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ABSTRACT<br>GROIN-ASSOCIATED RIP CURRENTS MEASURED USING A NEW DIGITAL CURRENT METER<br>Dennis L. Lundberg<br>Old Dominion University, 1987<br>Director: Dr. John C. Ludwick

Rip currents have often been noted in physical model studies of groins and their effectiveness. Nevertheless, detailed field investigations of rip currents along a groin wail have not been heretofore conducted. A new digital current meter system was designed and built to study the groin-associated rip currents in a test groin compartment at Willoughby Spit, Norfolk, VA. Six ducted impeller current meters are controlled by' a data acquisition sytem that utilizes an onboard microprocessor and solid state memory. The new system provides high quality data on horizontal water velocities associated with wave action. The velocities stored are time mean velocities averaged over one second. The system will make possible future studies of three dimensional flow in the nearshore and coastal zones at relatively low cost.

The present study verified the existence of a groin-associated rip current in the test compartment. Measured vertical velocity profiles showed that the near bottom time mean flow was often directed onshore while the time mean flow in the upper levels was nearly always directed offshore. The presence of the rip current reduces groin effectiveness by transporting sediment from the compartment seawards beyond the groin ends. The complex vertical structure of the time mean flow makes the use of depth-averaged velocities to estimate sediment transport in a groin compartment ques-
tionable. The flow intensity for both the near bottom flow and the upper flow was directly proportional to the wave breaker height and reflects the low wave energy input to this estuarine beach site. Eddies that rotate clockwise were observed at the upstream groin wall relative to the tidal current. The action of these eddies may contribute significantly to sediment scour near the groin ends.

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## PREFACE

A two-fold research project was conducted, first to design and construct a data acquisition system that would monitor and control up to six ducted impeller current meters. The data acquisition system utilized a microprocessor and solid state memory for data storage, and second to employ the new and unique system to study the wave and current dynamics of a groin system and determine the nature and structure of the seaward directed return flow from a groin compartment. In so doing, a field evaluation of the system was also accomplished.

Part I of this dissertation deals with the development of the data acquisition system and the calibration of the current meters. Part II concerns the the field experiments and the analysis of that data.

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## CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

The purpose of Part I of this dissertation is to describe the development of the data acquisition system and the calibration of the ducted impeller current meters used in this study. Current meters of this type have been used by a number of investigators to measure currents in the nearshore and coastal environments (Meadows, 1977; Smith, 1978; Sonu, 1973; Bradshaw et al, 1978; Wood, 1970). The measured phenomena ranged from turbulence (Smith, 1978) to wave orbital velocities (Meadows, 1977; Bradshaw et al, 1978) to quasi-steady currents such as shore-normal and shore-parallel currents generated by waves and tides (Meadows, 1977).

The most common method of acquiring data from these meters is to convert a pulse repetition frequency from the meter to an analog voltage which is then converted to digital data by an analog to digital converter (ADC) for storage on magnetic tape. The pulses from the meter are often generated by magnets attached to the impeller blades which rotate past a Hall effect switch where the direction of rotation is determined by which pole of the magnet first passes the sensor. Another method utilized by Meadows is to measure the elapsed time of rotation of the impeller between a pair of optical sensors, the direction of rotation determined by which sensor is first shaded. The method employed by Meadows is used in this
study. The data acquisition system developed in this study used complementary metal oxide semiconducter (CMOS) solid state digital electronics to measure this elapsed time for up to six current meters simultaneously. A microprocessor monitored and controlled the system with the resultant data stored onboard in solid state memory.

### 1.1. DESIGN REQUREMENTS

The design requirements for the proposed data acquisition system can be summarized as follows:

1. Low cost.
2. Rugged construction for deployment in the nearshore coastal environment.
3. Ease of deployment/retrieval.
4. A frequency response that would allow measurement of wave orbital velocities.
5. A flexible, easily upgraded data acquisition system.
6. Easily interfaced to a computer(s) for data transfer.
7. Able to monitor, control, and record several
sensors simultaneously.
8. Adequate internal data storage.

## 9. Low power consumption

There were several options considered to meet the above requirements. One was the procurement of electromagnetic (EM) current meters. They are rugged and have been successfully used in numerous studies. They are, however, very costly particularly when several are to be deployed.

Another option is consideration of the acoustic doppler current meter. Unfortunately, the physical size of these meters make them unsuitable for shallow water studies. Also, they are relatively expensive.

Many investigators have chosen mechanical devices such as the ducted impeller current meter. These are rather simple devices that are easy to construct at reasonable cost and are quite sturdy. Such a device meets the first three requirements given above. Most meters of this type generally use either mechanical devices or magnetic sensors to sense the rotation of the impeller. The output of these methods is typically a series of electrical pulses. The pulse repetition frequency can be converted to an analog voltage which can then be sampled using an analog to digital converter (ADC) or the pulses can be counted over some sampling interval, say 10 seconds. The output is then converted into current speed. The particular design used herein and described in more detail later, uses an optical device to sense the rotation of the impeller. The design for the current meters used in this
study was graciously provided by Dr. Guy A. Meadows of the University of Michigan.

With the type of current meter fixed, but before a data acquisition system was selected, an evaluatation of how to use the output from the meters was needed. Most systems employ some variation on counting the output pulses from the current meters over some sampling interval. In so doing, the minimum error is plus or minus one count. If rotation is very slow, then it would be possible to have only two or three pulses in the sampling interval. If the count is off by one, then the possible error is $33 \%$ to $50 \%$. The more pulses in the sampling interval, (i.e., faster rotation), the smaller the error. An alternate method compatible with Meadows' design is to measure the time it takes for the impeller to rotate between the two sensors. The count could still be off by one but percent error is now a function of the clock frequency as well as the speed of rotation. For example, if the clock frequency is 1000 Hz and the event is 10 milliseconds, then there would be 10 counts and the error would be $10 \%$ to $11 \%$. If one wants to further reduce the error, then the clock frequency can be increased. In this scheme the greatest possible error in an event occurs when there are fewer counts i.e., greater velocities. However, if one is averaging over some interval, then error is reduced because there are more events in the sampling interval and the counting error is averaged out. The later sampling scheme is used in the present design.

Given the type of current meter and sampling scheme, an appropriate data acquisition system was needed. Initially, an InterOcean model 696 data logger was
evaluated. The logger has an eight channel ADC that stores sampled data on cassette tape. The fastest sampling rate is one sample per channel per 0.5 sec when recording on up to four channels and is 1 sec . when recording on eight channels. Each current meter uses two channels, therefore, four meters could potentially be utilized with this data logger. However, each current meter channel has an output of several pulses per second. The data logger, sampling each channel once per second, clearly is inadequate to record the data from the current meters. Additionally, commercially available data loggers were neither satisfactory nor affordable.

Another possible method was to record the output from the meters on a strip chart recorder and manually extract the data and enter it into a computer. However, several recorders would be required to record data from six current meters, each with two channels. Not only would this add to the cost of the system, but it would increase the logistical problems of the field study. The data extraction and entry would also be a time consuming and laborous task. Therefore, this method was rejected.

The above requirements, and the limitations and cost of commercially available devices, prompted a decision to design a new system that would be compatible with the output from the current meters, could be easily interfaced with any computer, and that would be sufficiently flexible to allow it to be upgraded as needed or to record data from other types of sensors. To meet these goals, the logical choice would be a system that incorporated a microprocessor. This would ease
the problem of computer interfacing, but, more importantly, it gives one effectively unlimited flexibility by changing the programming of the microprocessor. A RCA CDP1802 microprocessor along with its associated design and development support systems was used to develop a compatable system. The CDP1802 microprocesser uses complementary metal-oxide semiconducter circuitry. This is a logic family that has a very low power consumption and can operate over a wide range of voltages (3V to 18 V ) as opposed to transistor to transistor logic (TTL) used in most microcomputers which requires a regulated 5 V power supply and consumes a great deal more power than does CMOS. The wide range of supply voltage relieves one of the requirement of a regulated power supply. This allows the potential of developing a battery operated system in the future that would permit extended deployments without shore connections. Because of these advantages, the data acquisition system is designed entirely of CMOS logic.

## CHAPTER 2

## DESIGN

### 2.1. MECHANICAL DESIGN

The mechanical design of the ducted impeller current meter system, as mentions earlier, was provided by Dr. Guy A. Meadows of the University of Michigan and is a design for which he holds a patent (Meadows, 1981 pers comm.). Figure 1 diagrams the main features of the current meter. The details of the design are summarized below.

The description of the current meter can be divided into three basic categories; the housing, the impeller and mounting assemblies, and the sensor assembly. The housing is constructed of polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipe six inches long with an inside diameter of three inches. The inside of the pipe was planed smooth on a lathe. The wall thickness is $1 / 4$ inch and is of sufficient thickness and strength to serve as the foundation for mounting the impeller and sensor assemblies. The advantages of using PVC pipe is that it is resistant to corrosion, durable, and easily machined. The pipe can be purchased from any plumbing supplier.

The impeller assembly has very little mass which is a factor in Meadows' design that contributes to the fast response time of the meter. The assembly consists of a four bladed glass filled plastic impeller, a stainless steel shaft with nylon

Figure 1. Schematic of the ducted impeller current meter. Not drawn to scale. (Adapted from Meadows, 1981)

bushings, and a thin stainless steel shade integral to the impeller that interrupts the light beam.

The impeller is made from two, two bladed propellers manufactured by Octura models for use on high performance model boats. They are 2.6 inches in diameter with a 4.61 inch pitch. The two propellers are notched at the hub and epoxied back-to-back to make a four bladed impeller that has nearly a symmetrical response to forward and reverse flows. Any asymmetry that does exist is handled in the calibration. The shaft fits through the center of the impeller and is held firmly in place by the nylon bushings so that the impeller and shaft rotate as a unit. The shade is manufactured from a thin piece of stainless steel sheet metal. It fits over the impeller shaft and is epoxied to the leading edge of the impeller.

The impeller and shaft is held in place by two horizontal stainless steel pins. Each pin is threaded on one end while the other end is machined and polished to a point which fits into the impeller shaft and acts as a needle bearing. Each pin screws into a hub attached to a vertical strut that is mounted onto a stainless steel plate which, in tum, is attached to the current meter housing with four machine screws. The pressure on the needle bearings can be adjusted by screwing the pins in or out of the hub. One strikes a balance between minimum pressure on the bearing for free rotation and enough pressure to ensure the impeller remains in place. This balance is not difficult to attain. The plate with the entire impeller assembly can be removed by removing the machine screws.

The sensor assembly consists of two light emitting diode (LED) interrupter modules manufactured by General Electric (GE H21B1), four resistors, and a four conductor cable. These LEDs emit electromagnetic radiation in the infrared range which minimizes interference from ambient light. The LEDs and resistors are mounted in the housing. The cable is connected to the sensors and the whole assembly is then sealed into the housing with liquid rubber and silicon sealant and capped. Two of the conductors provide power and ground to the sensors while the two remaining conductors, (channels A \& B), transmit the signals from the current meter to the data acquisition system. Figure 1 in Appendix A provides the details of the sensor assembly electronic circuitry. The advantage of the optical sensor is that there is no physical or magnetic coupling between the impeller and the sensor to impede the impeller's rotation. This is another important factor that improves the response time of the current meter. The LEDs are located at approximately 30 degrees from each other along the inside wall of the housing. The shade width is such that the beams from both LEDs are both broken at some point in time as the shade rotates through them. This is done so that a pulse pair or event can be identified.

A four conductor TV antenna rotor cable is used in this system. Each of the four conducters is insulated with vinyl chloride plastic and the four as a whole are enclosed by a vinyl chloride plastic jacket. Although the cable was not designed or intended to be deployed in the marine environment, it performed flawlessly during the field experiments.

### 2.2. ELECTRONIC DESIGN

This section will provide a general description of of the data acquisition (DA) system design. A more detailed description can be found in Appendix A. Two fundamental designs were used in this project. The first is that used by the field system and the second by the calibration system. Note that system used in this context refers to both the electronics and the programming that controls the microprocessor. The control circuitry for the timers is identical for the two systems, as one would expect. The main difference is in the programming of the microprocessor. The calibration system has additional circuitry to deal with the analog to digital converter used to sense the position of the pendulum.

CMOS integrated circuits (IC) were initially designed in the late 1960's and early 1970's for application in the aerospace industry to provide reliable, low power circuits for aircraft and satellites. Since then, its use has become more widespread. Applications range from inexpensive clocks and wrist watches to the latest in portable briefcase computers.

CMOS ICs have several advantages over other logic families, most common of which is the transistor-to-transitor logic (TTL) family. CMOS ICs use very little power, usually tenths of a milliwatt. This is two to three orders of magnitude less than TTL. CMOS ICs also have short propagation delay times through a gate, typically on the order of a few tens of nanoseconds (ns). They also have a high immunity to noise, often $45 \%$ of the supply voltage. The noise is also not propagated through the system. This can be a great advantage when designing
systems for employment in the marine environment. One important advantage mentioned earlier is the wide range of supply voltages that CMOS will tolerate. The range can be as great as 1 V to 20 V but is usually in the range of 3 V to 18 V . This means that a good power supply is not needed for the operation of systems incorporating CMOS technology. A simple battery will do in most cases.

The main disadvantage of CMOS ICs is the relatively slow switching speed of the gates. The upper limit is on the order of five megahertz. However, this disadvantage is becoming less significant as newer, high speed CMOS devices are brought into production. Another, less important disadvantage, is that some caution must be exercised when interfacing CMOS to other logic families. One needs to ensure that the voltages meet the design requirements of the logic family to which it is being interfaced. An example commonly encountered is interfacing CMOS to TTL. This is not, however, a major problem. An excellent primer on CMOS ICs and digital circuit design can be found in Hunter (1978) or Lancaster (1977).

The design problem can broken down into three broad and general categories. The first is the control circuitry for the timing devices, the second is the interfacing of the timing devices with the microprocessor, and the third is the microprocessor and its machine language programming. The description of the design process will move from the current meter end of the problem through the interface and end with the programming of the microprocessor.

As stated earlier, the sampling scheme is to measure the time it takes for the shade to rotate from one LED to the other. The essential problem then, is to design the circuitry to turn the timing devices on and off at the appropriate times and to determine the direction of rotation. An additional signal is also generated to inform the microprocessor that data is ready.

Figure 2 depicts the sequence of steps and the signals generated for one event. Initially, the system is poised for an event to start. When the shade breaks the IR beam for LED A, a signal is sent from the current meter via channel A to the control circuitry to turn on or enable the timer (fig. 2a). As the impeller continues to rotate, it interrupts LED B, as shown in fig. 2 b , a signal is sent via channel B to the control circuitry. The signal from B causes the timers to be disabled and the timing of the event stops. The time $\Delta t$ is inversely proportional to the rotational speed of the impeller which is, in turn, proportional to the flow speed through the current meter. Signal $\mathbf{C}$ is generated by the circuitry and provides half the information necessary to signal the microprocessor that data is ready. At this time, both channels A and B are high. This ensures that the one can determine an event has occurred. If this overlap did not occur, one could not readily determine if A leads B or B leads A or precisely what is an event. Figure 3 illustrates this problem. The question that arises from this diagram is which pulses are a pairs, is it al and b1 or b1 and a2? Do b3 and a3 go together or is it a3 and b4? The choice of pulse pairs directly determines how the direction and speed of rotation is perceived. By making the shade wide enough to block both beams the ambiguity is easily

Figure 2. Timing diagram that defines the sequence of steps comprising an event.


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Figure 3. Timing diagram to illustrate the problem when there is no time overlap between channel A and B.

resolved. One also needs to ensure that the shade is wide enough so that signal $\mathbf{C}$ has a pulse width long enough to ensure it is perceived as a signal and not a noise spike.

The impeller now continues its rotation and brings the shade to the position depicted in fig. 2c. The trailing edge of the shade has just cleared the IR beam of LED B. The falling level on channel B and the information temporarily stored from signal C is passed through a logical AND gate to signal the microprocessor that a count is ready. This signal remains high until the microprocessor reads the count. After the count has been read, the microprocessor sends a signal to reset the timers and associated data registers. The system is now ready for the next event. Note that for a rotation in the opposite direction, the sequence of steps would have $B$ leading $A$.

The reason why signal $C$ alone is not used to signal the microprocessor when an event has occurred is because the speed of microprocessor operation is such that it would read the count and reset the timers before the shade could clear the trailing LED. The timer control circuitry would then sense a signai on that channel indicating that another event was starting, but with the opposite rotation. By waiting until the shade clears the trailing LED, this problem doesn't arise.

The timers are simply counting devices and in this case they count clock pulses. The clock pulses are generated on the microprocessor circuit board and sent to the clock input of the counters. Each timer consists of four, 4 bit binary counters that are cascaded together to make a single 16 bit counter. Data from the
counters are fed directly into two, 8 bit data registers for temporary storage. When ready, the microprocessor reads the data one byte ( 8 bits) at a time. The sixteenth bit or most significant bit (MSB) contains the sign of the count. If the MSB is 1, then the count is a negative number and the impeller was rotating in the reverse direction. After the count is read into the microprocessor, the MSB is tested to determine its sign and the appropriate action is taken.

The interface board communicates between the current meter electronics and the microprocessor communicate. If there were only two or three devices, this would not be necessary and, in fact, is not a component of the calibration system. In the case of the field system, there are six devices or current meters. The function of the interface is two fold. One, it must receive information from the current meters and present (encode) it to the microprocessor in a format that is usable. Two, it must translate or decode the control signals from the microprocessor and route them to the proper current meter.

Only one signal is transmitted from the current meter to the interface. That is the ready signal which informs the microprocessor that an event has occurred and data is ready. Herein lies one of the interfacing problems. The microprocessor cannot afford a separate ready line from each current meter. In fact, only one line is available for that purpose. Therefore, the interface must receive these signals and signal the microprocessor that an event has occurred and which current meter has that data. One could easily see that more than one current meter could have data ready at the same time. The interface must sort this out in such a manner that
data is not lost.

The problem can be solved by using what may be called a vectored interrupt. The particular design used in this system is a design modified from one found in RCA (1981a). The ready signals from each current meter are sent to a priority encoder which is capable of receiving up to eight signals. When a signal is received, it encodes it into a unique, 3 bit code for that particular current meter (CM) and puts it directly into a temporary data register. At the same time, it sends a ready signal to an external flag line on the microprocessor. When the microprocessor senses the ready signal, it reads the 3 bit code and branches to the portion of the program that handles that current meter. If two or more current meters are ready simultaneously, the priority encoder selects one that is assigned the highest priority. Each current meter is then handled in its turn. Current meter 1 is arbitrarily given highest priority and current meter 6 lowest.

Once the current meter has been decided upon, the data must be input one byte at a time, the low byte first followed by the upper byte. To do this, a unique code is sent to the interface via the output port of the microprocessor to select the low byte. The interface decodes that data and sends a signal to the low byte data register. When the data register receives the signal, it puts its data on the input data bus for the microprocessor. The microprocessor then reads the data and stores it. This procedure is repeated for the high byte. Once the data has been read and stored, reset information is sent from the microprocessor to the interface which decodes it and sends a signal to reset the current meter for the next event. To
summarize, the interface encodes signals from the current meters to the microprocessor and it decodes data sent from the microprocessor to the current meters.

### 2.3. MICROPROCESSOR BOARD

The microprocessor board is a RCA COSMAC Microboard Computer CDP18S604B. Details of its operation may be found in RCA (1981b). The pertinent components and features utilized in this system include the RCA CDP1802 microprocessor, 8 bit input and output ports, space for 2 kilobytes of read only memory (ROM), a 44 pin system interface connection (P1), a 34 pin input/output (I/O) connection (P2), and a user area for breadboarding small user circuits, and a 2.097152 megahertz (mhz) crystal-clock.

The CDP1802 is a CMOS, 8 bit, large scale integrated (LSI) microprocessor. Its operating voltage ranges from 4 to 10.5 volts. Internally it has sixteen, 16 -bit scratch pad registers that can be used as program pointers, memory pointers or for temporary data storage. Each register is divided into a low order byte and a high order byte. The instruction set allows each register to be individually accessed by either the low or high order byte. An important advantage the 1802 has over many other microprocessors is that the user has complete control of how each register is used in a program. When the 1802 is powered on, the program counter defaults to register $0(\mathrm{R} 0)$ after which any register may be designated the program pointer. Not only can any register be the program pointer, but more than one register can be designated as a program counter. This, for example, provides an efficient method to call subroutines. Note, however, that only one program pointer can be
in use at any given time. The D register is an 8 bit register that is used by many of the machine language instructions. It is used by the input commands, most of the arithmetic commands, and in transfering data to and from the scratch pad registers. The DF register is a 1 bit register that signifies if a borrow or carry has occurred in arithmetic operations and is used by the shift commands.

Another useful feature of the 1802 is the four external flags (EF1-EF4) which are used to facilitate I/O operations in this design. These are in addition to the direct-memory access (DMA) line and the interrupt line. Each EF line can be tested by conditional branch instructions in the program. EF1, EF2, and EF4 are available on the microboard and used by the present system. EF3 is used by the microboard and is not available to the data acquisition system. The EF lines are connected to both the P1 and P2 interface connections. Another important signal line on the 1802 and used by the DA system is the Q line. This is a signal that is turned on or off under program control and can be tested by conditional branch instructions. The Q line has many potential uses. In this design, it was used (along with EF4) for handshaking between a desk top computer in the data transfer process. EF1 and EF2 are used by the interface board to signal when one second has elapsed and when a current meter has data ready, respectively. There are many other features of the 1802 microprocessor not detailed herein that may be found in RCA (1979,1981c).

The P2 user interface has eight input data lines and eight output data lines that are connected to the input and output ports of the microboard, respectively.

Additionally, there are various control lines, including the EF lines and the Q line. The P2 interface connection also has power and ground lines that can be used by periferal devices, in this case the current meters and associated electronics. In addition to the P2 connection, other timing and control signals were brought over from the microboard to the current meter subsystem via a user installed cable.

The P1 system interface contains all of the same signals as P2 as well as the address and the read/write lines for memory accessing. An additional feature of the microboard is space onboard for 2048 bytes of read-only-memory (ROM). This memory area was used to store the programming for the 1802.

### 2.4. PROGRAMMING FOR THE FIELD SYSTEM

The field system is a computer made up of the six current meters and associated electronics, the interface board, and the microboard and memory. While the high-level language (FORTRAN or BASIC) makes programming more efficient for the human, it does not necessarily produce machine code that is the most efficient for the microprocessor. One also does not develop a good sense of the interrelation between hardware and software when programming in a high-level language. In the vast majority of the situations one encounters, such a detailed level of understanding is neither necessary nor desired. However, in designing this particular system, it was necessary to maximize speed and efficiency of the software and to have a detailed knowledge and control of the interaction between the hardware and software of the system. The programming of the data acquisition system was, therefore, done in the machine language for the 1802 microprocessor.

The CDP1802 microprocessor has a set of 91 instructions that fall into seven general categories. Control instructions which include commands to designate the program pointer register, memory register, set/reset the $Q$ line, and others. Meinory reference commands that allow data to brought in and out of memory. Register commands that allow one to put data into or retrieve it from the registers and to increment or decrement data in a register. Logic operations include logical OR/AND instructions, and several varieties of shift commands useful in binary arithmetic. Arithmetic operations are addition and subtraction with or without a carry or borrow. There are several add/subtract commands, the variety arises from where the data to be operated on are derived. Branch instructions included conditional testing of the EF lines, the Q line and others tests. They are essentially IFTHEN type commands. Skip instructions allow one to skip a specified number of lines and include conditional tests. Finally, there are several commands to input or output data from memory. Each I/O command generates a unique control code that can be used to control periferal devices.

The sixteen scratch pad registers can have a great variety of uses. Multiple program counters and memory pointers are possible. The great deal of flexibility is further enhanced in that any register can be both a program pointer and a memory pointer. This allows the easy transfer of variables from the main program to a subroutine, for example. Additionally, the program pointer and the memory pointer can reside in the same register at the same time. This, for example, allowed control data to be easily output to the interface board. Examples of both can be seen
in the program for the field system given in Appendix B.

The 1802 microprocessor is capable of addressing up to 65,536 ( 64 kbytes) of memory directly. On the microboard, this is done via the P1 system interface connection. The memory for the field system allocates the first 2 kbytes for the erasable-programmable-read-only-memory (EPROM) and is reserved for program storage. An EPROM is a non-volatile storage medium. The second 2 kbyte block of memory is the work space for the system. Temporary data is stored here prior to final processing and storage. The remainder of the memory is reserved for storage of the processed data. The data remains here until it is transferred to a desk top computer.

In reference to the sampling scheme given for a current meter, events do not occur at regular time intervals but can be thought of as occurring randomly. This is awkward for analytical procedures such as time series analysis. Additionally, if each event with the time that it occurred were recorded, there would be insufficient memory. One of the main functions of the initial data processing, therefore, is to put the data into uniform time intervals. This is done by computing an average of the event times that occur within a 1 second time interval. One value for each current meter is then stored in memory each second. This not only puts the data into a more easily analized format, but also greatly reduces the required amount of memory.

The program for the field system uses four routines; the main program, the routine to calculate 1 second averages, the routine to read data from a current
meter, and the routine to transfer data to a desk top computer. Figure 4a shows the flow chart for the main program. The first operation is to initialize the system at the beginning of each data run and then to sample EF1, EF2, and EF4 in that order to determine if 1 second has elapsed, a current meter has data, or data is to be transferred, respectively.

When the system is initialized, the RAM is set to zero and the I/O ports on the microboard are then selected as the I/O ports to be used by the system. The previous step is necessitated by the factory design of the microboard. The registers that are to serve as memory pointers are set to their initial values followed by loading the starting addresses of the subroutines into the appropriate registers. Finally, the current meter timers are reset and the system is ready.

Initialization is followed by the program polling of EF1, EF2, and EF4 to determine if anything is attempting to communicate with the 1802 . The program repeatedly cycles through the sequence until one of them is true.

EF2 becomes true when a current meter, via the interface board, indicates it has data. Figure 4 b shows the flow chart for the data read subroutine. Once the 1802 senses the signal, it branches to the data input subroutine. The first step in this subroutine is to read the 3 bit code from the interface board that tells the 1802 which current meter is ready. This 3 bit code is put into one of the subroutine address registers and becomes part of the address code for the subroutine that handles that particular meter. The next step is to output a unique data byte to the interface board which is decoded to select the low order byte of that current meter.

Figure 4 a . Flow chart of the main program of the data acquisition system.


Figure 4 b . Flow chart of the data read subroutine.


This data is read and stored in memory. Another data byte is output to the interface board to select the high order byte from the same meter. This byte is then read and stored. The 16 th bit is tested to determine if the count is positive or negative. If negative, the input data are subtracted from the accumulator for that meter and the event counter is incremented by one. If the data are positive, they are added to the accumulator and the event counter is incremented. The final step before returning to the main program is to reset the timer for that current meter. The main program is re-entered at point E in figure 4a.

Figure 4 c is the flow chart of the main features of the 1 second average subroutine. This subroutine computes the 1 second average for each of the six current meters in sequence and stores the result in the permanent storage area. If no events occurred during the 1 second interval, a large number is put into memory for that meter. A larger number implies little or no rotation of the impeller or zero velocity. The data remains here until it is transferred to the desk top computer. Two different memory pointers are used in this subroutine. One points to the work space where the event counters and accumulators for each current meter are stored. The second points to the next available memory location in permanent memory for the averaged data. After the averages are computed and stored, the event counters and accumulators are set to zero. The program then re-enters the main program at point D in figure 4a.

The data transfer subroutine is illustrated in a flow chart (figure 4d). The EF4 and $Q$ lines provide the handshaking signals between the field system and the desk

Figure 4 c . Flow chart of the 1 sec . averaging subroutine.


Figure 4d. Flow chart of the data transfer subroutine.

top computer during the transfer. The first step in this routine is to write 5 FFs (hexidecimal code for 255) at the end of the data in permanent memory to serve the function of an end-of-file marker which informs the computer receiving the data that there is no more. EF4 is sampled again to determine if the other computer is ready. If it is, the field system outputs the first data byte and then signals it is there using the Q line ( Q goes from high to low). Q is reset to high thereby informing the other computer that the field system is ready to send another byte. The other computer signifies it is ready via the EF4 line and the process is repeated until the end-of-file markers are ercountered.

### 2.5. DATA ACQUISITION TO COMPUTER INTERFACING

The ability of the data acquisition system to interface or communicate with another computer was one of the crucial aspects of this endeavor. Without this capability to transfer data for analysis, the system, as a whole, would be of little use.

To add permanent data storage (i.e., floppy disk drives or cassette tape) to the system, it was necessary to interface the field and calibration systems with another computer. Initially, the systems were configured to communicate with a HewlettPackard (HP)-87 desk top computer. The HP-87 is a versatile computer with many desirable options and the computer was available on loan from the University's Applied Marine Research Laboratory (AMRL). One of the features that made the HP-87 very attractive was the General Purpose Input and Output module (GPIO). This module plugged into the back of the HP-87 and provided a versatile means of
transferring data in parallel. HP (1981a) provided the necessary details on the required handshaking signals, pin connections, etc. HP (1981b) provided detailed programming guidance for the GPIO. The other end of the cable of the GPIO was wired to be compatible with the designed data acquisition system and connected to the P2 interface connection of the microboard. The HP-87 also had software features that made the data transfer easier. Among them were built in routines for binary logic operations and conversion from binary to decimal numbers. These routines could be invoked by a single programming command.

The final step in the interfacing problem was to write a short program for the HP-87 to control that end of the data transfer and convert the binary data from the data acquisition system to decimal data. The machine language programming for the 1802 microprocessor is a subroutine described in the programming section previously. This subroutine's main purpose is to output the data to the HP-87 and to provide the handshaking signals the HP-87 required. Appendix B contains both programs.

The HP-87 and HP dual disk drives were used with the calibration system when the current meters were calibrated. The HP-87 was not, however, available for the field experiments but a KAYPRO 4 portable computer was available from Dr. J. McConaugha in the Oceảnography Department. One disadvantage of the KAYPRO computer was that a standard parallel I/O interface was not available. Fortunately, the KAYPRO did have an unused parallel I/O port internal to the machine. Building on the previous work of Dr. D. Johnson, formally of ODU, a
parallel I/O interface was designed and installed in the KAYPRO. The signals required by the KAYPRO and handshaking procedures were found in KAYPRO (1982). Changes were then made to the machine language program to provide the handshaking signals to the KAYPRO.

## CHAPTER 3

## CALIBRATION FACILITY

The calibration of the current meters was part of development of the current meters and the data acquisition system. There were three main characteristics that the calibration system needed to determine: gain, frequency response, and cosine response of the meters. The calibration also helped define the operational limitations of the instruments. The calibration facility includes both the mechanical and elctronic design and concepts.

Meadows (1981) indicated that the mechanical design of the meters is quite good. His meters exhibited a linear gain up to velocities of $3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$, a frequency response on the order of 0.1 s and a very good cosine response. The results of the present calibration are in general agreement except for the cosine response which could not be determined accurately.

### 3.1. MECHANICAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

The calibration concept was patterned after that presented by Nielsen and Cowell (1981). It is a long pendulum with the current meter attached to the end which is then oscillated in a large tank filled with water. The mathematics of a damped pendulum allows one to calculate the velocity of the meter through the water. This is the standard against which the instrument is calibrated. The period of oscillation is also known which permits the frequency response of the meters to
be determined, at least for that period.
A calibration facility was designed and constructed in the warehouse area of the Oceanography Building. To accommodate the swing of the pendulum a tank was needed approximately 8 feet long and 2-3 feet deep. A large cylindrical fiberglass container $91 / 2$ feet long and 4 feet in diameter was sealed by bolting 3/4 inch plywood sheets to the ends. The inside surface of the plywood had a layer of fiberglass applied to protect the wood from the water. A slot 8 feet long and 3 feet wide was cut along the length of the tank through which the pendulum would swing and a cradle was constructed of aluminum and wood to hold the tank (figure 5).

The pendulum was made of 0.84 inch diameter stainless steel boiler tubing. The length of the pendulum arm was 13.32 feet. Weights of either forty or eighty pounds were attached near the end of the arm but above the water level. A horizontal axle with either end supported by bearings was welded to one end of the pendulum. The bearings were bolted to a steel plate that was clamped to the top flange of a support beam in the ceiling of the warehouse area. A potentiometer was attached to the plate and its shaft inserted into the pendulum axle and held in place by a set screw. As the pendulum swung, the electrical resistance of the potentiometer would change as the shaft rotated. When power was applied, the output of the potentiometer was a varying voltage that indicated the position of the pendulum.

Figure 5. Schematic of the calibration tank and cradle.


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Tests on the potentiometer conducted in the lab showed that its response was linear. The correlation coefficient (r) was equal to 0.999 . After the pendulum and potentiometer were mounted in the warehouse, another check was done and r was 0.995 . The difference is attributed to the greater degree of experimental control in the laboratory than in the warehouse.

### 3.2. CALIBRATION FACILITY ELECTRONICS

The electronics of the calibration system is essentially identical to the field system, the core of which is the circuitry to control the timers and signal the microprocessor. Since fewer devices are sending data to the microprocessor, no interface board was required. Only two devices are connected to the 1802 , one current meter and the analog to digital converter (ADC). These could easily be handled by connecting their ready signals to EF lines.

The most important modification is the addition of the electronics to handle data from the potentiometer which is an analog signal that varies from 0.2 to 0.5 volts. This is amplified by a factor of ten to take better advantage of the full operating range of the $\mathrm{ADC}(0.0$ to 5.0 volts). The ADC samples this voltage at a frequency of 8 Hz . After each conversion, the ADC sends a ready signal to the 1802 via the EF2 line. The 1802 then reads and stores the data in RAM. The ADC used in this study is an ADC0803. Its operating characteristics are given in National Semiconducter Corp. (1984). One of the attractive features of this ADC is that it was designed to interface directly to a microproccessor.

Initial laboratory tests of the potentiometer and the ADC were unsuccessful. Noise in the output data was traced to the input signal from the potentiometer. The noise was so great, that even a steady input voltage, as measured by a voltmeter, could not be resolved from the output. The solution was simple and straight forward. A simple RC low pass filter (Horowitz and Hill, 1983) was added to the potentiometer output that filtered out signals 60 Hz and above. Following Priestley (1984), the phase lag of the filter was calculated as 0.2728 degrees and the gain as 0.967. The small difference between the input and output of the filter was ignored.

The addition of another timer was made to give the time that an event occurred during a calibration run. This was called the 'run' time. This timer operated at a frequency of 64 Hz .

The differences in the calibration system and how data are treated also necessitates modifications to the machine language program. For the calibration, all of the data are required, therefore, no averaging subroutine is required. Each event time and its run time is read and stored in memory. The sequence of events for handling the current meter data is; 1) the current meter sends a signal to the 1802 via the EF1 line that a count is ready, 2) the 1802 first reads the run time timer to determine when the event occurred and stores that number in RAM, 3) the event time is then read and stored in RAM, and 4) the event timer is reset for the next event. The current meter data are stored as a data pair, the run time and the event time. Note that the run time timer runs continuously during each calibration run.

It also should be noted that the program is sampling EF2 to determine when the ADC has data which is stored in a separate memory block than the current meter data. The ADC does not need to be reset by the microprocessor since it is reset automatically at the start of each conversion (National Semiconducter Corp., 1984).

The machine language program is simpler and more straightforward than the field system's program. There are fewer devices interfacing with the microprocessor and there is no need for a 1 sec averaging subroutine. There are a few additional steps required to read the run-time timer. Since the core of the electronics of the field and calibration systems are the same, the calibration served the dual purpose of calibrating the meters and an additional test of the basic electronics package for the field system.

## CHAPTER 4

## CALIBRATION METHOD

### 4.1. PENDULUM MOTION

The calibration method presented herein is a summary of the procedure presented by Nielsen and Cowell (1981). The first piece of information needed is the angular position of the pendulum as it varies with time from which the true velocity of che current meter through water is calculated. The angular position of the pendulum is a linear function of the potentiometer output voltage, as discussed earlier. The explicit relationship can be written as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\theta(t)=\Theta_{m}\left[\frac{V(t)-V_{0}}{V_{m}-V_{0}}\right] \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\theta(t)$ is the instantaneous angle of the pendulum, $\Theta_{m}$ is the start angle, $V_{m}$ is the voltage at $\Theta_{m}, V_{0}$ is the voltage at rest, and $V(t)$ is instantaneous voltage. To put it in terms of $y=m x+b ; y$ is $V(t), x$ is $\theta(t), b$ is $V_{0}$, and $m$ is $\left(V_{m}-V_{0}\right) / \Theta_{m}$ and eqn (1) is a solution for $x$.

The pendulum motion is assumed to have the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
\theta(t)=\Theta(t) \cos (\omega t) \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\Theta(t)$ is the amplitude of the pendulum and $\omega$ is the angular frequency of the pendulum oscillation. The velocity of the current meter through the water can be given as

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(t)=L \frac{d \theta}{d t} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $u(t)$ is the instantaneous velocity and $L$ is the length from the pendulum axle to the current meter (see figure 6).

If one assumes that $\Theta(t)$ varies slowly or

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d \Theta}{d t} \ll \omega \Theta \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d \theta}{d t}=\frac{d(\Theta \cos (\omega t))}{d t}=\omega \Theta \sin (\omega t) \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Simply, eqn 4 states that the amplitude decays slowly compared to the period of oscillation of the pendulum.

The total energy of the pendulum is

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(t)=1 / 2 M(l \omega \Theta)^{2} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $E$ is energy, $M$ is the mass and $l$ is moment arm of the pendulum measured from the axle to the center of mass. Differentiated with time, eqn 6 yields

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d E}{d t}=1 / 2 M l \omega \Theta \frac{d \Theta}{d t} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d E}{d t} \alpha \Theta \frac{d \Theta}{d t} \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

The drag force is proportional to the velocity squared or

$$
\begin{equation*}
F_{d} \propto \Theta^{2}|\sin (\omega t)| \sin (\omega t) \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

The energy dissipation rate is the drag x velocity or

Figure 6. Pendulum arm used in the calibration facility.


$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d E}{d t} \alpha-\Theta^{3}|\sin (\omega t)| \sin (\omega t)^{2} \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

which averaged over one half period is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d \bar{E}}{d t} \alpha-\Theta^{3} \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equating eqns 8 and 11 and solving the differential equation yields the expression for the decay of the pendulum amplitude

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{\Theta}=\frac{1}{\Theta_{0}}+c t \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $c$ is the decay constant and $\Theta_{0}$ is the initial amplitude. Using eqns 3 and 5 the velocity through the meter is approximated by

$$
\begin{equation*}
u(t)=L \omega \Theta \sin (\omega t) \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

### 4.2. GAIN AND PHASE LAG

Figure 7 shows the idealized time series for $\Theta(t), \theta(t)$, and the measured current meter data $v(t) . \Theta(t)$ and $\omega$ are determined by fitting the measured pendulum data $\theta(t)$ to eqns 2 and 12. Figure 8 is an example of the result. Figure 9 depicts the raw data from the current meter.

The gain of the meter is determined by scanning the current meter data to find the local maxima values and the time they occurred. The velocity amplitude for those times are then calculated using

$$
\begin{equation*}
U(t)=L \omega \Theta(t) \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

and $\Theta(t)$ is calculated from eqn. 12. A matrix of data pairs (measured vs true) is then constructed. A linear fit of these data is accomplished. The slope of the resulting linear equation is the gain of the meter. The $\mathbf{x}$ intercept provides an

Figure 7. Ideal time series of $\Theta(t), \theta(t)$, and $u(t)$. (From Nielsen and Cowell, 1981)


Figure 8. Example of the raw pendulum data (*) plotted against the fitted curve (solid line) for the pendulum motion.


Figure 9. Example of the raw data output from a current meter.


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estimate of the upper limit of the minimum or threshold velocity to which the meter will respond. The same procedure is followed for the reverse flow only the data are scanned for local minima. Figures (10-12) show examples of the calibration curves for the current meters used in this study. Table I summarizes these results. The current meter most likely can respond to a velocity less than what the $\mathbf{x}$ intercept indicates. The reason is that the data used were the local maxima values from current meter data. The actual "threshold" velocity is probably less than indicated.

The gain of the meters is linear within the range they were calibrated. Figure 10 shows the calibration curves for one run for current meter (CM) 1. From Table I, it can be seen that the standard deviation for this meter is quite small, less than 0.001 for bnth directions. The goodness of fit is 0.993 for the forward direction and 0.996 for the reverse. CM 1 calibrated better than did the others. Figure 11 shows the calibration of CM 2 and serves to show the worst case. The goodness of fit is still quite good except for the reverse flow. For the forward flow it is 0.983 and 0.786 for the reverse. The standard deviations of the gain are 0.008 and 0.015 for the forward and reverse respectively. Figure 12 is a more typical calibration. The goodness of fit to a straight line is high, 0.996 and 0.997 for the forward and reverse flows, respectively, and the standard deviations of the gains are 0.004 for the forward flow and 0.003 for the reverse.

The time lag of the current meter is determined by comparing the time of the zero crossing of the pendulum with the following zero crossing of the current

Figure 10. Calibration curve of the gain for current meter 1, run A.


Figure 11. Calibration curve of the gain of current meter 2, run A.


Figure 12. Calibration curve of the gain of current meter 3, run A.


Table I. Summary of the gain and threshold values of each current meter for the forward and reverse directions.

Table I Average Current Meter Gain

| Forward |  |  |  | Reverse |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Meter | Gain | Threshold | r | Gain | Threshold | r |
| 1 | $.107+-.001$ | $3 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .993 | $.097+-.002$ | $5 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .996 |
| 2 | $.087+-.004$ | $<1 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .982 | $.089+-.015$ | $<1 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .789 |
| 3 | $.098+-.004$ | $3 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .996 | $.086+-.003$ | $2 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .997 |
| 4 | $.116+-.006$ | $2 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .986 | $.113+-.007$ | $2 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .910 |
| 5 | $.109+-.002$ | $2 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .978 | $.094+-.006$ | $<1 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .979 |
| 6 | $.124+-.006$ | $6 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .993 | $.104+-.004$ | $6 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{s}$ | .993 |

Note: r is the correlation coefficient
meter data. From figure 7 , one can see that this time is $t_{0}+T / 4$ where $t_{0}$ is the time lag and $T$ is the period of oscillation. Figure 13 shows the pooled time lag data for the current meters.

There is a large amount of scatter in the data at lower velocities. This is thought to be a function of the calibration system rather thar the actual response of the meters. The amplitude of the swinging motion of the pendulum at the slower velocities is small. The impeller is responding to that motion but the shade may not be moving far enough in any one direction to trigger an event. An event may not be triggered for two or three oscillations of the pendulum. To compensate for this, the lower limit of the data are used to estimate the time lag of the meters. The time lag is estimated to be on the order of 0.11-0.12 seconds. Since this is small, no correction of the field data was necessary.

The calibration of the meters is good, over the range they were calibrated. They are linear and the time lag is very small. The calibration data clearly show that they can measure wave orbital velocities in the nearshore area. The response time of the meters indicate that these meters could be used in turbulence studies given the proper sampling scheme.

### 4.3. COSINE RESPONSE

The cosine response to off axis flow under ideal conditions is expected to be

$$
\begin{equation*}
g(\phi)=G \cos (\phi) \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\phi$ is the angle between the axis of the current meter and the direction of flow, $G$ is the gain at $\phi=0$ and $g$ is the gain at angle $\phi$. Two current meters

Figure 13. Pooled time lag data for all current meters and all runs.

were selected to test the cosine response. The tests were done by placing the meters at various angles to the plane of the pendulum motion and calculating the gain. Figure 14 shows the ideal cosine response and the measured response. Clearly, the cosine response of the meters does not appear to follow the ideal curve, although it does fall off to zero for $\phi=90$ degrees. Meadows, 1981 (pers comm) showed a very good cosine response for his meters.

There is some indication that the reason for the difference between the ideal and measured cosine response may lie in the calibration facility. When a current meter is placed at an angle to the pendulum motion, there is a component of the resisting force that is perpendicular to the motion of the pendulum. This gives a sideways motion to the pendulum (as well as the to and fro swinging motion). The result is a figure eight motion, which leaves uncertainty as to the actual angle or how the true flow through the meter is affected.

Figure 14. Cosine response of the current meters plotted against the ideal cosine response (solid line).


## CHAPTER 5

## SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The calibration of the current meters also served as a test of the data acquisition system in a addition to determining the necessary calibration constants for the meters. The calibration procedure provided the first opportunity to test the entire system as a unit in the water. Previous tests had been conducted in the lab. The performance of the electronics was an unequivocal success, particularly, the portion that was common to the field system. Figure 9 clearly indicates that the output of the meter follows the motion of the damped oscillation quite well. At the end of the run, one can see the problems associated with the small pendulum motion.

The calibration also brought out the versatility of the data acquisition system. Not only was it recording the current meter data, but it also handled the potentiometer data via the ADC without difficulty. The ease of interfacing to at least two different desk top computers is another example of the flexibility of the system.

The water tight integrity of the current meters was another area tested in the calibration. With only one exception, all of the meters passed this important test the first time. The exception was current meter 5 which shorted to ground immediately after it was initially immersed. The LEDs and associated circuitry in the housing were replaced and the meter resealed. No further problems of this type were encountered either during the calibration or in the field. The method of seal-
ing the current meters is quite adequate for the applications in this study but, there is room for improvement, particularly if deployed in deep water.

The portion of the LEDs that extend into the barrel of the meter should also have more protection from the elements in future versions. At present, the surfaces of the emitter bulb and the detector are exposed. There are indications from the field experiments that the failure of some of the meters to trigger an event may have been related to this problem. If these surfaces were protected, it would significantly improve the overall reliability of the current meters.

The calibration has clearly shown that these meters can measure wave orbital velocities at a period of approximately 3.5 seconds, the oscillation period of the pendulum. The time response of the meters indicate that shorter periods can also be measured.

The incorporation of the microprocessor in the design concept has resulted in a very flexible and versatile data acquisition system. It clearly has demonstrated the ability to record data from different sources. The calibration system has shown that it can accept data from the more common analog devices and from the current meters. The field system has shown that several devices can be controlled by the data acquisition system simultaneously. This was made possible by the ability to reprogram the microprocessor to meet the different sampling schemes and to interface with other computers.

The inherent low power consumption and high noise tolerance of the CMOS logic family used in the design of the data acquisition system is a distinct
advantage for systems that are to be deployed in the marine environment. This allows the present system to be battery operated. The addition of a portable "lap top" computer would then allow deployment of the system in remote locations without the expense and logistical problems of more sophisticated power supplies.

The total cost of the data acquisition system and the six current meters was approximately $\$ 2500$. The low cost allows an investigator the great possibility of deploying a large number of current meters without a major investment in equipment. This allows the opportuntity to investigate a number of problems, for example, field studies of three dimensional fluid flow in the nearshore area.

The design and implimentation of the data acquisition system and current meters was very successful. All of the design requirements were met. The use of a microprocessor in the data acquisition system to control the current meters made for a versatile system. It also allowed for preprocessing of the data in the field which greatly reduced the required amount of onboard memory. The low cost of the system will permit one to deploy a large number of devices which will allow field studies of phenomena that are at the forefront of coastal research with a minimum expenditure of funds.

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## CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

Part I of this dissertation dealt exclusively with the development of a new microprocessor-controlled data acquisition system for an array of ducted impeller flow meters. The emphasis of Part II of the dissertation is on a field application of the new system to the study of rip currents that are thought to be associated with groin structuress on beaches.

### 1.1. RECENT WORK AT WILLOUGHBY SPIT

The present study was carried out at Willoughby Spit in Norfolk, VA (Figure 1). It is one of a series of related projects by researchers from the Old Dominion University. Ludwick (1987) conducted bathymetric surveys over a period of three years in a test groin compartment at Willoughby Spit. Near bottom current measurements were taken to eștimate the sediment transport rate and direction. Additionally, a mathmatical model was developed to forecast the post-fill shoreline and fill life that included empirical coefficients for longshore and cross-shore transport rates (Ludwick 1987, Ludwick et. al. 1987). Kang (in preparation) used the detailed bathymetric surveys and the wave orbital velocity asymmetries to estimate the cross-shore sediment transport within the groin compartment. Reynolds (in preparation), has studied the longshore variation in wave height between the groins to estimate the longshore transport rate after fill had been placed in the groin sys-

Figure 1. Geographic location of the study area. (From Ludwick et al., 1987)

tem. He used detailed surveys of a terminal spit (figure 2) that formed after the fill placement to estimate the actual transport rate. The general thrust of these studies was to determine the current and sediment transport dynamics in a groin system. The focus of this study is on the flow near the groin wall.

### 1.2. PREVIOUS GROIN STUDIES

Groins are probably the most widely used structure in shoreline protection (SPM, 1984). Bruun (1977) traces their origin to the early 16th century Holland and cites evidence that groin-like structures may have been used much earlier. The function of a groin is to trap a portion of the longshore transport of sand in order to stabilize an eroding beach or to accumulate sediment between the groins. This is accomplished at the expense of the downstream beach (SPM, 1984). One of the underlying assumptions is an adequate supply of sand being input to the groin system. Often this is not the case and artificial beach nourishment must be used to fill the area between the groins (Tomlinson, 1980). Implicit to the use of groins is that loss of sediment to the beach is due to longshore transport and not cross-shore transport. Numerous studies have clearly shown that the cross-shore transport cannot be ignored and, in fact, can be an important factor.

Groins have excited much research interest over the years (e.g., Balsillie and Bruno, 1972; Bruun, 1972; Tomlinson, 1980). Most previous work has been concerned with the engineering aspects of groins such as design, materials, and construction; height, spacing and length; permeability; and shape. To a lesser extent, groin effectiveness has been studied in both the laboratory and field settings where

Figure 2. Geographic location of the terminal spit. (From Ludwick et al., 1987)

effectiveness has usually been measured in terms of sediment trapped by the groin or in changes to the shoreline. The performance of groins in the field has been quite variable. A particular design may perform up to its specifications in one location and fail in another (SPM, 1984). The main reason for this lies in an incomplete knowledge of the physical factors in the area that is to be protected. These factors include the longshore transport rate and direction; wind and wave climate; and tidal range and currents (SPM, 1984; Tomlinson, 1980).

Two critical factors are rarely, if ever, considered in evaluating groin effectiveness. The cross-shore transport rate for sediment is not normally considered. It is, however, important and should always be considered. An important mechanism for the cross-shore transport of sediment is a rip current along the groin. The effect of a groin system on the wave and current dynamics which are the basic driving forces of sediment transport is also rarely considered but should be. This study is intended to verify these conclusions.

Mathematical models used in the study of groins have generally considered two equations that are solved simultaineously to obtain the the shoreline position. The first equation is for the longshore transport of sediment and its response to the wave energy and the second is the sediment transport continuity equation (Tomlinson, 1980). The longshore transport is:

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\begin{equation*}
I_{l}=K(E C n)_{b} \sin \alpha_{b} \cos \alpha_{b} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
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where $I_{l}$ is the immersed weight transport, $(E C n)_{b}$ is wave energy flux at the breaker line, $K$ is a dimensionless constant, and $\alpha_{b}$ is the breaker angle (Komar,
1976). The continuity equation is:

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\begin{equation*}
\frac{d y}{d t}=-\frac{1}{d} \frac{d S}{d x} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $d$ is the reference depth such that $d(\Delta y)$ is the cross section in which sediment erosion or deposition occurs, $S$ is the longshore transport rate, $y$ is the distance offshore, and $x$ is the longshore distance (Komar, 1976).

Among the earlier numerical studies, was the work of Bakker (1968) and Bakker et al. (1970) which built upon the earlier work of Pelnard-Considere and summarized in Bakker (1968). Bakker (1968) considered only the the shoreline changes due the presence of groins as a function of the breaker angle $\left(\alpha_{b}\right)$. Bakker et al. (1970) expanded this to include the effects of wave diffraction on the lee side of the groins. Currents and tidal effects were not considered and crossshore transport was assumed to be zero. Hulsbergen et al. (1976) tested the Bakker's theoretical developments in a large wave basin at the Delft Hydraulics Laboratory. They found that the model performed reasonably well when the longshore current system was well defined and stable. When more complex circulation patterns developed, the theory was inadequate as a forecasting tool.

Kemp (1962) and Nagai and Kubo (1958) have also used physical models to study groin performance. Kemp (1962) focused on the effect of the alignment and type of groin on the longshore transport and longshore currents and their effect on the shore morphology. With regard to the present study, Kemp (1962) found that there was a return of sediment seaward along the downstream groin wall which intensified under storm conditions. When the tidal current alone was considered,
his data indicate that a weak gyre may form in the groin compartment when the top of the groin was above the water surface.

The model study of Nagai and Kubo (1958) varied the groin inclination and spacing to determine the optimum configuration when waves alone acted on the system. Pertinent to this study, they found an offshore flow along the downstream groin wall due to wave action.

The Waterways and Experimental Station of the Coastal Engineering Research Center designed a physical model to aid in the planning of shore protection measures at Imperial Beach, CA (Muslin, 1978). Five groins had been authorized in 1958 to stablize erosion in the study area. Two were installed and met with little success. The model was first used to estimate the effectiveness of installing the other three groins. Results showed that relatively strong rip currents were generated along the groins and could transport sediment out of the compartment thereby reducing the effectiveness of the groins. This was in general agreement with aerial surveys of the site which indicated rip currents along the two existing groins.

Field studies of groins have primarily been concerned with the engineering aspects such as construction materials and techniques. Measures of effectiveness have been relatively rare and are concerned with the amount of sediment impounded or in the advance or retreat of the shoreline (Tomlinson, 1980). Little is known of the wave and current dynamics for installed groin systems.

### 1.3. PHYSICAL SETTING

The study site is a single groin compartment located on Willoughby Spit in Norfolk, Virginia (Figure 1). The spit is 3.2 km long, its width varies from 135 m to 535 m , and has an average elevation of 2 m relative to mean low water (MLW). The present rate of shoreline retreat is 7.6 cm per year (Byrne and Anderson, 1977). In 1939,37 groins were constructed along a 5.5 km length of the spit and adjacent shoreline which replaced 62 groins previously installed by local property owners. The groins were constructed of timber, were shore normal, and straight. The inner section is 183 cm above MLW with a 23 m long inclined section connecting the outer section which was 61 cm above MLW (Ludwick et al, 1987).

In September, 1984, the 27 westernmost groins were filled with $410,590 \mathrm{~m}^{3}$ of fill. The fill sediment had a mean diameter of 0.9 mm and was poorly sorted (1.32). Broken shell made up $50 \%$ of the coarser size classes by weight and $10 \%$ to $15 \%$ of the finer size classes. The slope was graded to $1: 20$ sloping seaward. An artificial dune was constructed in the backshore with an average elevation of 3.7 m above MLW. After the space between the groins was filled, a new spit began to form to the west of the terminal groin (Fig. 2). Sediment in the new spit was fill material (Ludwick et al, 1987).

The tide at the study site is semidiurnal with a mean range of 0.76 m . The tidal currents are essentially shore-parallel beyond the ends of the groins and are flood dominant. Flood duration is 7 hours and ebb is 5.4 hours. (Fleischer, 1977; Ludwick, 1987). The mean tidal velocities are $27 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ and $18 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ for the
flood and ebb respectively. The outer portion of the groins are submerged for approximately $22 \%$ of the tidal cycle (Ludwick, 1987).

Ludwick (1987) proposed that sediment transport at Willoughby Spit occurs in two zones. Belt 1 is longshore transport in the swash zone. Transport in this zone is wave dominated and episodic. When the water level is at or above the top of the groin, sediment is washed into the adjacent compartment. The net transport in Belt 1 is to the west as evidenced by the growth of the new spit. Belt 2 is beyond the end of the groins and is influenced by the asymmetric tidal flow in the area which is flood dominant and to the west. Sediment from Belt 1 that becomes entrained in Belt 2 is lost to the groin system. One mechanism that removes sediment from the test compartment is the proposed seaward flowing action of rip currents along the upcurrent walls of the groins.

### 1.4. PURPOSE OF STUDY

The purpose of this study is to determine if there is a groin-associated rip current in the test compartment. Implications of seaward flow in this area are important in determination of sediment loss to Belt 2 in a groin compartment. Losses of sediment in the shore-normal direction are seldom considered in the design of groin systems. If sediment is lost in this manner, it would be a significant factor in the overall performance of the groin system. A current meter array was deployed on the updrift side near the downstream groin end in the test compartment (Fig. 3). Vertical velocity profiles were measured to determine if the rip current current existed and to determine its vertical structure.

Figure 3. Diagram of the test compartment showing the approximate location of the current meter array.


Once the data analysis began, it became appparent that the measured vertical velocity profiles could be used to better understand the actual wave-current interactions in the area between groins. These data could also be used to test the validity of using depth averaged velocities in the study of nearshore and coastal zone circulation patterns and sediment transport.

## CHAPTER 2

## EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

### 2.1. FIELD PROCEDURES

The test compartment was occupied on five occasions during the months of May and June 1986. The first experiment was a "shake-down" of the equipment and procedures. A total of 51, fifteen minute data sets were obtained from the other four field days and of these, 3 were not usable because seaweed had fouled the current meters.

A vertical array of the six flow meters, mounted as orthogonal pairs at intervals of $20 \mathrm{~cm}, 60 \mathrm{~cm}$, and 100 cm above the base of the mounting stand, was deployed in the test compartment. The array was positioned near the end of the westernmost groin in the compartment (Fig. 3). For each pair, one meter was parallel to the groin and the other perpendicular to it. The westernmost groin of the test compartment is the downstream groin for normal wave conditions and is where groin-associated rip currents are most likely to be found.

The mounting stand consists of a circular base approximately 1 m in diameter with a vertical rod attached at its hub. Lead weights were attached to the base to help anchor the stand. The flow meters were mounted on the vertical rod. The mounting stand was stable for wave conditions encountered during the field experiments. The maximum waves had a height of 1 m .

The cable from each flow meter terminated ashore at the data acquisition system. The data acquisition system, a KAYPRO portable computer, hand held anemometer, tools, etc. were housed in a tent ashore. Electrical power (120 VAC) was supplied from a nearby apartment via 550 ft . of heavy duty extension cord.

Each field experiment was 12 hours duration or approximately one tidal cycle. Fifteen minutes of data were collected every hour. The flow meter data were averaged every second and stored in the solid state memory of the data acquisition system. The data were then transferred to the KAYPRO at the end of each data run for storage on floppy disk. During each run, the wind speed and direction were measured using a hand held anemometer. The breaker height and breaker angle relative to the shore line were also estimated as was the water level in relation to the top of the groin. After each data run, a swimmer would measure the water level from the top of the vertical rod of the array. The water depth was then calculated knowing the overall height of the mounting stand. The swimmer would also visually inspect the flow meters for proper operation and fouling.

Backup data disks were made on a Zenith desk-top-computer and then uploaded to the VAX computer in the Computer Science Department where the data were analyzed.

### 2.2. ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES

The first step in the analytical procedure was to convert the raw data into velocity using the calibration curves developed in Part I of the dissertation. The
steady component of the velocity was extracted by computing the time mean of each current meter for each data run. Power spectra were computed using standard library subroutines on the VAX computer in the Computer Science Department.

Initial inspection of the velocity data revealed numerous spikes that occurred when the sign of the flow was changing. The data are one second averages (Part I). The data that the acquisition system is handling are counts of a clock pulse. The larger the count, the slower the rotation of the impeller, positive or negative. If the averaging window spans the cross over between positive and negative flow and these are algebraically added, then the difference between two relatively large numbers is a small number or count. When using the calibration curves to convert a count to a current velocity, the result is a large velocity when, in fact, the velocity is near zero. These spikes were removed by scanning the data in groups of three to determine if the first and third points were opposite in sign. If so, the second point was replaced by the linear interpolation of the first and third points. Appendix B contains the programming details.

The time constant of the flow meters was approximately 0.11 to 0.12 sec and the sampling interval is one second (Part I). In order to prevent aliasing of the data, one needs to sample at a rate of four to five times faster than the time constant of the instrument (i.e., approximately .02 sec in this case). Since that is not possible with this system, the data was initially passed through a low pass filter to remove the aliasing (Grosch, 1981). The cutoff frequency of the filter was 0.45 hz or a period of 2.2 sec .

International Mathematical \& Statistical Libraries, Inc (IMSL) subroutines were used to compute the power spectra of each data set for each flow meter However, a main objective of this research was to determine if a rip current was present along the groin, therefore, the time mean velocity for each flow meter was calculated to determine the steady component of the total measured velocity. The result of this analysis revealed that a weak rip current existed. The vertical structure of the mean flow showed some significant features heretofore not reported in the literature.

Current measuring devices placed in the nearshore/coastal zones measure the total velocity of the fluid flowing past or through the meter. This is expressed by:

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\begin{equation*}
u_{T}=\bar{u}+u^{\prime} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
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where $u_{T}$ is the total velocity measured by the device, $\bar{u}$ is the steady component or the mean velocity, and $u^{\prime}$ is the non-steady or fluctuating component of the total velocity. If one considers $u^{\prime}$ to be the oscillatory velocity associated with the waves, then, by averaging over sufficient time interval, $u^{\prime}$ goes toward zero. Time averaging of the total velocity has been suggested by Grant and Madsen (1978) to extract the steady current component in the study of wave-current interactions in the field. Kemp and Simons $(1982,1983)$ used time means to determine the steady current in laboratory studies of wave-current interactions.

## CHAPTER 3

## RESULTS

### 3.1. SHAKE DOWN EXPERIMENT 11 MAY 1986

Five of the six current meters were deployed. Of these five, only the bottom, shore-normal meter (CM 1) indicated impeller rotation. Data from the remaining meters indicated no rotation of the impellers. Observations by swimmers verified that they were indeed rotating. Field checks of the electronics showed that the meters were sending signals to the data acquisition system and, in part, the system was responding. It did not, however, appear to recognize when both LED beams were simultaneously blocked (Part I), hence, it could not detect when an event had occurred. This was a problem that had not appeared in any of the laboratory tests of the electronics or during the calibration. Since the system did not recognize when an event had occurred, no impeller rotation was recorded. The problem was resolved by making the shades wider in arc length, thus ensuring the LEDs were blocked long enough for an event to be sensed by the data acquisition system. Once the modifications were made and bench tests completed, the system was ready for the field experiments. The problems encountered during the shake down did not recur in the subsequent experiments.

### 3.2. EXPERIMENT I, 23 MAY 86

The first full field experiment was conducted under generally calm conditions (Table I). The array was located approximately 9.5 m landward from the end of the groin and 1.5 m from the groin wall within the test compartment (fig. 3). After the flow meter array was deployed, a short test run indicated that all current meters except number 4 were functioning properly.

The average breaker wave height $\left(H_{b}\right)$, based on visual estimates, was approximately 15 to 20 cm . The greatest $H_{b}$ of 30 cm , occurred during runs 7 and 8 (Table I). The dominant wave direction was from the northeast which gave a breaker angle $\left(\alpha_{b}\right)$ that opened to the west throughout the day.

The top of the groin was underwater when the experiment began. The time mean shore normal currents were directed onshore and were weak, less than 1 $\mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ for runs 6 and 7. Runs 7 and 8 were taken near the time of high water. During run 8 , the flow near the surface reversed and the time mean velocity increased to approximately $5 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ while the flow near the bottom remained onshore and increased to $2 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}$.

There were a total of thirteen data runs conducted during this experiment. The bottom and mid depth meters functioned throughout the day while the top meter provided data for only the first five data runs. For the bottom meter, eleven of the thirteen runs had time mean flows directed onshore. The top and mid depth meters combined to give eight of thirteen runs with offshore directed flow.

Table I. Data summary of Experiment I, 23 May, 1986.

TABLE I Experiment I 23 May, 1986

|  | Time Mean Velocity $\mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ <br> (dimensionless depth) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Run/Time | bottom | mid | top | Tide | $\begin{gathered} H_{b} \\ (\mathrm{~cm}) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\alpha_{h}$ | Wind <br> ${ }^{\circ}$ Mag. <br> $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{sec}$ | groin |
| 6/0730 | $\begin{gathered} 0.24 \\ (0.85) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.8 \\ (0.69) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.59 \\ (0.33) \end{gathered}$ | flood | 15-18 | 0-5 W | $\begin{gathered} 318 \\ 6 \end{gathered}$ | covered |
| 7/0830 | $\begin{gathered} 0.81 \\ (0.86) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.23 \\ (0.61) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.83 \\ (0.36 \end{gathered}$ | high water | 20-30 | 5-10 W | $\begin{gathered} 320-340 \\ 4-6 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | covered |
| 8/0930 | $\begin{gathered} 2.28 \\ (0.86) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.7 \\ & (0.61) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -5.21 \\ & (0.36) \end{aligned}$ | high water | 20-30 | 0-5 W | $\begin{gathered} 315-329 \\ 4-6 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | covered |
| 9/1030 | $\begin{gathered} 1.21 \\ (0.84) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.32 \\ & (0.56) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -2.65 \\ & (0.28) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | ebb | 15-20 | 0-4 W | $\begin{gathered} 330-350 \\ 3-4 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | covered |
| 10/1130 | $\begin{gathered} 1.66 \\ (0.79) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.56 \\ (0.41) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.80 \\ & (0.03) \end{aligned}$ | ebb | 15-20 | 5 W | $\begin{gathered} 045 \\ 2 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 11/1230 | $\begin{gathered} 0.18 \\ (0.76) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1.04 \\ (0.31) \end{gathered}$ |  | ebb | $\leq 15$ | 5-10 W | $\begin{gathered} 230-250 \\ 3-5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 12/1330 | $\begin{gathered} 0.46 \\ (0.70) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.59 \\ & (0.17) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | ebb | $\leq 15$ | 10-15 W | $\begin{gathered} 280-300 \\ 5-7 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 13/1430 | $\begin{aligned} & -1.09 \\ & (0.69) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -3.07 \\ & (0.14) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { low } \\ \text { water } \end{gathered}$ | 13-20 | 5-10 W | $\begin{gathered} 290-295 \\ 5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 14/1530 | $\begin{aligned} & -1.09 \\ & (0.73) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -1.40 \\ & (0.23) \end{aligned}$ |  | flood | 10-18 | 0-5 W | $\begin{gathered} 295-310 \\ 5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 15/1630 | $\begin{gathered} 0.56 \\ (0.78) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} -2.79 \\ (0.40) \end{gathered}$ |  | flood | 20-25 | 5-8 W | $\begin{gathered} 285-295 \\ 3-4 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 16/1730 | $\begin{gathered} 1.74 \\ (0.83) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-1.34 \\ & (0.52) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | flood | 15-25 | 5-8 W | $\begin{gathered} 330-340 \\ 1.2 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 17/1830 | $\begin{gathered} 2.31 \\ (0.82) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2.0 \\ 0.50) \end{gathered}$ |  | flood | 15 | 0 | $\begin{gathered} 255-275 \\ 3-4 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 18/1930 | $\begin{aligned} & 12.39 \\ & (0.84) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 3.22 \\ (0.55) \end{gathered}$ |  | flood | 13-18 | 0-3 W | $\begin{gathered} 070-080 \\ 2-3 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | awash |

Note: (1) Negative velocites are offshore flow.
(2) Data are given only for those meters whose axis is parallel to the groin wall (i.e., shore-normal).

The near bed flow also demonstrated some dependence on the tidal current. Run 14 was early in the flood phase and the near bottom velocity was directed offshore. During run 15 , the velocity diminished and reversed so that it was directed onshore. The flow steadily increased in strength through run 18. The mid meter also showed the same general pattern but began at run 15 .

The opposed flow at the top and bottom meters was a common occurance during this experiment and was noted on both flood and ebb tidal phases. Since $\alpha_{b}$ was to the west throughout the day, it was not possible to determine its influence on the structure of the flow. The existence of a seaward flowing current along the groin is verified.

### 3.3. EXPERIMENT II 17 JUNE, 1986

The environmental conditions during this experiment were quite variable and caused an early termination of the experiment (Table II). Initially the winds were from the WSW to $\mathrm{W} 5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{sec}$. The wave approach was from the NW with $\alpha_{b}$ opening to the east approximately $10^{\circ} . H_{b}$ was estimated to be 10 to 18 cm . The current meter array was in the wind and wave shadow for runs 19 through 22. The flow was offshore at all depths and weak during this time period. The top of the groin was initially exposed.

Between runs 22 and 23 at approximately 1045, the tide began to flood and the winds shifted to the NE and strengthened. In response, the wave approach shifted to the NE and $\alpha_{b}$ opened to the west. $H_{b}$ began a steady increase from 10

Table II. Data summary for Experiment II, 17 June, 1986.

TABLE II Experiment II 17 June, 1986

|  | Time Mean Velocity $\mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ <br> (dimensionless depth) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Run/Time | bottom | mid | top | Tide | $\begin{gathered} H_{b} \\ (\mathrm{~cm}) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\alpha_{b}$ | Wind <br> ${ }^{\circ}$ Mag. $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{sec}$ | groin |
| 19/0709 | $\begin{gathered} -0.81 \\ (0.82) \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \hline-1.49 \\ & (0.18) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | ebb | 10-18 | 10-15 E | $\begin{gathered} 240-255 \\ 4-5 \mathrm{G7} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 20/0800 | $\begin{gathered} 0.15 \\ (0.80) \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.78 \\ & (0.11) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | ebb | 10-18 | $5-10 \mathrm{E}$ | $\begin{gathered} 240-260 \\ 5-6 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 21/0900 | $\begin{gathered} -1.07 \\ (0.79) \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & -2.49 \\ & (0.02) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | ebb | 10-15 | 7-9 E | $\begin{gathered} \hline 275-290 \\ 5-6 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 22/1000 | $\begin{gathered} -1.34 \\ (0.78) \end{gathered}$ |  |  | low water | 8-13 | 1-5 E | $\begin{gathered} 290-300 \\ 3 \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 23/1100 | $\begin{gathered} 0.68 \\ (0.78) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} -1.25 \\ (0.39) \end{gathered}$ |  | flood | 10-15 | 3-5 E/W | $\begin{gathered} 035-045 \\ 4-5 \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 24/1221 | $\begin{gathered} 3.55 \\ (0.81) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} -5.63 \\ (0.48) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | flood | 25-30 | 5-10 W | $\begin{gathered} 040-045 \\ 6-7 \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 25/1300 | $\begin{gathered} 4.78 \\ (0.82) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -12.61 \\ (0.52) \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | flood | 38-51 | 3-7 W | $\begin{gathered} 040-045 \\ 8 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 26/1400 | $\begin{gathered} 1.98 \\ (0.86 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -10.49 \\ (0.62) \end{array}$ |  | flood | 46-61 | 5-10 W | $\begin{aligned} & 045 \\ & 8-9 \end{aligned}$ | overtopped |

Note: Negative velocities are offshore flow.
to 15 cm in run 22 to approximately 1 m by late aftemoon. As $H_{b}$ increased, the waves began to break further offshore. Late in the afternoon, the waves were breaking beyond the end of the groin, reforming and then breaking near the beach. The test compartment was essentially within the surf zone at this time. Unfortunately, the flow meters were fouled with seaweed and no data were available for the period of peak wind and wave intensities.

The vertical stricture of the flow changed after the wind and wave direction shifted and $H_{b}$ increased. A net shoreward movement of water was along the bottom while continued offshore flow was measured at mid-depth. The magnitude of onshore and offshore velocities increased as $H_{b}$ increased. As waves began to overtop the groin in run 26, velocity magnitudes for the mid-depth meter diminished. At this point, the bottom meter became fouled and its data are unuseable. It is not clear if the time mean flow continued to diminish as the water level continued to rise above the top of the groin.

It was noted that the offshore flow was against a brisk wind. Drift wood placed near the groin also tended to move offshore against the wind and the waves. Additionally, swimmers reported an offshore drift when checking the current meters. These observations, during relatively high waves, support the continued existence of the seaward flowing current along the groin.

The data also indicate that the strength of both the onshore flow near the bed and the offshore flow in the upper levels was directly proportional to $H_{b}$. From run 23 through run $26, H_{b}$ increased from $10-15 \mathrm{~cm}$ to $46-61 \mathrm{~cm}$. The offshore
flow increased in magnitude from $-1.25 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ in run 23 to a peak of $\mathbf{- 1 2 . 6 1}$ $\mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ in run 25 . The offshore velocity diminished somewhat in run 26 when the waves began to overtop the groin. The near bed velocity increased $0.68 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ in run 23 to $4.78 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ in run 25 . In run 26 the meter was fouled with seaweed and the data were not useable.

Between the hours of 1600 to 1800 , water level rose above the groin top. Unfortunately, data are not available to determine how the rip current velocity changed. During this period, the longshore current became quite noticable. It was manifested by the strong pull on the cables from the flow meters to the data acquisition system ashore.

### 3.4. EXPERIMENT III, 19 JUNE, 1987

Winds for the third experiment were quite calm from the SSW to SW, 4-5 $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{sec}$ (Table III). $H_{b}$ was on the order of $5-13 \mathrm{~cm}$ on average with only one period, run 41, where the waves exceeded 15 cm . The breaker angle was small and opened to the west. Only the mid-depth current meter functioned reliably during this experiment.

The flow at mid-depth was offshore at most hours throughout the day and was stronger during the flood tide than during the ebb. The current velocity decreased between runs 41 and 42 when the water level rose above the top of the groin.

Shortly after low water and early in the flood stage of the tidal cycle, an interesting phenomena was visually observed. About five minutes before the

Table III. Data summary for Experiment III, 19 June, 1986.

TABLE III Experiment III 19 June, 1986

|  | Time Mean Velocity $\mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ (dimensionless depth) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Run/Time | bottom | mid | top | Tide | $\begin{gathered} H_{b} \\ (\mathrm{~cm}) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\alpha_{b}$ | Wind <br> ${ }^{\circ}$ Mag. $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{sec}$ | groin |
| 31/0700 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.57 \\ & (0.64) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | ebb | 8-10 | 0-3 W | $\begin{gathered} 180-220 \\ 2-4 \end{gathered}$ | covered |
| 32/0800 |  | $\begin{gathered} 0.02 \\ 0.0 .60) \end{gathered}$ |  | ebb | 8-10 | 0-3 W | $\begin{gathered} 185-210 \\ 3-4 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 33/0900 |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.95 \\ & (0.52) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | ebb | 5-10 | 0 | $\begin{gathered} \hline 195-220 \\ 4.5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 34/1000 |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.97 \\ & (0.50) \end{aligned}$ |  | ebb | 5-10 | 0 | $\begin{gathered} 205-225 \\ 2.5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 35/1100 |  | $\begin{array}{r} -0.69 \\ (0.41) \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | ebb | 5-10 | 2-3 E | $\begin{gathered} 305-310 \\ 3 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 36/1200 |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.52 \\ & (0.36) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { low } \\ \text { water } \end{gathered}$ | 5-13 | 0-2 E | $\begin{gathered} 220-260 \\ 3 \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 37/1300 |  | $\begin{aligned} & -0.95 \\ & (0.38) \end{aligned}$ |  | low water | 3-10 | 0 | $\begin{gathered} 195-230 \\ 4-5 \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 38/1359 |  | $\begin{aligned} & -4.21 \\ & (0.45) \end{aligned}$ |  | flood | 5-10 | 0-3 W | $\begin{gathered} 100-130 \\ 1-2 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 39/1500 |  | $\begin{aligned} & -6.34 \\ & (0.54) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | flood | 8-13 | 0-3 W | $\begin{gathered} 195-235 \\ 4-6 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 40/1600 |  | $\begin{aligned} & -5.42 \\ & (0.58) \end{aligned}$ |  | flood | 8-13 | $2 \mathrm{E} / \mathrm{W}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 205-235 \\ 3-5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 41/1700 |  | $\begin{aligned} & -4.33 \\ & (0.61) \end{aligned}$ |  | flood | 15-20 | 2-5 W | $\begin{gathered} 210-240 \\ 4-6 \end{gathered}$ | awash |
| 42/1800 |  | $\begin{aligned} & -2.61 \\ & (0.65) \end{aligned}$ |  | flood | 8-13 | 0-2 W | $\begin{gathered} \hline 205-240 \\ 3-4 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | covered |
| 43/1900 |  | $\begin{array}{r} -2.79 \\ (0.67) \end{array}$ |  | flood | 8-13 | 0-2 W | $\begin{gathered} 190-220 \\ 5-6 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | covcred |

Note: Negative velocitics are offshore flow.
scheduled data run, a small eddy formed on the upstream (relative to the tidal current) wall of the groin and near the end. This eddy moved seaward and was advected to the west by the tidal current. A second eddy formed in the same location as the first and was also advected downstream. At approximately 1359 hours, a third, much larger and stronger eddy formed. This eddy also moved seaward and was advected by the tidal current. The third eddy had a turbulent, swirling appearance where it formed and this appeareance continued as the eddy moved with the currents. The rotational direction could not accurately be determined.

Figure 4 depicts the relative location where the eddies formed. The current meter array was positioned near the edge of the largest eddy. The data run 38 was started earlier than planned to measure the currents associated with the eddy (Figure 5). The first portion of the record, up to approximately 400 seconds, shows the strong influence of the eddy near the end of the groin. The most notable feature is the strong offshore velocities associated with the eddy, about $15 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}$. The wave orbital velocities were $7-10 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}$. The period of eddy formation and shedding from the current record is approximately 100 seconds. After the episode of eddy formation and the shedding of those eddies, net flow remained in the offshore direction with some indication of a long period oscillation that may not have been associated with eddy activity.

The data from run 39 appears to have eddy-like activity although no eddies were visually observed (Figure 6). The period of formation and shedding is 60-70 seconds. Note that the seaward flowing current was strong apparently enough to

Figure 4. Diagram showing the general location of the eddies and the bathymetry of the comartment.


Figure 5. Velocity data from run 38 showing the velocities associated with the eddy.

## Run 38



Figure 6. Velocity data from run 39.

Run 39

offset the wave orbital velocities such that only the strongest wave velocities produced a net onshore motion.

### 3.5. EXPERIMENT IV, 27 JUNE, 1986

Experiment IV was conducted on 27 June, 1986 (Table IV). The current meters for this experiment were all alligned parallel to the groin (i.e., shore normal). The array was positioned 4 m landward from the end and 2 m from the wall of the groin. Of the five meters deployed, only the bottom three functioned. The center meter, CM 2, was inconsistent with the meters above and below it. During this experiment, CM 2 showed smaller time mean velocities than the meter above or below it and on one occasion (run 52) it had a greater velocity than the other two meters. Since this meter did not calibrate as well as the others (Part I), it is not clear if this is a reflection of the actual conditions or if it is due to the performance of the meter. The data from this meter, therefore, is used only in a qualitative sense in the following analysis.

Winds were from the SSW to WSW, $3-5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{sec} . H_{b}$ was generally less than 15 cm with $\alpha_{b}$ opening to the west during flood and to the east during ebb. The time mean flow was offshore at all depths throughout the day. The flow was generally stronger during flood than ebb.

Between run 49 and run 50, there was a significant reduction in the current velocity at all depths. During run 49, the water level was below the top of the groin with occasional wave overtopping. The water level in run 50 was at or

Table IV. Data summary for Experiment IV, 27 June, 1986.

TABLE IV Experiment IV 27 June, 1986

|  | Time Mean Velocity $\mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ (dimensionless depth) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Run/Time | bottom | mid | top | Tide | $\begin{gathered} H_{b} \\ (\mathrm{~cm}) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\alpha_{b}$ | Wind <br> ${ }^{\circ}$ Mag. <br> $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{sec}$ | groin |
| 44/0700 | $\begin{aligned} & -0.55 \\ & (0.77) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \hline-0.21 \\ & (0.56) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.54 \\ & (0.30) \end{aligned}$ | ebb | 8-10 | 5-10 E | $\begin{gathered} \hline \hline 215-240 \\ 4.5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 45/0800 | $\begin{aligned} & -1.25 \\ & (0.76) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.47 \\ & (0.53) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.65 \\ & \hline(0.26) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | low water | 8-15 | 2-5 E | $\begin{gathered} \hline 205-220 \\ 4-5 \mathrm{G} 7 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 46/0900 | $\begin{aligned} & -2.08 \\ & (0.78) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.92 \\ & (0.58) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -2.74 \\ & (0.33) \end{aligned}$ | flood | 5-10 | 5-7 E | $\begin{gathered} 205-220 \\ 3-4 \mathrm{G} 7 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 47/1000 | $\begin{aligned} & -5.12 \\ & \hline(0.81) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -1.62 \\ & (0.64) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-7.13 \\ & (0.42) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | flood | 5-8 | 0-10 E | $\begin{gathered} \hline 230-255 \\ 4-5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 48/1100 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-7.34 \\ & (0.84) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} -1.98 \\ (0.69) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -9.58 \\ & (0.50) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | flood | 8-13 | 2-5 W | $\begin{gathered} \hline 210-255 \\ 4-5 \mathrm{G7} 7 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 49/1200 | $\begin{gathered} -7.40 \\ (0.86) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -4.48 \\ (0.73) \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-8.69 \\ & (0.57) \end{aligned}$ | flood | 8-13 | 0-5 W | $\begin{gathered} 195-235 \\ 3.5 \mathrm{G} 7 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 50/1300 | $\begin{aligned} & -2.98 \\ & (0.87) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -2.0 \\ & (0.74) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -3.09 \\ & \hline(0.59) \end{aligned}$ | flood | 5-13 | $3 \mathrm{E} / \mathrm{W}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 220-250 \\ 3-5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | awash |
| 51/1400 | $\begin{aligned} & -2.80 \\ & (0.87) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -2.1 \\ & (0.75) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -3.07 \\ & (0.61) \end{aligned}$ | high water | 8-15 | $2 \mathrm{E} / \mathrm{W}$ | $\begin{gathered} 220-250 \\ 3-5 \mathrm{G} 7 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | covered |
| 52/1500 | $\begin{aligned} & -0.68 \\ & (0.87) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -1.16 \\ & (0.75) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -0.80 \\ & (0.60) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | ebb | 10-15 | 0 | $\begin{gathered} 210-250 \\ 4.5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | covcred |
| 53/1600 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.58 \\ & (0.86) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.96 \\ & (0.73) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -1.35 \\ & (0.56) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | ebb | 10-15 | 3-5 E | $\begin{gathered} 210-235 \\ 5 \mathrm{G} 8 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 54/1700 | $\begin{aligned} & -1.86 \\ & (0.83) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-0.84 \\ & (0.68) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-1.46 \\ & (0.49) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | ebb | 10-18 | 0-5 E | $\begin{gathered} 200-230 \\ 4-6 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 55/1800 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-2.28 \\ & (0.81) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -1.50 \\ & (0.63) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -2.58 \\ & (0.41) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | ebb | 10-15 | 0-3 E | $\begin{gathered} 190-220 \\ 4-5 \mathrm{G} 7 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |
| 56/1900 | $\begin{aligned} & -5.47 \\ & (0.77) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-3.99 \\ & (0.56) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -5.67 \\ & (0.30) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | ebb | 8-10 | 0.3 E | $\begin{gathered} 215-230 \\ 4-7 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | exposed |

Note: Negative velocities are offshore flow.
slightly higher than the top of the groin and waves were freely washing over the groin.

Eddies were observed visually on three separate occasions when the water level was below the top of the groin. Two of the episodes occurred during regular data runs (46 and 56) and the third was between runs 48 and 49 at about 1130 hours.

The first episode was during run 46 when a small eddy was observed to form on the upstream (east) wall of the groin shortly after the tide began to flood. Figures 7-9 show the velocity measurements from this run. The velocity for the weak eddy that formed shortly after the run began shows the same general character as the eddy measured during the previous experiment (figure 5). Five to six minutes into the run, a weak eddy was again observed and detected in the velocity records at all three levels, where it is manifested as pulses of strong offshore flow (Figure 9).

The second episode of eddy activity was between runs 48 and 49. A swimmer (the author) determined that the eddy rotated in a clockwise fashion. This confirmed the tentative visual observations of previous eddies reported in this study and by Kang (1986). This eddy was strong enough to require an extra effort by the swimmer to avoid being carried into the groin wall. The eddy moved seaward and into the tidal current which advected it to the west.

The third episode occurred during run 56. Figures $10-12$ are plots of the velocity data for current meters 1-3 respectively. The tide was ebbing during this

Figure 7. Velocity data from run 46, current meter 1 (bottom meter).

## Run 46 CM 1



Figure 8. Velocity data from run 46, current meter 2 (mid depth meter).

## Run 46 CM 2



Figure 9. Velocity data from run 46, current meter 3 (top meter).

## Run 46 CM 3



Figure 10. Velocity data from run 56 current meter 1 (bottom meter).

## Run 56 CM 1



Figure 11. Velocity data from run 56 current meter 2 (mid depth).

## Run 56 CM 2



Figure 12. Velocity data from run 56 current meter 3 (top).

## Run 56 CM 3


run and was the first time eddies had been observed during this tidal phase. Visual observations indicated that the rotation was clockwise and this finding is confirmed by the interpretation of the data records. The eddies formed on the upstream (relative to the ebb current) wall of the groin. In this case on the west wall of the groin in the adjacent compartment. Two eddies were formed and were shed into the tidal flow and then migrated to the northeast with the ebb current.

The velocity data shows that initially (at $t=325 \mathrm{sec}$ ) there is a strong onshore flow followed by a strong offshore flow. This is consistent with an eddy rotating in the clockwise direction. As the eddy moves from the west wall and around the groin, the initial current is onshore as the leading edge of the eddy passed the groin. As the eddy continues its motion to the east, the trailing edge of the eddy had an offshore motion roughly equal in magnitude to the onshore motion.

### 3.6. DATA SUMMARY

The data from the four experiments show a weak seaward flowing rip current along the groin wall. Two mechanisms are proposed for the generation of the seaward flow along the western groin in the test compartment. The first occurs when $\alpha_{b}$ opens to the west and is fundamentally related to the mass transport of water into the compartment by wave action. The second mechanism is associated with longshore variation in wave set-up as a result of wave diffraction around the groin end when $\alpha_{b}$ opens to the east. The vertical structure of the rip current can be complex and often has a flow reversal near the bottom. The intensity of the
offshore flow near the surface and the onshore flow near the bed appears to be directly proportional to $H_{b}$. The tidal flow around the ends of the groin can generate strong, clockwise rotating eddies on the upstream wall relative to the tidal current.

## CHAPTER 4

## DISCUSSION

### 4.1. RIP CURRENT ALONG THE GROIN WALL

### 4.1.1. PREVIOUS DEVELOPMENT

Previous investigators have stated that a rip current may be expected along the groin wall that is downstream relative to the direction of longshore transport (e.g., SPM, 1984; Silvester; 1974; or Wiegel, 1964). Nevertheless, few, if any, field studies have been conducted to verify their existence. Most studies have either used physical models or mathematical models to study groin dynamics and often do not consider the details of flow within a groin compartment. In these studies, the shape and position of the shoreline is considered without reference to the driving forces that act to produce that shoreline.

Rip currents arise when the mass transport due to waves brings water into the groin compartment. Conservation of mass in the compartment dictates a return flow. This is in the form of a rip current that forms along the wall of the downstream groin (Figure 13); (SPM, 1984). This approach is fairly simple and straight forward. Wave diffraction at the groin ends is not considered nor are tidal currents, which are an important factor in the estuarine environment. There is evidence from the data gathered during the present study that wave diffraction may cause an along shore variation in wave set-up that can become great enough to

Figure 13. Diagram of the rip current generated as a result of mass transport into the compartment.

generate a weak rip current. The former case will be discussed first.

Mass transport by waves brings water into the groin compartment. If there is limited or no exchange of water with the adjacent compartments, this transport must be balanced by an offshore flow of water, generally in the form of a seaward flowing rip current along the downstream groin relative to the longshore current.

Stokes (1847) second order wave equation gives a small drift in the direction of wave propagation. His theory assumes small amplitude waves in an inviscid fluid in deep water (Figure 14a).

Longuet-Higgins, (1953) developed a theory for mass transport for laminar flows where viscosity is considered. Implicit to his development is that there is no horizontal motion perpendicular to the direction of wave advance (i.e., a narrow channel) and that there is no net transport in the vertical cross section. Figure 14b shows the various shapes of the velocity profile for Longuet-Higgens conduction solution. This figure has been widely refered to in the scientific literature and has given rise to the concept of the "mid-depth return" in coastal studies. In all cases, the drift velocity near the bottom is in the direction of wave propagation. In comparison, if the Stokes drift velocity is adjusted for the no net transport condition, flow near the bottom is counter to the direction of wave propagation.

Russell and Osorio (1958) conducted laboratory experiments in a closed channel and verified Longuet-Higgins theoretical development. They also found that the drift velocity near the bottom was always in the direction of wave propagation.

Figure 14. Velocity profiles of the mass transport due to waves for a Stokes second order wave (a) and from Longuet-Higgins (b). (From Longuet-Higgins, 1953).

a.
direction of wave advance

b.

One important deviation from the theory in their investigation occurred when the water depth was small compared to the channel width. This is a condition more likely to be encountered in the field studies of groins. In this case, Russell and Osorio found evidence for large scale horizontal circulation pattern with greater forward drift down one side of the channel than the other.

Other investigators have developed theories for wave drift velocities based on various wave theories. Gonsalves and Swart (1982) developed a theory based on vocoidal wave theory. A vocoidal wave becomes an Airy wave in deep water and approximates a solitary wave in shallow water. They used the data of Russell and Osorio (1958) to compare with their theory and found that when viscosity is included, their development gave greater near-bed drift velocities than LonguetHiggins (1953) in deep water and smaller velocities when in shallow water. In deep water, the velocity profile reduced to that predicted by Stokes for both the viscous and non-viscous solutions. Isaacson (1976) developed a theory for mass transport using cnoidal wave theory which is based on the shallow water approximation. Isaacson (1978) tested his theory and others for the transport near the bed using laboratory data. He concluded that the theoretical developments, both his and others, gave reasonable results for the near bottom mass transport but that when the boundary layer was turbulent, they were less reliable. Unfortunately, a turbulent boundary layer is most likely to be encountered under field conditions.

The above developments were for waves propagating in a narrow, closed channel and no net transport. These restrictions are seldom, if ever, encounterd in
the coastal environment and are not encountered in the present study. The theoretical velocity profiles are therefore of questionable use for field applications where one encounters an open beach. The net mass transport in this case is probably in the direction of wave propagation or the shoreward direction. Mass balance is acheived by two-dimensional circulation patterns that often include a seaward flowing rip current. The rip current spacing for ungroined beaches is governed by the locations of edgewave nodes, along shore variations in wave set-up, or by topographic variations along the shore.

The groins of a groin system act as barriers to the longshore current whenever the water level is below the top of the groin. The longshcre current turns seaward and flows offshore along the groin wall as a rip current whose intensity is, in part, a function of $H_{b}, \alpha_{b}$, and wind velocity (Figure 13). The steady current near the groin was extracted by calculating the time mean velocity of the flow meters parallel to the groin. The meters perpendicular to the groin generally had zero or near zero velocities for most data runs and were not included in the analysis. The exception was when the water level was above the top of the groin.

One of the primary variables affecting mass transport is the wave amplitude. For example, Longuet-Higgins found the near bed drift velocity to be:

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\begin{equation*}
\bar{U}=\frac{5}{4} \frac{a^{2} \sigma k}{\sinh ^{2} k h} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\bar{U}$ is the mean velocity near the bottom, $a$ is the wave amplitude, $k=\frac{2 \pi}{L}$,
$\sigma=\frac{2 \pi}{T}, h$ is the depth, $T$ is the wave period, and $L$ is the wave length. From eqn

4, one can readily see that the drift velocity near the bed is directly proportional to the square of the amplitude. The implication for the rip current in the groin compartment is that as the wave height increases, the water transported into the compartment also increases which should be balanced by an increase in the rip current velocity.

### 4.1.2. DISCUSSION OF DATA

Data from experiment II shows that from runs 23 to 26 , the estimated $H_{b}$ steadily increased from approximately $10-15 \mathrm{~cm}$ to $56-61 \mathrm{~cm}$. The measured offshore velocity for the upper flow meters increased from $1.25 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ to 12.61 $\mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ in run 25 . The offshore velocity decreased somewhat in run 26 and is attributed to the fact that the wave crests began to overtop the groin. During the same time period, the wind was from the NE and increased in speed from $4-5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{sec}$ to $8-9 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{sec}$. The swimmer reported an offshore current when checking the array after runs 25 and 26. Drift wood placed near the groin wall and the beach face moved steadily offshore against the wind and wave action. The bottom meter had a net current that flowed onshore and intensified from run 23 through run 25 (Table II). This is attributed to the mass transport by waves having a greater influence on the near bottom current.

The affect of $\alpha_{b}$ on the offshore flow appears data to be more dependent on direction than on magnitude. Stronger offshore flows generally occur when $\alpha_{b}$ opens to the west than when it opens to the east. In general, the data in Tables I-

IV show that the currents were stronger when $\alpha_{b}$ opened to the west than when it opened to the east. Also note that flow reversal near the bottom occurred only when $\alpha_{b}$ opened to the west.

The strength of the rip current as a function of the water level relative to the top of the groin is not as straight forward as expected. As a first approximation, one would expect that, if the water level were initially above the groin, the offshore flow would become stronger as the water level falls below the top of the groin during ebb tide. During the following flood tide, the rip current is expected to remain relatively strong until the water level again overtops the groin, at which time the velocity would decrease. The offshore current did indeed show such a pattern on flood tide as the water level overtopped the groin. This can be seen in Tables I-IV between runs 16 and 17, 25 and 26, 41 and 42, and 49 and 50. However, only once did the current increase as the ebb tide brought the water level below the top of the groin. This may be because the flood current has a small component directed into the compartment (Ludwick, 1987). This would increase the transport of water into the compartment over and above the transport due to waves. The rip current would then become stronger to achieve mass balance in the groin compartment. The result is that the offshore flow tends to be stronger during flood than ebb.

The circulation patterns in the groin compartment and the rip current were not only a function of mass transport by waves, but also a function of wave diffraction around the end of the groins. Along shore variations in wave set-up could be
produced by the reduction in wave height in the regions affected by diffraction. Reynolds (in preparation) showed that in the test compartment there can be an along-shore increase in wave height as one moves from the up-wave groin to the down-wave groin. If this variation is large enough, it could drive a longshore current in the opposite direction of $\alpha_{b}$ (Figure 15).

The general conditions for the morning of Experiment II and throughout Experiment IV were conducive for this type of flow near the west groin of the compartment where the flow meter array was located. In both cases, the waves were breaking with an $\alpha_{b}$ opening to the east. Waves entering the compartment would then be diffracted around the end of the groin where measurements were being taken. This condition is similar to the second possible mechanism for rip current generation in a groin compartment given by Dean (1978) and quoted in SPM (1984). Dean's basic premise is that wave sheltering by the up-wave groin causes the wave set-up to be reduced in the lee. A circulation cell is induced within the compartment with offshore flow on the lee side of the up-wave groin.

During runs 19 through $22, \alpha_{b}$ opens to the east (Table II). The time mean flow at all depths is offshore with the exception of the bottom meter in run 20 , which is near zero. A flow reversal with depth from offshore at the surface to onshore near the bed does not occur until $\alpha_{b}$ opens to the west in run 21. On June 27, (Table IV), $\alpha_{b}$ opened to the east for most of the day except runs 48 and 49. The wind was blowing offshore throughout the day. The time mean flow was offshore at all depths the entire day. Although wave height measurements along

Figure 15. Diagram of the rip current generated as a result of wave diffraction around the groin end.

the shore were not taken, one would expect wave diffraction to reduce the wave height in the region near the groin which would result in less wave set-up near the groin.

No flow reversal with onshore flow near the bed and offshore flow at higher elevations occurred when $\alpha_{b}$ opened to the east on either June 17 or June 27. The reduction in wave height by refraction may have reduced the near bed mass transport so that it was overwelmed by the net offshore flow. However, more data are needed to better define the flow dynamics under these conditions.

The wind was blowing offshore during experiment IV and the morning of experiment II. This would tend to enhance the offshore flow. However, the strongest offshore flow occurred in the afternoon of the 17 June in the face of a strong opposing wind. It is not possible from the data to isolate the effects of wind on the offshore flow.

To summarize, return flow along the groin wall was measured under two distinct wave conditions. The first was when $\alpha_{b}$ opened to the west. Mass transport due to wave action brings water into the groin compartment which flows to the west as the longshore current. This current encounters the groin wall and flows seaward as a rip current. The rip current serves to balance the influx of water into the compartment. The strength of the rip current appears to be related to the $H_{b}$, to the water level in relation to the top of the groin, and the direction of the tidal current. For $H_{b}$ greater than about 15 cm and $\alpha_{b}$ opening to the west, there is a flow reversal from offshore in the upper layers to a net flow shoreward at the
bottom meter. For greater wave heights, there is evidence that the onshore bottom flow also becomes stronger presumably as a result of the increased mass transport near the bottom. Concurrently, the offshore flow in the upper layers becomes stronger for greater $H_{b}$. The strength of the rip current is relatively weak when compared to rip currents on open, high energy beaches. The measured rip currents in the present study are indicative of the low energy estuarine environment at Willoughby Spit.

The second wave condition exists when $\alpha_{b}$ open to the east. Wave diffraction produces an along-shore gradient in wave set-up that results in a weak rip current along the up-wave groin wall within the test compartment (Fig. 15).

### 4.2. WAVE-CURRENT INTERACTIONS

Although it was not one of the original objectives of this study to do so, the data may be helpful to the understanding of the effect of wave-current interactions in the area near the groin.

Previous theoretical studies of wave current-interactions considered only isolated portions of the whole problem and had limited laboratory data to verify them. Grant and Madsen $(1978,1979)$ undertook one of the first studies to develop a more comprehensive approach to this problem. One of their significant findings was that the shear stress on the bottom increased by up to a factor of two over the simple algebraic addition of the individual wave and current contributions.

They also found that outside the wave boundary layer, a steady current would feel a greater flow resistance when waves are present. The greater resistance is a result of the increased apparent bottom roughness. The increased flow resistance is consistent with the previous work by van Hoften and Karaki (1972) and by the later work of Kemp and Simons (1982a, 1983) and Ismail (1984). Lundgren (1972) attributed the reduction in the near bed velocity to the increased eddy viscosity due the interaction of the steady current and waves. Van Hoften and Karaki (1972) concluded that the energy was extracted from the waves and diffused downward to be dissipated on the bed as increased bed shear. Kemp and Simons (1982a, 1983) report that the turbulence is increased near the bed as a result of the wave-current interaction and that it varied over the wave cycle with greater turbulence observed for waves propagating against a current than propagating with a current. The turbulence near the bed was dominated by the periodic formation of vortices (Kemp and Simons, 1982b). Ismail (1984) also found in laboratory studies that the mass transport by waves was increased near the bottom and that it tended to converge toward the current.

Information on high frequency turbulence can not be extracted directly from the present data set because energy at frequencies greater than 0.45 Hz was filtered from the data. However, since much of the turbulence associated with wavecurrent interactions may be associated with wave frequencies (Kemp and Simons, 1982a,b; 1983), one can assume that there may be greater energy near the bottom at wave frequencies due to turbulent input than in the interior of the flow.

Experiment IV most closely resembles the experimental conditions in the laboratory work of Kemp and Simons (1982a, 1983). The time mean flow on that day was offshore at all measured depths and the wave heights were between $5-13 \mathrm{~cm}$. Figures 16 and 17 are examples of the velocity records for the bottom and top meters respectively and figures 18 and 19 show the velocity energy spectra for each record. Comparing figures 18 and 19, the total energy and the energy at individual frequencies is substantially greater at the bottom meter. This pattern was consistent throughout the day for this particular experiment. This does not provide overwhelming evidence to support the laboratory results of Kemp and Simons in the field setting. In fact, for experiment II when there was reversal from offshore at the upper levels to onshore near the bed and more intense wind and wave conditions, the opposite was true (Figs 20-23). This was probably caused by the increased energy input from breaking waves and wind at the surface. Accordingly, no firm conclusions can be drawn from these experiments to confirm the laboratory data of Kemp and Simons. By re-programming the data acquisition system to measure and store each event and the time it occurred, a field experiment could be designed to specifically address this problem. The data would then retain more of the higher frequency turbulent data that is presently removed by the one second averaging in the data acquisition system and the subsequent low pass filter. The re-programming would be quite similar to the calibration system program.

The previous laboratory and theoretical work have been devised to study a particular phenomena such as wave-current interactions or mass transport due to

Figure 16. Velocity data from run 50 , current meter 1 (bottom).

## Run 50 CM 1



Figure 17. Velocity data from run 50 current meter 3 (top).

Run 50 CM 3


Figure 18. Energy spectrum from run 50 current meter 1 (bottom).

Energy Spectrum Run 50 CM 1


Figure 19. Energy spectrum from run 50, current meter 3 (top).

Energy Spectrum Run 50 CM 3


Figure 20. Velocity data from run 25 , current meter 1 (bottom).

## Run 25 CM 1



Figure 21. Velocity data from run 25 , current meter 3 (mid-depth).

Run 25 CM 3


Figure 22. Energy spectrum from run 25, current meter 1 (bottom).

Energy Spectrum Run 25 CM 1


Figure 23. Energy spectrum from run 25, curmet meter 3 (mid-depth).

Energy Spectrum Run 25 CM 3

waves. In the natural setting, these processes are not isolated, but are concurrent, have complex interactions, and are of varying relative importance. In this study, the measured velocity profiles give some insight into the interactions between the rip-current near the groin and the near bed mass transport by wave action.

The measured velocity profiles summarized in Tables I-IV call into question one of the underlying assumptions in much of the theoretical work on wave-current interactions. Most investigators have assumed the steady current has a logrithmic profile. This clearly was not the case in the data from Willoughby Spit where flow reversals were common near the bottom. Haines (1984) also found that the logarithmic profile did not agree with his measured vertical profiles on two open beaches in Canada. He found that the vertical profiles developed by LonguetHiggins (1953) did not agree with his data. Only on the simplest beaches did he find agreement with Longuet-Higgins' predictions for the near bottom flow. For a more complex beach Haines, found no agreement with theory at any level.

The increase in the bed shear stress due to the wave-current interaction will have a direct impact on the sediment transport along the groin. The work of Grant and Madsen (1979) showed that total bed shear for waves-current interactions is significantly greater than the linear superposition of the individual contributions. Kemp and Simons (1982b) report that from their flume studies, there is a dramatic increase in the amount of sediment put into suspension when a current interacts with waves. They found that the sediment moved in a thin layer near the bed when only waves were present. When a current was added, the sediment was
rapidly dispersed throughout the water column.

No models have been developed to predict sediment transport due to rip currents (Seymour and King, 1982). But, if the above results apply in the field, one would expect a greater loss of sediment along the groin due to the interaction of the rip current and the incoming waves. Additionally, the amount of sediment put into suspension would be significantly greater. No direct measurements of sediment transport were made during this study. Visual observations, however, often show a sediment plume along the groin under even calm wind and wave conditions.

Seymour and King (1982) compared the predictive skills of several crossshore transport models using measured wind and wave conditions and the measured beach volume changes at Torrey Pines, CA during the National Sediment Transport Study (NSTS). They found that the models were able to forecast only about a third of the observed variations in the beach volume.

The current measurements used from the NSTS study were at a single elevation above the bed. The vertical velocity profiles taken during the present study show that the profiles can be complex, often with flow reversals. Models for suspended transport that use current measurements at one level would, therefore give incorrect estimates for the sediment transport and may even predict transport in the wrong direction. Models of bedload transport would under estimate the total transport rate if a significant amount of sediment is put into suspension by wave-current interactions.

Basco (1983) pointed out that most models of circulation in the nearshore and coastal zones use a depth averaged flow. This is clearly not valid in light of the present study and the work by Haines (1984). Haines (1984) found that the vertical profiles could be quite variable from one location to another. In view of the complex nature of the vertical velocity in the coastal zone one must use caution when applying sediment transport models to this area, particularly cross-shore transport models. The measured time mean shore normal velocities are small, on the order of a few $\mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ and often reverse direction with depth. By assuming a constant velocity with depth, one can not reliably predict the direction or magnitude of cross-shore sediment transport.

### 4.3. TIDAL EFFECTS

Superimposed on currents generated as a result of wave action, are effects of the tidal currents in the groin compartment. Ludwick (1987) and Ludwick et al (1987) show strong evidence for a current gyre within the test compartment that is induced by the tidal current flowing beyond the ends of the groin. Kang, (1987) used the numerical model developed by Gatski and Grosch, (1985) to further study this phenomenon. The effect is for the current near the beach to flow in the opposite direction of the tidal current outside the compartment. Figure 24(a,b) depicts the current gyre for both the flood and ebb currents. The shoreward leg of the gyre will either help or hinder the longshore current depending on $\alpha_{b}$. A gyre of this type is to be expected and can be seen in numerical studies of flow past a cavity (Gatski et al., 1982, Gatski and Grosch 1985).

Figure 24a. Diagram of the current gyre within the test compartment during the flood current.


Figure 24 b . Diagram of the current gyre within the test compartment during the ebb current.


During this study, the formation of clockwise rotating eddies was observed on the upstream wall of the downstream groin relative to the tidal current. These eddies were observed several times during the field experiments. All but one occurred on the flood current. They formed when the water level was below the top of the groin and on days when the wind and wave conditions were calm. Once developed, the currents associated with them were strong. Speeds ranged from 15 $\mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ to $40 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}$ and were measured at all depths. Visual observation of the eddies indicated a great deal of turbulence as they interacted with the surrounding waters.

One possible explanation for the formation of the eddies may be related to the current gyre in the compartment and the flow divergence as part of the tidal current turns into the compartment and the main current continues on its course around the groin. This flow divergence produces negative vorticity and a clockwise rotation (Pedlosky, 1982 or Pond and Pickard, 1983).

The implication of these eddies to sediment transport in the immediate area of the groin ends may be a significant factor in the scour near the end of the groins (Fig. 4). In a broader sense, eddies of this type may be important to the flow and sediment transport around jetties and breakwaters that extend into a strong tidal flow and may have an important bearing on the construction of coastal structures. More work is needed to better define and understand this phenomena.

## CHAPTER 5

## SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The time mean data at the different elevations clearly show a net offshore flow in the upper half of the water column in the majority of the observations. The flow in the lower half often demonstrated flow opposite to the upper flow or onshore.

There appears to be two distinct mechanisms for generating a rip current, both related to the breaker angle relative to the shoreline. The first occurs when $\alpha_{b}$ opens to the west. A longshore current is generated that flows to the west until it encounters the groin. The groin acting as a barrier, diverts the flow seaward in the form of a weak rip current along the groin wall. The second mechanism occurs when $\alpha_{b}$ opens to the east. Diffraction around the groin ends reduces the wave which causes the longshore wave set-up to be reduced near the groin. If the variation in set-up is great enough, a relatively weak longshore current can flow opposite to the breaker angle and flow seaward along the groin wall. The two processes probably occur simultaneously but at opposite groins within the compartment.

The theoretical work by Grant and Madsen (1979) showed that the shear stress on the bed is significantly increased by a current interacting with waves. The increased bed shear would increase the sediment transport rate in the direction of net flow. The laboratory studies of Kemp and Simons show that more sediment
is placed in suspension by the interaction of waves and a current. It is expected, therefore, that the interaction of the rip current and waves near the groin would tend to increase the offshore loss of sediment in that area, thereby reducing the effectiveness of the groin.

The time mean vertical velocity profiles show that the vertical structure can be quite complex. The notion of a logarithmic velocity profile may have little meaning for a groined beach. The interactions of the mass transport of water by waves and rip current near the bed often produced a net onshore flow while the upper flow is offshore. The present study and that of Haines (1984) show that the velocity profile from the various theories of mass transport by waves are not applicable to most open and groined beaches.

The flow of the tidal currents around the ends of the groin can generate relatively strong, clockwise rotating eddies. These eddies may contribute significantly to scour near the ends of the groin, particularly when the waves and the rip current are weak.

Finally, the new current meter system functioned well. The LEDs of the current meters were directly exposed to the marine environment which caused the reliability of the meters to be reduced. The replacement of the LEDs by fiber optic cables would greatly improve the reliability by removing all electrical circuits from the sensors. The data collected was of high quality and was entirely adequate for the measurement of wave dominated velocities as well as the small, time mean velccites. The low cost of the meters will allow the deployment in the future of a
relatively large number of current meters to study three dimensional flow in the nearshore and coastal zones.

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## APPENDICES

Figure A1. Optical senser assembly circuit for one emitter-detector pair.

## SENSOR ASSEMBLY


*SELECT RESISTANCE FOR PROPER

- OPERATION. NORMALLY ~ 1 K $\Omega$

Figure A2. Wiring diagram for a 7556 duel timing device. The 7556 is wired as a one-shot trigger.

## 7556 WIRING DIAGRAM



Figure A3. Bottom view of a current meter circuit board that contains the circuits to shape the pulses from the current meters, the timing devices, timer controll circuits, and data bus registers for two current meters. (Note: All circuit diagrams show the bottom view or the wiring side of the circuit boards).


Table A-I. Electronic components for the current meter boards.

Table A-I Table of Electronic Components

| Board Locator | Component | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B1, B2, B3, B4 | 4034 | 8 Bit bidirectional <br> parallel/serial <br> input/output bus regis- <br> ter |
| F1,F2,F3,F4 | 4013 | Dual 'D' type flip-flop |
| J1,J2,J3,J4 | 4520 | Dual 4 bit up counter |
| U1,U4 | 7556 | CMOS timer wired as <br> monostable multivibra- <br> tor |
| U2,U3 | 4555 | Dual binary 1 to 4 <br> decoder/demultiplexer |
| U5,U8 | 4071 | Quad 2-input OR gate |
| U6 | 4081 | Quad 2-input AND gate |
| U7 | 4069 | Hex inverter |
| C1,C4,C5,C8 | .33 microfarad capacitor |  |
| C2,C3,C6,C7 | .01 microfarad capacitor |  |
| D1,D2,D3,D4 | 1N4148 diode |  |
| R1,R2,R7,R8 <br> R13,R14 | 100 kohm resistor |  |
| R9,R10,R11,R12 | 43 kohm resistor |  |
| R3,R4,R5,R6 | 10 kohm resistor |  |

Figure A4. Power and ground connections for the current meter board.


Figure A5. Logic circuits that controll the timing devices and genertate the ready signals. (See Figure A6 for details of the logic circuitry).


Figure A6. Timer controll logic circuitry.


Figure A7. Timer output, data lines, and data bus circuitry.


Figure A8. Controll signals to and from the microprocessor board via the interface.


Figure A9. Bottom view of the interface board component layout.


Table A-II. Ribbon cable pin connections from the microprocessor board to the interface board.

Table A-II Ribbon Cable Connections

| Pin | Signal | Function |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | SC0 | State Code 0 |
| 2 | SC1 | State Code 1 |
| 3 | DO0 | Data out, bit 0 |
| 4 | DO1 | Data out, bit 1 |
| 5 | DO2 | Data out, bit 2 |
| 6 | MRD | Memory Read |
| 7 | MWR | Memory Write |
| 8 | TPA | Timing Pulse A |
| 9 | TPB | Timing Pulse B |
| 10 | DMAI | Direct Memory Access In |
| 11 | 8 Hz | Start signal for ADC (calibration system) |
| 12 | 64 Hz | Run Time Clock Signal (calibration system) |
| 13 | 4 KHz | Event Time Clock Signal |
| 14 | N 1 | An I/O Signal |
| 15 | 1 Hz | 1 sec average signal |
| 16 | 524 KHz | ADC clock (calibration system) |

Note: Signals on pins 1-10 were not used by either system. They were made available to the interface board for potential system expansion or modification.

Table A-III. P2A pin connections.

Table A-III P2A Pin Connections

| Pin | Function | Pin | Function |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Data Bit 0 | 2 | CM3 Low Byte Enable |
| 3 | Data Bit 1 | 4 | CM3 High Bye Enble |
| 5 | Data Bit 2 | 6 | CM4 Low Byte Enable |
| 7 | Data Bit 3 | 8 | CM4 High Byte Enable |
| 9 | Data Bit 4 | 10 | CM3 Reset Signal |
| 11 | Data Bit 5 | 12 | CM4 Reset Signal |
| 13 | Data Bit 6 | 14 | CM3 Ready Signal |
| 15 | Data Bit 7 | 16 | CM4 Ready Signal |
| 17 | CM1 Low Byte Enable | 18 | CM5 Low Byte Enable |
| 19 | CM1 High Byte Enable | 20 | CM5 High Byte Enable |
| 21 | CM2 low Byte Enable | 22 | CM6 Low Byte Enable |
| 23 | CM2 High Byte Enable | 24 | CM6 High Byte Enable |
| 25 | C1 Reset Signal | 26 | CM5 Reset Signal |
| 27 | CM2 Reset Signal | 28 | CM6 Reset Signal |
| 29 | CM1 Ready Signal | 30 | CM5 Ready Signal |
| 31 | CM2 Ready Signal | 32 | CM6 Ready Signal |
| 33 | 4 KHz Clock | 34 | Ground |

Note: (1) A 5 volt power line is jumped from the interface board to the current meter boards.
(2) The data lines are cross-connected from

P2A to the P2 data input lines to the 1802.

Figure A10. Interface board power and ground connections.


Figure A11. Current meter data bus enable signals, vectored interrupt circuitry, and current meter address signals.


Figure A12. Priority encoder input and output, reset code input from the microprocessor to the decoder and the decoder output to the individual meters.


Table B-I. RCA CDP-1802 register allocation for the field system.

Table B-I 1802 Register Allocation

| Register | Use |
| :--- | :---: |
| $R(0)$ | Main Program Pointer |
| $R(1)$ | Primary Memory Ponter |
| $R(2)$ | Memory Stack Pointer |
| $R(3)$ | Addition Subroutine Address |
| $R(4)$ | Subtraction Subroutine Address |
| $R(5)$ | Division Subroutine Address |
| $R(6)$ | Memory Pointer (Dummy variable) |
| $R(7)$ | Data Read Subroutine Address |
| $R(8)$ | Work Space Memory Pointer |
| $R(9)$ | Loop Counter (In division subroutine) |
| $R(A)$ | Not Assigned |
| $R(B)$ | Not Assigned |
| $R(C)$ | Memory Pointer (Data transfer) |
| $R(D)$ | Registers D, E, \& F used for temporary |
| $R(E)$ | data storage by arithmetic subroutines |
| $R(F)$ | to pass initial/final data. |

## MACHINE LANGUAGE PROGRAM FOR THE FIEID SYSTEM




| 0062 | EO | $\mathrm{X} \rightarrow \mathrm{P}$ (0) | R(0) IS MEM POINTER |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0063 | 62 | OUTPUT 00 | DISABLE THE DECODERS |
| 0064 | 00 |  |  |
| 0065 | E6 | $X \rightarrow R(6)$ | R(6) IS MEM POINTER |
| 0066 | A7 | $\mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(7) .0$ | PUT CM ADDRESS INTO R (7) |
| 0067 | D7 | P $\rightarrow$ R(7) | $\mathrm{R}(7)$ IS PROG. POINTER |

NOTE: IINE 67 IS CALLING A SUBROUTINE FOR CM WHOSE ADDRESS WAS READ IN LINE 5E. IT RETURNS TO LINE 68.

| 0068 | 22 | $\mathrm{R}(2)-1$ | PUT POINTER AT BOTTOM OF STACK |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0069 | EO | X $\rightarrow$ R (0) | $\mathrm{R}(0)$ IS MEM POINTER |
| 006A | 62 | OUTPUT 00 | TURN OFF DECODERS |
| 006B | 00 |  |  |
| 006C | 30 | GOTO LINE 54 | RETURN TO EF TEST |
| 006 D | 54 |  | SEQUENCE |
| ****************END THE DATA READ SUBROUTINE******************** |  |  |  |
| ***** | *** | BEGIN THE 1 | AVERAGE SUBROUTINE*************** |
| 006 E | E0 | X $\rightarrow$ R (0) | R (0) IS MEM POINTER |
| 006 F | 62 | OUTPUT EO | RESET 1 SEC FLIP-FIOP |
| 0070 | E0 |  |  |
| 0071 | C4 |  |  |
| 0072 | F8 | $08 \rightarrow$ D |  |
| 0073 | 08 |  | LINES 72-77 LOAD START |
| 0074 | B8 | $\mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(8) .1$ | ADDRESS OF MEM LOCATION |
| 0075 | F8 | $01 \rightarrow$ D | CM EVENT COUNTERS AND |
| 0076 | 01 |  | ACCUMULATORS |


| 0077 | A8 | $D \rightarrow R(8)$. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

$0078 \quad \mathrm{C4} \quad 00 \rightarrow D$

0079 F8 $00 \rightarrow D$
007A 00
007B
$007 \mathrm{C} \quad 89$
D $\rightarrow R(9) .0$
R(9). $0-\mathrm{D}$
007D FB D XOR $06 \rightarrow D$
007E 06
007F
0080
0081
0082
0083 F8
0084
0085
0086
48
IF $D=0$ THE GOTO 98
32
$M(R(8))->D ; R(8)+1$
$D \rightarrow R(F) .0$
$00 \rightarrow D$
$0088 \quad 48$
D $\rightarrow R(F) .1$
$M(R(8)) \rightarrow D ; R(8)+1$
$\mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(\mathrm{E}) .0$
M(R(8)) -> D
$0089 \quad \mathrm{BE} \quad \mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(\mathrm{E}) .1$
008A 19
008B $\quad 79$
008C D5
$\mathrm{R}(9)+1$ INCREMENT LOOP COUNTER
MARK IINES 8B \& 8C ARE A
$\mathrm{P} \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(5) \quad$ SUBROUTINE CALL
R(2) -1
DECREMENT STACK POINTER
008E
008 F
$0090 \quad 8 \mathrm{D}(\mathrm{D}) .0 \rightarrow \mathrm{D}$
$009151 \quad \mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{M}(\mathrm{R}(1))$
LINES 72-77 LOAD START
ADDRESS OF MEM LOCATION ACCUMULATORS

IINES 90-95 PUT AVERAGE




ADDRESS FROM 0100 TO 011F CONTAIN C4 - NO OPERATION

| ***************BEGIN SUBROUTINE TO READ DATA FROM CM (1)********** |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0120 | E7 | $X \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(7)$ | R(7) IS MEM POINTER |
| 0121 | 62 | OUTPUT 01 | ENABLE LOW BYTE DATA |
| 0122 | 10 |  | REGISTER |
| 0123 | E6 | $X \rightarrow$ ( 6 ) | R(6) IS MEM POINTER |
| 0124 | 6A | BUS $\rightarrow$ D, M (R(6)) | INPUT LOW BYTE |
| 0125 | AF | $\mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(\mathrm{F}) .0$ |  |
| 0126 | E7 | $\mathrm{X} \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(7)$ | $\mathrm{R}(7)$ IS MEM POINTER. |
| 0127 | 62 | OUTPUT 20 | ENABIE HIGH BYTE DATA |
| 0128 | 20 |  | REGISTER |
| 0129 | E6 | $X \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(6)$ | R(6) IS MEM POINTER |
| 012A | 6A | BUS $\rightarrow$ D, M (R(6) ) | INPUT HIGH BYTE |
| 012B | FE | MSB $\rightarrow$ DF | SHIFT MSB TO DATA FLAG |
| 012C | 33 | IF DF=1 THEN GOTO 36 | GOTO SUBTR SUBROUTINE |
| 012D | 36 |  |  |
| 012E | F6 | $0->$ MSB | RESTORE ORIG. NO. LESS THE SIGN |
| 012F | BF | D $\rightarrow$ R (F). 1 |  |
| 0130 | 79 | MARK | LINES 0130 \& 0131 CALI |
| 0131 | D3 | P $\rightarrow$ R (3) | THE ADD SUBROUTINE |
| 0132 | 08 | IINES 0132 \& 0133 ARE IN | N-IINE DATA PARAMETERS |
| 0133 | 01 | GIVING THE MEM LOCATION | OF EVENT CTR/ACCUMULATOR |
| 0134 | 30 | GOTO 013C |  |
| 0135 | 3 C |  |  |
| 0136 | F6 | $0 \rightarrow$ MSB | SEE NOTE LINE 012E |
| 0137 | BF | D $\rightarrow$ R(F).1 |  |
| 0138 | 79 | MARK | LINES $0138 \& 0139$ CALL |
| 0139 | D4 | P $\rightarrow$ R (4) | SUBTR SUBROUTINE |
| 013A | 08 | SEE NOTE FOR LINES 0132 | \& 0133 |
| 013B | 01 |  |  |
| 013C | E7 | $x \rightarrow R(7)$ | R(7) IS MEM POINTER |
| 013D | 62 | OUTPUT 01 | RESET CM(1) |
| 013E | 01 |  |  |
| 013F | D0 | P $\rightarrow$ R (0) | RETURN TO MAIN PROGRAM |
|  |  |  |  |
| ***************BEGIN DATA INPUT FOR CM (2)************************ |  |  |  |
| 0140 | E7 |  |  |
| 0141 | 62 |  |  |


| 0142 | $\begin{aligned} & 30 \\ & \text { E6 } \end{aligned}$ | REFER TO CM(1) SUBROUTINE FOR COMMENTS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0144 | 6A |  |
| 0145 | AF |  |
| 0146 | E7 |  |
| 0147 | 62 |  |
| 0148 | 40 |  |
| 0149 | E6 |  |
| 014A | 6A |  |
| 014B | FE |  |
| 014C | 33 |  |
| 014D | 56 |  |
| 014 E | F6 |  |
| 014F | BF |  |
| 0150 | 79 |  |
| 0151 | D3 |  |
| 0152 | 08 |  |
| 0153 | 04 |  |
| 0154 | 30 |  |
| 0155 | 5 C |  |
| 0156 | F6 |  |
| 0157 | BF |  |
| 0158 | 79 |  |
| 0159 | D4 |  |
| 015A | 08 |  |
| 015B | 04 |  |
| 015C | E7 |  |
| 015D | 62 |  |
| 015E | 02 |  |
| 015F | D0 |  |
|  |  |  |
| ***** | **** | BEGIN DATA INPUT FOR CM(3)************* |
| 0160 | E7 |  |
| 0161 | 62 |  |
| 0163 | E6 |  |
| 0164 | 6A |  |
| 0165 | AF | REFER TO CM(1) SUBROUTINE FOR COMMENTS |
| 0166 | E7 |  |
| 0167 | 62 |  |
| 0168 | 60 |  |
| 0169 | E6 |  |
| 016A | 6A |  |
| 016B | FE |  |
| 016C | 33 |  |
| 016D | 76 |  |
| 016 E | F6 |  |
| 016F | BF |  |
| 0170 | 79 |  |
| 0171 | D3 |  |
| 0172 | 08 |  |
| 0173 | 07 |  |
| 0174 | 30 |  |
| 0175 | 7 C |  |
| 0176 | F6 |  |




| 01DD 62 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 01DE | 06 |  |
| 01DF D0 |  |  |
| ***************END DATA INPUT FOR CM (6) $\begin{aligned} & \text { ( }\end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| NOTE: LINES 01E0- O1FF CONTAIN C4 (NO-OP) INSTRUCTION |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  | NOTE: THIS SUBROUTINE WILL DIVIDE POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE NUMBERS. POSITIVE NUMBERS ARE DIVIDED BY SUCCESSIVE SUBTRACTIONS AND NEGATIVE BY SUCCESSIVE ADDITIONS. |  |
| 0200 | 70 | RETURN RETURN TO CALLING LOCATION |
| 0201 | 8 F | $\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{F}) .0 \rightarrow \mathrm{D}$ P PUT EVENT COUNTER IN D |
| 0202 | 3A | IF D .NE. 0 Then Goto 020A |
| 0203 | 0A |  |
| 0205 | 7 F | LINES 0202-0207 CHECK FOR |
| 0204 | F8 | 7F -> D DIVIDE BY ZERO, IF TRUE A LARGE |
| 0206 | AD | $\mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(\mathrm{D}) .1$ VALUE IS PUT IN THE RESULT |
| 0207 | BD | $\mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(\mathrm{D}) .0$ |
| 0208 | 30 | GOTO 0231 GOTO THE SUBROUTINE |
| 0209 | 31 | RETURN SET-UP |
| 020A | E2 | $\mathrm{X} \rightarrow \mathrm{R}(2) \quad \mathrm{R}(2)$ IS MEM POINTER |
| 020B | 9 E | R(E).1 $\rightarrow$ D |
| 020C | FE | MSB -> DF |
| 020D | 33 | IF DF=1 THEN GOTO 0221 DIVIDE A NEG. NO. |
| 020E | 21 |  |
| 020 F | 8 E | $\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{E}) .0 \rightarrow \mathrm{D}$ |
| 0210 | 73 | $\mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{M}(\mathrm{R}(2)), \mathrm{R}(2)-1$ |
| 0211 | 9 E | $\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{E}) .1 \rightarrow \mathrm{D}$ |
| 0212 | 52 | $\mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{M}(\mathrm{R}(2))$ LINES 020F-021E |
| 0213 | 60 | $\mathrm{R}(2)+1$ DIVIDE A POS. NO. |
| 0214 | 1D | $\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{D})+1$ |
| 0215 | 8 F | $\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{F}) .0 \rightarrow \mathrm{D}$ |
| 0216 | F5 | M(R(2)) -D -> D, DF |
| 0217 | 73 | D $\rightarrow$ M $(R(2)), R(2)-1$ |
| 0218 | 9 F | $\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{F}) .1 \rightarrow \mathrm{D}$ |
| 0219 | 75 | $\mathrm{M}(\mathrm{R}(2))-\mathrm{D}-(\mathrm{NOT} \mathrm{DF})->\mathrm{D}, \mathrm{DF}$ |
| 021A | 52 | D $\rightarrow>\mathrm{M}(\mathrm{R}(2))$ |
| 021B | 60 | $\mathrm{R}(2)+1$ |
| 021C | FE | MSB -> DF |
| 021D | 3B | IF DF=0 THEN GOTO 0214 REPEAT UNTIL SIGN |
| 021E | 14 | CHANGES |
| 021F | 30 | GOTO 0231 |
| 0220 | 31 |  |
| 0221 | 8E | $\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{E}) .0 \rightarrow \mathrm{D}$ |
| 0222 | 73 | $\mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{M}(\mathrm{R}(2)), \mathrm{R}(2)-1$ |
| 0223 | 9 E | R(E).1 $\rightarrow$ D |
| 0224 | 52 | D -> M(R(2)) LINES 0221-0230 DIVIDE |
| 0225 | 60 | $\mathrm{R}(2)+1$ A NEGATIVE NUMBER |
| 0226 | 2D | R (D) -1 |
| 0227 | 8 F | $\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{F}) .0 \rightarrow \mathrm{D}$ |
| 0228 | F4 | $\mathrm{M}(\mathrm{R}(2))+\mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{D}, \mathrm{DF}$ |


| 0229 | 73 | D $\rightarrow \mathrm{M}(\mathrm{R}(2)), \mathrm{R}(2)-1$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 022A | 9 F | $\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{F}) .1 \rightarrow \mathrm{D}$ |  |
| 022B | 74 | $M(R(2))+D+D F \rightarrow D, D F$ |  |
| 022C | 52 | $\mathrm{D} \rightarrow \mathrm{M}(\mathrm{R}(2))$ |  |
| 022D | 60 | $\mathrm{R}(2)+1$ |  |
| 022E | FE | MSB $\rightarrow$ DF |  |
| 022F | 33 | IF DF=1 THEN (3OTO 0226 | REPEAT UNTII SIGN |
| 0230 | 26 |  | CHANGES |
|  |  |  | LINES 0231-0233 SET UP THE RETURN TO THE CALLING LOCATION |
| 0231 | E2 | $\mathrm{X} \rightarrow \mathrm{P}$ (2) | $\mathrm{R}(2)$ IS MEM POINTER |
| 0232 | 60 | $\mathrm{R}(2)+1$ |  |
| 0233 | 30 | GOTO 0200 | GOTO THE RETURN |
| 0234 | 00 |  | INSTRUCTION |

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Program to convert raw current meter data to current velocity for each of 6 current meters. The data is then editted for wild points and for spikes caused by a reversal in direction during a 1 second sampling period. The data are then passed through a low pass filter and stored on disk for further analysis.
real $\operatorname{cv}(1000,6)$, raw $(1000,6)$, rev $(2,6)$, fwd $(2,6)$
real ave, $\mathrm{y} 2, \mathrm{co}, \mathrm{f0}, \mathrm{c} 1, \mathrm{a}(41), \mathrm{c}(41), \mathrm{c} 2$
integer $n, i, j, r(1000,6), k, m, q, f$
character*10, infil,outfil
character*4, pre
character*1,ans
data ( $£$ wd (1, i), $i=1,6$ )/.107,.087,.124,.116,.098,.098/
data $\{$ fwd $(2, i), i=1,6) / .03,0.0, .06, .02, .03, .03 /$
data (rev (1, i) , $i=1,6$ )/.097,.089,.104,.113,.086,.086/
data (rev (2,i), $i=1,6) / .05,0.0, .06, .02, .02, .02 /$
data pi/3.1415927/
$\mathrm{f}=0$
write (6,*) 'enter the input filename'
read(5,' (a9)') infil
open(1,file=infil,status='old')
c
c C
reading the input file
do $100 i=1,1000$
read ( 1, fmt $=102$, end $=101$ ) $\quad(r(i, j), j=1,6)$
100 continue
101 n=i-1
close (1)
102 format (2x,6(i6,2x))
write ( $6, *$ ) 'no. of data pts. $=$ ' , $n$
do $103 i=1, n$
write ( 6,104 ) ( $r(i, j), j=1,6)$
103 continue
c 104 format ( $2 \mathrm{x}, 6$ (i6))
c convert integer data to real data
c
do $110 \quad i=1, n$
do $110 j=1,6$
raw $(i, j)=r e a l(r(i, j))$
110
continue
c
c transform raw data to current velocity
c
111 continue
do $120 \quad i=1, n$
do $120 j=1,6$

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    if (abs(raw(i,j)) .gt. 4096.) then
            cv (i,j) \(=0.0\)
    else if (raw(i,j) .lt. 0.0) then
        \(y^{2=a b s}(1 / r a w(i, j))\)
        cv(i,j)=-1.*(4.*(y2/fwd \((1, j))+f w d(2, j))\)
        else if (raw (i,j) .gt. 0.0) then
        \(y^{2}=1 /\) raw (i, \(j\) )
        \(\operatorname{cv}(i, j)=4 *(y 2 / \operatorname{rev}(1, j))+r e v(2, j)\)
            endif
    120
        continue
c
\(c\) end of the section to convert raw data to velocity
\(c\) begin the routine to remove wild points
c
    \(\mathrm{CO}=3\).
c cut-off velocity is \(3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{sec}\) for pass 1
c pass 1 removes obvious wild points and replaces them with
c the average of the two adjacent points.
            do \(130 i=2, n-1\)
                do \(130 j=1,6\)
                    \(\operatorname{ave}=(c v(i-1, j)+c v(i+1, j)) / 2\).
                    if (abs(cv(i,j)) .ge. co) then
                    \(c v(i, j)=a v e\)
                    endif
            continue
c
c pass 2 looks for more subtle errors assoc. with a change in
\(c \quad\) direction during the 1 sec sampling interval. if it finds a
c value greater \(>=20 \mathrm{~cm} / \mathrm{sec}\) and the adjacent points have opp.
c signs, then it is replaced by the ave of the two adjacent
c points.
C
    do \(135 i=2, n-1\)
                        do \(135 j=1,6\)
                        ave \(=(c v(i-1, j)+c v(i+1, j)) / 2\).
                        if \((\operatorname{abs}(\operatorname{cv}(i, j)) .1 t\). . 2) then
                            goto 135
                            else if \((c v(i-1, j)\).le. 0.0 , and. \(c v(i+1, j)\).ge. 0.0\()\) then
                            cv (i,j) =ave
                            else if \((c v(i-1, j)\).ge. 0.0 .and. \(c v(i+1, j)\).le. 0.0\()\) then
                                    cv (i,j)=ave
                    endif
    continue
c
c end of the editting for wild point routine
c
c convert from \(\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{sec}\) to \(\mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}\)
C
    do \(140 \quad i=1, n\)
                    do \(140 j=1,6\)
                    \(c v(i, j)=100 . * c v(i, j)\)
            continue
c
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c write(6,*) 'do you want to filter the data (y/n)'
c read(5,*) ans
c
c
c endif
c this section calculates the weights for a low pass filter
c and passes the data through the filter
        f=1
        write(6,*) 'how many weights for the filter (odd)?'
c write (6,*)
    m=25
    fO=.45
    c1=2.*pi*f0
c calculate the raw weights
        a(1)=2.*£0
        do 141 i=2,m+1
            c2=real(i)-1.
                a(i)=(sin(c1*c2))/(pi*c2)
    141 continue
c calculate the smoothed weights
        do }142i=1,m+
                            c2=real(i)
                            c(i)=(1-abs(c2)/(m+1))*a(i)
        continue
c
c now pass the data through the filter
        q=n-m-1
        do 144 j=1,6
            do 144 i=m+1,q
                        cv(i,j)=c(1)* cv(i,j)
                        do 143 k=2,m+1
                    cv(i,j)=cv(i,j)+c(k)*(cv(i+k-1,j)+cv(i-k+1,j))
    143 continue
    144 continue
c
c write the final transformed data to disk
C
    145 if (f .eq. 1) then
            pre='fcur'
                        outfil=pre//infil(4:)
            else
                    pre='cur'
                    m=1
                    q=n
                    outfil=pre(:3)//infil(4:)
            endif
            open(l, file=outfil,form=' formatted', status='new')
            do }150 i=m+1,
                    write(1,1000) (cv(i,j), j=1,6)
    150 continue
        close(1)
    1000 format (2x,6(f8.3,2x))
        stop
        end
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I：Fieas＿data：！＊＊＊SUERDUTINE TU SEAD INFUT DATA AND GENERATE TIME AFF．AY kk ＂OD DISF＂ENFLJTTING DATA FFOM DISK＂
$\because \because \mathrm{CHOL}=\mathrm{O}$
THE UTSF＂ENTER THE INFUT DAT：A FILE NAME＂
7 © 0 ［NFUT FILE
T6O HOSIGN\＃ 1 TJ FILE\＄EMSLS\＄
$\because \square$ FEAD\＃ 1 ；NFTSE NPTS＝NFTS－6
730 FOF $\mathrm{I}=1$ TO NFTS
790 READ\＃1：TADC（I）
$8 \%$ ！FRINT I；TADC（I）
E10．NEXT I
320 ASSIGN\＃ 1 TO \＃
BJO ：A LOOP TO DISFLAY FIRST SO DATA FOINTS FOR CHOFFING
$840 \mathrm{TIM}(1)=0$ e DT＝1／8
350 FOR I＝1 TO 50
DISP I，TADC（I）
NEXT I
DISP＂DO YOU WANT TO CHOP ANY＿OF THIS DATA（Y／N）＂
INPUT ANS $\$$
IF ANSあ＝＂N＂THEN 980
DISP＂ENTER THE NUMEER OF PIECES TD CHOF＂
INPUT CHOP
NFTS＝NPTS－CHDP
FOR $J=1$ TO NPTS
TADC $(J)=\operatorname{TADC}(J+C H D P)$
NEXT J
$T C H D P=(C H D P-1) * D T$
FOR I＝2 TO NPTS
$T I M(I)=T I M(I-I)+D T$
NEXT I
RETURN


Feak＿seek：！SUBROUTINE TO FIND THE FEAKS IN THE PENDULUM DATA
DISF－＂SEARCHING FOR PEAKS＂
TFEAK（1）＝TIM（1）
FEAKS（1）＝TADC（1）
$C=1$
FDF：$I=2$ TO NFTS－1
IF NOT（TADC（I）－TADC $(I-1)>0$ AND $\operatorname{TADC}(I+1)-T A D C(I):=0)$ THEN 1150
IF TADC（I）＜0 THEN 1150 ！WANT ONLY FCOSITIVE FEAKS：
IF TADC（I）： 1 THEN 1160 ！STOP WHEN MAXIMUM AMFLITUDE LESS THAN 1 SEG
$C=C+1$
FEAKS $(C)=\operatorname{TADC}(I)$（GFEAK $(C)=T I M(I)$
NEXT I
NFTS＝I ！SET UFFEFi LIMIT DF DATA ANALYZED
FRINTET：IS 701
FOF：J＝1 TO C
FFINT TFEAK゙（J），FEAKS（J）
NEXT J
FRINTER IS 1
DISF＇＂FFESS THE＂CONT＂EUTTON TO CONTINLE＂
FHLSE
天ETLFN
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こ60! k*******************************************************************&
1=70 Jlin_Sq: ' BLENOUTINE TO GENEFGTE THE JUMS IF THE SUUARES DF THE DEV.
1280 =5じ彳亍\=0
1296 :% O=: 「HEN 2%4!
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:こ1, F
:コON NERT S
SEO GOTS 1%%
1%40) FOK S=1 TO U
J50 FSLMMSQ=FSUMSQ+(FEAKS(S)-FFIT(S))^2
1%OO NEXT S
1370 RETUFN
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1400 Fit: ! SUEROUTINE TO FIT THE DATA
1410 DISF "ENTERING THE FITTING SUBROUTINE"
1420 DISF "FITTING TERM NO.";Q
1430 SSD1=0 E SSD2=0 @ SSDJ=0
1440 IF Q=1 THEN U=C ELSE U=NPTS
1450 IF Q=1 THEN GQSUB Decay ELSE GOSUB Fit_dat
1460 GOSLE Sum_Sq
1470 SSD1=FSUMSQ
1480 DEL=DELTAA(Q)
1490 A(Q)=A(Q)+DEL
1500 IF Q=1 THEN GOSUB Decay ELSE GOSUB Fit_dat
1510 GOSUB Sum_Sa
1520 SSD2=FSUMSQ
1530 DIF=SSD1-SSD2
1540 IF DIF=0 THEN 1490
1550 IF DIF>O THEN 1610
1560 DISP "REVERSING DIRECTION"
1570 DEL=-DEL
1580 A(Q)=A(Q)+DEL
1590 IF Q=1 THEN GOSUB Decay ELSE GOSUB Fit_dat
1600 SAV=SSD1 & SSD1=SSD2 & SSD2=SAV
1610 A(Q)=A(Q)+DEL
1620 IF Q=1 THEN GOSUE Decay ELSE GOSUB Fit_dat
1630 GOSUB Sum_Sq
1640 SSDE=FSUMSQ
1650 IF SSD2-SSDJ<0 THEN 1670
1660 SSDI=SSD2 @ SSD2=SSDS & GOTO 1610
1670: THE NEXT LINE IS A PARABOLIC INTERFOLATION
1680 DEL=DEL*(1/(1+(SSD1-SSD2)/(SSDJ-SSD2))+.5)
1690 A(E)=A(Q)-DEL
1700 RETURN
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1730 DECay: ! SUBROUTINE TO GENERATE ESTIMATED DECAY CLIVVE DATA
1740' FOR F=1 TO U
1750 FFFIT;F)=GMAX/(1+AMAX&TPEAK(F)*A(1)
1760 NEXT F
1770 FETUFN
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7901 *******&************************************************************
1800 Fit_daE: ! SUBFOUTINE TO GENEFATE ESTIMATED DAMFED FENDULUM DATA
1810 W=こ*FI , A(2)
1920 FOF: F=1 TC U
19.0 iF:T:F:=AMAX*COS (W*TIM(F))/(1+GMAX*TIM(F)*A(1))
1840 NEXT F
1850 RETUFN
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10 ! THIS FROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO CALCULATE THE GAIN AND FHASE LAG
20!
30
40
5 0
60!
70:
80:
90!
100:
110 OPTION BASE }
12O DEG
130 DIM ET(1000), RT (1000),FU(300), BU(300),VF(100),VB(100), TADC(1000),TME(1000)
140 DIM PO(100), CO(100), DEL (100), MAXAMP (100)
150 INTEGER FCM(250), BCM(250)
160 DT=1/8
170 C=1 Q C1=1 & C2=1 & FNPTS=1
180: C -- COUNTER FOR THE NUMBER OF CURRENT METER DATA POINTS
190! C1 -- COUNTER FOR THE NUMBER OF ZERO CROSSINGS IN THE CURRENT METER DATA
200 ! C2 -- COLNTER FOR THE NUMEER OF 2ERO CROSSINGS IN THE PENDULUM DATA
210 Msugs="&D700"
2 2 0 ~ D I S P ~ " E N T E R ~ T H E ~ F I L E ~ N A M E ~ F O R ~ T H E ~ C M ~ D A T A ~ ( N A M E ; D 7 O . ) " ~
23O INPUT CFILES
40 ASSIGN* 1 TU CFILE$
ON ERROR GOTO 320
READ* 1 ; R,E
IF R=1) THEN 260
RT(C)=R/64.002
ET(C)=E
C=C+1
GOTA 260
IF ERRN <> 72 THEN DISP ERRN,ERRL
DFF ERROR
C=C-1
DISP "THERE.ARE";C;"DATA FOINTS"
DISP "ENTER THE FILE NAME FOR THE ADC DATA (EG TCIAO:D7O1)"
INFUT ADCS
E$=ADC$[3,5]
L=LEN (ADC$) 玉 MS$=ADC$[L-4,L]
FLE$="CONST"?E$&MS$
ASSIGN* 2 TO FLE#
READ# = : A(1),A(2), CHOF,TCHDF
ASSIGN# 2 TO *
ASSIGN# 3 TO ADC末
ON EFRROR GOTO 490
FEAD# S : TADC(FNFTS)
PNF'TS=FNFTS+1
GOTD 460
IF ERFN \therefore72 THEN DISF ERFRN,EFRL. EI FAUSE
FNFTS=FNFTS-1
OFF ERF:OR
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10
20!
30
40
60:
70 !
80!
100:
110 OPTION BASE I
120 DEG
130 DIM ET (1000),RT(1000),FU(300), BU(300),VF(100),VB(100), TADC(1000), TME(1000)
140 DIM PO(100), CO(100), DEL(100), MAXAMP (100)
150 INTEGER FCM(250), BCM(250)
160 DT=1/B
170 C=1 & C1=1 & C2=1 & PNPTS=1
180 : C -- COUNTER FOR THE NUMBER DF CURRENT METER DATA POINTS
190: C1 - COUNTER FOR THE NLMEER QF ZERO CROSSINGS IN THE CURRENT METER DATA
200: C2 -- COUNTER FOR THE NUMBER OF ZERO CROSSINGS IN THE PENDULUM DATA
210 Msus%%": D700"
220 DISP "ENTER THE FILE NAME FOR THE CM DATA (NAME:D7O_)"
230 INPUT CFILES
240 ASSIGN* 1 TO CFILE$
250 ON ERROR GOTD 320
260 READ# 1. : R,E
270 IF R=1) THEN 260
280 RT(C)=iR/%64.0U2
291) ET(C)=E
300 C=C+1
310 GOTO 260
320 IF ERIRN <> 72 THEN DISP ERRN ,ERRL
SSO GFF ERFOR
340 C=C-1
350 DISP "THEPE ARE":C;"DATA POINTS"
JGO DISF "ENTER THE FILE NAME FOR THE ADC DATA (EG TCIAO:DTO1)"
Z70 INPUT ADCS
380 E$=ADC$[己.5]
390 L=LEN (ADC$) Q MS*=ADC$[L-4,L]
400 FLE$="CONST"?E$$MS$
410 ASSIGN# 2 TO FLES
42O READ# =: A(1),A(2),CHOF,TCHDF
4JO ASSIGN* こTO %
440 ASSIGN# S TO ADC末
450 ON ERFROR GOTO 490
460 READ# Z ; TADC (FNFTS)
470 PNPTS=FNF·TS+1
480 GOTO 460
490 IF EFRN \because
SOO FNPTS=FNFTS-1
510 OFF ENR:OR
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S20 FNFTS＝FWNFTS－CHDF
3．
54：$\quad$ TADC（J）＝TADC（J＋CHONF）
EE：MEKT J
5心 TME（1）＝
S7．）FOF $[=2$ TO FNFTS
580 TME（I）＝TME（I－1）＋DT
590 NEXT I
BOO ASSIGN\＃ 3 TO＊
© 10 FJR I＝1 TO C－
E20 RT（I）＝RT（I）－TCHOP
SEO NEXT I
©40 DISF＂ENTER THE TITLE FOR THE GRAFHICS＂
GSO INPUT TITLES
560 GOSUB Max＿cm
670 GOSUB Gain
680 gasub Phase
G90 GOSUB Plot＿G
700 END

720
7 JO Mas：＿cm：！SUBROUTINE TQ FIND THE MAX CM OUTPUT（ie THE MINIMUM COUNT）
740 ！
750 ！
760 DISP＂SEARCHING FOR PEAKS AND VALLEYS OF C．M．DATA．＂
770 ！
790 FMIN＝1 © BMIN＝1
790 FOR I＝2 TO C－1
B00 MID＝ABS（ET（I））E BEF＝ABS（ET（I－1））Q AFT＝ABS（ET（I＋1））
810 IF NOT（MID－BEFく＝0 AND AFT－MID＞0）THEN 8SO
820 IF ET（I）＜O THEN 940
日SO FCM（FMIN）$=I$ © FMIN＝FMIN＋1 e GOTO 日SO
$840 \quad B C M(B M I N)=I$ BMIN＝BMIN＋1
850 NEXT I
86O FMIN＝FMIN－1 P BMIN＝BMIN－1
870 PRINTER IS 701
380 PRINT e PRINT © PRINT＂FEAKS AND VALLEYS；＂；TITLE\＄
890）PRINT FMIN
900 FOR $I=1$ TO FMIN
910 PRINT RT（FCM（I））；ET（FCM（I））
720 NEXT I
9.10 FRINT BMIN

740 FOR $J=1$ TO EMIN
950 FRINT RT（ECM（J））；ET（BCM（J））
$960^{\circ}$ NEXT J
770 RETURN


1000 Gain：！SUEROLTINE TQ CALCULATE THE GAIN OF THE CURRENT METER BY
1010 ！DOING．A LINEAR FIT OF THE CM DATA TO THE CALCLLATED TFUE
1020 ！
1050
1040 DISF＂＂CALCULATING THE GAIN．＂
10501
1060 L $=4.053$ ：LENGTH OF THE FENDULUM AFM IN METEFS
1070 AMAX＝TADC（1）
1080 RA＝FI $/ 180$
1090 W＝2＊FI／A（こ）
1：OO FOR I＝1 TO FMIN
$110 \quad T=R T$（FCM（I））
$1129 \mathrm{FU}(I)=L * W *(A M A X /(1+A M A X * T * A(1))) *$ RiA
11.30 NEXT I

1i40 FOF $J=1$ TO EMIN
1150 T＝RT（ECM（J））
11ذ EU（J）＝L＊W＊：AMAX／（1＋AMAX＊T＊A（1）））＊FiA
1170 ：HEXT J

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1:3.
i:%-% FUB ジ=: %0 ユ
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!2!O IF F=2 THEN BaCk
1ここの ! FOFWARED CALIERATION
1こジG FOF I=1 TO FMIN
1240 VF(I)=1/ET(FCM(I))
1250 SUM(F)=SUM(F)+1
12j0 SUMX(F)=SUMX(F)+FU(I)
1270% SUMY(F)=SUMY (F)+VF (I)
1280 SUMX2 (F)=SUMX2 (F)+FU(I)^2
1290 SUMXY (F)=SUMXY(F)+VF(I)*FU(I)
1亏00 SUMY2 (F) =SUMY2 (F)+VF (I)^2
1310 NEXT I
1320 GOTO Coef
13JO Back: ! BACKWARDS CALIBRATION
1540 FDR J=1 TO BMIN
1.J50 VB(J)=1/ABS (ET(BCM(J)))
1360 SLM (F)=SUM(F)+1
1370 SUMX(F)=SLMMX (F)+BL(J)
1380 SUMY (F)=SLMY (F)+VB (J)
1こ90 SUMXZ(F)=SUMX2(F)+BU(J)^2
1400 SUMXY (F) =SUMXY (F)+VB(J)*BU(J)
1410 SUMY2(F)=SUMY2(F)+VB(J)へ2
142O NEXT J
14JO Coef: ! CALCLLATION OF THE LINEAR FITTING COEFFICIENTS
1440 DELTA=SLM(F)*SLMX2(F)-SUMX(F)`2
1450 A1 (F) = (SUMX2 (F) %SUMY (F) -SUMX(F) %SUMXY (F))/DELTA
1460 B(F)=(SUMXY (F):SUM (F)-SUMX (F) #SUMY (F))/DELTA
1470 IF F=1 THEN DF=FMIN-2 ELSE DF=BMIN-2
1480 VAR= SSUMY2(F)+SUM(F)*A1 (F)^2+SUMX2(F)*B(F)^2-2* (A1 (F) *SUMY (F) +B (F)*SUMXY(
F) -A1 (F) *B(F) #SUMX (F)))/DF
1490 SIGMAA(F)=SQR (VAR要UMX2(F)/DELTA)
1500 SIGMAB(F)=SQR (VAR*SUM(F)/DELTA)
1510 R(F)=(SUM (F) #SUMXY (F)-SUMX (F)*SUMY (F))/SQR (DELTA*(SUM (F)*SUMYZ (F) -SUMY:F).
2))
1520 NEXT F
15.0) RETURN
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IS6O゙ Plot_G: ! SUBROUTINE TO PLOT THE FITTED CURVE AND THE DATA FOR THE GAIN
1570 DISF "FRESS THE "CONT" TO CONTINLE"
1580 FAUSE
1590 GCLEAR
1600 GRAFH
1610 LINE TYFE 1
1620 LOCATE 15,125,10,90
15%:0 FRAME
1640 SCALE 0.1.2.0..12
10SO CSIZE S
1G60) FEN }
:670 AXES .02,.01,0,0,5, こ,4
10G0 LDFG 5
:670 CSIZE =
1700 FOF X=0 TD 1.2 STEP . 1
:710 MOVE }x,-.005 E LAEEL X
1720 :NEXT X
17OG LOFG 4
IT4G 140`E . S,-.01
1750 LAEEL "VELOCITY AMFLITUDE (M/SEC)"
17SO LOF:G B
1770 FOR Y=0 TO . 12 STEF .OS
17g0 MOVE O.Y @ LABEL Y
1770 NEYT Y
1800 LDIR 9%
1a1% MC'JE -. 1,.00
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1:Sこ% LOFG 4
135O LAEEL '1,COLINT'
1840 LDIR 0
1850 MOVE O,A1 (1)
1860 DRAW FU(1),A1(1)+B(1;*FU(1)
1870 LINE TYFE 4
1EBO FEN 2
1890 MDVE O,A1(2)
1900 DRAW BU(1),A1(2)+B(2)*BU(1)
1910 MOVE O,0
1920 Cs="#" Q L$="+"
1930 CSIZE 2
1940 LORG 5
1950 PEN 1
1960 FOR I=1 TO FMIN
1970 MOVE FU(I),VF (I)
1980 LABEL C$ P PLOT FU(I),VF(I)
1990 NEXT I
2000 PEN 2
2010 FOR I=1 TO BMIN
2020 MOVE BU(I),VB(I)
2030 LABEL L$ P PLOT BU(I),VB(I)
2040 NEXT I
2050 LINE TYPE 5
2060 ! PEN 1
2070 ! NA=A1 (1)-SIGMAA (1) & PA=A1 (1)+SIGMAA (1)
2080 ! NB=B(1)-SIGMAE(1) & PB=B(1)+5IGMAB(1)
2090 ! MOVE O,PA
2100 ! DRAW FU(1),PA+PB*FU(1)
2110 ! MOVE O,NA
2120 ! DRAW FU(1),NA+NE*FU(1)
2130 ! MOVE 0,0
2140 CSIZE 4
2150 MOVE .7,.03
2160 DRAW .E,.OS
2170 MOVE .85,.03
2180 LORG 2 e PEN 2
2190 LABEL "REVERSE"
2200 LINE TYPE 1 E PEN 1
2210 MOVE .7..02S 巴 DRAW .8,.025
2220 MOVE . 85,.025
2230 LABEL "FORWARD"
2240 MJVE .7,.02 & LABEL "FWD SLOPE :";B(1)
2250 MOVE .7..015 巴 LAEEL "REV SLOFE :";E(2)
2260 LORG 5
2270 MOVE .6,.11
2280 LABEL "GAIN "%TITLES
2290 RETURN
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Zこ2O Phase: ! SUEROUTINE TO CALCULATE AND PLOT THE PHASE LAG OF THE CUFRENT
2330 ! METERS
2J40 DISF "CALCULATING THE FHASE LAG."
2350 !
ZこSO FOR I=1 TO FNPTS
2こ70 IF TADC(i)=0 THEN FO(Cこ)=TME(I) E C2=C2+1
2\Xi30 A=SGN (TADC(I)) E B=SGN (TADC(I+1))
2390 IF A=B THEN 2420
2400 DELTA_t=-(1*DT*TADC(I)/(TADC(I+1)-TADC(I)))
2410 FO(C2)=TME(I)+DELTA_t E C2=C2+1
2420 NEXT I
2430 ! **: THIS LOOP FINDS ZERO CFOSSINGS OF THE CURRENT METEFR DATA ***
2440 ! FOR I=1 TO C
2450:ET(I)=1/ET (I)
2460 : NEXT I
2470 FOR I=1 TO C-1
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\therefore77.) iF \therefore=E THEN ここらO
Z马渞 DELE=ET(I+1)-ET(I)
2510 E!=ABS (ET(I+1))/1024*1.S E=ABS (ET(I)):1024*1.5
2520 EELT=RT(I+1)-E1-(RT(I)-E)
25-:0 DELTA_t=-(1%ET i I) & DELT/DELE)
2540 CO(CL)=RT(I)+DELTA_t
25S0 Cl=C1+1
2060 NEXT I
2S70 IF C1<<= C THEN UL=C1 ELSE UL=C
2580 AMAX=TADC(1)
2590 RA=FI /180
2600 W=2*PI /A(2)
2610 FOK I=1 TO UL-1
26.20 T=CO(I)
2630 DEL(I) xT-FO(I)-A(2)/4
2640 MAXAMF (I)=L*W* (AMAX/(1+AMAX*FO(I)*A(1)))*RA
2650 NEXT I
2660 FRINT E PRINT E PRINT "PHASE LAG FOR";TITLE$
2670 PRINT "PENDULUM","CM","LAG"
2680 FOR K=1 TO UL-1
2690 PRINT PO(K),CO(K),DEL(K)
2700 NEXT K
2710 GCLEAR
2720 GRAPH
2730 LOCATE 15,125,10,90
2740 PEN 1
2750 FRAME
2760 SCALE 0,1.2,0,1
2770 AXES .02,.01,0,0,5,5,4
2780 LORG 5
2790 CSIZE 3
2g00 FOR }x=0\mathrm{ TO 1.2 STEP . }
2910 MQVE }\mp@subsup{X}{9}{\prime}-.05 % LABEL X
2920 NEXT X
2030 LORG 6
2E40 MOVE .6,-.1
28SO LAREL "VELOCITY AMPLITLDE (,1/SEC)"
2860 LORG B
2g70 FOR V=0 TO 1 STEP . 1
Zago MOVE O,Y E LAEEL Y
2890 NEXT Y
29:00 MOVE -.05,.5
2910 LDIR 90
2920 LORG }
2OEO LABEL "SEC"
2740 LDIR O
2950 CSIZE 4
2960 C$="""
2970 LORG 5
2980 FOR I=1 TO LL
2790 IF FO(I) % 60 THEN SOSO
Z000 MDVE MAXAMF (I),DEL (I)
3010 LGEEL C$
ZO20 NEXT I
#OG CSIZE 4
BG4O MUVE".6. .7 :# LABEL "FHASE LAG "#TITLE$
ZOSO MOVE 1,.0S
3060 FEETURN
-070 ! *******************************"7*************************************
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10: THIS IS THE MODIFIED DUMP PROGRAM FOR THE CALIBRATION DATA
20!
30:
40 QPTION BASE 1
50 DIM ADC(2000), RT (3000), ET (3000), ETime (1000), RTime(1000)
60 C=0 & C1=0 P C 2=0
70 CONTROL 4,4 ; 0
80 CONTROL 4,3;1
90 DISP "TO BEGIN THE DATA DUMP TYPE 'CONT'n
100 DISP "AND PRESS "END LINE' KEY"
110 PALSE
120 C=C+1
130 IF C1=5 THEN 210
140 ENTER 4 USING "#,B" ; ADC(C)
150 ! DISP C,ADC(C),DTH$ (ADC(C))
160 IF ADC(C)=25S THEN CI=C1+1
170 GOTO 120
180 !
180! begin the lodp to enter the time data
200 !
210 C2=C2+1
220 ENTER 4 USINB "#,B" ; LB
230 ENTER 4 USING "#,B": UB
240 IF LB=255 AND UB=255 THEN 315
250 LB*=DTH$ (LB) UB$=DTH$ (UB) Es=UB*[3;4]&LB&[3,4]
260 RT (C2) =HTD (BS)
270 ENTER 4 USINE "#,B" EL
280 ENTER 4 USING "*,B" EU
290 ELS=DTH* (EL) E EU$=DTH (EU) CSmEU*[3,43&EL$[3,4]
300 ET(C2)=HTD (C*)
310 EOTO 210
315 IMAGE 3X,DDD.DDD, 4X,MDDDD.D,12X,5D
316 PRINT " Time(seac.) Event Timo(msec): Evant Time(counts)"
320 FOR I=1 TO C2-1
    RTimm(I)=RT(I)/64.002
    IF ET(I)>=0 THEN 360
    ET(I)=ABS (ET(I))-3276a
    ETime(I)=ET(I)/1024.032
    PRINT USING 315 ; RTIme{I),ET!mE(I):1000,ET(I)
    NEXT I
    ImAGE 3X, 3D, 4X, 3D, 4X, 3D, 4X, 3D
    FOR J=1 TO C-1 STEP 4
        PRINT USING 3ES ; ADC(J),ADC(J+1),ADC(J+2),ADC(J+3)
400 PRINT
430 DISP "DO YOU WANT TO STORE THIS DATA ON DISK (Y/N)"
440 INPUT ANS$
450 IF ANS%="N" THEN 62O
460 DISP "ENTER THE FILE NAME FOR THE ADC DATA"
4 7 0 \text { Inpur ADCS}
480 DISP "ENTER THE FILE NAME FOR THE TIME DATA"
4 9 0 ~ I N P U T ~ D A T \$
500 DISP "WHAT DISK DRIVE DO YOU WANT TO USE"
5 1 0 ~ I N P U T ~ M s u s \% ~
520 CREATE ADCS&Msus%,1,8*C
530 CREATE DAT$&Msus$,1,16*C2
540 ASSIGN* 1 TO ADCs&Msus$
5EO ASSIGN# 2 TO DAT$&MsuS$
50 FOR I=1 TO C-1
570 PRINT# 1 ; ADC(I)
500 NEXT I
585 ASSIGN# 1 TO *
590 FOR I=1 TO C2-1
600 PRINT# 2 ; RT(I),ET(I)
610 NEXT I
G15 ASSIGN* 2 TO *
G2O END
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