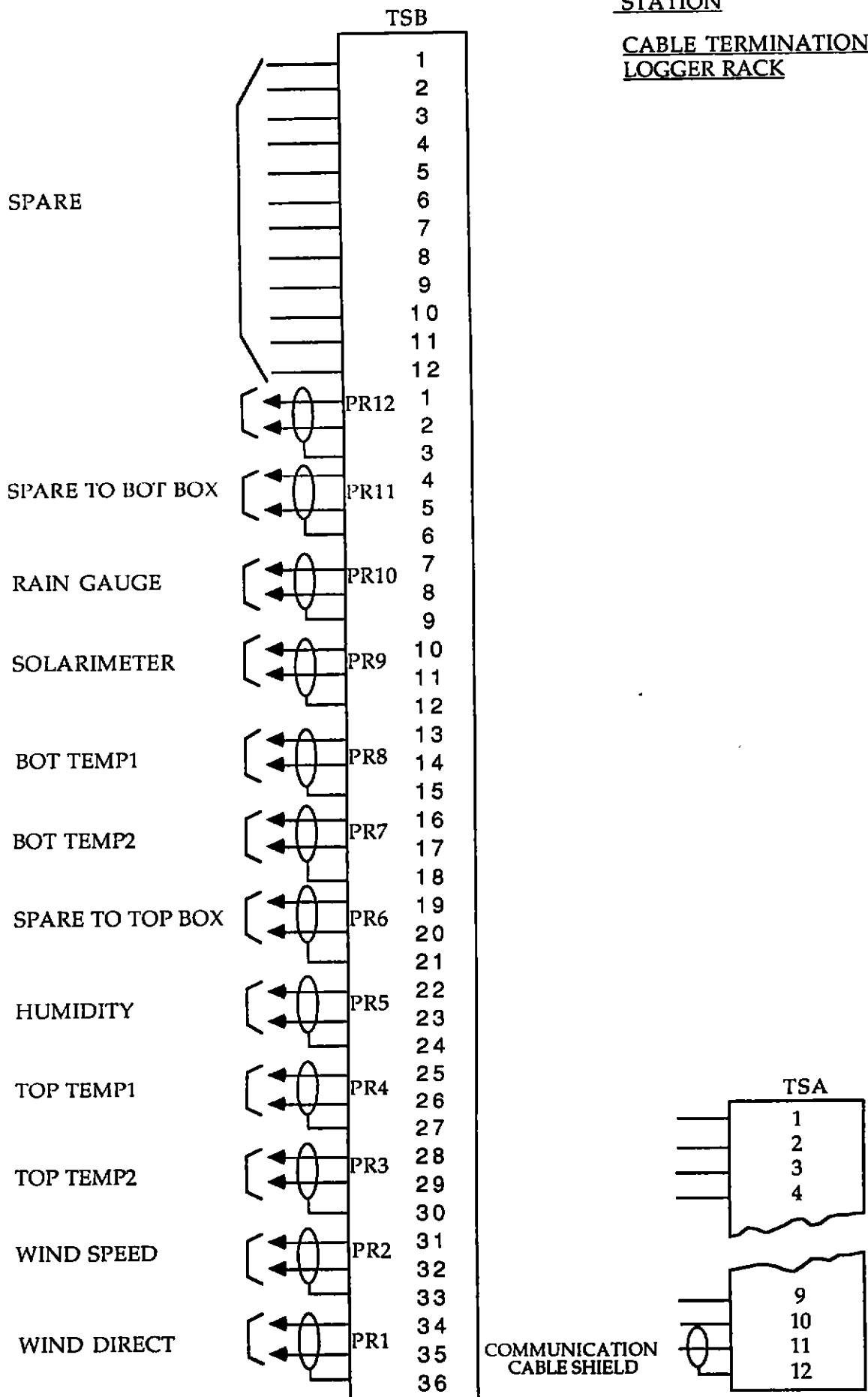
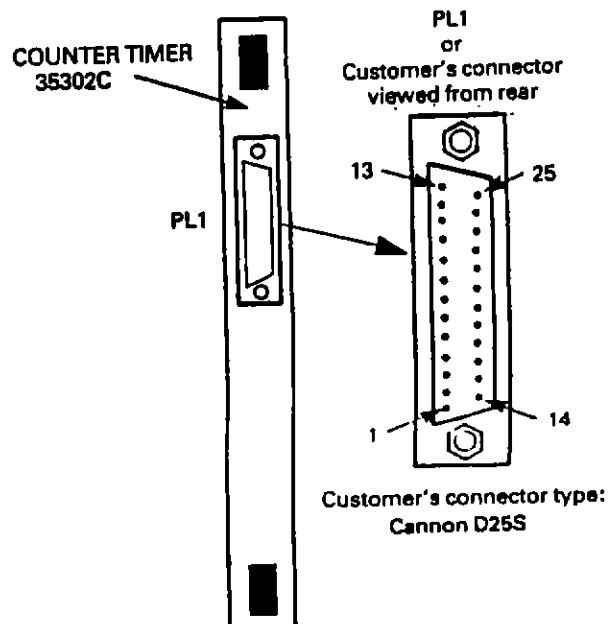
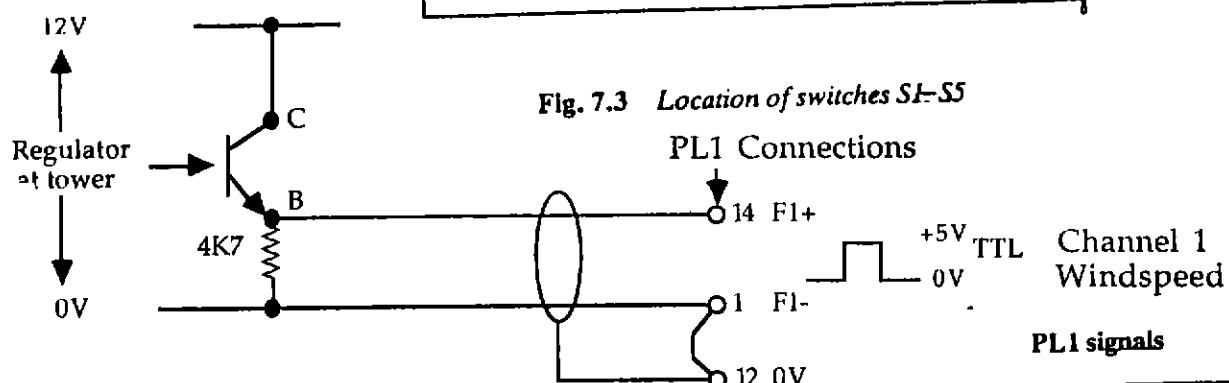
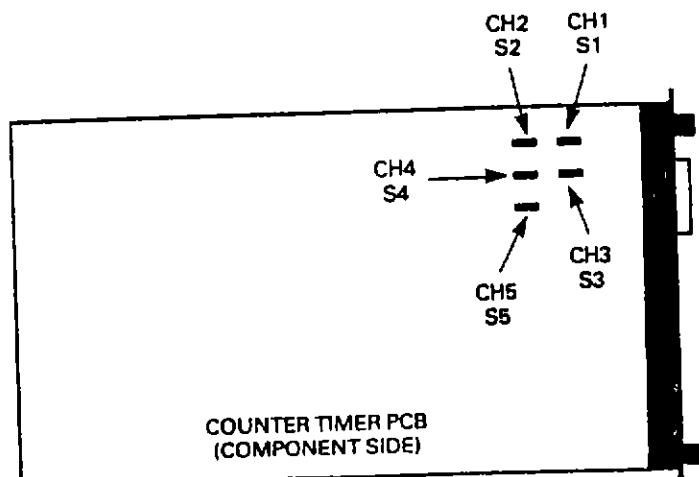


Fig. 4



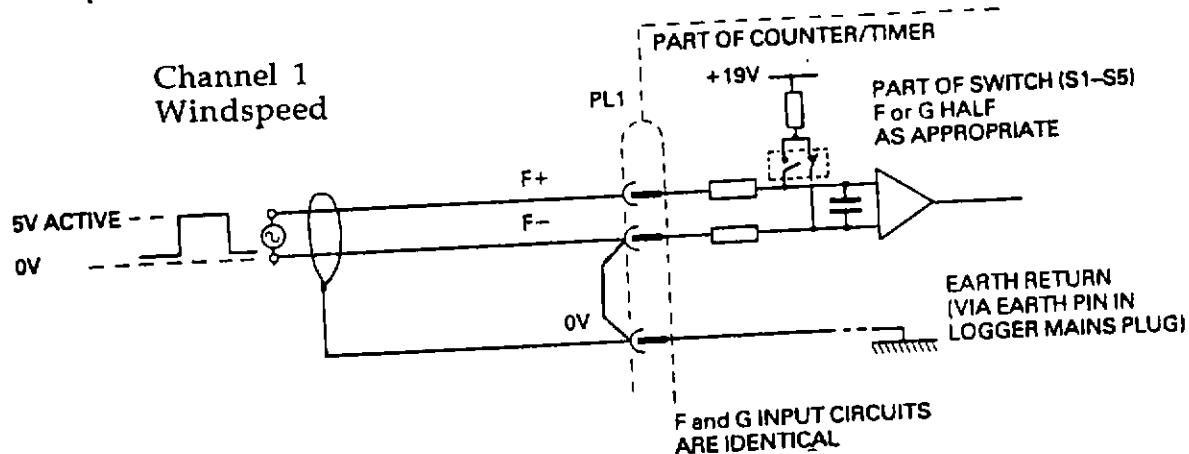
PIN NO.	SIGNAL
1	F1-
2	G1-
3	F2-
4	G2-
5	F3-
6	G3-
7	F4-
8	G4-
9	F5-
10	G5-
11	+19V
12	0V
13	0V19
14	F1+
15	G1+
16	F2+
17	G2+
18	F3+
19	G3+
20	F4+
21	G4+
22	F5+
23	G5+
24	-30V
25	+12V } FOR TEST PURPOSES ONLY

**Fig. 5 PL1 Pin Numbering**

# Counter/Timer Module. Slot 4

## TTL INPUTS: Active Hi

*Input connections for a floating signal source*

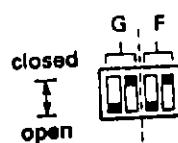


*S1 to S5 Settings (for floating or earthed signal source)*

### Required Switch Settings

S1

S1 to S5 RELATE TO  
CHANNELS 1 to 5  
RESPECTIVELY



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

## Rain Gauge Connections

## Event Recording

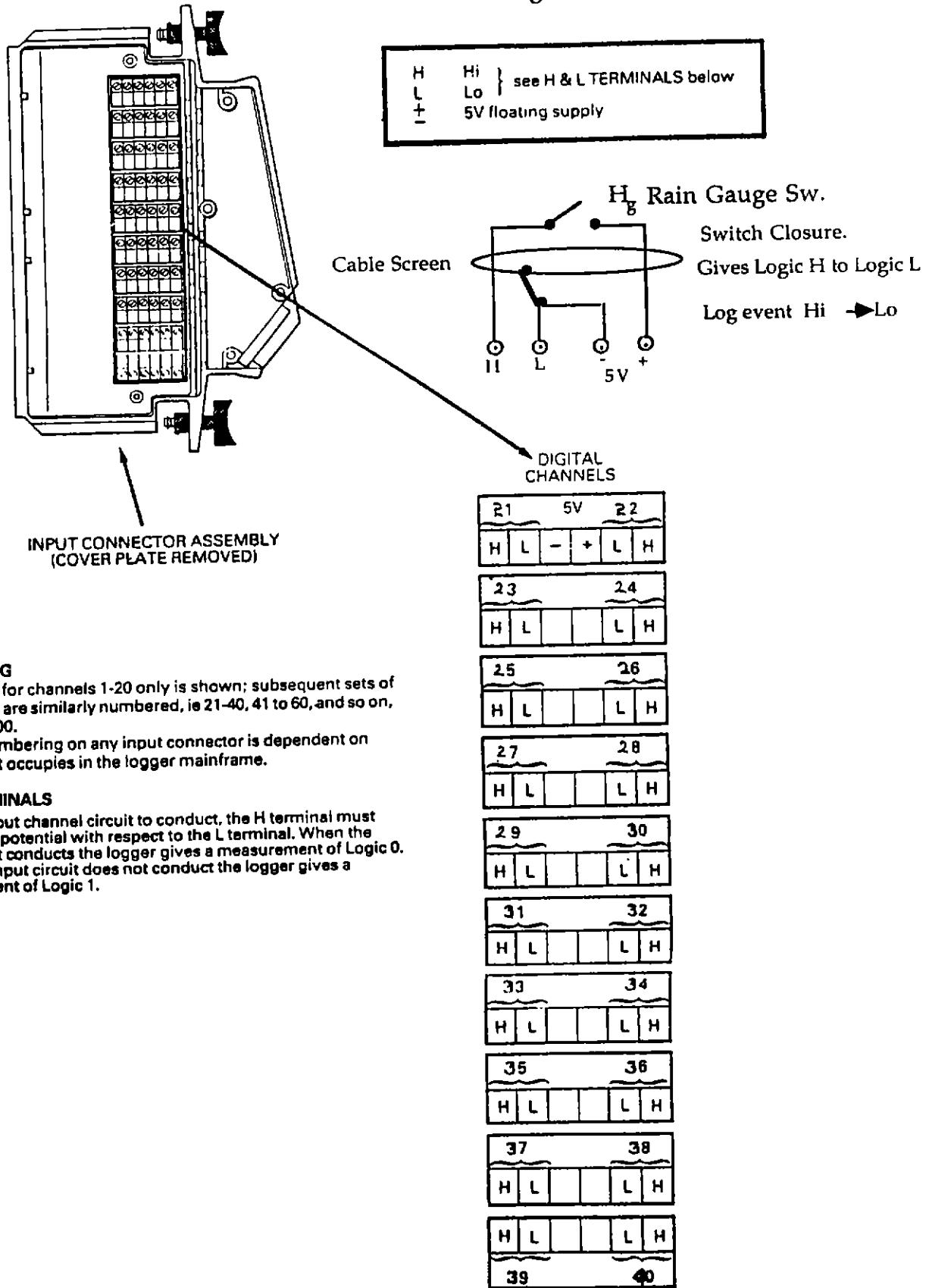
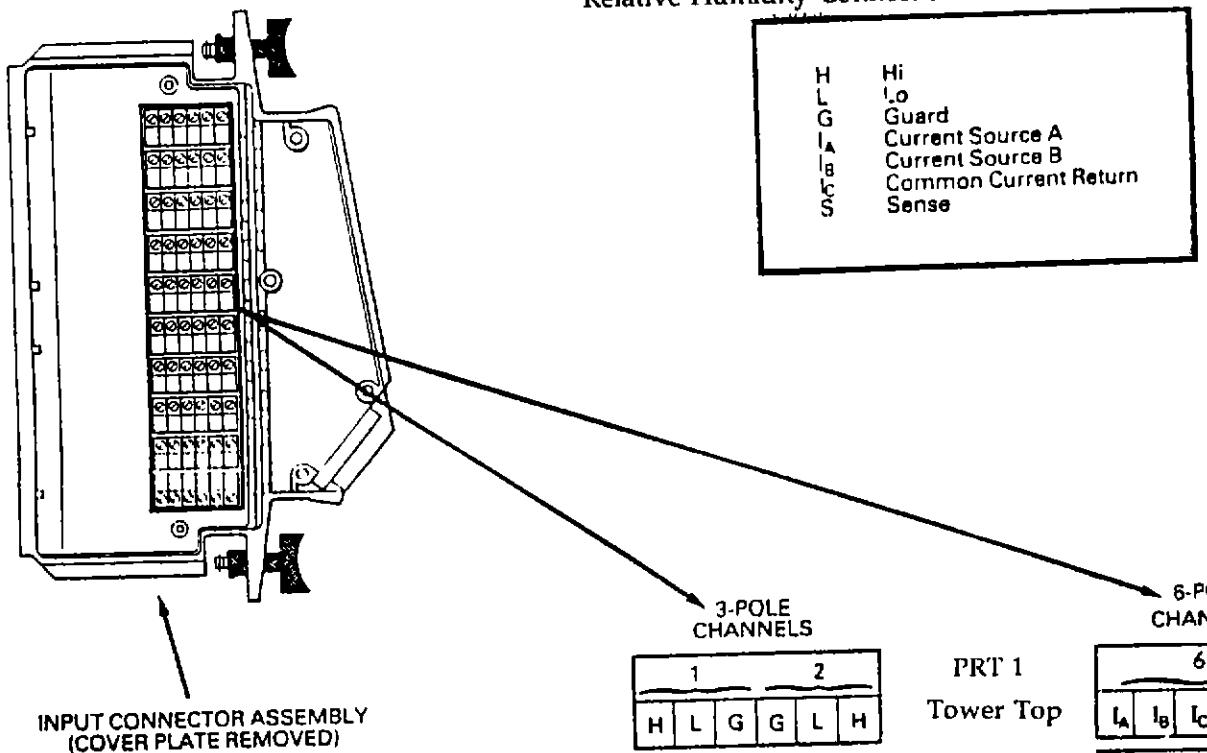


Fig 7. Input connector: Channel Numbering and Pin Assignment.

PRT. Connections.	PRT. REcording
Wind Direction Connections	Resistance Recording
Solar Radiation Connections	D.C. Volts Recording
Barometric Pressure Connection	D.C. Volts Recording
Relative Humidity Connection	D.C. Volts Recording



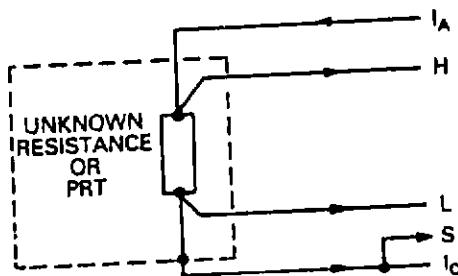
Channel numbering and pin assignments for 3-pole and 6-pole channels are shown. In practice, any mix of 3-pole and 6-pole channels on the same input connector is permitted. Note that 6-pole channels always have odd numbers. Numbering for Channels 1 to 20 only is shown; subsequent sets of (10 to 20) channels 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.

Wind  
Direction  
Barometric  
Pressure

Fig. 8 Channel Numbering and Assignment of Terminals on 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.

Slot 7

### 2.5.2 Practical Connection Diagram

Connection Diagram for PRTs

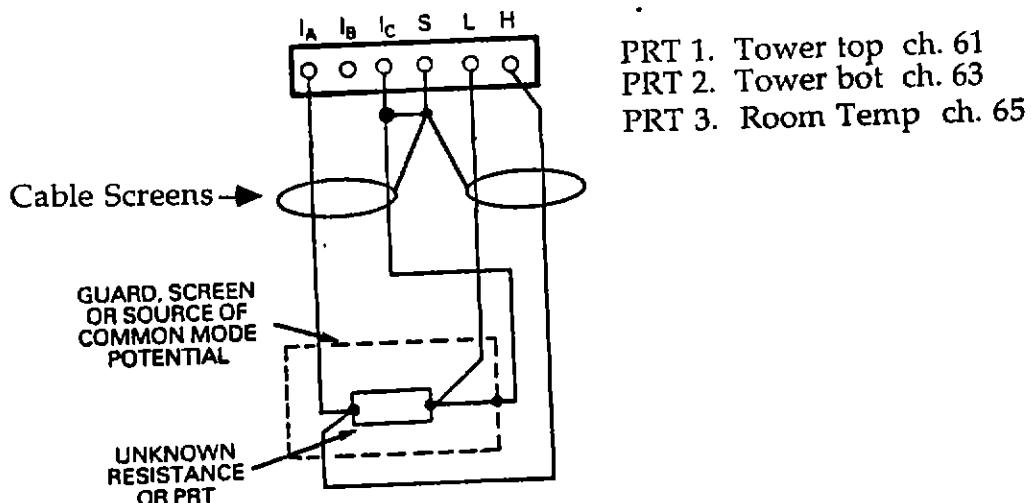
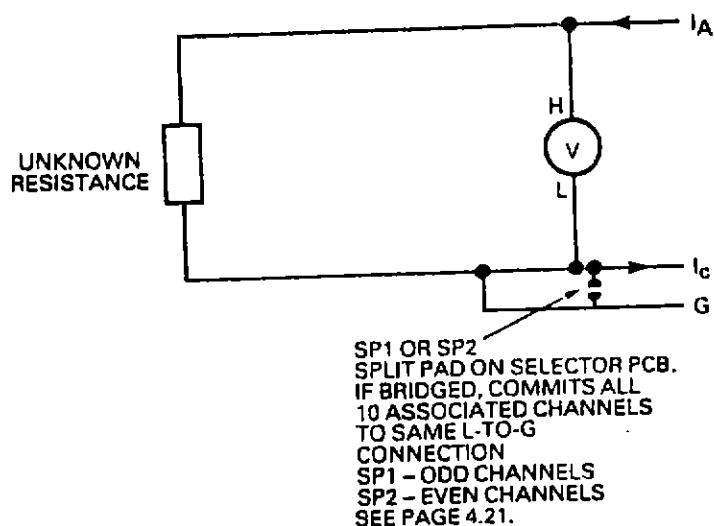


Fig. 9

## 2.4 2-Terminal Resistance Measurement

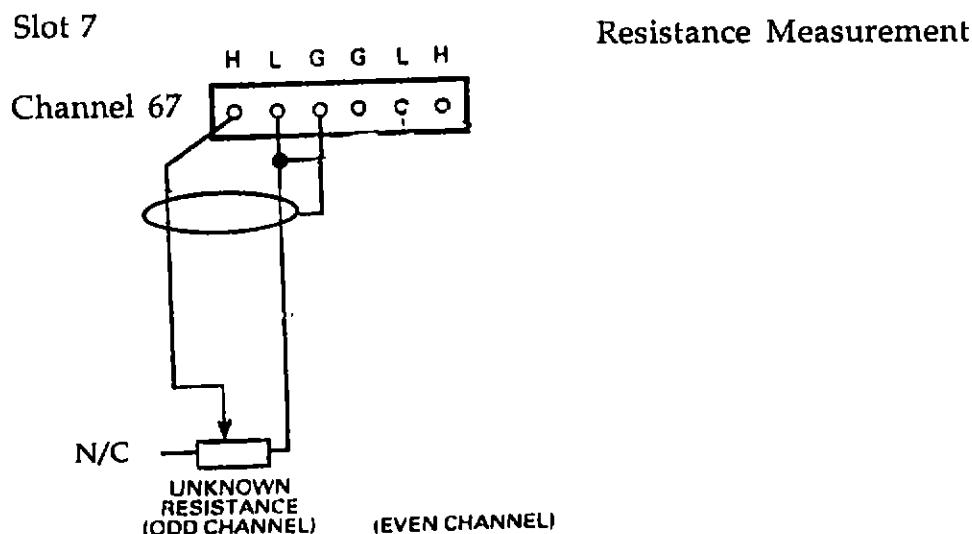
### 2.4.1 Theoretical Diagram



### 2.4.2 Practical Connection Diagram

Wind Direction Connection

Resistance Measurement

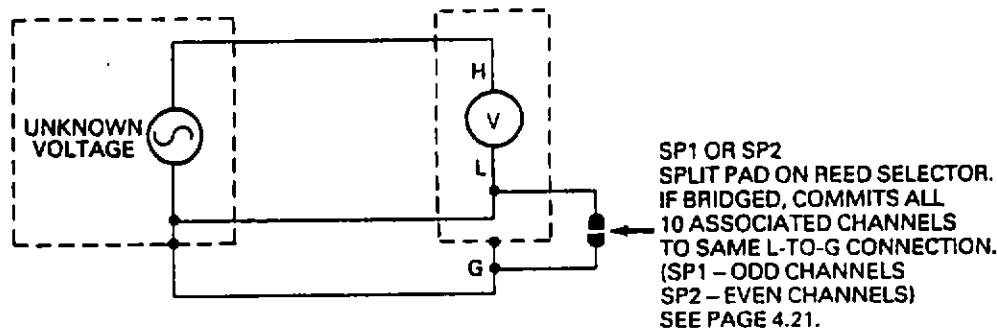


**N.B.** Use Reed Relay Selector 35301A only. 2-terminal resistance measurement is suitable for applications where less accuracy is required (e.g. measuring 10k to 1% accuracy). For greater accuracy, use 4-terminal resistance measurement, see page 4.24.

Fig. 10

## 2.2 VOLTAGE MEASUREMENT

### 2.2.1 Theoretical Diagram



### 2.2.2 Practical Connection Diagram

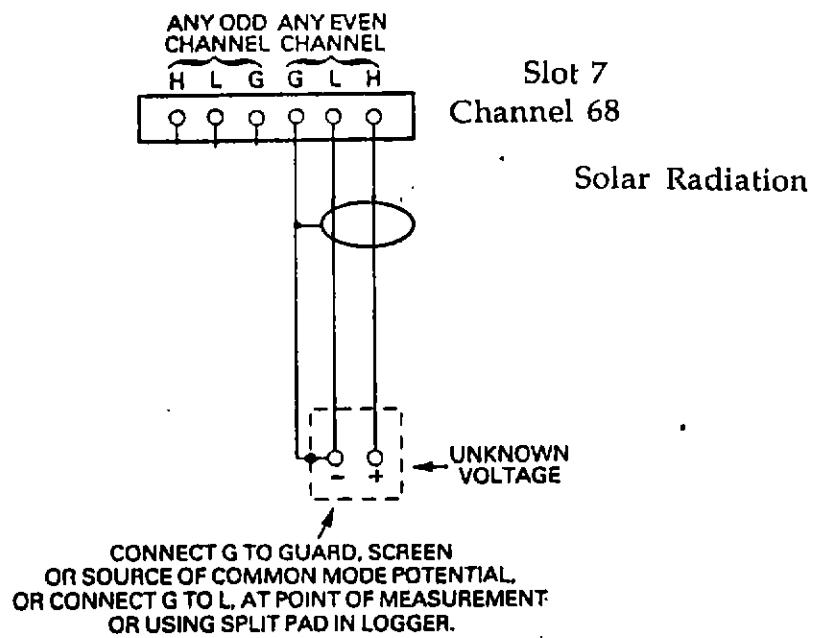
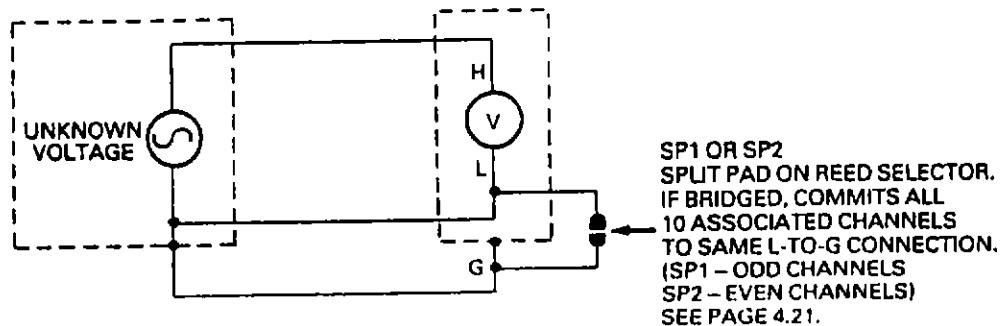


Fig. 11

## 2.2 VOLTAGE MEASUREMENT

### 2.2.1 Theoretical Diagram



### 2.2.2 Practical Connection Diagram

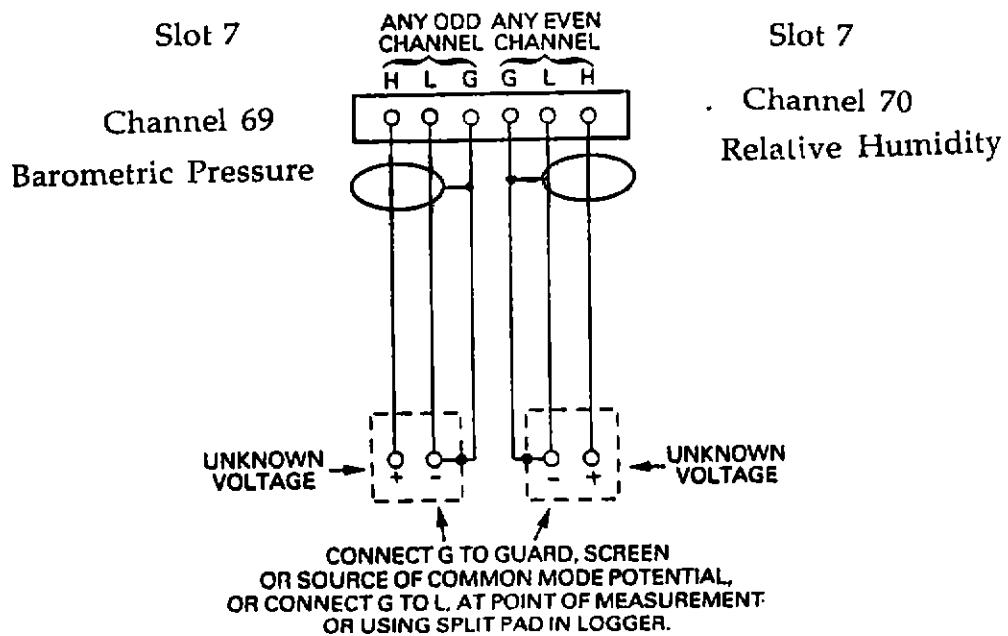


Fig. 12