

DISTILLATION COLUMN DYNAMICS
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ABSTRACT

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A pilot plant scale, atmospheric pressure, sieve plate distillation column was constructed and fully instrumented. Novel speed controllable pumps were used to control liquid flows. A micro-computer was constructed to provide local and hierarchical control of the column. The microcomputer included an operator console, a 16 channel data acquisition unit, a 4 channel control output unit, and a hardware arithmetic processor. A software development system was assembled by linking the microcomputer to a minicomputer. Software written for the development system included a cross-assembler, a transfer program, and a microcomputer control program.

A binary steady state distillation column model was developed, solved on a digital computer, and verified against experimental data using a binary mixture of methanol and water.

Two control schemes were investigated using only the microcomputer resources. A multi-loop system using digital PI controllers was found to give excellent control within the accuracy of the instrumentation.

An adaptive feedforward controller was proposed and verified using a steady state model, and experiments. The results were good, but because of the relatively simple dynamics of the experimental column, the feedforward controller was no better than the feedback controllers.

A microcomputer control system has been shown to be an effective replacement for conventional analog control on a distillation column. The computing power of the microcomputer has enabled a sophisticated control scheme to be implemented at low cost.

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CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

Distillation processes have been extensively studied because they occur frequently in the chemical processing industries, are large consumers of energy, and are often critical in determining product purities. The objectives of previous studies have been to improve the understanding of the dynamics of distillation columns, and consequently to improve performance by maximising production and minimising costs. This work represents a continuation of this theme with the use of new technology, and an alternative control system.

A range of approaches have been adopted in the literature including complex computer simulations, simple black box models, and experimental tests using analog and digital hardware. Each approach may have its merits, but there is no single approach which can be applied to all distillation processes, in fact the control problems of a particular distillation column may be unique. The overriding philosophy behind all investigations of the performance of various control schemes will ultimately be profit - is the extra expense of a more complex control system justified?

The major problems of distillation control are:

- (i) the interactions between control loops;
- (ii) the non-linearities of the process;
- (iii) the time variation of process parameters;
- (iv) the slow dynamics of the process;
- (v) the use of slow and inaccurate sensors and analysers;
- (vi) the large load changes which may occur.

Solutions to these problems have been proposed and examined using feedback control, combined feedforward/feedback control, multivariable control, and optimal control strategies. In some cases, the techniques have been

successful, but in others the process non-linearities, and the measurement difficulties have led to poor control.

1.1 OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this work were fourfold:

- (i) to design and construct a pilot scale distillation scheme;
- (ii) to instrument the column;
- (iii) to construct a computer based control system;
- (iv) to investigate computer control of the column.

The criteria for the column and instrumentation were:

- (i) redesign and reconstruct a 225 mm diameter atmospheric pressure sieve tray column of conventional form using components from an existing column;
- (ii) provide temperature sensors on all trays, level sensing in the reboiler and reflux accumulator, overall pressure drop sensing, and product composition analysers;
- (iii) provide flow control systems on the distillate, reflux, bottoms and steam flows;
- (iv) provide flexible operation of the column.

The choice of a digital control system was made from among the following:

- (i) microprocessors acting as analog controller replacements under minicomputer control;
- (ii) a microcomputer/minicomputer system with substantial micro-computer independence;
- (iii) a microcomputer standalone system with an operating system and peripherals;
- (iv) a minicomputer system.

Significant technological developments in microprocessors, and their support hardware, coupled with a drop in price for semiconductor integrated

circuits prompted a shift in emphasis from using a minicomputer to a microcomputer. A minicomputer would have been under utilised on a single distillation column, but if used as the centre of a development system for a microcomputer, it could be released for other uses when not required. Option (ii) was therefore adopted, and a microcomputer system developed with interfaces to the process, the operator, and a nearby minicomputer. A development system was created in the minicomputer to enable rapid and easy programming of the microcomputer.

Several control strategies were investigated, and compared on the pilot scale column. These were based on

- (i) feedback control;
- (ii) feedforward/feedback control.

The feedforward controller was based on the shortcut column design method of Gilliland (1940). A steady state computer model was developed to predict the column performance, and to test the feedforward controller.

The overlying objective of this work was to create a system that approximated what might be found in the industrial world. In all instances, attempts were made to use the simplest solutions to all problems, provided that the results were satisfactory. This was particularly true in the design and tuning of the controllers used. The microcomputer software was designed to be compact yet flexible with respect to control configuration and to incorporation in a wider control scheme.

CHAPTER TWO

REVIEW

Process control has been extensively studied and the investigation of the behaviour and control of distillation columns has been no exception. Every conceivable control strategy has been applied to controlling simulated and experimental distillation columns, but production units have in general relied upon the less exotic control strategies such as feedforward/feedback control.

The introduction of minicomputers into process control produced a centralisation of control functions over the previously used distributed analog systems. The big failing of the minicomputer system was the need to provide analog backup in case of a computer failure (Bruce and Fanning (1964), Guisti et al (1962), Rosenbrock et al (1965)). The current trend is back to distributed control schemes with microcomputers providing dedicated control on one piece of plant and perhaps connecting with a hierachical control scheme (Tao et al (1977)). The major control equipment vendors are now marketing distributed control systems, e.g. Honeywell TDC2000 system.

The rapid development of the microprocessor and its peripherals, coupled with a drop in the price of semiconductors has made sophisticated microcomputer-based control schemes possible. It is now feasible to provide intelligent control systems in places where a minicomputer could not be justified (Skrokov(1976)). These dedicated microcomputers can be further adapted to process control by providing special instruction sets (Cummings and Miller (1977)) and special programming languages (Gillespie (1977), Claggett (1977)).

The use of microprocessors can be extended into the instrumentation area. These devices can be used to operate instruments and to provide sophisticated signal conditioning (Garelick (1977)). An increase in the

use of discrete process analysers such as gas chromatographs and mass spectrometers can be expected as microcomputers are programmed to operate these instruments and interpret the results (Bailey (1978)).

Improvements are being made in sensing variables with solid state transducers. National Semiconductor's (1974) pressure and temperature sensing integrated circuits are good examples. The price and performance of these systems make it possible to build more sophisticated control systems at reasonable prices.

While the advances in control computers have been spectacular, the improvements in DDC algorithms have been much lower key. Various controller algorithms using different design criteria have been proposed (Mosler et al (1967), Kurz and Isermann (1977)), but the industry standard, the PID controller, has been shown to be the best general purpose controller (Bristol (1977), Unbehauen et al (1976)). The more complex algorithms can be beneficial on some processes where long lags and deadtimes exist, or where interactions occur. Multivariable techniques are best applied to systems where the process models are simple but accurate over the operating range, and can lead to conventional PID controllers (Shih (1970)).

Distillation Column Dynamics

Distillation column dynamics have been extensively investigated, and several excellent reviews of the literature have been made by Archer and Rothfus (1961), Williams (1963) and Rademaker et al (1975). A study of dynamics requires a study of the steady state problem in order that any simulation may have a valid starting point.

Several approaches have been used to solve for the steady state conditions in a distillation column. The methods of McCabe and Thiele (1925) and Sorel (Gilliland and Robinson (1950)) involved plate by plate calculations to find the number of trays required for given operating conditions. Attempts by Martin (1963), Singh (1966), Sarkarny et al (1970) and others to find analytical solutions have involved simplifying assumptions such as a linear vapour/liquid equilibrium relationship, and hence

have limited applicability. The shortcut methods of Brown et al (1939), Gilliland (1940), Mason (1959) and Erbar et al (1961) have merit in that they are invaluable for preliminary design work, but are inaccurate for more exacting requirements (Van Winkle and Todd (1971)). The problem of determining the column compositions and flows for a given geometry has been tackled by solving the simultaneous heat and mass balances which can be written around each stage (Amundson and Pontinen (1958), Holland (1963), Wang and Henke (1966)). These methods involve an iterative solution for the flows and compositions, and can be applied to multicomponent and binary systems. Other factors such as the tray efficiency can also be included.

The determination of the dynamic response of a binary distillation column involves the solution of a set of ordinary differential equations (for a plate column). The majority of the literature on column dynamics deals with the assumptions inherent in deriving these equations and the method of solution. Early researchers used analog computers to solve the equations (Lamb et al (1961)), but more recent workers have used digital computers. Svrcek (1967) showed that the differential equations for a binary eight plate column could be solved in 5% of realtime (assuming that the liquid flow dynamics were fast enough, so the liquid flow differential equations could be replaced by steady state balances). A number of other methods of solution are summarised by Rademaker et al (1975). The consequences of the assumptions made in some of the models (e.g. negligible liquid and vapour holdup) can be serious in large columns where liquid holdups are significant. However, in smaller pilot scale columns, such effects can generally be ignored.

Rademaker et al (1975) have summarised the more important experimental results. Most of the work on experimental columns, using step tests, shows good agreement between the suggested theory and the experimental measurements. The number of trays used in such columns is generally much less than in production columns, and hence the response will be different.

Simple transfer function models (lags and deadtime) have been used to describe column responses (Luyben and Gerster (1964), Jafri et al (1965), Wood and Berry (1973), Krishnamoorthy and Edgar (1977)). The fitted models were used to design controllers. Approximate models for large distillation columns have been suggested to avoid the need to solve large systems of differential equations. These models can be determined from steady state data using the concept of inventory time which can be defined as the ratio of the total change in storage for the whole column to the total change in flow out of the column (i.e. a pseudo first order time constant for the complete holdup of the whole column in terms of a single component). Improvements on the initial work of Moczek et al (1965) have been made by Wahl and Harriot (1970), and Weigand et al (1972), but the results have only been compared with simulations, and generally only apply to large columns with many trays.

Distillation Column Control

There is a vast quantity of material on distillation column control in the literature. Rademaker et al (1975) have summarised the major contributions in this field up to the late 1960's. Control schemes have generally been examined theoretically on experimental columns or practically on production columns and there is a large gap between these two groups. Experimental columns are, in general, pilot scale atmospheric pressure binary columns, and hence avoid a lot of the problems of large production columns, e.g. liquid flow lags, and the need for pressure controls. Much work needs to be done in bridging this gap and extending the scope of industrial control schemes using economic criteria to justify the changes.

The major practical contributions to distillation control have been summarised by Shinskey (1967) using single loop controllers with variations. These schemes include the direct and indirect material balances, pressure control loops, and feedforward schemes based on a constant product to feed ratio. Systems based on these approaches have been the basis of most

industrial distillation control.

Many researchers have looked at the application of multivariable techniques to distillation columns. An excellent review of this approach is given by Edgar and Schwanke (1977). Some of the simple multivariable techniques such as decoupling have been studied but generally only on experimental columns. The effect of decoupling single loop controllers operating on product compositions has been shown to produce improvements, but this is to be expected because of the lags and delays caused by the large liquid holdups in the reflux accumulator and reboiler, and the consequently slow responses of the composition loops. Indirect composition control by controlling internal tray liquid temperatures is superior even without decoupling because of the faster loop dynamics. Other schemes using optimal multivariable controllers require process models which are generally inaccurate because of linearisation, model order reduction, incomplete measurements, and changing operating conditions (Schwanke et al (1976)). The results of these inaccuracies are sub-optimal and in some cases unstable control. Some work on the use of adaptive controllers (Sastry et al (1977)) has shown promising results for a single loop, but the overall performance is no better than can be achieved by feedforward/feedback techniques.

A gap between control theory and practice still exists in distillation control. Exotic control schemes have been proposed on the basis of small experimental columns and simulations without production scale testing. The introduction of sophisticated multivariable techniques into distillation control will continue to be hampered by poor models. The explosion in the field of microcomputers indicates that the commonly used feedforward/feedback schemes will be improved and implemented more widely now that expensive minicomputers are not required. The future appears to be in a dedicated control computer on each distillation column, with the possible connection to an overall plant control system.

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DISTILLATION COLUMN HARDWARE

3.1 INTRODUCTION

A pilot plant scale, atmospheric pressure distillation column had been used in the Department of Chemical Engineering for teaching in undergraduate laboratories. For the reasons noted below, this column was unsatisfactory both in its performance and in its possible application to this project:

- (1) reboiler capacity was excessive;
- (2) condenser capacity was inadequate;
- (3) reflux/distillate split was by a swinging bucket reflux divider giving pulsed flows;
- (4) poor tray efficiency ($< 30\%$ overall);
- (5) insufficient and ineffective control equipment;
- (6) no on-tray sampling and temperature measurement;
- (7) no composition measurement;
- (8) no centralised control station.

The column was completely dismantled and rebuilt using such parts of the original as were required. The reboiler capacity was reduced, and the condenser capacity increased. The trays were redesigned and rebuilt to allow feed/drawoff and temperature measurement. The reflux divider was replaced by a reflux accumulator. A control system was devised constructed and installed using speed controllable motors driving positive displacement vane pumps for liquid flows, and a flow control loop for the reboiler steam supply. The distillation column was instrumented with temperature, pressure, level and composition sensors, and interfaced to a microcomputer-based control system.

3.2 REBOILER AND CONDENSER MODIFICATIONS

The reboiler originally consisted of a shell and tube heat exchanger with ninety-six 19 mm OD type 316 stainless steel tubes 1220 mm long. The overall heat transfer coefficient was measured to be $1600 \text{ Wm}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-1}$ based on the internal heat transfer area of 5.8 m^2 . Assuming saturated steam in the reboiler chest at 70 kPa, and water on the tube side at 100°C , the maximum energy transfer rate was 140 kW. Calculation of the maximum likely column performance showed a reboiler capacity of 100 kW to be sufficient. Consequently, twenty-seven of the ninety-six tubes were blanked off using two stainless steel plates clamped across the tube bundle by tie rods through the now unused tubes. This reduced the internal heat transfer area to 4.2 m^2 and gave an energy transfer rate of 100 kW based on the conditions given above. The reboiler was fitted with two safety valves. That on the process fluid side was set at 70 kPa, and piped outside building in a 50 mm diameter galvanised line. The safety valve on the steam jacket of the reboiler was set at 175 kPa.

The condenser system on the original column comprised one QVF HEU9 and one QVF HEM9 glass heat exchanger with a total heat transfer area of 3 m^2 . This system was altered by replacing the HEM9 with two QVF HE9 glass heat exchangers giving a total heat transfer area of 7 m^2 . For a methanol/water mixture condensing at 70°C , and using cooling water at 20°C , the maximum rate of energy transfer based on the QVF heat transfer coefficient of $280 \text{ Wm}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-1}$ (QVF (1970)) was 98 kW. Each exchanger was fitted with a valve in its cooling water line to allow manipulation of the condenser capacity to suit the column operating requirements.

The heat transfer equipment in summary was:

- (a) Reboiler - shell and tube heat exchanger
 - 69 tubes 19 mm OD x 1220 mm 316 S.S.
 - all parts in contact with the process fluid are 316 S.S.

- internal heat transfer area 4.2 m^2
 - overall heat transfer coefficient $1600 \text{ Wm}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-1}$
- (b) Condensers - QVF glass coil heat exchangers
- two HE9, one HEU9 units
 - heat transfer area 7 m^2
 - overall heat transfer coefficient $280 \text{ Wm}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-1}$.

3.3 TRAY DESIGN

The column trays were redesigned to improve the overall tray efficiency, and to provide sample/feed ports and temperature measurement. The sample/feed ports were located directly beneath the downcomers bringing liquid on to the tray, in a small chamber below the actual active tray. The chamber was opened to the tray by two 30 mm diameter and two 17 mm diameter holes. The liquid holdup in the chamber was measured to be 160 cm^3 . The temperature probes were screwed into the top ring of the tray section, and sealed with PTFE tape. The sensing heads were located as close as possible to the exit weir on the tray to give a close estimate of the temperature of the liquid leaving the tray. The trays were assembled between 225 mm diameter x 300 mm standard glass QVF sections giving a tray spacing of 390 mm.

The tray layout is shown in figure 3-1, and plate 3-1.

Summary of Tray Details:

- (i) active area - 223 x 3 mm D holes on 12 mm triangular spacing
 - total active area = $1.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$
- (ii) free area - 225 mm D
 - area = $4.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^2$
- (iii) downcomers - two, 35 mm D
 - area = $2.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$
- (iv) weirs - 19 mm high
 - 122 mm apart centrally located.

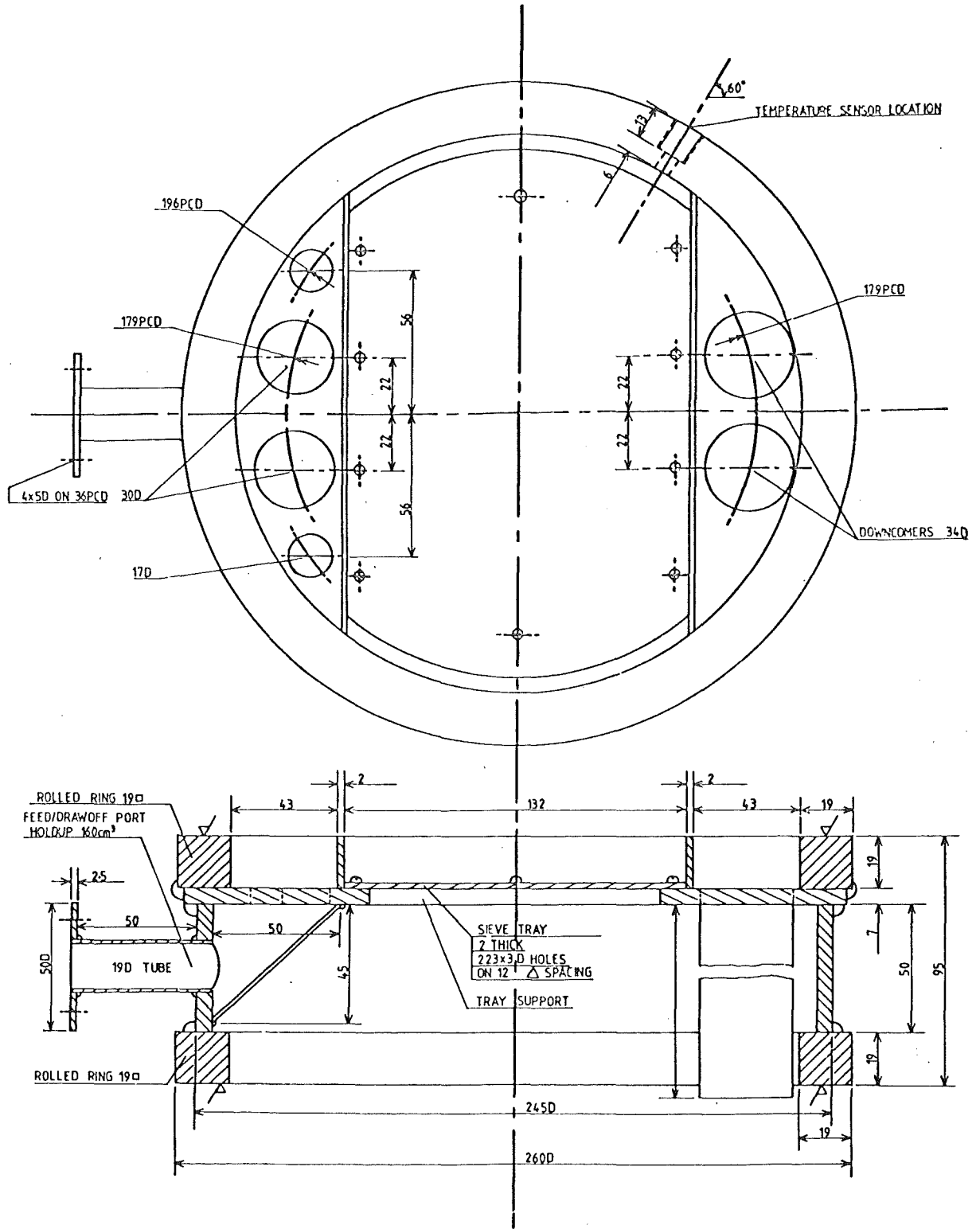


FIGURE 3-1 SIEVE TRAY DETAILS

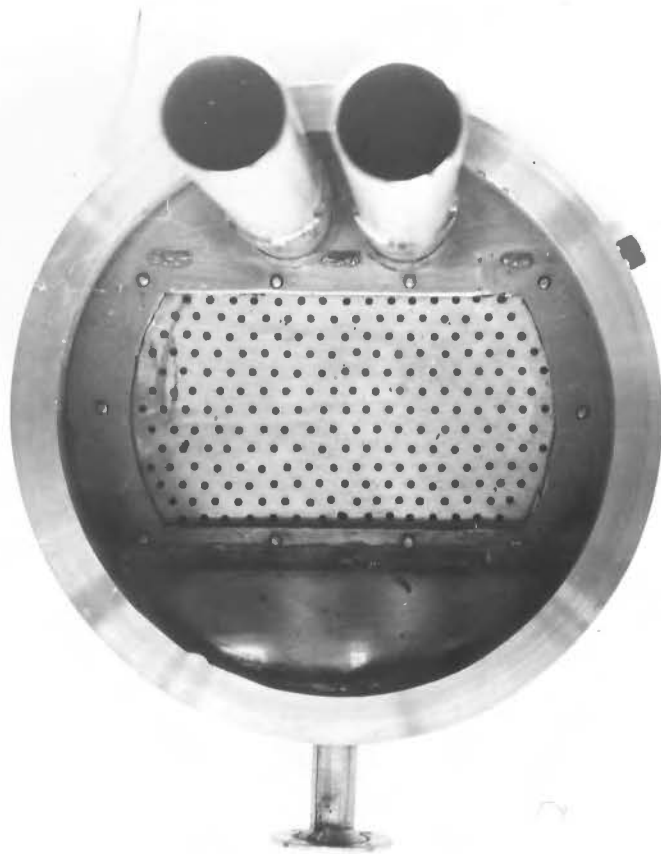
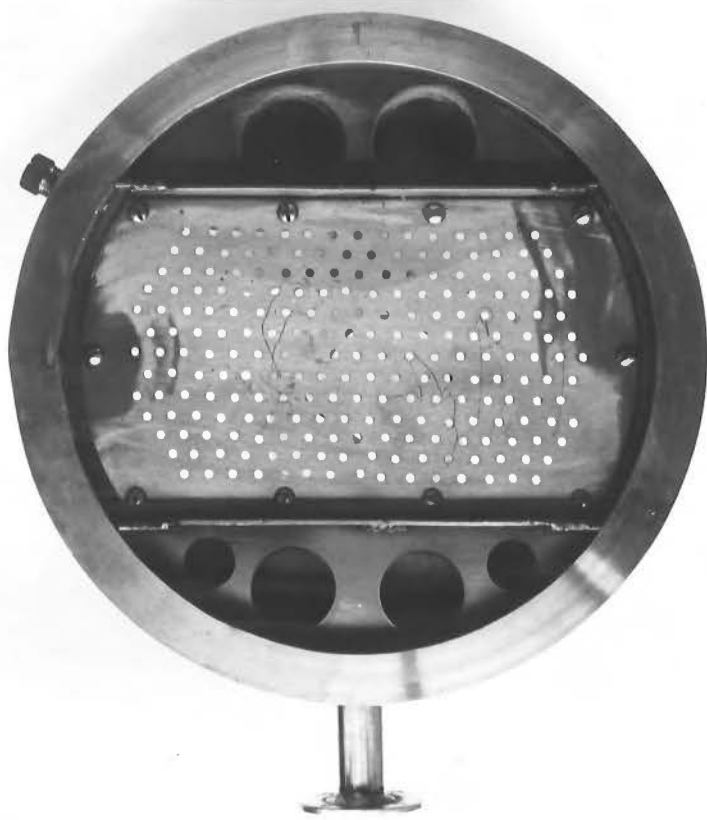


PLATE 3-1 SIEVE TRAY

3.4 REFLUX ACCUMULATOR

The original column incorporated a swinging bucket reflux divider, which inevitably led to pulsed reflux flows, and in some situations to column trays running dry. To correct this situation and to bring the column in to line with standard industrial practice, a reflux accumulator was incorporated. The accumulator was constructed from a standard QVF glass section 600 mm x 225 mm diameter with a type 316 stainless steel cap to seal the base of the accumulator, to support the accumulator and the condensers, and to provide the pipework connections for liquid flows and a temperature sensor. The accumulator provided a maximum liquid holdup of 25 litres.

Incorporated in the reflux drum was the atmospheric vent for the column to allow air to escape during startup, and to ensure that the column remained close to atmospheric pressure. The 50 mm diameter PVC vent line was piped outside the building for safety.

The reflux accumulator and vent are shown in figure 3-2.

3.5 CONTROL EQUIPMENT

The previous column operated under the following controls:

- (i) steam pressure control in the reboiler jacket;
- (ii) reboiler level control by bottoms flow (pneumatic PI controller and d/p cell);
- (iii) reflux ratio control by a QVF swinging bucket.

These controls were all subject to a number of problems including a steam pressure setpoint very close to atmospheric pressure, airlocking in the bottoms flow loop and pulsed flow for the reflux divider. To overcome these problems, the original controls were replaced with individual controls on all liquid flows, and flow control on the reboiler steam supply.

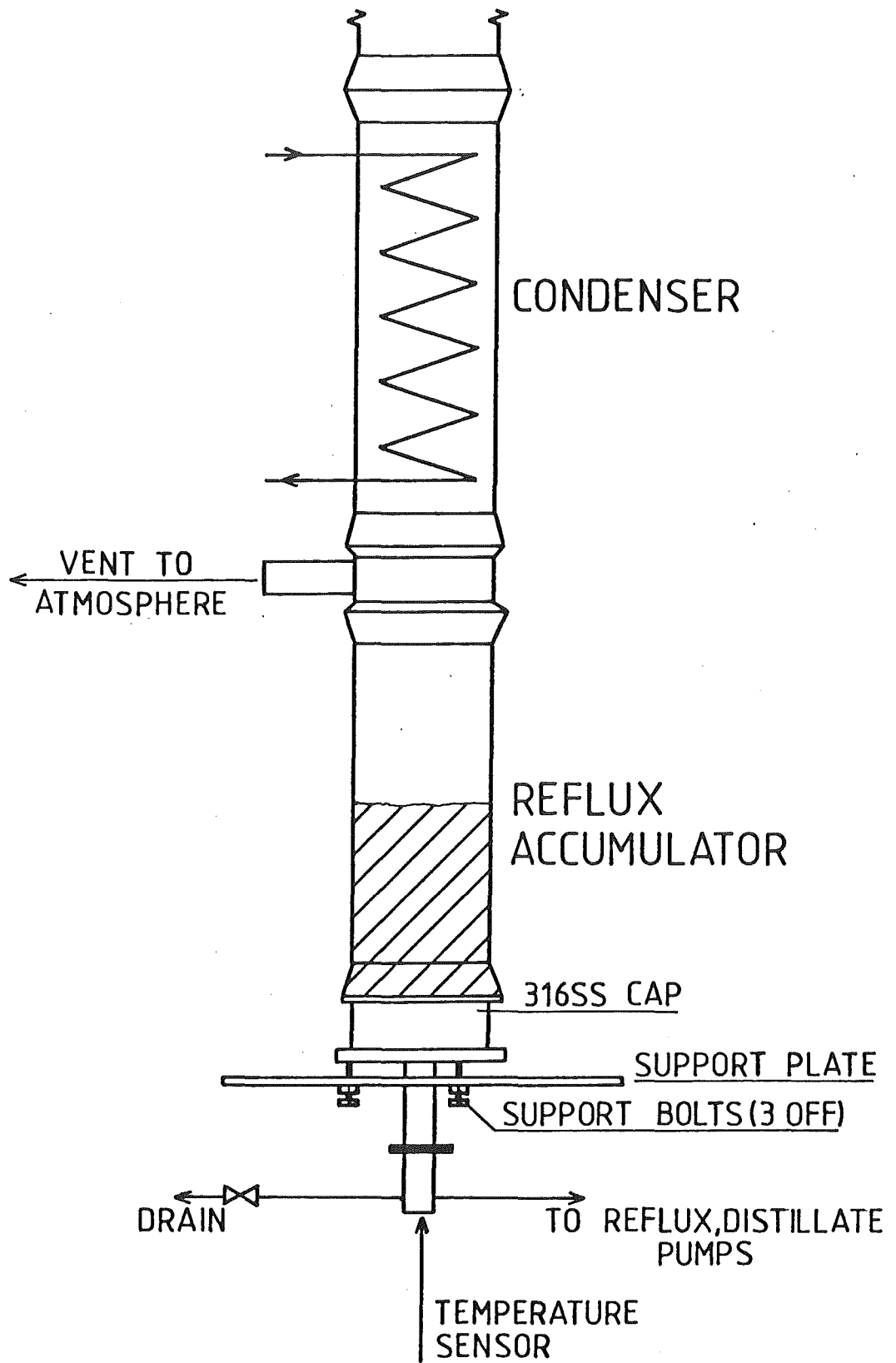


FIGURE 3-2 REFLUX ACCUMULATOR

3.5.1 Liquid Flow Control

The standard practice for controlling liquid flow is to use a flow sensor, a controller and a valve in a feedback loop. For the column used in this project, the maximum flowrate of any liquid stream was estimated to be 4.5 lmin^{-1} . To get good turndown on the flow loops a flow sensor was required to handle the range $0.05 - 4.5 \text{ lmin}^{-1}$. Devices to achieve this accuracy are available but are very expensive, e.g. turbine meters. To have implemented three conventional flow control loops would have been expensive and beyond the project budget.

Speed controllable positive displacement pumps were considered as replacements for the conventional flow loops. The major problem was to find a controllable prime mover to drive the pumps. A positive displacement vane pump, driven by a variable speed motor was selected as suitable based on considerations of cost and ease of construction.

3.5.2 Variable Speed Motor

A survey of currently available equipment showed a lack of a suitable motor in the 200 W, 0.5 Nm range. Small stepping motors of very limited torque are available, and larger induction motor controls are available, but in between there is a gap. The problem was solved by designing and constructing a stepping motor around a standard Bosch automotive alternator, driven by a variable frequency three phase inverter.

The alternator motor incorporated a number of novel features:

(i) An optically isolated DC signal provided control of the inverter frequency and hence motor speed. A 0-10V dc signal gave a speed range of 0-2000 rpm. The control voltage was conditioned by the input circuit to ensure that the rate of control voltage increase did not exceed 0.2 Vs^{-1} . If this rate was exceeded, the protection circuit would remove the control signal from the inverter, and then slowly ramp the inverter control up to the desired level. This action was necessary to ensure that the motor did not lose synchronisation due to a rapid change in inverter frequency.

(ii) Sequencing of the inverters was performed using CMOS digital logic.

(iii) A current limiting circuit was incorporated in each phase to prevent overloading of the drive transistors.

(iv) Field excitation of the alternator rotor was achieved using a 12V dc. supply feeding 2A through the alternator slip rings.

A circuit diagram of the inverter appears in Appendix I.

The combination of the inverter and alternator produced a very useful motor with good low speed torque characteristics, as required by a variable speed positive displacement pump. The torque/speed and power/speed characteristics are shown in figure 3-3.

The use of slip rings to supply the rotor excitation current provided an ignition source, and an explosion risk. This was eliminated by installing each motor in a vented case, continuously purged with air from a fan located outside the building. The continuous flow of fresh air prevented a buildup of explosive vapours within the motor case and helped in cooling the motor.

To ensure that these motor systems were intrinsically safe, an interlocking safety system was installed. A pressure switch in the air purging line ensured that the motors could not operate without the purging system. Further, for a period of 50 seconds after power on, the motors were disabled to ensure that the motor cases were fully purged before applying the excitation supply. Details of this interlocking system are shown in Appendix I.

3.5.3 Positive Displacement Pump

A suitable pump at a reasonable cost could not be found on the local market. A vane pump was designed, this being the simplest type of positive displacement pump to construct.

The pump was designed with a capacity of 4.5 lmin^{-1} at 400 rpm to make best use of the low speed torque characteristics of the motor described in the previous section. It was initially constructed using a

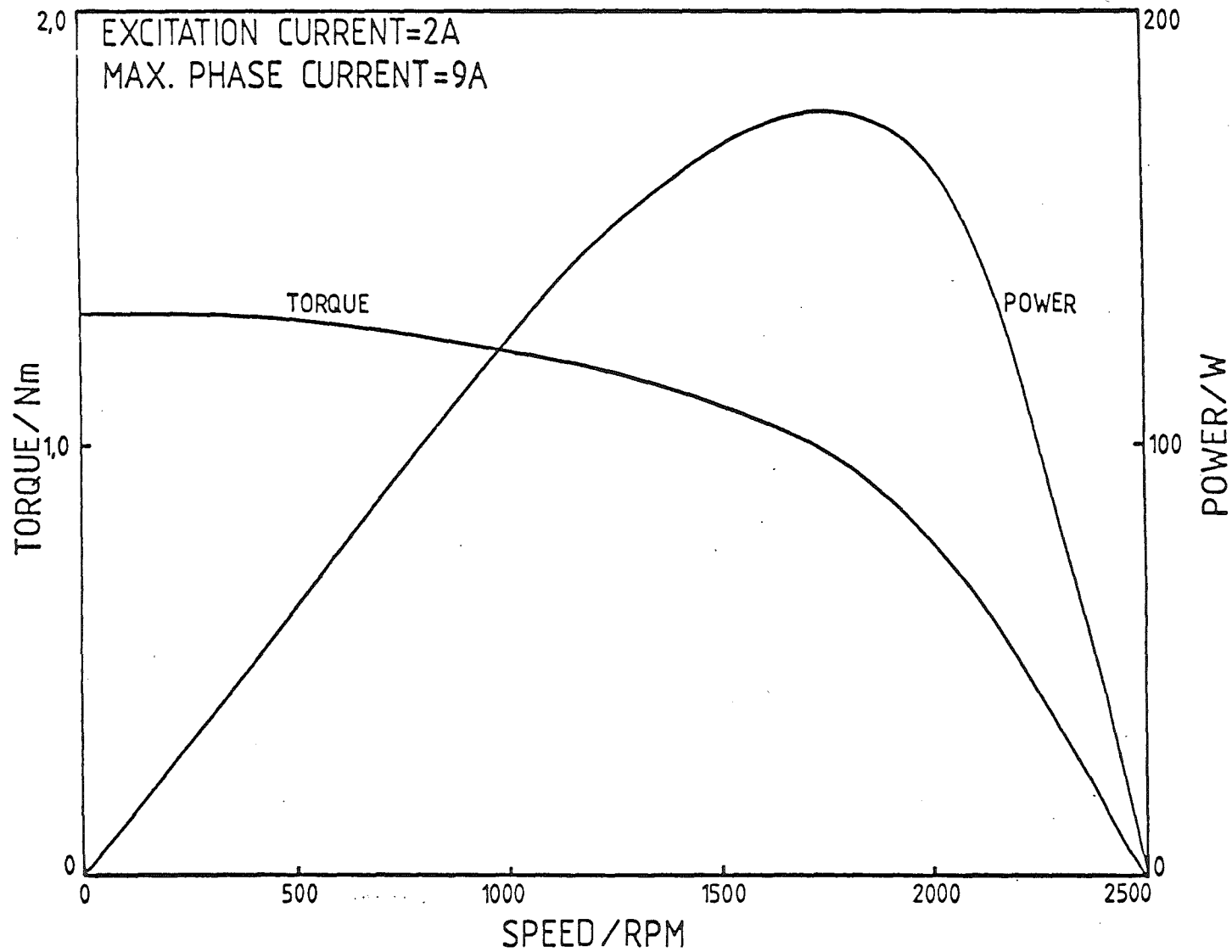


FIGURE 3-3 ALTERNATOR-MOTOR
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type 316 stainless steel body and rotor, with PTFE vanes and cams. Vane movement was by the action of the cams alone; no springs were used.

Initial tests showed the pumps to be satisfactory in most circumstances but some problems did arise.

When operated at elevated temperatures (100°C) the PTFE vanes and cams began to creep and expand causing increased frictional forces and eventually seizing. The solution was to provide larger clearances in the pump when assembling it at room temperature. This solved the seizing problem, but the elevated temperatures also accelerated the wearing of the vanes and the cams. The cams acted as bearings and wore rapidly due to some side loading of the shaft from the pumping action. These problems were overcome by fitting two ball races in a housing outside the pump body to absorb the side loading, and by fitting graphite vanes in place of PTFE.

This final design has proved satisfactory provided the pumps are properly set up for the conditions of operation, i.e.

- the bottoms pump was set up for liquids at 100°C,
- the distillate and reflux pumps were set up for liquids at 20°C.

The final design is shown in figure 3-4. The pump was connected to the motor described by a flexible coupling. The completed unit is shown in plate 3-2.

3.5.4 Pump Installation

The three pumps (distillate, reflux, bottoms) were installed to operate under flooded suction and a positive pressure head. To achieve a positive head the product streams (distillate, bottoms) were raised above their respective inlet levels and discharged into a siphon breaker to flow under gravity back into the feed tank. The siphon breaker was constructed from a 2 m length of QVF 25 mm diameter glassware, vented outside the building. The vent ensured that under no conditions could

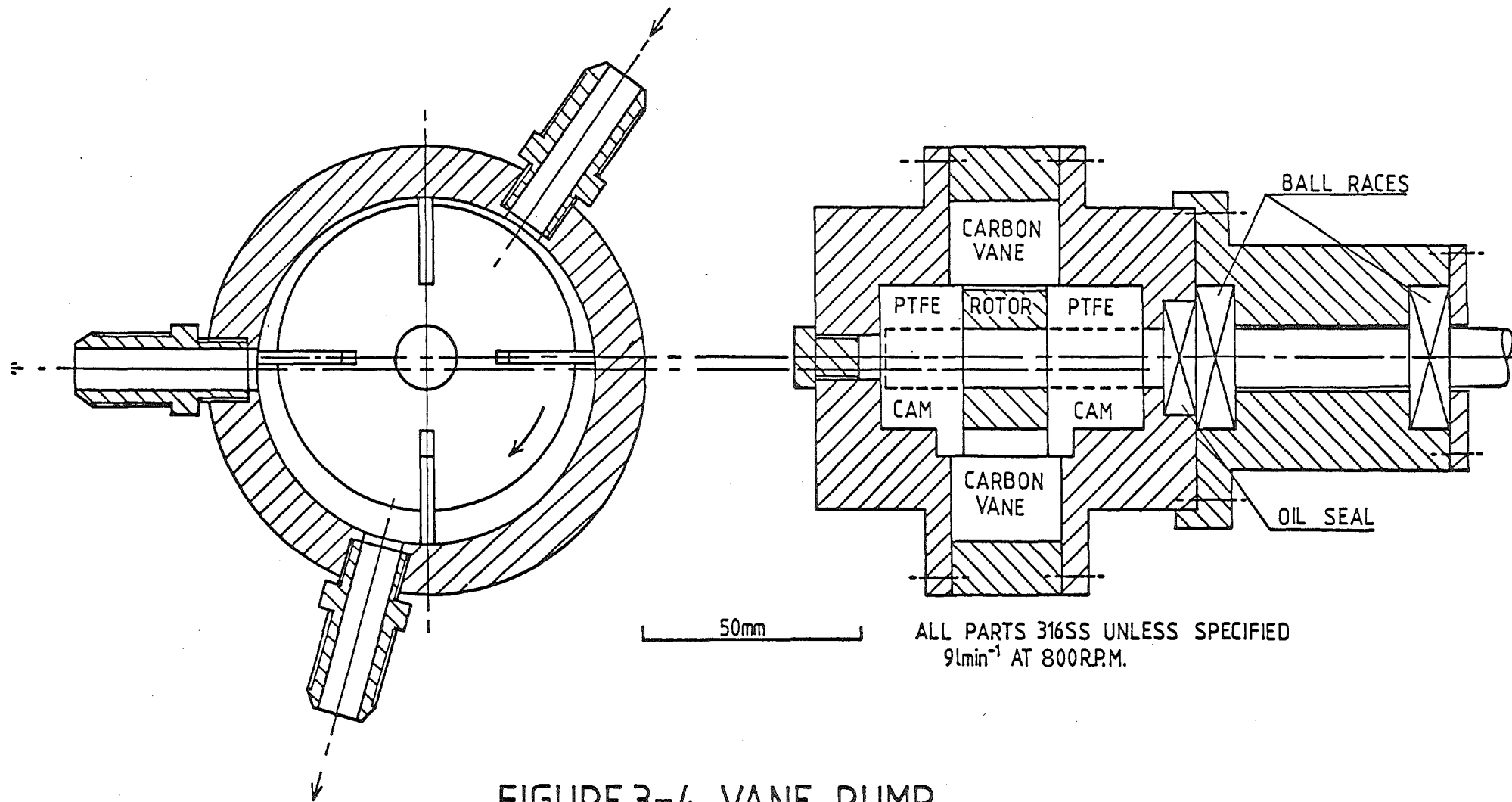


FIGURE 3-4 VANE PUMP

liquid siphon through the pumps. In addition an 18X rotameter with a koranite float was installed in the delivery line of each pump for easy monitoring of liquid flow rates.

3.5.5 Steam Flow Control

Control of the steam to the reboiler was changed from a pressure to a flow loop so that the loop setpoint could be easily related to the actual steam flow. The layout of the loop is shown in figure 3-5.

The orifice plate was non-standard in both its diameter (19 mm) and in the placement of the pressure tappings, 9 mm either side of the orifice plate, requiring calibration.

Equipment: Controller	Foxboro model 58P4-WV (P+I)
Control Valve	12 mm D Saunders Valve
d/p Cell	Foxboro 0-625 mm W.G.
i/P Converter	Foxboro model 69TA-1.

3.6 AUXILIARIES

The distillation column was connected to the service lines in the Department of Chemical Engineering and supplied with dry saturated steam at 550 kPa, compressed air at 550 kPa, and cooling water at 400 kPa and 15-18°C. Miscellaneous sections of the column are described in the following sections.

3.6.1 The Feed System

The distillation column feed system is shown in figure 3-6. A 270 litre feed tank was installed so that fluctuations in the feed composition caused by changes in the column holdup would be minimal (the average column holdup was 61 litres). The feed was drawn from the feed tank, through a filter, the feed pump, a double pipe preheater and into the column through one of the tray feed ports as described in section 3.3. The fifth tray from the top of the column was used as the feed tray in

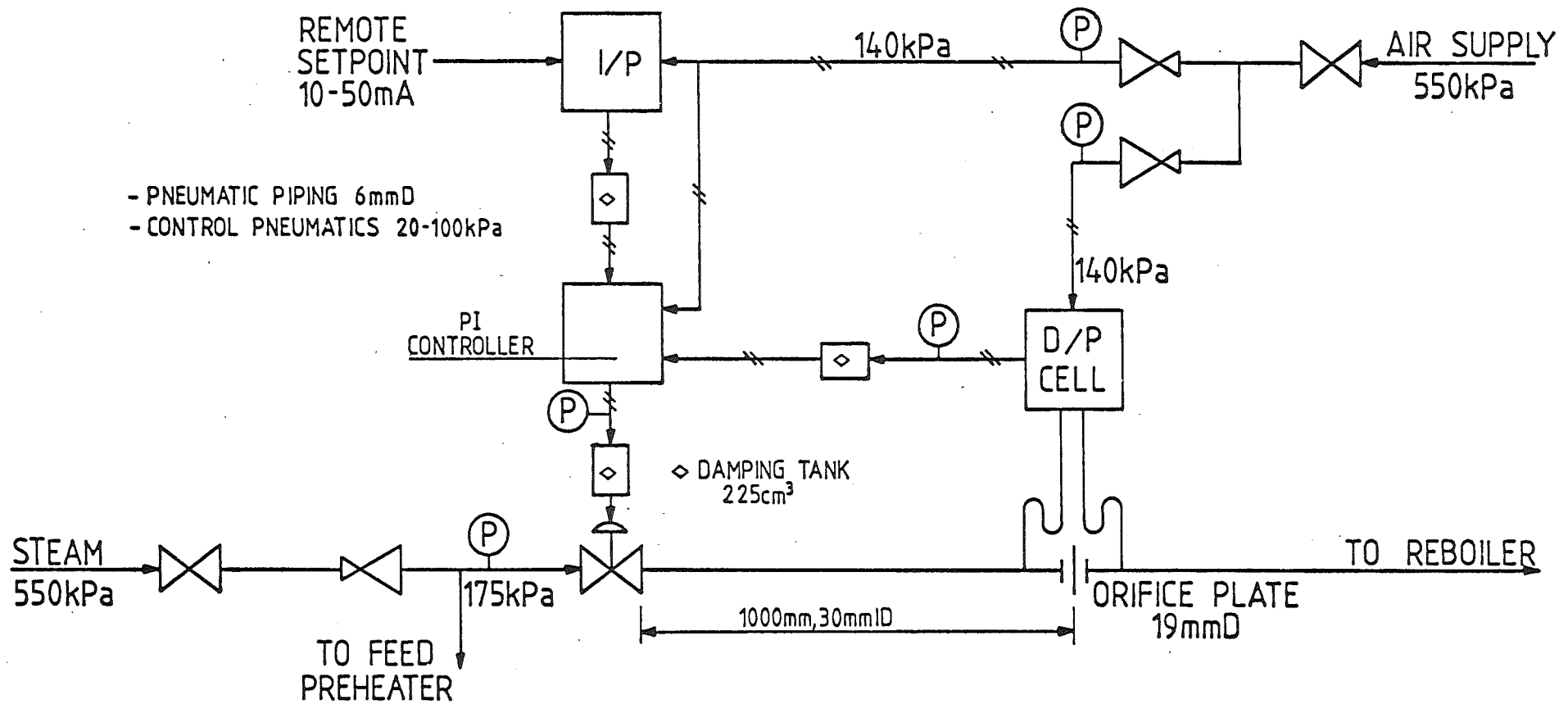


FIGURE 3-5 STEAM FLOW CONTROL SYSTEM

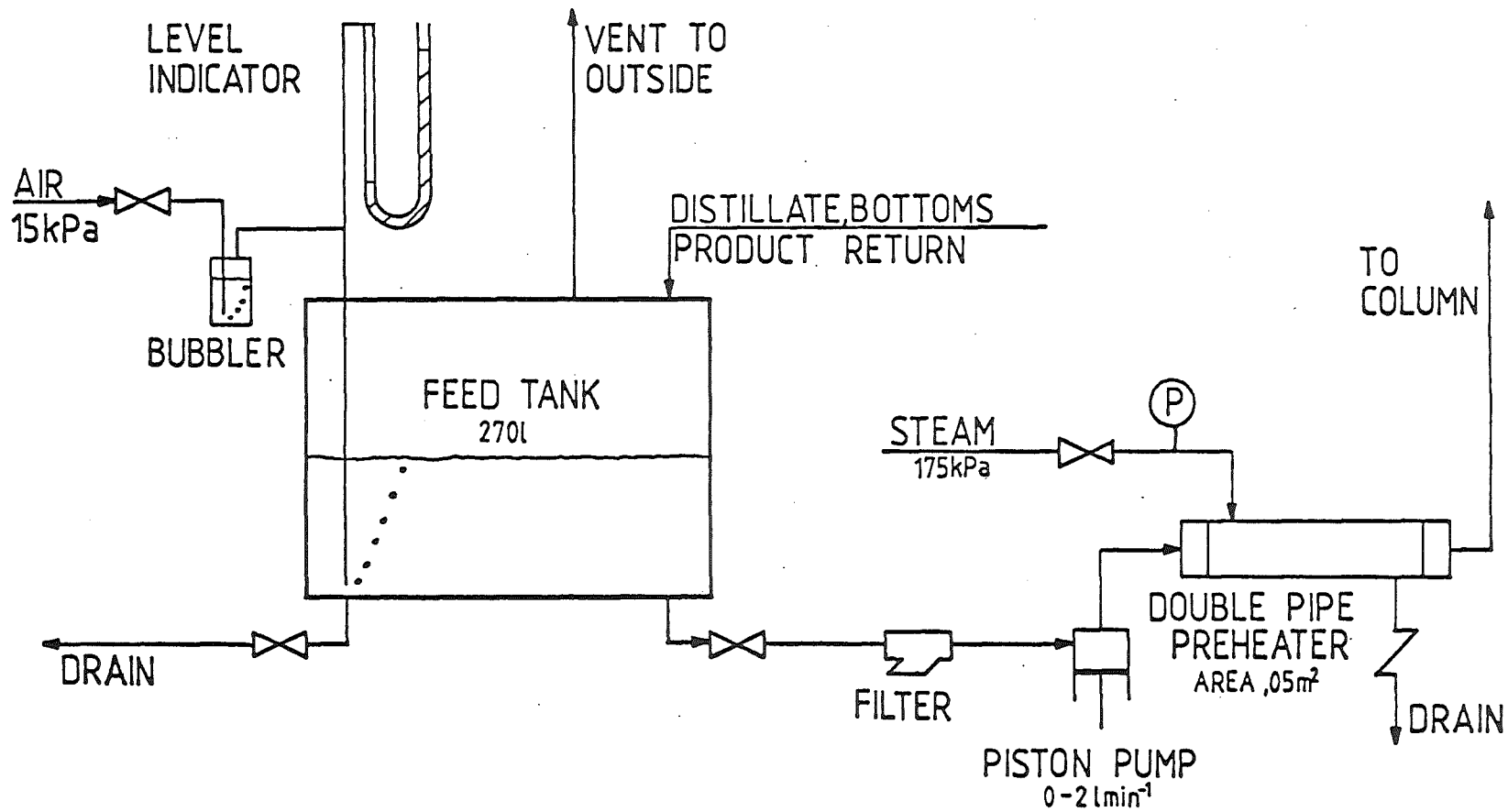


FIGURE 3-6 FEED SYSTEM

this work. Liquid from the siphon breaker for the product pumps was returned to the feed tank via a 25 mm diameter line. The tank was also fitted with a vent which was piped outside the building, and a liquid level indicator comprising a bubbler and U-tube manometer. Details of the feed system:

- Feed pump
 - Candy variable stroke piston pump
 - capacity $0-2 \text{ lmin}^{-1}$
 - all 316 SS in contact with fluid
- Feed Tank
 - 270 litres
 - all 316 SS construction
- Feed Preheater - double pipe exchanger
 - heat transfer area = 530 cm^2 (internal)
 - control : manual adjustment of steam pressure in outer pipe
 - 316 SS in contact with working fluid.
 - tube dimensions: outer 44 mm ID x 1280 mm
inner 23 mm ID x 1280 mm
- Filter
 - contains 1 mm gauze to remove solid matter.

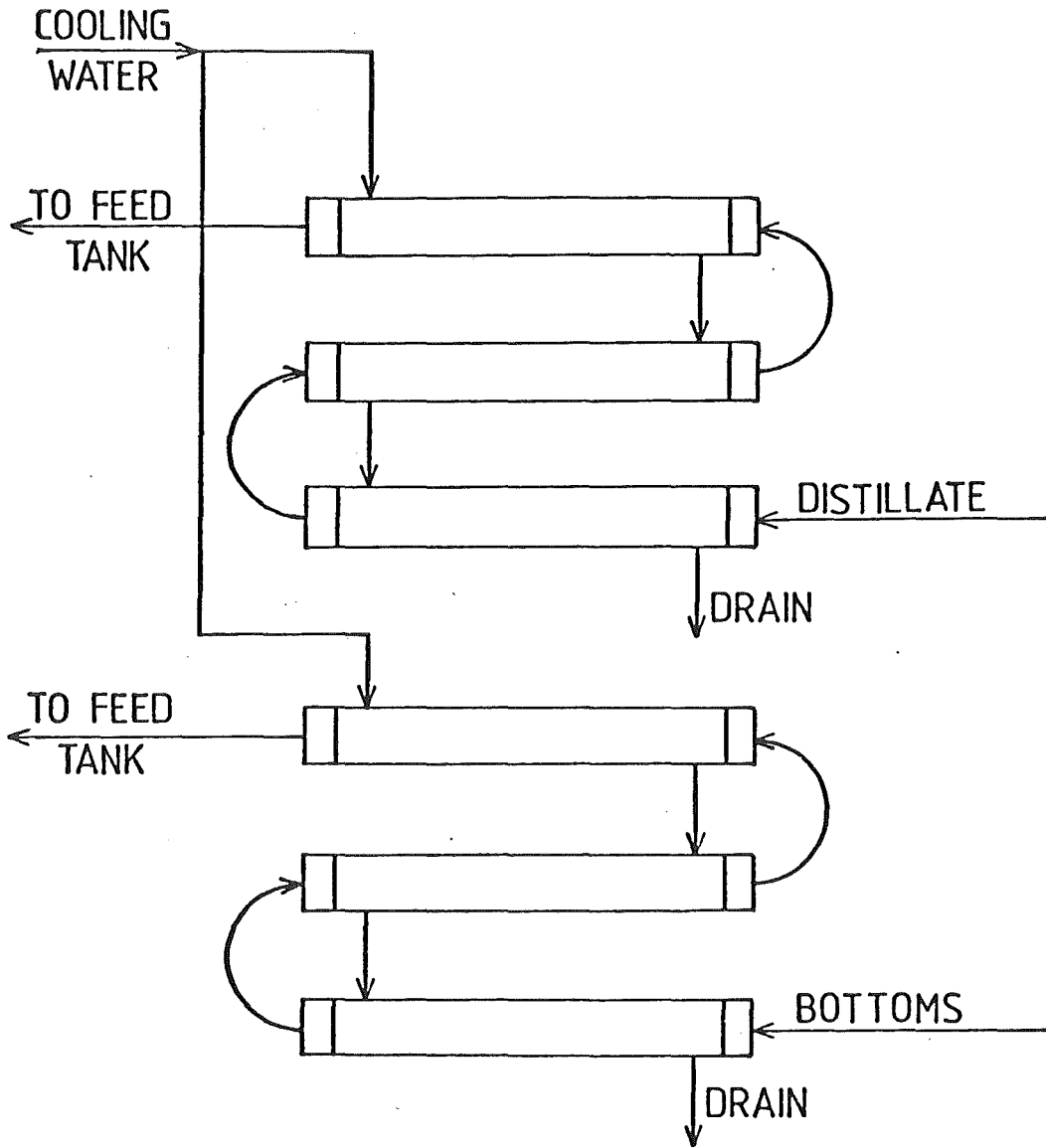
3.6.2 Product Coolers

The bottoms product was removed from the reboiler at its boiling point, and cooled before its return to the feed tank. The temperature of the distillate product was set by manipulating the condenser cooling water flows. Each stream was passed through a three stage countercurrent cooling system as shown in figure 3-7. The exchanger details are

- tube dimensions : outer 44 mm ID x 1280 mm
inner 23 mm ID x 1280 mm
- heat transfer area = 530 cm^2 per exchanger stage.

3.7 DISTILLATION COLUMN CONSTRUCTION

The previous sections in this chapter have outlined the component



ALL EXCHANGERS-DOUBLE PIPE (0.05m²)

FIGURE 3-7 PRODUCT COOLERS

parts of the distillation column. The column was mounted in a frame of 50 mm square box section steel and supported on steel plates bolted to the frame under the base of the column, the reboiler, and the reflux accumulator as shown in figure 3-8. Provision was made on these support plates for adjustment of the column attitude so that the column trays could be set horizontal. The column was only sitting in position, restrained from moving sideways by the QVF spring loaded fittings mounted on the QVF flanges to allow thermal expansion on the startup.

The column was constructed with the condensers and the trays in separate vertical columns because of a lack of headroom. Differential thermal expansion, on startup, caused problems in joining the two sections; the tray section was calculated to expand 3 mm, while the condenser section expansion was negligible. A bellows was fitted to each section to absorb the stresses generated by the thermal expansion.

The bellows were designed using the axial symmetric bending of an annular plate formulae given by Flügge (1962), and constructed from six type 316 stainless steel 22 gauge annuli sections alternately welded on the inner and outer edges. A stainless steel section was fabricated to connect the two column sections using the bellows and hydraulically tested to 100 kPa before installation. The completed bellows assembly in place can be seen in plate 3-3. A 60 mm thickness of polystyrene foam plastic was fitted to reduce heat losses through the bellows section. A deflection of 2.5 mm was measured in the tray section on startup, but was accommodated by the bellows.

The major column components were plumbed together using 12 mm diameter type 316 stainless steel tubing for the process fluid lines. All flanges in the process fluid lines were gasketed with rubber protected by PTFE sheaths. Figure 3-9 is a schematic of the column piping, and plates 3-4 and 3-5 show the completed column.

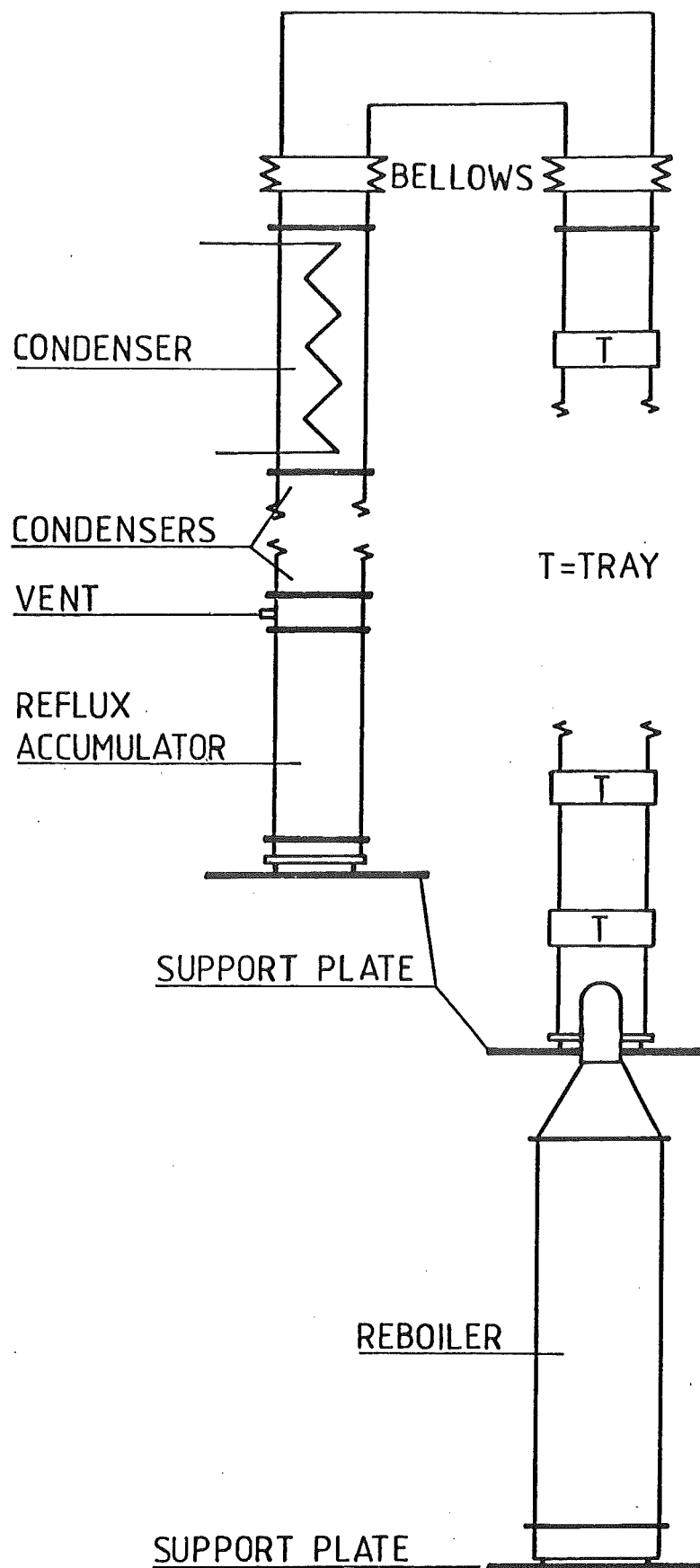


FIGURE 3-8 COLUMN ASSEMBLY

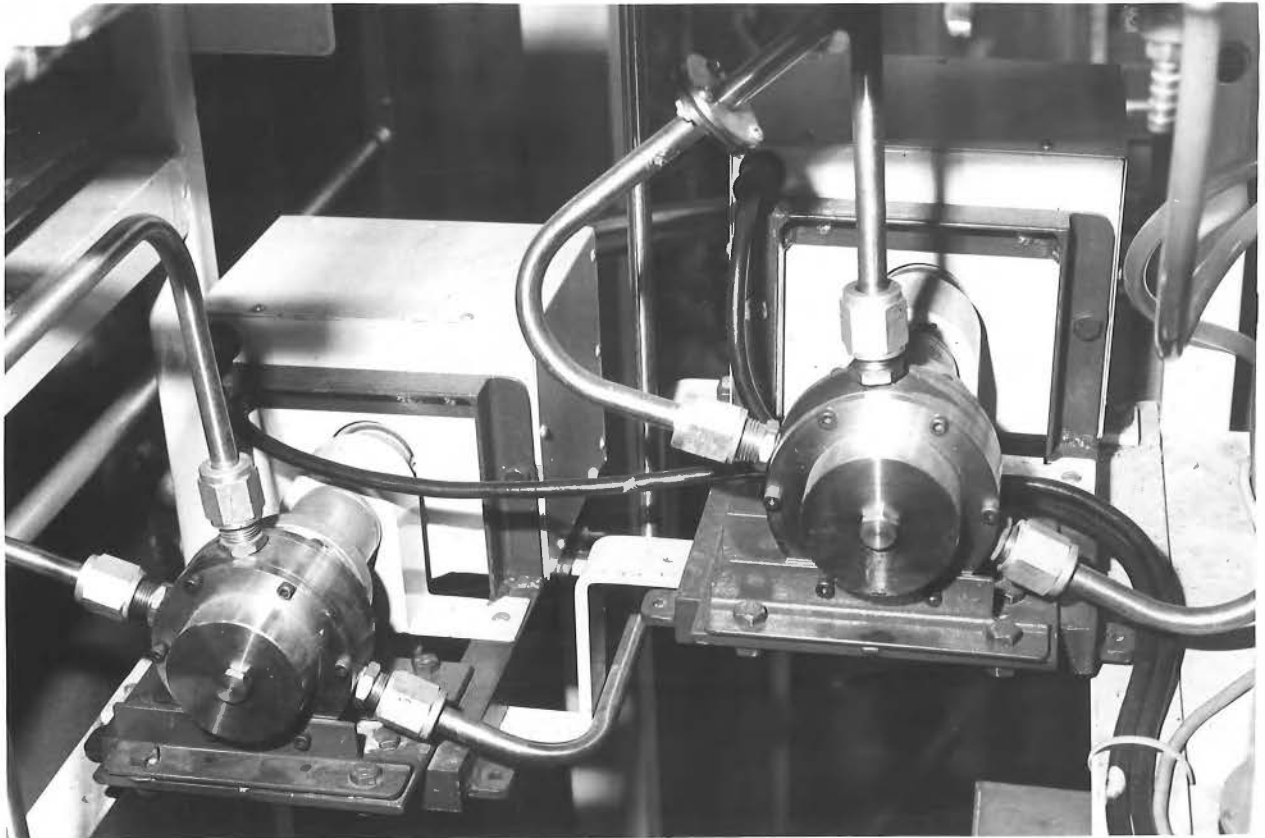


PLATE 3-2 CONTROL PUMPS

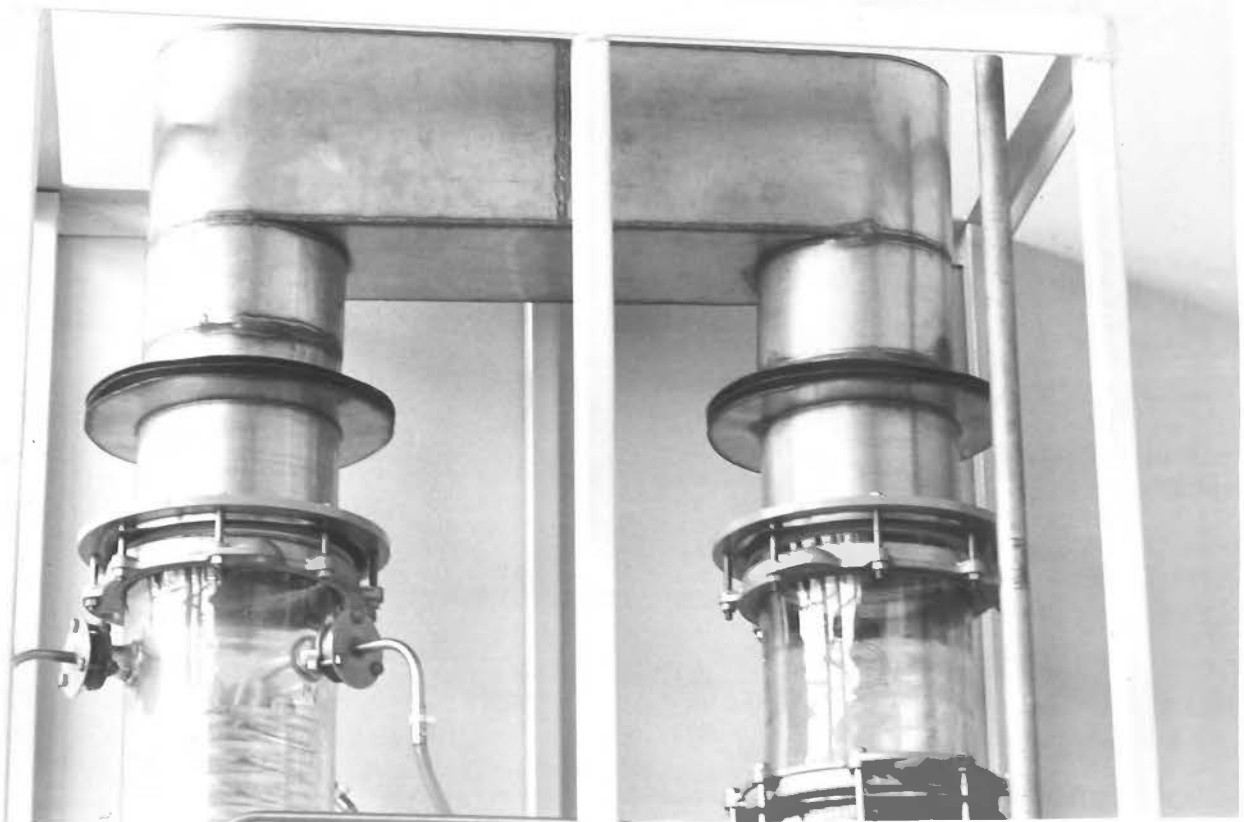


PLATE 3-3 BELLOWS SECTION

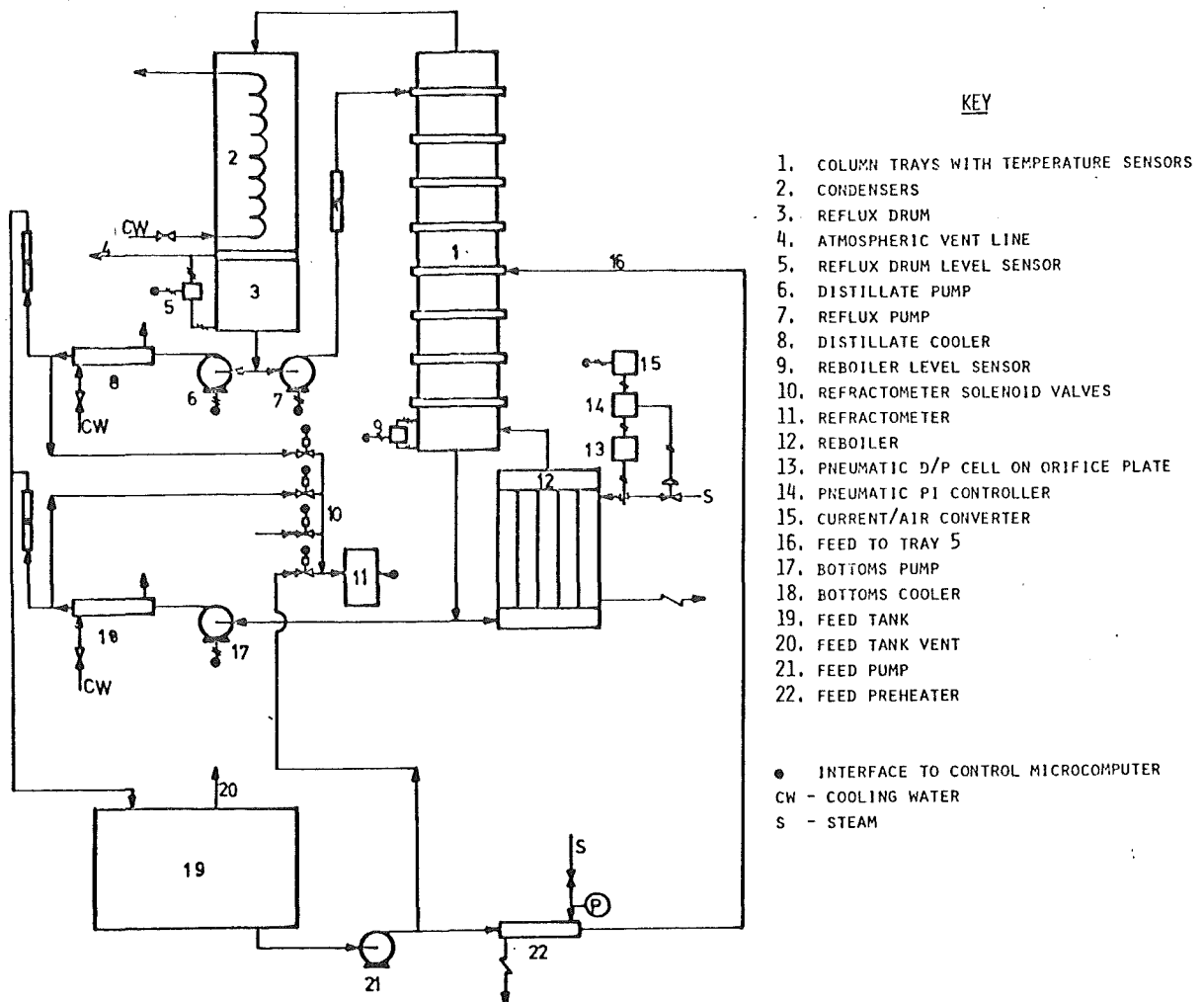


FIGURE 3-9 COLUMN INSTRUMENTATION

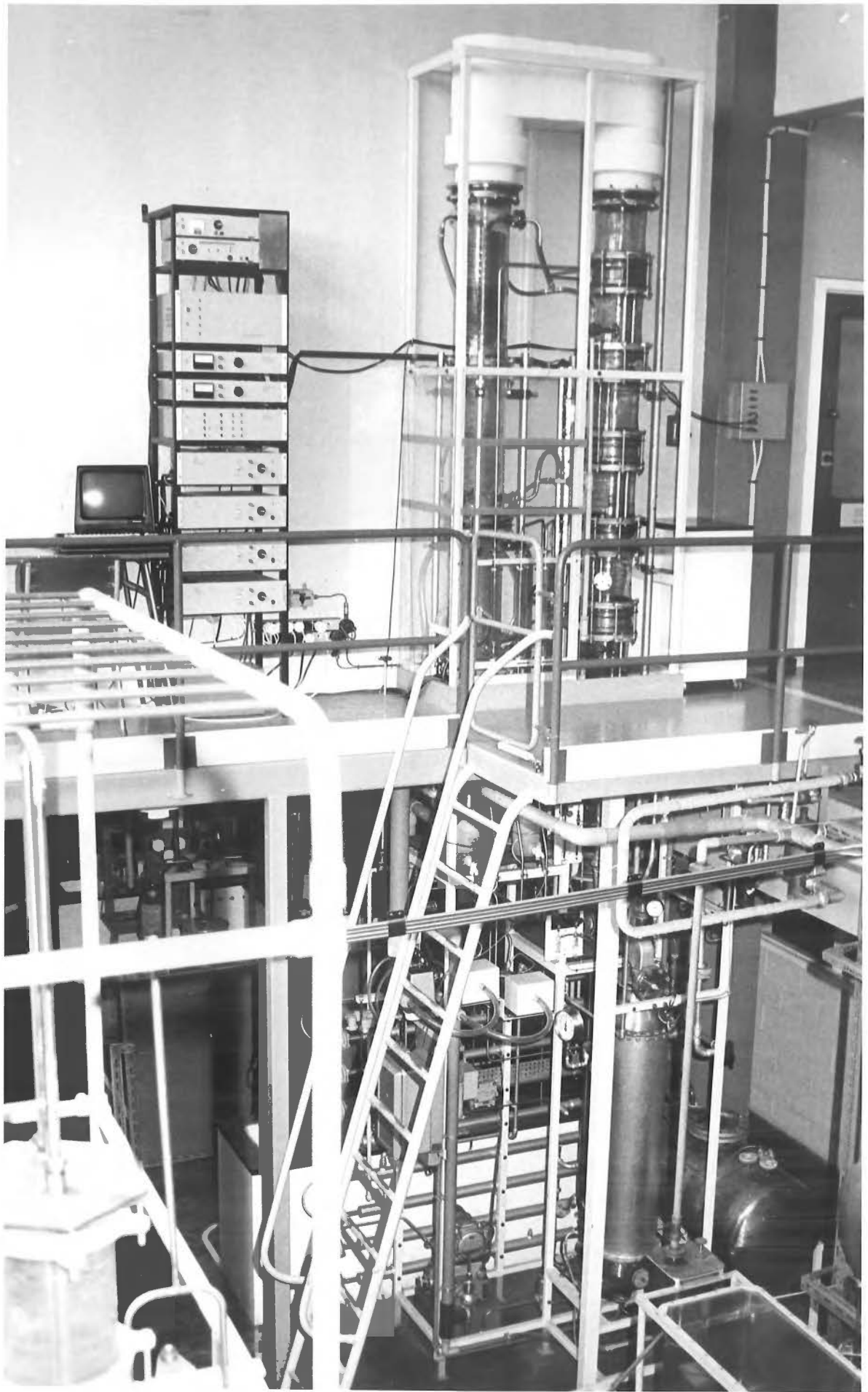


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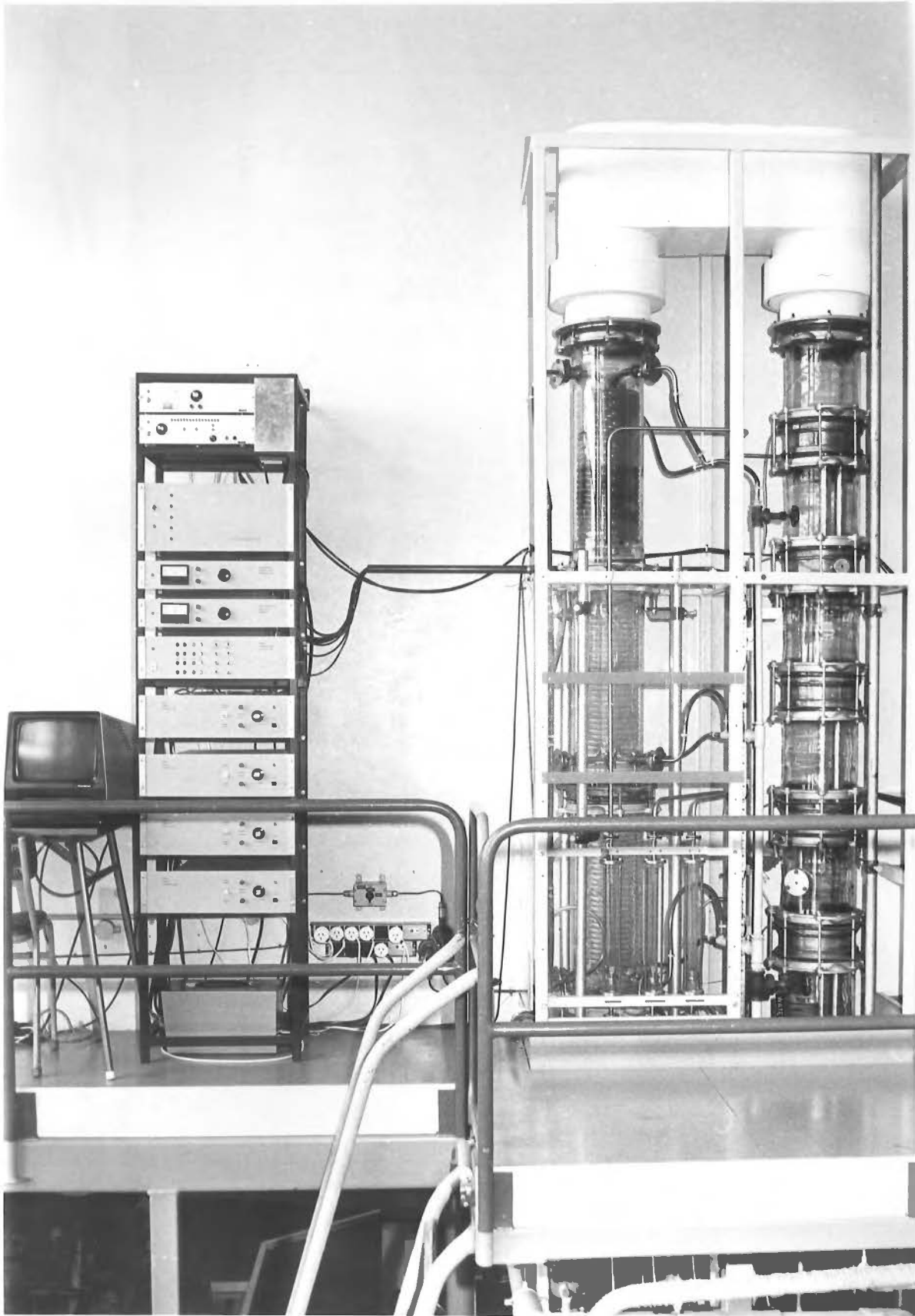


PLATE 3-5A COLUMN-UPPER LEVEL

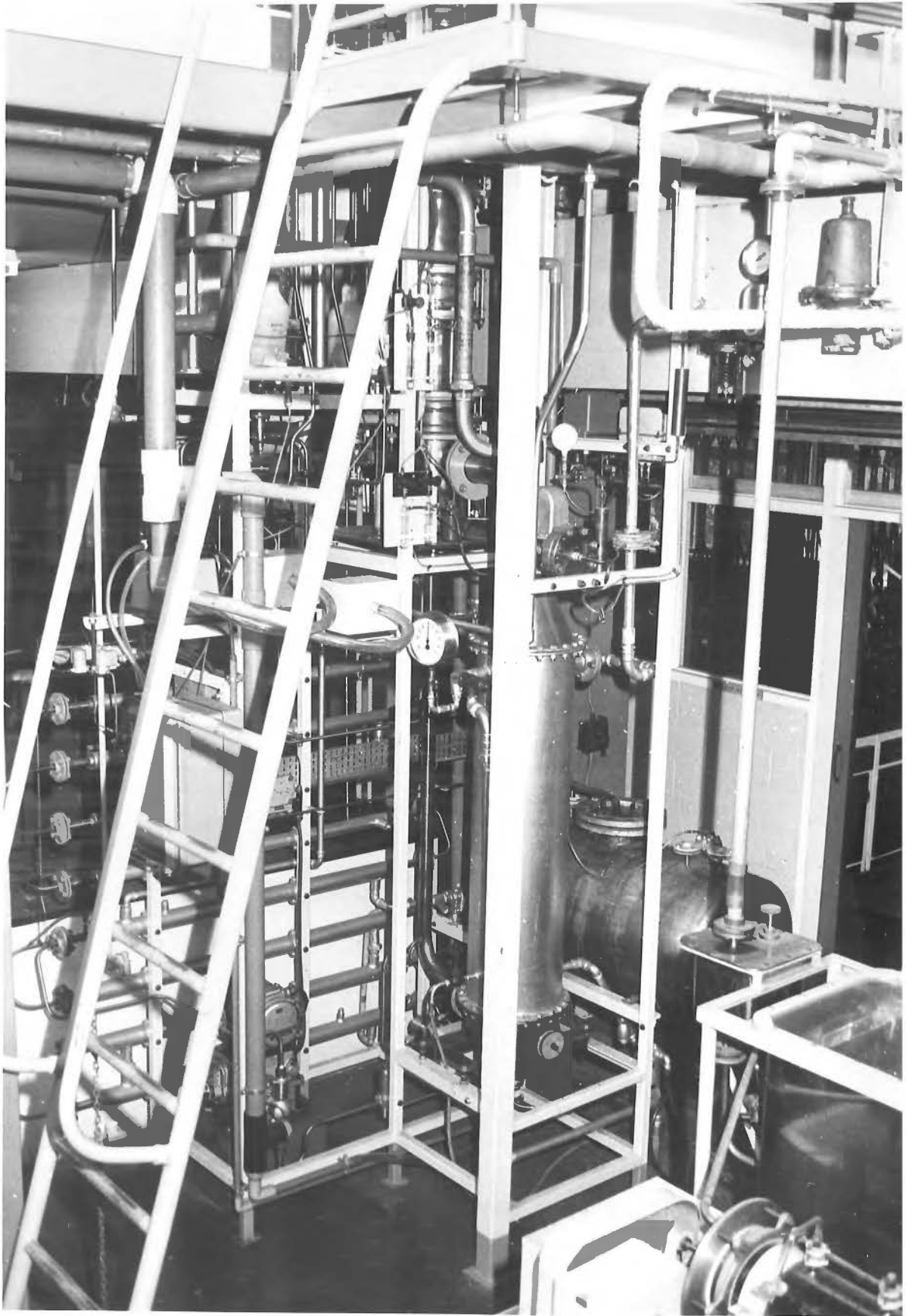


PLATE 3-5B COLUMN-LOWER LEVEL

3.8 INSTRUMENTATION

The distillation column was heavily instrumented to allow flexibility in configuring control strategies. All the instrumentation was constructed to meet an interface standard of 0-10V. In some cases this required the provision of signal conditioning circuits.

3.8.1 Temperature Measurement

Temperatures were sensed on all trays, in the reflux accumulator and in the feed line using National Semiconductor (1974) LX5700 integrated circuits. These devices have an output of $10 \text{ mV } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$, and are quoted as having a repeatability of $\pm 0.2^\circ\text{C}$ and a non-linearity of 1.8°C . To conform to the 0-10V interface standard, the transducer output was shifted and scaled so that $0^\circ\text{C} = 0\text{V}$ and $100^\circ\text{C} = 10\text{V}$ with the circuit shown in Appendix I.

The integrated circuits were soldered to 316SS probes as shown in figure 3-10 and plate 3-6, and were electrically insulated from the column tray by a polyethylene bush.

Each sensor was individually checked in a water bath, and found to exhibit a slightly different characteristic within the manufacturer's specifications. The calibrations showed that the linearity error could be reduced to a maximum of 0.7°C in the range $60-100^\circ\text{C}$. Further accuracy could be obtained by using a calibration for each individual transducer. A typical time response of a probe to a step change in fluid temperature of 50°C is shown in figure 3-11. The transfer function can be approximated by

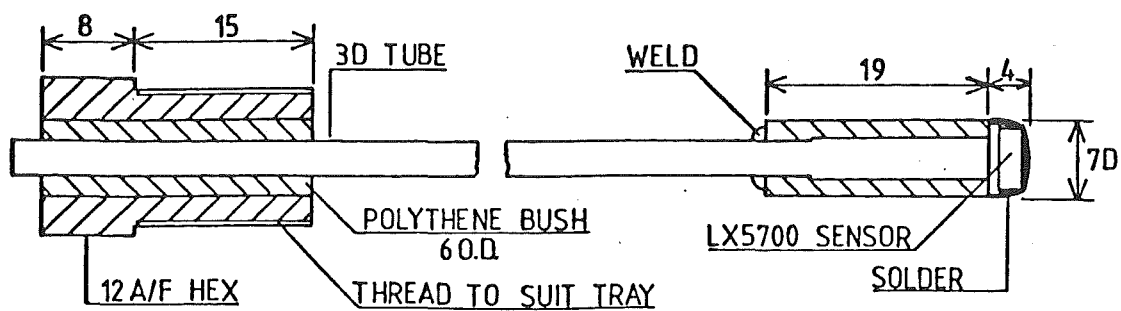
$$G(s) = \frac{1}{\tau s + 1} \quad \text{where} \quad \tau = 2.6\text{s}$$

3.8.2 Level Sensors

National Semiconductor (1974) integrated circuit differential pressure sensors were selected to sense liquid levels. The devices used



PLATE 3-6 TEMPERATURE PROBE



ALL PARTS 316SS UNLESS SPECIFIED
ALL DIMENSIONS mm

FIGURE 3-10 TEMPERATURE PROBE

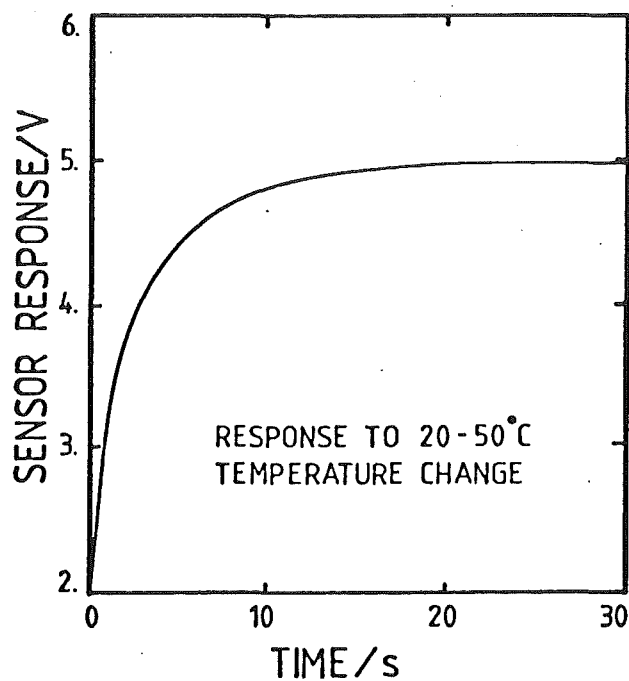


FIGURE 3-11 TEMPERATURE PROBE RESPONSE

were LX1601DF sensors fitted with rubber socks filled with silicone oil to prevent contact between the sensing diaphragm and the process fluids. Further, to allow remote siting of the sensors away from the process, conventional pneumatic bubblers were used.

The outputs of the LX1601DF devices were scaled to the range 0-10V by the circuit shown in Appendix I. The response of the sensor was reported as 2.5-12.5V for ± 35 kPa by the manufacturer (National Semiconductor (1974)) with a repeatability of $\pm 2\%$ of the span. The sensitivity of the sensor can be calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned} \pm 35 \text{ kPa} &= \pm 3.57 \text{ m W.G.} \\ \pm 2\% \text{ of span} &= \pm .02 \times 7.14 \text{ m W.G.} \\ &= \pm 0.14 \text{ m W.G.} \end{aligned}$$

the temperature coefficient of the LX1601DF was negligible. However in practice, the LX1601DF was found to be more sensitive than the worst case figure of ± 0.14 m W.G. A short term resolution of ± 0.02 m W.G. was observed with a longer term drift in the range ± 0.07 m W.G. occurring over a period of 8-10 hours. This long term drift could prove to be a problem in circumstances where tight level control is required.

The sensor on the reboiler level was operated in true differential form, while the reflux accumulator level sensor used atmospheric pressure as a reference. The level sensors arrangement is shown in figure 3-12.

3.8.3 Pressure Sensor

Overall column pressure drop was sensed from the upper pressure tapping point of the reboiler level sensing system to atmospheric pressure. A National Semiconductor differential pressure sensor, the LX1601DF, was used, and the same comments made for the level sensors apply. This sensor was used to detect malfunctions in the column operation such as loss of liquid on the trays, due to lack of reflux flow or excessive vapour rates, and flooding. The location of the pressure sensor is shown in figure 3-12.

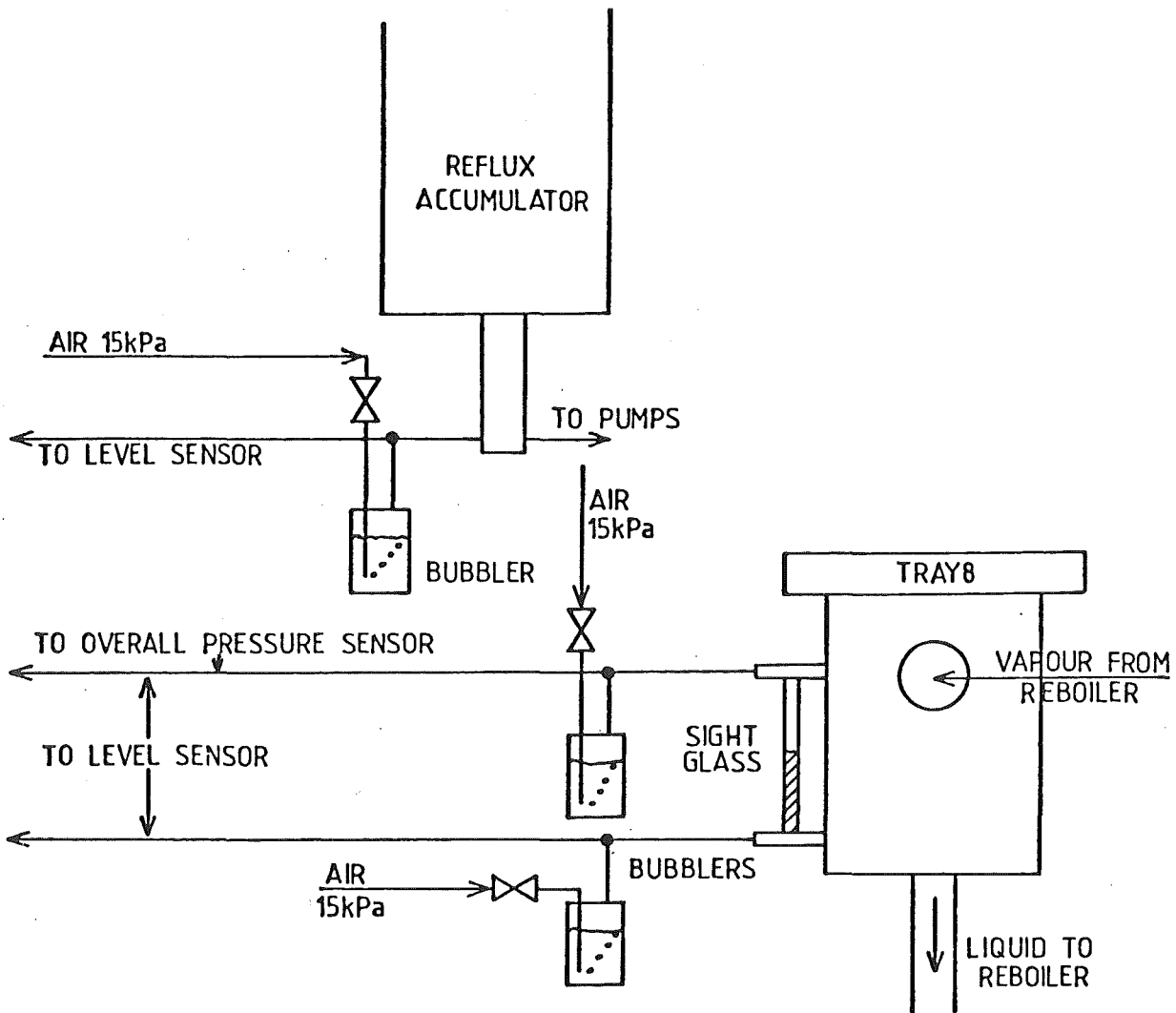


FIGURE 3-12 LEVEL AND PRESSURE TAPPINGS

3.8.4 Composition Sensor

A Phillips OKOMETER R industrial in-line refractometer was installed on the original column to monitor distillate product composition. The refractometer was modified and recommissioned to measure the composition of four methanol/water liquid streams.

The OKOMETER R was an in-line instrument and operated as follows: two parallel light beams of equal intensity were chopped with a rotating segmented plate and passed through the sampling cell and the reference cell respectively. A condenser lens focussed both beams on to a phototube; if the beams were of equal intensity there was no ac output from the phototube. If, however, there was some absorption in the sample cell, the intensity of the two beams was no longer equal and the resulting alternating current produced by the phototube was amplified and rectified to give a dc output signal. Within the sample cell, the light beam was bent so as to strike a sample liquid/glass prism interface at a constant angle. At the interface some of the light was reflected, and some was refracted into the sample liquid and absorbed. The change in light intensity of the beam leaving the cell was a measure of the amount of refracted light (and hence the refractive index of the sample liquid), and was measured by comparison with the light beam passing through the sample cell. The liquid sample stream passed through a heat exchanger which controlled the sample temperature. A thermostatically controlled water bath supplied the heat transfer medium to the heat exchanger. The interior of the instrument containing the cells, optics and electronics was also maintained at a constant temperature by a temperature controller with a fan for air circulation. Further details of the OKOMETER R can be found in the Phillips instruction manual.

A number of modifications were made to the refractometer to match it to the requirements of the distillation column. A manifold of four solenoid valves was added to the refractometer sample input. The solenoids were selected by the states of two TTL logic signals through the interface

shown in Appendix I. The output of the refractometer amplifier (0-200 μ A d.c.) was scaled to 0-10V d.c. by the amplifier shown in Appendix I. Additional filtering was introduced into this amplifier to reject low frequency noise in the refractometer output signal due to bubble formation in the liquid sample streams, and the optical chopper. The filter used was a first order lag with a corner frequency of approximately 0.15Hz.

The optical system of the OKOMETER R was found to be unsatisfactory for the methanol/water system used in the distillation column. The reference cell contained a coloured filter (green) which absorbed too much of the light passing through the reference cell. In order to balance the cell, it was necessary to almost completely block off the sample cell with the zero diaphragm, and this in turn caused problems with poor focusing of the light beams on the phototube. Removing the filter from the reference cell and placing a green perspex filter in both the sample and reference light beams allowed better focusing on the phototube and de-sensitised the zero diaphragm mechanism.

Temperature control of the sample stream was found to be very important as shown in Appendix II. The sample stream was cooled/heated in a heat exchanger comprising 1.7 m of 3 mm ID stainless steel tubing. The cooling/heating was controlled by water from a thermostatically controlled water bath pumped over the heat exchanger tubing. The water bath was controlled by an on/off solid state relay switched by a mercury/glass thermometer. The sample temperature was measured by an LX5700 integrated circuit sensor mounted in the outlet line of the refractometer. This device used a signal conditioning circuit similar to that described in Appendix I.

The construction of the refractometer and its auxiliaries is shown in figure 3-13, and the installation of the refractometer is shown in figure 3-9.

The response time of the modified refractometer was measured so

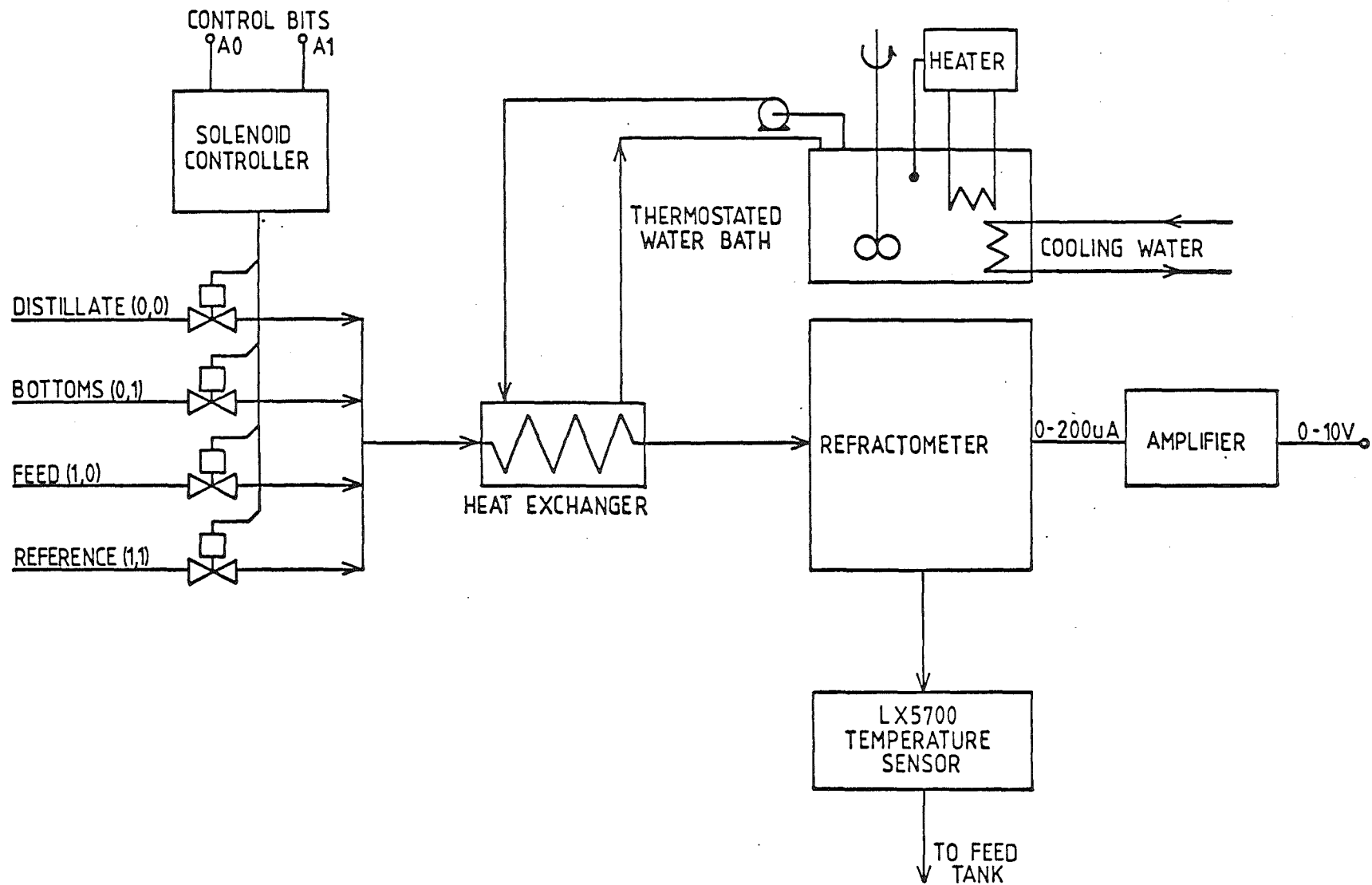


FIGURE 3-13 ON-LINE REFRACTOMETER

that a sampling schedule could be formulated. A typical response of the refractometer to a channel change is shown in figure 3-14. Using the method of Sundaresan and Krishnaswamy (1978), a transfer function was fitted to this response:

$$G(s) = \frac{K e^{-15.6s}}{3.7s + 1} \quad (\text{in seconds})$$

The minimum time between channel changes was chosen to be 60 seconds to allow for the dynamics of the sampling system.

3.9 SELECTION OF A BINARY SYSTEM

A number of important factors were considered in selecting a binary system for the distillation column. Methanol and water were chosen on the basis of the following points:

(i) Safety - a low toxicity, low risk of explosion system was required because the column was located in a hazardous area, and because the column would be operated by undergraduate students in the future. Methanol/water while having some toxic effects is regarded as safe. A Pye gas detector was set to alarm when the concentration of methanol in the air reached 1.5% (25% of the lower explosive limit of methanol in air).

(ii) Properties - methanol/water mixtures do not exhibit constant relative volatility nor constant molal latent heat of vaporation and can be described as non-ideal. Methanol is completely miscible in water and does not form an azeotrope.

(iii) A number of other researchers have used methanol/water with similar columns, and by using the same binary system, some comparisons were possible between published results and experimental work. The separation of methanol from water is performed commercially by distillation to recover methanol e.g. in the manufacture of formaldehyde.

Industrial grade methanol supplied by Imperial Chemical Industries (ICI) to the specifications given in Table 3-1 was used in the column.

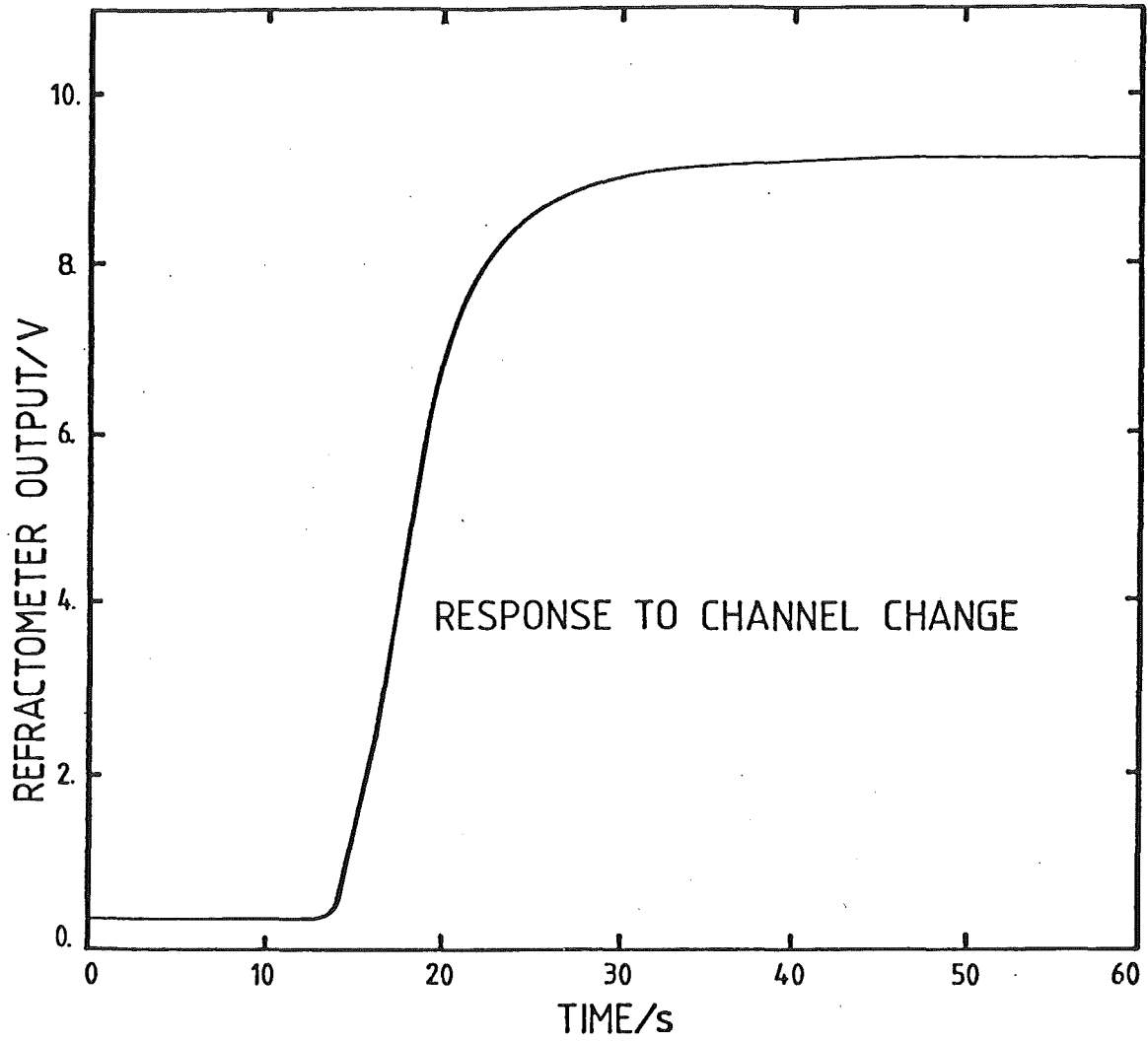


FIGURE 3-14 REFRACTOMETER RESPONSE

TABLE 3-1SPECIFICATIONS OF METHANOL/WATER

Methanol:

Appearance - clear, colourless, free from suspended matter and sediment.

- Purity
- water < .05% wt
 - aldehydes and ketones < .003% wt as acetone
 - alkalinity < .0005% wt as ammonia
 - acidity < .003% wt as acetic acid
 - sulphur < .0005% wt as sulphur

Water: Distilled in a Manesty still.

3.10 COMMISSIONING

Prior to assembly of the column components, all sections were thoroughly washed in a trichloroethylene bath, and scrubbed with boiling water to remove all traces of cutting oil and any remaining residues from the old column. Once assembled the column was twice filled with distilled water and operated at total reflux. During this operation the flanges and joints were checked and the operation of the bellows section described in section 3.7 was checked.

The column was then loaded with 87.5 litres of methanol (70 kg) and 40 litres of distilled water (40 kg). Commissioning of the instruments and controls then commenced.

3.10.1 Temperature Sensors

Calibration of the sensors described in 3.8.1 was carried out in a stirred water bath using mercury-in-glass reference thermometers. An ice bath was used to set the zero point of the scale. National Semiconductor (1974) specifications quoted the LX5700 device with a maximum of 1.2°C non-linearity, however the devices used in this work in general were better than 0.7°C. The results from each probe were fitted with a

second order polynomial which gave a maximum discrepancy between the fitted line and the data points of 0.2°C. This small deviation could be attributed to the errors involved measuring the true temperature during the calibration procedure and was within the manufacturer's repeatability specification. The calibration data, and the fitted quadratic correlations are given in Appendix II.

3.10.2 Pressure and Level Sensors

These devices were installed and operated as described in sections 3.8.2, 3.8.3. The desired operating levels were set up in the column and the level sensor readings were noted and used as setpoints in the level control loops. Calibration of the level sensors over a wide range was not necessary. A similar procedure was adopted to find the upper and lower limits on the overall column pressure drop to be placed in the alarm detecting software. The limits were chosen based on the overall column pressure drop existing when the column was operating at its desired state.

3.10.3 Composition Sensors

The OKOMETER in-line refractometer was installed and checked out according to section 3.8.4. This refractometer was calibrated against an Abbe refractometer (Carl Zeiss No. 202553) which had been checked with solutions of known concentration at several temperatures. These results are listed in Appendix II.

The operating temperature of the refractometer was chosen to be 25°C as a compromise between the heating/cooling capacity of the refractometer thermostat and the temperatures of the liquid sample streams (distillate ~ 20°C, bottoms ~ 35°C). At 25°C, the thermostat maintained an approximate 50% on/off duty cycle.

Interactions between the zero and span adjustments on the OKOMETER refractometer necessitated the following calibration procedure. Two reference streams were connected to the refractometer reference channel, one reference being pure methanol and the other a mixture of approximately

.40 mole fraction methanol of known composition and refractive index. Having selected the refractometer reference channel, the procedure was to switch between the two references, adjusting the zero point on pure methanol and the span on the mixture, until the voltage output settled at those levels determined from the calibration in Appendix II. This tedious procedure was necessary to ensure that the refractometer readings were correct. Reproducibility checks on the Okometer refractometer showed it to be capable of measuring the compositions of the column products within $\pm .004$ mole fraction. Its performance on measuring feed composition was much less satisfactory due to the very steep nature of the calibration chart over the feed composition range. The error in the feed composition was estimated to be ± 0.020 mole fraction.

Close temperature control was found to be important as the refractive index is a strong function of temperature as shown in Appendix II. The Okometer thermostat was found to control within $\pm 0.2^{\circ}\text{C}$, and using the refractive index data in Appendix II, this was predicted to cause a variation in the estimated composition of approximately ± 0.004 m.f. This error combined with the errors in the calibration chart formed the final estimate of ± 0.004 m.f. on the estimated composition for the ranges 0.0 to 0.20 m.f. and 0.80 to 1.00 m.f. The likely error on the feed composition estimate was found to be considerably higher - of the order of ± 0.02 m.f., hence all feed composition measurements were cross checked against density measurements with a density bottle, off-line.

Operation of the Okometer refractometer required careful attention to setting up and calibration. It was necessary to allow at least four hours for the air thermostat to bring the refractometer case and contents to its working temperature (30°C) and about one hour for the water bath thermostat to reach its stable operating temperature (25°C). The presence of the relatively cold sample cell in the heated refractometer caused condensation to form on the cell; a small amount of silica gel placed within the refractometer case removed this problem. Once set

up in accordance with the procedures outlined in this section, the refractometer could be relied on to give good estimates of tops and bottoms composition for periods of up to 12 hours. After this, checks against the standard solutions were required to prevent small drifts causing measurement errors.

3.10.4 Pumps and Rotameters

Some modifications were required before the variable speed pumps would work reliably. Once the individual pumps were correctly setup according to their conditions of operation, they behaved well. A small problem with the reflux pump was the gradual drift in flowrate with time for a constant rotational speed. This drift was small but continuous and was thought to be due to wear and movement in the vanes and cams system of the pump resulting in slippage. The head on the delivery side of the pump was increased by fitting a 200 mm length of 3 mm diameter stainless steel tube inside the discharge line. This flow restriction increased the back pressure on the pump, required a higher rotational speed for a given flowrate, and steadied the drift problem. The pump flowrate was also found to be suction head dependent due to some flow inadequacies in the pump design. Precise regulation in the level controllers held the suction pressures constant and minimised this problem. For the reflux pump, reliable constant flows could be maintained for periods up to four hours. The stability of the distillate and bottoms pumps was less critical as these were generally operating in the level control loops under feedback control.

The rotameters in the discharge lines of the three pumps were calibrated using water at 20°C because the calibration charts recommended by the manufacturer (Rotameter (1960)) were inaccurate due to inconsistencies in the shape and mass of the floats. Corrections for changes in liquid composition and temperature were estimated using the correlations given by the manufacturer (Rotameter (1960)). The calibrations and the corrections are given in Appendix II.

3.10.5 Steam Flow Loop

The steam flow loop was installed as described in section 3.5.5. The capacity tanks were fitted to the output lines of all the pneumatic devices to prevent the pumping action which effectively upset the control action and threatened to destroy the control valve. The tanks supplied sufficient capacity to damp out this action. The d/p cell was set up so its range matched the available steam flow range with the steam reducing valve set at 275 kPa. The PI controller was tuned to give a reasonably fast response to setpoint changes while maintaining a steady flow without large valve movements for load changes. The best settings were found to be:

proportional band = 150%

reset time = 11 min.

The response time of the steam flow control loop was almost instantaneous ($\approx 10s$).

3.10.6 Column Holdups

Holdups within the column were measured where possible and calculated otherwise. The reboiler holdup at normal operating conditions was found to be 40 litres. The maximum reflux accumulator holdup was found to be 25 litres but for most operating conditions, a level of 300 mm corresponding to a holdup of 12 litres was used. Tray holdups were calculated based on an average liquid depth on the tray equal to the height of the weirs, and a maximum backup of 100 mm in the downcomers. The results are summarised below in Table 3-2.

TABLE 3-2

COLUMN HOLDUPS

Measured Holdups	: Reboiler	40 litres
	Reflux Accumulator	25 litres
Calculated Holdups	: Tray	1.1 litres
	Feed Tank	270 litres
Total Column Holdup	: 61 litres under normal operating conditions.	

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CHAPTER FOUR

COMPUTER SYSTEMS

4.1 INTRODUCTION

The computer system developed for this work was designed to be as flexible as possible and to allow a number of different configurations. A microcomputer with peripherals and process interface was used as a software development system, and a control system. A PDP-11 mini-computer in the Department of Chemical Engineering was connected to the microcomputer to provide program development facilities for the microcomputer, mass storage, utility routines, and a hierarchical control scheme. Simple analog proportional only controllers were constructed to provide limited control functions and hardware signal filtering.

Software was written to allow the microcomputer to control its peripherals and the process instruments, and to allow the minicomputer to control the microcomputer. The computational capability of the microcomputer was extended by the addition of a hardware arithmetic unit.

Programs were developed in the minicomputer and then downloaded to the microcomputer for debugging and implementation. A cross-assembler was written to produce code for the M6800 microprocessor. All software operating in the microcomputer was developed using this system.

4.2 ANALOG CONTROLLERS

Four analog proportional only controllers with adjustable setpoints, gains, filter constants and output biases were constructed. The controllers were used to maintain the material balances within the column, when operating without computer control. A circuit diagram of the controllers is shown in Appendix I.

Two of the controllers were constructed with damping on their

outputs to prevent rapidly changing outputs causing the speed controllable pump motors to lose synchronisation. The other two controllers were set up with zero setpoint, unity gain and zero bias to serve as filters for the two liquid level signals in the reflux accumulator and the reboiler.

The filter built into each controller was a lag unit operating as a low pass filter. The first order lag unit was constructed after a circuit by Bristow (1972). A series of sinusoidal inputs to the filter established that the filter did approximate a first order lag. The filters on the liquid levels signals were adjusted to a time constant of 5.5 seconds, corresponding to a corner frequency of 0.03Hz. This filtering proved very satisfactory in smoothing the noise in the liquid level signals caused by liquid agitation.

4.3 MICROCOMPUTER

The microcomputer was constructed around an American Microsystems Inc. EVK300 prototyping single board computer. This board used a Motorola M6800 8 bit microprocessor. The major features of the board are summarised in Table 4-1. The prototyping system memory was expanded by the addition of two 4K byte read/write memory (RAM) boards, and two 4K erasable programmable read-only memory (EPROM) boards (using M6834 EPROMS). This gave a total memory complement of 10K bytes of EPROM and 9K bytes of RAM.

Interfacing to the distillation column was organised through a data acquisition unit attached to the CPU via a PIA, and through four 8 bit digital-to-analog converters via two PIAs. The process interface hardware and software will be further discussed in the following sections.

TABLE 4-1AMI EVK300 PROTOTYPING SINGLE BOARD COMPUTER

- M6800 CPU operating at 1 MHz
- 3 peripheral interface adapters (PIA), each with two 8 bit I/O ports and four control/handshaking lines
- 1 asynchronous communication interface adapter (ACIA) serial interface, RS232 and 20mA current loop, operating at 110 - 9600 baud
- 1K read/write memory (RAM)
- 2K read-only-memory (ROM) containing a small operating system (PROTO) and a collection of subroutines (RS³)
- 2K erasable programmable read only memory (EPROM) organised as 4xM6834 chips
- EPROM programmer (handling M6834 EPROMS)
- Fully buffered address, data and control busses to allow for system expansion
- An internal timer providing pulses at 100µs and 1ms intervals (used by the EPROM programmer)
- Three types of direct memory addressing (DMA) - halt processor, cycle steal, and multiplex mode.

The 20mA current loop serial port on the EVK300 board was used to control and communicate with the microcomputer. An interface from the PDP-11 minicomputer was connected to this port to allow communication between the two machines. Alternatively, a visual display unit (VDU) was attached to the port for direct interaction with the microcomputer.

Five output control lines from the three PIAs on the EVK300 board were connected via transistor drivers to front panel light emitting diodes (LED). These LEDs were used as indicators and for monitoring programs.

The computational capability of the microcomputer was extended by the addition of an American Micro Devices Am9511 arithmetic processing

unit as described in section 4.6.

The microcomputer was assembled in a 480 mm rack-mounting case with the printed circuit boards arranged horizontally. A backplane construction was used with the printed circuit boards mounted in sockets, wire wrapped together to form the backplane. This allowed maximum flexibility in adding to the system; the EVK300, RAM memory, EPROM memory and APU boards all had different pin connections.

The assembled microcomputer dissipated approximately 50 W into its case, and a cooling system was necessary. A 100 mm diameter fan was mounted in one side of the case and arranged to draw air through a cloth filter on the opposite side of the case, across the printed circuit boards. The integrated circuits (especially the RAM chips) operated at a reasonable temperature (35°C).

Power for the microcomputer was supplied by a single power supply mounted externally to the case. The circuit diagram of the power supply is shown in Appendix I. The 5V regulator had current limiting protection up to a maximum of 10A and an overvoltage trip out. The regulator was based on a conventional series regulator design. The $\pm 12V$ supplies were rated at 1.5A maximum and also had current limiting protection. A -50V supply was included for EPROM programming on the EVK300 board.

4.4 MICROCOMPUTER/PROCESS INTERFACE

The microcomputer interface to the distillation column and instruments was used to monitor process variables and set controls. All interfacing to the process was through Motorola M6820 parallel interface adapters (PIA). These devices provided two parallel 8 bit ports and 4 handshaking lines, and could be configured under software control. The following sections describe the hardware used in the microcomputer/process interface and the connections and operation of that hardware. The interface structure is shown in figure 4-1.

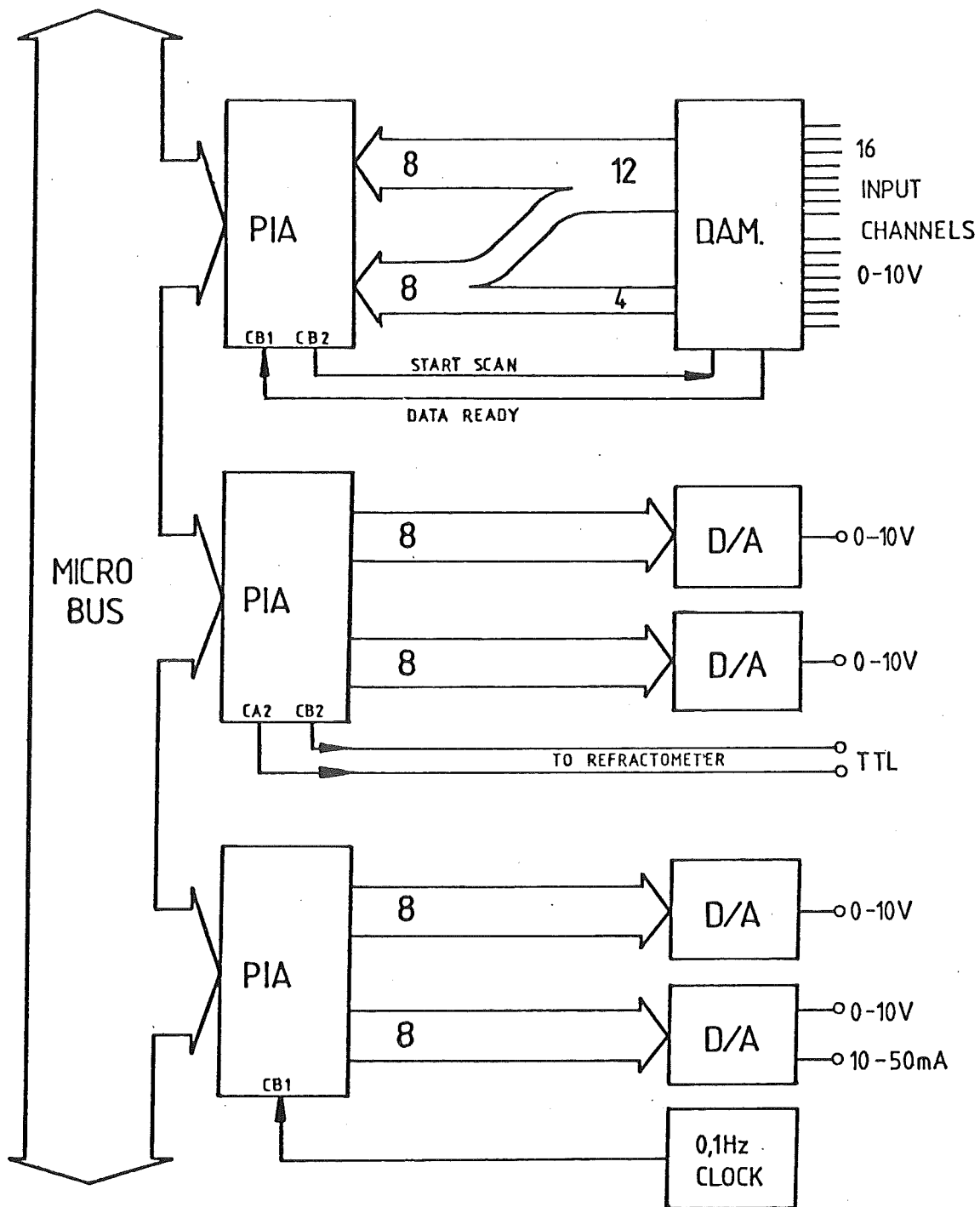


FIGURE 4-1 MICROCOMPUTER/PROCESS INTERFACE

4.4.1 Data Acquisition System

A Burr Brown SDM853 data acquisition module (DAM) was used to monitor the process variables. This unit was a hybrid package containing a sixteen channel multiplexer with control logic, a scaling amplifier, a sample and hold unit, and a twelve bit analog-to-digital converter with control logic.

The DAM for this application was configured to operate in one of the four switch selectable modes described in Table 4-2 by the addition of some discrete logic to the basic module. A circuit diagram of the unit appears in Appendix I.

TABLE 4-2

DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM

Modes of Operation:

- (1) Computer Run - To sample all sixteen channels sequentially once, and stop.
- (2) Computer Hold - To sample the current channel once and stop.
- (3) Manual Run - To advance to the next channel and sample it on depression of the push-to-convert button.
- (4) Manual Hold - To sample the current channel on depression of the push-to-convert button.

Features:

- Input ranges $\pm 2.5V$, $\pm 5V$, $\pm 10V$, $0-10V$, $0-5V$
- Variable scan frequency from 0 to 10 kHz
- Sixteen single input channels
- Channel roll over: channel 0 follows channel 15
- LED front panel to display the twelve data bits (red), and four channel identification bits (green)
- SCAN and DATA READY TTL logic lines for handshaking operation with a computer.

For control by the microcomputer, the data acquisition system was connected as in figure 4-1. A low to high transition on the SCAN line initiated either a sixteen channel sweep or a single channel sample depending on the operating mode. When the digital-to-analog converter had completed the data conversion on a particular channel, a low to high transition occurred on the DATA READY line to signal the microcomputer to take the available data.

The timing logic of the unit allowed variable sweep rates for interfacing to microprocessors of various speeds. In this case, the M6800 microprocessor was not the limiting factor in the data acquisition process. For convenience, and to allow visual monitoring of performance, the sweep rate was set at 30Hz giving one channel every 33.3 ms. This slow sweep rate also allowed the microcomputer to operate on the data between samples.

To conform to the interface standard of 0-10V used for all the column instrumentation, the data acquisition system was operated on the 0-10V range, in the COMPUTER RUN mode.

4.4.2 Control Outputs

Control outputs to the process were in two forms:

(1) Analog control signals (0-10V, 10-50mA) for controlling the speed controllable pumps and for the setpoint to the steam flow loop.

(2) Logic control signals (TTL) for controlling the selection of a sample stream to the on-line refractometer.

The connections to the microcomputer are shown in figure 4-1.

The analog outputs were generated using Motorola MC3408 8 bit digital-to-analog converters. Each converter was connected to one 8 bit parallel port of a PIA. Some signal conditioning was necessary on the digital-to-analog converter outputs since these were current output devices. An operational amplifier was used to allow both scaling and offset adjustment on the converter output in the range 0-15V. In addition a voltage to current converter was also constructed to drive the current-

to-air converter in the steam flow loop and allowed remote control of the loop setpoint. A circuit diagram is shown in Appendix I.

The logic control for the refractometer sampling system used two of the output control lines available on a PIA. The solenoid controller described in section 3.8.4 performed a four from two decoding and activated the appropriate solenoid valve. The two control lines used for this purpose were also connected to front panel LED's 1 and 2 of the microcomputer, to provide a visual indication of the current sampling channel.

4.4.3 Timing

Software timers and timed interrupts were generated from a locally constructed 10^{-4} to 10^5 Hz external clock and one PIA input line.

4.5 MICROCOMPUTER DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM

The PDP-11 minicomputer in the Department of Chemical Engineering was linked to the microcomputer through a serial interface to form a development system. A cross-assembler was written to produce code for the microcomputer using the minicomputer facilities. An interface program was written for the minicomputer to transfer data and code between the computers, and to control the microcomputer for debugging. The development system is shown schematically in figure 4-2.

4.5.1 Development System Hardware

The Department of Chemical Engineering maintained a PDP-11 minicomputer for use in real time process control work, undergraduate design and research work. The features of this machine are summarised in Table 4-3. The PDP-11 is housed in an airconditioned room approximately 150 m from the distillation column and the microcomputer.

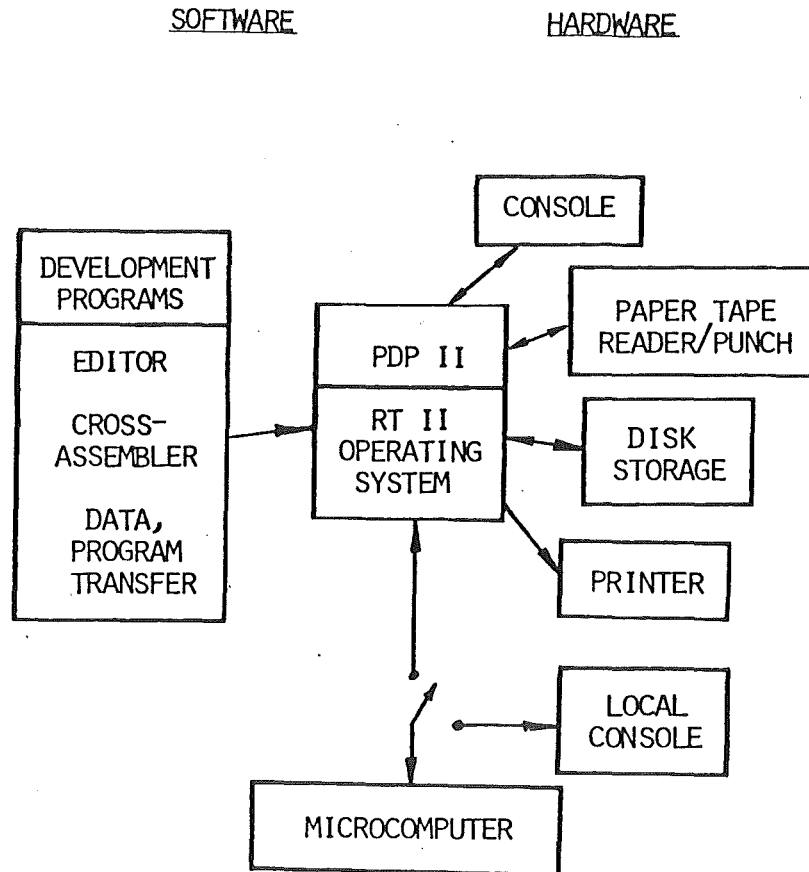


FIGURE 4-2 DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM

TABLE 4-3MINICOMPUTER FEATURES

PDP 11/15 CPU
 20K Core memory, 8K Semiconductor memory
 RK05 disk storage 1.2 M words
 KE11 extended arithmetic element
 Serial Printer (600 baud)
 Teletype terminal (110 baud)
 Console V.D.U. (2400 baud)
 Paper Tape Reader (300 ch/s)
 4 x DR11C general purpose interfaces
 16 bit word in, 16 bit word out
 2 control and 2 interrupt lines
 KW11-L line clock
 Operating System: RT-11 VO3B

To make use of the available features of the minicomputer, a serial link to allow communication between the minicomputer and microcomputer was constructed. To simplify this link, and to allow the use of existing software in the microcomputer operating system, the serial I/O port of the microcomputer was used. This interface used a 20mA current loop and was immune to electrical noise, important because of the considerable electromagnetic radiation in the vicinity of the cable which linked the microcomputer to the distant minicomputer.

A hardware interface was constructed using a universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter (UART) to link one of the minicomputer parallel interfaces (DR11C) to the microcomputer serial port via a serial 20mA current loop. A circuit diagram of the interface and a description of its operation is given in Appendix I.

The two output control lines on the DR11C interface were connected to the reset (RESET) and non-maskable interrupt (NMI) lines of the micro-

computer. Software control of these lines in the PDP-11 allowed the minicomputer to control the operation of the microcomputer.

4.5.2 Interface Software

To control the interface described in 4.5.1, a FORTRAN program, MGW, was written to make the PDP-11 appear to the microcomputer as a VDU. This allowed use of the software available in the microcomputer operating system PROTO. All data from the microcomputer was accepted under interrupt by the PDP-11 and directed to the console terminal. The PDP-11 console terminal operated at 2400 baud and this placed an upper limit on the speed of the inter-computer link.

Commands were accepted from the PDP-11 console and decoded; those for the microcomputer were passed down the serial link, and the others were actioned by MGW. The commands available were those listed in the PROTO manual. (AMI(1976)) and the following

- RE - to generate a RESET command in the microcomputer
- NM - to generate a NMI interrupt in the microcomputer
- ST - to stop MGW, disable interrupts and clean up the system.

The load command format remained the same as for PROTO, but the PDP-11 responded by asking for a code file name. On receipt of a valid file name, MGW checked that the file existed on the PDP-11 disk. If the file was found, MGW opened the file and then sent the original load command to the microcomputer, which in turn responded with a DC1 character (\$11) to indicate 'ready to receive data'. MGW then read the file from disk, block by block, and sent the data to the microcomputer byte by byte down the link. When an end-of-file record was received by the microcomputer, it sent a DC3 character (\$13) to the PDP-11 to stop the data transfer. The format of the transmitted file followed the standard Motorola hex formatted record system (Motorola (1975)).

The program MGW was written in RT-11 FORTRAN and used the Digital Equipment RT-11 System Subroutine Library. It was necessary to operate the serial link at a lower baud rate than the PDP-11 console, because

system overheads in interrupt processing sometimes caused characters to be lost. This was found to occur only in longer transmissions of more than one hundred bytes from the microcomputer to the PDP-11. MGW was used to load programs into the microcomputer, start them executing and to monitor program performance by way of breakpoints (incorporated in PROTO) and by diagnostics written into the microcomputer program.

A listing of MGW can be found in Appendix III.

4.5.3 Software Development

To produce code for a microcomputer at the machine level is slow and tedious. The next step up from this level is to use an assembler, and results in a very large increase in the rate and ease of production of software. Ideally a further step up to a higher level language such as FORTRAN or PASCAL would produce even greater ease and speed of programming. A control system often requires to operate at the bit or byte level for peripheral interfacing and hence some assembler level routines are required. The original microcomputer configuration using only the EVK board was restricted in the available memory, and consequently the decision was made to program in assembly language. Cross-compilers for high level languages were not readily available in 1975, and hence there was no alternative to assembly language programming. With hindsight, it appears that a higher level language using assembler subroutines where necessary would have simplified the programming of the microcomputer.

A cross-assembler, XASMBL, was written in RT-11 FORTRAN to run on a PDP-11 and produce code for a M6800 microprocessor. XASMBL was written in modular form as a series of subroutines. The input file to the cross-assembler was from the PDP-11 disk, and XASMBL produced two output files - one a load file formatted to the Motorola hex tape format (Motorola (1975)), and the second a list file containing the addresses of the assembled instructions, the generated program code and errors as well as the instruction mnemonics, labels and comments of the source program. The instruction

manual for XASMBL is in Appendix V. The cross-assembler has been marketed as a commercial product, and has been used in industry, local government and research situations.

Source programs for input to XASMBL were written using the RT-11 system utility program EDIT. The power of this text editing program obviated the need for some of the more sophisticated assembler features such as local symbols, macros and relocatable code. The mass storage capability of the PDP-11 disk meant that source programs were always readily available for modification and patching, assembly by XASMBL and downloading into the microcomputer by MGW.

4.5.4 Software Debugging

The PDP-11 minicomputer was used to control the microcomputer during debugging. The microcomputer software was monitored using breakpoints and register snapshots; using the software interrupt (SWI) routines contained in the microcomputer operating system PROTO (AMI (1976)). These features allowed checking of program performance, display of memory contents, and restarting of the program. With the original source program stored on disk, it was a simple operation to make small or large changes to the program, then re-assemble and download the modified program for further testing. With the serial communication link operating at 2400 baud, 1K bytes of memory could be transferred in 10.8 seconds.

The control software required for this work was written in modular subroutines, with each subroutine being debugged and checked. The routines were then collected with a main program and tested together. The development up to this stage was carried out in RAM using the development system. After the software was fully checked and debugged, it was transferred into EPROM, and ready for use. The development system simplified these operations and reduced software development time.

4.6 ARITHMETIC PROCESSING UNIT

Floating point arithmetic was necessary in the microcomputer to

allow more sophisticated control routines to be implemented. These functions could be provided by software or by dedicated hardware processors. Software routines to perform the basic arithmetic operations in both fixed and floating point formats were available through users groups such as the Motorola Users Group. However, the more complex routines such as trigonometric functions, logarithms and exponentials were not readily obtainable.

The major disadvantages of using software routines were the speed restrictions and memory requirements. A typical 32-bit floating point package such as FPAL from Intel required approximately 2K bytes of memory and executed at the following speeds:

<u>Operation</u>	<u>Time/μs</u>
Addition	700
Subtraction	700
Multiplication	1500
Division	3600

The alternative to using software routines, was to use a micro-programmed hardware processor which is a dedicated microprocessor with a specialised instruction set. A number of such units were available to perform a number of operations, e.g. National MM57109 and the American Micro Devices Am9511. The latter unit was the fastest and most powerful eight bit based arithmetic processor available.

The microcomputer described in previous sections was expanded by the addition of an Am9511 arithmetic processing unit (A.P.U.). This device made available 16 bit integer, 32 bit integer, and 32 bit floating point arithmetic operations as well as 32 bit floating point trigonometric and arithmetic functions such as cosine, inverse cosine, natural logarithms, exponentials and power raising. A printed circuit board was designed and built to interface an Am9511 APU to the M6800 microcomputer system. The board also had provision for a 2708 1Kx8 EPROM to be used as a store for a control program to operate the APU.

4.6.1 Interfacing the APU to the M6800 CPU

The Am9511 APU is designed to interface to the Intel 8080 family of microprocessors. A circuit was developed and a printed circuit board constructed to interface the APU to the Motorola M6800 family. A circuit diagram of the interface, and a description of its operation can be found in Appendix I.

4.6.2 Operating the Am9511 APU

The APU was essentially a stack oriented, reverse polish device. All data transfers to and from the chip took place over an 8 bit bidirectional data bus, but internally the device operated a sixteen byte stack organised either as 8 levels of 16 bits or 4 levels of 32 bits, depending on the type of data being used. Further information on the chip and its operation is available in the data sheet and algorithm sheet published by American Micro Devices (AMD (1978)).

To make best use of the stack of the APU and to simplify programming, an interpreter APUDRV was written to handle threaded code and to control the APU. This program resided in the 2708 EPROM on the APU board.

Threaded code is a string of commands and data stored in memory. The commands of APUDRV are listed in Table 4-4. Entry to the interpreter was achieved through a subroutine call JSR APUDRV. All bytes in memory from this location onwards were interpreted and actioned by APUDRV until a command byte UNTHRD was reached. At this point the threaded code was terminated and execution continued from the instruction following the UNTHRD command.

TABLE 4-4

APUDRV COMMANDS

(a) APU OPERATIONS

Arithmetic Operations

16 bit integer	SADD, SSUB, SMUL, SDIV, SMUU
32 bit integer	DADD, DSUB, DMUL, DDIV, DMUU
32 bit floating point	FADD, FSUB, FMUL, FDIV, PWR (= x^Y)

Functions

32 bit floating point	SQRT
	SIN COS TAN
	ASIN ACOS ATAN
	LOG LN EXP

<u>Stack Operations</u>	16 bit integer	32 bit integer	32 bit floating point
Change sign	CHSS	CHSD	CHSF
Swap the top of the stack	XCHS	XCHD	XCHF
Roll the stack up	RUPS	RUPD	RUPF
Push the stack down	PTOS	PTOD	PTOF
Float fixed point	FLTS	FLTD	
Fix floating point	FIXS	FIXD	
Push π onto the stack			PUPI

(b) APUDRV OPERATIONSAPU Stack I/O

Load immediate	IPSHS	IPSHD	IPSHF
Load from memory	PUSHS	PUSHD	PUSHF
Read from APU to memory	POPS	POPD	POPF

Conditional Branches

BRA	BEQ	BLT	BLE	BCS
	BNE	BGE	BGT	BCC

Error Branches

BER	-	branch on any error
BEN	-	branch on negative argument
BEZ	-	branch on zero divisor
BEO	-	branch on overflow
BEU	-	branch on underflow
BEA	-	branch on argument too large

Miscellaneous

- NOP - No operation (status word set)
- UNTHRD - Indicates the end of threaded code
- ENTER - Pushes bytes onto the APU stack from the microcomputer console
- PRINT - Displays the contents of the APU stack and the address of the PRINT command on the microcomputer console
- LOOP COUNT, START - Defines the end of a repeat loop beginning at location START. COUNT is the address of a downcounter which is decremented each time the loop is executed. When the downcounter reaches zero, the next command following LOOP is executed.

As well as the commands destined for the APU, the interpreter also responded to a number of other commands and special conditions. These actions included reading and writing to and from the APU, handling error conditions, and providing loop and branch operations. APUDRV contained error handling procedures; a general error handler was used to take all errors unless the user specified a different action by one of the branch-on-error commands. Part of the top 1K of RAM was used to store pointers and data relating to error handlers as shown in Table 4-5.

TABLE 4-5

APU RAM REGISTERS

<u>Memory Location</u>	<u>Use</u>
\$FFE2, \$FFE3	Memory address at which last APU error occurred.
\$FFE4	APU status byte at the last APU error
\$FFE7, \$FFE8	Pointer to the general error handler for APU detected errors
\$FFE9, \$FFEA	Pointer to the next threaded code instruction to be executed.

The user would set up the address of the error handler in locations \$FFE7, \$FFE8 before entering the interpreter to ensure that error conditions were correctly handled. By examining locations \$FFE2, \$FFE3, \$FFE4, the location of any APU error, and the type of error could be determined.

The I/O instructions came in two forms. Immediate mode pushes onto the APU stack took the required data bytes directly from the threaded code immediately following the command byte. Direct mode pushes and pops shifted data to the APU from specified memory addresses, and from the APU to specified memory addresses.

Branches were possible within the threaded code and followed the same format as the M6800 branches except that they were absolute branches and could jump to any label, anywhere in memory within a threaded code section. The branches operated on the condition code bits in the APU status word which were set or cleared according to the value on top of the APU stack.

Two useful commands for program development were the ENTER and PRINT commands. The ENTER command accepted bytes from the microcomputer console and successively pushed these bytes on to the APU stack. PRINT caused a listing of all sixteen bytes of the APU stack on the microcomputer console; the memory address at which the PRINT command occurred was displayed on the console so that the output of more than one PRINT command could be resolved.

The loop command provided for repeated operation of a section of threaded code. Its position defined the end of the loop and its syntax is LOOP COUNT, START where COUNT is the address of an 8 bit downcounter which is decremented on each loop. When the downcounter reaches zero, the next command following LOOP is executed. START is the address of the first instruction of the loop.

Future additions planned for APUDRV include indexed pushes and pops allowing operation on arrays etc., I/O formatting routines to convert

from standard ASCII formats to the internal binary forms, and the ability to call threaded code subroutines from within threaded code. These expansions are planned and will approximately fill the remaining space in the 1K byte EPROM on the APU board.

4.6.3 Am9511 APU Performance

By using the interpreter APUDRV, certain overheads were incurred in operating the APU. The overheads are listed in Table 4-6.

TABLE 4-6

APUDRV OVERHEADS

<u>Operation</u>	<u>Time Overhead/μs</u>
Load 2 bytes into APU	270
Load 4 bytes into APU	360
Read 2 bytes from APU	230
Read 4 bytes from APU	360
APU command	90

Note that the overhead for an APU operation is in addition to the actual execution time for that particular operation.

Consider a worst case arithmetic operation using the APU where two floating point numbers were loaded into the APU, multiplied together, and the answer replaced in memory. The operation times are listed in Table 4-7.

TABLE 4-7

<u>Operation</u>	<u>(CPU 1MHz)</u>	
	<u>Time/μs</u>	<u>% of Total Time</u>
Load APU (8 bytes)	720	60
Multiply	170	14
Read from APU (4 bytes)	320	26
	<u>1210</u>	<u>100</u>

For this example, I/O occupied 86% of the total execution time for a 1 MHz CPU. This time could be reduced by using a faster CPU, e.g. a 2 MHz M6800, and marginally reduced by using a 4 MHz APU. Further time savings are possible by using in-line code instead of a threaded code interpreter. However, the use of in-line code would increase the code requirement 3 to 20 times, and lead to longer program development and debugging times. For distillation column control, the speed restrictions resulting from using threaded code were not critical.

As a comparison, a test program using the feedforward column controller described in Chapter eight was coded and executed in FORTRAN and BASIC on the PDP-11 minicomputer described in Table 4-3, and in assembler for execution by the APU. The relative times are given in Table 4-8.

TABLE 4-8
COMPARISON OF EXECUTION TIMES

<u>Language</u>	<u>Machine</u>	<u>Time/ms</u>
FORTRAN	PDP-11	23
BASIC	PDP-11	65
ASSEMBLER	Am9511/M6800	41

A further comparison was made between the speed and memory requirements of the APU and software routines written for an 8 bit microcomputer. Because a floating point arithmetic package was not available for the M6800, an approximately equivalent package produced by Intel for the 8080/8085 family of microprocessors was used in comparison with the APU. The Intel Floating Point Arithmetic Package (FPAL) quoted average times for the four basic arithmetic operations. These were compared with average times for the APU using in-line code and using threaded code with the interpreter APUDRV in Table 4-9.

From Table 4-9 the time advantages for using the APU are marginal when using threaded code for addition and subtraction, but significant for

TABLE 4-9

(APU 2MHz)
 (CPU 1MHz)

COMPARISON OF INTEL FPAL WITH APU

Operation	Average Time/ μ s	Average Time/ μ s	Average Time/ μ s
	FPAL	Threaded Code	In-line Code
+	700	785	145
-	700	790	150
*	1500	759	120
/	3600	765	125

multiplication and division operations. It should also be noted that the APU times include the time to move the data bytes onto the APU stack and off again. If, in the course of a series operations, data can be held on the APU stack, then the execution time for the APU will be more favourable with respect to the floating point package.

The FPAL package for performing the basic arithmetic operations required 1900 bytes of memory plus 20 bytes of scratchpad memory for an accumulator. The APU unit on the other hand occupied only two bytes of the possible memory space, plus 1K EPROM for the interpreter, APUDRV. To include all the functions available in the APU, it was estimated that 5K bytes of memory would be required based on the routines available through the Intel Users Group.

In conclusion, the Am9511 was a very powerful device for extending the computational capability of an 8 bit microprocessor based system. The addition of an interpreter APUDRV to handle threaded code reduced the throughput capability of the APU as a trade off against programming ease. In this application the Am9511 was found to be extremely useful in extending the possible range of microcomputer control programs to feedforward and adaptive controller strategies.

4.6.4 Generating Threaded Code for the APU Interpreter

A pre-assembler, PREASS, was written to translate the APU mnemonics

into the equivalent opcode in a form acceptable to the cross-assembler. PREASS also expanded a set of macros to handle the additional operations described in section 4.6.2. A more detailed description of PREASS, and an example of its use can be found in Appendix V.

4.7 NOMENCLATURE

ACIA	-	asynchronous communications interface adapter
APU	-	arithmetic processing unit
CPU	-	central processing unit
DAM	-	data acquisition module
DMA	-	direct memory access
EPROM	-	erasable, programmable read-only memory
LED	-	light emitting diode
PIA	-	peripheral interface adapter
RAM	-	read/write memory
ROM	-	read only memory
TTL	-	transistor-transistor logic
VDU	-	visual display unit
\$	-	prefix indicates a hexadecimal number (base 16).

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CHAPTER FIVE

MICROCOMPUTER SOFTWARE

5.1 INTRODUCTION

The direction of this work changed during the period of the project due to major changes in technology, especially in the microprocessor field. The original design was for a mini-computer controlled distillation column; this led to a minicomputer/microcomputer configuration, and finally to a stand alone microcomputer system. The changing level of emphasis from the minicomputer to the microcomputer led to a change in direction for the software development. Initial plans were for the microcomputer to be no more than an intelligent peripheral controlled by the minicomputer, whereas in the final design the microcomputer became self-sufficient.

The first step was the replacement of the read-only memory (ROM) based operating system, PROTO, on the EVK300 board with a subset called OPSYS. This avoided some of the incompatibility between PROTO and the microcomputer peripherals.

The second step was the creation of a suite of programs, CC68, for the microcomputer to operate the peripherals, and to provide individual loop controllers. These programs were written as subroutines with a main program to sequence them and a common database. An overall flow diagram of CC68 is given in figure 5-1. The individual routines of CC68 are discussed further in the following sections.

5.2 OPSYS - A MICRO OPERATING SYSTEM

PROTO, the ROM based operating system had a number of useful commands that allowed control of the microcomputer from power on (AMI(1976)). However, there were several disadvantages to using PROTO to control the microcomputer:

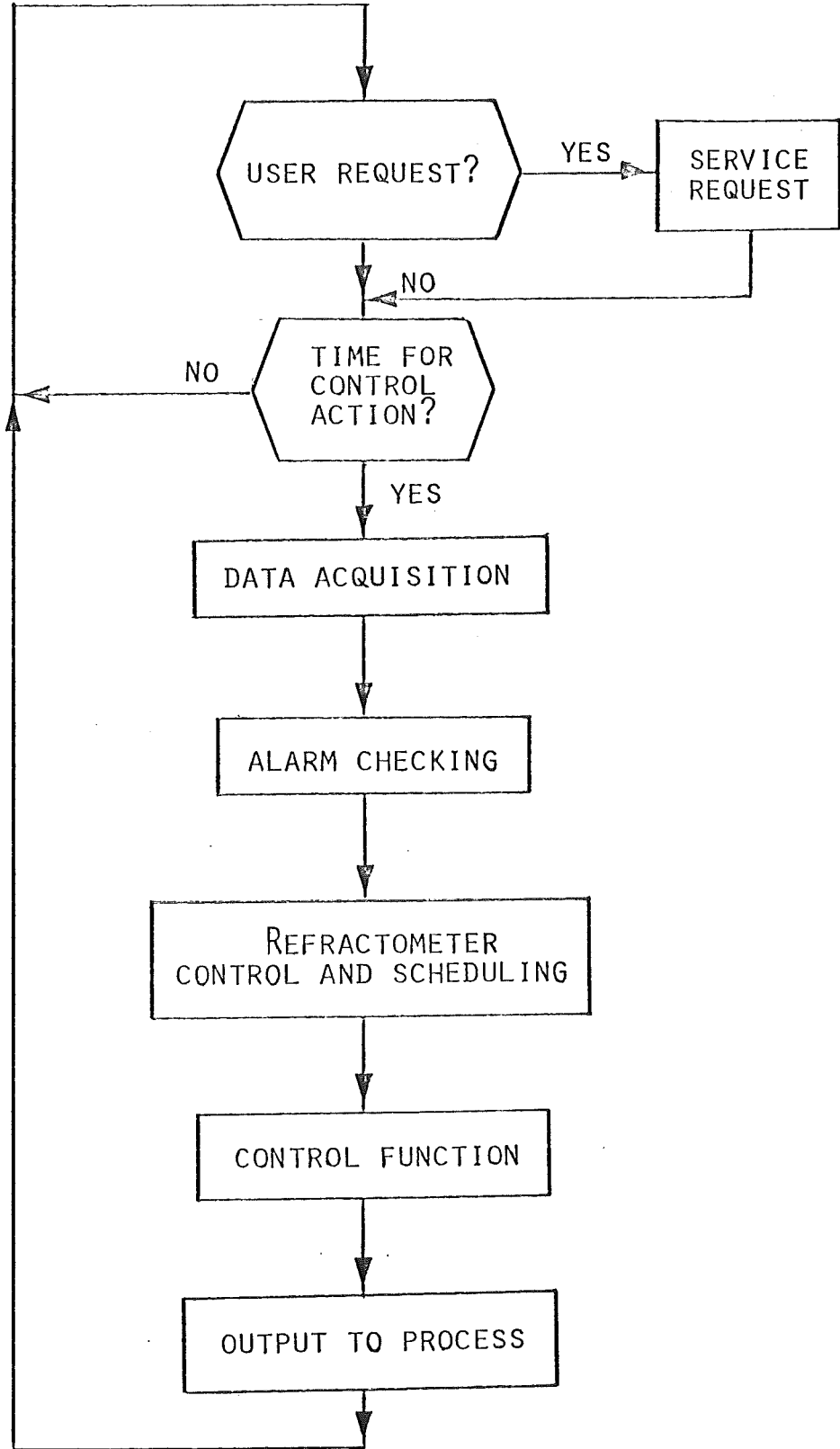


FIGURE 5-1 BASIC CONTROL PROGRAM

(i) On RESET or on a detected error, PROTO initialised two of the peripheral interface adapters (PIA) on the EVK300 for EPROM programming. This created problems for any peripheral that was using those PIAs.

(ii) PROTO started a program by pushing all the registers onto the stack (including the new starting address) and then executing a return-from-interrupt (RTI) instruction. (This sequence allowed PROTO to provide breakpoints). This method of starting proved unreliable and often a RESET was required.

OPSYS was written as a subset of and an adjunct to PROTO with the features summarised in Table 5-1. Other differences between OPSYS and PROTO were

(i) On RESET, OPSYS configured the PIA's to suit the micro-computer peripherals.

(ii) OPSYS could be entered via an NMI interrupt without reinitialising the PIA's or altering any variables.

(iii) OPSYS started a program by executing a JMP instruction.

TABLE 5-1

OPSYS FEATURES

- C - to configure PIAs - PIA #1, #3 for output via D/A
- PIA #2 for input from data acquisition module
- G < addr > - to start execution at < addr >
- J - to jump to PROTO entry point
- L - to load. This command was as for PROTO but no parameters were accepted
- Z - to zero all RAM locations from \$0 up.

OPSYS and PROTO both share the 512 bytes of RAM at the top of memory for data and stack space.

OPSYS was written in assembler using the cross assembler described in Chapter 4, burnt into a M6834 EPROM and installed on the EVK300 board with a start address of \$E600 (\$ prefix indicates a hexadecimal number). The EVK300 restart switch register was changed to route resets to OPSYS.

5.3 DATA BASE

The programming of the CC68 routines was arranged so that all program code resided in EPROM, and the data base resided in RAM. To make best use of the direct memory addressing mode of the M6800 micro-processor (Motorola (1975)) the data base was organised to start at \$0 and extend up to \$1FF. All the data associated with the CC68 routines was located in the area \$0 to \$C0. Expansion of the data base was possible after the last entry. Those sections of the data base as necessary were included with the individual routines described below for assembly via XASMBL. A listing of the CC68 data base is given in Appendix IV.

5.4 TIMING FUNCTIONS AND THE INTERRUPT ROUTINE

Timing registers were implemented using an $\overline{\text{IRQ}}$ interrupt routine driven by an external clock (section 4.4.3). The operator interface also operated under the same $\overline{\text{IRQ}}$ interrupt line, so the peripheral devices were polled to determine which required attention. This situation was further complicated by the fact that if an $\overline{\text{NMI}}$ interrupt occurred while an SWI interrupt was in progress, then neither the SWI or the $\overline{\text{NMI}}$ interrupt was executed but an $\overline{\text{IRQ}}$ interrupt was taken instead (Motorola (1975)). This possibility was also polled. A flow chart of the $\overline{\text{IRQ}}$ interrupt routine, TIMER, is given in figure 5-2 and a listing of the routine is given in Appendix IV.

The timer registers were five single byte RAM locations, each of which was incremented by one on each interrupt of the external clock.

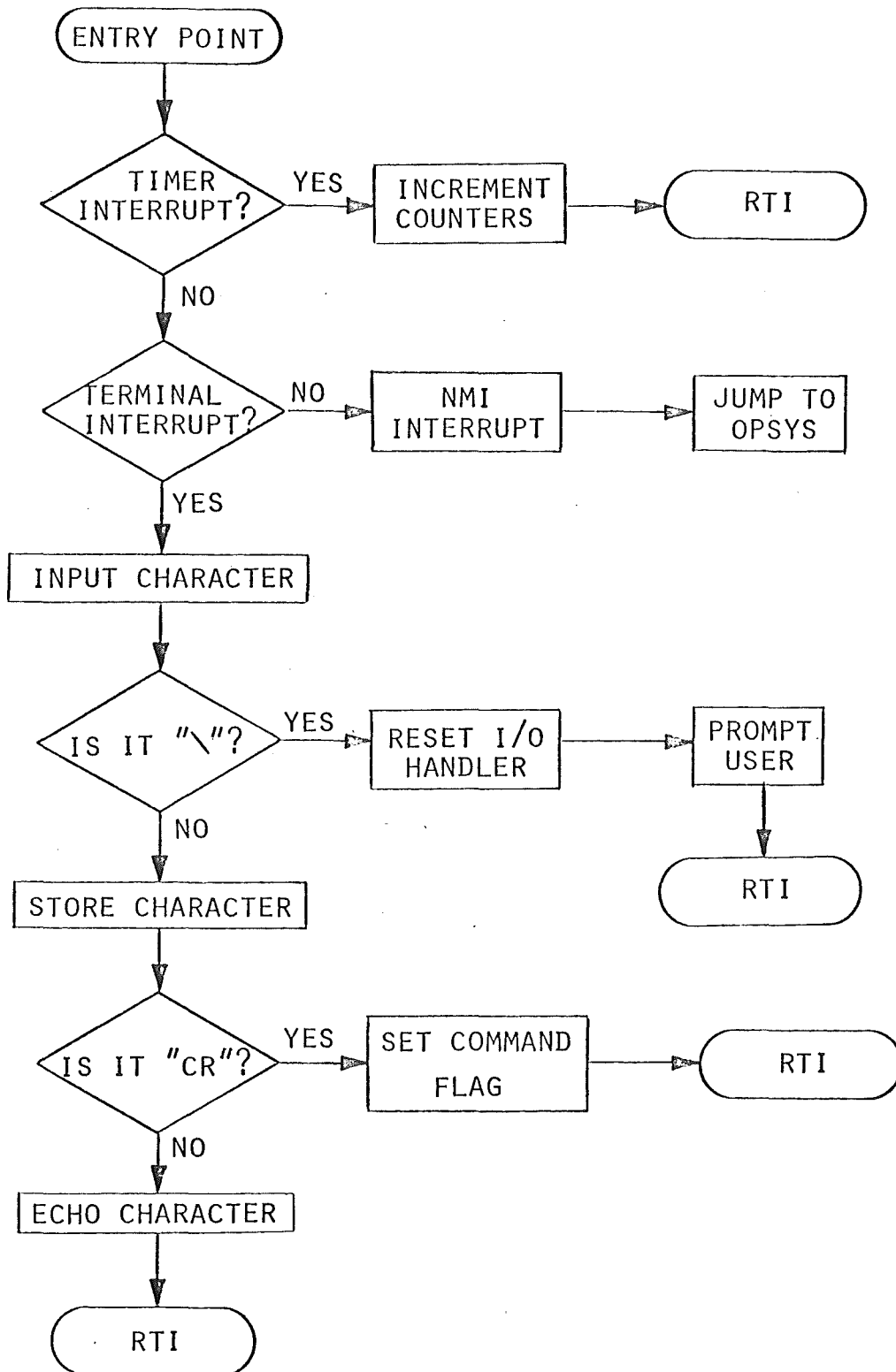


FIGURE 5-2 INTERRUPT HANDLER

The user program could clear or modify these registers in any way. Any NMI interrupts detected in this routine were passed to OPSYS. This allowed entry into the microcomputer operating system without going through the RESET procedure. The operator interface terminal (VDU) control was also performed in the IRQ routine. This involved accepting characters from the terminal and echoing valid ones. A backslash (\$5C) was defined to be an escape character, and caused the current line of input to be rejected and a user prompt for a new line of input made. A carriage return (\$0D) completed the line of input and set a flag to indicate to the main program that there was a completed line of input available.

5.5 OPERATOR INTERFACE

The operator interface was a minimal set of commands for altering and displaying parts of the database. It consisted of two parts; the operator I/O which was under IRQ interrupt (see section 5.4) and the operational section which actioned the operator commands. On receiving a valid line of input, the main program of CC68 branched to the routine USERC and decoded the input line. The available commands are listed in Table 5-2. The command consisted of a single alphabetic character (with or without modifiers) followed by a carriage return. The input line was compared with a table of available commands, and a branch taken to the appropriate routine. If the command was undefined, the routine returned to the main program. A listing of the routine USERC is given in Appendix IV.

TABLE 5-2

OPERATOR COMMANDS

C - To print the controller parameters as

< double byte > < double byte > < single byte >

K_1

K_2

PV Index

for each of the four controllers in order, one per line. After

the four controllers, a single byte was printed showing the current controller division factor. (See Section 5.9 for details).

- D - To print out the data from the data acquisition system as two rows of eight double bytes, in sequence from channel 0 to 15. Each double byte contained a four bit channel identifier and 12 bits of data, e.g.
- \$AB23 ⇒ Channel 10 (\$A) had a value of 2851 (\$B23).
- P - To print out four single bytes representing system parameters as follows:
- byte 1 = system status (see Section 5.11)
- byte 2 = data acquisition error flag (0 = no error)
- byte 3 = current refractometer channel
- byte 4 = sampling time factor (see Section 5.11).
- R - To print out the data collected from the online refractometer as four double bytes. The most recently acquired data had the upper nibble set to \$8. The refractometer channels were in the following sequence:
- (1) distillate composition
 - (2) feed composition
 - (3) bottoms composition
 - (4) reference composition.
- S - To print out the setpoints for the single loop controllers described in 5.9 as four double bytes in the sequence
- (1) loop 1 (controls reflux flow)
 - (2) loop 2 (controls bottoms flow)
 - (3) loop 3 (controls distillate flow)
 - (4) loop 4 (controls steam flow).
- V - To print out the current valve positions as four single bytes in the order
- (1) reflux flow

- (2) bottoms flow
- (3) distillate flow
- (4) steam flow.

I < addr > , < byte 1 > { , < byte 2 > } ...

to allow the entry of a sequence of bytes (byte 1, byte 2 etc.) into memory starting at location < addr > .

O < addr > , < count >

to output to the terminal < count > single bytes starting at location < addr > . The starting location was also listed as a double byte.

Note: (i) All I/O was done in hexadecimal base integers.

(ii) No conversions were performed - all data was displayed or entered in memory image form, i.e. data acquisition system data was in the form 0 - \$FFF (0 - 4095).

(iii) Valve position \equiv pump control.

5.6 DATA ACQUISITION

Data was acquired from the process through the system described in 4.4.1 under the software control of a subroutine READAD. On entry to the routine, a timer register and a channel counter were cleared, and a pointer set up to the data base. The data acquisition system was then triggered by lowering, then raising the SCAN line. When data became available, the DATA READY line was raised high and this was shown in bit 7 of the PIA status register. READAD polled the status register, waiting for the DATA READY signal. When this occurred, READAD accepted the data from the two PIA input registers, and checked that the correct sequence channel had been received. If the channel was not the expected one, an error was logged and the routine continued; otherwise the data was stored as received in the data base. When sixteen channels had been received, the routine returned to the calling program.

If the timer register cleared on entry to the routine incremented before all sixteen channels had been read, READAD aborted with the error flag set to \$FF . (Note that the error flag otherwise contains the number of channel read errors.) The errors detected and flagged by READAD were actioned by another routine CHECK which implemented alarm checking.

A flow diagram of READAD is given in figure 5-3, and a listing of the routine is given in Appendix IV. Allocation of the 16 channels is shown in Table 5-3.

TABLE 5-3

DATA ACQUISITION CHANNEL ALLOCATION

<u>Channel Number</u>	<u>Process Variable</u>
0	reflux accumulator level
1	reboiler level
2	temperature tray 1
3	" " 2
4	" " 3
5	" " 4
6	" " 5
7	" " 6
8	" " 7
9	" " 8
10	" reflux accumulator
11	" feed
12	" ambient
13	column pressure drop
14	refractometer composition
15	refractometer temperature

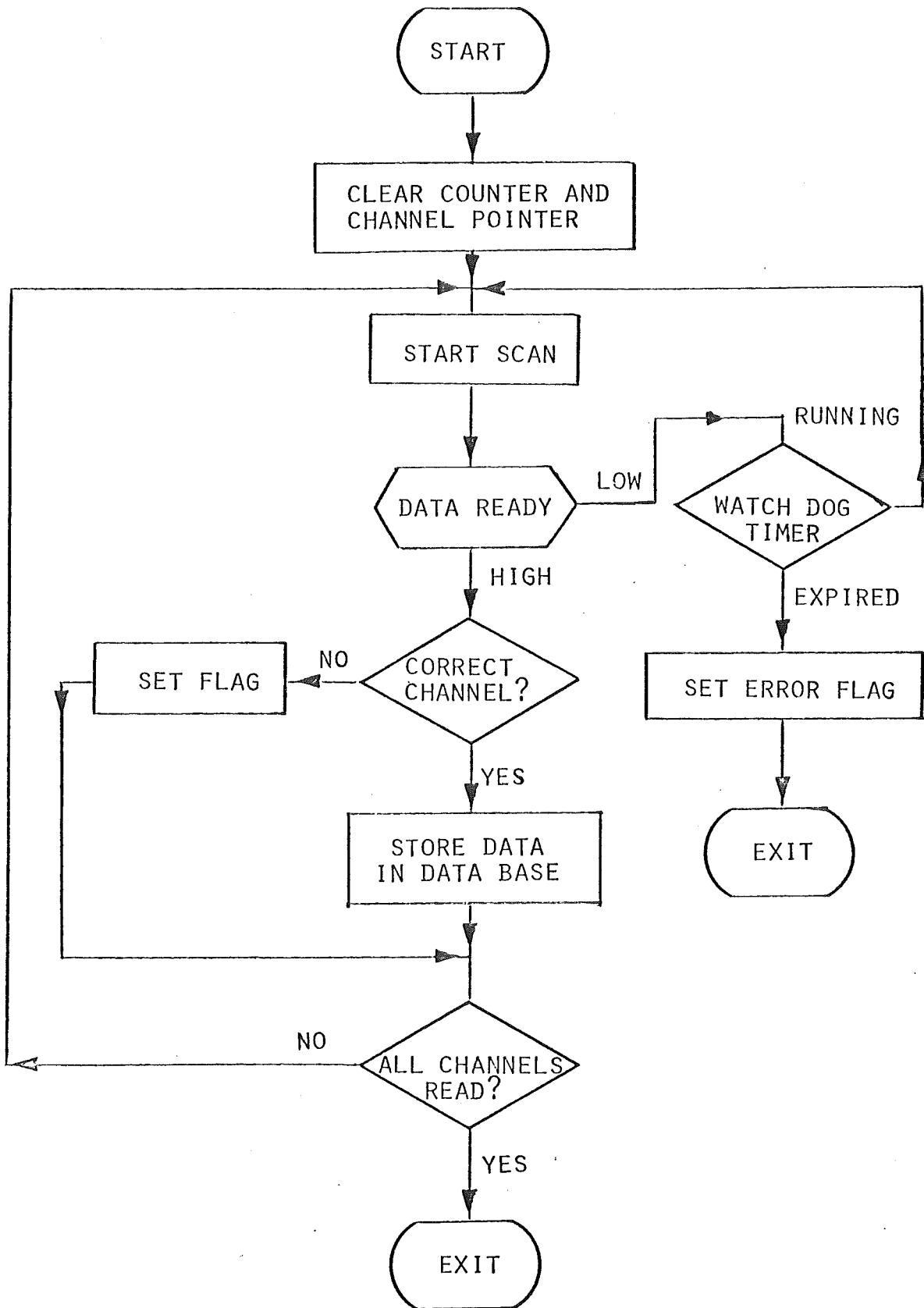


FIGURE 5-3. DATA AQUISITION PROGRAM

5.7 CONTROL OUTPUTS

All analog outputs were voltages in the range 0 - 10V from the digital - to analog converters described in section 4.4.2; the pump control signals were passed directly to the motor speed controllers, and the output to the steam flow control loop was converted to a current (10-50 mA). Interfacing to the digital-to-analog converters is straightforward; the desired output (0-255) was loaded into the PIA output register, and within 250ns the corresponding voltage appeared at the process control elements.

The speed controllable motors driving the control pumps can lose synchronisation and stop rotating if the control voltage changes at a rate greater than $0.2Vs^{-1}$; some hardware protection was included in the speed controllers to ensure that this condition was met. As additional protection, the control outputs were set by a slewing algorithm in the subroutine VALVES. (In this context valves are considered flow controllers and equivalent to pumps). This subroutine slewed each control output at rate selected under software control. The maximum rate of change was stored in memory as the largest possible change in the output byte permissible in a period of 125 ms. For an input of 0-10V corresponding to 255 discrete steps then $0.2Vs^{-1}$ corresponded to a maximum change of 5 steps per second or approximately 1 step per 125ms. A flow diagram of VALVES appears in figure 5-4 and a listing of the subroutine in Appendix IV. Allocation of the control outputs is shown in Table 5-4.

TABLE 5-4

CONTROL OUTPUT ALLOCATION

<u>Channel Number</u>	<u>Connected to</u>
0	reflux pump
1	bottoms pump
2	distillate pump
3	steam flow loop

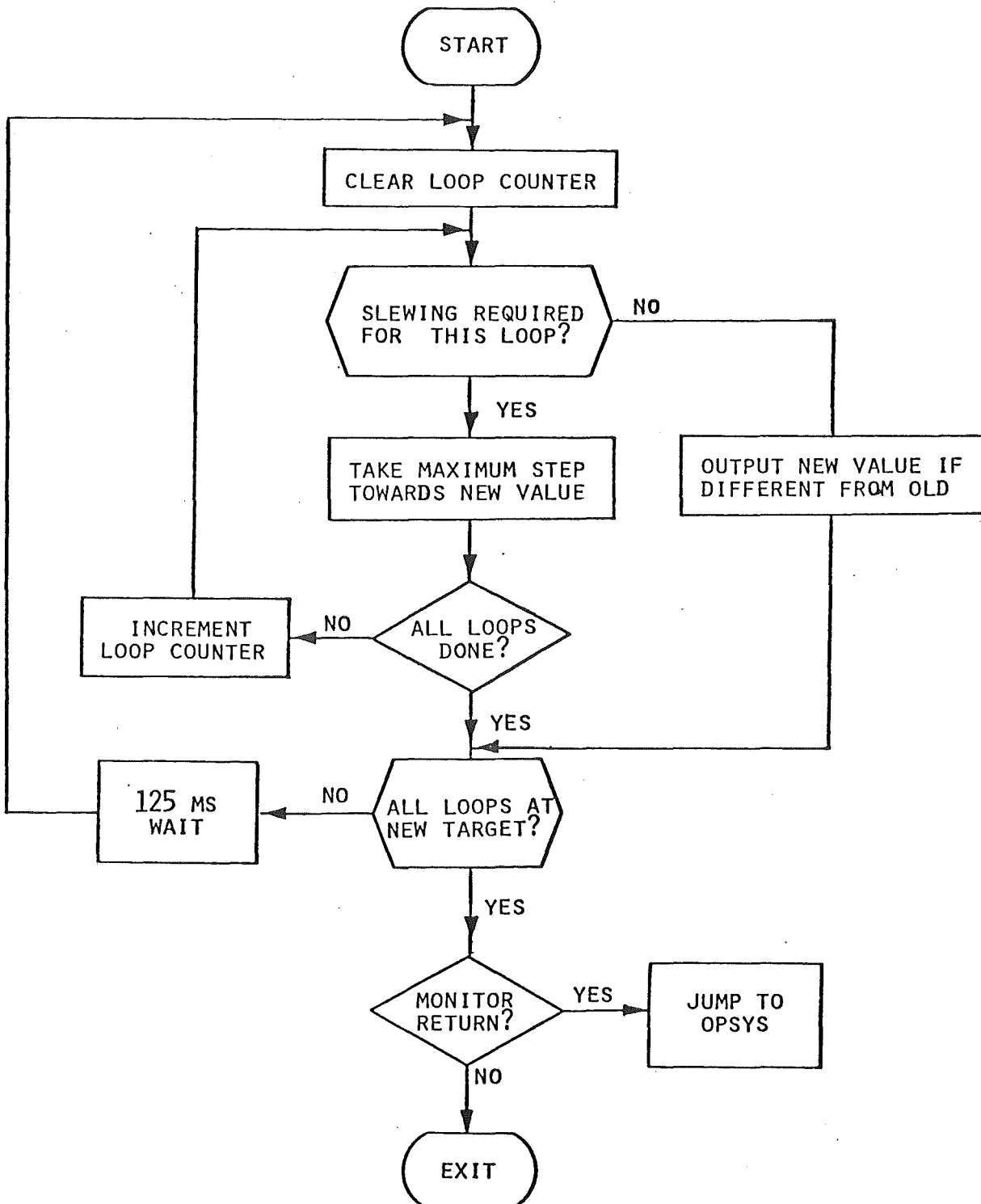


FIGURE 5-4 CONTROL OUTPUT PROGRAM

VALVES could also be used to slew the control outputs under manual control through the operating system, OPSYS. The new required outputs were set at the memory locations \$3C to \$3F, corresponding to loop 1 to loop 4, and the routine VALVES entered by the command G \$E561. The interrupt mask was used to detect whether the control program was running (mask off = program running). This determined whether the routine returned to the calling program with an RTS instruction, or to OPSYS with a JMP (Under OPSYS, the interrupt mask is set).

5.8 REFRACTOMETER CONTROL

Control and scheduling of the OKOMETER online refractometer described in section 3.8.4 was performed by the subroutine, REFCTL. Sequencing of the refractometer channels was implemented through a twelve byte ring buffer; each byte in the buffer contained a code as shown in Table 5-5. A pointer to the ring buffer was stored in the data base, and a timer register was used to ensure that the refractometer settling time met the requirements of the sampling system dynamics. The sampling time was software selectable and was normally set to give 60s between channel changes. When a channel change was required the appropriate code byte from the ring buffer was decoded, and two output control lines of a PIA set by manipulating bits in the control and status register. When a particular channel was deemed to have settled for the selected time interval, the data for the refractometer was taken from the data acquisition system area in the data base, and the channel number stripped off and replaced by a \$8 nibble. This indicated that this channel was the most recently sampled one. At the same time, the \$8 nibble appearing on the previous channel sampled was cleared to \$0.

A flow diagram of REFCTL is shown in figure 5-5 and a listing of the subroutine appears in Appendix IV.

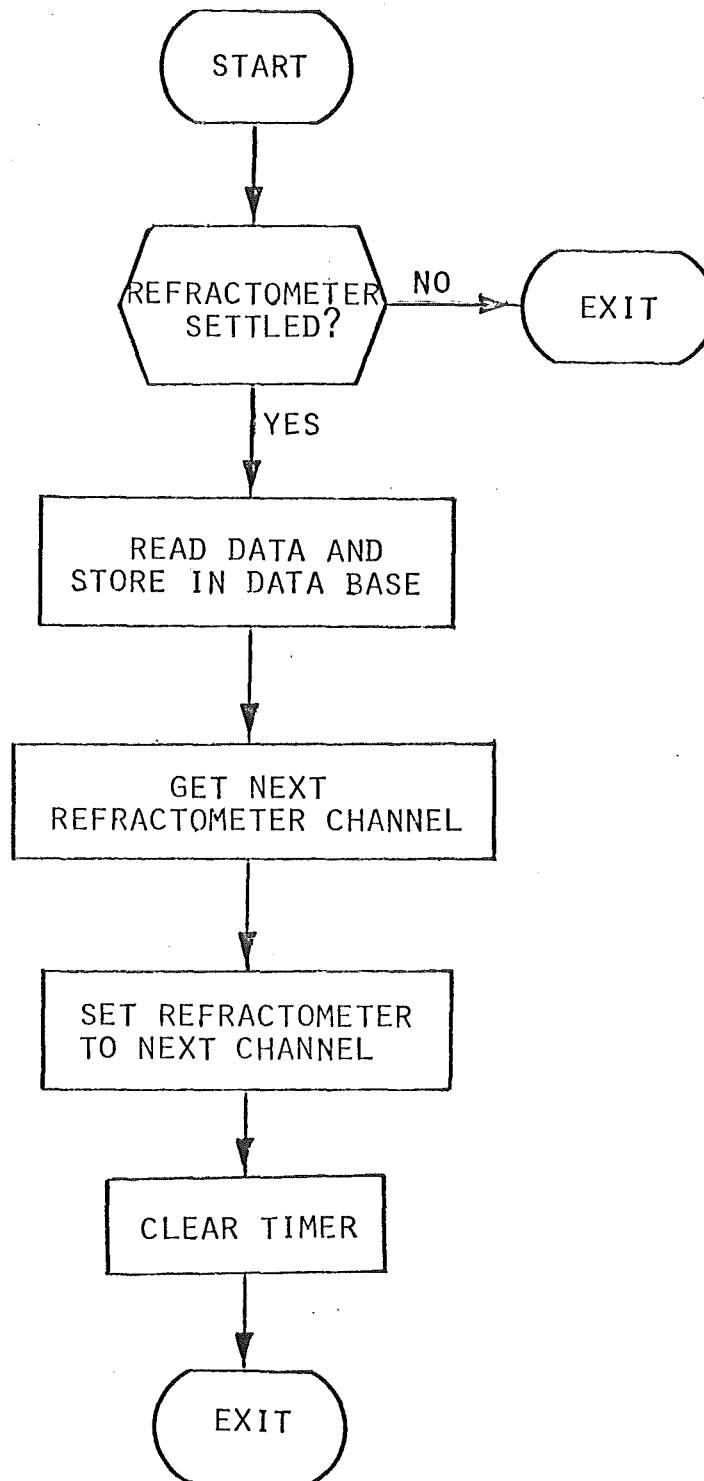


FIGURE 5-5 ONLINE REFRACTOMETER CONTROL PROGRAM

TABLE 5-5

REFRACTOMETER SAMPLING CODE	
Code Byte	Sampled Stream
0	distillate
1	feed
2	bottoms
3	reference

5.9 SINGLE LOOP CONTROLLERS

Subroutine CONTRL provided four digital controllers, each controller associated with one control element as given in Table 5-4. The controllers were sampled data, incremental, proportional-integral types computed using 16 bit integer arithmetic. The arithmetic operations were originally performed using software because the arithmetic processing unit was not available.

The process variable for each controller was selectable by means of single byte offset pointer to the data base. This allowed any element of the data base in the first 256 bytes of memory to be used as the process variable for any of the four loops and added flexibility to the configuration of the control system. The process variables were not scaled, being integers in the range 0-4095 as converted by the data acquisition system. The setpoints were selected and entered into the controllers on the same basis (0-4095).

The control function was evaluated as follows:

$$\Delta V = (K_1 E_1 + K_2 E_2) / 2^{\text{DIVN}}$$

ΔV = change in valve position for the current sample time

where E_1 = $SP - PV_1$ (present error)

E_2 = $SP - PV_2$ (past error)

K_1, K_2 = controller coefficients

DIVN = controller division factor.

The use of valve position was taken to be equivalent to pump speed for the distillation column control scheme. This controller could be related to the industry standard analog controller: for a PI velocity type controller (Smith (1972))

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta V &= K_c (E_1 - E_2 + T E_1 / T_I) \\ &= K_c E_1 (1 + T/T_I) - K_c E_2\end{aligned}$$

K_c = analog controller gain

where T = sampling interval

T_I = analog controller integral time

Comparing these controllers:

$$K_1 = K_c (1 + T/T_I)$$

$$K_2 = -K_c$$

and hence the controller parameters for the CTRL controllers could be related to the standard controller gain (K_c) and integral time (T_I). The inclusion of the division factor 2^{DIVN} allowed K_1, K_2 values less than one to be specified, and still use integer based arithmetic. The division factor was the last operation performed to retain significance through the calculation of ΔV .

The new valve position (equivalent to pump speed) was calculated as follows:

$$V_{\text{NEW}} = V_{\text{OLD}} + \Delta V$$

$$V = V_{\text{NEW}} / 256 + 128$$

where $V_{\text{OLD}} = V_{\text{NEW}}$ from last calculated control action

V = 8 bit byte output to D/A converter.

The division by 256 was necessary to map the calculated valve positions on to the available valve positions. This can be seen by considering the range of the calculated value of V_{NEW} and the available range for the output byte V .

$$V_{\text{NEW}} = 16 \text{ bit integer (range } - 32768 \text{ to } + 32767)$$

$$V = 8 \text{ bit byte (range } \approx 0 - 255)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Scaling factor} &= 2 * 32768 / 256 \\ &= 256 \end{aligned}$$

The shifting of V by 128 was necessary because of the change from signed binary arithmetic in the controller calculations to the unsigned binary output byte. Dividing V_{NEW} by 256 produced a valve position in the range - 128 to 127 and adding 128 corrected this to 0 to 255 which was the desired interval for the output devices.

The scaling and mapping of ranges in the controllers introduced another gain into the controllers as shown in figure 5-6. The input range is 0-4095 and this was mapped to the output range of 0- 255 giving a controller scaling factor of $\frac{255}{4095} = 0.0623$. The controller parameters were corrected for this factor. The division factor and the scaling factor mean that the controllers can use fractional gains and integral times. This led to the following method of controller setting; suppose the desired controller settings are

$$\begin{aligned} K_c &= 3.0 \\ T_I &= 1 \text{ min} \\ T &= 0.1 \text{ min} \end{aligned}$$

then using the relationships previously defined

$$\begin{aligned} K_1 &= \frac{3(1 + 0.1/1)}{0.0623} = 52 \\ K_2 &= 3/.0623 = -48 \end{aligned}$$

These settings were computed using floating point arithmetic and then truncated to 16 bit signed integers.

A flow diagram of `CONTRL` is shown in figure 5-7 and a listing is given in Appendix IV.

5.10 ALARM CHECKING

Subroutine `CHECK` performed alarm checking on the data acquisition system and on selected process variables. The former was checked using

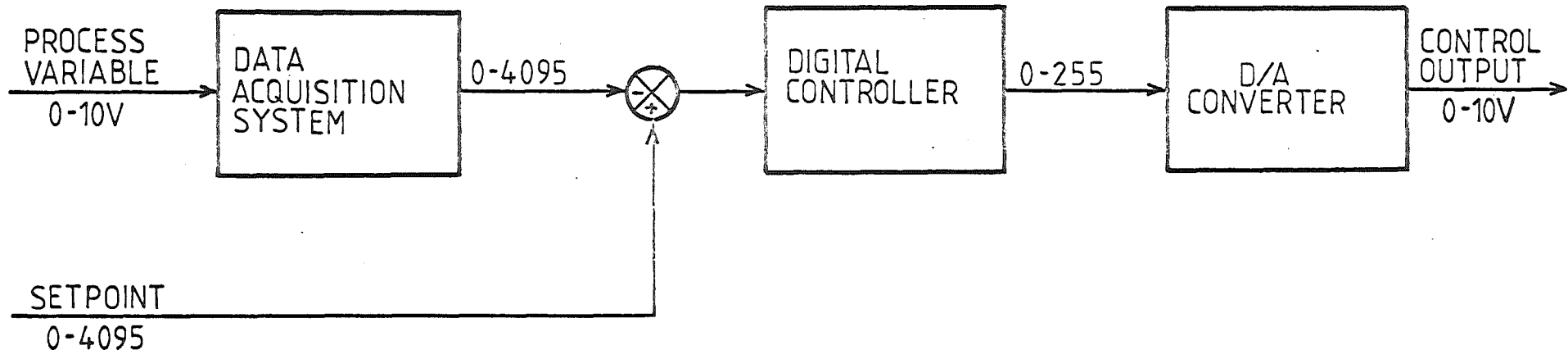


FIGURE 5-6 SINGLE LOOP CONTROLLER

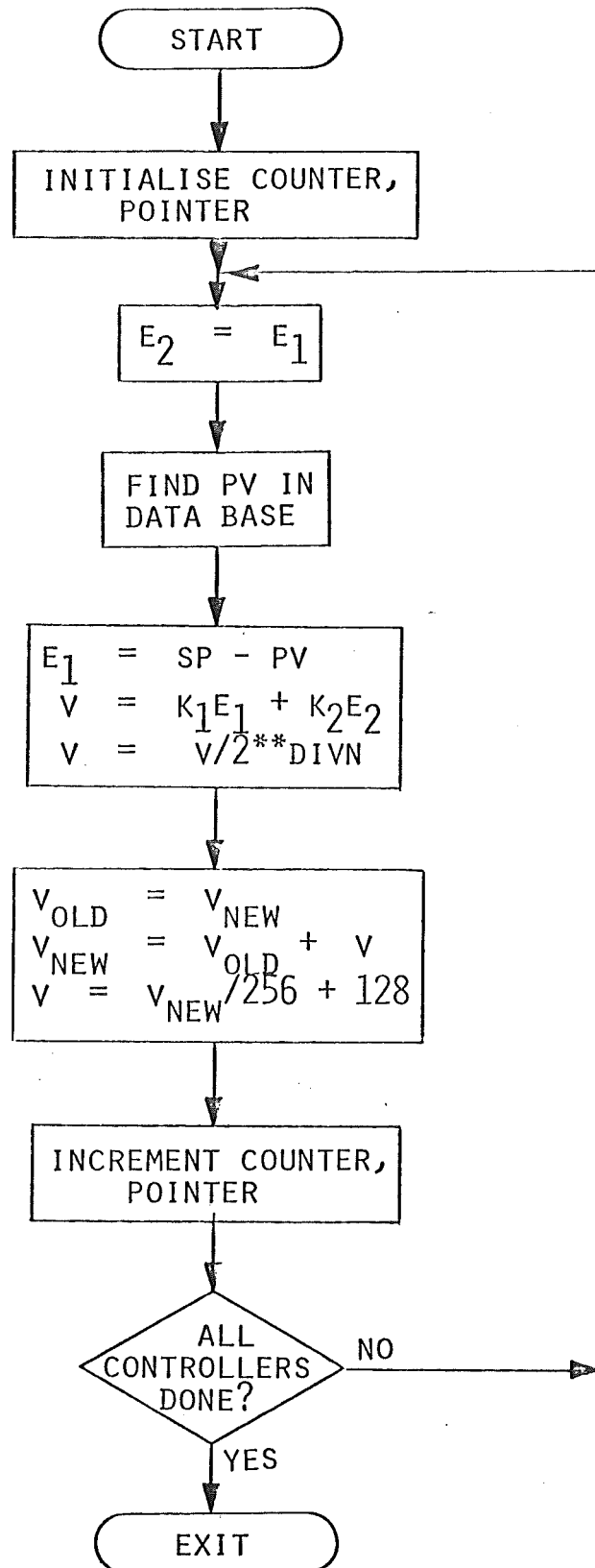


FIGURE 5-7 CONTROLLER PROGRAM

a flag for channel errors or hardware failure while the latter were compared against upper and lower limits set in the data base. On detecting any alarm condition, the terminal bell or buzzer was sounded, a message logged on the terminal as ? ALARM X ? (where X = 0, 1, 2, 3 indicated which alarm was activated), and the terminal bell sounded again. Any action required to correct a specific alarm condition was taken by the operator. Provision was made for the microcomputer to have control of the column power supply to the pumps and steam flow loop by way of the TTL logic signal in the safety interlock system shown in Appendix I. This line could be connected to a PIA control line to allow the microcomputer to shut down the distillation column in an emergency, but for this work, a manual switch was available to the operator to perform this function.

A flow diagram of CHECK showing the alarm codes is given in figure 5-8 and a listing of the subroutine is given in Appendix IV.

5.11 MAIN PROGRAM

The main program served to sequence the subroutines described in the previous sections together into an operational unit. This involved initialising peripheral devices, memory locations, enabling IRQ interrupts, and scheduling of the control routines. Sampling time was determined from one of the timer registers compared against an entry in the data base. While waiting for the correct time to implement control action, the program also checked whether an operator command was pending; if it was, this command was actioned. By interleaving the operator interface and the control system in this way, neither suffered significantly because of the other; operator requests in general were only run in the free time between control action. The variable SYSTAT was used to indicate which section of the control system was active at any time. This feature was included to allow program hangups to be traced quickly.

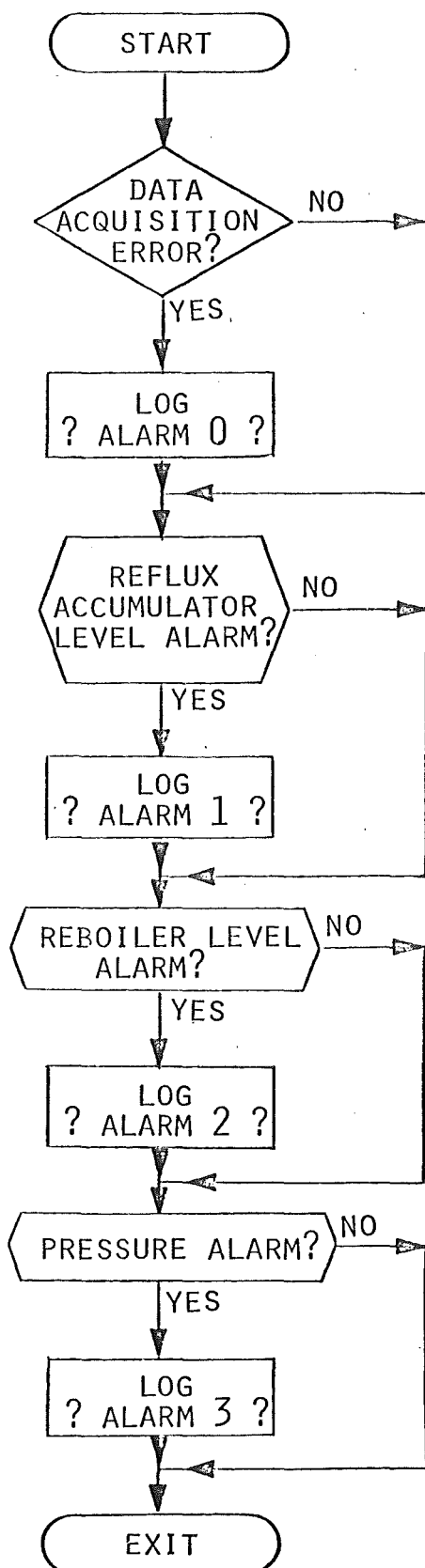


FIGURE 5-8 ALARM CHECKING

The description of the CC68 suite of programs has been restricted to describing the stand alone mode of operation, i.e. the microcomputer plus terminal controlling the distillation column. Provision was made for expansion of the basic system described here by the addition of further routines and/or the addition of PDP-11 supervisory control. The main program executed a subroutine call to memory location \$200. For base level operation, this location contained a return instruction, RTS; for expansion either additional subroutines could be placed in memory starting at \$200, or this location could contain a jump instruction to another subroutine.

A flow diagram of the main program is given in figure 5-9 and a listing appears in Appendix IV.

It should be noted that the CC68 system was written and developed before the arithmetic processing unit was available, and hence it could have been improved in terms of computational time and storage requirements. The operator interface was primitive and required a working knowledge of the system in order to use it correctly. With the expansion of the available EPROM memory from the original 2K bytes on the EVK300 board to 10K bytes total, it was possible to improve the operator interface. In fact if floating point arithmetic was to be used in the control scheme, it would have been essential to improve the interface and to adopt some standard for all variables such as 0-100%. To write such an interface was beyond the aims of this work, but it should be done in the future, and would be a recommended step. Alternatively, if the microcomputer ran in conjunction with the PDP-11 minicomputer, the latter could be programmed to interface to the operator interface in the microcomputer and provide a more sophisticated system.

5.12 CC68 INSTALLATION AND USE

The program, CC68, was installed in three M6834, 512 byte erasable programmable read-only memory chips on the EVK300 board. The disposition

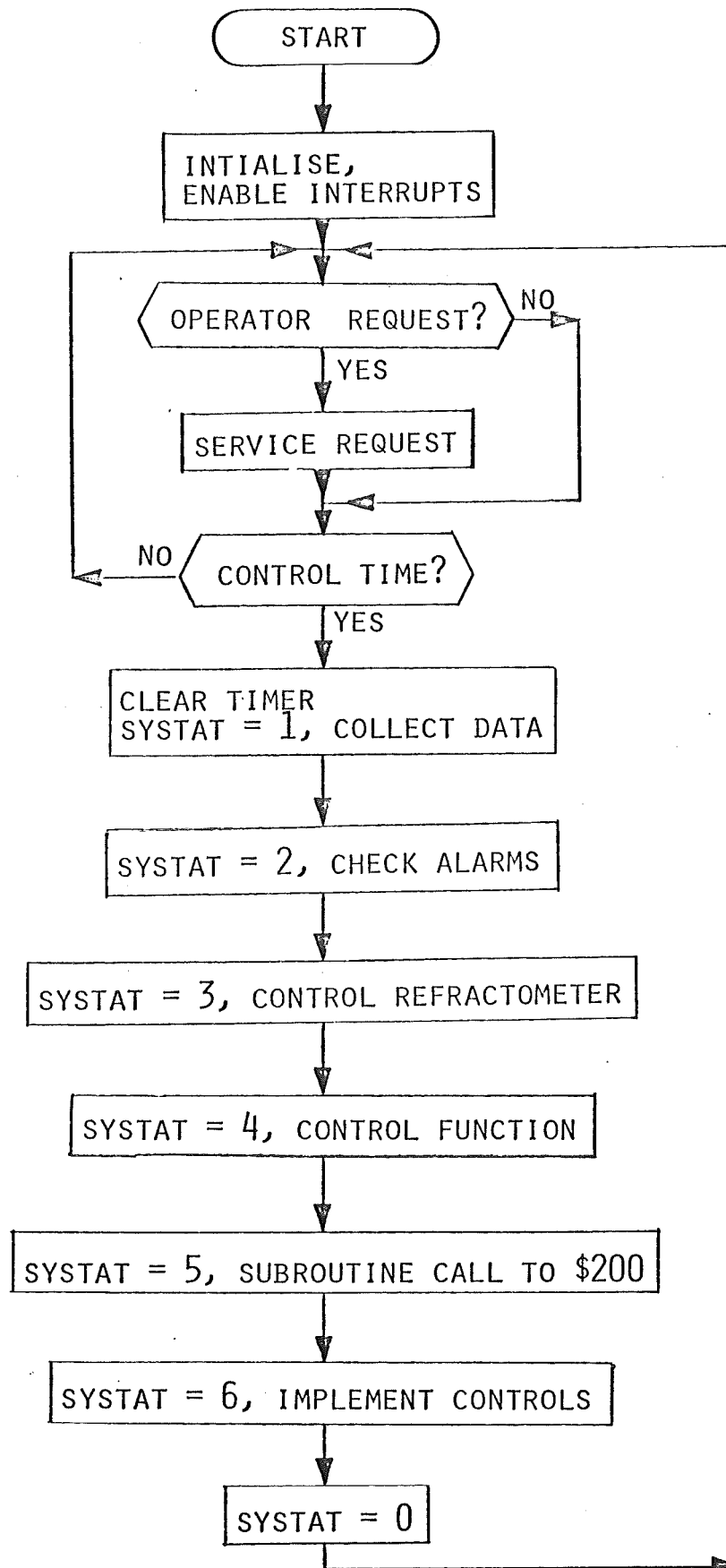


FIGURE 5-9 CC68 MAIN PROGRAM

of the routines was as given in Table 5-6.

TABLE 5-6
MEMORY MAP OF CC68

Address Range	Memory Type	Routines
\$0 - \$C0	RAM	Data Base
\$E000 - \$E1FF	EPROM	MAIN, TIMER, USERC
\$E200 - \$E3FF	EPROM	READAD, CHECK, REFCTL
\$E400 - \$E5FF	EPROM	CONTRL, MULTI6, VALVES
\$E600 - \$E7FF	EPROM	OPSYS

Operation of the system required

- (i) on power on, to zero all memory locations;
- (ii) to set up the data base parameters as required, e.g. controllers, setpoints, alarm limits, refractometer sequence, etc.
- (iii) to start the system with G E000 command.

Thereafter the data base could be accessed or manipulated using the commands available through the operator interface (section 5.5). This system was used during commissioning of the distillation column and for tests using single loop controllers to maintain column product specifications. The system logged up 350 hours of operation with no hardware or software faults.

5.13 COST COMPARISON OF MICROCOMPUTER CONTROL SYSTEM WITH AN EQUIVALENT ANALOG SYSTEM

The control system described in chapters four and five was costed against an equivalent system using conventional analog PID controllers. The same instrumentation and control elements were used in both analyses. All costs are in \$NZ (1979).

(i) Microcomputer System

- (a) Software Costs - only the essential sections of the software

described in this chapter were included (alarm checking, refractometer control, and the mini operating system were ignored).

Code = 593 lines of assembler.

Allowing 15 lines of debugged documented assembler code per day (Schindler (1979)), and costing programmer time at \$96 per day, the estimated cost of the code was \$3792.

(b) Hardware Costs - based on retail N.Z. prices including sales tax.

EVK300 microcomputer (assembled and tested)	\$1400
Terminal (VDU)	\$1700
Data Acquisition System (installed)	\$1200
D/A converter Outputs	\$200
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	\$4500
	<hr/>

TOTAL COST = \$8292

(ii) Analog System

(a) Electronic PID controllers, 4 @ \$2000	\$8000
(b) Interfacing to instrument and control elements	\$200

TOTAL COST = \$8200

The analog system was found to be less than \$100 cheaper than the microcomputer based system. The latter was costed on a one off basis using retail component prices. If the development costs could be spread over several systems, and the hardware purchased in bulk direct from the manufacturer, the microcomputer system would undercut the analog system in price, e.g. on a run of 10 units using the same hardware prices the microcomputer system cost would drop to \$4879.

The microcomputer based control system has been shown to be cost comparable with a conventional analog control system. The advantages of the microcomputer system were its flexibility in allowing modification of

the control strategy, the addition of new features such as alarm checking, and the centralisation of control with an operator interface.

5.14 NOMENCLATURE

Hardware: PIA - peripheral interface adapter
RAM - read/write memory
ROM - read only memory

Software: PROTO - operating system on EVK300 board
OPSYS - improved operating system
CC68 - column control software including

- (i) MAIN - main program
- (ii) TIMER - timer registers, terminal I/O
- (iii) USERC - operator interface
- (iv) READAD - data acquisition
- (v) CHECK - alarm checking
- (vi) REFCTL - refractometer control
- (vii) CONTRL - controller calculation
- (viii) MULTI6 - signed 16 bit integer multiplication
- (ix) VALVES - control output

\$ indicates a number to base 16.

CHAPTER SIX

STEADY STATE BINARY DISTILLATION COLUMN MODEL

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CHAPTER SIX

STEADY STATE BINARY DISTILLATION COLUMN MODEL

6.1 INTRODUCTION

Distillation columns have been modelled many times for many reasons. The modelling objectives have generally been in two categories:

(i) The design problem where the number of stages required and the column operating conditions are to be determined from specifications on the feed and product streams. A number of methods based on the analyses of McCabe and Thiele (1925), Sorel (Robinson and Gilliland (1950) and Lewis and Matheson (1932)), involving plate to plate calculations have been used. There have been several attempts to find analytical solutions to the design problem (Martin (1963), Singh (1966), Sarkarny et al (1970)), but these methods require a number of simplifying assumptions such as equimolar overflow. There have also been attempts to correlate plate requirements with other column parameters such as reflux ratio (Gilliland (1940), Mason (1959), Brown et al (1939), Erbar et al (1961)).

(ii) The rating problem where the column configuration is fixed along with the feed conditions and the control variables (reflux ratio, boilup rate). It is then required to compute the product flows and compositions. This problem has been approached by formulating the mass and energy balances around the column trays, and then solving the resulting simultaneous equations. Most of the work in this area has been directed toward multicomponent distillation problems, but the same approaches can be used for binary systems (Thiele and Geddes (1933), Amundson and Pontinen (1958), Holland (1963), Wang and Henke (1966)).

The requirement of the steady state model for this work was the prediction of the column performance for a given set of operating conditions leading to the design and simulation of a feedforward control

system.

6.2 MODEL DEVELOPMENT

The approach chosen was that of Wang and Henke (1966) adapted to a binary system. The model was based on the distillation column described in Chapter three, and selected to cover all the possible operating conditions of that column. The general layout of the column is shown in figure 6-1. The model assumptions were:

- (i) adiabatic operation (no heat losses);
- (ii) total condenser producing subcooled reflux;
- (iii) thermosiphon reboiler (an equivalent tray);
- (iv) liquid feed (at or below its bubble point);
- (v) specified column variables

feed rate	F	feed temperature	T_F
feed composition	x_F	reflux temperature	T_0
reflux ratio	R	heat input (reboiler)	Q_S
number of stages	N	Murphree Vapour efficiency	E_{mv}

The mass balances for the lighter component over the individual trays of the column were written as follows:

Condenser -

$$V_1 y_1 = L_0 x_0 + D x_0$$

$$y_1 = y^*(x_1) = K_1 x_1$$

$y^*(x)$ = vapour/liquid equilibrium function

$$x_0 = x_D$$

$$\therefore -(L_0 + D)x_0 + K_1 V_1 x_1 = 0 \quad (6.1)$$

for the rectifying section, tray n -

$$V_n y_n + L_n x_n = L_{n-1} x_{n-1} + V_{n+1} y_{n+1}$$

$$y_n = K_n x_n, \quad y_{n+1} = K_{n+1} x_{n+1}$$

K_i = equilibrium ratio $y^*(x_i)/x_i$

$$L_{n-1} x_{n-1} - (K_n V_n + L_n) x_n + K_{n+1} V_{n+1} x_{n+1} = 0 \quad (6.2)$$

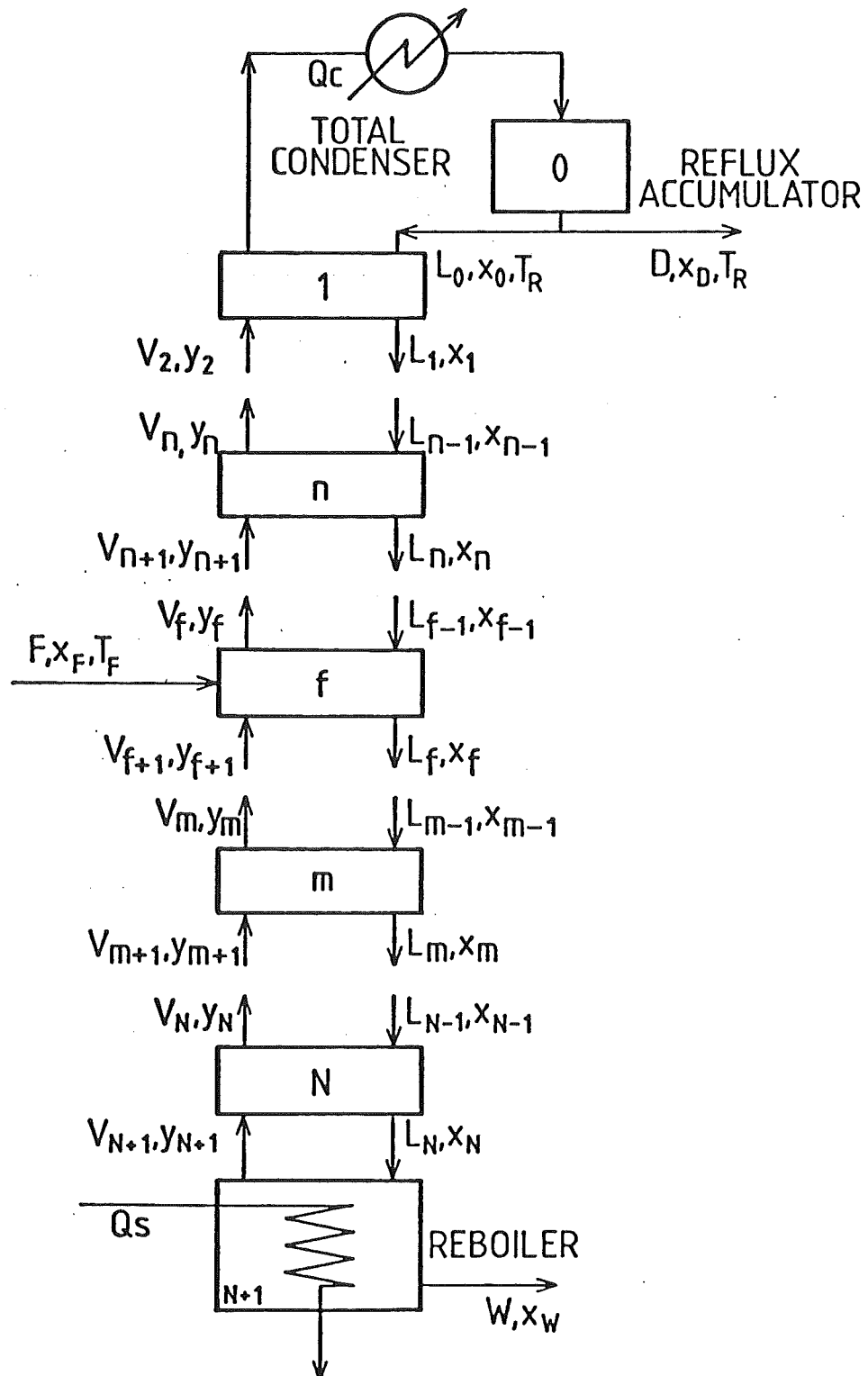


FIGURE 6-1 COLUMN MODEL VARIABLES

for the feed tray f -

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_f y_f + L_f x_f &= L_{f-1} x_{f-1} + V_{f+1} y_{f+1} + F x_F \\
 y_{f+1} &= K_{f+1} x_{f+1}, \quad y_f = K_f x_f \\
 L_{f-1} x_{f-1} - (K_f V_f + L_f) x_f + K_{f+1} V_{f+1} x_{f+1} &= - F x_F
 \end{aligned} \tag{6.3}$$

for the stopping section, tray m -

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_m y_m + L_m x_m &= L_{m-1} x_{m-1} + V_{m+1} y_{m+1} \\
 y_{m+1} &= K_{m+1} x_{m+1}, \quad y_m = K_m x_m \\
 L_{m-1} x_{m-1} - (K_m V_m + L_m) x_m + K_{m+1} V_{m+1} x_{m+1} &= 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{6.4}$$

for the reboiler -

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_N x_N &= V_{N+1} y_{N+1} + W x_w \\
 y_{N+1} &= K_{N+1} x_{N+1} = K_{N+1} x_w \\
 L_N x_N - (K_{N+1} V_{N+1} + W) x_w &= 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{6.5}$$

These equations could be written in tridiagonal form

$$Ax = b \tag{6.6}$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix}
 B_1 & C_1 & & & & & & & \\
 A_2 & B_2 & C_2 & & & & & & \\
 \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\
 & & A_n & B_n & C_n & & & & \\
 & & & & & A_f & B_f & C_f & \\
 & & & & & & & & A_m & B_m & C_m \\
 & & & & & & & & & & & A_{N+1} & B_{N+1}
 \end{bmatrix} \tag{6.7}$$

$$\text{and } A_i = L_{i-1}$$

$$B_i = -(K_i V_i + L_i) \quad B_1 = -(L_0 + D)$$

$$C_i = K_{i+1} V_{i+1} \quad B_{N+1} = -(K_N V_N + W)$$

$$x = [x_0 \ x_1 \ | \ x_n \ | \ x_f \ | \ x_m \ | \ x_{N+1}]^T \quad (6.8)$$

$$b = [0 \ 0 \ | \ 0 \ | \ -Fx_F \ | \ 0 \ | \ 0]^T \quad (6.9)$$

Given all L, V, K , then equation (6.6) could be solved simultaneously for the liquid compositions x . However, the K values were functions of the liquid compositions, and consequently an iterative solution was required. Further, if the model was to remain sufficiently general, then the liquid and vapour flows had to be found by making energy balances around the stages as follows:

$$D h_D + W h_W + Q_C = F h_F + Q_S \quad (6.10)$$

h_i = liquid enthalpy of stream i

H_i = vapour enthalpy of stream i

Q_C = Condenser heat load

for the condenser -

$$Q_C = (R + 1) D (H_2 - h_D) \quad (6.11)$$

from an overall mass balance

$$W = F - D \quad (6.12)$$

and combining (6.10), (6.11), (6.12)

$$D = \frac{F(h_F - h_W) + Q_S}{h_D - h_W + (R+1)(H_2 - h_D)} \quad (6.13)$$

and

$$L_1 = RD \quad (6.14)$$

$$V_2 = (R+1)D \quad (6.15)$$

for the rectifying section, tray n -

$$L_n = V_{n+1} - D \quad (6.16)$$

$$L_n h_n + V_n H_n = V_{n+1} H_{n+1} + L_{n-1} h_{n-1} \quad (6.17)$$

$$L_n = \frac{V_n H_n - D H_{n+1} - L_{n-1} h_{n-1}}{H_{n+1} - h_n} \quad (6.18)$$

for the feed plate f -

$$L_f = V_{f+1} + W \quad (6.19)$$

$$L_{f-1} h_{f-1} + V_{f+1} H_{f+1} = L_f h_f + V_f H_f - F h_F \quad (6.20)$$

$$L_f = \frac{V_f H_f - F h_F + W H_{f-1} - L_{f-1} h_{f-1}}{H_{f+1} - h_f} \quad (6.21)$$

for the stripping section, plate m -

$$L_m = V_{m+1} + W \quad (6.22)$$

$$L_{m-1} h_{m-1} + V_{m+1} H_{m+1} = L_m h_m + V_m H_m \quad (6.23)$$

$$L_m = \frac{V_m H_m + W H_{m+1} - L_{m-1} h_{m-1}}{H_{m+1} - h_m} \quad (6.24)$$

If the plate compositions were available, the equations given could be used to estimate the column flows. The procedure was to find the product flows, D and W , and then step down from the top of the column calculating pairs of liquid and vapour flows - L_i and V_{i+1} .

The model consisted of two sets of simultaneous equations - the compositions and the flows neither of which was explicit. The iterative solution technique used was as follows:

- (i) to estimate all x , L , V
- (ii) to form the matrix equation (6.6)
- (iii) to solve equation (6.6) for new compositions
- (iv) to solve the energy balance equations for new L , V
- (v) to repeat steps (iii) and (iv) until convergence occurred.

6.3 SOLUTION OF THE DISTILLATION COLUMN MODEL

The equations derived in section 6.2 were programmed along with physical property data for the binary system into a digital computer and solved. The program, SSGW, was written in FORTRAN to run on the PDP-11 minicomputer described in section 4.5.1. It was designed to operate interactively through the minicomputer console.

6.3.1 Solving the Model

The equations describing the model have been derived in section 6.2. The solution to the component mass balances (equation (6.6)) was obtained using the recursive Gaussian elimination method of Thomas (Carnahan et al (1969)). The liquid and vapour flowrates were solved sequentially down the column, using the method outlined in section 6.2 once the tray compositions had been determined. The procedure was repeated until some convergence criteria was met. A number of criteria were tested:

$$\text{all } | x_i - x_{i-1} | < \text{limit} \quad (6.25)$$

$$\text{all } | T_i - T_{i-1} | < \text{limit} \quad (6.26)$$

$$\frac{\sum_{j=0}^{n+1} (T_{ij} - T_{i-1j})^2}{(N+2) \left(\frac{T_D + T_W}{2} \right)} \times \frac{100}{1} < \text{limit} \quad (6.27)$$

where i = iteration number.

The root mean square temperature difference, (6.27), was chosen, but the choice was an arbitrary one.

To start the iterative procedure, it was necessary to estimate initially the column flows and compositions. The compositions were estimated from a linear temperature profile within the column. The top, T_D , and bottom, T_W , temperatures were either estimated by the user or computed by the equations

$$T_D = T_{x=1} + 0.05 (T_{x=0} - T_{x=1}) \quad (6.28)$$

$$T_W = T_{x=0} - 0.05 (T_{x=0} - T_{x=1}) \quad (6.29)$$

The individual tray temperatures were then estimated and the tray compositions determined from the temperature composition polynomial. This fifth order polynomial in composition was solved using a Wegstein root finding algorithm (Carnahan et al (1969)). The column flows were initially estimated by assuming equimolar overflow in the column.

The performance of each column tray had been assumed to be ideal

in the model derivation but in practice this assumption was not valid. Various reasons for varying plate efficiency with composition have been suggested including mass transfer resistance between the phases, plate hydrodynamics and physical properties such as the slope of the equilibrium curve. Mostafa (1979) has proposed a model for tray behaviour to explain these phenomena. For this model, a Murphree vapour phase plate efficiency was used:

$$E_{MV} = \frac{y_{out} - y_{in}}{y^* - y_{in}} \quad (6.30)$$

y_{out} = composition of vapour leaving the tray

y_{in} = composition of vapour entering the tray

y^* = composition of vapour in equilibrium with the liquid
leaving the tray

E_{MV} = Murphree vapour efficiency.

The Murphree vapour efficiency could be incorporated into the model by recursively computing the vapour compositions as:

$$y_1 = x_0$$

$$y_i = \frac{y_{i-1} - E_{MV} y^*(x_{i-1})}{1 - E_{MV}} \quad (6.31)$$

for $i = 2, 3 \dots N+1$

as part of the iterative solution of the model. The reboiler may be considered as an ideal stage in (6.31).

However, this method produced instabilities in the calculational procedure especially during the initial stages. Equation (6.31) occasionally predicted vapour compositions greater than those possible (> 1.0 , < 0), and hence the program failed. To avoid this problem, the equilibrium data was modified in the manner normally used in the graphical McCabe-Thiele analysis, and a pseudo-equilibrium line produced. The modification of the equilibrium data required the use of straight operating lines (to have used curved operating lines would have greatly

increased the computational effort required in the program) and this implied constant molal overflow. This situation did not occur for the methanol/water system, but the deviations were not too large. The procedure adopted was to modify the equilibrium line using the following equations in each iteration:

$$L_R = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{f-1} L_i}{f} \quad \text{average rectifying liquid flow} \quad (6.32)$$

$$V_R = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^f V_i}{f} \quad \text{average rectifying vapour flow} \quad (6.33)$$

$$L_S = \frac{\sum_{i=f}^N L_i}{N-f+1} \quad \text{average stripping liquid flow} \quad (6.34)$$

$$V_S = \frac{\sum_{i=f+1}^{N+1} V_i}{N-f+1} \quad \text{average stripping vapour flow} \quad (6.35)$$

then the operating lines became

$$\text{rectifying: } y_{i+1} = \frac{L_R}{V_R} x_i + \frac{D}{V_R} x_D \quad (6.36)$$

$$\text{stripping: } y_{i+1} = \frac{L_S}{V_S} x_i - \frac{W}{V_S} x_W \quad (6.37)$$

and the point of intersection was

$$x_{\text{intercept}} = \frac{\frac{Dx_D}{V_R} + \frac{Wx_W}{V_S}}{\frac{L_S}{V_S} - \frac{L_R}{V_R}} \quad (6.38)$$

The equilibrium data was then modified according to the following equations:

$$y' = x + E_{MV} (y^* - x) \quad x \leq x_W, \quad x \geq x_D \quad (6.39)$$

$$y' = E_{MV} \left(y^* - \frac{L_S}{V_S} x + \frac{W}{V_S} x_W \right) + \frac{L_S}{V_S} x - \frac{W}{V_S} x_W \quad (6.40)$$

$$x_W < x \leq x_{\text{intercept}}$$

$$y' = E_{MV} \left(y^* - \frac{L_R}{V_R} x - \frac{D}{V_R} x_D \right) + \frac{L_R}{V_R} x + \frac{D}{V_R} x_D$$

$x_{\text{intercept}} < x < x_D$

(6.41)

where y^* = true equilibrium vapour composition

y' = pseudo equilibrium vapour composition for liquid of composition x .

The results of using this approach are discussed in section 6.4.2. A similar approach was used by Gerster et al (1962, 1964) and verified experimentally. It should be noted that this approach treats the reboiler as a non-ideal stage.

6.3.2 SSGW - A Steady State Binary Distillation Column Program

The equations presented in the previous sections were combined with suitable I/O routines. Interaction between the user and the program allowed alteration of any of the program variables in engineering units, e.g.

flows in l/time

compositions in mole fractions

steam flow in kg/time

temperatures in °C

The user was able to enter or change program parameters, store parameters in disk files, recall parameters from disk files, control the output of the program, and initiate the solution of the column variables. The solution procedure used was

- (i) to estimate compositions and flows in the column
- (ii) to set up the tridiagonal matrix equation (6.6)
- (iii) to solve the tridiagonal matrix equation
- (iv) to recalculate the flows
- (v) to check that minimum stages, and minimum reflux limitations were not exceeded
- (vi) to recalculate the pseudo-equilibrium line based on the new compositions and flows

- (vii) to test for convergence and if not achieved repeat steps (ii) through (vii)
- (viii) to compute heat loadings, external volumetric flows, end temperatures, internal reflux ratio
- (ix) to list results.

A flow diagram of the program is shown in figure 6-2, and a listing is given in Appendix VI.

6.3.3 Binary System Data

In order to solve the model, it was necessary to express the physical and thermodynamic properties of the liquid and vapour streams in a form suitable for digital computer use. Data was required for:

- (i) the vapour/liquid equilibrium relationship
- (ii) the boiling point relationship
- (iii) the liquid and vapour enthalpies
- (iv) the liquid heat capacities
- (v) the liquid densities

all as a function of composition. Polynomials were used to fit the data in all cases except the vapour/liquid equilibrium data for which a lookup table was used. The system properties were handled by a separate program SYSHDL which created a disk file of the relevant parameters. SSGW then loaded this disk file when it was started. A listing of SYSHDL is given in Appendix VI.

6.4 VERIFICATION OF THE STEADY STATE MODEL

The distillation column described in Chapter 3 was compared with the model presented. The property data required for the binary system methanol/water was correlated as follows:

- (i) Vapour/liquid equilibrium data - a lookup table of 41 vapour equilibrium compositions for equally spaced liquid compositions in the range 0-1 m.f. was used; linear interpolation was used within the table.

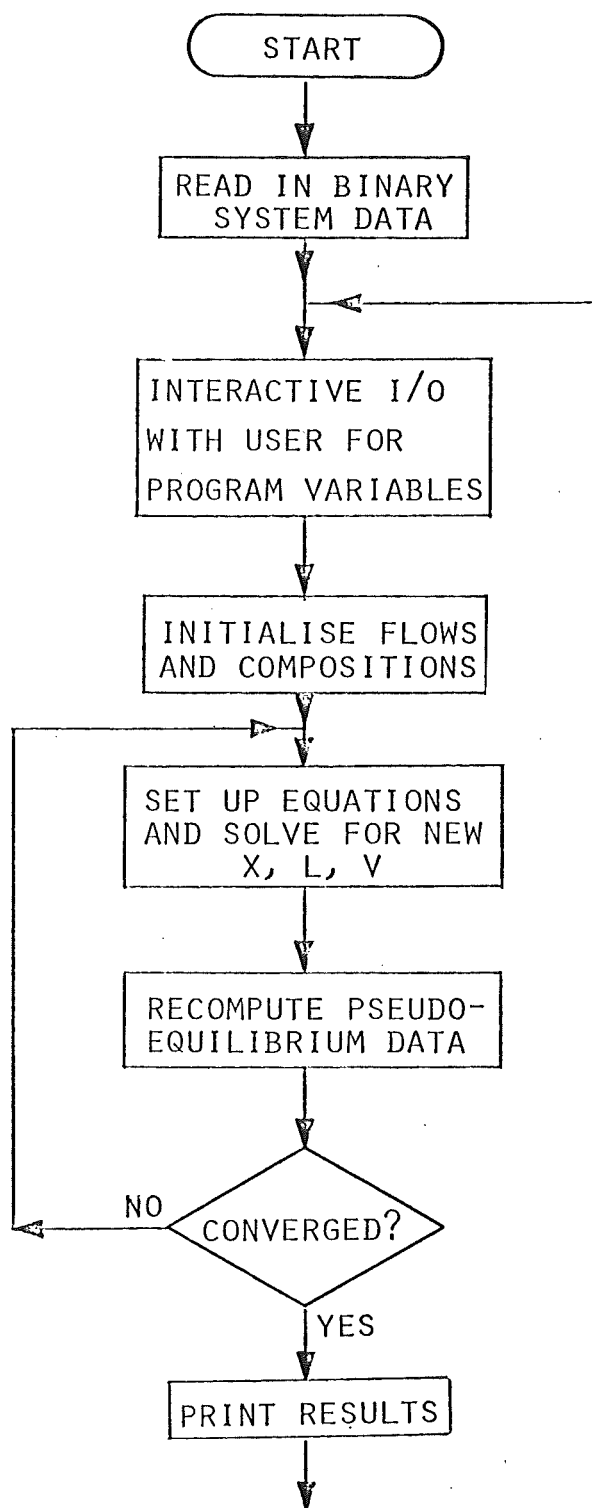


FIGURE 6-2 SSGW FLOW DIAGRAM

- (ii) Boiling point data - a fifth order polynomial was used to relate the liquid boiling point to the liquid composition.
- (iii) Enthalpy data - fifth order polynomials were used to relate the liquid and vapour enthalpies to composition.
- (iv) Heat capacity data - a mole fraction weighted average of the pure component heat capacities at the required temperature was used.
- (v) Liquid density data - for saturated liquids, a linear relationship between density and composition was used; for subcooled liquids, a mole fraction weighted average of the pure component densities at the required temperature was used.

The correlations used are listed in Appendix VII.

The computer model was used in comparison with experimental data. To account for measurement and process errors in the input model parameters, a sensitivity analysis was carried out.

6.4.1 Sensitivity Analysis

Calculation of the partial derivatives of the model equations for use in a sensitivity analysis produced very complex expressions. Instead, the computer model was subjected to small perturbations about a single operating point, and the partial derivatives estimated from the steady state results. The operating point is given in Table 6-1; the values were typical experimental results from the column, and the uncertainty in each measurement is given.

TABLE 6-1 - OPERATING CONDITIONS FOR SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

<u>Variable</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Experimental Uncertainty</u>	<u>Units</u>
Feed Rate	1.75	± .005	lmin ⁻¹
Feed Composition	0.460	± .005	m.f.
Feed Temperature	26.0	± 1	°C
Reflux Ratio	0.73	± 0.03	-
Reflux Temperature	20.0	± 1	°C
Steam Flowrate	1.03	± .02	kg min ⁻¹
Murphree Vapour Efficiency	0.80	± .02	-

For a general sensitivity analysis (assuming random errors)

$U = \text{function of } (X, Y, Z)$

$$u^2 = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial X}\right)^2 x^2 + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial Y}\right)^2 y^2 + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial Z}\right)^2 z^2 \quad (6.42)$$

where u, x, y, z are the absolute errors in U, X, Y, Z . The partial derivatives can be estimated by a central difference approximation

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial X} \approx \frac{U_{X+\delta X} - U_{X-\delta X}}{2\delta X}$$

where $\delta X = \text{the perturbation in } X$.

Each of the variables in Table 6-1 was individually perturbed by $\pm 5\%$ from its steady state value. The partial derivatives were calculated using the above formula, and, assuming the principle of superposition, a determinate linear model was found. For random errors in the model inputs, equation (6.42) was used to produce a variance model. The linear model related the effects of small variations in the model input parameters to the major model outputs. The variance model related the likely error in the output parameters to the experimental measurement errors in the model input parameters. Both models are shown in figure 6-3. Substituting the measurement errors in Table 6-2 into the variance model produced confidence estimates for the product compositions and flows predicted from the computer model. These estimates are shown in Table 6-2.

TABLE 6-2

ERROR ESTIMATES ON SSGW PREDICTED VARIABLES

<u>Variable</u>	<u>Likely Absolute Error</u>	<u>Likely % Error</u>
x_D	$\pm .009 \text{ m.f.}$	$\pm 1\%$
x_W	$\pm .032 \text{ m.f.}$	$\pm 63\%$
D	$\pm .81 \text{ mol min}^{-1}$	$\pm 3\%$
W	$\pm 2.41 \text{ mol min}^{-1}$	$\pm 7\%$
L_0	$\pm .89 \text{ mol min}^{-1}$	$\pm 4\%$

FIGURE 6-3

SENSITIVITY MODELS FOR SSGW

(i) Linear Model

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta x_D \\ \Delta x_W \\ \Delta D \\ \Delta W \\ \Delta L_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .047 & .106 & -.001 & -.0006 & .270 & .122 & -.041 \\ .817 & .376 & -.065 & -.010 & -.270 & .220 & -.820 \\ -1.020 & 4.60 & 2.21 & .500 & .200 & -12.6 & 32.2 \\ 64.1 & -28.1 & -3.38 & -.500 & -.200 & 12.6 & -32.2 \\ -.583 & 3.22 & 1.56 & .400 & .200 & 13.7 & 23.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta F' \\ \Delta x_F' \\ \Delta T_F' \\ \Delta T_0' \\ \Delta E_{MV}' \\ \Delta R' \\ \Delta Q_S' \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Delta F' = \frac{\Delta F}{F}$ etc.

(ii) Variance Model

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta x_D^2 \\ \Delta x_W^2 \\ \Delta D^2 \\ \Delta W^2 \\ \Delta L_0^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .001 & .053 & 1.6E-9 & 9.E-10 & .114 & .028 & .002 \\ .218 & .668 & 6.3E-6 & 2.5E-7 & .114 & .091 & .634 \\ .340 & 100. & .007 & 6.3E-4 & .063 & 300. & 976. \\ 1338. & 3721. & .017 & 6.3E-4 & .063 & 294. & 976. \\ .111 & 49. & .004 & 4.0E-4 & .063 & 350. & 520. \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta F^2 \\ \Delta x_F^2 \\ \Delta T_F^2 \\ \Delta T_0^2 \\ \Delta E_{MV}^2 \\ \Delta R^2 \\ \Delta Q_S^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

From this analysis, it can be seen that the bottom of the column is very sensitive to errors in specifying the model inputs. The factors contributing most to the uncertainty in the bottoms composition and flow-rate were the feedrate and the steam rate; these variables were measured as carefully as possible to ensure that uncertainties did not swamp the results. The estimated errors in Table 6-2 were used in the verification of the actual column experiments against the model prediction.

6.4.2 Model Comparison with Experimental Results

A number of runs on the column were made under different operating conditions. Before the experimental results could be compared against the model predictions, it was necessary to estimate the heat losses from the column, and to determine a correlation for the Murphree vapour efficiency as a function of composition.

Surface temperature measurements were made on the outside of the column using a copper constantan thermocouple. Using estimated heat transfer coefficients for natural convection and estimated surface emissivities (Welty et al (1969)), the measured temperatures were used to estimate the heat losses from the reboiler and column trays:

$$\text{Reboiler - area} = 1.8 \text{ m}^2, \epsilon = 0.35, h \approx 4 \text{ W}_m^{-2} \text{ K}^{-1}$$

$$\text{temperature difference} = 95^\circ\text{C} - 20^\circ\text{C}$$

$$Q \approx 930\text{W}$$

$$\text{Trays - area} = 3.0 \text{ m}^2, \epsilon = 0.85, h \approx 3 \text{ W}_m^{-2} \text{ K}^{-1}$$

$$\text{temperature difference} = 80^\circ\text{C} - 20^\circ\text{C}$$

$$Q \approx 1700\text{W}$$

$$Q_{\text{total}} \approx 2630\text{W}$$

and using steam with a latent heat of vaporisation of 2250 kJ kg^{-1} , the heat loss corresponds to 0.07 kg min^{-1} of steam. Hence the measured steam flow was corrected by subtracting 0.07 kg min^{-1} ; this analysis assumed all the heat losses were lumped into the reboiler which was not

strictly true. An individual loss for each plate could have been incorporated in the energy balance equations. The heat loss represented a small fraction ($\approx 7\%$) of the total energy input and this treatment of heat losses seemed reasonable.

The problem of deciding a priori on a Murphree vapour efficiency relationship with composition has been investigated by Hay and Johnson (1960) and Bakowski (1969) for methanol/water separations in sieve tray columns. Their results depended on the method of analysis used. Hay and Johnson (1960) investigated the mass transfer on a tray for varying liquid/vapour ratios, and measured Murphree vapour efficiencies as a function of composition. These values are at variance with those predicted by Bakowski (1969) because the latter assumed that the point and Murphree vapour efficiencies were equal. The results of these workers are compared in figure 6-4.

The method of Bakowski was used to predict the Murphree vapour phase efficiency since the method had been shown to reproduce experimental results, and could be used a priori requiring only the properties of the binary system and the tray geometry. There are more rigorous methods of determining Murphree vapour efficiencies based on individual mass transfer resistances (Treybal (1968)).

Bakowski's method is

$$E_{MV} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{3.7 KM}{h \rho T}} \quad (6.43)$$

where $K = y^*/x$, the vapour/liquid equilibrium ratio

$M =$ molecular weight

$\rho =$ liquid density ($\text{kg } \ell^{-1}$)

$T =$ absolute temperature (K)

$h =$ active liquid depth on the tray = weir height (cm)

3.7 = experimentally determined constant.

The Murphree vapour efficiency against composition curve for methanol/

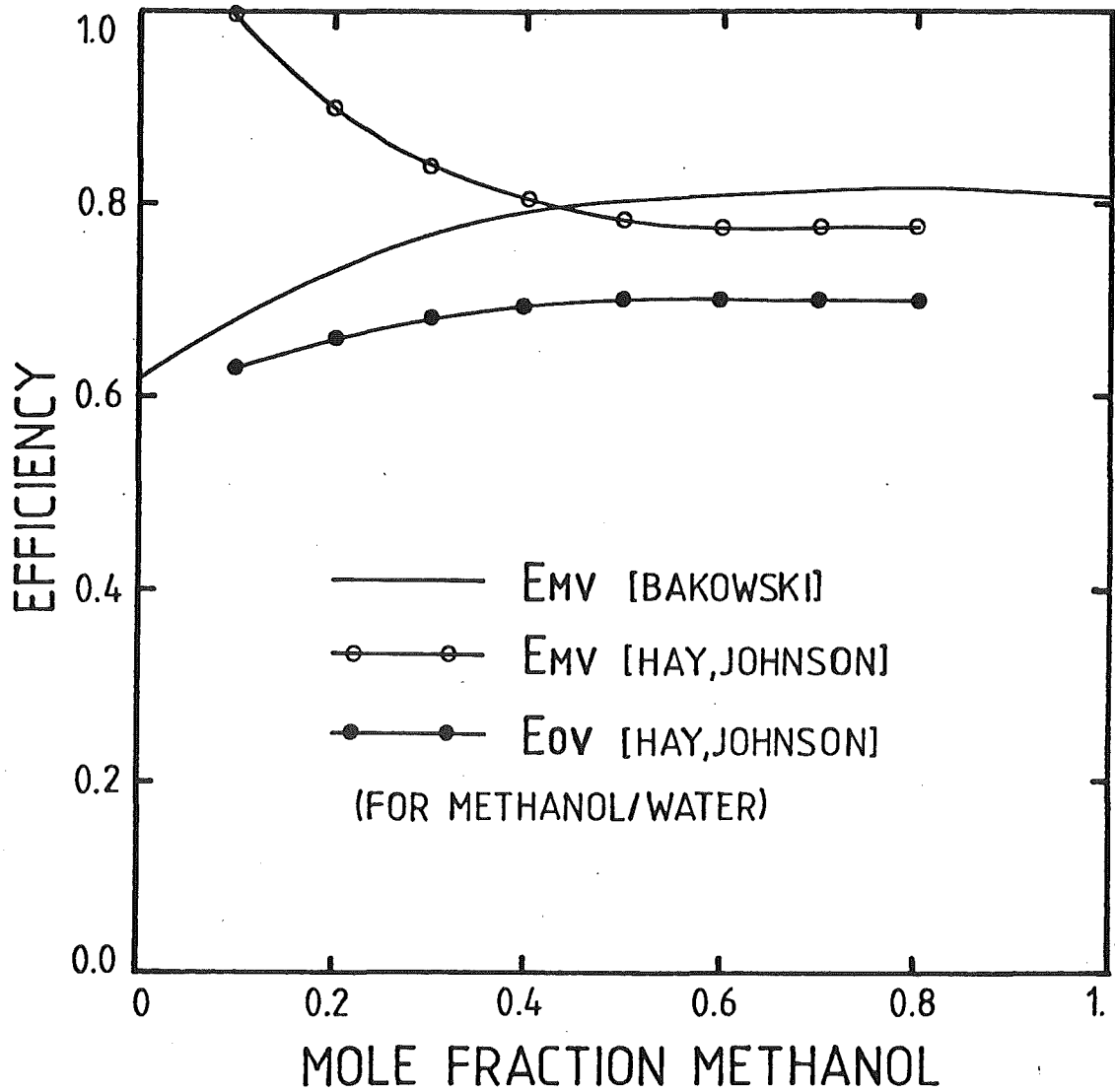


FIGURE 6-4 TRAY EFFICIENCIES

water is shown in figure 6-4. The curve was fitted with a cubic polynomial for inclusion in the model.

$$E_{MV} = .614 + .786x - 1.03x^2 + .436x^3 \quad (6.44)$$

for $h = 1.9$ cm.

Using the data presented, a number of steady state experimental runs were compared against the model using Table 6-2 to account for differences between the two. The results are summarised in Appendix VIII. Nineteen of the twenty-two runs were found to agree within the likely errors. The parameters used for determining the model fit were

- (i) distillate composition
- (ii) bottoms composition
- (iii) distillate flow
- (iv) bottoms flow
- (v) reflux flow.

The agreement between the model and the experimental data was good in all cases except three where the reflux ratio was greater than 2.2 times the minimum reflux ratio. In these circumstances, the model equation solution procedure became unstable and failed to converge.

6.5 DISCUSSION

Using experimental results, the model was examined to determine the significance of the assumptions made, and its applicability to a particular distillation column.

(i) The model used differed from other models proposed in the assumption of non-equimolal overflow. Table 6-3 shows the variation in the molal latent heat of vaporisation for the methanol/water system. The deviation from ideality is not large but it is significant. The data in Appendix VIII was analysed using an assumed average constant latent heat of vaporisation, and the results are shown in Table 6-4. Small changes in the column flows compound in their effect on the slope of the operating line (if the liquid flow increases, then the vapour flow must decrease).

TABLE 6-3

MOLAL LATENT HEATS OF VAPORISATION FOR METHANOL/WATER

Mole Fraction Methanol	$\Delta H_V / \text{kJ mol}^{-1}$
0.0	40.69
0.1	40.86
0.2	40.58
0.3	40.05
0.4	39.38
0.5	38.69
0.6	38.02
0.7	37.38
0.8	36.77
0.9	36.10
1.0	35.30

TABLE 6-4

EFFECT OF ASSUMING EQUIMOLAL OVERFLOW ON COLUMN FLOW RATES

Flow Variable	Absolute Average % Change (over all runs)
Rectifying Liquid	9.1
Rectifying Vapour	3.8
Stripping Liquid	4.0
Stripping Vapour	6.5

To demonstrate the effect of assuming equimolal overflow consider Run 21. The experimental measurements were used to estimate the column flows assuming equimolal overflow. The results are summarised in Table 6-5 and compared with the equivalent flows predicted by the model for the same conditions. The steam flow predicted from the equimolal overflow analysis was higher than the experimentally measured flow. This indicated that an equimolal overflow analysis for predicting the required steam flow

in a feedforward controller would be inadequate.

TABLE 6-5

COMPARISON OF EQUIMOLAL AND NON-EQUIMOLAL OVERFLOW ANALYSES

(Run 21)

Variable	Experimentally Measured Flow		Equimolal Calculation		Model Predictions (Non-Equimolal)	
D	31.2	mol min ⁻¹	31.2	mol min ⁻¹	31.0	mol min ⁻¹
W	32.6	" "	32.6	" "	32.4	" "
L _R	21.2	" "	24.0	" "	22.9	" "
V _R	52.4	" "	56.4	" "	53.8	" "
L _S	89.4	" "	95.8	" "	89.4	" "
V _S	56.8	" "	63.0	" "	58.5	" "
Q _S	1.03	kg min ⁻¹	1.21	kg min ⁻¹	1.03	kg min ⁻¹

(ii) Murphree Vapour Efficiency. The method of including a Murphree vapour efficiency into the model was not strictly correct in that it required the use of average flows through the column sections. This particular computational method was chosen for model stability. From the results generated for comparison with the experimental data, the Murphree vapour efficiencies were calculated according to equation (6.30) from the model predictions. The results from a number of runs are shown in figure 6-5 in comparison with the Murphree vapour efficiency correlation used in the model. When the feed was not on the optimum tray as predicted by the McCabe-Thiele analysis the efficiency was found to vary from 50% to 90% (for liquid compositions 45 to 50 mol%) compared with the expected value of 80%. The overall effect on the model predictions was small since only one tray was affected, and if the reflux ratio tended toward the minimum reflux ratio there would be a small degree of separation on that tray.

The effect of assuming 100% tray efficiency was investigated and typical results are shown in Table 6-6.

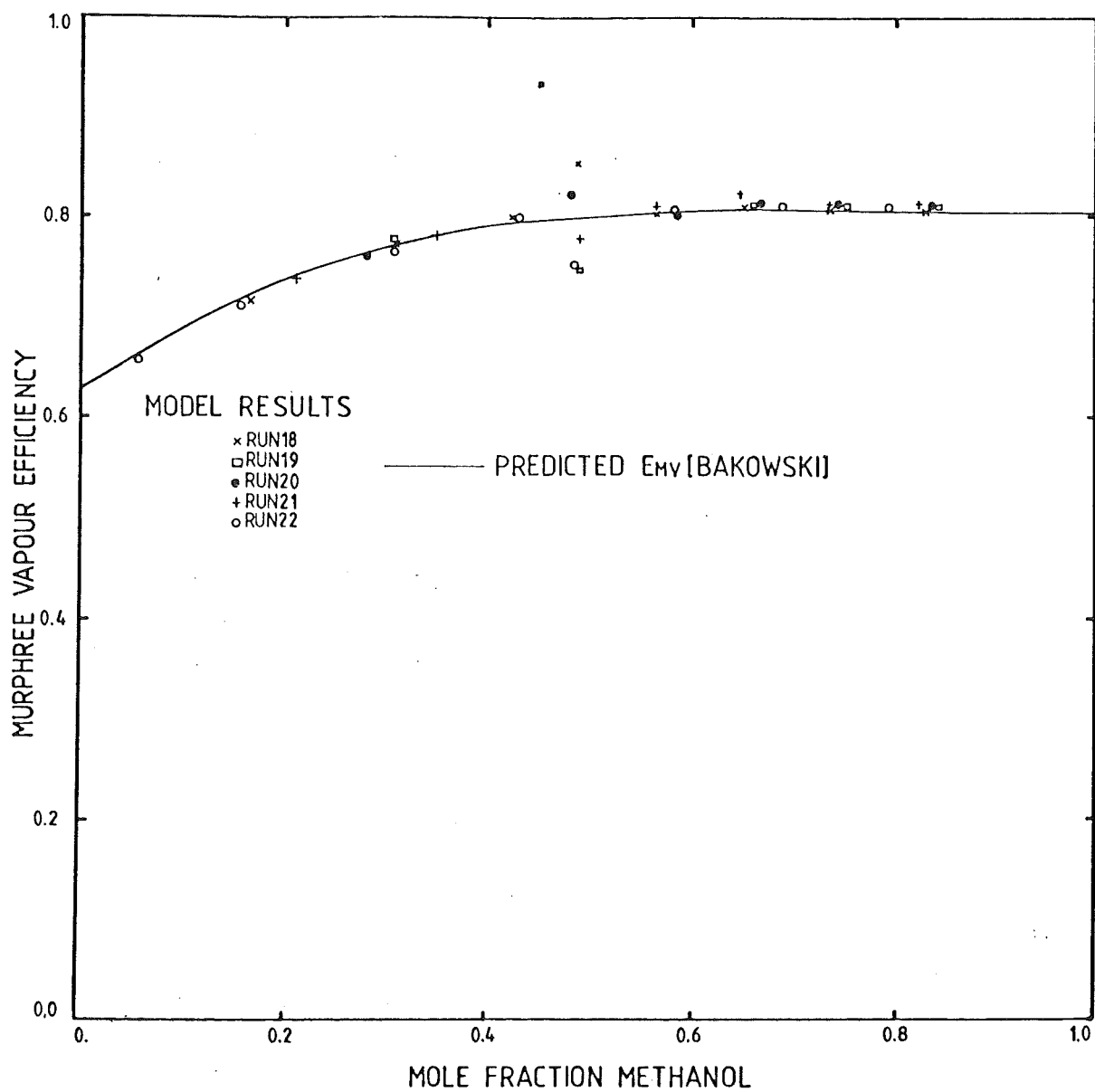


FIGURE 6-5 COMPARISON OF TRAY EFFICIENCIES

TABLE 6-6

THE EFFECT OF TRAY EFFICIENCY ON THE MODEL PREDICTIONS

RUN	VARIABLE ⁺	EXPERIMENTAL MEASUREMENTS	MODEL PREDICTIONS	
			$E_{MV} = 1$	E_{MV}^*
14	x_D	92.0	94.87	92.59
	x_W	2.5	1.71	3.92
	D	31.7	31.04	31.02
	W	31.5	32.81	32.83
	L_0	28.8	28.24	28.23
18	x_D	91.5	93.49	92.14
	x_W	15.0	15.76	16.68
	D	24.4	25.04	25.00
	W	39.3	39.32	39.35
	L_0	18.0	18.53	18.50
21	x_D	91.5	93.58	91.75
	x_W	5.0	4.39	6.18
	D	31.2	30.97	30.95
	W	32.6	32.36	32.38
	L_0	23.2	22.92	22.91

⁺ x_D, x_W are mol%, D, W, L_0 are mol min⁻¹

* E_{MV} predicted using equation (6.44)

A comparison of the model predictions, using two different Murphree vapour efficiencies, with the experimental results showed discrepancies (Table 6-6), and highlighted the difficulty of specifying a priori the efficiencies. The method of Bakowski (1969) provided a first estimate of

the Murphree vapour efficiencies, but as shown by Hay and Johnson (1960), the tray geometry, compositions, and operating conditions could significantly affect the tray efficiency. It was not possible to estimate the tray efficiencies from experimental measurements because sampling ports for the vapour streams were not available, and temperature measurements were unreliable (it was difficult to measure the temperature corresponding to the liquid and vapour flows leaving the tray).

An alternative approach would be to incorporate the Murphree vapour efficiency into the model equations as shown by Sargent and Murtagh (1969). This approach would require modifications to the solution technique used on the model equations. The good agreement between the experimental data and the model predictions suggested that the benefits of this approach would be small, and that the effects of the other factors discussed in this section would be more significant.

(iii) Model Stability and Convergence. The model solution converged except when the reflux ratio/minimum reflux ratio was greater than 2.2 or the product compositions were outside the range 0 - 1. In these cases, the solution oscillated between two states neither of which was the true solution. The experimental column was not generally operated under these conditions and consequently the convergence problem was ignored. The rate of convergence of the solution was asymptotic and depended on the column operating conditions. The major factor was the location of the feed tray in the column. If the steady state composition on the feed tray, x_f , was significantly different from the feed composition, x_F , then a large number of iterations were required. If $x_F < x_f$, convergence was slow (300 iterations), but if $x_F > x_f$, convergence was obtained in 30-50 iterations (with the root mean square temperature convergence criteria = 0.001). Execution time on the PDP-11 minicomputer described in section 4.5 was approximately 30 seconds for 100 iterations.

(iv) Sensitivity Analysis. The assumptions made in this analysis were

- (a) that the model was linear for small perturbations;
 - (b) that the errors on the experimental values were random;
 - (c) that the partial derivatives could be approximated by a central difference.
- The form of the model equations made any other approach intractable. The errors in the process measurements are detailed in Table 6-7. The measurements were subject to both systematic and random errors; the former were minimised by careful calibration and technique, and were considered to be insignificant compared to the latter.

TABLE 6-7

MEASUREMENT ERRORS

Variable	Method of Measurement	Likely Measurement Error
Feed Flow	Pump Calibration	$\pm .05 \text{ lmin}^{-1}$
Feed Composition	Density Bottle	$\pm .005 \text{ m.f.}$
Feed Temperature	Integrated Circuit Sensor	$\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$
Reflux Temperature	Integrated Circuit Sensor	$\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$
Reflux Ratio	Flow Measurement	± 0.03
Steam Flow	Bucket & Stopwatch	$\pm .02 \text{ kg min}^{-1}$
Product Composition	Refractometer	$\pm .005 \text{ m.f.}$
Product Flows	Rotameter	$\pm .02 \text{ lmin}^{-1}$
Reflux Flow	Rotameter	$\pm .02 \text{ lmin}^{-1}$

The models in figure 6.3 show some interesting features. The most noticeable was the effect of small errors in the input parameters on the bottoms product and flow predictions; the errors on these variables were about three times those on the corresponding distillate predictions. The shape of the vapour/liquid equilibrium curve explained this effect;

at low concentrations ($x = 0.05$, relative volatility, $\alpha = 6.9$) the curve was very steep while at high concentrations it was shallow ($x = .90$, $\alpha = 2.5$). Small changes in the stripping line produced much larger changes in the tray compositions than did similar changes in the rectifying line. Consequently, there was a relatively large uncertainty in the prediction of the bottoms flow and composition from the computer model. In general the model predictions for bottoms composition were higher than those measured experimentally.

(v) Variation of Property Data. The system property data for methanol/water as given in Appendix VII was at variance with some of the data in the literature. In some areas, there was a lack of data.

(a) Density - the correlations used were checked against Gallant (1968). The two data sets as shown in Appendix VII showed reasonable agreement with a maximum deviation of 1.4% on the subcooled mixture and - 2.4% on the saturated mixture.

(b) Enthalpy - the variation between the sources is shown in Appendix VII. The data quoted was at variance even for the pure component enthalpies. The chosen set had the best agreement with other measurements of the pure component enthalpies. The deviations between the two sets were 3.5% for the vapour enthalpy and 14% for the liquid enthalpy. In terms of the molal latent heat of vaporisation, the maximum deviation was 2%.

(c) Heat capacity - there was a lack of heat capacity data for methanol/water mixtures close to the saturation temperature, hence a simple molal mixing law based on the pure component values was used. A comparison of the predicted and literature values is given in Appendix VII. A maximum deviation of 5% between the two sets was observed in the middle of the range. The effects of such inaccuracies in the heat capacities was calculated to produce errors in the internal reflux and feed tray liquid flows of approximately 0.5%.

(d) Equilibrium data - as can be seen from the figure in

Appendix VII, there were a number of published sets of equilibrium data for methanol/water at atmospheric pressure. The works of Cornel and Montonna (1933), Hughes and Maloney (1952), Doroshevsky and Polansky (1910), Uchida and Kato (1934) and Othmer and Benenati (1945) all agree, but were opposed by the results of Green and Vener (1955) and Bredig and Bayer (1927). Variations in experimental technique would appear to explain the differences of up to 2% between these two groups. The effect of other trace components (aldehydes, ketones, ammonia, acetic acid and sulphur compounds) in the methanol feedstock used in this work would also alter the equilibrium characteristics. The choice of data then became arbitrary, and hence the data of Cornel and Montonna (1933) as quoted by Perry (1963) was used to be consistent with other published work (Svrcek (1967)).

There was a degree of uncertainty in the system property data as used in the computer model. The uncertainty was caused both by conflicting data in the literature and by the simplifications in the correlations used (simple mixing models).

(vi) Model Verification. The results in Appendix VIII showed good agreement between the experimental data and the model predictions in 19 out of 22 runs. The agreement on the distillate composition and flow was within the likely error of ± 1 mol%. The bottom composition and flow were also in agreement within the likely error (± 3.2 mol%).

As a further check, the model was used on the experimental data of Svrcek (1967) and a comparison for two runs is given in Appendix VIII. The agreement was good in the light of an assumed Murphree vapour efficiency of 0.9 (calculated from Bakowski's (1969) correlation) and no estimate of error on the experimental data. Svrcek included heat losses in each tray of his model but SSGW assumed a lumped heat loss in the reboiler stage. This approach was acceptable in view of the agreement between the experimentally measured flows and compositions, and the predicted equivalents.

(vii) Heat Losses. The model heat balance equations could incorporate heat transfer on each stage if required, but for simplicity the heat losses were lumped into the reboiler stage. Experimental temperature measurements and heat transfer correlations (Section 6.4.2) predicted a total column heat loss equivalent to 0.07 kg min^{-1} of steam (dry saturated at 212 kPa). The experimental results of Svrcek (1967) for a column of almost identical dimensions showed a heat loss equivalent to 0.06 kg min^{-1} of steam. This, and the agreement of the model and experimental data lent support to the approach of a single heat loss in the reboiler stage.

6.6 CONCLUSION

A steady state binary distillation column model was derived and programmed on a digital computer. The model was shown to agree with experimental data from a pilot plant scale distillation column and with published data (within experimental errors). The model showed that the assumptions of equimolar overflow and constant relative volatility were not valid for the methanol/water binary system. The prediction of tray efficiencies was shown to be important but difficult to achieve with simple correlations. The variance between the published property data for the methanol/water system contributed to discrepancies between the experimental data and the model predictions.

6.7 NOMENCLATURE

- A - coefficient array, equation (6-6)
- b - vector, equation (6-6)
- B - coefficient array, equation (6-6)
- C - coefficient array, equation (6-6)
- C_p - liquid heat capacity, $\text{kJ mol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
- D - distillate flow, mol min^{-1}

E_{MV}	- Murphree vapour efficiency
F	- feed rate, $\ell \text{ min}^{-1}$
h	- liquid enthalpy (saturated), kJ mol^{-1}
H	- vapour enthalpy (saturated), kJ mol^{-1}
K	- equilibrium ratio, y^*/x
L	- liquid flow, mol min^{-1}
M	- molecular weight
N	- number of column trays
Q	- heat load, kW
Q_C	- condenser heat load, kW
Q_S	- reboiler steam flow, kJ min^{-1}
R	- reflux ratio
T	- temperature, $^{\circ}\text{C}$
V	- vapour flow, mol min^{-1}
W	- bottoms flow, mol min^{-1}
x	- liquid composition, m.f.
y	- vapour composition, m.f.
y^*	- equilibrium vapour composition, m.f.
α	- relative volatility
ρ	- liquid density, $\text{kg } \ell^{-1}$

Subscripts

D	- distillate stream
f	- feed tray
F	- feed stream
N	- tray N
R	- rectifying section
S	- stripping section
W	- bottoms stream
O	- reflux accumulator

CHAPTER SEVEN

COLUMN DYNAMICS AND FEEDBACK CONTROL

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CHAPTER SEVEN

COLUMN DYNAMICS AND FEEDBACK CONTROL

7.1 INTRODUCTION

Distillation columns have been investigated extensively both experimentally and in computer simulations. Rademaker et al (1975) has presented a comprehensive review of the literature on distillation column dynamics and control. A large proportion of the work has been on simulation studies without extension to experimental verification and control system implementation. Almost every distillation unit or system is unique in some way that precludes a generalised analysis, and each situation should be treated on its merits. The column used in this work was simplified by operation at constant pressure (atmospheric), and the use of a binary system (methanol/water).

Investigation of column dynamics can follow two different paths. A rigorous description for a plate distillation column using a series of ordinary differential equations (for mass and energy balances) can be solved for a variety of column upsets. Controllers can be introduced and their effectiveness evaluated. The alternate procedure is to make tests on the plant and to interpret the results in approximate models which may extrapolate less well than the rigorous model. Lamb et al (1961), Huckaba et al (1963, 1965), and Svrcek (1967), among others, have demonstrated the application and the verification of the rigorous approach; Jafri et al (1965), Marino et al (1968) and Wood and Berry (1973), among others, have fitted models to experimental data with some success. Attempts to predict simple models from steady state operating data have been made by Gilliland and Mohr (1962), Bhat and Williams (1969), Weigand et al (1972) and Buffham (1974). Their work has shown reasonable agreement with simulation models of large columns (more than 25 plates).

Process dynamics were required in this project to estimate the likely column response to upsets, to identify suitable controllers, and to estimate the controller parameters required for best performance. Simple process models were fitted to experimental response data, and controllers designed and tuned using these models. The object was to produce the simplest control scheme that could provide acceptable controlled responses.

Model identification has been extensively investigated in the literature; Gustavsson (1975) has reviewed the application of identification techniques to general chemical and physical processes while Krishnamoorthy and Edgar (1977) have summarised the identification of distillation column models. Simple models were fitted to experimental data using discrete models fitted in the z domain in this project.

There are a number of reported methods of designing controllers based on z plane models (Kuo (1963), Tou (1969), Mosler et al (1967)). There are advantages when such design methods produce controllers which are discrete equivalents of the standard PID analog controller. In particular, the well recognised methods of tuning PID controllers can be used, and the intuitive feel for the effects of the proportional, integral and derivative modes can be utilised in fine tuning procedures either by the computer or by the operator.

There are four manipulated variables on an atmospheric pressure distillation column assuming constant pressure operation, and a fixed condenser load. The two control loops that maintain the overall column material balance by controlling the reflux accumulator and reboiler levels were considered as being lumped into the column dynamics. The control problem then was to maintain the product compositions using the two remaining control variables.

Temperature control on the top and bottom trays was adopted in preference to composition control on the products because of the long response time of the on-line refractometer analyser, and the lags caused

by the liquid holdups in the reflux accumulator and reboiler.

The dynamic behaviour of the distillation column described in the preceding chapters was investigated. Feedback controllers were designed and tuned to give best performance under a wide range of upsets using the microcomputer-based control system described in Chapter four.

7.2 LEVEL CONTROLLERS

The atmospheric pressure column had four control variables and four controlled variables, and hence 24 control combinations were possible. A number of these arrangements were obviously inferior and noting that the response of the bottom composition was much faster when controlled by manipulating the steam flow to the reboiler rather than bottom flow, then two possible control configurations remained (figure 7-1). The only real choice was the selection of the distillate composition control variable.

Shinskey (1967) has suggested that the material and heat balances should be separated (by controlling the distillate composition with the distillate flow in this case), but this is important only when the reflux stream is on flow control. For the column used in this project, the reflux ratio was generally close to 1.0 and the level controllers were reasonably tightly tuned (figure 7-3), hence the choice of distillate or reflux flow for distillate composition control was arbitrary.

Composition control is best achieved by maintaining the separation constant in the column (i.e. constant temperature profile), and it is necessary to ensure that temperature changes on the top tray are corrected as soon as possible. Therefore it is reasonable to control the top tray temperature by manipulating the reflux flow, i.e. figure 7-1b. This configuration was tried and worked well as will be shown in the following sections.

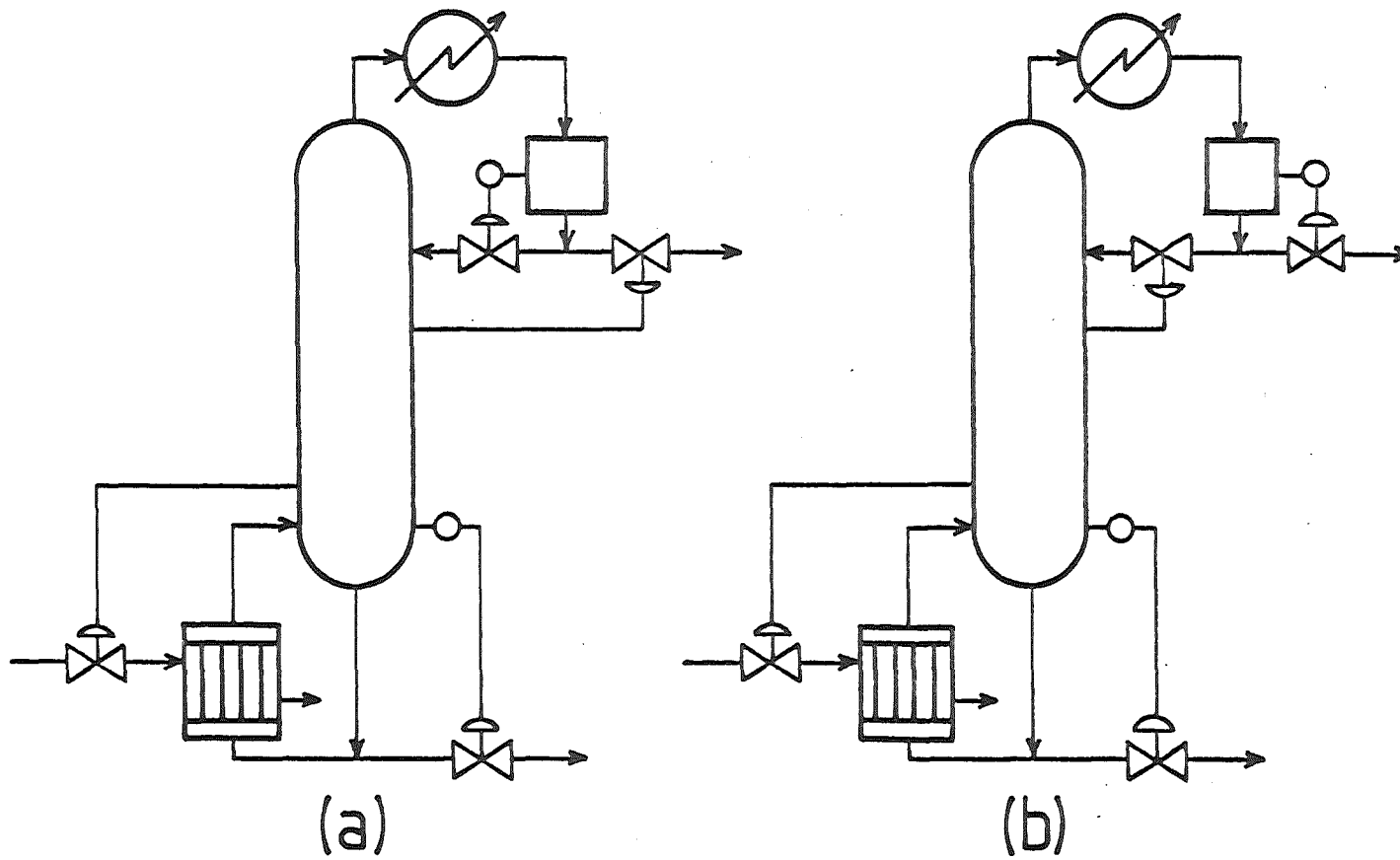


FIGURE 7-1 CONTROL CONFIGURATIONS

7.2.1 Level Controller Design

The reflux accumulator level and reboiler level systems were similar in that each attempted to control the level in a 225 mm diameter column section by a speed controllable pump. The following analysis then applies to both level controllers.

The block diagram for the level control system is shown in figure 7-2. Analysis of the block diagram for upset disturbances only gives (Smith (1972)):

$$C(z) = \frac{NG(z)}{1 + D(z) \frac{K_p K_s}{HG(z)}} \quad (7.1)$$

or

$$D(z) = \frac{NG(z) - C(z)}{\frac{K_p K_s}{HG(z)} C(z)} \quad (7.2)$$

where $NG(z)$ = upset pulse transfer function

$HG(z)$ = process pulse transfer function.

Design of a deadbeat type controller can be achieved by solving (7.2) for a specified $C(z)$ and given $NG(z)$. The tightest possible level control is that in which the level returns to the setpoint in two sampling intervals given a step upset u . For the system in figure 7-2 then

$$HG(z) = \frac{KTz^{-1}}{1 - z^{-1}} \quad (7.3)$$

$$NG(z) = \frac{KuTz^{-1}}{1 - z^{-1}} \quad (7.4)$$

$$C(z) = KuTz^{-1} \quad (7.5)$$

substituting into (7.2)

$$D(z) = \frac{2 - z^{-1}}{KT K_p K_s (1 - z^{-1})} \quad (7.6)$$

or in difference form

$$m_n - m_{n-1} = \frac{1}{KT K_p K_s} (2 e_n - e_{n-1}) \quad (7.7)$$

Equation (7.7) is the velocity form of a discrete PI controller. How-

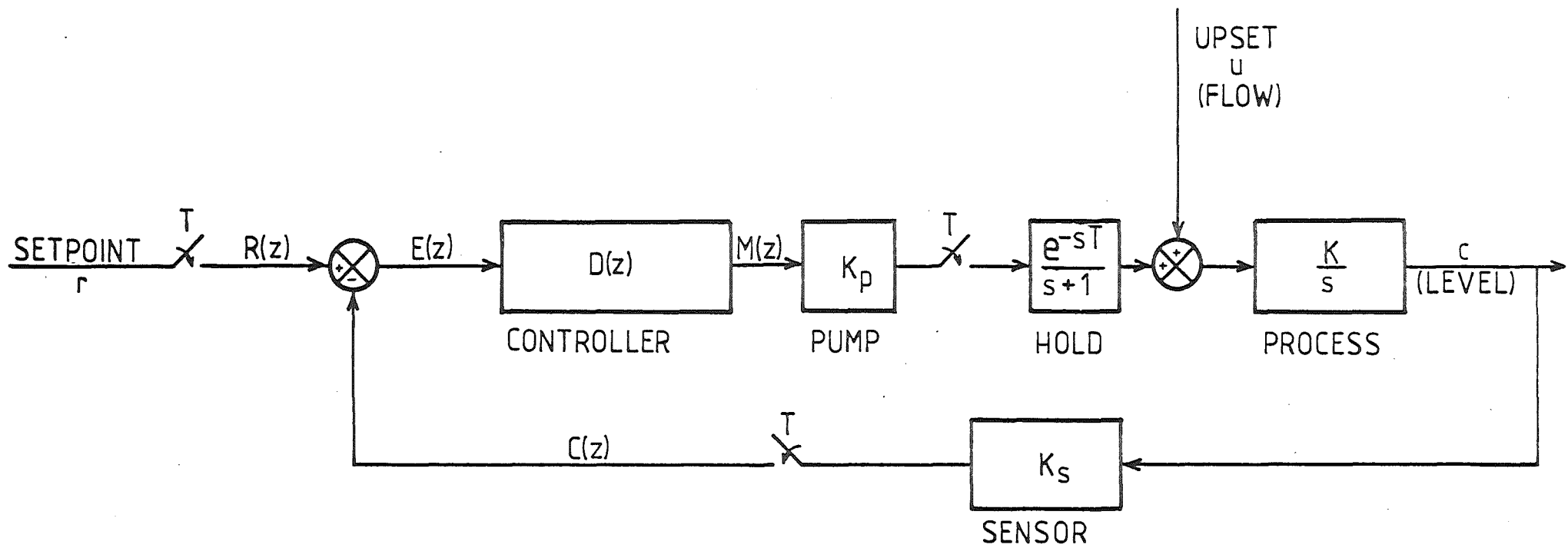


FIGURE 7-2 LEVEL CONTROL LOOP

ever, the control produced by the controller will be unrealisable because the controller requires control action greater than that possible. (The design method takes no account of limits on control action).

e.g. for the distillation column reflux accumulator

$$K = \frac{1}{\text{cross sectional area}} = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^{-2}$$

$$K_S = - .0115 \text{ V cm}^{-1} \quad \text{sensor gain}$$

$$K_P = 200 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ min}^{-1} \text{ V}^{-1} \quad \text{control pump gain}$$

$$T = 0.167 \text{ min}$$

from equation (7.7)

$$\Delta m_n = -2042 e_n + 1041 e_{n-1}$$

for a change in level of 1 cm

$$e_{n-1} = 0$$

$$e_n = 1 \times K_S$$

$$= - .0115 \text{ V}$$

$$\therefore \Delta m_n = 23.5 \text{ V}$$

but the maximum pump control signal is 10V.

There are three possible solutions to this situation:

(i) choose another response, $C(z)$, which gives a controller with a realisable control action;

(ii) use the controller structure as calculated, but de-tune it (i.e. reduce the gain);

(iii) increase the sample time until the control action is within the desired limits. A sample time of approximately 4 minutes is required to give an initial change in controller output of 1V for a step change in level of 1 cm.

The first case will produce a controller with more terms in it requiring more storage and more computation, while the third case under-utilises the capacity of the control microcomputer and could suffer

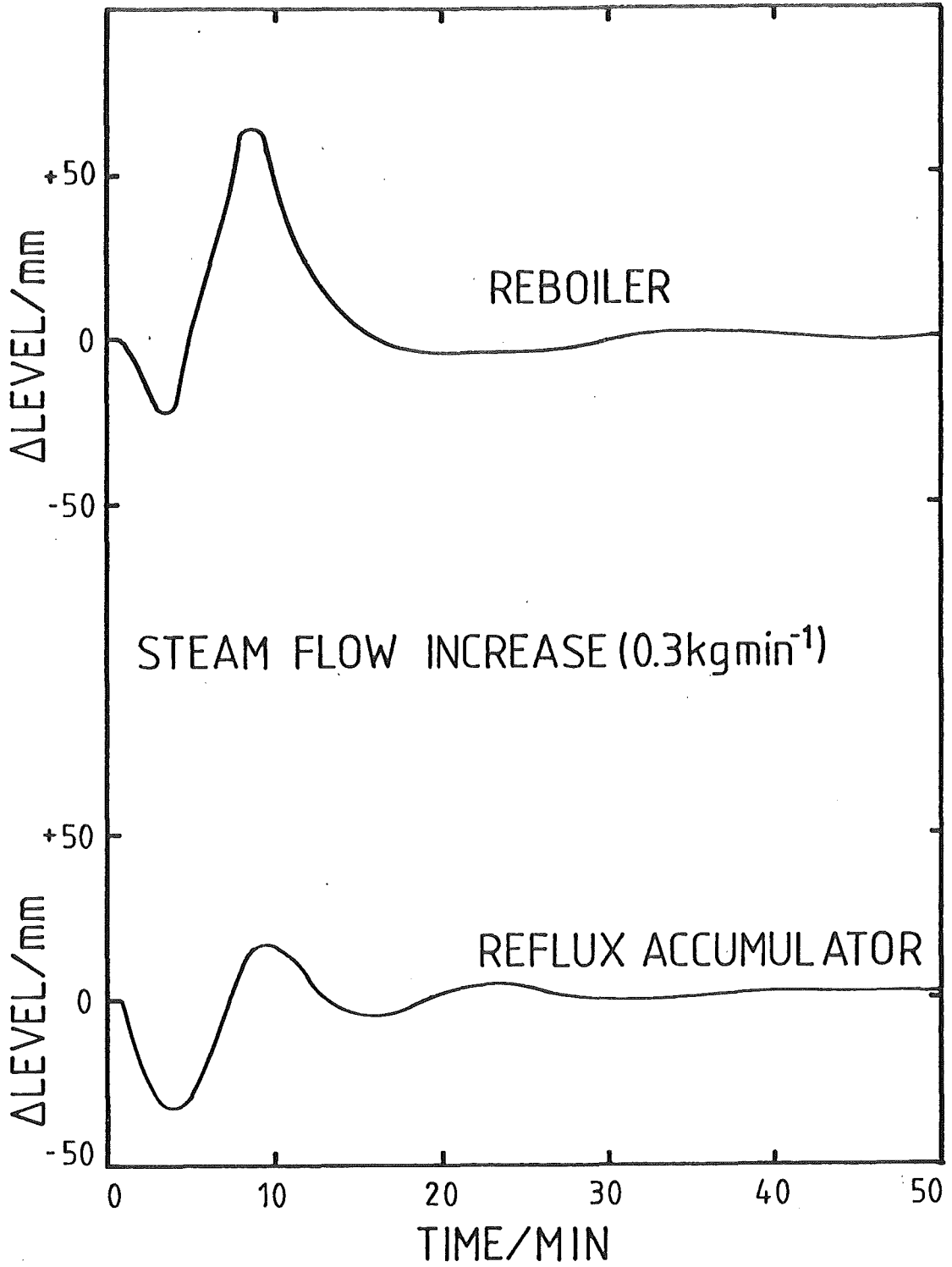


FIGURE 7-3 LEVEL RESPONSES

badly from upsets occurring in between the sampling intervals (if the sample period was 4 minutes). The second solution was chosen since it afforded the simplest controller. The level control loops were not critical to the overall column control, so the choice of controller was not critical.

7.2.2 Implementation of Level Controls

Two of the PI controllers described in section 5.9 were tuned to provide averaging level control in the distillation column. The controller equation used was

$$\Delta m_n = -392 e_n + 368 e_{n-1} \quad (7.8)$$

which is equivalent to a PI controller with

$$K_C = -368V/V, T_I = 2.6 \text{ min}, T = 10 \text{ seconds}$$

The sampling interval was chosen as 10 seconds because the dominant process time constants were of the order of several minutes; hence the digital controller closely approximated a continuous analog PI controller in performance.

Figure 7-3 shows typical closed loop responses of the level controllers to a step increase in steam flow. The responses were essentially second order with oscillations damping out to within ± 5 mm of the setpoint within fifteen minutes. The dynamics of these level control loops were included in the overall column dynamics described in the following sections.

7.3 COLUMN OPEN LOOP RESPONSES

A number of model identification procedures are available in the literature for both on-line and off-line use (Gustavsson (1975)), Box and Jenkins (1970), Saridis (1974), Sundaresan and Krishnaswamy (1978)). The main considerations for an identification procedure are:

- (i) the model structure
- (ii) the input to excite the plant dynamics

- (iii) the analysis method
- (iv) the validity and usefulness of the model produced.

The simplest model which adequately describes the process for any particular application should be used. In this application, simple models were required to predict the column response, and for use in designing feedback controllers.

For the purposes of determining the column dynamics, an off-line least squares approach was used to fit determinate discrete models, in the z domain, to step input responses. Such an approach was indicated because the column responses were essentially noise free, and in a digital control system, the inputs to the system would be discrete steps.

The four response variables were the distillate and bottoms product compositions, and the top (T_1) and bottom (T_8) tray temperatures. Each of the temperature probes was located close to the exit weir on that tray, and was expected to indicate the temperature of the liquid leaving the tray (and hence imply the composition of the liquid leaving the tray). The tray temperatures T_1 and T_8 were used as the control variables in the two composition control loops. The composition control loops were much slower than the temperature control loops because of the on-line refractometer sampling rate and the reboiler and reflux accumulator holdups. The upsets to the column were the feed variables: flow, composition, temperature, and the temperature control variables: reflux flow and steam flow.

7.3.1 Feed Upsets

Step upsets of varying magnitude and direction were made to investigate the column dynamics. Feed flow changes were made by altering the stroke of the feed pump, feed composition changes by adding pure methanol or water to the feed tank as required, and feed temperature changes by altering the steam pressure in the feed preheater. The reflux and steam flow changes were made using the manual controls. During the tests the reflux flow and steam flow were on manual control while the

reflux accumulator level was controlled by the distillate flow, and the reboiler level by the bottoms flow. Figures 7-4 to 7-11 show typical column responses to step upsets, and the fitted models. The models fitted were discrete z plane polynomials of the form

$$\frac{\text{output}(z)}{\text{input}(z)} = \frac{(a_1 z^{-1} + a_2 z^{-2} + \dots + z^{-m}) z^{-N}}{(1 + b_1 z^{-1} + b_2 z^{-2} \dots + z^{-n})} \quad (7.9)$$

where T = sample time (1 minute)

NT = dead time (min).

The dead time was chosen as a multiple of the sampling time to simplify model fitting. The model parameters were established for various model orders using a search technique based on the Hooke and Jeeves optimisation algorithm (Dixon (1972)). The PDP-11 minicomputer described in Chapter Four was used for this work. The fitted models produced estimates of the process variables at 1 minute intervals, but some of these estimates have been left off the figures for clarity.

The model form was chosen to be the simplest which adequately described the process response especially over the initial part of the response. All the responses to feed upsets were satisfactorily fitted with models of the form

$$\frac{y(z)}{x(z)} = \frac{K(1 - b)z^{-1} \cdot z^{-N}}{1 - bz^{-1}} \quad (7.10)$$

which is the discrete form of the classical first order system with dead time = NT and time constant = $-T/\ln b$. The fitted models are given in Tables 7-1, 7-2, 7-3.

There was very good agreement between the models identified for increases and decreases (of varying magnitude) in the feed variables. Significant differences might have been expected because of non-linearities in the column and changing flowrates causing changes in the liquid dynamics. The good agreement did show that a tuned controller should be equally effective in controlling upsets in either direction for any one of the feed variables.

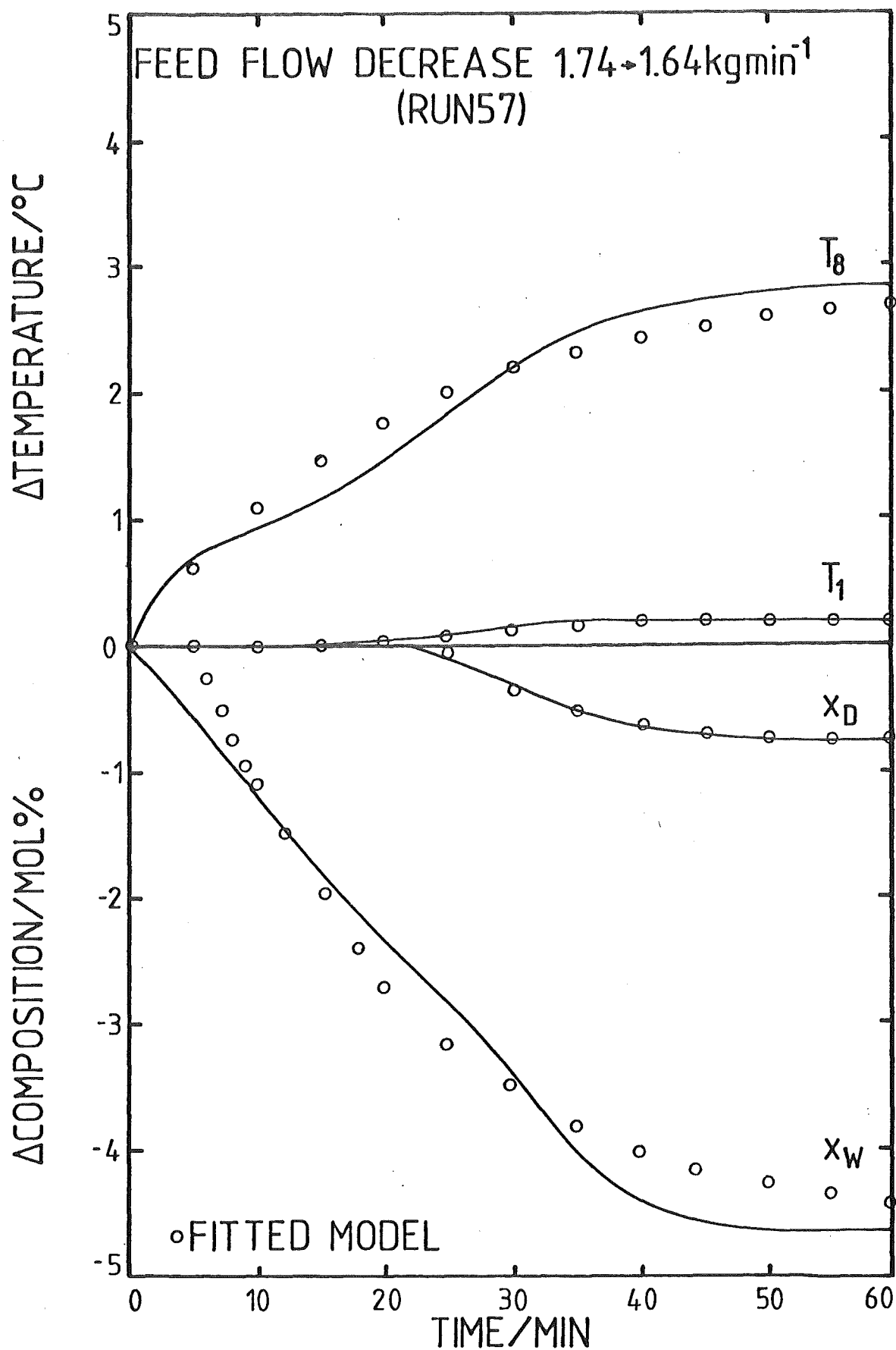


FIGURE 7-4 OPEN LOOP RESPONSE

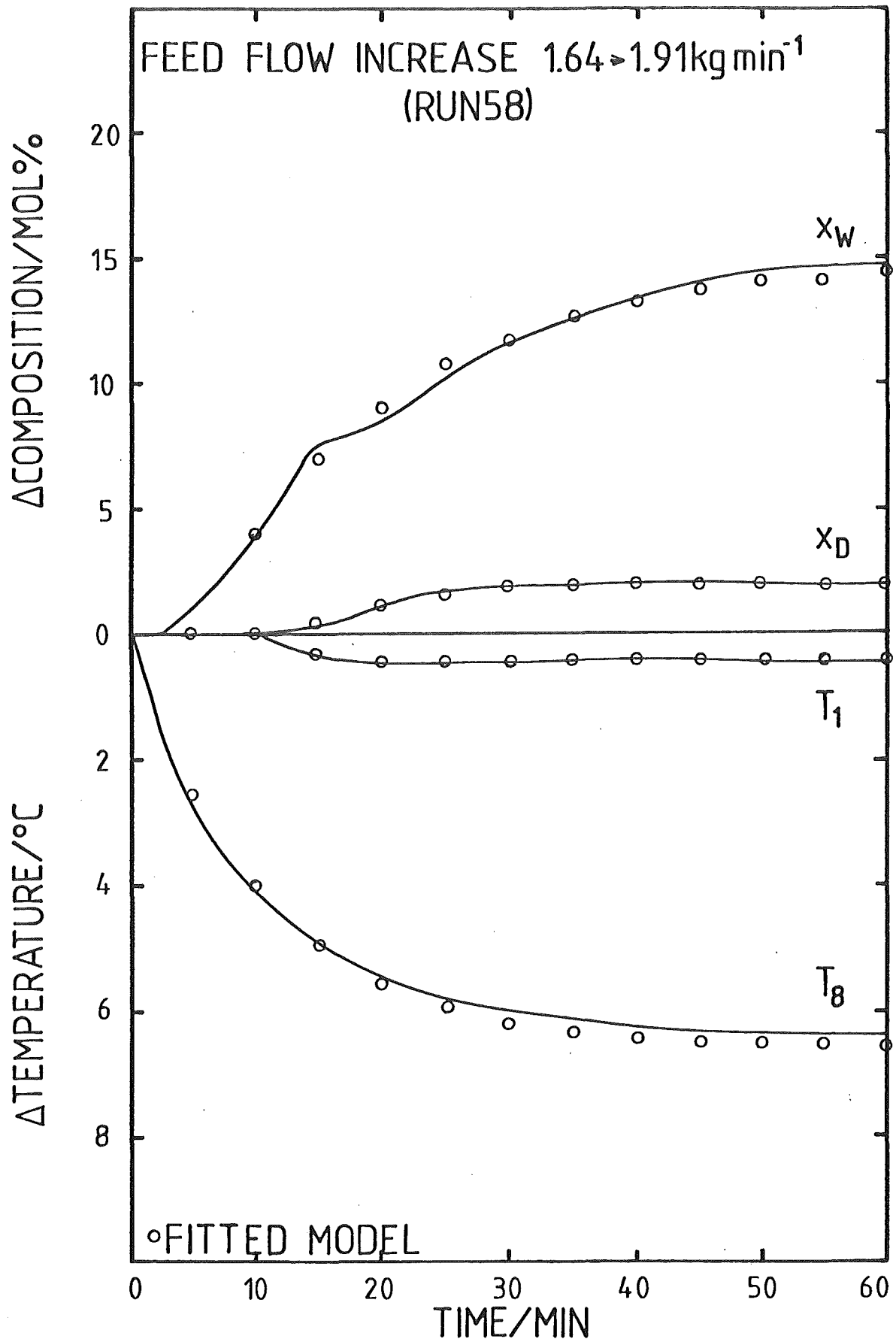


FIGURE 7-5 OPEN LOOP RESPONSE

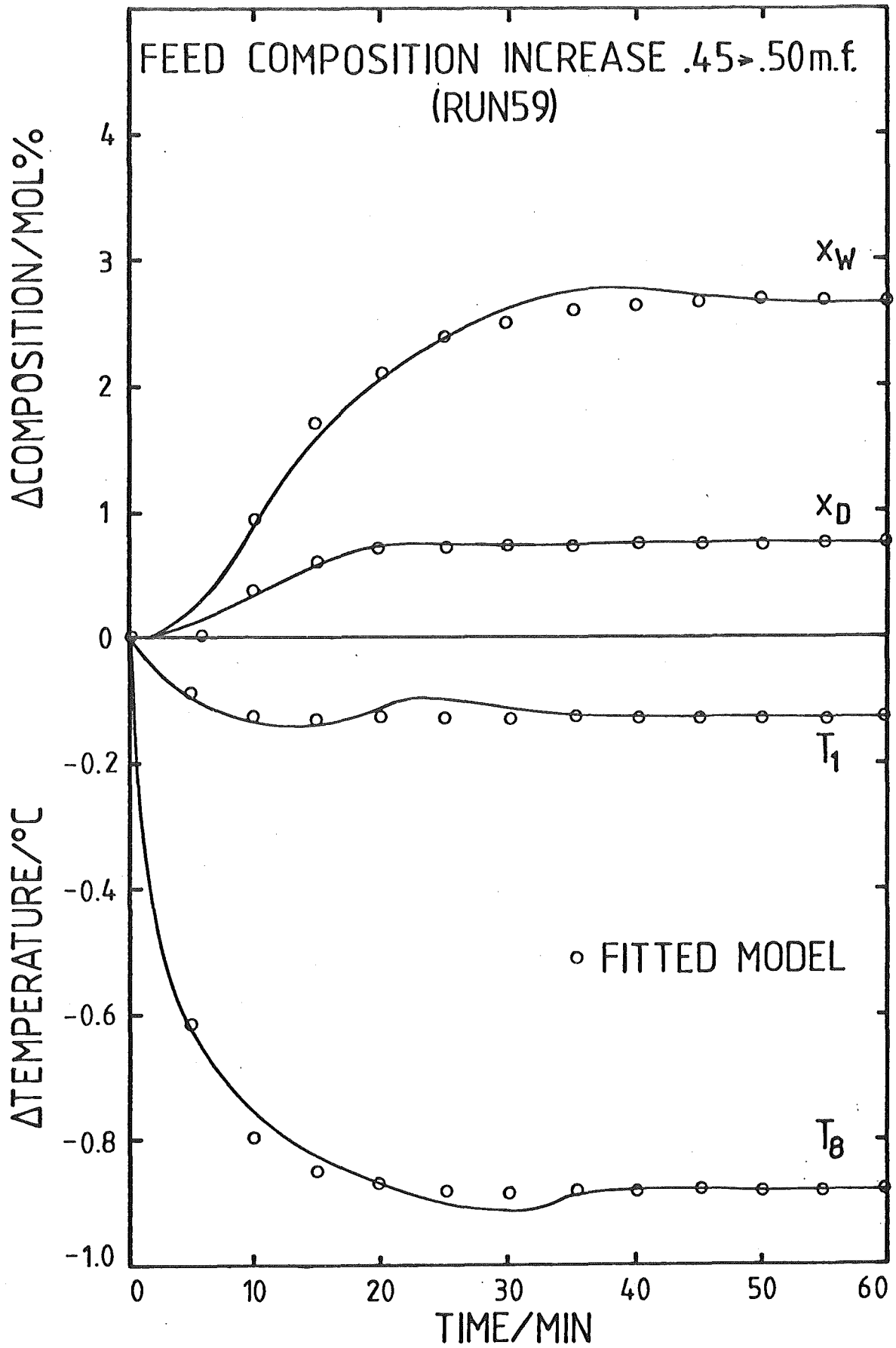


FIGURE 7-6 OPEN LOOP RESPONSE

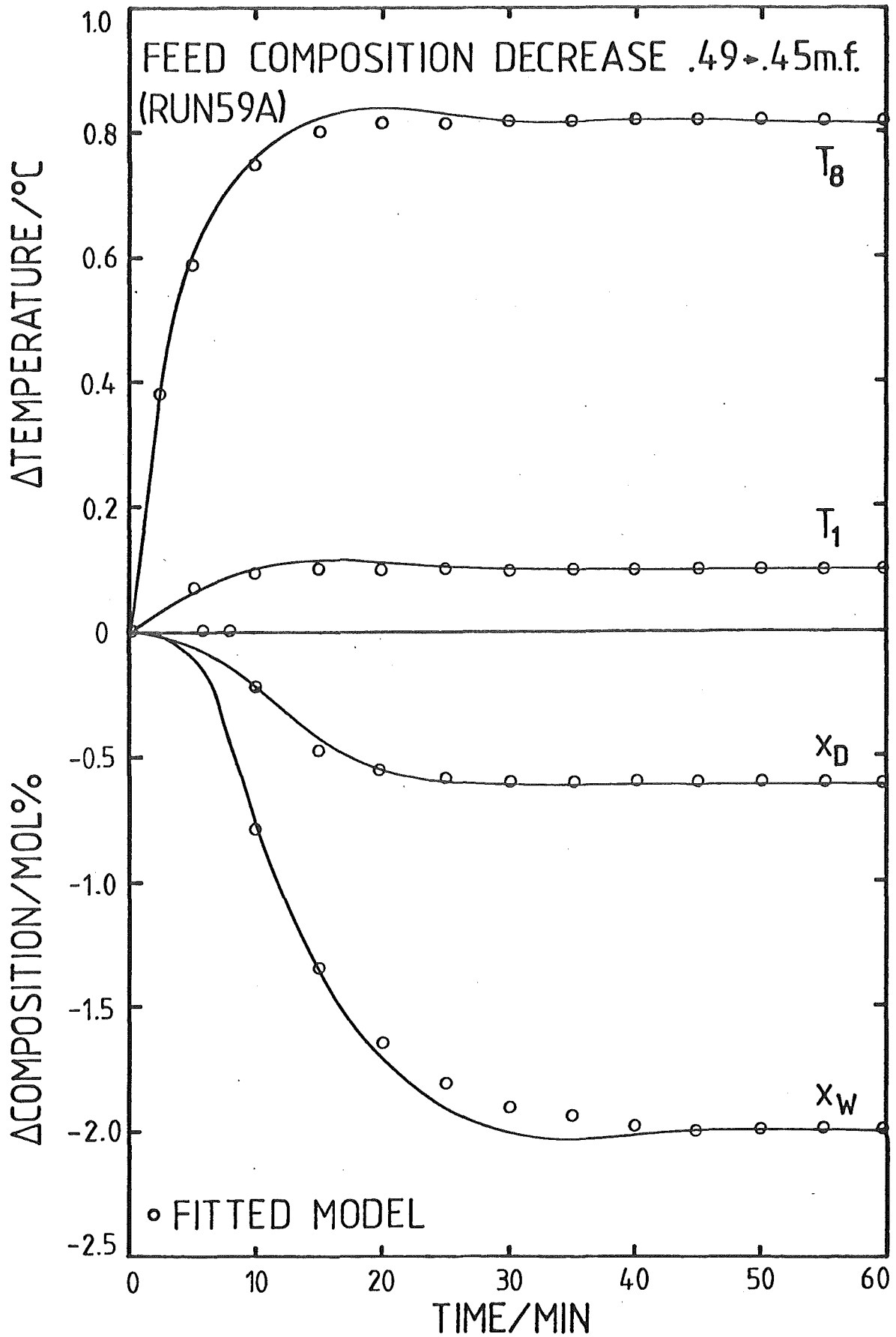


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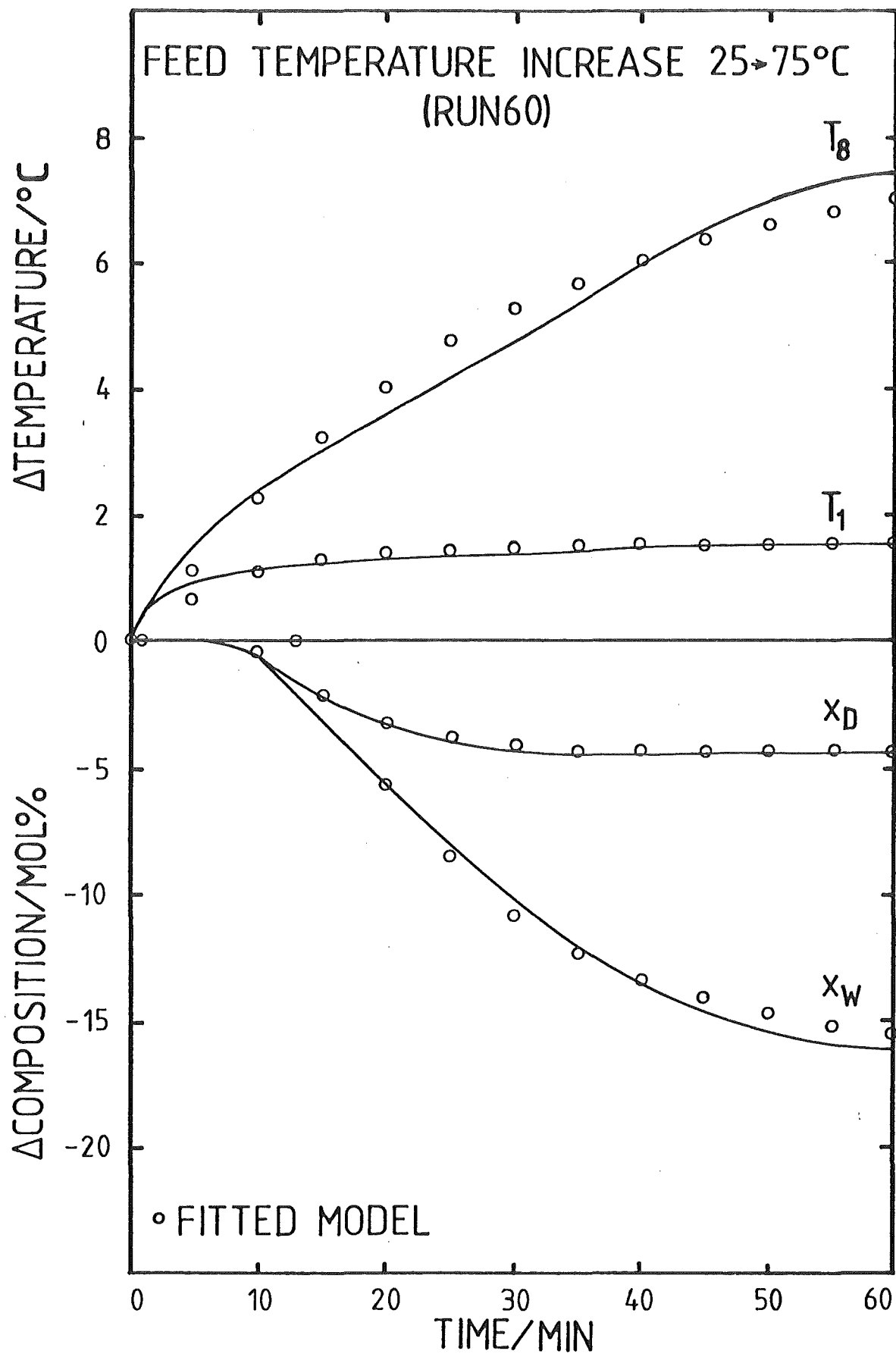


FIGURE 7-8 OPEN LOOP RESPONSE

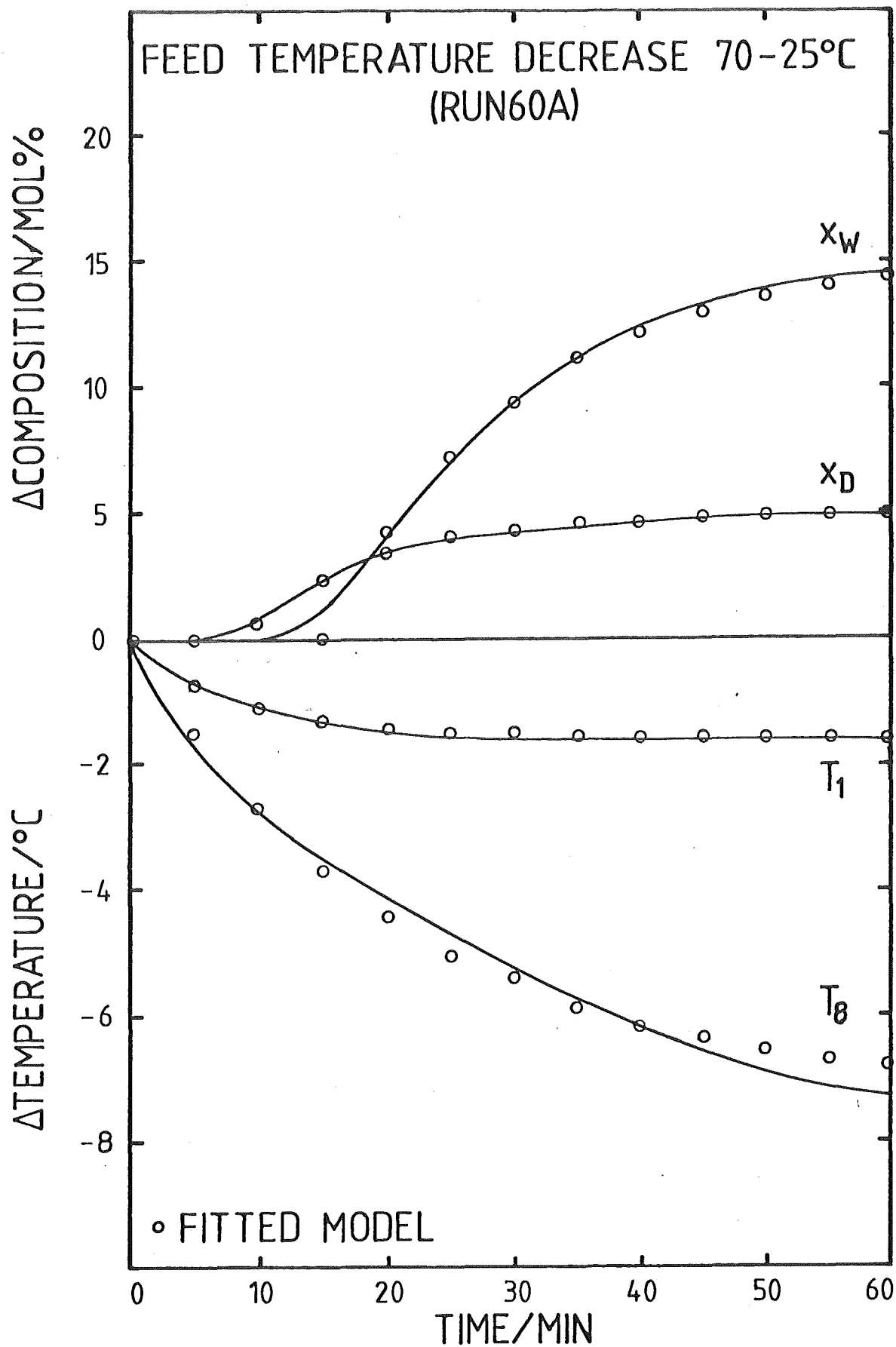


FIGURE 7-9 OPEN LOOP RESPONSE

TABLE 7-1
FEED RATE MODELS

RUN	UPSET	VARIABLE	FITTED DISCRETE	CONTINUOUS	
			TRANSFER FUNCTION T = 1 min	MODEL τ/min θ/min	
R58	FEED RATE INCREASE (0.27 kg min ⁻¹)	x _D	7.4 $\left(\frac{.120 z^{-3}}{1 - .880 z^{-1}} \right)$	7.8	12.0
		T ₁	-1.5 $\left(\frac{.231 z^{-11}}{1 - .769 z^{-1}} \right)$	3.8	10.0
		x _W	54.4 $\left(\frac{.061 z^{-6}}{1 - .939 z^{-1}} \right)$	15.9	5.0
		T ₈	-24.4 $\left(\frac{.088 z^{-1}}{1 - .912 z^{-1}} \right)$	10.9	0.0
R57	FEED RATE DECREASE (0.10 kg min ⁻¹)	x _D	7.2 $\left(\frac{.106 z^{-25}}{1 - .894 z^{-1}} \right)$	8.9	24.0
		T ₁	-1.6 $\left(\frac{.135 z^{-19}}{1 - .865 z^{-1}} \right)$	6.9	18.0
		x _W	46.0 $\left(\frac{.057 z^{-6}}{1 - .943 z^{-1}} \right)$	17.1	5.0
		T ₈	-28.0 $\left(\frac{.048 z^{-1}}{1 - .952 z^{-1}} \right)$	20.3	0.0

All compositions in mol% , all temperatures in °C

TABLE 7-2

FEED COMPOSITION MODELS

RUN	UPSET	VARIABLE	FITTED DISCRETE	CONTINUOUS	
			TRANSFER FUNCTION T = 1 Min	MODEL τ/min	θ/min
R59	FEED COMPOSITION CHANGE (+5 mol%)	x_D	$0.16 \left(\frac{.992 z^7}{1 - .808 z^{-1}} \right)$	4.7	6.0
		T_1	$-.024 \left(\frac{.227 z^{-1}}{1 - .773 z^{-1}} \right)$	3.9	0.0
		x_W	$0.54 \left(\frac{.107 z^{-7}}{1 - .893 z^{-1}} \right)$	8.9	6.0
		T_8	$-.18 \left(\frac{.211 z^{-1}}{1 - .789 z^{-1}} \right)$	4.2	0.0
R59A	FEED COMPOSITION CHANGE (-4 mol%)	x_D	$0.15 \left(\frac{.199 z^{-9}}{1 - .801 z^{-1}} \right)$	4.5	8.0
		T_1	$-.025 \left(\frac{.237 z^{-1}}{1 - .763 z^{-1}} \right)$	3.7	0.0
		x_W	$0.50 \left(\frac{.118 z^{-7}}{1 - .882 z^{-1}} \right)$	8.0	6.0
		T_8	$-.21 \left(\frac{.221 z^{-1}}{1 - .779 z^{-1}} \right)$	4.0	0.0

All compositions in mol%, all temperatures in °C.

TABLE 7-3

FEED TEMPERATURE MODELS

RUN	UPSET	VARIABLE	FITTED DISCRETE	CONTINUOUS	
			TRANSFER FUNCTION T = 1 min	MODEL τ/min	θ/min
R60	FEED TEMPERATURE INCREASE (+45 °C)	x_D	$-.10 \left(\frac{.105 z^{-10}}{1 - .895 z^{-1}} \right)$	9.0	9.0
		T_1	$0.033 \left(\frac{.125 z^{-1}}{1 - .875 z^{-1}} \right)$	7.5	0.0
		x_W	$-.36 \left(\frac{.060 z^{-1}}{1 - .940 z^{-1}} \right)$	16.1	13.0
		T_8	$0.17 \left(\frac{.041 z^{-2}}{1 - .959 z^{-1}} \right)$	24.2	1.0
R60A	FEED TEMPERATURE DECREASE (-45 °C)	x_D	$-.11 \left(\frac{.099 z^{-1}}{1 - .901 z^{-1}} \right)$	9.6	9.0
		T_1	$0.036 \left(\frac{.118 z^{-1}}{1 - .882 z^{-1}} \right)$	8.0	0.0
		x_W	$-.33 \left(\frac{.065 z^{-12}}{1 - .935 z^{-1}} \right)$	15.0	11.0
		T_8	$0.16 \left(\frac{.047 z^{-1}}{1 - .953 z^{-1}} \right)$	20.8	0.0

All compositions in mol%, all temperatures in °C.

The column responses show some important points:

(i) The bottoms composition, and bottom tray temperature responses were significantly faster than the distillate composition and top tray temperature responses to feed disturbances. This was to be expected since the feed disturbances must, in general, travel down the column in the liquid stream and then up the column in the vapour stream. This effect indicated that the bottom temperature control loop would respond faster than the top temperature control loop to feed upsets.

(ii) The magnitudes of the bottoms composition and bottom tray temperature changes were greater than those of the distillate composition and top tray temperature for a given upset. This could be explained by the shape of the vapour/liquid equilibrium curve which was steep for low methanol concentrations and almost flat for high methanol compositions. Consequently a small change in the stripping operating line had a larger effect on the tray compositions than a corresponding change in the rectifying operating line.

(iii) The fit of the models was good for the initial part of the response which was the region in which a control system might be expected to operate. The latter parts of the response showed some higher order effects, and delayed dynamics (caused by interactions and reflections in the column) but the effects were not significant, e.g. the response of the bottoms variables in figures 7-4 and 7-6.

7.3.2 Control Variable Responses

The reflux flow (L_R) and steam flow (Q_S) were chosen as the control variables for the temperature control loops (see section 7.2). Step upsets in both directions were applied to these variables and the responses analysed. Typical results are shown in figures 7-10 to 7-13. The figures also show the fitted model responses (with some of the fitted model predictions left off for clarity). The models were fitted as described in section 7.3.1 and are listed in Tables 7-4 and 7-5.

The responses of the bottoms composition and bottom tray temperature to changes in steam flow were underdamped second order, and were fitted with second order models. However the initial response before the oscillations commenced can be reasonably approximated by a first order system and the two models are shown in Table 7-5. The responses show several important features.

(i) In most cases, there was no deadtime in the tray temperature responses to changes in reflux and steam flows. This indicated that the column should be relatively easy to control provided interaction was not great.

(ii) The response of distillate composition to changes in reflux and steam flows exhibited deadtime as might have been expected with the reflux accumulator in the loop.

(iii) The response of bottoms composition to changes in steam flow was fast considering the large holdup in the reboiler. This was due to the rapid change in vapour flow for a change in steam flow. Because the boiling point of the liquid in the reboiler was fixed by composition and pressure, any extra heat input was taken up by an instantaneous increase in the boilup rate. This was confirmed by the rapid change in the bottom tray temperature (time constant < 1 minute).

(iv) The response of the top tray temperature and distillate composition to steam flow changes showed two dynamic effects, one fast and one slower (figures 7-12, 7-13). Initially the change in steam flow produced a rapid change in vapour flow, which in turn rapidly altered the separation in the column as shown by the temperature changes in figures 7-12 and 7-13. The reflux accumulator contributed a lag between vapour composition changes and the corresponding reflux composition changes, consequently there was a lag before the changing reflux composition entered the column and caused further changes to the column separation. The result of these two systems was a response with an initial overshoot of the final steady state for the distillate composition and top tray temperature.

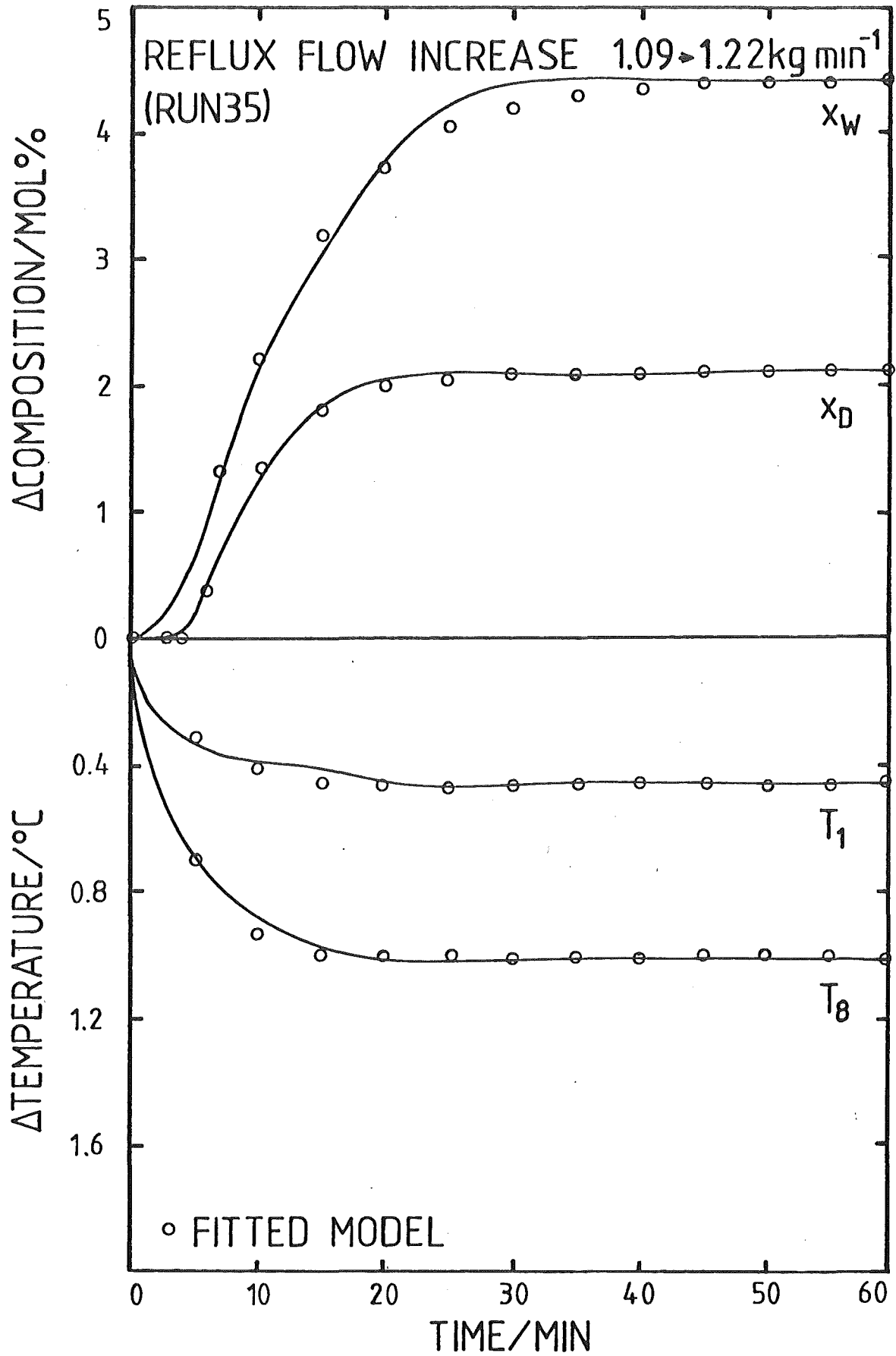


FIGURE 7-10 OPEN LOOP RESPONSE

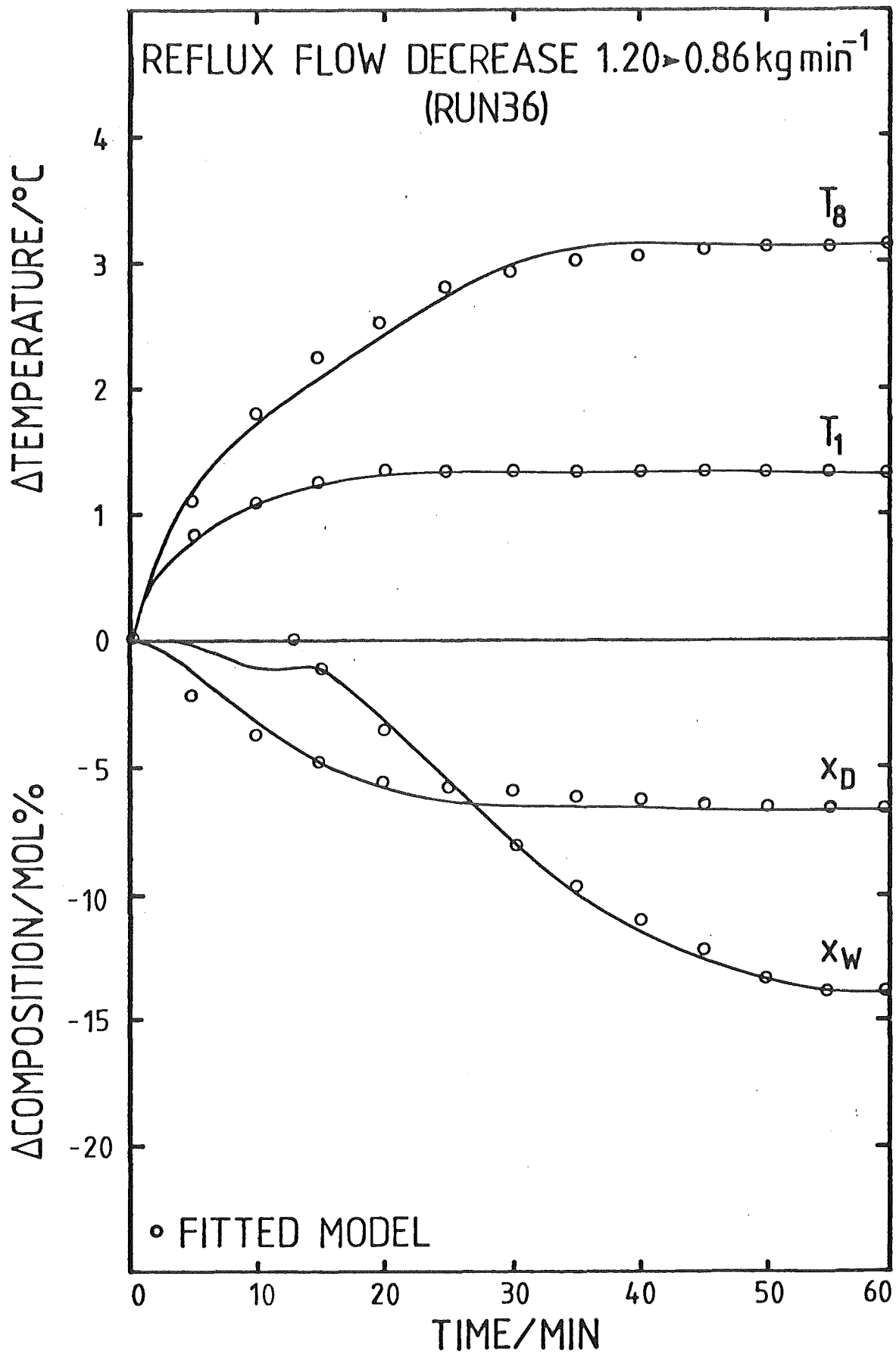


FIGURE 7-11 OPEN LOOP RESPONSE

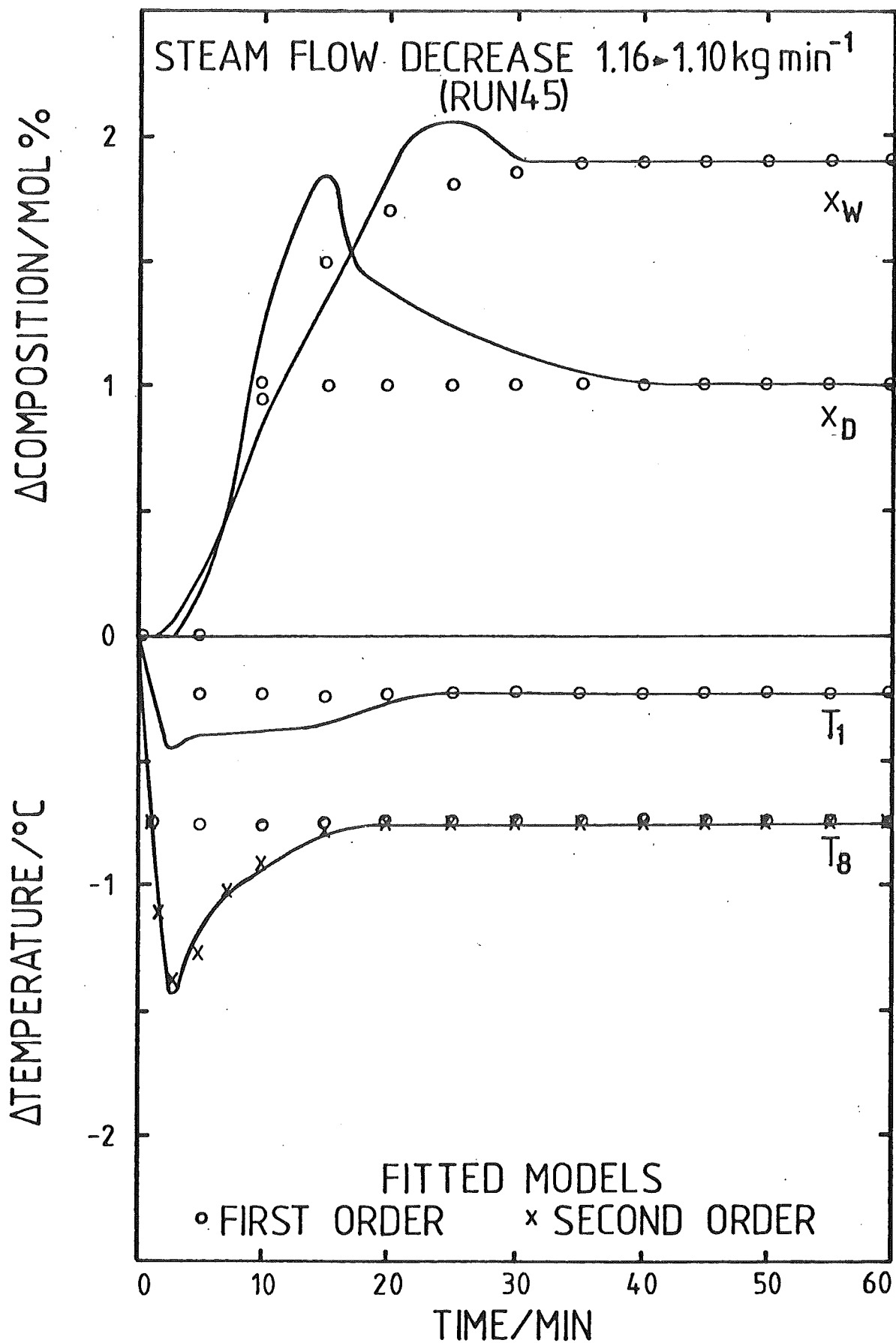


FIGURE 7-12 OPEN LOOP RESPONSE

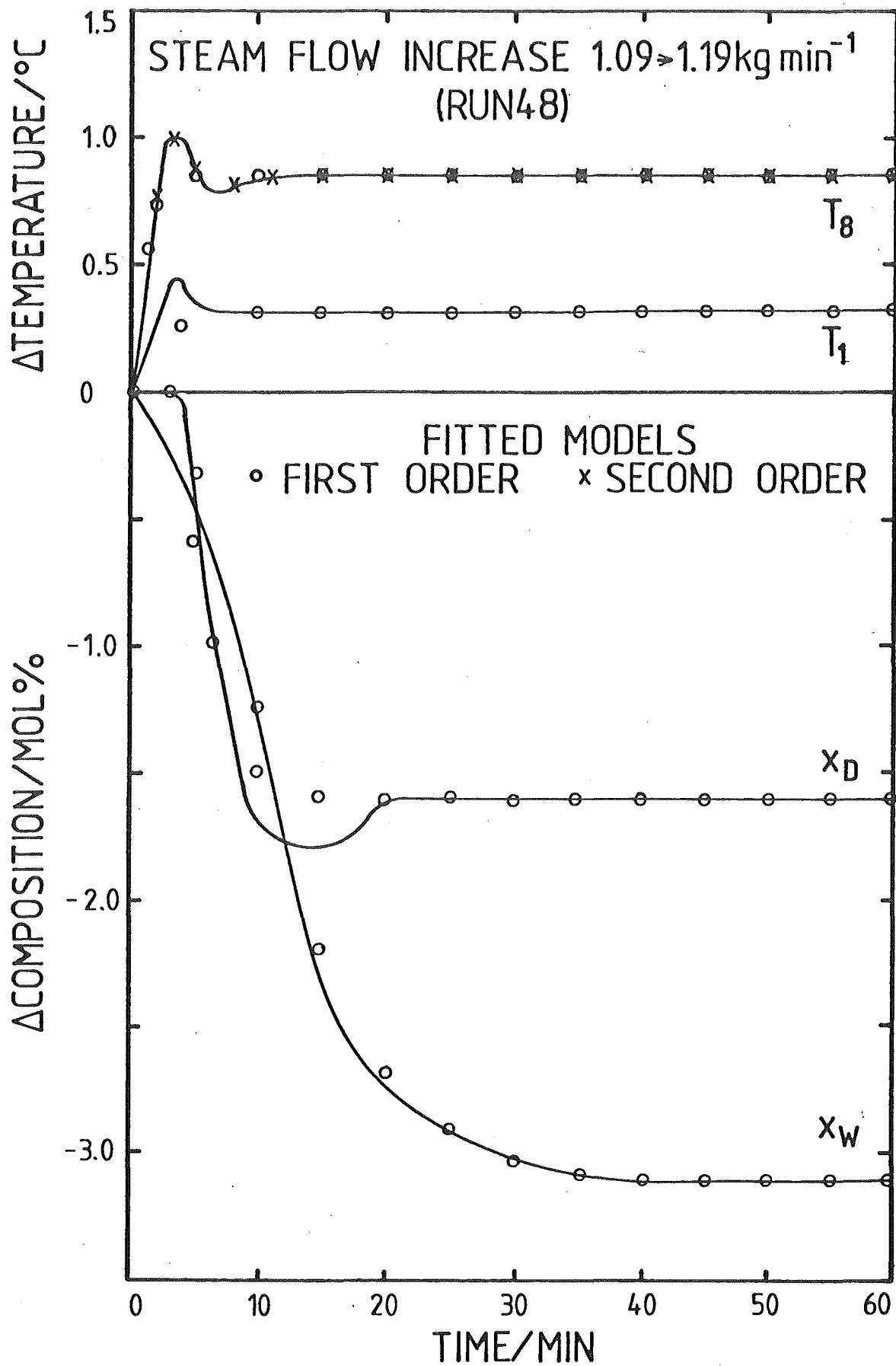


FIGURE 7-13 OPEN LOOP RESPONSE

TABLE 7-4

REFLUX FLOW MODELS

RUN	UPSET	VARIABLE	FITTED DISCRETE	CONTINUOUS	
			TRANSFER FUNCTION T = 1 min	MODEL τ/min θ/min	
R35	REFLUX FLOW INCREASE (+.13 kg min ⁻¹)	x _D	17.4 $\left(\frac{.135 z^{-1}}{1 - .865 z^{-1}} \right)$	6.9	0.0
		T ₁	-3.6 $\left(\frac{.190 z^{-1}}{1 - .810 z^{-1}} \right)$	4.8	0.0
		x _W	34.0 $\left(\frac{.112 z^{-5}}{1 - .888 z^{-1}} \right)$	8.0	4.0
		T ₈	-8.2 $\left(\frac{.195 z^{-1}}{1 - .805 z^{-1}} \right)$	4.6	0.0
R36	REFLUX FLOW DECREASE (-.34 kg min ⁻¹)	x _D	19.1 $\left(\frac{.086 z^{-1}}{1 - .914 z^{-1}} \right)$	11.2	0.0
		T ₁	-4.0 $\left(\frac{.171 z^{-1}}{1 - .829 z^{-1}} \right)$	5.3	0.0
		x _W	41.2 $\left(\frac{.040 z^{-14}}{1 - .960 z^{-1}} \right)$	24.5	13.0
		T ₈	-9.3 $\left(\frac{.081 z^{-1}}{1 - .919 z^{-1}} \right)$	11.8	0.0

All compositions in mol%, all temperatures in °C

TABLE 7-5

STEAM FLOW MODELS

RUN	UPSET	VARIABLE	FITTED DISCRETE	CONTINUOUS	
			TRANSFER FUNCTION T = 1 min	MODEL τ/min θ/min	
R48	STEAM FLOW INCREASE (+.10 kg min ⁻¹)	x _D	-16.2 $\left(\frac{.373 z^{-5}}{1 - .627 z^{-1}} \right)$	2.1	4.0
		T ₁	4.0 $\left(\frac{.990 z^{-2}}{1 - .010 z^{-1}} \right)$	0.2	1.0
		x _W	-32.5 $\left(\frac{.094 z^{-5}}{1 - .906 z^{-1}} \right)$	10.0	4.0
		T ₈	8.5 $\left(\frac{.377 z^{-1} - .269 z^{-2}}{1 - .756 z^{-1} + .401 z^{-2}} \right)$	-	0.0
		T ₈	8.5 $\left(\frac{.614 z^{-1}}{1 - .386 z^{-1}} \right)$	1.1	0.0
R45	STEAM FLOW DECREASE (-.06 kg min ⁻¹)	x _D	-16.1 $\left(\frac{.499 z^{-6}}{1 - .501 z^{-1}} \right)$	1.5	5.0
		T ₁	3.8 $\left(\frac{.835 z^{-1}}{1 - .165 z^{-1}} \right)$	0.6	0.0
		x _W	-31.8 $\left(\frac{.140 z^{-6}}{1 - .860 z^{-1}} \right)$	6.6	5.0
		T ₈	12.5 $\left(\frac{1.145 z^{-1} - 1.044 z^{-2}}{1 - 1.354 z^{-1} + .456 z^{-2}} \right)$	-	0.0
		T ₈	12.5 $\left(\frac{.991 z^{-2}}{1 - .009 z^{-1}} \right)$	0.2	1.0

All compositions in mol% , all temperatures in °C

7.3.3 Temperature Control Interactions

The degree of interaction between the control loops in a distillation column can be estimated by the interaction measure (Bristol (1966), Shinskey (1967)) and the allocation of the control loops made so as to minimise the interaction. From the steady state gains of the transfer functions

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} T_1 \\ T_8 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -4.0 & -3.8 \\ -9.3 & -12.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} L_R \\ Q_S \end{bmatrix} \\ &= P \begin{bmatrix} L_R \\ Q_S \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (7.11)$$

P = steady state process matrix

and the interaction measure is given by

$$M_{ij} = P_{ij} (P^{-1})_{ji} \quad (7.12)$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 3.4 & -2.4 \\ -2.4 & 3.4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7.13)$$

From the interaction measure the following points can be made:

- (i) The controller pairings should be
 - T_1 controlled by L_R
 - T_8 controlled by Q_S
 and that the opposite pairing will be unstable.
- (ii) There will be significant interaction between the loops perhaps leading to instability.
- (iii) The other control alternative using distillate and steam flow as the manipulated variables will give similar results to those above since the reflux ratio was close to one, and the reflux accumulator level control was tight.

However, the process matrices from other experimental runs produced the reverse controller pairings to those suggested above, and a very strong interaction between the two loops. The key to determining least interactive loops was the determinant of P . If the gains for the effects of the two inputs on any one output were close to being equal, i.e.

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \quad (7.14)$$

$$\det(P) = ad - bc$$

then any errors in measuring the gains a, b, c, d could cause the determinant to change sign and consequently the interaction measure would predict the opposite controller pairings. In the case of the process matrix being singular, Bristol's method predicts very difficult control.

Some of the process matrices found experimentally in this work were found to be almost singular, and hence predicted difficult control and the reverse controller pairing to that suggested by equation (7.13). e.g.

$$\begin{bmatrix} T_1 \\ T_8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3.6 & -4.0 \\ -8.2 & -8.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} L_R \\ Q_S \end{bmatrix}$$

gives

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} -13.9 & 14.9 \\ 14.9 & -13.9 \end{bmatrix}$$

The interaction measure takes no account of the process dynamics, and therefore cannot give a complete answer to the problem of configuring control loops. The controller pairings suggested by equation (7.13) were used because they were in agreement with the arguments presented in section 7.2.

7.3.4 Discussion

Simple models consisting of first order plus deadtime models were

fitted in the z plane to the column responses for all upsets except the bottoms composition and bottom tray temperature responses to steam flow upsets. The models provided reasonable agreement even though other dynamics were present in some of the responses. These models were of the form used by Jafri et al (1965) and Meyer et al (1978,1979) on similar distillation columns. The transfer functions showed that the base of the column responded more quickly to upsets than did the top of the column. The transfer functions were used to investigate controller design for the temperature control loops.

7.4 TEMPERATURE CONTROLLERS

From the process dynamics identified by step testing, controller designs and tunings were investigated. The controllers considered were in the categories

- (i) conventional analog controller replacements
- (ii) specially designed sampled-data controllers.

There are a number of methods of tuning controllers in the first category (Smith (1972)) and the resulting settings can be fine tuned. The sampled-data controller could be quickly and easily designed for a specific upset but lacked flexibility in being able to handle other upsets.

7.4.1 Designing Sampled Data Digital Controllers

The methods used in section 7.2.1 for the level control system were applied to the temperature loops. The basic loop is shown in figure 7-14. The controller could be designed as a regulator to control the upsets, however, the problem was which upset to design for. The upsets all had different dynamics and required a different controller. The alternative was to consider the servo problem and design only for setpoint changes. Either type of controller (regulator or servo) was going to behave differently when subjected to the other

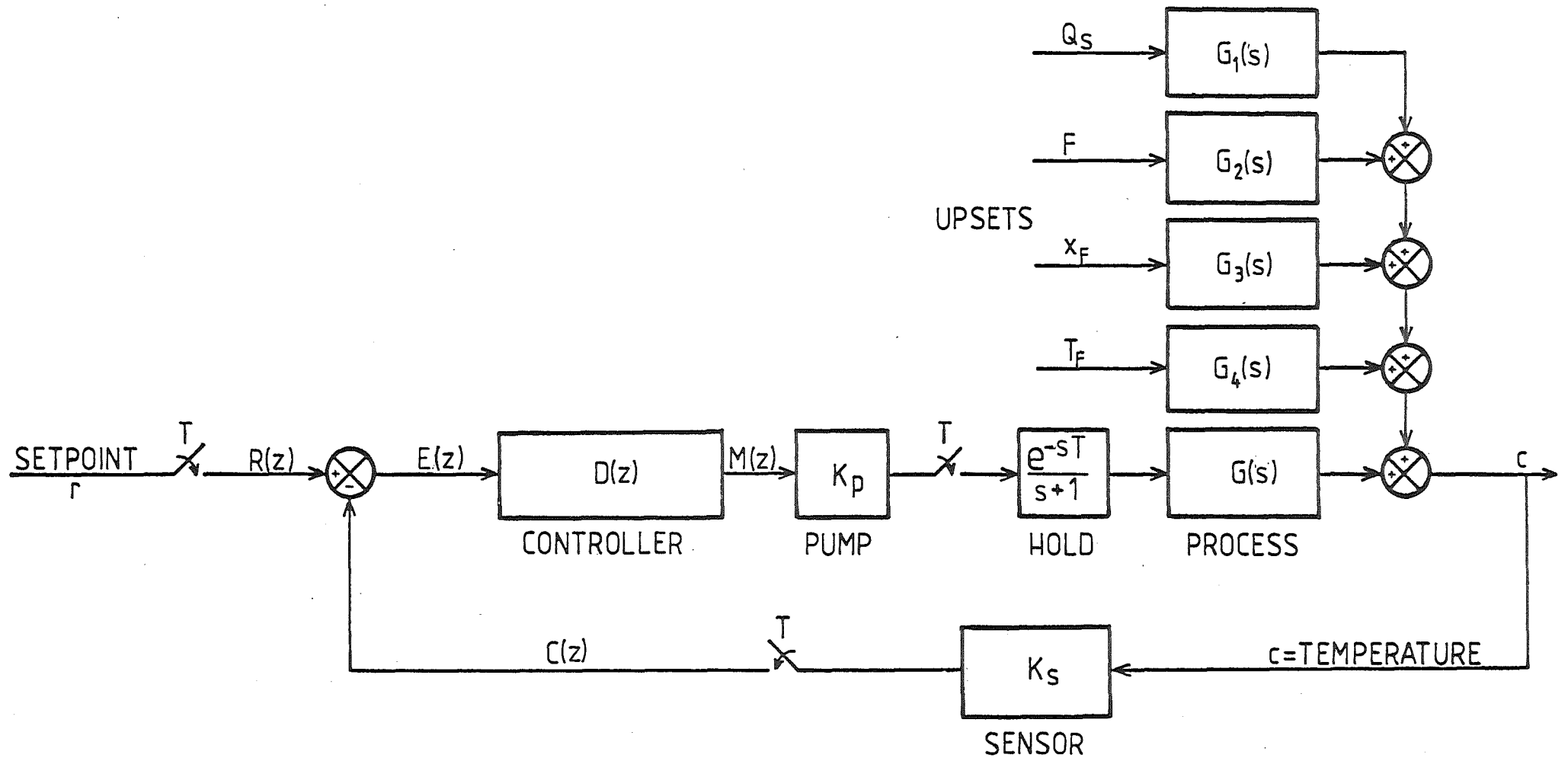


FIGURE 7-14 TEMPERATURE CONTROL LOOP

type of upset and the performance may not have been satisfactory. Two simple designs of the deadbeat type of controller were considered:

(i) Servo deadbeat controller.

For a unit step change in setpoint, the process was expected to reach the new setpoint in one sampling interval. The process was first order with time constant τ and a zero order hold was used. Hence (Smith 1972) :

$$R(z) = \frac{1}{1 - z^{-1}}$$

$$C(z) = \frac{z^{-1}}{1 - z^{-1}}$$

$$HG(z) = \frac{K(1 - b)z^{-1}}{1 - bz^{-1}}$$

$$b = e^{-T/\tau}$$

and

$$D(z) = \frac{1 - bz^{-1}}{K_s K_p K(1 - b)(1 - z^{-1})} \quad (7.15)$$

$$\text{or} \quad \Delta m_n = \frac{1}{K_s K_p K(1 - b)} (e_n - be_{n-1}) \quad (7.16)$$

which is the velocity type discrete equivalent of a PI controller.

(ii) Regulator deadbeat controller.

For a step upset, u , into $G_1(s)$, the process was required to return to the setpoint in two sampling intervals. The process was as for case (i). Hence

$$G_1(s) = \frac{K_1}{\tau_1 s + 1} \quad \text{the upset dynamics}$$

$$NG(z) = \frac{K_1 u (1 - a) z^{-1}}{(1 - z^{-1})(1 - az^{-1})} \quad a = e^{-T/\tau_1}$$

$$C(z) = K_1 U (1 - a) z^{-1}$$

$$D(z) = \frac{1}{K_p K_s K} \left[\frac{(1 - bz^{-1})(1 + a - az^{-1})}{(1 - z^{-1})(1 - az^{-1})} \right] \quad (7.17)$$

or

$$m_n = f(e_n, e_{n-1}, e_{n-2}, m_{n-1}, m_{n-2}) \quad (7.18)$$

and the velocity type form of the controller is

$$\Delta m_n = f(e_n, e_{n-1}, e_{n-2}, e_{n-3}, m_{n-1}, m_{n-2}, m_{n-3}) \quad (7.19)$$

There are obvious differences between the two controller designs (eqn. (7.16), (7.19)) but the performance of each would be similar. Shunta and Luyben (1972a, 1972b) investigated the application of similar controllers to a simulated process and concluded that the results were good for the disturbance for which they were designed but poor for other disturbances. In some cases the control was marginally better than conventional PI analog continuous control, but worse in others. They also designed a dual discrete controller which handled the load and setpoint upsets separately and which showed an improvement in control performance but was no better than conventional PI control. Setting up the dual controller was more difficult than a conventional controller, and required an accurate process model. Even incorporating decoupling into the dual controller showed only marginal improvement over conventional PI control. Hence the deadbeat type of controller was not considered in this project.

There are other problems associated with minimal deadbeat type controllers. Excessive control action can be demanded by the controller to provide the required response. This could be avoided by increasing the sample interval or incorporating constraints in another design procedure, e.g. the linear quadratic design procedures (Edgar et al (1973)). An alternate desired process response could be used to design another controller (Smith 1972), or additional poles and zeroes could be added to the controller to give the desired response. Both these methods require some experience on the part of the designer and could not be recommended as general practice.

Conclusion: While the synthesis of deadbeat type controllers is

straightforward, the controller will in practice cause problems because of

- (i) requiring excessive control action;
- (ii) sensitivity to model parameter variations;
- (iii) poor response to upsets other than that for which it was designed.

As expected, the discrete deadbeat controller for the servo problem proved to be a PI controller while the regulator problem produced a more complex controller. If the upset dynamics were similar to the plant dynamics ($G_1(s) \approx G(s)$ in figure 7-14) then the regulator problem also reduced to a PI controller. On this basis, and considering that PI controllers were being used for the level controllers, discrete PI controllers were used on the temperature loops. The choice of one controller type also simplified programming the microcomputer. As a first estimate the PI controllers were tuned using the tabulated values determined from the ITAE criterion (Smith (1972)). A deadtime equal to half the model sampling time was assumed in order to use this tuning method.

7.4.2 Closed Loop Column Responses

The recommended controller settings for the temperature control loops based on the ITAE criteria were:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_1 \text{ loop} \quad K_C &= -107 \text{ V/V} \quad T_I = 1.6 \text{ min} \quad T = 10\text{s} \\
 \text{or} \quad \Delta m_n &= -118.3 e_n + 107 e_{n-1}
 \end{aligned} \tag{7.20}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_8 \text{ loop} \quad K_C &= +5.0 \text{ V/V}, \quad T_I = 0.8 \text{ min} \quad T = 10\text{s} \\
 \text{or} \quad \Delta m_n &= +6 e_n - 5 e_{n-1}
 \end{aligned} \tag{7.21}$$

The predicted controller tunings were tested on the column under closed loop control for a variety of feed upsets. Using the controllers described in section 5.8. Interactions between the loops made re-tuning necessary. The following controllers were found to give best overall control for a variety of feed upsets and setpoint changes.

$$T_1 \text{ loop} \quad K_c = -2V/V, \quad T_I = 0.3 \text{ min}$$

$$\Delta m_n = -3e_n + 2e_{n-1} \quad (7.22)$$

$$T_8 \text{ loop} \quad K_c = +4V/V, \quad T_I = 0.8 \text{ min}$$

$$\Delta m_n = +5e_n - 4e_{n-1} \quad (7.23)$$

For the T_1 loop, this represents a large reduction in gain, and an increase in integral action tending to a more loosely tuned loop. This change was made to slacken the control on the slower of the two loops and sacrifice some control performance for reduced interaction.

The results of these controllers to feed rate, feed composition and setpoint changes are shown in figures 7-15 to 7-18.

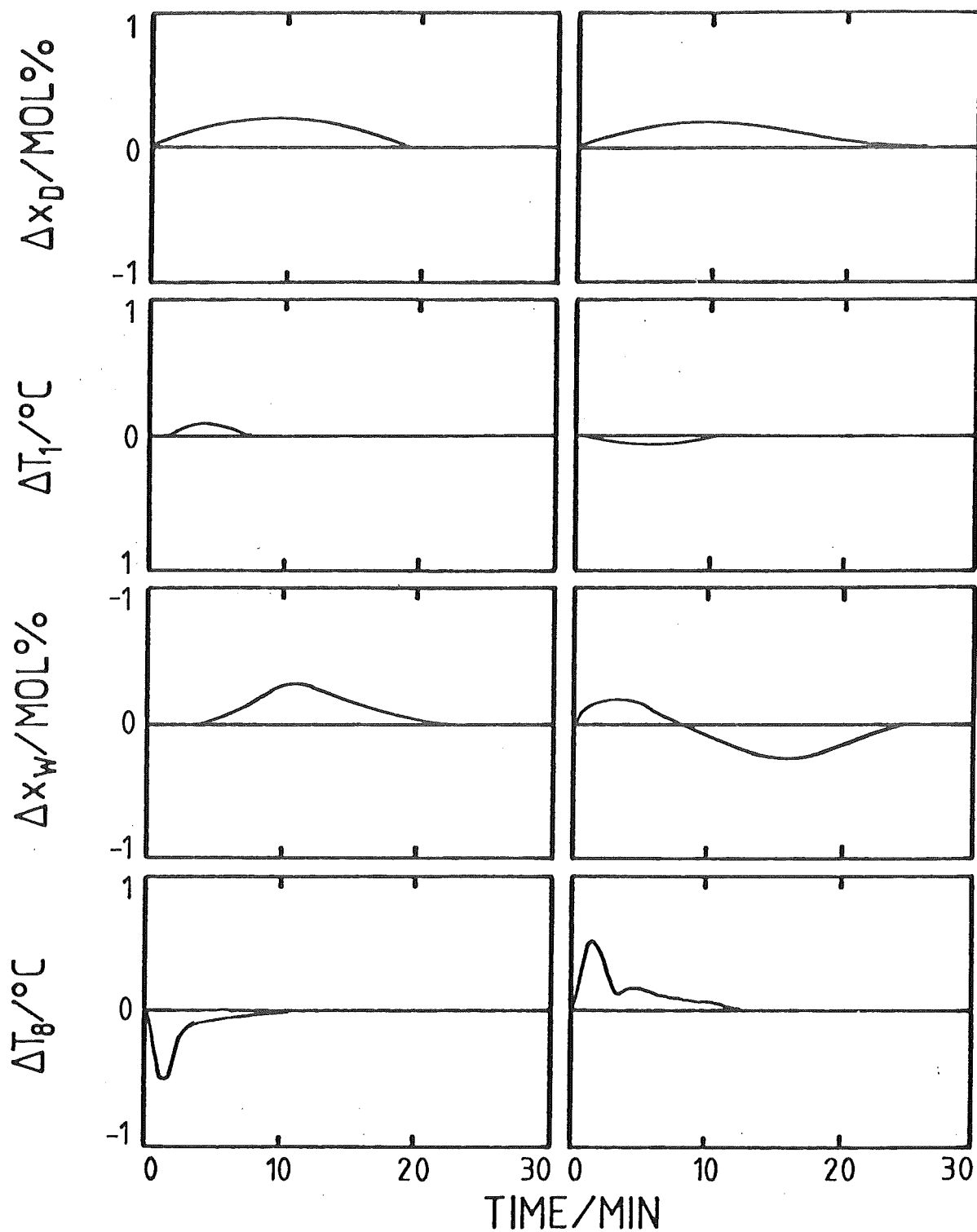
7.4.3 Discussion

The results in figures 7-15 to 7-18 show the responses of the column with temperature control on both ends of the column. The controllers used were the simplest possible - discrete PI equivalents. The results therefore represented a basis for deciding whether significant improvement could be achieved by enhancing the control scheme, e.g. decoupling, feedforward control.

The precision of the measured deviations was limited by the performance of the temperature and composition sensors. These devices (see section 3.8) had a long term repeatability of $\pm 0.2^\circ\text{C}$ and $\pm 0.4 \text{ mol\%}$ respectively, hence the deviations measured were well within the long term repeatability limits. For the short time duration (30 minutes) required for the closed loop responses, the stability of all measuring instruments was assumed to be sufficient to produce the results shown.

The choice of what constitutes good control in this situation is partly subjective. The commonly used criteria are minimum overshoot, settling time, rise time, decay ratio and the error integrals. The choice of one or more of these criteria depends on the type of response exhibited by the controlled loop (oscillatory or exponential) and by the requirements of the control loop (to minimise flow variations to other processing

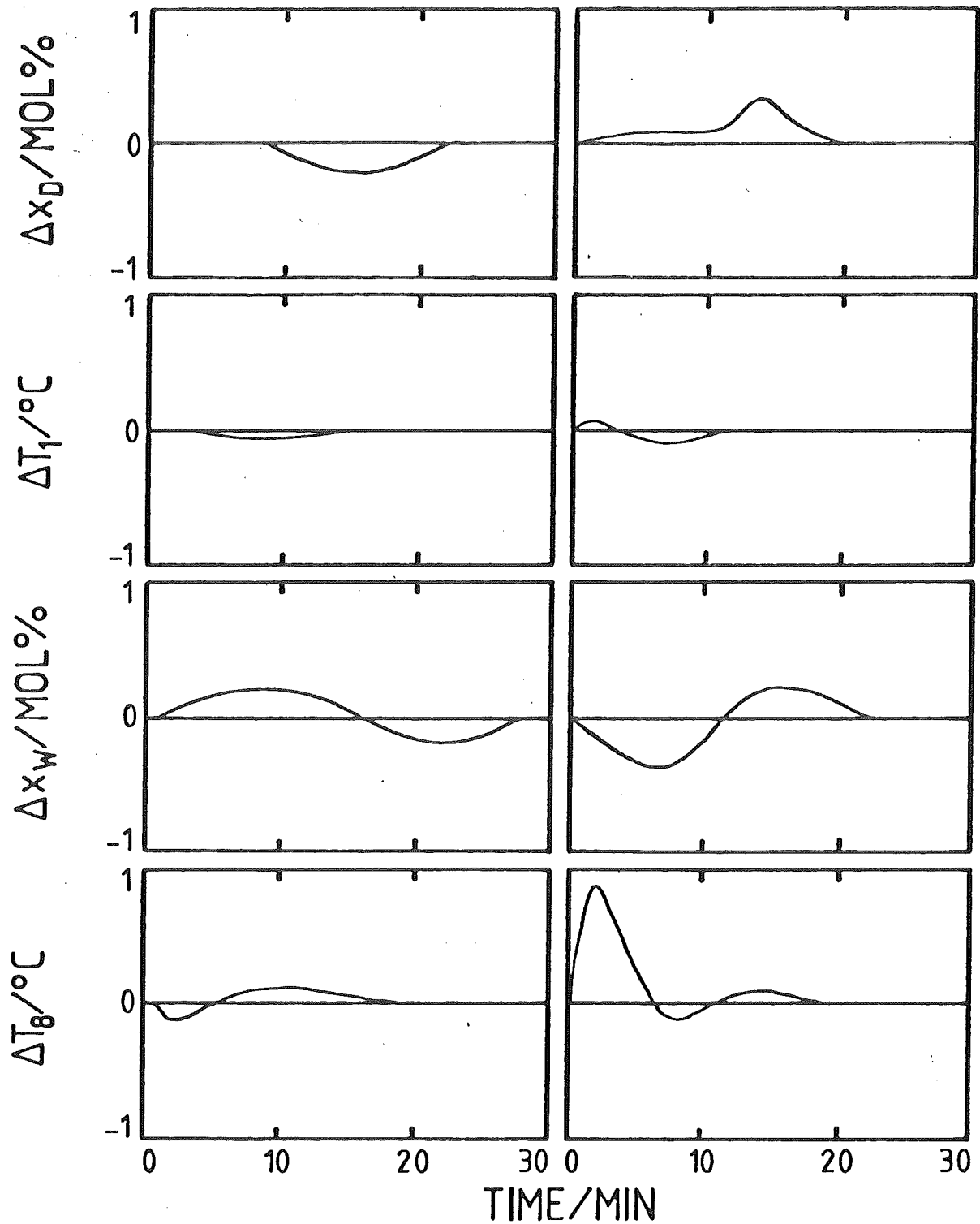
FEED FLOW STEP UPSETS/ kg min^{-1}
 1.38 \rightarrow 1.70 (RUN71) 1.70 \rightarrow 1.38 (RUN70)



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FIGURE 7-15 CLOSED LOOP RESPONSE

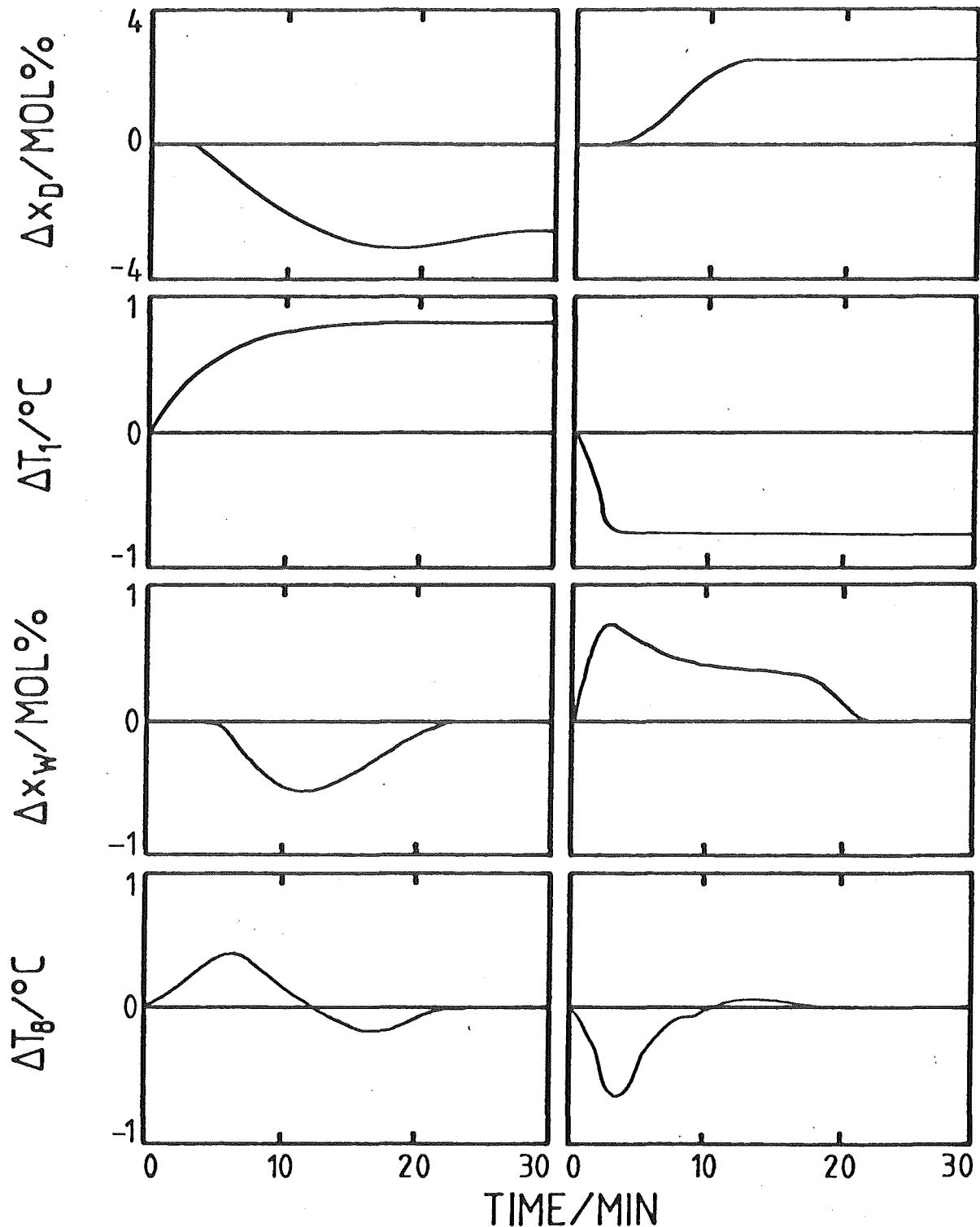
FEED COMPOSITION STEP UPSETS/m.f.
 0.42 \rightarrow 0.45 (RUN94) 0.46 \rightarrow 0.42 (RUN93)



FEEDBACK CONTROLLERS

FIGURE 7-16 CLOSED LOOP RESPONSE

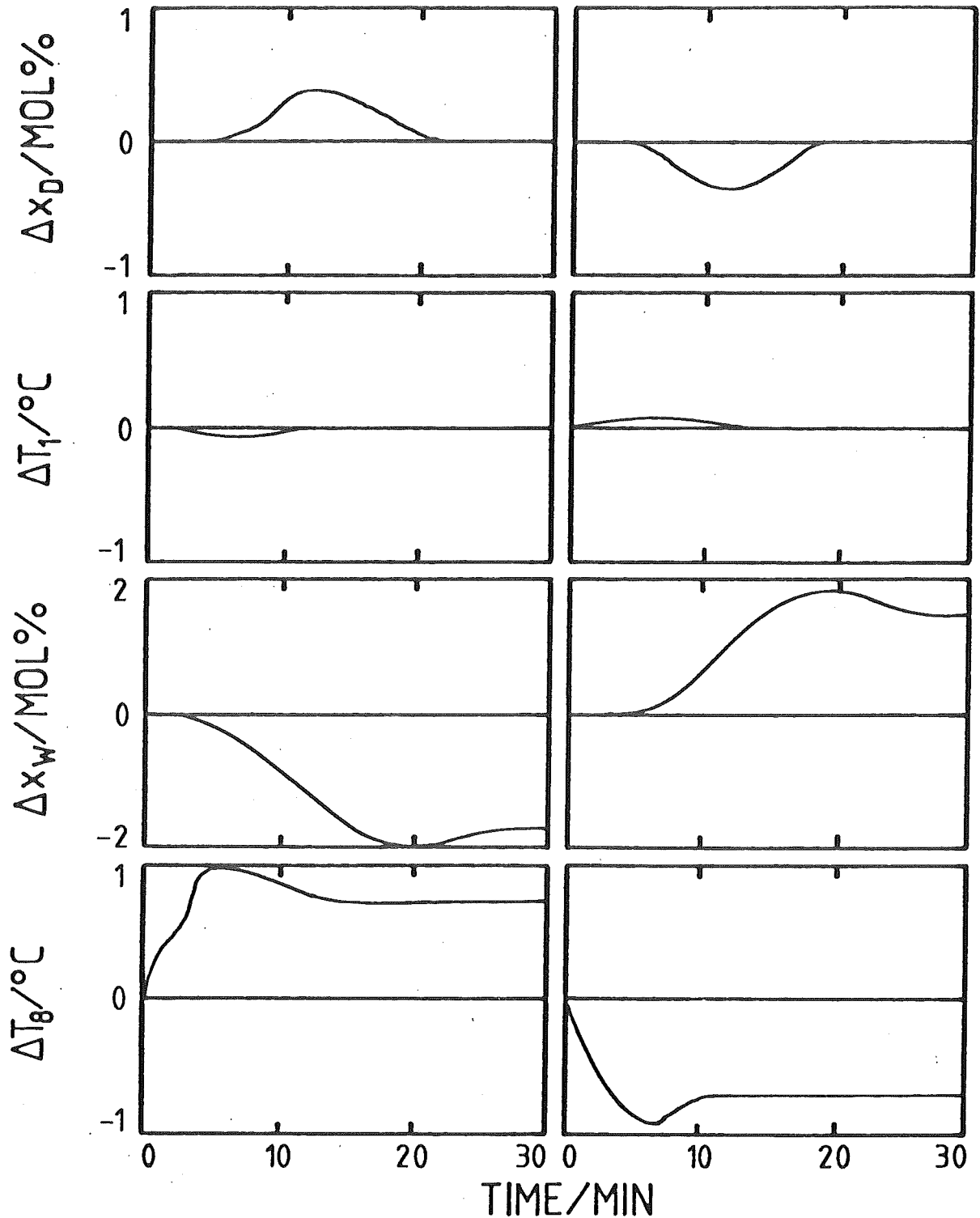
T_1 SETPOINT STEP CHANGES/°C
 65.6 \rightarrow 66.4 (RUN77) 66.4 \rightarrow 65.6 (RUN76)



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FIGURE 7-17 CLOSED LOOP RESPONSE

T_8 SETPOINT STEP CHANGES/°C
 77.0 \Rightarrow 77.8 (RUN78) 77.75 \Rightarrow 77.0 (RUN96)



FEEDBACK CONTROLLERS

FIGURE 7-18 CLOSED LOOP RESPONSE

equipment, or to minimise off specification products). There is a point beyond which it is unjustified to try and make improvements to the performance of a control system.

The results shown for the distillation column under multiloop feedback control produced a maximum product deviation of 0.4 mol% for feed upsets and 0.7 mol% for setpoint changes. The product compositions were generally quick to respond but exhibited a long settling time. However for most of the settling time, the deviations were less than 0.2 mol%. This performance was considered excellent when compared to the results obtained by Svrcek (1967), Meyer et al (1978, 1979), Wood and Berry (1973) and Jafri et al (1965) on similar distillation columns.

As predicted in section 7.3.3, there was interaction between the two control loops causing some oscillation and overshoot at the bottom of the column. The final controller settings used were a compromise to give good control for a variety of upsets. The detuning of the top tray temperature controller resulted in a slower distillate composition response with correspondingly less interaction between the two loops. This is one way of overcoming the interaction problem.

The initial controller tuning for the two loops relied on the arbitrary selection of a deadtime equal to half the sample time (1 minute) for the fitted model. This deadtime along with the experimentally determined constant was used to set the controller parameters based on the ITAE method (Smith (1972)). The choice of deadtime was important, because as the ratio of deadtime to time constant tends to 0, the controller gain tends to infinity and the integral time tends to 0 (infinite integral action). The initial choice of controller settings for the bottom tray temperature loop proved to be satisfactory, but those for top tray temperature loop were inadequate for the reasons previously mentioned.

The temperature controllers could be further fine tuned to respond

better to a specific upset, e.g. feed rate changes only. However, it was important that the control system be robust enough to handle all possible upsets, and the trade off for this generality was a poorer controlled response in some situations.

The choice of temperature control tray location can have significant effects on the closed loop performance. Ideally, the sensors should be located at either end of the column for a constant pressure binary system but consideration of the ratios $\Delta T_1/\Delta x_D$ and $\Delta T_8/\Delta x_W$ (the sensitivity of temperature changes with respect to composition changes) could require that the sensing trays be located further into the column. The dynamic effects of the location of the sensing trays has been studied by Shunta and Luyben (1971) and Wahl and Harriot (1970). For this distillation column operating around $x_D = 90$ mol%, $x_W = 5$ mol%

$$\frac{\Delta T_1}{\Delta x_D} = 0.32 \frac{^\circ\text{C}}{\text{mol}\%} \quad \frac{\Delta T_8}{\Delta x_W} = 0.48 \frac{^\circ\text{C}}{\text{mol}\%}$$

and the resolution of the temperature sensors was sufficient so that the control loops could maintain the product compositions within acceptable limits. Further, if the sensing elements were moved away from the ends of the column, the relationship between the temperature measured and the product composition became complex, and offsets occurred. Consider using the top and bottom tray temperatures for composition control:

(i) x_D control:

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &= \text{temperature of liquid leaving tray 1} \\ &= f(x_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$x_D = y_1 \text{ at steady state and hence}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &= f(x_D) \text{ where the function involves the temperature/} \\ &\text{composition function, and the vapour/liquid equilib-} \\ &\text{rium function only. If the efficiency of tray 1 is} \\ &< 100\%, \text{ then tray efficiency can be a factor in the} \\ &\text{function.} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) x_W control:

Consider the reboiler as in figure 7-19

$$L_8 x_8 = V_9 y_9 + W x_W$$

$$y_9 = K x_W \quad \text{for } x_W \rightarrow 0$$

$$x_8 = \left(\frac{V_9 \cdot K + W}{L_8} \right) x_W$$

and $T_8 = f(x_8)$ (the temperature/composition function)

$$\therefore x_W = f(L_8, V_9, W, K, T_8)$$

Consequently, any flow changes in the column will alter the relationship between bottoms composition and bottom tray temperature.

For small upsets to the column ($\pm 20\%$ in feed rate, $\pm 10\%$ in feed composition), the offsets due to the temperature/composition functions described above were negligible; for larger upsets, trimming of the temperature loop setpoints was required to maintain the required product compositions. This could have been provided by cascade feedback loops using low gain integrating controllers as in figure 7-20. For these reasons trays 1 and 8 were chosen as the sensor trays.

The multi-loop control scheme could have been enhanced in several ways. The addition of derivative action to the controllers would have been the simplest improvement. There was however a significant amount of noise on the T_8 signal ($\pm 0.2^\circ\text{C}$) which would have caused problems with derivative action, and required the use of both hardware and software filters. The added complexity to the microcomputer software which used 16 bit integer arithmetic would not have produced significantly better control than that shown in figures 7-15 to 7-18.

A decoupler could have been used to separate the actions of the two controllers. Luyben (1970) showed the application of a simple decoupler on a binary distillation column produced improvements in the quality of control, but the improvements were not great, and the resulting transients were of the same nature and size as those obtained in

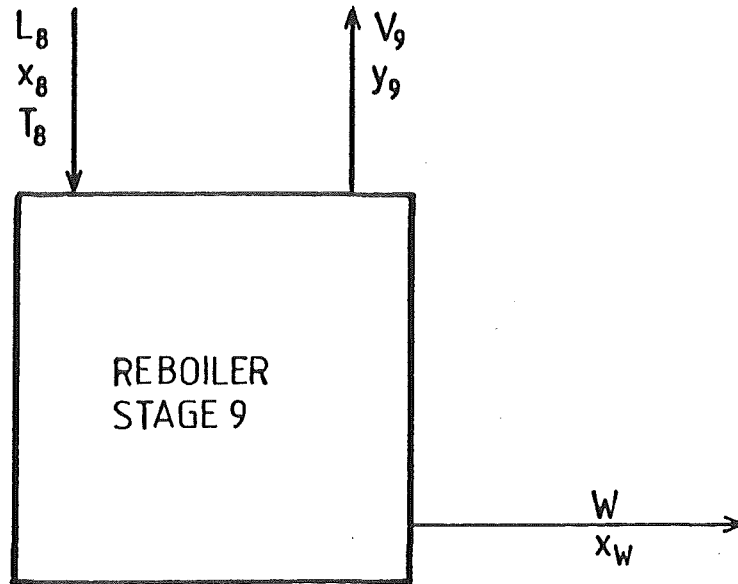
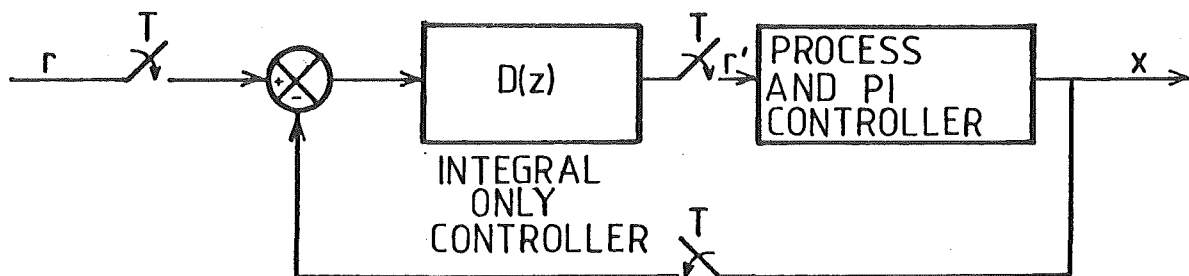


FIGURE 7-19 REBOILER FLOWS



- r - COMPOSITION SETPOINT
- r' - TEMPERATURE SETPOINT
- x - PRODUCT COMPOSITION

FIGURE 7-20 CASCADE COMPOSITION
CONTROL LOOP

this work with purely feedback control. The implementation of a decoupler would have required the use of lead/lag units, and caused problems with insignificant precision of the 16 bit integer arithmetic used. The improvements to be gained from the use of a decoupler were too small to warrant its inclusion.

Sastry et al (1977) have investigated a self-tuning controller, and Meyer et al (1978,1979) have investigated time delay compensation as improvements to conventional continuous PI control. In both cases, the product compositions were used as the control variables, and hence the PI controller performance was found to be inferior. Comparison of these results with those presented in this work show little or no improvement with the more sophisticated controllers.

7.5 CONCLUSION

The dynamics of a pilot scale atmospheric pressure binary distillation column have been investigated in both open loop and closed loop modes. The open loop responses have been approximated by simple discrete models (first or second order plus deadtime). Deadbeat discrete controllers based on the open loop models were investigated and found to be unsatisfactory, exhibiting poor control and requiring excessive control action. Discrete velocity-type PI controllers when correctly tuned produced acceptable product composition control when maintaining constant temperatures on the top and bottom trays in the column. The results obtained compared very favourably with other published work using more sophisticated controllers on similar columns (decoupling, sampled data, deadtime compensation). Interaction between the two temperature control loops was reduced by detuning the slower top tray temperature control loop.

The control achieved using simple digital controllers in a small microcomputer indicated that a dedicated distillation column controller could be produced at a competitive price compared with conventional analog

controllers (see section 5.13). This control system could also be integrated into a much larger control scheme using a hierarchy of control computers.

7.6 NOMENCLATURE

a	-	e^{-T/τ_1}
b	-	$e^{-T/\tau}$
c	-	process variable
C(z)	-	discrete process response
D(z)	-	discrete controller
e	-	continuous controller error = r-c
E(z)	-	error in the discrete controller
HG(z)	-	process pulse transfer function
K	-	process gain
K ₁	-	upset gain
K _c	-	continuous controller gain
K _p	-	pump gain
K _s	-	sensor gain
L	-	liquid flow, mol min ⁻¹
L _R	-	reflux flow, ℓ min ⁻¹
m	-	pump speed (≡ valve position)
M	-	interaction measure
M(z)	-	discrete controller output
N	-	dead time in number of sample intervals
NG(z)	-	disturbance pulse transfer function
P	-	process matrix
PI	-	proportion plus integral
Q _s	-	steam flow, kg min ⁻¹
r	-	setpoint
s	-	Laplace domain operator
T	-	sampling interval

T_I	-	integral time
T_1, T_8	-	top and bottom tray temperature, °C
u	-	upset
V	-	vapour flow, mol min ⁻¹
x	-	liquid composition
x_D	-	distillate composition
x_W	-	bottoms composition
y	-	vapour composition
z	-	z domain operator
θ	-	deadtime
τ	-	process time constant
τ_1	-	upset time constant

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FEEDFORWARD CONTROL

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CHAPTER EIGHT

FEEDFORWARD CONTROL

8.1 INTRODUCTION

The major innovation in distillation column control has been the implementation of feedforward/feedback control systems. Precise control of distillation processes is difficult because

- (i) distillation columns exhibit long time constants and deadtime;
- (ii) interactions exist between control loops;
- (iii) product composition analysers are generally not continuous;
- (iv) column dynamics are a strong function of the operating conditions.

These problems can be overcome by the application of feedforward control using either analog elements or digital computers (MacMullen and Shinskey (1964), Lupfer and Johnson (1964), Luyben and Gerster (1964)).

The implementation of feedforward control requires the selection of a model which adequately describes the behaviour of the column over the full range of operating conditions and process disturbances. This model can be a rigorous one requiring a minicomputer to solve for the required control variables, or in the other extreme, it can be a black box model fitted by regression analysis. The latter approach generally has insufficient accuracy over the required operating range. In between these two extremes, come the shortcut procedures for producing first estimates of column conditions. The Fenske (1932) - Underwood (1946) - Gilliland (1940) approach is the common shortcut design method. Shinskey (1967) has suggested an alternative feedforward model based on a constant distillate to feed ratio, and an adaptation of the Fenske (1932) minimum stages equation. It is possible to provide model adaptation for this approach as detailed by Duyfjes and Van Der Grinten (1973).

The column models described are steady state and to correct for the dynamics of the column it may be necessary to introduce dynamic compensation into the feedforward controller. It is difficult to determine the exact compensating dynamics required, especially for a non-linear process like a distillation column, but lead/lag units can be used to approximate the required compensator.

8.2 A FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER

Previous work by Williamson (1977) and others has shown the Gilliland correlation to be useful as a feedforward model. This approach was investigated using the computer model SSGW and the pilot scale column.

8.2.1 Derivation of the Controller Equations

The Gilliland correlation was suggested as a means of relating the reflux ratio to the number of theoretical plates in terms of the minimum number of stages and the minimum reflux ratio. The McCabe-Thiele analysis (1925) can be used to predict the minimum reflux ratio (R_m) and the Fenske (1932) equation to predict the minimum number of stages (N_m). The equations are:

Gilliland correlation

$$\exp\left(\frac{N_m}{N}\right) = a - b \left(\frac{R_m + 1}{R + 1}\right) \quad a, b \text{ constants} \quad (8.1)$$

McCabe Thiele analysis:

$$R_m = f(r_D, x_F, T_F, \text{vapour/liquid equilibrium}) \quad (8.2)$$

Fenske equation:

$$N_m = \frac{\log\left(\frac{r_D(1-r_W)}{r_W(1-r_D)}\right)}{\log \alpha} \quad (8.3)$$

N_m includes the reboiler.

Equation (8.1) can be rewritten as

$$R = \frac{b(R_m + 1)}{a - \exp\left(\frac{N_m}{N}\right)} - 1 \quad (8.4)$$

Given N, r_D, r_W, x_F, T_F , a reflux ratio to produce the desired split can be predicted by equations (8.2), (8.3), (8.4). The other column control variables, Q_s the steam flow, must be calculated from balances around the column. Assuming equimolal overflow, the following equations result:

$$D = \frac{F(x_F - r_W)}{(r_D - r_W)} \quad (8.5)$$

$$W = F - D \quad (8.6)$$

$$R' = R \left(1 + \frac{C_{PR} (T_{RS} - T_R)}{\Delta H_{VR}} \right) \quad (8.7)$$

R' = internal reflux ratio

C_{PR} = average heat capacity of reflux

T_{RS} = saturation temperature of reflux

T_R = temperature of reflux

ΔH_{VR} = latent heat of vaporisation of reflux

$$L_R' = R'D \quad (8.8)$$

L_R' = internal reflux flow

at the feed tray

$$q = \frac{H_F - h_F'}{H_F - h_F} \quad (8.9)$$

q = feed condition

h_F' = actual feed enthalpy

$$L_S = L_R' + qF \quad (8.10)$$

$$V_S = L_S - W \quad (8.11)$$

$$Q_s = \frac{V \Delta H_{VW}}{\Delta H_{Vsteam}} \quad (8.12)$$

ΔH_{VW} = latent heat of vaporisation of bottoms

ΔH_{Vsteam} = latent heat of vaporisation of steam.

8.2.2 Simulation of the Feedforward Controller

The steady state column model, SSGW, was used to test the control-

ler outlined above. Using experimental data from the pilot scale column, the parameters for the Gilliland correlation were determined. The results are shown in figure 8-1. To analyse the experimental data, R_m was calculated from equation 8.2, N_m from equation 8.3 using $\alpha = 4.2$ (the geometric average for methanol/water taken at $x = 0.05$, $x = 0.90$), and N from a McCabe-Thiele analysis. The resulting correlation was

$$R = \frac{2.11(R_m + 1)}{3.54 - \exp\left(\frac{N_m}{N}\right)} - 1 \quad (8.13)$$

The coefficients were found by a least squares fit.

The controller described by equations 8.5 to 8.13 was used to predict the reflux ratio and the steam flow to achieve given product compositions for a given set of column operating conditions. These variables were entered into the steady state model, and the model product composition predictions compared with the desired compositions. Figure 8-2 shows some typical results.

The predictions from the steady state feedforward controller described were unacceptable showing large offsets in both product compositions of up to 7 mol%. Figure 8-1 explained most of this offset; the Gilliland correlation did not represent the data well, and the scatter of points contributed to the errors in the controller predictions. The other assumptions made in the feedforward model -

- (i) constant relative volatility for finding N_m ,
- (ii) equimolal overflow for finding Q_s ,
- (iii) constant number of theoretical plates,

also contributed to the inaccuracy of the controller. To improve the controller performance over a range of operating conditions, an adaption routine was added.

8.3 AN ADAPTIVE FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER

8.3.1 The Adaption Routine

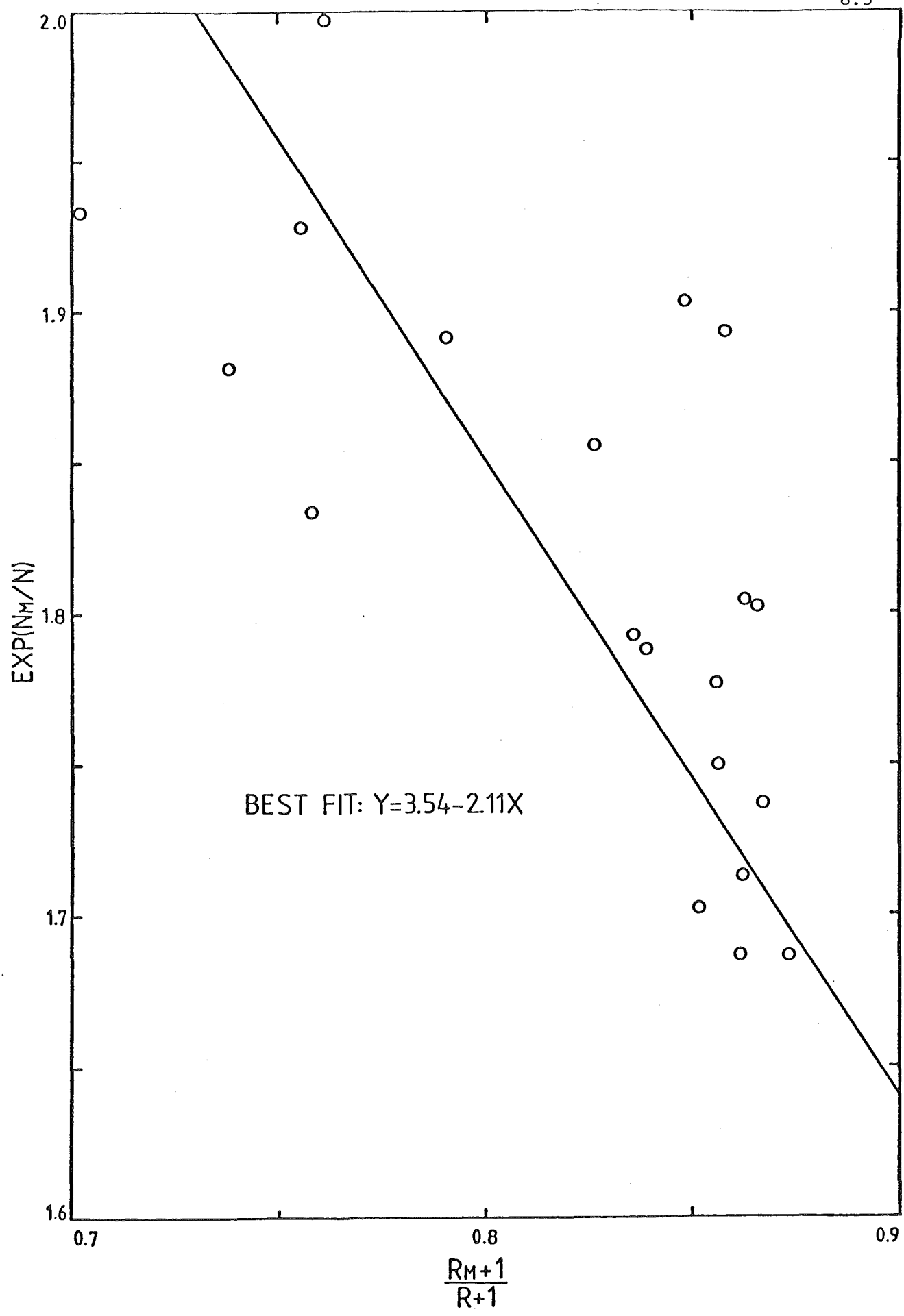


FIGURE 8-1 EXPERIMENTAL GILLILAND PLOT

ALL STEADY STATE RESULTS FROM SSGW COMPUTER MODEL
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 ALL COMPOSITIONS MOL%

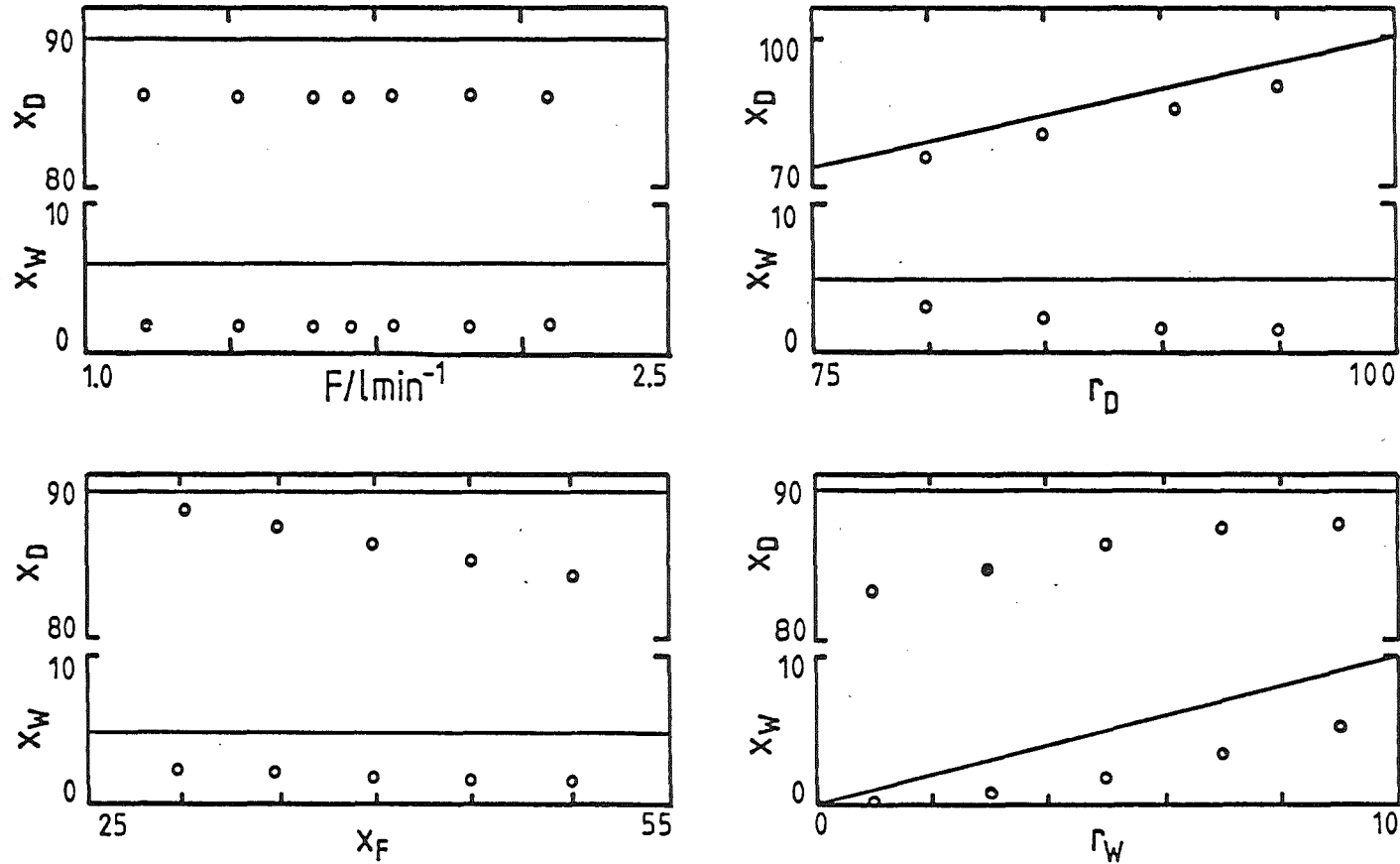


FIGURE 8-2 FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER RESPONSES

The adaption routine modified a parameter in the feedforward model whenever the column reached steady state and showed some offset from the desired setpoints. The parameter to be adapted could be chosen from the following:

- (i) N the number of theoretical trays in the column;
- (ii) a, b , the Gilliland correlation coefficients;
- (iii) α , the relative volatility.

The first option was chosen because:

- (i) the number of theoretical trays was a function of the column operating conditions and hence changed with load changes;
- (ii) the adaption procedure was simple.

The number of theoretical trays was adopted by substituting x_D for r_D and x_W for r_W in the feedforward controller equations, and reorganising the Gilliland correlation as

$$N = N_m / \left[\ln \left(a - b \left(\frac{R_m + 1}{R + 1} \right) \right) \right] \quad (8.14)$$

The adaption procedure could be used iteratively with the controller described previously until convergence on the desired product compositions was achieved. The value of N obtained could be used for small load changes, until such time as the operating conditions changed sufficiently to produce off specification products, at which point the adaption procedure was repeated.

8.3.2 Simulation of the Adaptive Controller

The simulations performed on the feedforward controller were repeated with the adaptive controller. For three adaptations under constant operating conditions, the results were no better than those obtained without the adaption extension. The adaption procedure was stable and converged rapidly for all operating conditions. It was obvious that some of the assumptions involved in computing R_m , N_m and Q_s were invalid. To investigate, pseudo-methanol/water systems were used with the following characteristics.

- (i) Ideal vapour/liquid equilibrium data ($\alpha = 4.2$).
- (ii) N_m computed from the McCabe-Thiele plot.
- (iii) Equimolal overflow ($\Delta H_V = 40 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$).

Cases (i) and (ii) produced no improvement in the controller (with or without adaption), but case (iii) produced excellent results with a single adaption. Therefore it was concluded that the incorrect calculation of the boilup rate in the reboiler was causing the controller errors, and that the predictions based on equimolal overflow were inadequate for the methanol/water system. These conclusions are consistent with the results obtained in Chapter 6.

8.3.3 A Modified Adaptive Feedforward Controller

Computer simulations indicated that a more accurate method for estimating the required steam rate was necessary. It was also important that the method be quick and simple for inclusion into the microcomputer control system.

Consider the rectifying section of the column as shown in figure 8-3, and suppose the liquid stream loses i moles of the light component (1), and gains j moles of the heavy component (2), then for the liquid stream

$$L_{RF} = L_R - i + j \quad (8.15)$$

and for a heat balance (assuming adiabatic operation, and perfect solution behaviour)

$$i \Delta H_{V1} = j \Delta H_{V2} \quad (8.16)$$

A component balance for the light fraction over the liquid stream gives

$$L_R' x_D = L_{RF} x_{RF} + i \quad (8.17)$$

Solving (8.15), (8.16), (8.17) gives

$$L_{RF} = L_R' \left(\frac{\beta - x_D}{\beta - x_{RF}} \right) \quad (8.18)$$

where

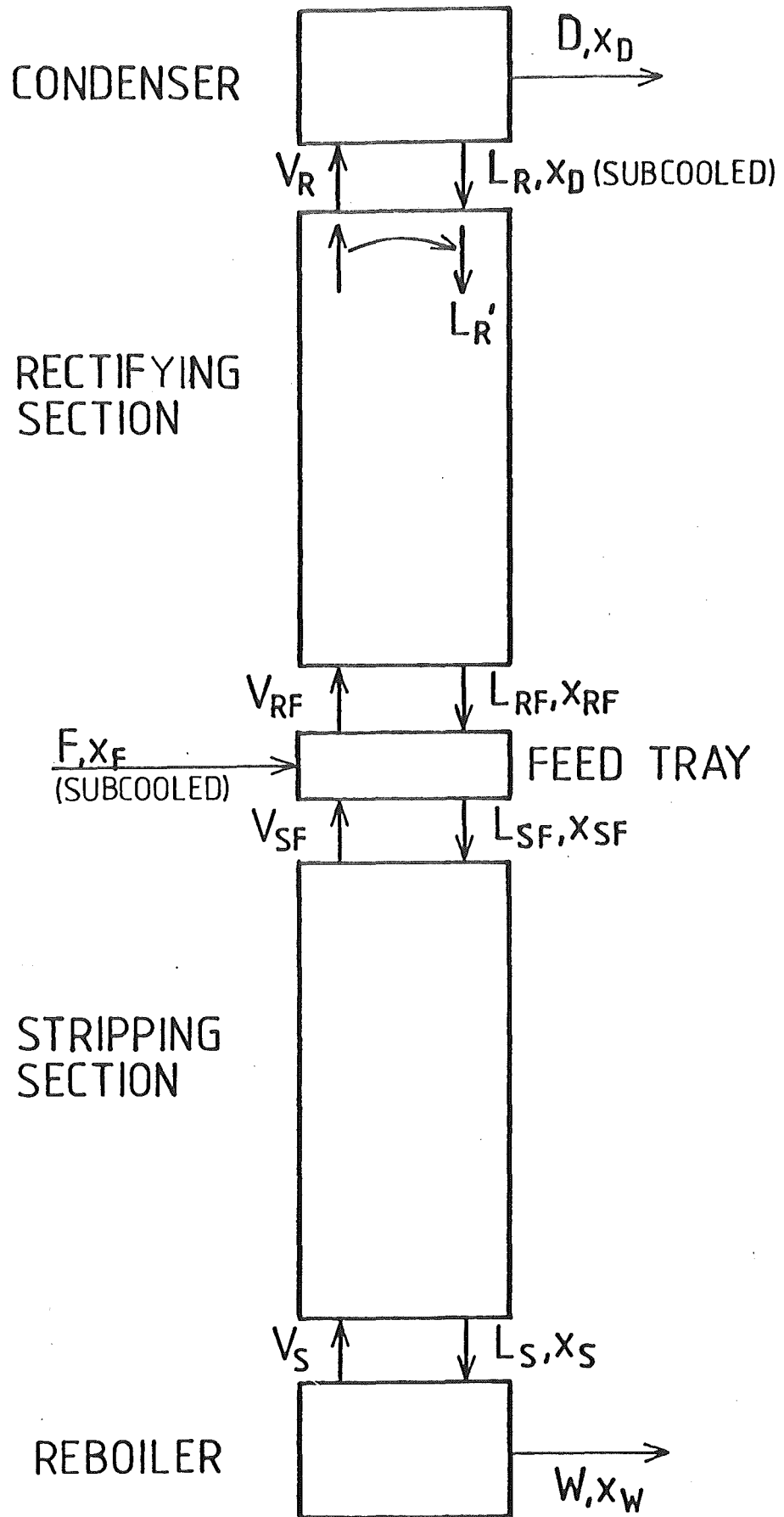


FIGURE 8-3 SIMPLE COLUMN MODEL

$$\beta = \frac{\Delta H_{V2}}{\Delta H_{V2} - \Delta H_{V1}} \quad (8.19)$$

Now consider the stripping section where the liquid stream loses k moles of the light component (1) and gains m moles of the heavy component (2), then for the liquid stream

$$L_S = L_{SF} - k + m \quad (8.20)$$

and for a heat balance (assuming adiabatic operation, and perfect solution behaviour)

$$k \Delta H_{V1} = m \Delta H_{V2} \quad (8.21)$$

A component balance for the light fraction over the liquid stream gives:

$$L_S x_S = L_{SF} x_{SF} - k \quad (8.22)$$

Solving (8.20), (8.21), (8.22) gives

$$L_S = L_{SF} \left(\frac{\beta - x_{SF}}{\beta - x_S} \right) \quad (8.23)$$

and from equation (8.10)

$$L_{SF} = L_{RF} + qF \quad (8.24)$$

If the average liquid composition on the feed tray is close to the feed composition, and the liquid composition change on the feed tray is small, then

$$x_{SF} \approx x_{RF} \approx x_F$$

and a modified procedure for determining the required boilup rate exists:

$$(i) \quad L_R' = L_R \left(1 + \frac{C_{PR} \Delta T_R}{\Delta H_{VR}} \right)$$

$$(ii) \quad L_{RF} = L_R' \left(\frac{\beta - r_D}{\beta - x_F} \right)$$

$$(iii) \quad L_{SF} = L_{RF} + qF$$

$$(iv) \quad L_S = L_{SF} \left(\frac{\beta - x_F}{\beta - x_S} \right)$$

$$(v) \quad V_S = L_S - W$$

The only undefined variable is x_S , the composition of the liquid stream entering the reboiler. Consider the relationship of the latent heat of vaporisation to composition as given in Table 6-3 for the methanol/water system. For liquids below 0.20 m.f., the latent heat of vaporisation is approximately constant, and hence for trays operating below this composition, there will be equal transfer of both components, i.e. equimolal overflow. If the column is operated such that the liquid leaving the bottom tray is less than 0.2 m.f. methanol, then x_S in equation 8.3 can be approximated as 0.2. For the methanol/water system $\beta = 7.55$, hence equation (8.23) becomes

$$L_S = \left(\frac{7.55 - x_F}{7.35} \right) \quad (8.25)$$

8.3.4 Simulation of Modified Controller

The modified adaptive feedforward controller was tested using the steady state column model, SSGW, and the parameters in section 8.2.2. The number of theoretical trays was taken as 6.5 initially. The steady state results for the controller, and the controller with one adaption are shown in figure 8-4. Both sets of results showed improvement over the results of figure 8-2, with the adaptive controller being better overall. The steady state offsets were less than 2 mol% for the modified controller, and less than 1 mol% for the adaptive modified controller (with one adaption). Investigations were made of the effects of

- (i) the choice of coefficients for the Gilliland correlation;
- (ii) the use of constant relative volatility in the Fenske equation;
- (iii) the use of the Underwood equation for calculating the minimum number of stages.

These factors were shown to have negligible (< 0.2 mol%) effect

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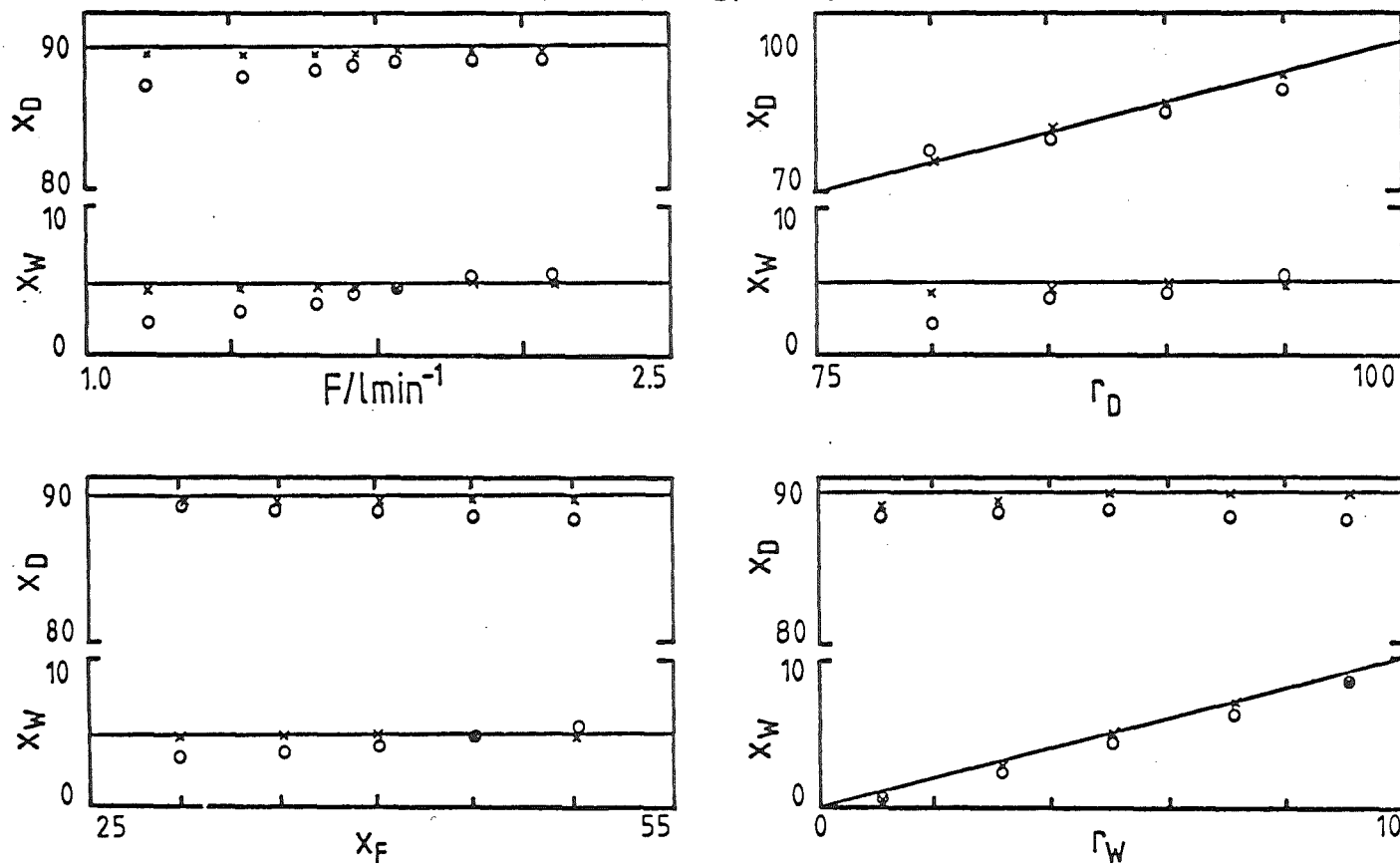


FIGURE 8-4 MODIFIED FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER RESPONSES

on the steady state controller performance. A poor choice of coefficients in the Gilliland correlation required more adaptations before the desired specification products were met, but convergence was always obtained.

8.3.5 Sensitivity Analysis

A series of small perturbations ($\pm 5\%$) in the input parameters to the controller and the adapter were made to investigate the sensitivity of both routines. The linear models obtained from these tests are shown in figure 8-5.

FIGURE 8-5

Feedforward Controller Sensitivity Analysis

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta R \\ \Delta Q_S \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -.492 & .016 & -.930 \\ .952 & .330 & -.040 & -.442 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta F' \\ \Delta x_F' \\ \Delta T_F' \\ \Delta N' \end{bmatrix}$$

Controller Sensitivity Model

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3.46 & 0.120 & 36.7 & -1.35 & -5.6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta F' \\ \Delta x_F' \\ \Delta T_F' \\ \Delta x_D' \\ \Delta x_W' \\ \Delta R' \end{bmatrix}$$

Adapter Sensitivity Model

All compositions in m.f.

All temperatures in $^{\circ}\text{C}$

All flows in $\ell \text{ min}^{-1}$

$$\Delta F' = \frac{\Delta F'}{F_{SS}} \quad (\text{SS} = \text{steady state}) \text{ etc.}$$

The controller was found to be most sensitive to N , the number of theoretical stages, and to a lesser degree to the feed rate and composition. The adapter was found to be most sensitive to the estimate of the reflux ratio, and to the liquid compositions (x_F , x_D , x_W). These results show that errors in the feedforward controller (appearing as steady state offsets) will be likely in the practical application of the controller because of the difficulty of measuring flows and compositions accurately. The results of figure 8-4 were obtained using six significant digits (in all parameters) in a digital simulation, but in practice such accuracy would not be achieved.

8.4 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MODIFIED ADAPTIVE FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER

The addition of the APU system to the microcomputer (Chapter Four) simplified the development of a more complex control system using the adaptive feedforward controller described in the previous sections. The simple control system of Chapter 7 was modified so that composition control was achieved as outlined in figure 8-6. Feedback controllers were incorporated to account for the steady state offsets that were expected from the feedforward controller. Dynamic elements were added to both the feedforward controller (compensation) and the feedback controllers (decoupling) to counteract the column dynamics. A pair of integral-only trimming controllers on the feedback loop setpoints were incorporated to make the small adjustments to the tray temperature setpoints as required by changing column operating conditions. Some simplifications were made in programming the feedforward controller and adapter to improve its execution time and storage requirements (e.g. the calculation of the minimum reflux ratio).

8.4.1 The Feedforward Controller

The relevant equations have been presented in previous sections. The minimum number of stages was determined from the Fenske equation

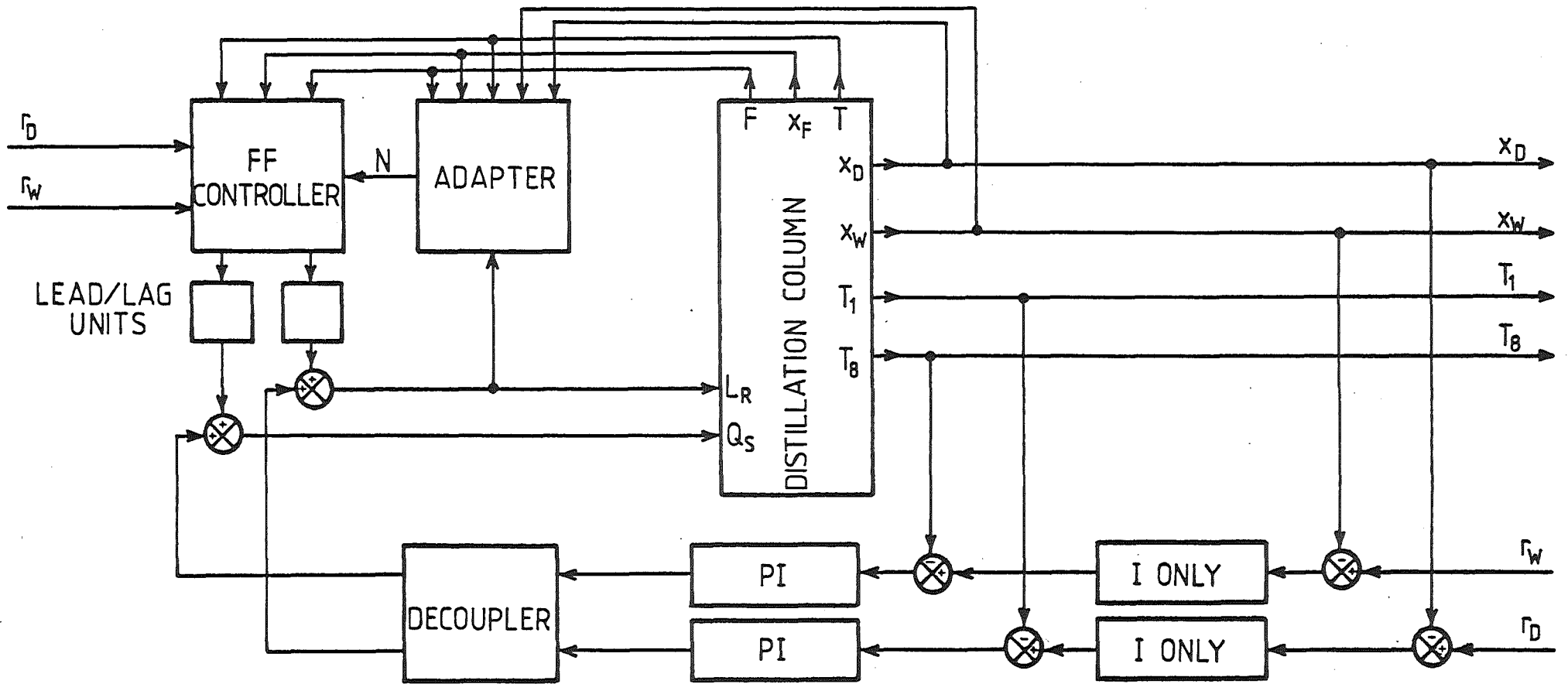


FIGURE 8-6 ADAPTIVE FEEDFORWARD/FEEDBACK CONTROL SYSTEM

(with $\alpha = 4.2$). The minimum reflux ratio was determined from a McCabe-Thiele diagram; at minimum reflux, a pinch point occurs at the intersection of the feed line and the operating line on the equilibrium line. By approximating the equilibrium line with a straight line over the feed composition range, the minimum reflux ratio can be determined analytically as follows:

$$\text{feed line: } q = 1 + 2E-3 (85 - 23x_F - T_F) \quad (8.26)$$

(maximum error of 8% in q over the range

$$.3 \leq x_F \leq .5, 20^\circ\text{C} \leq T_F \leq 60^\circ\text{C})$$

$$\text{equilibrium line: } y^* = .566x + .498 \quad (8.27)$$

(maximum error of 0.012 m.f. over the

$$\text{range } 0.3 \leq x \leq 0.5)$$

The intercept of the feed line and equilibrium line is at

$$x_i = \frac{\left(\frac{x_F}{q-1} + .498\right)}{\left(\frac{q}{q-1} - .566\right)} \quad (8.28)$$

$$y_i = .566x + .498 \quad (8.29)$$

and

$$R_m = \frac{(x_D - y_i)}{(y_i - x_i)} \quad (8.30)$$

The reflux ratio for a given separation can be found from equation (8.4), and the reflux and steam flows calculated according to sections 8.2.1 and 8.3.3. To convert the external reflux flow to the apparent internal reflux flow, the following relationship was used -

$$L_R' = 1.11 L_R \quad (8.31)$$

(maximum error of 0.2% for

$$.8 \leq x_D \leq 1.0, 20^\circ\text{C} \leq T_R \leq 30^\circ\text{C})$$

For methanol/water mixtures of less than 0.2 m.f., the molal latent heat of vaporisation was assumed constant at 40.8 kJ mol^{-1} . Assuming the latent heat of vaporisation of the supplied steam to be 2250 kJ kg^{-1} then

$$Q_S = V_S * \frac{40.8}{2250} = \frac{V_S}{55} \text{ kg min}^{-1} \quad (8.32)$$

A correction to steam flow for the estimated column surface losses was made by adding 0.07 kg min^{-1} to Q_S . This correction is discussed in Chapter 6.

The steam and reflux flows were converted to integers in the range 0-255 for output as single bytes to the D/A converters in the control system. The functions used for the conversion were:

$$\text{reflux density} = .957 - .170 x_D \text{ kg l}^{-1} \quad (8.33)$$

$$\text{reflux flow control byte} = 383L_V - 214 \quad (8.34)$$

$$L_V = \text{reflux flow in lmin}^{-1}$$

$$\text{steam flow control byte} = 202 Q_S + 136 \quad (8.35)$$

$$Q_S = \text{steam flow in kg min}^{-1}$$

Dynamic compensation was added to the controller to compensate for the column dynamics. The dynamics were approximated by the discrete digital equivalent of a lead/lag unit.

$$\frac{\tau_1 s + 1}{\tau_2 s + 1}$$

$$\text{as } z_n = x_n + K_1(x_n - y_n) \quad (8.36)$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + K_2(x_n - y_n) \quad (8.37)$$

where x = input

y = intermediate value, lagging the input by τ_2

z = output leading y by τ_1

$$K_1 = \frac{\tau_1 - \tau_2}{\tau_2}, \quad K_2 = \frac{T}{\tau_2}$$

8.4.2 The Adapter

The same basic controller equations were used to adapt the feed-forward controller with x_D and x_W replacing r_D and r_W . The product compositions were determined from the refractometer data using

the correlations given in Appendix II. The decision to adapt the controller should be made when

- (i) both product compositions have been steady for T minutes
- (ii) all inputs to the column have been steady for T minutes
- (iii) all column controls have been steady for T minutes

where $T \approx 10$ minutes.

To keep a log the the nine variables as listed above in the microcomputer would have required a large section of software and data storage, therefore adaption was actioned on an operator request. On setting a byte in the data base, the adaption routine adapted the controller on the next sample. This system removed the complicated logic of deciding when to adapt and prevented unnecessary adaptations.

8.4.3 Feedback Controllers

The P.I. controllers described in Chapter 5 were split into two sections. The level controllers continued to use the existing software, while the controllers to be coupled to the feedforward controller were reprogrammed using the APU system. The outputs of the feedback controllers were set to be in the range ± 127 so that a trimming action could be applied in both directions to the feedforward controller output. A steady state decoupler was included of the form:

$$\Delta V_{\text{reflux}} = \Delta V_{\text{reflux}} + K_1 \Delta V_{\text{steam}} \quad (8.38)$$

$$\Delta V_{\text{steam}} = \Delta V_{\text{steam}} + K_2 \Delta V_{\text{reflux}} \quad (8.39)$$

where ΔV = change in control output.

From the open loop transfer functions fitted in Chapter 7, and the gains in the data acquisition system and control outputs, the following steady state model was calculated

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta T_1' \\ \Delta T_8' \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -.39 & .81 \\ -.88 & 1.7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta V_1 \\ \Delta V_4 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= P \begin{bmatrix} \Delta V_1 \\ \Delta V_4 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (8.40)$$

V = control output, T' = temperature data from A/D.

The steady state decoupler is the inverse of the process matrix P

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 34.1 & -16.2 \\ 17.6 & -7.8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8.41)$$

8.4.4 Trimming Controllers

In evaluating the feedback control system of Chapter Seven, small offsets after load changes were observed due to the changing relationship between the temperatures on the control trays and the product compositions. Integral-only controllers, as in figure 8-6, were included in the control system to take out this offset by adjusting the temperature controller setpoints. The setpoint controllers were loosely tuned to respond to long term offsets and not to product composition transients.

The refractometer which provided the measure of the product compositions was slow and estimates of distillate and bottoms product composition were available at 3 minute intervals, and hence the trimming controller required a low integral time.

The controllers were computed as

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \text{Setpoint}_1 &= -2(r_D - x_D) \\ \Delta \text{Setpoint}_2 &= +2(r_W - x_W) \end{aligned} \quad (8.42)$$

which was equivalent to an integration rate of $.003 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C min}^{-1}$ for the individual setpoints.

8.4.5 Software

The control scheme of figure 8-6 was implemented in 3 subroutines:

- (i) FFCTL - the feedforward controller, dynamic compensation and trimming controllers.
- (ii) PIFB - the feedback controllers, decoupler and controller coupling.
- (iii) ADAPT - the adapter.

The feedforward controller, the trimming controllers, and the adapter

were made software selectable so that each could be disabled by zeroing a byte in the data base. Similarly, the dynamic compensation and decoupler could be disabled by setting the appropriate coefficients to zero. When the feedforward controller was disabled, the reflux and steam flow controls were set at 50% of the maximum output, so that the feedback controllers could continue to operate the column. With the software structured in this manner, a variety of control strategies could be implemented. The main program of the existing software was altered to include the new subroutines. The PI controller subroutine was modified to handle the level controls only, and the subroutines for controlling data acquisition, alarm checking, refractometer control, and the control variable outputs were retained. Flow diagrams of the new routines, and the changes to the main program control sequence are shown in figures 8-7, 8-8. The modified control program occupied 4K bytes of EPROM and 1K bytes of RAM.

8.4.6 Plant Tests

The feedforward control scheme was tested on the pilot plant distillation column using several configurations. The feedback controllers were tested alone, with and without decoupling. These controllers reproduced the results obtained in Chapter Seven with the integer-arithmetic-based controllers.

The addition of the steady state decoupler using the coefficients predicted in section 8.4.3 produced poor control. The process matrix P in equation (8.41) was almost singular, and hence the decoupler coefficients were large. Any errors in determining the matrix P would have had a significant effect on the decoupler performance. Re-tuning the decoupler coefficient showed little improvement. The control tray temperatures responded 10 to 20 times faster to steam flow changes than to reflux flow changes, consequently the bottom tray temperature loop responded quickly but was upset by the slower top tray temperature control loop via the decoupler. A dynamic decoupler (e.g. a lead/lag

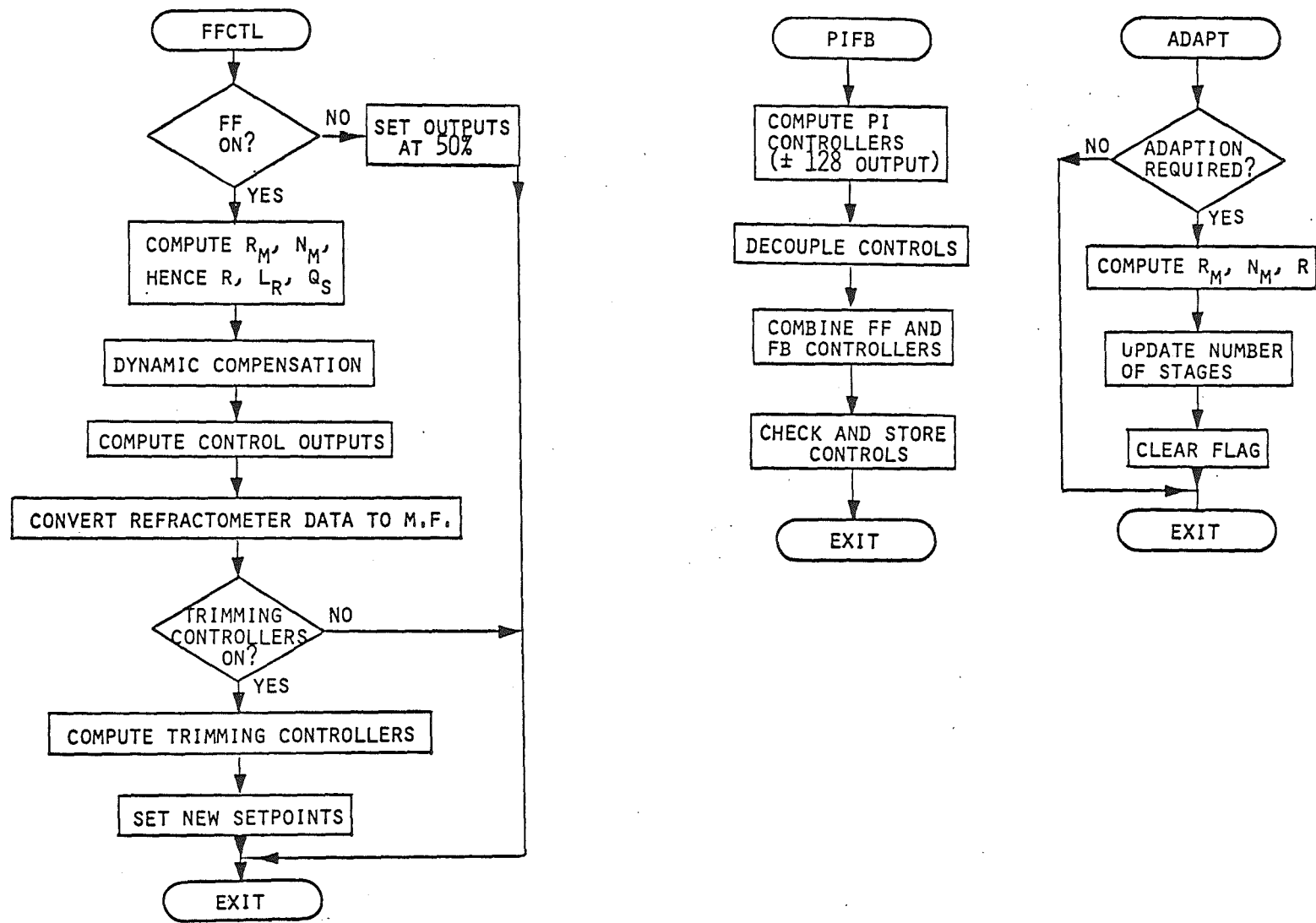


FIGURE 8-7 FEEDFORWARD/FEEDBACK CONTROLLERS

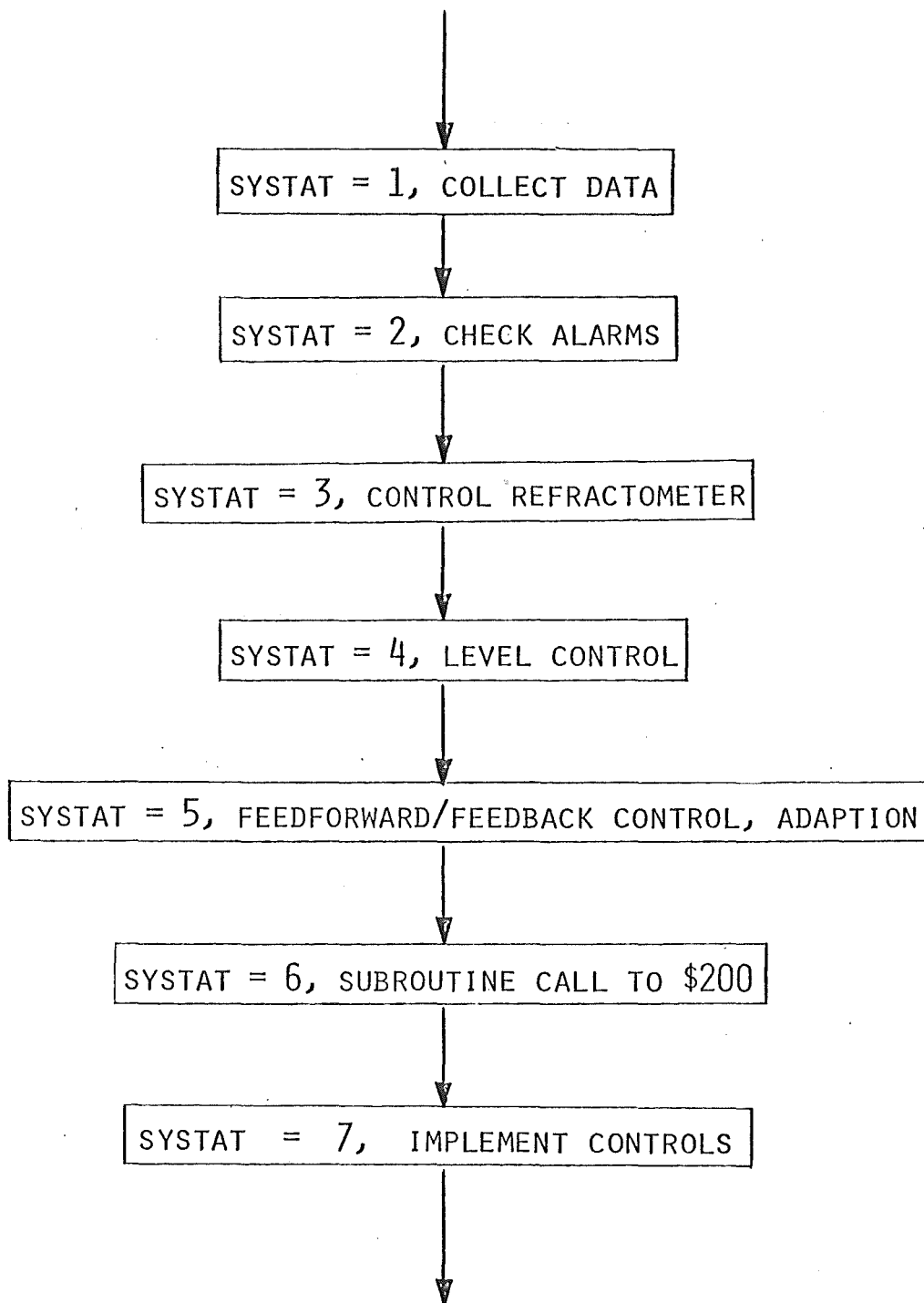


FIGURE 8-8 MAIN PROGRAM CONTROL SEQUENCE

unit) would have been a possible solution to this problem, but the control without a decoupler was satisfactory so the decoupler was disconnected.

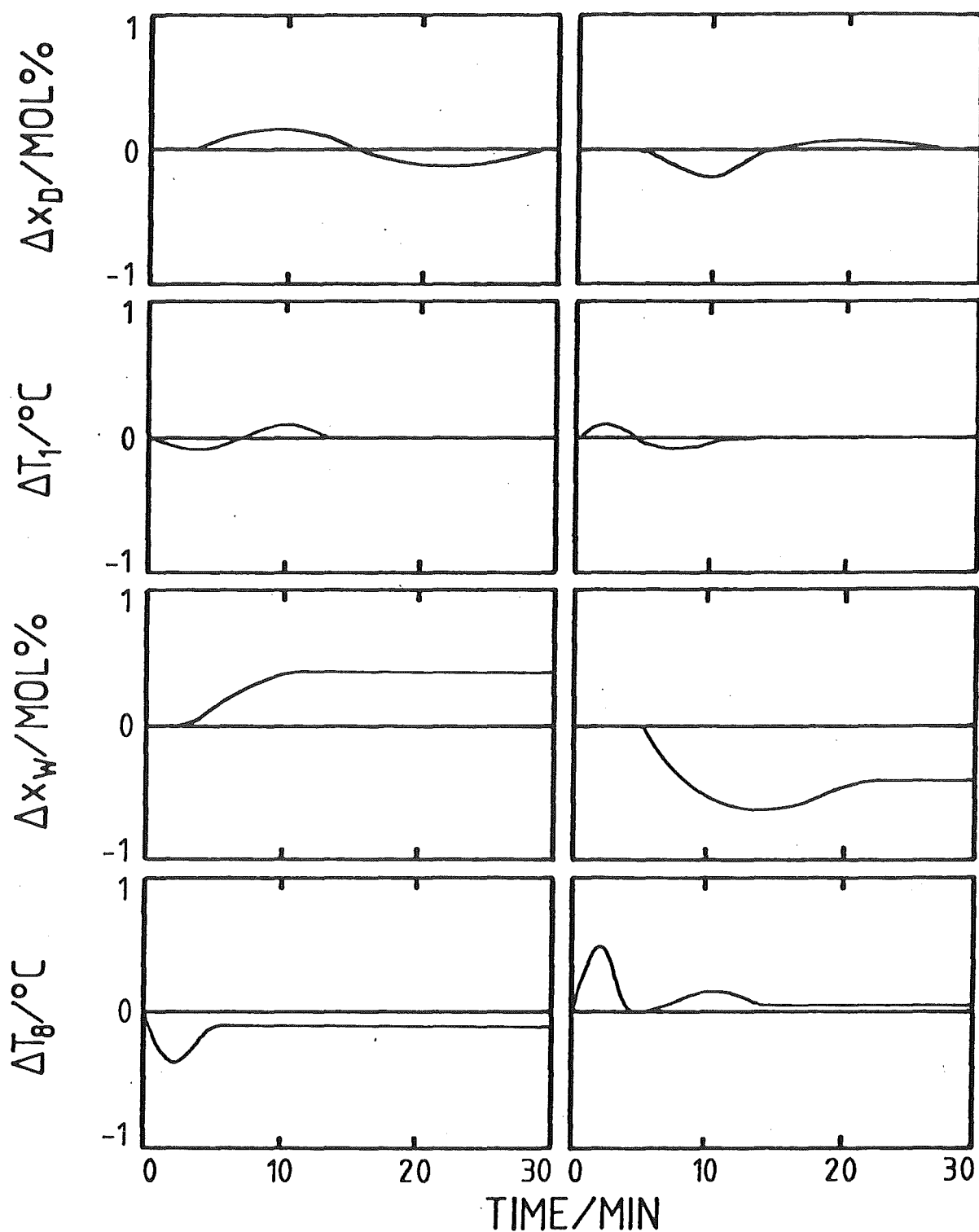
The feedforward controller was tested alone, with adaption and with dynamic compensation. Without adaption (assuming $N = 6.5$ from experimental measurements), large steady state offsets in the product compositions were observed (up to 5 mol%) for load and setpoint changes. The use of the adapter reduced the offset to less than 0.5 mol% on both products. The results in figures 8-9 to 8-12 show typical responses for the feedforward controller alone. The tests were made by adapting the controller until the desired setpoints were met, and then introducing the upset. The results show some offsets in the bottoms composition which could be reduced by further adaption.

The performance of the feedforward controller was excellent for the distillate composition without any dynamic compensation. The compensator was tuned by the method of Shinskey (1967), but the results were no better than those shown with no compensation (and in some cases worse).

The feedforward/feedback combination was tested using the same feedback controller settings used in Chapter 7. The results were very similar to those produced using feedback only control.

The trimming controllers helped to reduce the offsets due to the changing relationships between the control tray temperatures and the product specifications. The integral times predicted in section 8.4.4 were found satisfactory for load changes, but for setpoint changes, the temperature setpoints were ramped too slowly towards the new values, and degraded the system performance. Under these conditions, it was better to switch off the feedback and trimming controllers for setpoint changes, and to re-engage them with an estimate of the new temperature setpoints as the column approached the new steady state.

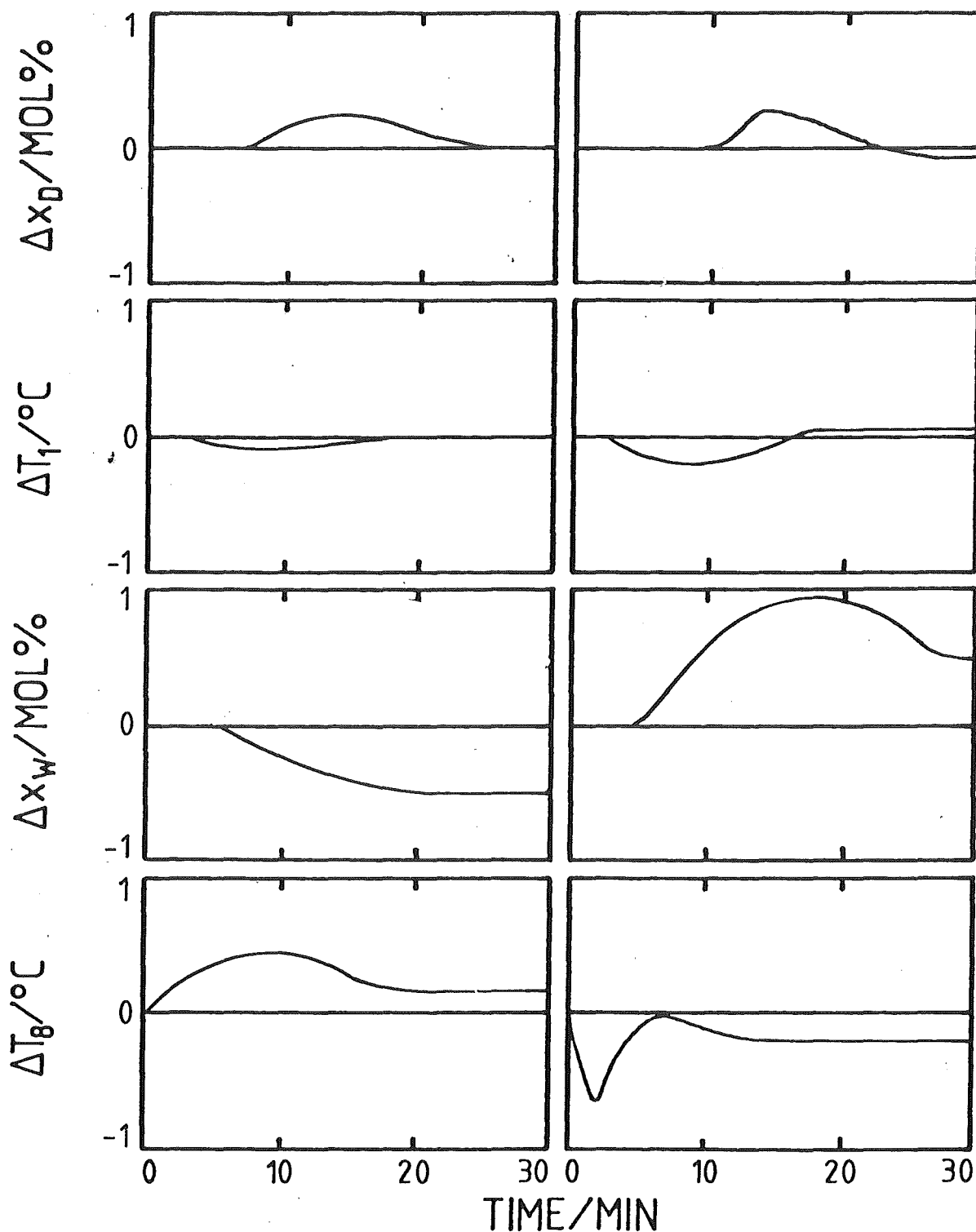
FEED FLOW STEP UPSETS/ kg min^{-1}
 1.54 \rightarrow 1.72 (RUN124) 1.72 \rightarrow 1.54 (RUN125)



FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER

FIGURE 8-9 CLOSED LOOP RESPONSE

FEED COMPOSITION STEP UPSETS/m.f.
 0.35 \rightarrow 0.40 (RUN126) 0.46 \rightarrow 0.40 (RUN127)

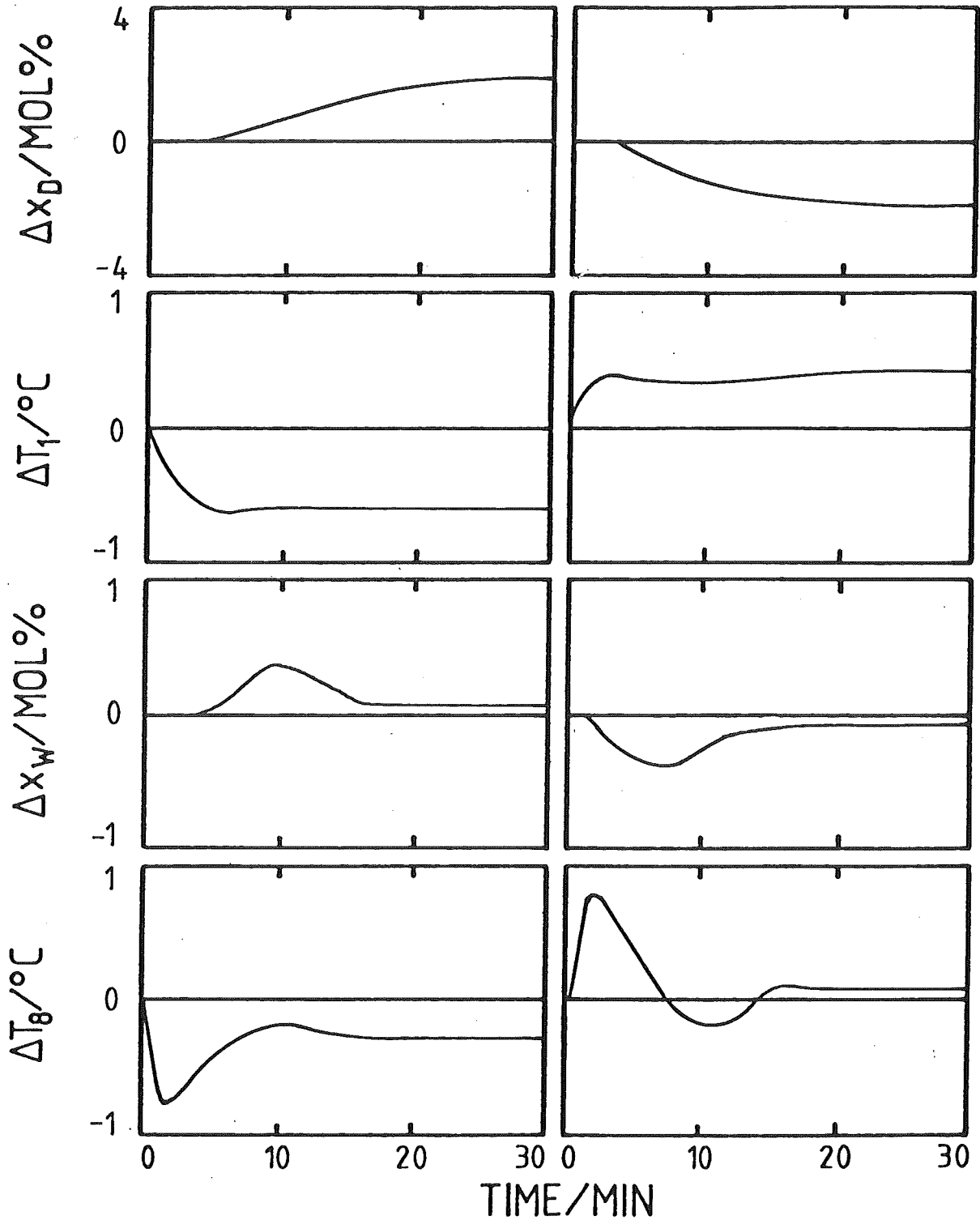


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FIGURE 8-10 CLOSED LOOP RESPONSE

x_D SETPOINT STEP CHANGES/m.f.

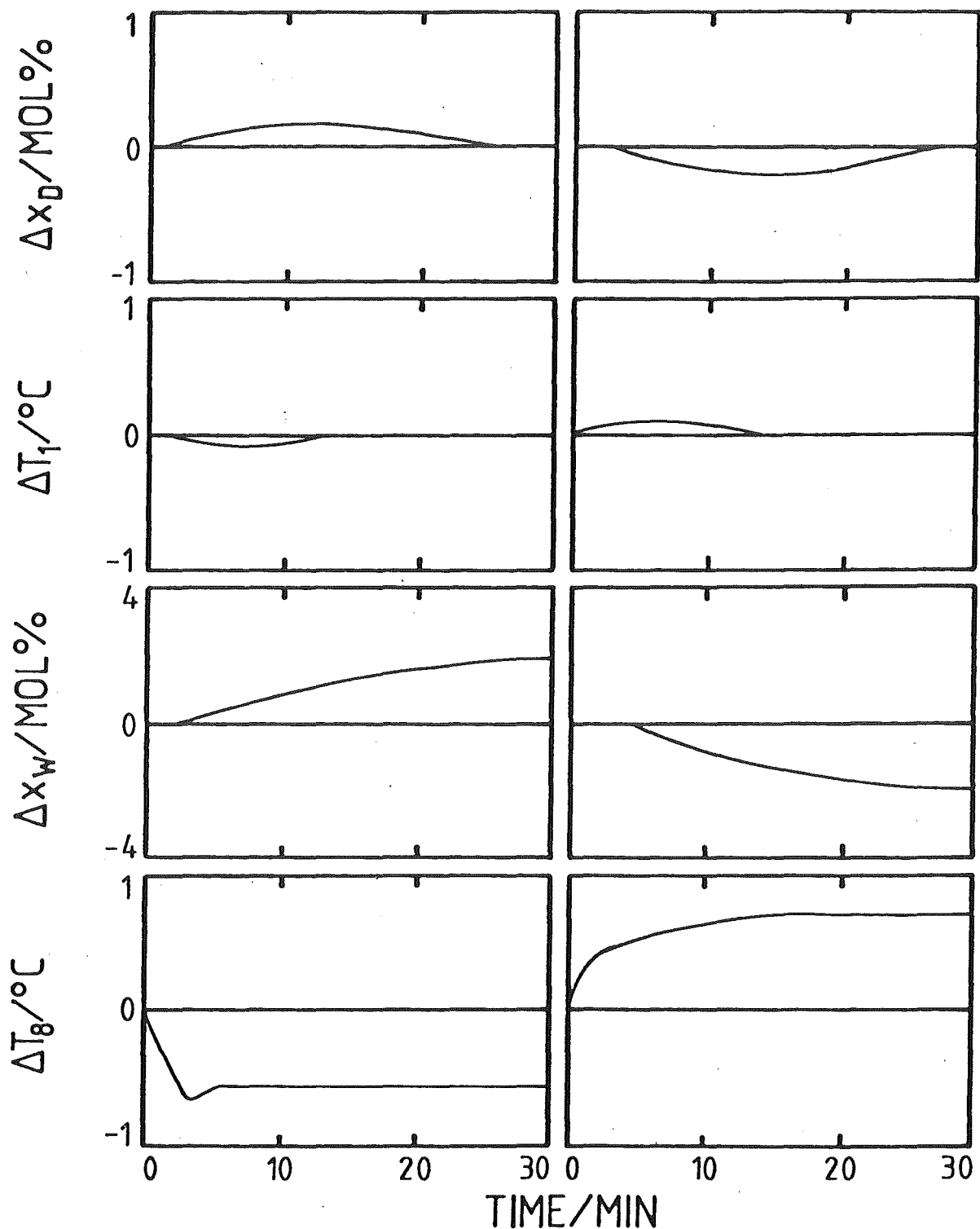
0.90 \rightarrow 0.92 (RUN120) 0.92 \rightarrow 0.90 (RUN121)



FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER

FIGURE 8-11 CLOSED LOOP RESPONSE

x_w SETPOINT STEP CHANGES/m.f.
 0.05 \Rightarrow 0.07 (RUN102) 0.07 \Rightarrow 0.05 (RUN103)



FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER

FIGURE 8-12 CLOSED LOOP RESPONSE

8.5 COST COMPARISON OF THE MICROCOMPUTER-BASED FEEDFORWARD
CONTROLLER WITH AN EQUIVALENT ANALOG SYSTEM

Section 5.13 showed the microcomputer based control system to be approximately equal in cost to an equivalent analog system. Using the same assumptions and costs, the following additional costs for adding the feedforward controller were calculated in \$NZ (1979):

(i)	Microcomputer System	
	(a) Software Costs - 580 lines of assembler	
	code @ 15 lines/day, code = 38.7 days	
	Programmer @ \$96/day, cost =	\$3,715
	(b) Additional hardware - 8K Ram board	= \$625
	(c) APU System - hardware =	\$350
	- labour =	\$1,500
	- software, 380 lines of	
	assembler code \$2,429	
	Total	= \$4,279
	Total Cost	= <u>\$8,619</u>

(ii) Hardware System

Using the analog circuit developed by Morrin (1975) as a feedforward controller based on the Gilliland correlation, the following hardware was required

6 multipliers @ \$600	\$3,600
11 summers @ \$500	<u>\$5,500</u>
(based on the ACTIONPAK range of analog modules)	<u>\$9,100</u>

This analog controller was a simplified version of the controller described in this chapter and did not include features such as the adapter, internal reflux correction, and the improved analysis for the steam flow prediction.

A comparison of the costs for the additional items required

to implement the feedforward controller showed that two systems were almost equal in cost. The analog version was a simplified controller and did not include the adapter; therefore it would not be expected to perform as well as the microcomputer system. The microcomputer system was costed on a one-off basis and included the development costs of the hardware arithmetic processing unit. The flexibility and power of the microcomputer based feedforward controller was superior to that of the analog based alternative.

8.6 DISCUSSION

In all cases, the performance of the control system of figure 8-6 was found to be marginally better than that of the feedback control system described in Chapter Seven. The comments of section 7.4.3 with respect to the accuracy of the instrumentation apply equally here - the small deviations of the column variables during transients were of the same magnitude as the accuracy of the sensors, and hence the performance of the control system was as good as could be obtained with the hardware available.

The response of the feedforward control system to each of the upsets was different because of the column dynamics, and consequently the best overall control policy will involve compromises. The controlled responses obtained were satisfactory for this particular column, but it would be hard to justify the time and expense to install the feedforward/feedback system in place of the conventional feedback system.

The Gilliland correlation was shown to be a reasonable column model provided the adaption routine was included. In tests, the adapter changed the estimate of the number of theoretical stages, N , from the experimental average of 6.5 within the range 5.7 to 6.7. The changes in N were small, but the sensitivity analysis showed the parameter to be the most critical in the controller. The simulation results showed similar trends to the experimental measurements. The analysis showed

the usefulness of designing feedforward controllers around steady state models for distillation columns. This approach allowed the performance of the controller to be checked without requiring the solution of differential equations. The dynamic compensation for a feedforward controller is best implemented by simple blocks (e.g. a lead/lag) which can be tuned on-line to provide the best performance. Hence the benefits of dynamic simulations in this case were limited.

The dynamics of this particular column were such that dynamic compensation in the feedforward controller was not warranted. The responses obtained for feed rate upsets agreed with those predicted by Shinskey (1967) using the concepts of reflections within the column but the deviations during the transient response were small and acceptable. Experiments with various dynamic compensators, tuned as suggested by Shinskey (1967) produced no significant improvement in performance.

The steady state decoupler proved to be a problem in that it caused instabilities in the feedback system with a loss of control. The results without decoupling were satisfactory and suggested that the implementation of a dynamic decoupler would produce no significant improvement to the overall system performance.

Several problems were experienced with the control system. With feedforward only control, the bottoms composition tended to drift due to fluctuations in the steam flow rate. It was shown in Chapter 7 that

$$\Delta x_w (\text{mol}\%) = 32.5 \Delta Q_s (\text{kg min}^{-1})$$

and hence a variation of $\pm 0.02 \text{ kg min}^{-1}$ in the steam flow rate could produce a variation of $\pm 0.65 \text{ mol}\%$ in the bottoms composition. When feedback control was added to the steam flow control, the bottoms composition was maintained steady for periods of 4 to 6 hours.

Large steam flows caused high vapour velocities in the column, and broke the liquid seal on the rectifying section trays. Removing liquid from the top tray temperature sensor caused the temperature control loop to fail, and the column went out of control. This problem only arose

when too much integral action was used in the steam flow controller, or when the feedback decouplers were used incorrectly.

The reflux pump was found to vary its delivery by approximately $.05 \text{ lmin}^{-1}$ for a constant rotational velocity over a period of four hours, and was easily adjusted by the feedback controller.

The controller software was primitive in its operator communication, but effective. All conversions to the arithmetic processing unit floating point format had to be performed by hand (e.g. changing 1.0 to \$0180, \$0000). A more sophisticated operator interface would solve this problem. Alternately, if operated in a hierarchical control scheme, the microcomputer could be operated via an interface in the supervisory computer.

The lack of suitable sensors for the feed flowrate and feed composition was a minor problem. These variables were measured and entered into the microcomputer data base by hand; in practice sensors on these variables would be used and interfaced to the data acquisition system.

The benefits that accrue from feedforward control are

(i) Large delays and lags can be handled without excessive deviations from the desired setpoints.

(ii) Corrective action can be taken when a load change occurs and not when the system responds.

(iii) Oscillatory responses can be avoided where disturbances occur at a frequency close to the natural frequency of the feedback loop.

When one or more of these factors occurs, feedforward control can improve system performance, but for this particular column, none of these factors was a problem. Harriot (1964) suggested that time constants greater than 1 hour make feedforward control attractive in distillation control. The scheme proposed here has been shown to work effectively, but to demonstrate its advantages over conventional feedback control, tests on a larger distillation column (with longer lags and delays) are required.

There are several other methods of design of feedforward controllers. The methods include the off-line approach (Burman and Maddox (1969), Distefano et al (1967)), the use of simple transfer functions (Wood and Pacey (1972)), the adaptation and optimisation of a feedforward controller (Duyfjes and Van Der Grinten (1973)), and feed plate manipulation (Luyben (1968)). Luyben (1969) has also studied the extension of the feedforward controller to manipulating the setpoints of intermediate feedback tray temperature controllers directly. A number of the reported evaluations of feedforward controllers are based on simulated dynamic computer models which in some cases are oversimplified. If simulations are to be useful, they must also simulate the problems of the real world, such as the lack of precision in composition analysers and temperature sensors, the limits on valves and valve velocities, otherwise the results become academic.

A similar comment can be applied to the power of the computer used to solve the control problem - typically minicomputers with 16K or more of memory are used compared with the 5K of memory in a microcomputer in this system. It is essential that any control scheme be evaluated realistically using an economic analysis. The relative ease with which the column described in this work can be controlled has made it very difficult to distinguish between the possible control system variations.

The analysis used for the evaluation of the column flows, especially the vapour flow in the reboiler, produced values closer to the true flows than did the equimolar overflow method. This analysis could be applied to most binary systems where the latent heat of vaporisation was a linear function of composition (i.e. the binary system approached ideal solution behaviour). Methanol/water would be one of the worst binary systems (excluding effects such as azeotropes) for such a function due to the comparatively large heats of mixing (up to 1 kJ mol^{-1}). The flow calculation method could also be incorporated into the shortcut column design procedure using the Gilliland correlation to give a good estimate of the

reboiler requirements.

8.7 CONCLUSION

The Gilliland correlation has been shown to be useful as the basis of a feedforward controller. The correlation was used both as a controller and an adapter to take account of changing operating conditions. Steady state simulations of the controller and its adapter showed that the assumption of equimolar overflow in computing the required boilup rate, given the other column variables, was invalid for the binary system methanol/water. A modification using a simple lumped parameter column model was proposed which successfully predicted the required reflux and steam flows for given product specifications in steady state simulations.

The adaptive feedforward controller was incorporated into the microcomputer control system with feedback control, and setpoint trimming controllers to match the feedback loop temperature setpoints to the desired product specifications. The scheme was successfully tested on the pilot plant scale column. Dynamic compensation for the feedforward controller, and decoupling of the feedback controller was found to be unnecessary for this particular column.

The performance of the complete feedforward/feedback control system was no better than that of a simple multiloop PI control system in terms of maximum overshoot and settling time. This could be explained by the reasonably fast dynamics of this column. On larger columns (with longer lags and delays) the feedforward/feedback system could be expected to perform better than the feedback only system.

The feedforward/feedback control scheme implemented in the microcomputer was costed and found to be comparable to a similar control scheme based on analog components; however, the microcomputer based system was superior in its flexibility, its ease of use, and its power (the adaption and trimming routines).

8.8 NOMENCLATURE

a,b	-	Gilliland correlation coefficients
C_{PR}	-	reflux liquid heat capacity, $\text{kJ mol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
D	-	distillate flow, mol min^{-1}
F	-	feed rate, mol min^{-1}
h	-	liquid enthalpy, kJ mol^{-1}
H	-	vapour enthalpy, kJ mol^{-1}
L_R	-	external reflux flow, mol min^{-1}
L'_R	-	internal reflux flow, mol min^{-1}
L_{RF}, L_{SF}	-	internal column flows, mol min^{-1}
N	-	number of ideal stages including the reboiler
N_m	-	minimum number of stages including the reboiler
P	-	process matrix
q	-	feed condition
Q_S	-	steam flow kg min^{-1}
r	-	setpoint
R	-	external reflux ratio
R'	-	internal reflux ratio
R_m	-	minimum reflux ratio
T	-	temperature, $^{\circ}\text{C}$
T_{RS}	-	saturated reflux temperature $^{\circ}\text{C}$
T_R	-	reflux temperature
V	-	control output
W	-	bottoms flow, mol min^{-1}
x	-	liquid composition
x_S, x_{RF}, x_{SF}	-	internal column compositions
ΔH_V	-	latent heat of vaporisation
ΔH_{VR}	-	reflux latent heat of vaporisation
α	-	relative volatility

Subscripts

D	-	distillate
F	-	feed
W	-	bottoms

CHAPTER NINE

CONCLUSIONS

(1) A 225 mm diameter atmospheric pressure, sieve tray distillation column, with a capacity of 120 l h^{-1} was built and commissioned. The column included eight trays (with an overall efficiency of 72%) and a thermosiphon reboiler. The condenser and reboiler capacities were 100 kW.

(2) A novel control system was developed for the column liquid flows. Variable speed motors and positive displacement vane pumps were designed and built to replace the conventional flow sensor, controller and control valve loop. Steam flow to the reboiler was controlled by a pneumatic loop with a remote setpoint.

(3) The column was fully instrumented using integrated circuit devices for sensing temperatures, levels and pressures. The accuracy of these devices was adequate, but better devices are available, e.g. thermistors. Composition sensing was performed using a multichannel on line refractometer.

(4) A microcomputer system was constructed using the Motorola M6800 family. An Am9511 arithmetic processing unit was added to improve its computational capacity. A link between the microcomputer and a mini-computer was developed, and the latter programmed as a development system (cross-assembler, download program, microcomputer supervisor).

(5) A 16 channel data acquisition system (12 bits) and a 4 channel output system (8 bits) were developed and interfaced to the column and the microcomputer. The microcomputer was also used to control and monitor the on-line refractometer.

(6) A steady state binary column model was programmed on a digital computer and verified against experimental data. The common assumptions of equimolal overflow and constant relative volatility were shown to be

invalid for the methanol/water binary system.

(7) Step tests on the column showed that most responses of the product compositions, and top and bottom tray temperatures could be represented by first order lags and deadtime. The temperature responses showed very little deadtime, and hence column control was predicted to be good with simple feedback control.

(8) Feedback control (using 16 bit integer arithmetic, digital, PI controllers) was shown to produce good control within the accuracy of the instrumentation. Interactions between the temperature control loops required controller re-tuning.

(9) An adaptive feedforward controller was designed and tested on the steady state computer model and on the experimental column. It performed well but required feedback trimming to remove small offsets (0.005 m.f.). The performance of the combined feedforward/feedback system was no better than that achieved by feedback control alone due to the simple column dynamics.

(10) A dedicated microcomputer control scheme was shown to be feasible for a distillation column, and no more expensive than the conventional analog controllers it replaced. Inclusion in an overall plant control scheme by networking computers would provide additional benefits of optimisation and overview.

(11) The fast dynamics of the experimental column made it possible only to verify control schemes. Quantitative comparison favoured the feedback alone system since that was the most cost effective alternative.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER WORK

(1) An operator interface is required if the column is to be operated under microcomputer control alone (e.g. undergraduate laboratories). There is sufficient memory capacity in the microcomputer to include a sophisticated interface and simplify the column operation.

- (2) Additional instrumentation is required to sense the feed flow rate and composition. More sensitive sensors on temperature (e.g. thermistors) and composition (e.g. capacitance sensors) could be investigated to improve the quality of control by improved resolution in the process variables.
- (3) Investigation of the relationship between the Murphree vapour efficiency and composition for this column would provide important data for the steady state model.
- (4) Constraints could be included in the control scheme to prevent the problem of excessive vapour velocity in the column. Relationships to determine the column flows necessary for stable operation are required.
- (5) The feedforward/feedback control scheme described could be applied to other binary systems and to packed columns using the number of transfer units instead of the number of ideal stages. Multicomponent systems could be handled using a pseudo-binary equivalent system and modifications to the minimum reflux and minimum stages equations.
- (6) Alternate control strategies could be applied including feed tray alteration and ratio control. Possible modifications to the feedback controllers include gain scheduling and self-tuning.
- (7) The column dynamics could be altered by increasing the liquid holdup on the trays and in the reflux accumulator and reboiler to provide a more difficult control problem. A greater liquid depth on the trays would allow higher vapour rates to be used in the column and would increase the column capacity.

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APPENDIX I

CIRCUIT DIAGRAMS

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Am9511 Arithmetic Processor Unit Interface

The Am9511 was designed to be compatible with the Intel 8080 family of microprocessors, and consequently, its timing signals were not consistent with the Motorola 6800 bus. A printed circuit board was developed to interface the Am9511 and a 1K byte EPROM to the microcomputer (figure 1).

The biggest timing problem was the correct arrangement of the read and write signals. It was necessary for the read and write signals to be delayed after the APU chip was selected for a period of not less than 50ns for the 2MHz Am9511. This delay was achieved with RC networks on the Schmidt inputs of 74LS221 monostables. The other major timing requirement of the read/write controls was that they turn off at least 60ns before the chip select line ($\overline{c/s}$) was released. The 74LS221 monostables were adjusted to ensure that this condition was met.

The microcomputer address bus was fully buffered and decoded. The desired memory addresses for the APU and EPROM were set by straps on the board. The APU was arranged to occupy two adjacent memory locations, and each of its four functions was selected by the A0 address line and the R/W line as shown in Table I-1.

TABLE I-1 APU ADDRESSING

<u>Function</u>	<u>A0</u>	<u>R/W</u>
Data write to APU	1	0
Data read from APU	1	1
Command to APU	0	0
Read APU status	0	1

The access time for a read on the APU stack was quoted as 2 μ s which was too slow for an M6800 operating at 1MHz. Hence the microprocessor was delayed by holding its ϕ_2 clock phase high until the data was available. A monostable triggered from the APU pause line

held the MEM RDY line on the CPU board low for approximately 4 μ s, sufficient time for data from the APU to become available to the microprocessor (see figure 1A).

The clock for the APU was a free running astable multivibrator driving a one shot monostable. The astable was adjusted to provide the required frequency, while the one shot was adjusted to give the correct duty cycle. This arrangement was easier to set up than the conventional circuit using two one shots triggering each other.

All input and output lines were fully buffered using standard three state buffers. The data bus buffers were gated on to the data bus when the chip was addressed so that the buffer appropriate to the pending data transfer direction was selected.

Power for the APU board was obtained from the microcomputer power supply shown in figure 2. The supply rails were decoupled on board with suitable capacitors.

A 2708 EPROM was added to the board to store a control program for the APU. The circuit diagram of the board appears in figure 1, and the timing diagram for APU reads and writes is given in figure 1A.

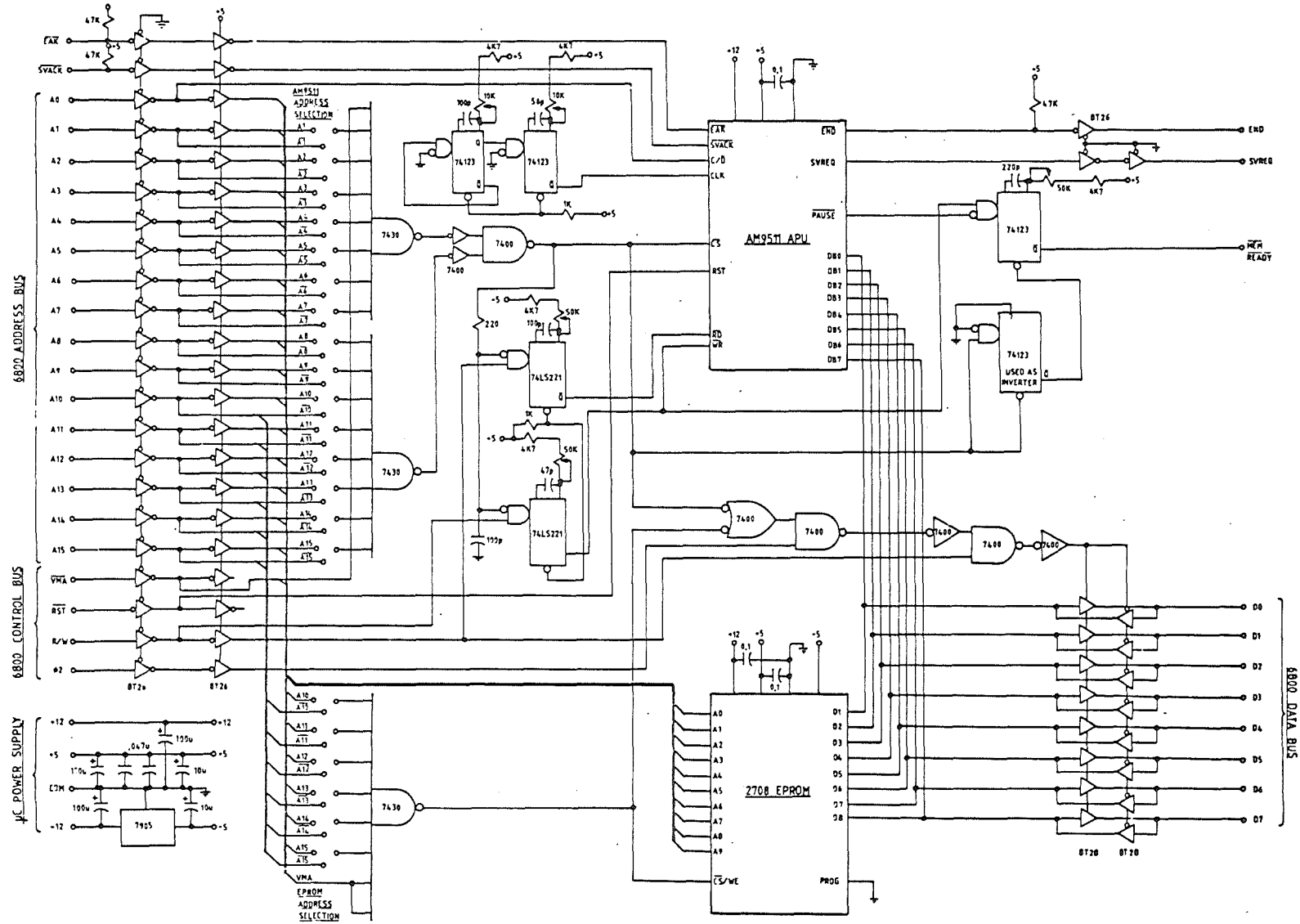
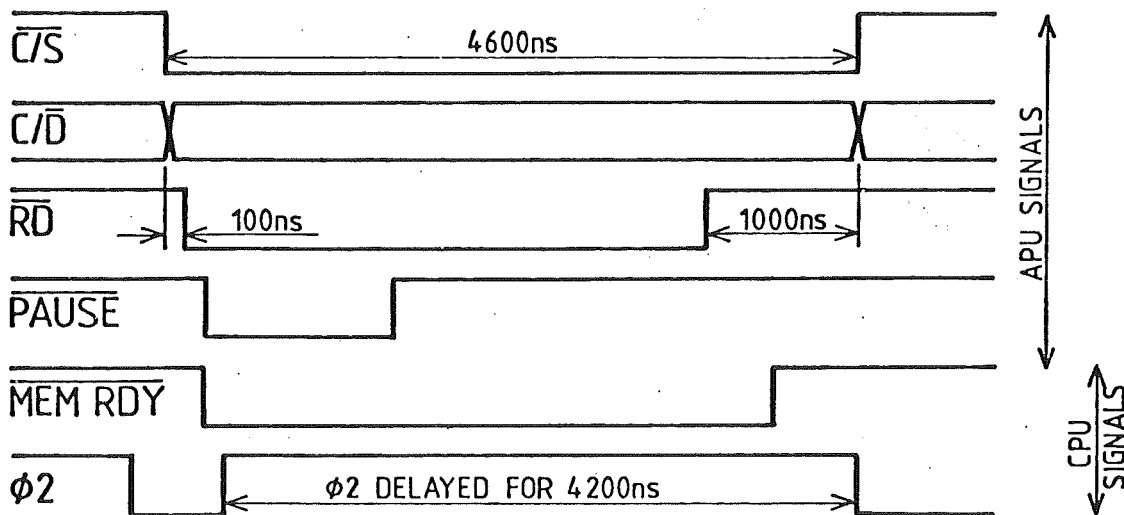
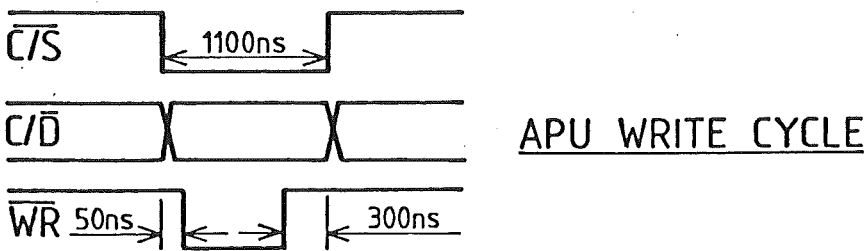


FIGURE 1 ARITHMETIC PROCESSOR BOARD



APU READ CYCLE



APU WRITE CYCLE

SCALE: 3000ns

FIGURE 1A APU TIMING DIAGRAM

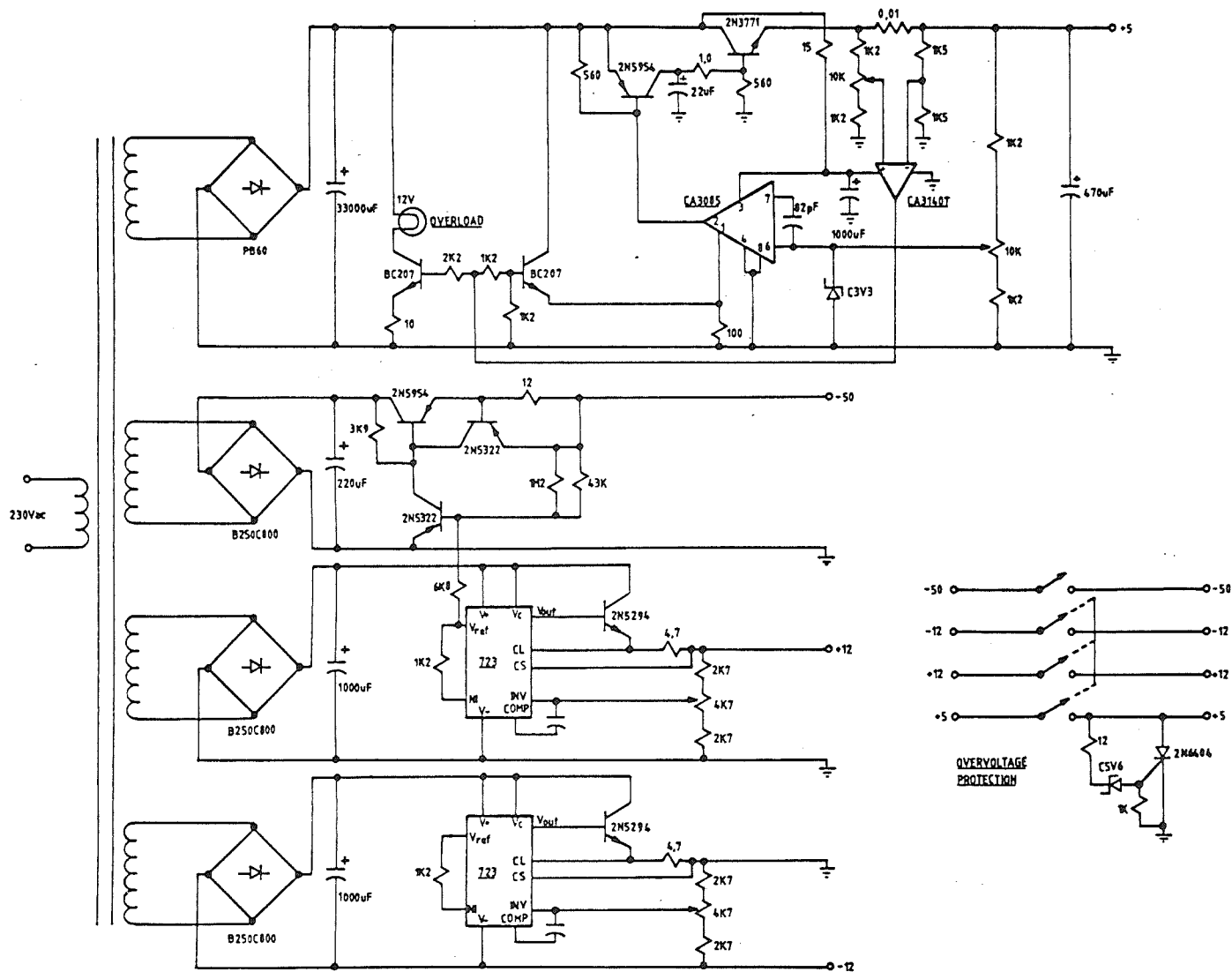


FIGURE 2 MICROCOMPUTER POWER SUPPLY

Minicomputer-Microcomputer Interface

A hardware interface was constructed using a UART to link a PDP-11 parallel interface (DR11) to the EVK300 board via a serial 20mA current loop as shown in figure 3. The interface was constructed using the standard Digital Equipment serial peripheral format (D.E.C. (1973)). Details of the DR11 interface can be found in the PDP-11 Peripherals Handbook (D.E.C. (1973)), and the UART details can be found in the National Semiconductor MOS/LSI Handbook (National Semiconductor (1977)).

For output from the PDP-11 to the microcomputer, data was strobed into the UART from the DR11 output register by the NEW DATA READY signal on the DR11. The UART then commenced to serialise and send the byte. When the UART output buffer was empty, it raised a control line which in turn set REQB in the DR11 status register indicating 'output buffer empty' to the PDP-11. By enabling the REQB interrupt the UART could be interrupt driven by the PDP-11.

For input from the microcomputer to the PDP-11, the 'data received' line of the UART was connected to the REQA line of the DR11, and both raised high on receipt of a data byte. When the user program read the data byte from the DR11 input register, the DR11 DATA TAKEN line was used to clear the UART for receipt of the next character. The three UART error lines ROR, RFE and RPE were connected to bits 13, 14, 15 of the DR11 input register and were available to the users program. The receipt of characters could also operate under interrupt control. The two output control lines CSRO, CSRI on the DR11 interface were connected to the RESET and NMI lines of the microcomputer to give the mini-computer overall control of the microcomputer.

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of program

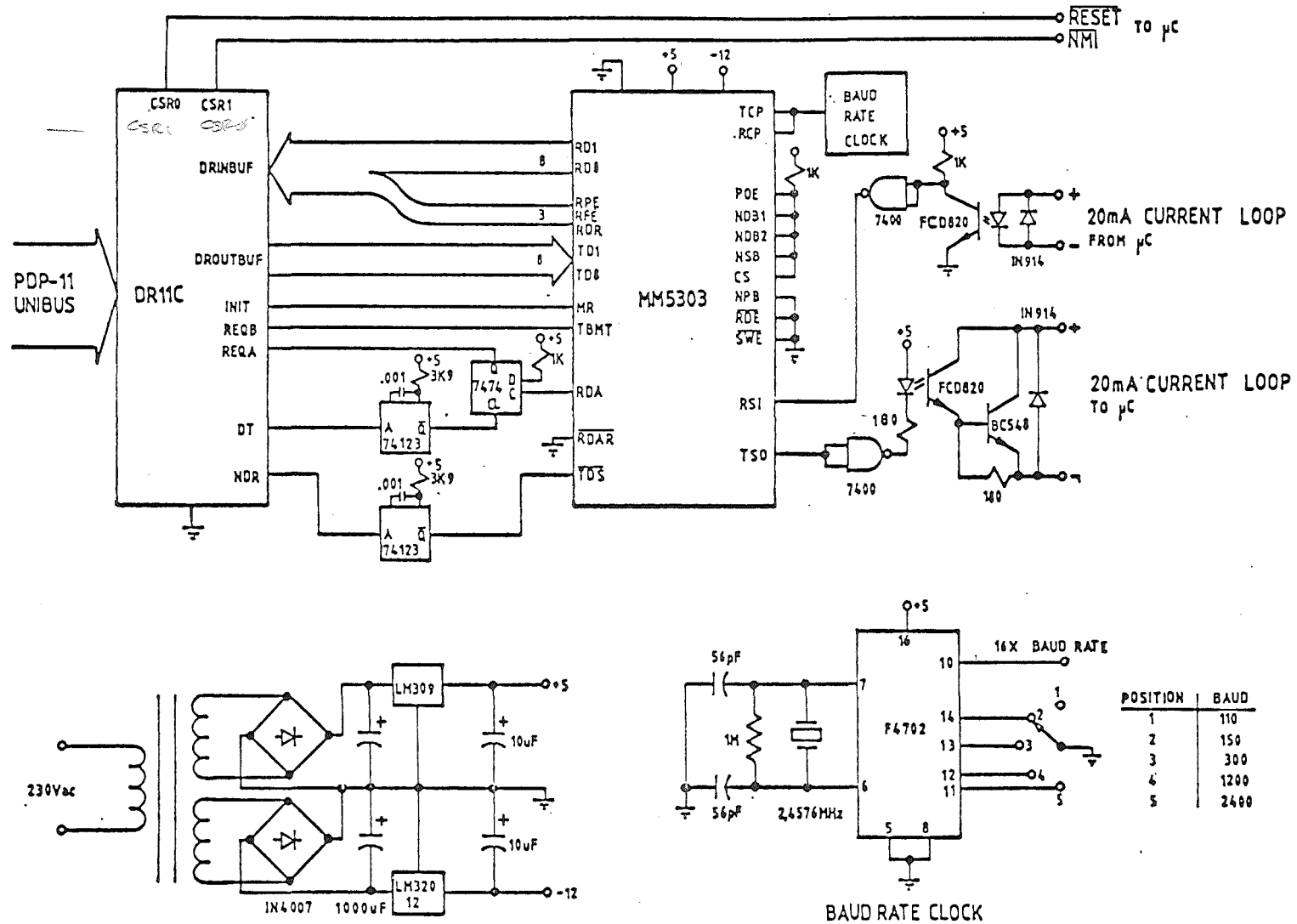


FIGURE 3 MINICOMPUTER-MICROCOMPUTER INTERFACE

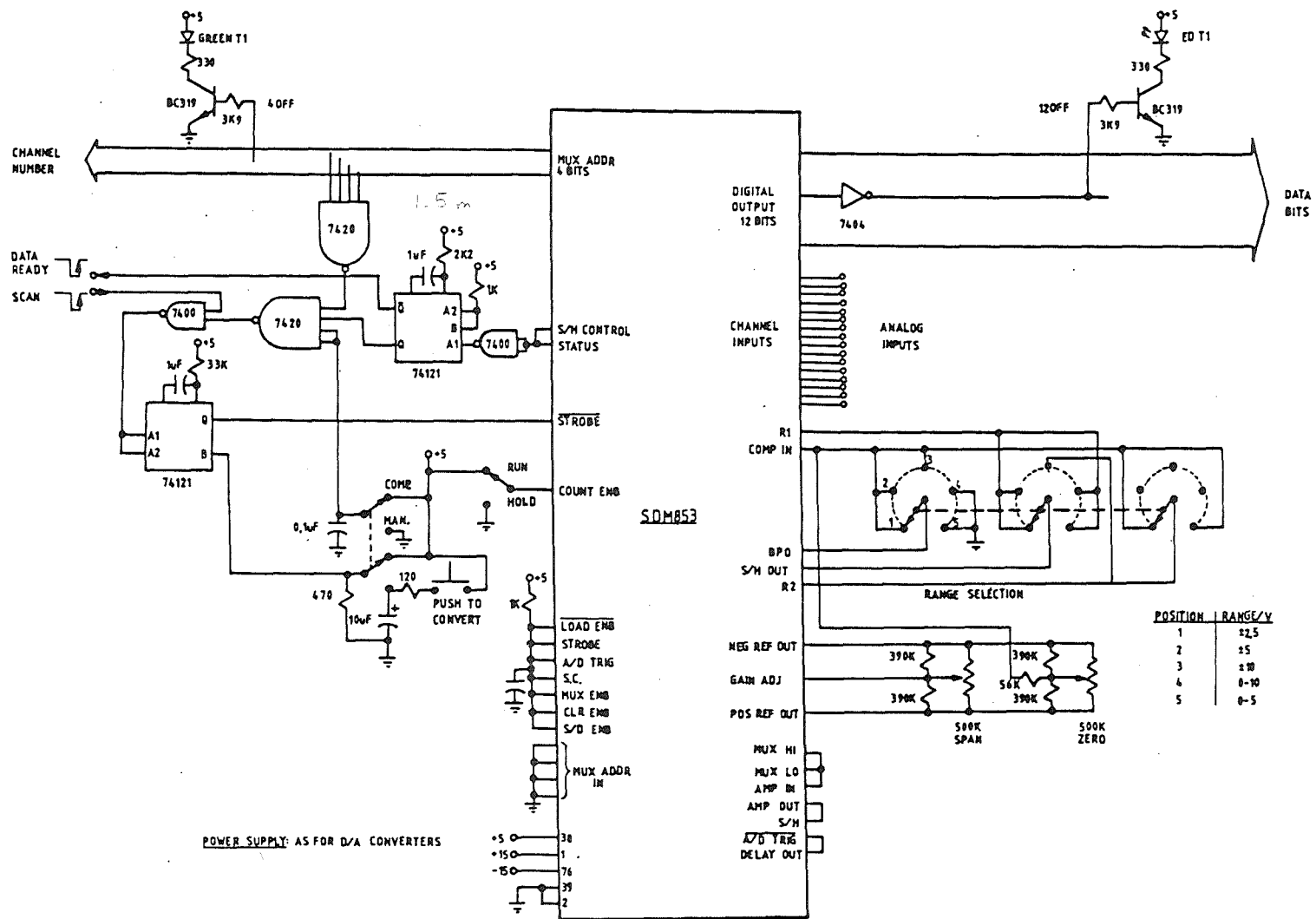


FIGURE 4 DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM

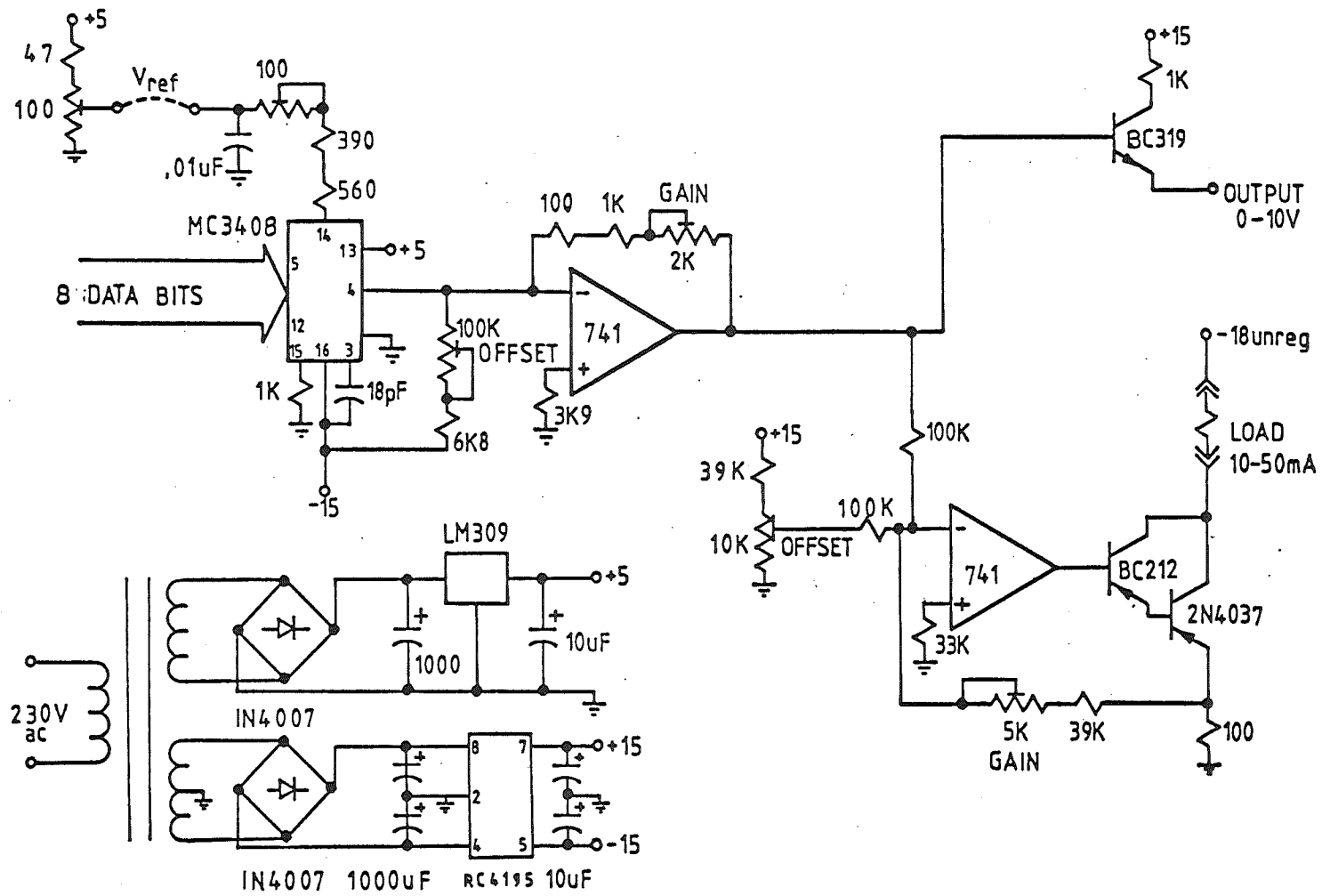


FIGURE 5 CONTROL OUTPUT SYSTEM

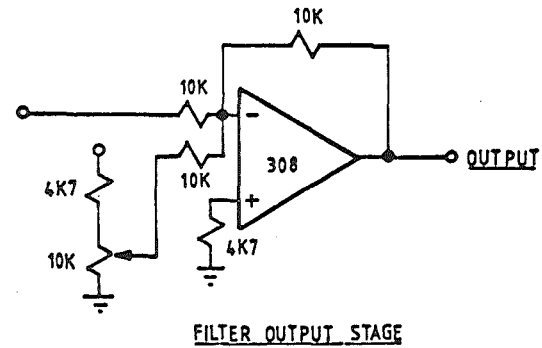
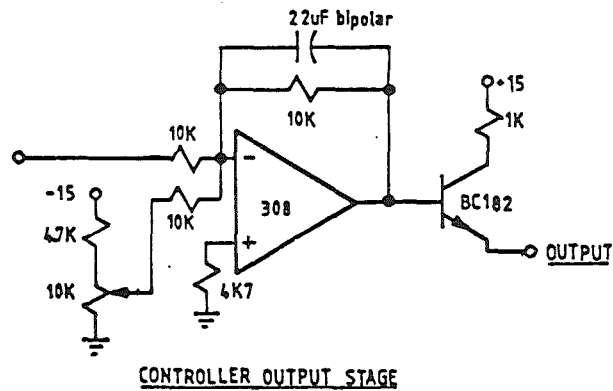
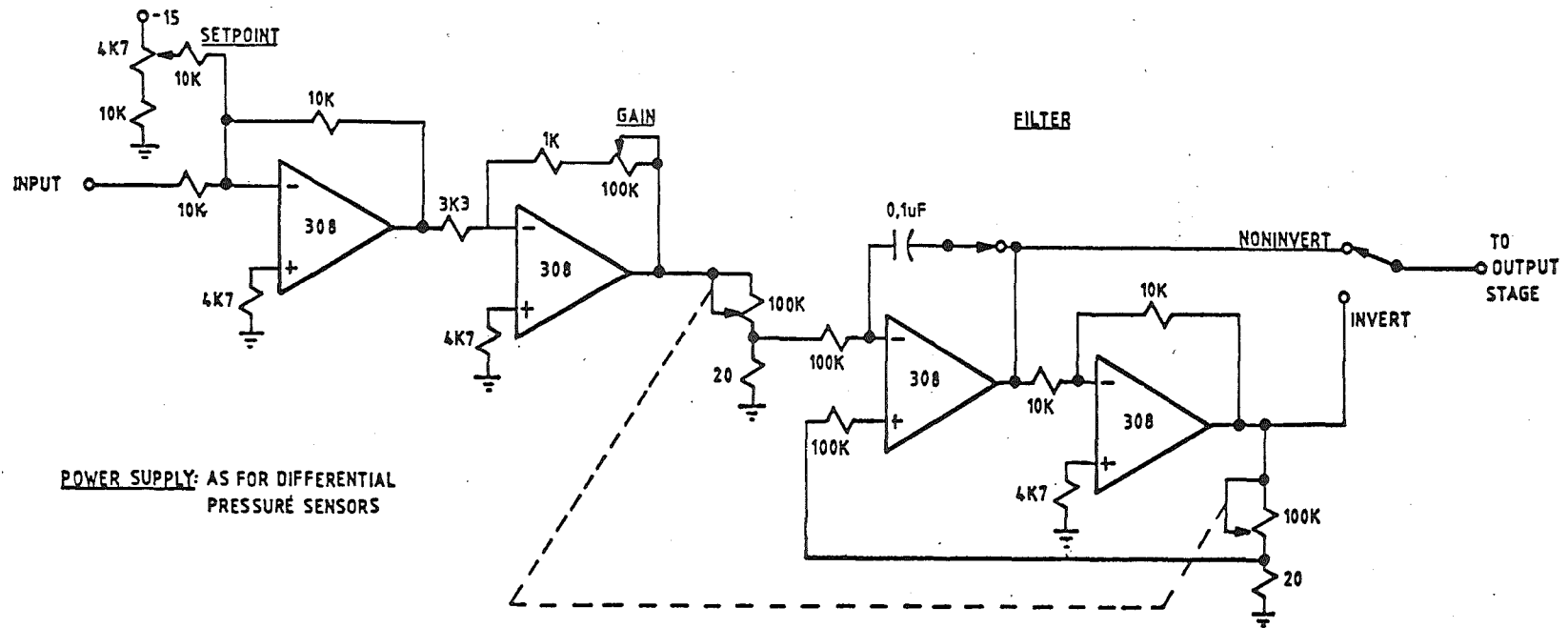


FIGURE 6 ANALOG CONTROLLER/FILTER

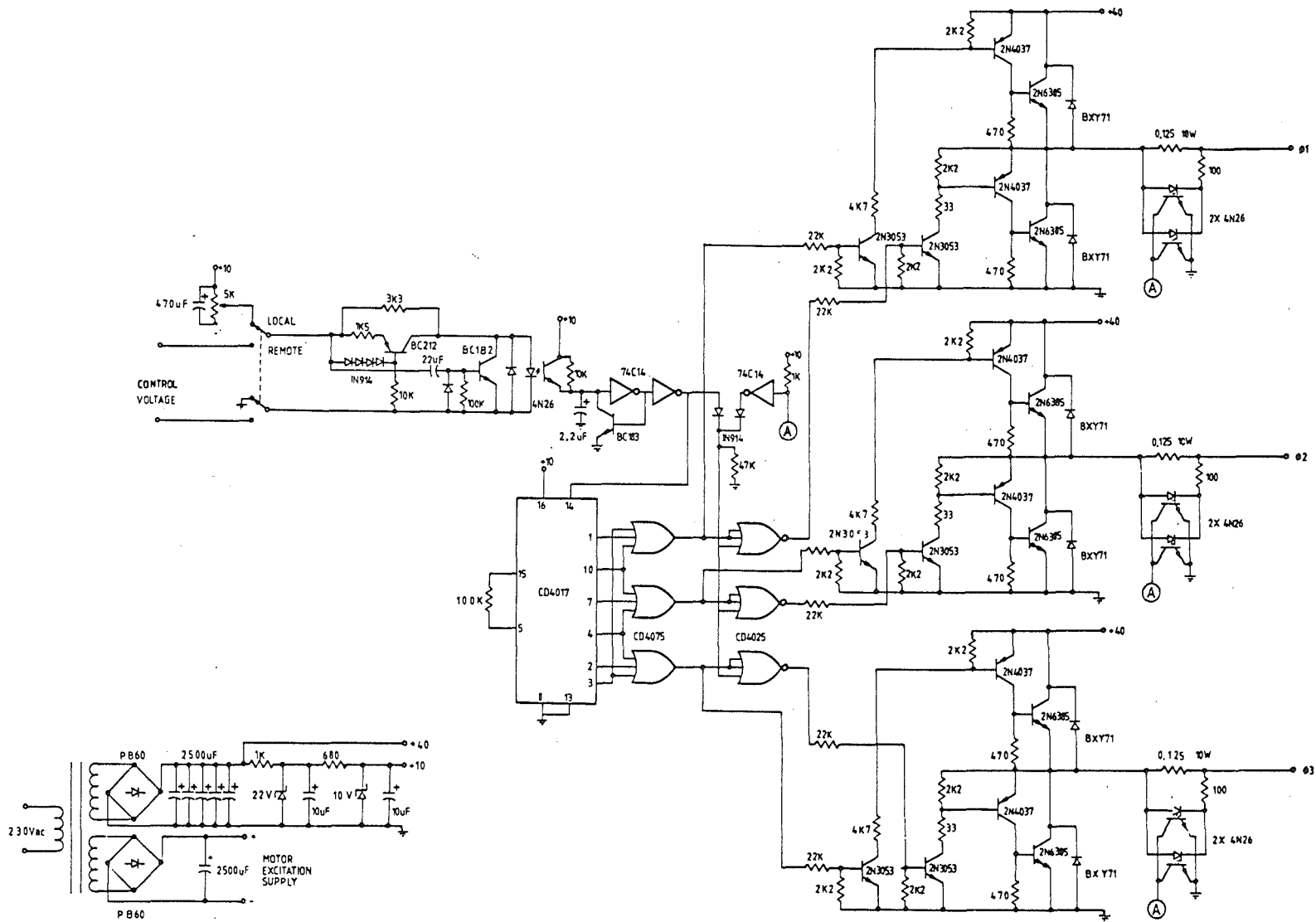


FIGURE 7 MOTOR SPEED CONTROLLER (THREE PHASE INVERTER)

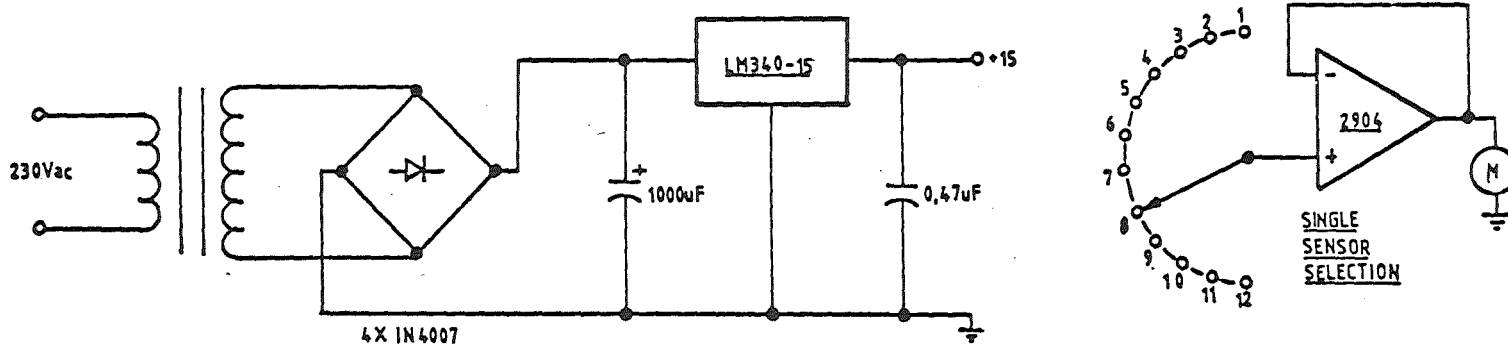
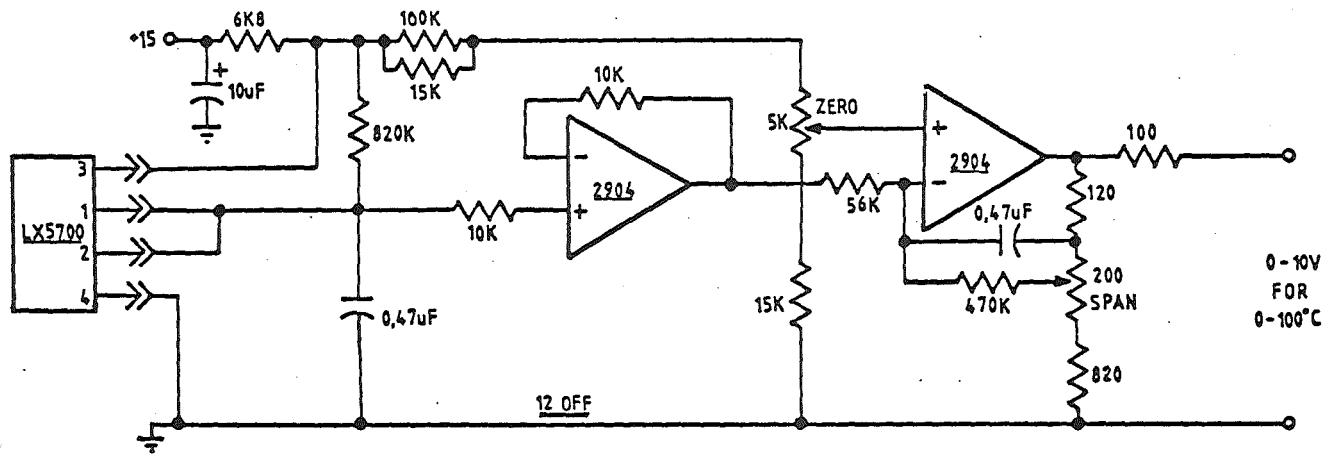


FIGURE 8 TEMPERATURE SENSORS

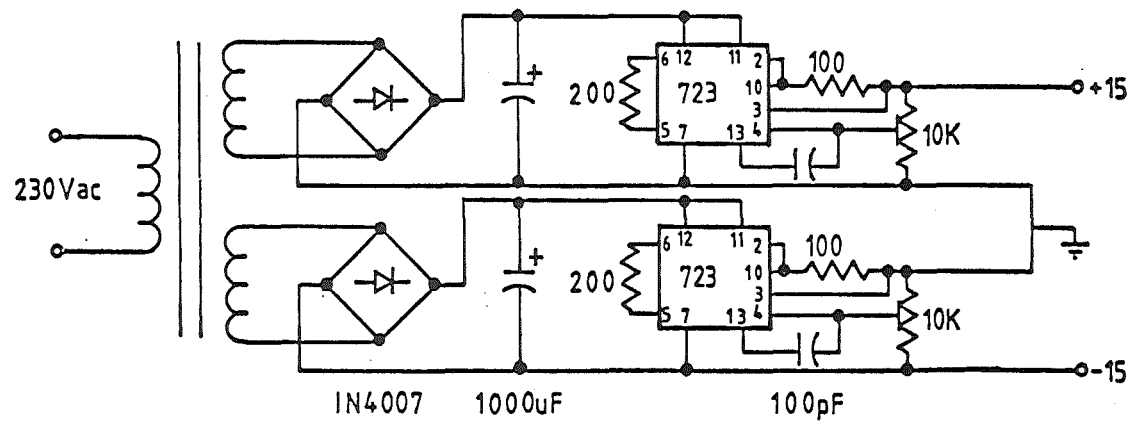
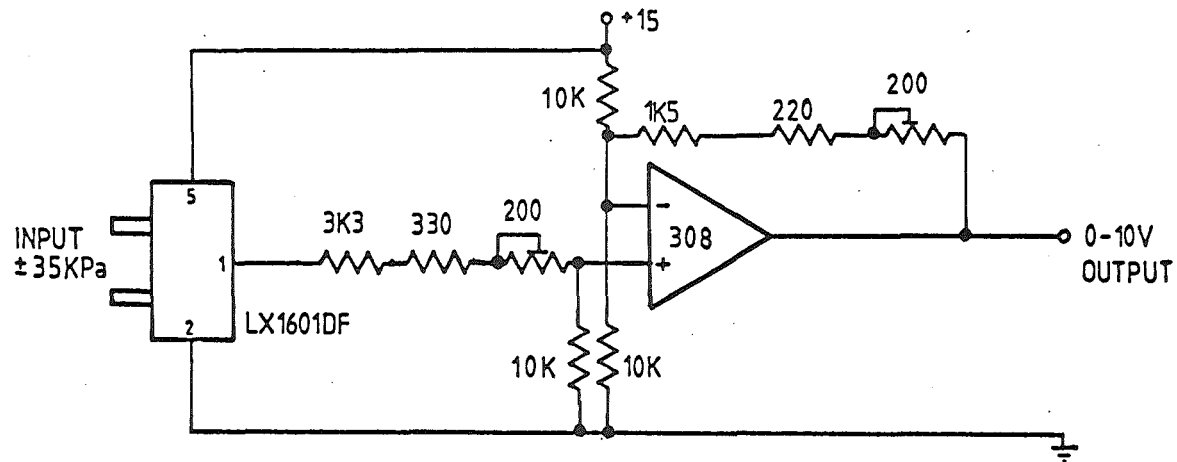
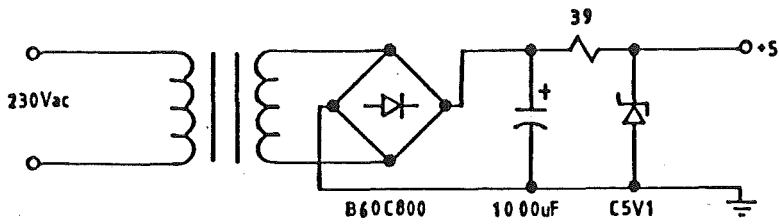
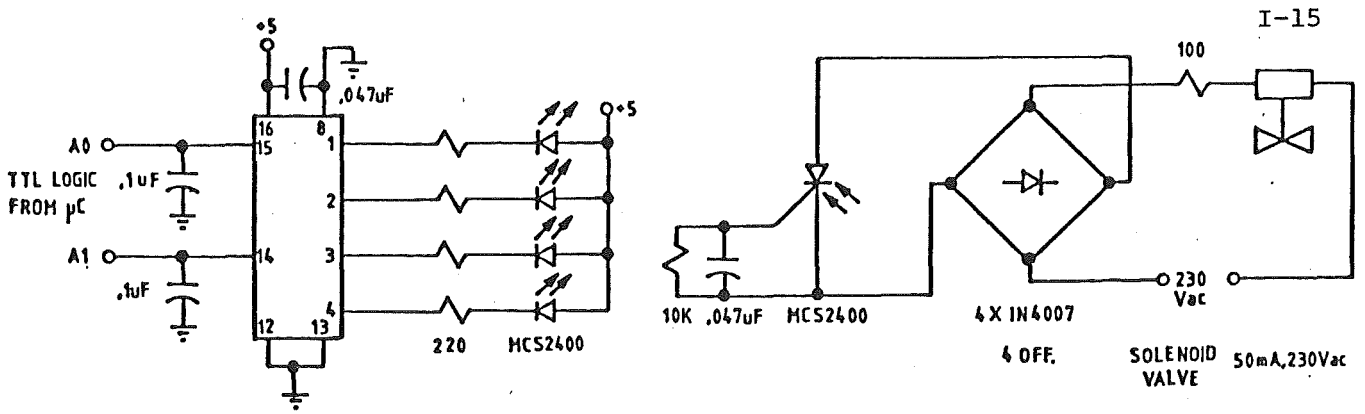
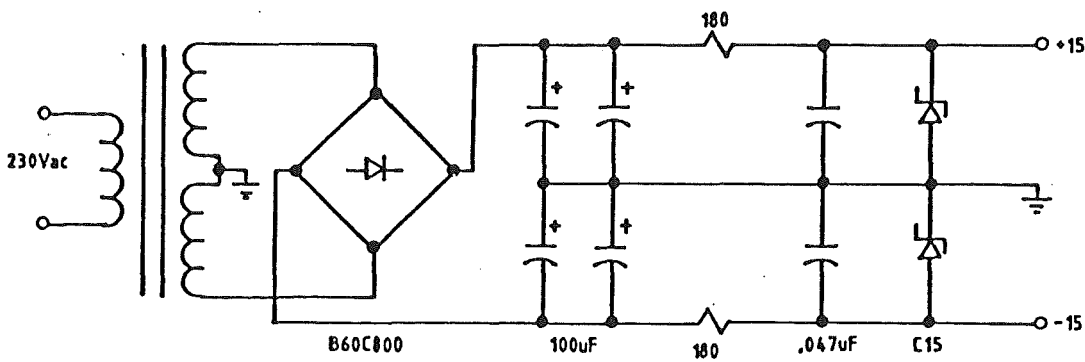
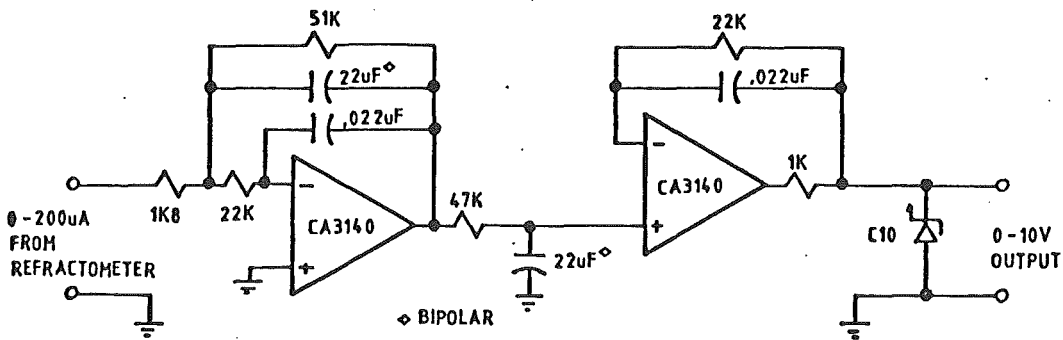


FIGURE 9 DIFFERENTIAL PRESSURE SENSORS



SOLENOID CONTROL



REFRACTOMETER AMPLIFIER

FIGURE 10 REFRACTOMETER ADDITIONS

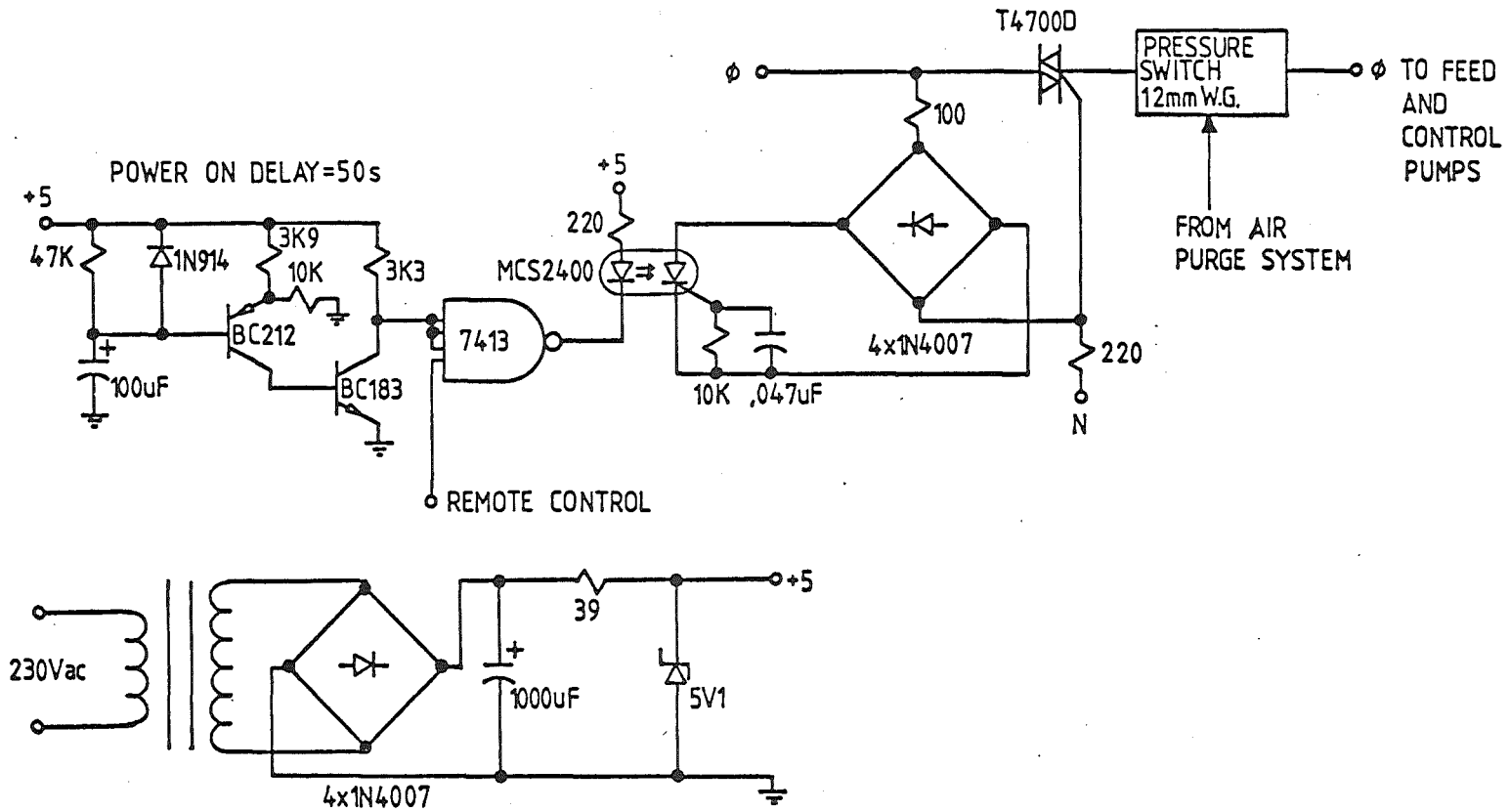


FIGURE 11 INTERLOCK SYSTEM FOR MOTOR PROTECTION

APPENDIX II

COLUMN CALIBRATIONS

II.1 TEMPERATURE PROBE CALIBRATION

The temperature probes were individually calibrated in a water bath using standard mercury/glass thermometers. The results were correlated using a quadratic polynomial with a maximum deviation of 0.2°C between the correlation and the experimental values.

LOCATION	$T = a + bV + cV^2$		
	V = measured voltage, T m°C		
	a	b	c
Tray 1	-.01	10.48	-.0456
2	-.01	10.34	-.0313
3	0	10.21	-.0206
4	0	10.22	-.0212
5	0	10.31	-.0303
6	0	10.46	-.0460
7	0	10.29	-.0285
8	0	10.27	-.0253
Reflux Drum	0.01	10.05	-.0684
Feed	0.0	10.19	-.0170
Refractometer Sample	0.0	10.19	-.0170

II.2 CALIBRATION OF ABBÉ REFRACTOMETER FOR METHANOL/WATER AT 25°C

Mole Fraction Methanol	Refractive Index
0	1.3328
.100	1.3368
.200	1.3399
.308	1.3413
.401	1.3413
.510	1.3401
.585	1.3389
.700	1.3367
.800	1.3334
.874	1.3310
1.00	1.3270

EFFECT OF TEMPERATURE ON REFRACTIVE INDEX OF METHANOL/WATER

Mole Fraction Methanol	Refractive Index		
	T = 20°C	T = 30°C	T = 40°C
0	1.3330	1.3324	1.3311
.104	1.3371	1.3359	1.3342
.207	1.3411	1.3390	1.3363
.308	1.3427	1.3400	1.3378
.404	1.3430	1.3401	1.3373
.516	1.3418	1.3390	1.3359
.622	1.3399	1.3372	1.3331
.709	1.3375	1.3357	1.3321
.803	1.3335	1.3323	1.3291
.937	1.3325	1.3294	1.3253
1.00	1.3300	1.3261	1.3222

Data measured using Abbé refractometer

II.3 OKOMETER REFRACTOMETER CALIBRATION (25°C)

	Refractometer Output/V	Refractive Index	Mole Fraction Methanol
Distillate Range	1.00	1.3270	1.00
	1.51	1.3280	.965
	1.55	1.3285	.950
	1.68	1.3290	.940
	1.73	1.3292	.930
	1.86	1.3295	.920
	1.94	1.3298	.915
	2.05	1.3300	.910
	2.17	1.3302	.905
	2.43	1.3309	.885
	2.66	1.3311	.880
	2.77	1.3312	.875
	2.95	1.3320	.855
	3.29	1.3324	.840
3.70	1.3327	.830	
Feed Range	7.20	1.3387	.600
	7.63	1.3397	.535
	7.90	1.3405	.475
	8.11	1.3413	.400
	8.20	1.3414	.360
Bottoms Range	5.06	1.3332	.010
	5.33	1.3340	.020
	5.56	1.3345	.030
	5.69	1.3348	.040
	6.02	1.3351	.050
	6.40	1.3360	.075
	6.59	1.3362	.080

6.80	1.3369	.100
7.09	1.3375	.120
7.27	1.3380	.135
7.50	1.3388	.160
7.60	1.3392	.175
7.80	1.3399	.200

All measurements were made at 25°C. The refractive indices were measured on an Abbé refractometer, and the liquid compositions determined from the calibration data in Table II-2.

The data for the ranges 0 - 0.2, and 0.8 - 1.0 m.f. methanol were fitted with polynomials for ease of interpolation. The results were:

Range 0 - 0.2 m.f. methanol

$$Y = .344 - .150X + .0168X^2$$

Range 0.8 - 1.0 m.f. methanol

$$Y = 1.117 - .124X + 1.300E-2X^2$$

where Y = liquid mole fraction methanol

X = refractometer output/V

The corresponding calibrations for use in the microcomputer where 0-10V corresponds to 0-4095 are:

Range 0 - 0.2 m.f. methanol - bottoms composition

$$x_W = .344 - 3.666E-4*I + 1.001E-7*I^2$$

Range 0.8 - 1.0 m.f. methanol - distillate composition

$$x_D = 1.117 - 3.030E-4*I - 7.725E-8*I^2$$

I = refractometer data from data acquisition system.

II.4 ROTAMETER CALIBRATIONS

The rotameters in the bottoms, distillate and reflux lines were calibrated using water at 20°C. The calibrations were not in agreement

with the correlations predicted by the manufacturer (Rotameter (1960)). A correction table was prepared to convert rotameter readings from water to methanol based on the manufacturers correlation. For intermediate compositions, linear interpolation based on the mixture mass fraction was used.

The experimental flow measurements were fitted with polynomials with a maximum deviation of $\pm .02 \text{ kg min}^{-1}$.

(i) Reflux Rotameter (Water @ 20°C)

Scale Reading/cm	Flow/kg min ⁻¹
3.0 ± 0.1	.60 ± .02
4.0	.71 ± .02
5.0	.81 ± .02
6.0	.92 ± .02
7.0	1.02 ± .02
8.0	1.14 ± .02
9.0	1.26 ± .02
10.0	1.37 ± .03
12.0	1.61 ± .03
14.0	1.85 ± .03
16.0	2.12 ± .03
18.0	2.38 ± .03
20.0	2.66 ± .03
22.0	2.97 ± .03

Correlation: $\text{Flow/kg min}^{-1} = .0012x^2 + .0927x + .315$

$x = \text{rotameter reading/cm}$

(ii) Distillate Rotameter (Water @ 20°C)

Scale Reading/cm	Flow/kg min ⁻¹
3.0 ± 0.1	.58 ± .01
4.0	.69 ± .02
5.0	.78 ± .02
6.0	.90 ± .02
7.0	.99 ± .02
8.0	1.11 ± .02
9.0	1.22 ± .03
10.0	1.35 ± .03
12.0	1.58 ± .03
14.0	1.84 ± .03
16.0	2.08 ± .03
18.0	2.35 ± .03
20.0	2.63 ± .03
22.0	2.85 ± .03

$$\text{Correlation: Flow/kg min}^{-1} = .00089x^2 + .0992x + .267$$

$$x = \text{rotameter reading/cm}$$

(iii) Bottoms Rotameter (Water @ 20°C)

Scale Reading/cm	Flow/kg min ⁻¹
2.0 ± 0.1	.30 ± .01
3.2	.36 ± .02
4.0	.41 ± .02
5.0	.47 ± .02
6.0	.53 ± .02
7.0	.60 ± .02
8.0	.67 ± .02
9.0	.74 ± .02
10.0	.82 ± .02
12.0	.99 ± .02
14.0	1.18 ± .03
16.0	1.38 ± .03
18.0	1.60 ± .03
20.0	1.83 ± .03
22.0	2.08 ± .03

$$\text{Correlation: Flow/kg min}^{-1} = .002x^2 + .0041x + .211$$

$$x = \text{rotameter reading/cm}$$

- (iv) Correction for Pure Methanol (@ 20°C) on Distillate and
Reflux Rotameters

Scale Reading/cm	Additional Flow/kgmin ⁻¹
2.0	.02
3.0	.03
4.0	.04
5.0	.06
6.0	.07
7.0	.07
8.0	.06
9.0	.05
10.0	.03
11.0	.01

II.5 PUMP CALIBRATIONS

- (i) Feed Pump-Calibrated Using Water at 20°C

Stroke Setting	Flow/kg min ⁻¹
2.0 ± .01	.28 ± .05
3.0	.47
4.0	.63
5.0	.80
6.0	.98
7.0	1.18
8.0	1.36
9.0	1.52
10.0	1.76
11.0	1.90

Corrections for mixtures of methanol and water were made using the ratio of the mixture density to the density of water at 20°C, because the feed pump was a positive displacement piston pump.

- (ii) Control Calibrations

Reflux Pump:

$$\text{Microcomputer output byte} = 383 L_V - 214$$

(0-255)

$$L_V = \text{Reflux flow/l min}^{-1}$$

(0.90 m.f. methanol, 20°C)

Steam Flow:

$$\text{Microcomputer output byte} = 202 Q_S + 136$$

(0-255)

$$Q_S = \text{Steam flow/kg min}^{-1}$$

APPENDIX III

PDP-11 SOFTWARE

The program MGW was used to interface the PDP-11 minicomputer to the microcomputer via the hardware interface described in Appendix I. The program was written in RT-11 FORTRAN using the System Subroutine Library and an assembler subroutine. A listing follows.

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C          *****
C          *   MGW   *
C          *****
C
C          A PROGRAM TO INTERFACE TO M6800
C          VIA THE DR11/UART INTERFACE
C
C          GRANT WILSON
C
C          JULY 1978
C
0001      COMMON/DATA/ICHAN1, ICHAN2, CBUF(70), NCHRS, FLAG, TFLAG
0002      BYTE CBUF, TITLE(12), CHAR, TFLAG
0003      INTEGER DBLK(4), FLAG, IASR(3)
0004      EXTERNAL INPUT
0005      DATA TITLE/'R', 'K', 'Q', 6*' ', 'L', 'D', 'A'/
0006      DATA IASR/"167760, 3, 0/
0007      CALL IPOKE("167760, 3)
0008      FLAG=0
0009      TFLAG=.FALSE.
0010      CALL DEVICE(IASR)
0011      TYPE 9999
0012      9999  FORMAT(/' PROGRAM RUNNING')
C
C          SET UP AND ENABLE INTERRUPT ROUTINE
C
0013      I=INTSET("320, 7, 0, INPUT)
0014      IF(I.NE.0) STOP 'INT SETUP ERR'
0016      CALL IPOKE("167760, "103)
C
C          WAIT HERE FOR COMMAND STRING
C
0017      2    READ(5, 100) NCHRS, (CBUF(J), J=1, NCHRS)
0018      100  FORMAT(Q, 70A1)
C
C          CHECK FOR RESET, NMI AND STOP
C
0019      IF(NCHRS.LT.2) GO TO 3
0021      IF(CBUF(1).NE.'R'.OR.CBUF(2).NE.'E') GO TO 3
0023      CALL M68RST
0024      GO TO 2
0025      3    IF(CBUF(1).EQ.'S'.AND.CBUF(2).EQ.'T') GO TO 999
0027      IF(CBUF(1).NE.'N'.OR.CBUF(2).NE.'M') GO TO 4
0029      CALL M68NMI
0030      GO TO 2
C
C          CHECK STRING FOR "L" OR " "
C
0031      4    IF(CBUF(1).NE.'L') GO TO 10
C
C          GET FILE NAME OF DISK FILE, AND LOOK IT UP
C
0033      WRITE(7, 200)
0034      200  FORMAT(/' ENTER FILE NAME: DEV=RK0, EXT=LDA ')
0035      DO 5 K=4, 9
0036      5    TITLE(K)="40
0037      READ(5, 202) NT, (TITLE(J), J=4, 3+NT)

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0038  202          FORMAT(Q,12A1)
0039              CALL IRAD50(12,TITLE,DBLK)
0040              IF(IFETCH(DBLK).NE.0) STOP 'BAD FETCH'
C              ... GET CHANNEL FOR DISK READ ...
0042              ICHAN1=IGETC(M)
0043              IF(ICHAN1.EQ.71) STOP 'NO CHANNELS AVAILABLE'
0045              IF(LOOKUP(ICHAN1,DBLK).LT.0) STOP 'BAD LOOKUP'
0047              FLAG=1
C
C              OUTPUT COMMAND STRING TO M6800
C
0048  10          CONTINUE
0049              CBUF(NCHRS+1)="15
0050              DO 20 J=1,NCHRS+1
0051              CALL M68WRT(CBUF(J),0)
0052  20          CONTINUE
C
C              CHECK FOR FILE TRANSFER COMPLETE,IF SO
C              THEN CLOSE THE FILE.
C
0053              IF(FLAG.EQ.0) GO TO 2
0055  24          IF(FLAG.EQ.1.AND..NOT.TFLAG) GO TO 24
0057              CALL LOAD
0058              FLAG=0
0059              CALL CLOSEC(ICHAN1)
0060              CALL IFREEC(ICHAN1)
0061              GO TO 2
C
C              DISABLE INTERRUPTS ON FINISH
C
0062  999          CONTINUE
0063              CALL IPOKE("167760,2)
0064              STOP 'PROGRAM TERMINATED'
0065              END
C
C
C

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0001             SUBROUTINE INPUT
                C
                C   INTERRUPT ROUTINE TO READ A CHARACTER FROM M6800
                C   AND DISPLAY IT ON THE PDP-11 CONSOLE.
0002             COMMON/DATA/ICHAN1, ICHAN2, CBUF(70), NCHRS, FLAG, TFLAG
0003             BYTE CBUF, CH, TFLAG
0004             INTEGER FLAG
                C
                C   GET THE CHARACTER
0005             CH=IPEEK("167764)
0006             CH=CH.AND."177
                C
                C   DISPLAY ON THE CONSOLE
0007             I=ITOUR(CH)
0008             IF(I.GT.0) STOP 'RING BUFFER FULL'
                C
                C   CHECK FOR FILE TRANSFER COMMAND BYTES (DC1,DC3)
0010             IF(CH.EQ."21)TFLAG=,TRUE.
0012             IF(CH.EQ."23)TFLAG=,FALSE.
0014             RETURN
0015             END
                C
                C
                C
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0001             SUBROUTINE LOAD

               C
               C   ROUTINE TO READ OBJECT TAPE FROM
               C   DISK AND TRANSMIT TO M6800
               C

0002             COMMON/DATA/ICHAN1, ICHAN2, CBUF(70), NCHRS, FLAG, TFLAG
0003             BYTE CBUF, BUFF(512), CHAR, TFLAG
0004             INTEGER FLAG
0005             IPTR=0

               C
               C   READ A BLOCK
               C
0006             1   CONTINUE
0007             ICODE=IREADW(256,BUFF,IPTR,ICHAN1)
0008             IF(ICODE.LT.-1) STOP 'FILE READ ERROR'

               C
               C   WRITE OUT BLOCK TO M6800
               C

0010             DO 10 J=1,512
0011             IF(.NOT.TFLAG) GO TO 20
0013             CALL M68WRT(BUFF(J),0)
0014             10  CONTINUE

               C
               C   LAST BLOCK?
               C

0015             IF(ICODE.EQ.-1) GO TO 20
0017             IPTR=IPTR+1
0018             GO TO 1

               C
               C   LAST BLOCK FINISHED
               C

0019             20  CONTINUE
0020             FLAG=2
0021             RETURN
0022             END

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1          .LIST   TTM
2          .TITLE  MICRO AND INTERFACE CONTROL
3          ;
4          ;      TO CONTROL THE 6800 MICROCOMPUTER
5          ;
6          ;      CALLS: CALL M68RST - RESETS THE MICRO
7          ;                  CALL M68NMI - ISSUES NMI INT TO MICRO
8          ;
9          .GLOBL  M68RST,M68NMI
10         167760  MICROCS=167760
11         ;
12         ;      RESET CONTROL ROUTINE
13         ;
14 000000 042737 M68RST: BIC      #2,0#MICROCS      ;TURN CSR1 OFF
           000002
           167760
15 000006 012700          MOV      #10000.,R0      ;WAIT A WHILE
           023420
16 000012 000240 1$:      NOP
17 000014 005300          DEC      R0
18 000016 001375          BNE     1$
19 000020 052737          BIS      #2,0#MICROCS      ;TURN CSR1 ON
           000002
           167760
20 000026 000207          RTS      PC
21         ;
22         ;      NMI CONTROL ROUTINE
23         ;
24 000030 042737 M68NMI: BIC      #1,0#MICROCS      ;TURN CSR0 OFF
           000001
           167760
25 000036 012700          MOV      #100.,R0      ;WAIT A WHILE
           000144
26 000042 000240 2$:      NOP
27 000044 005300          DEC      R0
28 000046 001375          BNE     2$
29 000050 052737          BIS      #1,0#MICROCS      ;TURN CSR0 ON
           000001
           167760
30 000056 000207          RTS      PC
31         ;
32         ;      TO SEND DATA TO THE M6800 MICROCOMPUTER
33         ;      ATTACHED TO THE PDP-11 VIA A DR11+UART
34         ;
35         ;      CALL: CALL M68WRT(B1,B2,...,0)
36         ;      B1,B2 = BYTES OF DATA TERMINATED WITH ZERO
37         ;
38         .MCALL  .RCTRLO,.PRINT
39         .GLOBL  M68WRT
40         167760  UARTCS=167760
41         167762  UARTWK=UARTCS+2
42         ;
43 000060 005725 M68WRT: TST      (R5)+      ;BUMP UP R5
44 000062 005000 1$:      CLR      R0
45 000064 013701 2$:      MOV      0#UARTCS,R1      ;GET UART C/S
           167760
46 000070 100411          BMI     3$      ;READY ?

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47	000072	005200		INC	R0		;NO
48	000074	020027		CMP	R0,*32000.		;LONG ENOUGH ?
		076400					
49	000100	000771		BR	2\$;NO
50	000102			.RCTRL0			;YES - PRINT MSG
51	000104			.PRINT	#MSG		
52	000112	000207		RTS	PC		
53	000114	113537	3\$:	MOVB	@(R5)+,@#UARTHR		;SEND DATA BYTE
		167762					
54	000120	105775		TSTB	@(R5)		;CHECK NEXT BYTE
		000000					
55	000124	001356		BNE	1\$; <> CONTINUE
56	000126	000207		RTS	PC		
57							
58	000130	077	;	ERROR MESSAGE			
	000131	040	MSG:	.ASCIZ	/? MICRO - NO RESPONSE ?/		
	000132	115					
	000133	111					
	000134	103					
	000135	122					
	000136	117					
	000137	040					
	000140	055					
	000141	040					
	000142	116					
	000143	117					
	000144	040					
	000145	122					
	000146	105					
	000147	123					
	000150	120					
	000151	117					
	000152	116					
	000153	123					
	000154	105					
	000155	040					
	000156	077					
	000157	000					
59				.EVEN			
60		000001		.END			

APPENDIX IV

MICROCOMPUTER SOFTWARE

IV.1 OPSYS

OPSYS is a skeletal operating system as described in Chapter 5.

A listing follows.

```

NAM      MICROCOMPUTER OPERATING SYSTEM

*
*      MINI OPERATING SYSTEM FOR
*      M6800 MICROCOMPUTER.
*      RESIDES IN EPROM #3
*      RESET START IS $E600
*      NMI START IS $E630
*
*      GRANT WILSON
*      30/3/79
*      MODIFIED VERSION
*      ADDING CONFIGURE, JUMP-TO-PROTO, ZERO RAM
*      ROUTINES. CAN BE USED WITH
*      A TERMINAL OR THE PDP-11.
*
*      DEFINITIONS
*
ACIAC    EQU      $FBCE      ACIA CONTROL REGISTER
ACIAD    EQU      $FBCF      ACIA DATA REGISTER
ACIAS    EQU      $FBCE      ACIA STATUS REGISTER
SWI30    EQU      $F0D1      USER SWI HANDLER
SWIHAN   EQU      $F0BE      RSRSR SWI HANDLER
PROTO    EQU      $F04A      PROTO START ADDRESS
*
*      RSRSR DEFINITIONS
*
TABX     EQU      $03
P2HEX   EQU      $0F
P4HEX   EQU      $10
PRINTA  EQU      $11
PMSG    EQU      $12
VALAN   EQU      $13
INPUTA  EQU      $14
CONHB   EQU      $15
*
*      PIA ASSIGNMENTS
*
*      D.A.M. MODULE
DMSB    EQU      $FBCA
DCSR1   EQU      DMSB+1
DLSB    EQU      DCSR1+1
DCSR2   EQU      DLSB+1
*
*      D/A PIAS
V4      EQU      $FBC0
V3      EQU      V4+2
V2      EQU      V3+2
V1      EQU      V2+2
V4CSR   EQU      V4+1
V3CSR   EQU      V3+1
V2CSR   EQU      V2+1
V1CSR   EQU      V1+1

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*
*
*
*
*
*

MONITOR RAM
THIS DATA BASE FOLLOWS THE SAME
LAYOUT AS THE AMI PROTO DATA BASE.

	ORG	\$FF90	
BASE	EQU	*	
BOS	EQU	*-1	BOTTOM OF STACK
BUF	RMB	72	LINE OF INPUT BUFFER
PROMAD	EQU	*	
OFFSET	RMB	2	
TADR	EQU	*	TAPE ADDRESS
ADR	RMB	2	
ADDL	RMB	2	
ADDH	RMB	2	
BUFPTR	RMB	2	
RECTYP	RMB	1	RECORD TYPE
COUNT	RMB	1	BYTE COUNT
CKSM	RMB	1	CALCULATED CKSM
SAVESP	RMB	2	
SAVEX	RMB	2	
ECHO	RMB	1	
TCOUNT	RMB	1	
*	USER REGISTERS (NOT USED BY THIS SYSTEM)		
CREG	RMB	1	
BREG	RMB	1	
AREG	RMB	1	
XREG	RMB	2	
PREG	RMB	2	
SREG	RMB	2	
*	INTERRUPT VECTORS		
USWI	RMB	2	USER SWI VECTOR
ACIAI	RMB	2	INDIRECT POINTER TO ACIA
IRQVEC	RMB	2	IRQ VECTOR
SWIVEC	RMB	2	SWI VECTOR
NMIVEC	RMB	2	NMI VECTOR


```

        SWI          ECHO INPUT
        FCB          PRINTA
        BRA          A10
A18     JSR          CR,LF
*
*      DECODE INSTRUCTION
*
        LDAA        BUF          FETCH FIRST CHARACTER
        LDX          #CTABLE     TABLE ADDRESS
A20     CMPA        0,X          ENTRY = A ?
        BNE        A25          NO
        LDX        1,X          YES
        JMP        0,X          JUMP TO ROUTINE
A25     INX          INCREMENT POINTER
        INX
        INX
        CPX        #CEND        END OF TABLE ?
        BNE        A20          NO
        BRA        NM12        YES
*
*      TABLE OF COMMANDS
*
CTABLE  FCC         'C'         CONFIGURE PIA'S
        FDB        CFSR
        FCC         'G'         GO
        FDB        GO
        FCC         'J'         JUMP TO PROTO
        FDB        PROTO
        FCC         'L'         LOAD
        FDB        LOAD
        FCC         'Z'         ZERO LOW RAM
        FDB        ZERO
        FCB        SD          CR
        FDB        A05
CEND    EQU        *
*
*      CONFIGURE
*
CFSR    JSR        CONFIG
        BRA        NM12
*
*      GO COMMAND
*
GO      LDX        #BUF+1
        LDAB       #6
        SWI
        FCB        CONHB      CONVERT ADDR TO BINARY
        STAA       SAVEX
        STAB       SAVEX+1
        LDX        SAVEX      TRANSFER A,B TO X
        JMP        0,X        JUMP TO NEW ADDRESS
*
*      LOAD COMMAND
*
LOAD    LDAA       #$11       PROMPT PDP-11

```

	SWI		WITH DC1 (\$11)
L10	FCB	PRINTA	
	SWI		
	FCB	INPUTA	WAIT FOR CHARACTER
	CMPA	#'S	IS IT AN "S"
L20	BNE	L10	NO ,GO AGAIN
	SWI		YES
	FCB	INPUTA	GET RECORD TYPE
	CMPA	#'0	IS IT A HEADER?
	BEG	L10	YES ,IGNORE RECORD
	STAA	RECTYP	SAVE RECORD TYPE
	CLR	CKSM	CLEAR CHECKSUM
	JSR	NEXT2D	GET BYTE COUNT
	DECA		SUBTRACT THREE
	DECA		BYTES FOR ADRESS
	DECA		AND CHECKSUM
	STAA	COUNT	SAVE BYTE COUNT
	JSR	NEXT2D	GET MSB OF ADDR
	STAA	TADR	STORE IT
	JSR	NEXT2D	GET LSB OF ADDR
	STAA	TADR+1	STORE IT
	LDAA	RECTYP	GET RECCRD TYPE
	CMPA	#'1	IS IT A "1"?
	BNE	L30	NO ,CHECK FOR "9"
*		COMMENCE LOADING	
L40	JSR	NEXT2D	READ 2 HEX DIGITS AND DECODE
	LDX	TADR	
	STAA	0,X	PUT BYTE IN MEMORY
	CMPA	0,X	CHECK BYTE OK ?
	BNE	ERROR	NO ,GO TO ERROR
	INX		INCR POINTER
	STX	TADR	SAVE POINTER
	DEC	COUNT	DECR COUNT
	BGT	L40	>0 ,GO AGAIN
	BRA	CHK	CHECK CHECKSUM
L30	CMPA	#'9	EOF RECORD ?
	BNE	ERROR	NO ,ERROR
CHK	LDAA	CKSM	FETCH CHECKSUM
	PSHA		SAVE ON STACK
	JSR	NEXT2D	GET CHKSM FROM TAPE
	PULB		PULL CALC CHKSM INTO B
	COMB		1'S COMPLEMENT B
	CBA		COMPARE TWO CHKSM'S
	BNE	ERROR	NOT = ,ERROR
	LDAA	RECTYP	FETCH RECORD TYPE
	CMPA	#'9	IS IT "9" ?
	BNE	L10	NO ,READ NEXT RECORD
	LDX	#NEOF	SEND END TO PDP-11
	SWI		
	FCB	PMSG	WITH A DC3 (\$13)
	JMP	NMI2	GO TO START
*		ERROR HANDLING	
ERROR	LDX	#MERR	TURN OFF PDP-11
	SWI		AND SIGNAL ERROR
	FCB	PMSG	WITH BEL (\$07)

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      JMP      NMI2          GO TO START
*
*      S/R TO READ 2 DIGITS AND COMBINE THEM IN A
*
NEXT2D SWI
FCB      INPUTA          GET 1ST CHARACTER
TAB      SHIFT IT TO B
SWI
FCB      INPUTA          GET 2ND CHARACTER
PSHA
PSHB          PUSH BOTH ON STACK
TSX          S.P. TO X REG
LDAB     #2             MAX NO OF DIGITS=2
SWI
FCB      CONHB          CONVERT TO BINARY
BCC      ERROR        GO ERROR IF C CLEAR
TBA          SWAP LSB TO A
ADDB     CKSM          ADD BYTE TO CHECKSUM
STAB     CKSM          SAVE CHECKSUM
INS
INS          CLEAN UP
RTS          THE STACK

*
*      SUBROUTINE CONFIG
*      TO CONFIGURE THE PIAS FOR THE
*      COLUMN CONTROL PERIPHERALS
*
CONFIG BSR      CS36          SET C/S REGS TO $36
CLRA
LDX      #V4             SET ALL PERIPHERAL REGS TO 0
LOAB     #6
CO2      STAA     0,X
INX
INX
DECB
BNE      CO2
LDAA     #$30           SELECT DDR FOR PIAS
LDX      #V4CSR
LDAB     #6
CO3      STAA     0,X
INX
INX
DECB
BNE      CO3
CLRA
STAA     DMSB          SET PIA 2 FOR INPUT
STAA     DLSB
COMA
LDX      #V4             SET PIAS 1,3 AS OUTPUTS
LOAB     #4
CO4      STAA     0,X
INX
INX
DECB
BNE      CO4

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BSR      CS36      SET ALL C/S TO $36
RTS
CS36    LDAA      #$36      SET ALL C/S REGS TO $36
        LDX       #V4CSR
        LDAB      #6
CO1     STAA      0,X
        INX
        INX
        DECB
        BNE       CO1
        RTS

*
*      CR,LF SUBROUTINE
*
CRLF    LDAA      #SD
        SWI
        FCB       PRINTA
        LDAA      #SA
        SWI
        FCB       PRINTA
        LDAB      #20      WAIT FOR 40MS FOR LF
CRLF2   LDAA      #$FF
CRLF3   DECA
        BNE       CRLF3
        DECB
        BNE       CRLF2
        RTS

*
*      ZERO LOW RAM
*
ZERO    LDX       #0      CLEAR POINTER
        CLR      CLEAR BYTE
        STAB      0,X     STORE BYTE
Z1      LDAA      0,X     READ BYTE
        INX      INCR POINTER
        CBA      CMPARE READ & WRITE BYTES
        BEQ      Z1      CONTINUE
        JMP      NMI2     FINISH

*
*      MESSAGES
*
MEOF    FCB       $13      END OF FILE
        FCC      /EOF/
        FCB      $0D,$0A,$04
MERR    FCB      $13,$7    ERROR
        FCC      /L ERR/
        FCB      $0D,$0A,$04
        END

```

IV.2 CC68

CC68 is a suite of programs used to control the microcomputer peripherals, and to provide single loop controllers as described in Chapter 5. A listing follows.

```

*
* *****
* * DEFINITIONS AND DATA BASE FOR CC68 *
* *****
*
*       DEFINITIONS
*       -----
*
*       D.A.M. PIA
DCSR1 EQU    $FBC9
DCSR2 EQU    $FBCB
DMSB  EQU    $FBC8
DLSB  EQU    $FBCA
*
*       D/A PIAS
V1    EQU    $FBC6           D/A CH1 R.D. LEVEL
V2    EQU    $FBC4           D/A CH2 REB LEVEL
V3    EQU    $FBC2           D/A CH3 TOPS PRODUCT
V4    EQU    $FBC0           D/A CH4 STEAM FLOW
V1CSR EQU    V1+1
V2CSR EQU    V2+1
V3CSR EQU    V3+1
V4CSR EQU    V4+1
*
*       ACIA REGISTERS
ACIAS EQU    $FBCE
ACIAD EQU    $FBCF
*
*       RSRSR INDICES
SUBXAB EQU    $0B
P2HEX  EQU    $0F
P4HEX  EQU    $10
PRINTA EQU    $11
PMSG   EQU    $12
VALAN  EQU    $13
INPUTA EQU    $14
CONHB  EQU    $15
*
*       INTERRUPT VECTORS
IRQVEC EQU    $FFF8
*
*       PROTO RAM DEFINITIONS
*
BUF    EQU    $FF90           LINE OF INPUT
ADR    EQU    $FFDA
BUFPTR EQU    $FFE0
IOFLAG EQU    $FFE4
*
*
*
*       DATA BASE
*       -----
*
*       ORG    $0
SYSTAT FCB    0           SYSTEM STATUS
DAMERR FCB    0           D.A.M. ERRORS
RSTAT  FCB    0           REFRACTOMETER STATUS
TSAMPL FCB    1           SAMPLE INTERVAL
DAM    RMB    32          D.A.M. DATA AREA
REFRAC RMB    8           REFRAC DATA AREA

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*
*   SETPOINTS
*
CLVL  ORG    $30
      FDB    $800          CONDENSER LEVEL SETPOINT
RLVL  FDB    $603          BOILER LEVEL SETPOINT
DIST  FDB    $000          DISTILLATE SETPOINT
BOTT  FDB    $800          BOTTOMS SETPOINT
*
*   VALVE PARAMETERS
*
VOLD1 ORG    $38
      FCB    0             OLD VALVE POSITION
VOLD2 FCB    0
VOLD3 FCB    0
VOLD4 FCB    0
VNEW1 FCB    0             NEW VALVE POSITION
VNEW2 FCB    0
VNEW3 FCB    0
VNEW4 FCB    0
VMAX1 FCB    5             MAX VALVE TRAVEL RATE
VMAX2 FCB    5
VMAX3 FCB    5
VMAX4 FCB    5
*
*   MULTIPLICATION BUFFERS
*
MULT1 RMB    2
MULT2 RMB    2
PROD  RMB    4
FF    RMB    1
*
*   LEVEL LIMITS
*
RDU   ORG    $50
      FDB    $FFF          R.D.
RDL   FDB    $0
RbU   FDB    $FFF          REBOILER
RbL   FDB    $0
*
*   WATCH DOG TIMERS
*
TIM1  FCB    0             TIMER FUNCTIONS
TIM2  FCB    0             REFRACTOMETER TIMER
TIM3  FCB    0
TIM4  FCB    0
TIM5  FCB    0
*
*   WORKING AREA
*
SIGN  RMB    1
XREG  RMB    2
TEMP1 RMB    2             WORKING STORAGE
TEMP2 RMB    2
CPTR  RMB    2             CONTROLLER POINTER
CNO   RMB    1             CONTROLLER NUMBER

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*
* COLUMN PRESSURE DROP LIMITS
*
PU      FDB      $FFF      UPPER LIMIT
PL      FDB      $0        LOWER LIMIT
RMB     7
*
* REFRACTOMETER PARAMTERS
*
ORG     $80
RESEQ   FCB      0,1,2,3,0,1,2,3,0,1,2,3
SEQPTR  FCB      0
TRMIN   FCB      6          REF SAMPLE =TRMIN*BASIC TIME
*
* PI CONTROLLER PARAMETERS
*
ORG     $90
C1A     FDB      -128      FIRST COEFF
C1B     FDB      112       SECOND COEFF
CPVPTR  FCB      0         PV PTR IN DAM DATA
C1PV0   FDB      0         CURRENT SP-PV
C1PV1   FDB      0         LAST SP-PV
LVP1    FDB      0         LAST VALVE POSN
C2      FDB      -128,112  SECOND CONTROLLER
        FCB      1
        FDB      0,0,0
C3      FDB      0,0,0,0,0  THIRD CONTROLLER
        FCB      0
C4      FDB      0,0,0,0,0  FOURTH CONTROLLER
        FCB      0
DIVN    FDB      0         CONTROLLER DIVISION FACTOR

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```

*
*
*          *****
*          *                *
*          *  MAIN PROGRAM  *
*          *                *
*          *****
*
*
*          SET UP PIA'S
CONFIG EQU      SE728          ROUTINE IN OPSYS EPROM
      ORG      SE000
MAIN1 JSR      CONFIG
*
*          RESTART ENTRY POINT
*
MAIN2 LDAA     #S37          ENABLE INTS THRU PIA 3 CA1
      STAA     V4CSR
      LDAA     #S3C
      STAA     DCSR2
MA1   LDX     #REFRAC      CLEAR REFRAC DATA AREA
      CLR      0,X        CLEAR REF DATA AREA
      INX
      CPX     #REFRAC+9
      BNE     MA1
      LDX     #TIM1        CLEAR TIMERS
MA2   CLR      0,X
      INX
      CPX     #TIM5+1
      BNE     MA2
      CLR     SYSTAT      CLEAR SYSTEM STATUS
      LDX     #TIMER      SET UP TIMER INT'S
      STX     IRQVEC
      JSR     USERP      PROMPT USER FOR I/O
      CLI
*
*          MAIN OPERATING LOOP STARTS HERE
*
MA3   TST     IOFLAG      LINE OF INPUT READY ?
      BEQ     MA4
      JSR     USERC      USER COMMAND
MA4   LDAA     TIM1        TIME TO CONTROL ?
      CMPA   TSAMPL
      BCS     MA3        NO
*
      TIME TO SAMPLE AND CONTROL
      INC     SYSTAT      SYSTEM STATUS TO 1
      CLR     TIM1        CLEAR COUNTER
      JSR     READAD     GO TO DATA AQUISITION
      INC     SYSTAT      SYSTEM STATUS TO 2
      JSR     CHECK      CHECK ALARMS
      INC     SYSTAT      SYSTEM STATUS TO 3
      JSR     REFCTL     GO TO REFRAC CONTROLLER
      INC     SYSTAT      SYSTEM STATUS TO 4
      JSR     CONTRL    GO TO CONTROL ROUTINE
      INC     SYSTAT      SYSTEM STATUS TO 5
      JSR     VALVES     IMPLEMENT CONTROLS

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```
INC      SYSTAT      SYSTEM STATUS TO 6
JSR      $200
*        ALLOWS EXPANSION OF THE BASIC
*        PROGRAM IN RAM BY DOWN LOADING FROM THE
*        PDP-11, A PROGRAM TO EXECUTE FROM $200.
*        THIS PROGRAM MUST LOOK LIKE A SUBROUTINE
*        AND USE THE STANDARD DATA BASE.
CLR      SYSTAT      SYSTEM STATUS BACK TO 0
BRA      MA3
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*          *****
*          * INTERRUPT HANDLER **
*          *****
*
*          TIMER INTERRUPT ROUTINE
*          OPERATING ON IRQ LINE
*          VIA CA1 PORT ON PIA 3
*          AND TO ACCEPT USER COMMANDS
*          FROM A TERMINAL UNDER
*          INTERRUPT.
*
IRQINT EQU SFBC1
NMINT EQU SE637
*
TIMER LDAB IRQINT GET IRQ FLAG FROM PIA C/S
      LDAA IRQINT-1 CLEAR INT FLAG, STOP FURTHER INTS
      TSTB
      BMI T1 WAS IT IRQ ?
      LDAA ACIAS READ ACIA STATUS
      BMI T4 CHARACTER AVAILABLE
      JMP NMINT NO - NMI INTERRUPT
*
*          WATCH DOG TIMER ROUTINES
*
T1 LDX #TIM1 POINTER TO COUNTER
T2 INC 0,X INCREMENT COUNTER
      INX INCREMENT POINTER
      CPX #TIM5+1 LAST COUNTER ?
      BNE T2 NO
      RTI YES
*
*          INPUT CHARACTERS
*
T4 LDAA ACIAD READ CHARACTER
      ANDA #57F STRIP PARITY
      CMPA #0134 \ = ESCAPE ?
      BNE T6 NO
T5 JSR CRLF
      JSR USERP
      RTI ABORT
T6 LDX BUFPTR
      STAA 0,X SAVE NEW CHARACTER
      INX INC POINTER
      STX BUFPTR SAVE POINTER
      CPX #BUF+50 LINE TOO LONG ?
      BEQ T5 YES - ABORT
      CMPA #5D CR ?
      BEQ T8 YES
T7 LDAB ACIAS READ ACIA STATUS
      BITB #2 READY TO SEND ?
      BEQ T7 NO
      STAA ACIAD YES
      RTI
T8 INC IOFLAG SIGNAL END-OF-MESSAGE
      RTI

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*
* *****
* * OPERATOR INTERFACE *
* *****
*
*
USERC   JSR     CRLF
        LDAA   BUF           DECODE INPUT
        LDX   #CTABLE
I020    CMPA   0,X           COMPARE COMM WITH TABLE
        BNE   I025          NO
        LDX   1,X           YES - GET ROUTINE ADDRESS
        JMP   0,X           GO THERE
I025    INX
        INX
        INX           INCREMENT POINTER
        CPX   #CEND        END OF TABLE ?
        BNE   I020          NO - CONTINUE
*
* ERROR HANDLING
*
ERROR   EQU     *
USERP   LDAA   #'?         PROMPT USER
        SWI
I030    FCB   PRINTA
        LDX   #BUF
        STX   BUFPTR       SET UP POINTER
        CLR   IOFLAG       CLEAR FLAG
        LDAA  #381          ENABLE INTS ON ACIA
        STAA ACIAS
        RTS
*
* COMMAND TABLE
*
CTABLE  FCC     'C'
        FDB   PCON
        FCC   'D'
        FDB   PDAM
        FCC   'I'
        FDB   SETMEM
        FCC   'O'
        FDB   OUTMEM
        FCC   'P'
        FDB   PSYS
        FCC   'R'
        FDB   PREF
        FCC   'S'
        FDB   PSET
        FCC   'V'
        FDB   PVAL
        FCB   $15
        FDB   I030
CEND    EQU     *

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*
* PRINT DATA IN RESPONSE TO USER REQUESTS
* ENTRY POINTS ARE:PVAL,PSYS,PSET,PREF,PDAM,PCON
*
PVAL   LDX   #VOLD1   PRINT VALVES
        BRA   P1
PSYS   LDX   #SYSTAT  PRINT STATUS
P1     LDAB  #4        BYTE COUNT
P2     BSR   PSNGL    PRINT BYTE
        DECB
        BNE   P2      FINISHED ?
        BRA   PEXIT   YES
PSET   LDX   #CLVL    PRINT SETPOINTS
        BRA   P3
PREF   LDX   #REFRAC  PRINT COMPOSITIONS
P3     LDAB  #4        DOUBLE BYTE COUNT
P4     BSR   PDBLE    PRINT DOUBLE BYTE
        DECB
        BNE   P4      FINISHED ?
PEXIT  BSR   CRLF     YES
        JMP   USERP
PDAM   LDX   #DAM     PRINT ACQUIRED DATA
        LDAB  #-1     COUNTER
P5     LDAA  #8       COUNTER
P6     BSR   PDBLE    PRINT DOUBLE BYTE
        DECA
        BNE   P6      FINISHED LINE ?
        BSR   CRLF     YES
        INCB
        BEQ   P5      NO
        JMP   USERP   YES
PCON   LDX   #C1A    PRINT CONTROLLERS
        LDAB  #4      COUNTER
P7     BSR   PDBLE    PRINT K1
        BSR   PDBLE    PRINT K2
        BSR   PSNGL    PRINT PV INDEX
        BSR   CRLF
        LDAA  #6      INC POINTER
P8     INX
        DECA
        BNE   P8
        DECB
        BNE   P7      FINISHED ?
        BSR   PSNGL    PRINT DIVN
        BSR   CRLF
        JMP   USERP
*
* PRINTING ROUTINES
*
PSNGL  SWI
        FCB   P2HEX   PRINT SINGLE BYTE
        BRA   BLK
PDBLE  SWI
        FCB   P4HEX   PRINT DOUBLE BYTE
BLK    PSHA
        SAVE A

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        LDAA    #S20
        SWI
        FCB    PRINTA
        PULA
        RTS          RESTORE A
CRLF   LDAA    #SD          CR
        SWI
        FCB    PRINTA
        LDAA    #SA          LF
        SWI
        FCB    PRINTA
        PSHB
        LDAB   #20          SAVE B
        LDAA   #SFF        WAIT 40MS FOR TERMINAL TO LF
CRLF2  LDAA
CRLF3  DECA
        BNE    CRLF3
        DECB
        BNE    CRLF2
        PULB
        RTS          RESTORE B

```

```

*
* ROUTINE TO OUTPUT MEMORY LOCATIONS
*

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```

* FORMAT: O <ADDRESS>(,<COUNT>)
* COUNT IN THE RANGE 1 TO 15 ONLY
* OUTPUT: <ADDR> <BYTE> <BYTE> ...
*

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OUTMEM LDX     #BUF+2      POINTER TO INPUT STRING
        LDAB   #4          MAX NO OF DIGITS
        SWI
        FCB    CONHB      CONVERT ADDRESS TO BINARY
        STAA   ADR         SAVE ADDRESS
        STAB   ADR+1
        LDAB   #1          SET UP COUNTER
        LDAA   0,X         NEXT CHARACTER IN STRING
        CMPA   #SD        IS IT CR ?
        BEQ    OU10       YES
        INX
        SWI
        FCB    CONHB      CONVERT COUNT
OU10   LDX     #ADR        GET DUMP ADDRESS
        BSR    PUBLE      PRINT ADDRESS
        LDX    ADR        POINT TO OUTPUT BYTES
OU20   BSR    PSNGL      PRINT 1 BYTE
        DECB
        BNE    OU20       DEC COUNT
        BSR    CRLF       NOT FINISHED
        BSR    CRLF       CR,LF
        JMP    USERP      RETURN

```

```

*
* ROUTINE TO SET MEMORY
*

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```

* FORMAT: I <ADDR>,<BYTE>(<DEL>)<BYTE>...
*
SETMEM LDX     #BUF+2      POINT TO INPUT STRING
        LDAB   #4          MAX NO OF DIGITS

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	SWI		
	FCB	CONHB	CONVERT ASCII TO BINARY
	STAA	ADR	SAVE ADDRESS
	STAB	ADR+1	
SET10	INX		INCREMENT TO FIRST BYTE
	LDAB	#2	2 DIGITS PER BYTE
	SWI		
	FCB	CONHB	CONVERT BYTE
	BCC	SET20	FINISHED ?
	STX	BUFPTR	SAVE POINTER
	LDX	ADR	FETCH ADDRESS
	STAB	0,X	SAVE NEW BYTE
	INX		INCR POINTER
	STX	ADR	SAVE ADDRESS
	LDX	BUFPTR	GET POINTER TO STRING
	LDAA	0,X	GET NEXT CHARACTER
	CMPA	#SD	IS IT CR ?
	BEQ	SET20	YES - FINISH
	SWI		
	FCB	VALAN	IS IT HEXADECIMAL ?
	BVC	SET10	NO - NEXT BYTE
	INX		YES - DEC POINTER, NEXT BYTE
SET20	BRA	SET10	
	JMP	USERP	
	END		

```

      ORG      $E200
*
* *****
* * DATA ACQUISITION SUBROUTINE *
* *****
*
* CONTROLS THE OPERATION OF
* THE DATA ACQUISITION MODULE
* AND MONITORS ITS OPERATION
*
READAD CLR      DAMERR      CLEAR ERROR COUNTER
      CLR      CLR      FIRST CHANNEL POINTER
      LDX      #DAM      SET UP DATA AREA POINTER
      LDAA     DLSB      READ PERIPH REG TO CLEAR ANY EOC
      CLR      TIM3      USE TIM3 AS WATCHDOG
      LDAA     #S36      PULSE THE START LINE
      STAA     DCSR2
      NOP
      NOP
      LDAA     #S3E
      STAA     DCSR2
DAQ1   LDAA     DCSR2      WAIT FOR EOC
      BMI      DAQ1A
      LDAA     TIM3      CHECK WATCHDOG
      CMPA     #S1      OK ?
      BCS     DAQ1      YES
      LDAA     #SFF      ERROR = MISSED EOC'S
      STAA     DAMERR     INDICATE ERROR
      BRA     DAQ5
DAQ1A  LDAA     DMSB      READ MSB
      PSHA
      LSRA
      LSRA
      LSRA
      CBA      IS IT CORRECT ?
      BEQ     DAQ2      YES
      INC     DAMERR     NO
      PULA
      BRA     DAQ3      RESTORE STACK
DAQ2   PULA
      STAA     0,X      RETRIEVE MSB FROM STACK
      LDAA     OLSB     STORE IT
      STAA     1,X      GET LSB
DAQ3   INCB
      INX
      INX
      CMPB     #S10     STORE IT
      BCS     DAQ1     INCREMENT CHANNEL POINTER
      RTS          INCREMENT DATA POINTER
      BCS     DAQ1     LAST CHANNEL ?
      RTS          NO

```

```

*
* *****
* * ALARM CHECKING ROUTINE *
* *****
*
CHECK   LDAA    DAMERR           D.A.M OK ?
        BEQ    CH1              YES
        LDAA   #'0              ALARM NUMBER
        BSR    ERRL
*
* CHECK ON REFLUX DRUM
CH1     LDAA    DAM              GET MSB
        ANDA   #50F             STRIP CH NO
        LDAB   DAM+1            GET LSB
        LDX    RDU              UPPER LIMIT
        BSR    CMP16            COMPARE
        BLS    CH2              INSIDE
        LDAA   #'1              ERROR 1
        BSR    ERRL
        BRA    CH3
CH2     LDX    RDL              LOWER LIMIT
        BSR    CMP16            COMPARE
        BCC    CH3              INSIDE
        LDAA   #'1              ERROR 1
        BSR    ERRL
*
* CHECK ON REBOILER LEVEL
CH3     LDAA    DAM+2            GET MSB
        ANDA   #50F             STRIP CH NO
        LDAB   DAM+3            GET LSB
        LDX    RBU              UPPER LIMIT
        BSR    CMP16            COMPARE
        BLS    CH4              INSIDE
        LDAA   #'2              ERROR 2
        BSR    ERRL
        BRA    CH5
CH4     LOX    RBL              LOWER LIMIT
        BSR    CMP16            COMPARE
        BCC    CH5              INSIDE
        LDAA   #'2              ERROR 2
        BSR    ERRL
*
* CHECK COLUMN PRESSURE DROP
CH5     LDAA    DAM+26           GET MSB
        ANDA   #50F             STRIP CH NO
        LDAB   DAM+27           LSB
        LDX    PU               UPPER LIMIT
        BSR    CMP16            COMPARE
        BLS    CH6              INSIDE
        LDAA   #'3              ERROR 3
        BSR    ERRL
        BRA    CH7
CH6     LOX    PL               LOWER LIMIT
        BSR    CMP16            COMPARE
        BCC    CH7              INSIDE
        LDAA   #'3              ERROR 3
        BSR    ERRL
CH7     RTS

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*
*      ALARM CONDITION
*      0 = DAM ERROR
*      1 = REFLUX ACCUMULATOR LEVEL
*      2 = REBOILER LEVEL
*      3 = COLUMN PRESSURE DROP
*
ERRL   LDX      #CHKMSG          PRINT ALARM MESSAGE
        SWI
        FCB      PMSG
        SWI
        FCB      PRINTA          ALARM CODE
        SWI
        FCB      PMSG
CHKMSG RTS
        FCB      $D,$A,$07
        FCC      / ? ALARM /
        FCB      $4
        FCC      / ?/
        FCB      $D,$A,$7,$4
*
*      CMP16: PERFORMS A 16 BIT COMPARISON
*      BETWEEN A,B AND X REGISTERS. THE CC ARE
*      SET ACCORDINGLY. A,B,X ARE UNALTERED.
*      A=MSB,B=LSB.
*
CMP16  PSHA          SAVE REGISTERS
        PSHB
        SWI
        FCB      SUBXAB          CALCULATE A,B-X
        PULB
        PULA          RESTORE REGISTERS
        RTS

```

```

*
* *****
* * REFRACTOMETER CONTROL ROUTINE *
* *****
*
REFCTL  LDAA    TIM2      GET REF TIMER
        CMPA    TRMIN     COMP WITH TRMIN
        BCS     RE10      NOT LONG ENOUGH
        LDX     #REFRAC   CLEAR ALL NEW DATA BITS
        LDAB    #4        (BIT 15) ON ALL CHANNELS
RE0     LDAA    0,X       FETCH MSB
        ANDA    #S0F      STRIP NDB
        STAA    0,X       REPLACE BYTE
        INX
        INX
        DECB
        BNE     RE0       NO
        LDX     #REFRAC   ADDRESS 0 REFRAC DATA AREA
        LDAB    RSTAT     GET REF CHANNEL
        BEQ     RE2       CHANNEL 0
        ASLB
RE1     INX           DOUBLE CHANNEL NO FOR OFFSET
        DECB           INCREMENT POINTER
        BNE     RE1       FOR CHANNELS
RE2     LDAA    DAM+28    OTHER THAN 0
        ANDA    #S0F      GET MSB FROM D.A.M.
        ORAA    #S80      CLEAR D.A.M. CH NO.
        STAA    0,X       SET NEW DATA BIT (15)
        LDAA    DAM+29    STORE REF DATA MSB
        STAA    1,X       GET LSB FROM D.A.M.
        LDX     #RESEQ    AND STORE IT
        LDAB    SEQPTR    GO TO SEQ TABLE
        BEQ     RE4       GET TABLE POINTER
RE3     INX
        DECB
        BNE     RE3       UPDATE X TO SEQPTR
RE4     LDAA    0,X
        STAA    RSTAT     STORE NEXT CH
        LDAB    SEQPTR    INCR SEQ PTR
        INCB
        CMPB    #S0C      WRAP AROUND ?
        BCS     RE5
        CLRB
RE5     STAB    SEQPTR    STORE NEW SEQ PTR
        ASRA
        BCC     RE6       SET BIT 0 FOR REF
        LDAB    #S3E
        BRA     RE7
RE6     LDAB    #S36
RE7     STAB    VICSR
        ASRA
        BCC     RE8
        LDAB    #S3E
        BRA     RE9
RE8     LDAB    #S36
RE9     STAB    V2CSR
        CLR     TIM2      CLEAR REF TIMER
RE10   RTS
        END

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*

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*

* CONTROL ROUTINE *

*

*

ALGORITHM IS

$DV = (C7A * (SP - PV0) + C7B * (SP - PV1)) / 2 * DIVN$

VALVE = LAST VALVE + DV

VNEW = VALVE / 256 + 128 (8 BITS)

*

CONTRL

LDX #C1A

INITL POINTER

CLR CNO

INITL COUNTER

CT0

STX CPTR

SAVE POINTER

LDAA 5,X

SHIFT C7PV0 TO C7PV1

LDAB 6,X

STAA 7,X

STAB 8,X

LDAA 4,X

ADDR OF PV IN DAM BLOCK

LDX #DAM

GET PV ADDR (ADJUST IF NEC.)

ASLA

DOUBLE A

JSR ADJX

ADJUST X POINTER

LDAB 1,X

GET PV FROM DAM BLOCK

LDAA 0,X

ANDA #50F

CLEAR CH NO.

LDX CPTR

GET CONTROLLER POINTER

STAA 5,X

STAB 6,X

STORE AT C7PV0

LDX #CLVL

GET SP ADDR

LDAA CNO

ASLA

DOUBLE OFFSET

JSR ADJX

ADJUST X POINTER

LDAA 0,X

GET SP

LDAB 1,X

LDX CPTR

GET CONTROLLER POINTER

SUBB 6,X

SBCA 5,X

SP = PV

STAB 6,X

STAA 5,X

STORE IN C7PV0

*

*

*

NOW THE CONTROLLER CALCULATIONS

LDX 0,X

C7A

STX MULT1

LDX CPTR

LDX 5,X

C7PV0

STX MULT2

JSR MULT16

MULTIPLY

LDX PROD+2

STX TEMP1

C7A + C7PV0

LDX CPTR

LDX 2,X

C7B

STX MULT1

LDX CPTR

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LDX      7,X          C7PV1
STX      MULT2
JSR      MULT16       MULTIPLY
LDAA     PROD+2
LDAB     PROD+3
ADDB     TEMP1+1      C7A*C7PV0 + C7B*C7PV1
ADCA     TEMP1
BSR      OVERFL       CHECK FOR OVERFLOW
LDX      DIVN         DIVIDE OUTPUT BY 2**DIVN
BEQ      CT4B

CT4A     ASRA
RORB
DEX
BNE      CT4A
LDX      CPTR
ADDB     10,X         ADD ON LAST VALVE POSITION
ADCA     9,X
BSR      OVERFL       CHECK FOR OVERFLOW
STAB     10,X
STAA     9,X          SAVE VALVE POSITION
LDX      #8           NOW /256 = 8 RIGHT SHIFTS

CT5     ASRA
RORB
DEX
BNE      CT5
ADDB     #580         ADD ON 128
ADCA     #50
*        NURMALISE TO 0-255 RANGE
BMI      CT6          < 0
BEQ      CT7          0 <= VALUE <= 255
LDAB     #5FF         SET TO MAX
BRA      CT7
CT6     CLR8          SET TO MIN
CT7     LOX           #VNEW1
LUA      CNO
BSR      ADJX         ADJUST X POINTER
STAB     0,X         SAVE VNEW
*
*        ADJUST POINTER FOR NEXT CONTROLLER
*
LDX      CPTR
LDAB     #58
CT10    INX
DECB
BNE      CT10
INC      CNO          INCREMENT COUNTER
LDAB     CNO
CMPB     #53         LAST CONTROLLER?
BHI      CT11
JMP      CT0         NO - GO AGAIN
CT11    RTS
*
*        ROUTINE TO INCREMENT THE X REGISTER
*        BY THE CONTENTS OF A (UNSIGNED)
*

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```

ADJX   BEQ     AD2
AD1    INX
      DECA
      BNE     AD1
AD2    RTS
*
*      OVERFLOW SUBROUTINE
*      DETECTS +- OVERFLOWS FOR 16 BIT INTEGER
*      ARITHMETIC ON THE ACCUMULATORS WITH
*      A AS THE MSB.
*
OVERFL BVS     OV2           OVERFLOW ?
      RTS     NO
OV2    BCS     OV1           NEGATIVE OVERFLOW ?
      LOAB   #$FF          NO - SET TO MAX
      LDAA  #$7F
      RTS
OV1    CLRB                   YES - SET TO MIN
      LDAA  #$80
      RTS

```

```

* *****
* * 16 BIT SIGNED INTEGER MULTIPLICATION ROUTINE *
* *****
*
*      THIS ROUTINE MULTIPLIES TWO 16 BIT
*      2'S COMPLEMENT NUMBERS USING BOOTH'S ALGORITHM.
*      IT PRODUCES A 16 BIT RESULT WITH THE V BIT SET
*      IF OVERFLOW OCCURRED.
*      THE MULTIPLIER = MULT1 =MULT1,MULT1+1
*      THE MULTIPLICAND = MULT2 =MULT2,MULT2+1
*      THE PRODUCT = PROD =PROD+2,PROD+3
*      THE TEST BYTE FOR MULT1(LSB-1) = FF
*
*      THE MULTIPLICAND WILL BE UNCHANGED,THE MULTIPLIER
*      WILL BE DESTROYED. A 16 BIT RESULT IN PROD+2,PROD+3
*      RESULTS,BUT PROD,PROD+1 NOW CONTAIN RUBBISH.
*
MULT16 LOX     #5           CLEAR THE WORKING REGS.
      CLRA
LP1    STAA   PROD-1,X
      DEX
      BNE   LP1
      LDX   #16           INIT'L SHIFT COUNTER TO 16.
LP2    LDAA  MULT1+1      GET Y(LSBIT).
      ANDA  #1
      TAB
      EORA  FF           SAVE Y(LSBIT) IN 8.
      BEQ  SHIFT        DOES Y(LSBIT)=Y(LSB-1)?
      TSTB                   YES: GO TO SHIFT ROUTINE.
      BEQ  ADD           NO: DOES Y(LSBIT)=0?
      LDAA PROD+1        YES: GO TO ADD ROUTINE.
      LDAB PROD          NO: SUBTRACT MULTIPLICAND
                        PRODUCT WITH THE MSBYTES

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	SUBA	MULT2+1	LINED UP,
	SBCB	MULT2	
	STAA	PROD+1	
	STAB	PROD	
ADD	BRA	SHIFT	THEN GO TO SHIFT ROUTINE,
	LDAA	PROD+1	ADD THE MULTPLICAND TO THE
	LDAB	PROD	PRODUCT WITH THE MSBYTES
	ADDA	MULT2+1	LINED UP,
	ADCB	MULT2	
	STAA	PROD+1	
SHIFT	STAB	PROD	
	CLR	FF	CLEAR THE TEST BYTE.
	ROR	MULT1	SHIFT THE MULTIPLIER RIGHT
	ROR	MULT1+1	ONE BIT WITH THE LSBIT
	ROL	FF	INTO THE LSBIT OF FF.
	ASR	PROD	SHIFT THE PRODUCT RIGHT ONE
	ROR	PROD+1	BIT, THE MSB REMAINING THE SAME.
	ROR	PROD+2	
	ROR	PROD+3	
	DEX		
	BNE	LP2	DECREMENT THE SHIFT COUNT.
	LDX	PROD	IF <> 0 CONTINUE.
	LDAA	PROD	CHECK FOR OVERFLOW
	BPL	POS	
	CPX	#\$FFFF	
	BNE	NEGOFL	
	LDAA	PROD+2	
NEGOFL	BMI	RETURN	
	LDX	#\$8000	
	STX	PROD+2	
	SEV		
	BRA	RETURN	
POS	CPX	#\$0	
	BNE	POSOFL	
	LDAA	PROD+2	
	BPL	RETURN	
POSOFL	LOX	#\$7FFF	
	STX	PROD+2	
	SEV		
RETURN	RTS		RETURN

```

* *****
* * CONTROL OUTPUT ROUTINE *
* *****
*
*   INCORPORATING CONTINUOUS SLEWING
*   NOTE: THE CONTROLLERS MUST ENSURE THAT
*         THE CONTROLLER OUTPUTS ARE IN THE
*         RANGE 0-255(10).
*
*         THE ROUTINE MAY BE CALLED AS S/R
*   BY THE MAINLINE PROGRAM PROVIDED THE
*   IRQ INTERRUPT MASK IS OFF. IF THE MASK IS
*   ON THEN THE ROUTINE WILL EXIT BACK TO
*   THE MONITOR. THIS ALLOWS THIS
*   ROUTINE TO BE CALLED WHILE THE MAINLINE
*   IS STALLED AND MICRO-PDP DIALOG IS UNDERWAY.
*   NOTE: THE ADDRESS OF NMI2 IS $E637
NMI2 EQU $E637
*
VALVES LDX #V4 ENSURE VOLD=OUTPUT(CURRENT)
        LDAA 6,X
        STAA VOLD1
        LDAA 4,X
        STAA VOLD2
        LDAA 2,X
        STAA VOLD3
        LDAA 0,X
        STAA VOLD4
01 CLRB INDICATOR FOR >1 STEPS
        LDX #VOLD1 POINTER TO VALVE DATA
02 CLR SIGN CLEAR SIGN
        LDAA 4,X VNEW
        SUBA 0,X VNEW-VOLD
        BEQ 07 NO CONTROL ACTION
        BCC 03 VNEW>VOLD
        NEGA NEGATE VNEW-VOLD
        INC SIGN AND NOTE IT
03 CMPA 8,X COMPARE CHANGE WITH MAX
        BLS 05 VNEW-VOLD<=VRATE
        INCB INCREMENT TO INDICATE MAX STEP
        LDAA 0,X
        TST SIGN CHECK SIGN
        BNE 04
        ADDA 8,X ADD MAX STEP
        BCC 06 CHECK FOR OVERFLOW
        LDAA #5FF SET TO MAX
        BRA 06
04 SUBA 8,X SUBTRACT MAX STEP
        BCC 06 CHECK FOR NEG OVFLW
        LDAA #300 SET TO MIN
        BRA 06
05 LDAA 4,X USE CALC STEP
06 STAA 0,X SAVE NEW VOLD
07 INX INCREMENT POINTER
        CPX #VOLD1+4 LAST TIME AROUND

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```

BNE      02      NO
LDX      #V4     OUTPUT SETTINGS TO VALVES
LDAA     VOL01
STAA     6,X
LDAA     VOL02
STAA     4,X
LDAA     VOL03
STAA     2,X
LDAA     VOL04
STAA     0,X
TSTB
BEO      09      CHECK FOR MAX STEP ?
LUX      #$4000  NO
DEX      PAUSE 1/8 SEC
08 BNE      08
BRA      01      AND GO AROUND AGAIN
* CHECK HERE FOR S/R OR EXTERNAL CALL
09 TPA
ANDA     #$10    GET C.C.
BEQ      010     IS IRQ MASK ON ?
INS
INS
INS      NO - RTS
JMP      NMI2    CLEAN UP STACK
010 RTS
END      JUMP TO MONITOR

```

IV.3 FEEDFORWARD EXTENSIONS TO CC68

The software described in the CC68 suite of routines was modified to implement the feedforward/feedback controller described in Chapter 8. This involved additions to the database, modification of the main program, and the addition of routines to implement the controller and adapter. A listing of these changes and additions follows.

```

*
* *****
* * FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER DATA BASE *
* *****
*
* STATUS FLAGS (0=OFF , <>0=ON)
*
ADSTAT  ORG      SFD
        FCB      $0          ADAPT STATUS , ON=ADAPT
SESTAT  FCB      $0          TRIMMING CONTROLLER STATUS
FFSTAT  FCB      $0          FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER STATUS
*
* DATA BASE EXTENSION FOR THE FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER
*
        ORG      $100
XD      FDB      $00E6,$6666      (0.9)
XB      FDB      $7CCC,$CCCC      (0.05)
XF      FDB      $7FCC,$CCCC      (0.4)
TF      FDB      $05A0,$0000      (20.)
F       FDB      $01E0,$0         (1.75=#10)
Q       FDB      0,0
RM      FDB      0,0
NM      FDB      0,0
FM      FDB      0,0
LM      FDB      0,0
LV      FDB      0,0
VM      FDB      0,0
QS      FDB      0,0
R       FDB      0,0
Y9      FDB      0,0
DALR   FDB      0
DAQS   FDB      0
PVN1   FDB      0,0
PVN4   FDB      0,0
*
* FF COMPENSATOR PARAMETERS
*
ZNA     FDB      $0,$0          COMPENSATED LV
YNP1A  FDB      $0,$0
ZNB     FDB      $0,$0          COMPENSATED QS
YNP1B  FDB      $0,$0
KA1     FDB      $0,$0
KA2     FDB      $0,$0
KB1     FDB      $0,$0
KB2     FDB      $0,$0
*
* FLOW CALIBRATIONS
*
LVM     FDB      $098F,$8000      (383.)
LVC     FDB      $8993,$8000      (-295.)
QSM     FDB      $8CA,$0         (202.)
QSC     FDB      $8888,$0         (-136.)

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*
*      GILLILAND CORRELATION COEFFS
*
* HNYA  FDB      $20A,$E148      (3.42)
* HNYB  FDB      $8283,$D70A     (-2.06)
* STAGES FDB      $3D0,$S0       (6.5)
*
*      TRIMMING CONTROLLERS
*
* KS1   FDB      $0,$0
* KS8   FDB      $0,$0
*
*      REFRACTOMETER CALIBRATIONS
*
* D0    RMB      12                XD POLY COEFFS
* RXD   RMB      4
* W0    RMB      12                XW POLY COEFFS
* RXW   RMB      4
*
*      ADAPTION DATA
*
* REFLUX RMB      4                FLOW (MOL/MIN)
* RMAD   RMB      4                MIN REFLUX RATIO
* NMAD   RMB      4                MIN STAGES
* Y9AD   RMB      4                TEMP STORE
* RAD    RMB      4                REFLUX RATIO
*
*      DECOUPLER COEFFS
*
* KLV   FDB      $0,$0            (0.0)
* KQS   FDB      $0,$0            (0.0)
*

```

```

*
* *****
*
*           MAIN PROGRAM
* FEEDFORWARD/FEEDBACK VERSION
*
* *****
*
*
* SET UP PIA'S
CONFIG EQU $E72B ROUTINE IN OPSYS EPROM
      ORG $2400
MAIN1 JSR CONFIG
*
* RESTART ENTRY POINT
*
MAIN2 LDAA #$37 ENABLE INTS THRU PIA 3 CA1
      STAA V4CSR
      LDAA #$3C
      STAA DCSR2
MA1   LDX #REFRAC CLEAR REFRAC DATA AREA
      CLR 0,X CLEAR REF DATA AREA
      INX
      CPX #REFRAC+9
      BNE MA1
MA2   LDX #TIM1 CLEAR TIMERS
      CLR 0,X
      INX
      CPX #TIM5+1
      BNE MA2
      CLR SYSTAT CLEAR SYSTEM STATUS
      LDX #TIMER SET UP TIMER INT'S
      STX IRQVEC
      JSR USERP PROMPT USER FOR I/O
      CLI
*
* MAIN OPERATING LOOP STARTS HERE
*
MA3   TST IOFLAG LINE OF INPUT READY ?
      BEQ MA4
      JSR USERC USER COMMAND
MA4   LDAA TIM1 TIME TO CONTROL ?
      CMPA TSAMPL
      BCS MA3 NO
*
      TIME TO SAMPLE AND CONTROL
      INC SYSTAT SYSTEM STATUS TO 1
      CLR TIM1 CLEAR COUNTER
      JSR REAUAD GO TO DATA AQUISIITION
      INC SYSTAT SYSTEM STATUS TO 2
      JSR CHECK CHECK ALARMS
      INC SYSTAT SYSTEM STATUS TO 3
      JSR REFCTL GO TO REFRAC CONTROLLER
      INC SYSTAT SYSTEM STATUS TO 4
      JSR LCTRL GO TO CONTROL ROUTINE
      INC SYSTAT SYSTEM STATUS TO 5

```

JSR	HNYFF	FEED FORWARD CONTROLLER
JSR	PIFB	FEEDBACK CONTROLLER.
JSR	ADAPT	FF ADAPTION
INC	SYSTAT	SYSTEM STATUS TO 6
JSR	\$200	MISCELLANEA
INC	SYSTAT	SYSTEM STATUS TO 7
JSR	VALVES	OUTPUT
CLR	SYSTAT	SYSTEM STATUS BACK TO 0
BRA	MA3	


```

*
* *****
* * FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER PART I *
* *****
*
HNYFF  ORG      $2800
        LDAA    FFSTAT      FF ON ?
        BNE     HN1         YES
        LDAA    #57F        NO - BIAS
        STAA   DALR+1      FB CONTROLLERS
        STAA   DAGS+1
        RTS

*
*   ENTER APU
*
HN1     LDX     #ERR
        STX    ERRADR
        JSR    APUDRV

[
*
*   COMPUTE Q
*
        IPSHF  85.
        IPSHF  23.
        PUSHF  XF
        FMUL;FSUB
        PUSHF  TF
        FSUB
        IPSHF  .002
        FMUL
        IPSHF  1.
        FADD
        POPF   Q

*
*   COMPUTE RM
*   FIRST FIND EQUILIB LINE INTERCEPT (X)
*
        PUSHF  XF
        PUSHF  Q
        IPSHF  1.
        FSUB;FDIV
        IPSHF  .498
        FADD
        PUSHF  Q
        PTOF
        IPSHF  1.
        FSUB;FDIV
        IPSHF  .566
        FSUB;FDIV

*
*   SECOND , FIND Y* FOR X INTERCEPT
*
        PTOF
        IPSHF  .566
        FMUL
        IPSHF  .498

```

FADD

*
*
*

THIRD FIND RM

POPF Y9
PUSHF Y9
XCHF;FSUB
PUSHF XD
PUSHF Y9
FSUB;XCHF;FDIV
POPF RM

*
*
*

COMPUTE NM

PUSHF XD
PUSHF XB
FMUL;CHSF;PTOF
PUSHF XD
FADD;XCHF
PUSHF XB
FADD;FDIV;LOG
IPSHF 1.6
FMUL
POPF NM

*
*
*

COMPUTE R FROM GILLILAND CORRELATION

PUSHF RM
IPSHF 1.
FADD
PUSHF HNYB
FMUL
PUSHF NM
PUSHF STAGES
FDIV;EXP
PUSHF HNYA
FSUB;FDIV
IPSHF 1.
FSUB
POPF R

*
*
*

COMPUTE F (GMOLE/MIN)

IPSHF 220.
PUSHF XF
FMUL
IPSHF 992.
XCHF;FSUB
IPSHF 14.
PUSHF XF
FMUL
IPSHF 18.
FADD;FDIV
PUSHF F
FMUL
POPF FM

```

*
*   COMPUTE LR (GMOLE/MIN)
*
  PUSHF  XF
  PUSHF  XB
  FSUB
  PUSHF  XD
  PUSHF  XB
  FSUB;FDIV
  PUSHF  FM
  FMUL
  PUSHF  R
  FMUL
  POPF   LM
*
*   COMPUTE LR (L/MIN)
*
  IPSHF  14.
  PUSHF  XD
  FMUL
  IPSHF  18.
  FADD
  PUSHF  LM
  FMUL
  IPSHF  957.
  IPSHF  170.
  PUSHF  XD
  FMUL;FSUB;FDIV
  POPF   LV
*
*   COMPUTE VM (GMOLE/MIN)
*   USING THE NON-EQUIMOLAL
*   OVERFLOW ANALYSIS
*
*   CALCULATE D
  PUSHF  XF
  PUSHF  XB
  FSUB
  PUSHF  XD
  PUSHF  XB
  FSUB;FDIV
  PUSHF  FM
  FMUL
  PTOF
  POPF   RM          SAVE DISTILLATE FLOW IN RM
*   CALCULATE THE INTERNAL REFLUX FLOW
  PUSHF  R
  FMUL
  IPSHF  1.11        (R(INT)=1.11R(EXT))
  FMUL
*   CALCULATE LIQUID FLOW ABOVE THE FEED PLATE
  IPSHF  7.55
  PUSHF  XD
  FSUB;FMUL
  IPSHF  7.55

```

```

        PUSHF   XF
        FSUB;FDIV
*   CALCULATE LIQUID FLOW BELOW THE FEED TRAY
        PUSHF   FM
        PUSHF   Q
        FMUL;FADD
*   CALCULATE LIQUID FLOW INTO REBOILER
        IPSHF   7.55
        PUSHF   XF
        FSUB;FMUL
        IPSHF   7.35
        FDIV
*   COMPUTE VAPOUR FLOW FROM REBOILER
        PUSHF   FM
        FSUB
        PUSHF   RM           DISTILLATE FLOW STORED IN RM
        FADD
        POPF    VM
*
*   COMPUTE QS (KG/MIN)
*
        PUSHF   VM
        IPSHF   55.2
        FDIV
        POPF    QS
        UNTHRD
[
*
*   JUMP TO SECOND PART OF FF CONTROLLER
*
FFCOMP EQU     $2A00
        JMP     FFCOMP
*
*   APU ERROR HANDLER
*
[
ERR     UNTHRD
[
        LDX    #ERRM
        SWI
        FCB    $12
        RTS
*
*   ERROR MESSAGE
*
ERRM    FCC     /APU ERROR IN FF CONTROLLER PT 1/
        FCB    $7,$D,$A,$4
        END

```

```

*
* *****
* * FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER PART II *
* *****
*
* FEEDFORWARD COMPENSATOR
*
* ORG      $2A00
*
* INTO THE APU
*
FFCOMP  LDX      #ERR
*        STX      ERRADR
*        JSR      APUDRV
*
* [
*
* FIRST LR LOOP
*
* PUSHF    LV
* PTOF
* PUSHF    YNP1A
* FSUB
* PUSHF    KA1
* FMUL;FADD
* POPF     ZNA
* PUSHF    YNP1A
* PTOF
* PUSHF    LV
* FSUB;CHSF
* PUSHF    KA2
* FMUL;FADD
* POPF     YNP1A
*
* NOW QS LOOP
*
* PUSHF    QS
* IPSHF    0.07          (ADD .07 KG/MIN FOR LOSSES)
* FADD;PTOF
* POPF     QS
* PTOF
* PUSHF    YNP1B
* FSUB
* PUSHF    KB1
* FMUL;FADD
* POPF     ZNB
* PUSHF    YNP1B
* PTOF
* PUSHF    QS
* FSUB;CHSF
* PUSHF    KB2
* FMUL;FADD
* POPF     YNP1B

```



```

        ANDA    #SOF          STRIP BITS
        STAA    RXW
        LOAA    SB           LSB
        STAA    RXW+1
*      CONVERT DATA
*      JSR     APUDRV

        PUSHS   RXD
        FLTS
        PTOF
        POPF    RXD
        PUSHF   D2
        FMUL
        PUSHF   D1
        FADD
        PUSHF   D0
        FADD
        POPF    RXD
        PUSHS   RXW
        FLTS
        PTOF
        POPF    RXW
        PUSHF   W2
        FMUL
        PUSHF   W1
        FADD
        PUSHF   RXW
        FMUL
        PUSHF   W0
        FADD
        POPF    RXW
        UNTHRD

*
*      INTEGRAL TRIMMING CONTROLLERS
*      ACTING ON THE TEMPERATURE
*      CONTROL LOOP SETPOINTS
*

        TST     $FE          CONTROLLERS ON ?
        BNE    SE1          YES
        RTS     NO
*      USE APU TO COMPUTE CONTROLLERS
*      JSR     APUDRV

* SE1
*
        PUSHF   XD          T1 LOOP
        PUSHF   RXD
        FSUB
        PUSHF   KS1        ERROR
        FMUL;FIXS          GAIN
        PUSHS   SP1        ADD TO SP
        SADD
        POPS    SP1        AND STORE
        PUSHF   XB          T8 LOOP
        PUSHF   RXW
        FSUB              ERROR
    
```

```

PUSHF   KS8           GAIN
FMUL, FIXS
PUSHS   SP4          ADD TO SP
SADD
POPS    SP4
UNTHRD

[
RTS

*
*   ERROR HANDLER
*
[
ERR     UNTHRD
[
LOX     #ERRM
SWI
FCB     $12
RTS

*
*   ERROR MESSAGE
*
ERRM    FCC           /APU ERROR IN FEED FORWARD CALCULATION/
        FCB           $7, $D, SA, $7, $4
        RTS
        END

```



```

*
* *****
* * FEEDBACK SECTION OF FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER *
* *****
*
*      ORG      $2C00
*
*      COMPUTE DV FOR LV LOOP
*
PIFB  LDX      #0
      CPX      C1A          CONTROLLER OFF (K=0) ?
      BEQ      CTL2        YES
      LDX      C1A+5        SAVE LAST ERROR
      STX      C1A+7
      LDX      #DAM        SET UP POINTER TO DATA BASE
      LDAA     C1A+4
      ASLA
      JSR      ADJX
      LDAA     0,X
      ANDA     #S0F        REMOVE CH ID
      STAA     TEMP1
      LDAA     1,X
      STAA     TEMP1+1
      LDAA     SP1         GET SP
      LDAB     SP1+1
      SUBB     TEMP1+1
      SBCA     TEMP1
      STAA     C1A+5        SAVE ERROR
      STAB     C1A+6
      LDX      #ERRM
      STX      ERRADR
      JSR      APUDRV
*
*      FIRST LV LOOP (USE F.P. TO PREVENT OVERFLOW)
*
*      [
*
      PUSHS   C1A
      FLTS
      PUSHS   C1A+5
      FLTS;FMUL
      PUSHS   C1A+2
      FLTS
      PUSHS   C1A+7
      FLTS;FMUL;FADD
      POPF    MULT1        SAVE DV
      UNTHRD
*
*      [
CTL2  BRA     CTL3
      LDX     #S80
      STX     MULT1        SET DV=0
      LDX     #S0
      STX     MULT1+2

```

```

*
*      NOW CALCULATE DV FOR QS LOOP
*
CTL3   LDX      #0
        CPX      C4           CONTROLLER OFF ?
        BEQ      CTL4
        LDX      C4+5         SAVE LAST ERROR
        STX      C4+7
        LDX      #DAM         GET PV
        LDAA     C4+4
        ASLA
        JSR      ADJX
        LDAA     0,X
        ANDA     #S0F         REMOVE CH ID
        STAA     TEMP1
        LDAA     1,X
        STAA     TEMP1+1
        LDAA     SP4          GET SP
        LDAB     SP4+1
        SUBB     TEMP1+1
        SBCA     TEMP1
        STAA     C4+5         SAVE ERROR
        STAB     C4+6
        LDX      #ERRM
        STX      ERRADR
        JSR      APUDRV

        PUSHS    C4
        FLTS
        PUSHS    C4+5
        FLTS;FMUL
        PUSHS    C4+2
        FLTS
        PUSHS    C4+7
        FLTS;FMUL;FADD
        POPF     PROD         SAVE DV
        UNTHRD

        BRA      CTL5
CTL4   LOX      #S80         SET DV=0 CONTROLLER OFF
        STX      PROD
        LDX      #S0
        STX      PROD+2

*
*      NOW DECOUPLE OUTPUTS
*
CTL5   LDX      #ERRM
        STX      ERRADR
        JSR      APUDRV

        PUSHF    PROD
        PUSHF    KLV
        FMUL
        PUSHF    MULT1
        FADD

```

```

PUSHF   VPN1
FADD
PTOF
POPF    VPN1
IPSHF   256.
FDIV;FIXS
POPS    TEMP1
* NOW QS LOOP
PUSHF   MULT1
PUSHF   KQS
FMUL
PUSHF   PROD
FADD
PUSHF   VPN4
FADD
PTOF
POPF    VPN4
IPSHF   256.
FDIV;FIXS
POPS    TEMP2
UNTHRD

[
*
*   NOW COMBINE FF AND FB CONTROLLERS
*
*   LV LOOP FIRST
*   LDAA    TEMP1           GET FB OUTPUT
*   LDAB    TEMP1+1
*   ADDB    DALR+1         ADD ON FF OUTPUT
*   ADCA    DALR
*   JSR     OVERFL        CHECK FOR OVERFLOW
*   TSTA
*   BMI     CTL6           RESULT 0-$FF ?
*   BEQ    CTL7           <0
*   LDAB    #$SFF         OK
*   BRA     CTL7           >$FF
*
CTL6
CTL7
*   CLR8
*   STAB   VNEW1         SAVE FOR OUTPUT LATER
*   QS LOOP
*   LDAA    TEMP2         FB OUTPUT
*   LDAB    TEMP2+1
*   ADDB    DAQS+1       ADD ON FF OUTPUT
*   ADCA    DAQS
*   JSR     OVERFL        CHECK FOR OVERFLOW
*   TSTA
*   BMI     CTL8           IN RANGE 0-$FF ?
*   BEQ    CTL9           <0
*   LDAB    #$SFF         OK
*   BRA     CTL9           .>$FF
*
CTL8
CTL9
*   CLR8
*   STAB   VNEW4         SAVE FOR OUTPUT LATER
*
*   COMPLETE
*
*   RTS

```

```

*
*   SUBROUTINE TO INCR X BY CONTENTS OF A (UNSIGNED)
*
ADJX  TSTA
      BEQ      AD2
AD1   INX
      DECA
      BNE      AD1
AD2   RTS
*
*   OVERFLOW SUBROUTINE
*   DETECTS OVERFLOWS ON 16 BIT INTEGER ARITHMETIC
*   USING A,B ACCUMULATORS. (A=MSB)
*
OVERFL BVS      OV2           OVEFLOW?
      RTS      NO
OV2    BCS      OV1           NEGATIVE?
      LOAB     #$FF          NO SET TO MAX
      LDAA     #$7F
      RTS
OV1    CLRB
      LDAA     #$80           YES SET TO MIN
      RTS
*
*   ERROR HANDLER
*
[ ERRM UNTHRD
[
      LDX     #ERRMS
      SWI
      FCB     PMSG
      RTS
*
*   ERROR MESSAGE
*
ERRMS FCC      /APU ERROR IN PIFB ROUTINE/
      FCB     $7,$D,$A,$4
      END

```

```

*
* *****
* ADAPTION ROUTINE FOR FEEDFORWARD CONTROLLER *
* *****
*
* MODIFIES STAGES USING THE GILLILAND CORRELATION
* IF THE BYTE AT $FD <> 0
*
ADAPT  ORG      $3000
      TSTA     SFD           ADAPT ?
      BNE      AD1          YES
      RTS                      NO
*
* CALCULATE CURRENT REFLUX FLOW
*
AD1    LDAA     VNEW1
      STAA     REFLUX+1
      CLRA
      STAA     REFLUX
*
* INTO APU
*
      LDX      #ERR
      STX      ERRADR
      JSR      APUDRV
*
* COMPUTE REFLUX IN MOL/MIN
*
      PUSHS    REFLUX
      FLTS
      PUSHF    LVC
      FSUB
      PUSHF    LVM
      FDIV
      PUSHF    RXD           DENSITY
      IPSHF    -170.
      FMUL
      IPSHF    957.
      FADD;FMUL
      PUSHF    RXD           M.WT.
      IPSHF    14.
      FMUL
      PUSHF    18.
      FADD;FDIV
      POPF     REFLUX       SAVE
*
* COMPUTE RM
*
      PUSHF    XF
      PUSHF    Q
      IPSHF    1.
      FSUB;FDIV
      IPSHF    .498

```

```

FADD
PUSHF  Q
PTOF
IPSHF  1.
FSUB;FDIV
IPSHF  .566
FSUB;FDIV
PTOF
IPSHF  .566
FMUL
IPSHF  .498
FADD
PTOF
POPF   Y9AD
XCHF;FSUB
PUSHF  RXD
PUSHF  Y9AD
FSUB;XCHF;FDIV
POPF   RMAD

```

```

*
*
*

```

```

COMPUTE NM

```

```

PUSHF  RXD
PUSHF  RXW
FMUL;CHSF;PTOF
PUSHF  RXD
FADD;XCHF
PUSHF  RXW
FADD;FDIV;LOG
IPSHF  1.6
FMUL
POPF   NMAD

```

```

*
*
*

```

```

COMPUTE R

```

```

PUSHF  REFLUX
PUSHF  RXD
PUSHF  RXW
FSUB;FMUL
PUSHF  FM
FDIV
PUSHF  XF
PUSHF  RXW
FSUB;FDIV
POPF   RAD

```

```

*
*
*

```

```

COMPUTE STAGES

```

```

PUSHF  RMAD
IPSHF  1.
FADD
PUSHF  RAD
IPSHF  1.
FADD;FDIV
PUSHF  HNYB

```

```

FMUL
PUSHF  HNYA
FADD, LN
PUSHF  NMAD
XCHF, FDI
POPF   STAGES

*
*
*
[
CLR    SFD          CLEAR FLAG
RTS

*
*
*
[
ERR
[
UNTHR

LDX    #ERRM
SWI
FCB    $12
RTS

*
*
*
ERRM  ERROR MESSAGE
FCC    /APU ERROR IN ADAPT/
FCB    $7, $D, $A, $4
END

```

APPENDIX V

CROSS-ASSEMBLER AND PRE-ASSEMBLER

A cross-assembler, XASMBL, was written to produce executable code for the Motorola M6800 microprocessor. The documentation manual for this program is given at the end of this appendix. A pre-assembler, PREASS, was written to translate the mnemonics and macros associated with the Am9511 arithmetic processing unit (APU) described in Chapter 4, into standard assembly language form for XASMBL.

The macros defined in PREASS were divided into three groups:

- (i) Those involving APU commands (single byte);
- (ii) those involving direct mode APU input/output (single byte command, two byte address);
- (iii) those involving immediate mode APU input (single byte command, data bytes).

For case (i) the macro was replaced by an assembler form-constant-byte directive with the appropriate byte, e.g.

```
FMUL
```

was replaced by

```
FCB 18
```

for a floating point multiply operation. Several APU commands could be given on a single line using a semicolon dilimiter. In case (ii), the command was also replaced by a form-constant-byte directive, but was followed by a form-double-byte directive containing the address of the source bytes or destination bytes for the command, e.g.

```
PUSHF NUM
```

was replaced by

```
FCB 95
```

```
FDB #NUM
```

for a floating point load into the APU where #NUM is the address of

the variable NUM . The FDB directive was replaced by the actual address of NUM by XASMBL . In case (iii), the command was again replaced by a form-constant-byte directive, followed by either two or four bytes of data defined in one or two form-double-byte directives. The data for the immediate mode operations was placed within the threaded code. The only operations using immediate mode were the push on to the APU stack operations: IPSHS, IPSHD, IPSHF. PREASS allowed the data associated with immediate mode operations to be represented in any standard FORTRAN type form, and translated this form to the appropriate bytes for the APU, e.g.

```
IPSHF 2.0
```

was replaced by

```
FCB 92 (the command code)
FDB 640,0 (APU representation in floating
point of 2.0)
```

In this example the floating point value 2.0 would be pushed on to the APU stack.

PREASS processed code between two delimiters which were chosen to be left square brackets [(\$5B) . All other code outside the delimiters was left untouched. All translations of mneumonics, addresses, and constants were decimal based, and eventually converted to hexadecimal base by XASMBL. PREASS also supplied definitions of the starting address of APUDRV, the APU interpreter, and the error handler pointer address ERRADR as

```
APUDRV EQU $2000 (The $ indicates a base 16 number)
ERRADR EQU $FFE7
```

These definitions were made at the beginning of the source program.

Operation of PREASS was straightforward; two files were used, one was named as the input file and contained the threaded code sections to be translated, the second was named as the output file containing the translated code. Any errors detected by PREASS were marked in the output

file as an assembler comment preceded by an asterisk. The total number of errors was displayed on the console to the user.

A sample program showing the format of the pre-assembler source code is shown in figure V-1, along with the output file from PREASS showing the translated sections. Table V-1 is a summary of the available commands to APUDRV.

TABLE V-1
SUMMARY OF APUDRV COMMANDS

		<u>HEXADECIMAL CODE</u>							
		00	10	20	30	40	50	60	70
0	NOP	FADD	-	-	BEQ	UNTHRD	-	-	-
1	SQRT	FSUB	-	-	BNE	LOOP	-	-	-
2	SIN	FMUL	-	-	BLT	PRINT	-	-	-
3	COS	FDIV	-	-	BGE	ENTER	-	-	-
4	TAN	-	-	CHSD	BLE	-	-	CHSS	-
5	ASIN	CHSF	-	-	BGT	-	-	-	-
6	ACOS	-	-	DMUU	BCS	-	-	SMUU	-
7	ATAN	PTOF	-	PTOD	BCC	POPS	-	PTOS	-
8	LOG	RUPF	-	RUPD	BRA	POPD	-	RUPS	-
9	LN	XCHF	-	XCHD	-	POPF	-	XCHS	-
A	EXP	PUPI	-	-	BEN	IPSHS	-	-	-
B	PWR	-	-	-	BEZ	IPSHD	-	-	-
C	-	FLTD	DADD	-	BEA	IPSHF	SADD	-	-
D	-	FLTS	DSUB	-	BEU	PUSHS	SSUB	-	-
E	-	FIXD	DMUL	-	BEO	PUSHD	SMUL	-	-
F	-	FIXS	DDIV	-	BER	PUSHF	SDIV	-	-

XASMBL

A CROSS-ASSEMBLER FOR THE MOTOROLA M6800
TO RUN ON A PDP11 UNDER RT-11.

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INTRODUCTION

XASMBL IS A CROSS-ASSEMBLER FOR THE M6800 MICROPROCESSOR, WRITTEN IN FORTRAN FOR EXECUTION ON A PDP11 COMPUTER UNDER THE RT-11 OPERATING SYSTEM. IT IS A SUBSET OF THE MOTOROLA AND AMI ASSEMBLERS, THE MAIN DIFFERENCES BEING THAT MACROS, CONDITIONAL ASSEMBLY AND RELOCATABLE CODE ARE NOT SUPPORTED. THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE EASILY OVERCOME USING THE RT-11 UTILITIES AND EDITOR, BUT ALLOW THIS CROSS ASSEMBLER TO RUN IN AS LITTLE AS 12K OF MEMORY.

PROGRAM CONSTRUCTION

OVERLAID (FOR 12K SYSTEMS)

```
.R LINK
*XASMBL<XAS1/F/C<CR>
*XAS2/O:1/C
*XAS3/O:1/C
*XAS4/O:2
*
```

NON-OVERLAID

```
.R LINK
*XASMBL<XAS1,XAS2,XAS3,XAS4/F<CR>
*
```

XASMBL.SAV IS READY TO BE USED.

PROGRAM USE

WHEN XASMBL IS EXECUTED, IT ASKS FOR THE SOURCE, LOAD AND LIST FILE NAMES IN TURN, FOLLOWING THE RT-11 SYSTEM CONVENTIONS, FOR EXAMPLE:-

```
.R XASMBL
```

```
6800 MICROPROCESSOR CROSS ASSEMBLER, VERSION 1.3A
```

```
SOURCE FILE? RK:CONTRL.MIC<CR>
```

```
LOAD FILE? PP:<CR>
```

```
LIST FILE? CONTRL.LST<CR>
```

```
ERRORS DETECTED 0
```

SAMPLE PROGRAM

THE LIST OUTPUT FROM XASMBL FOR THE SUPPLIED SAMPLE PROGRAM FOLLOWS. THIS SAMPLE PROGRAM CAN BE USED TO CHECK THE OPERATION OF THE ASSEMBLER PROGRAM.

```

TEST FOR MUL8                                XASMBL-S6800 ASSEMBLER PAGE 1
NAM TEST FOR MUL8
ORG $100
LDAA $10
0100 96
      10
0102 D6 LDAB $20
      20
0104 BD JSR MUL8 CALL MULTIPLY S/R
      01
      0C
0107 3F SWI
0108 81 FCB $81
0109 7E JMP $F000 RETURN TO PROTO
      F0
      00

```

```

*
* MUL8 MULTIPLIES THE UNSIGNED 8-BIT INTEGERS
* IN THE A AND B REGISTERS, TO GIVE THE 16-BIT
* RESULT IN A,B.

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*
* MUL8 PSHA
010C 36 MUL8 PSHA
010D B6 LDAA EIGHT
      01
      21
0110 36 PSHA
0111 30 TSX
0112 4F CLRA
0113 56 RORB
0114 24 MT BCC MF
      02
0116 AB ADDA 1,X
      01
0118 46 MF RORA
0119 56 RORB
011A 6A DEC 0,X
      00
011C 26 BNE MT
      F6
011E 31 INS
011F 31 INS
0120 39 RTS
0121 08 EIGHT FCB 8
      END
ERRORS DETECTED 0

```

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TEST FOR MUL8                                XASMBL-S6800 ASSEMBLER PAGE 2
SYMBOL TABLE
MUL8 010C EIGHT 0121 MT 0114 MF 0118

```

SOURCE PROGRAM FORMAT

THE SOURCE PROGRAM MUST RESIDE ON A MASS STORAGE DEVICE, AND CONSIST OF A SEQUENCE OF LINES IN THE FORM:-

<LABEL> <OPERATOR> <OPERAND> <COMMENT>

THE LABEL AND COMMENT FIELDS ARE OPTIONAL AND THE OPERAND FIELD IS INCLUDED AS REQUIRED. THE FIELDS ARE SEPARATED BY ONE OR MORE BLANKS OR TABS.

BLANK LINES ARE ILLEGAL (SEE THE ASSEMBLER DIRECTIVE SPC). COMMENT LINES CAN BE INDICATED BY AN ASTERISK (*) IN COLUMN ONE. THE LABEL FIELD, IF PRESENT, MUST START IN COLUMN ONE, AND THE FIRST DELIMITING BLANK IS NOT OPTIONAL. THE MAXIMUM LINE LENGTH IS 80 CHARACTERS.

OUTPUT FILE FORMAT

TWO FILES ARE CREATED BY XASMBL. THE ASSEMBLED LOAD FILE IS FORMATTED IN RECORDS TO THE MOTOROLA AND THE AMI HEX TAPE FORMAT. IT CAN BE STORED ON A MASS STORAGE DEVICE FOR SUBSEQUENT PUNCHING TO PAPER TAPE OR PUNCHED IMMEDIATELY, TO BE LOADED INTO THE MICROPROCESSOR.

THE SECOND FILE IS A LISTING IN THE FORMAT OF THE FOLLOWING:-

```
00FF  CE  LADR  LDX  #STRING  COMMENT
      01
```

00FF IS THE ADDRESS OF THE ASSEMBLED INSTRUCTION.

CE (AND BELOW) IS THE GENERATED PROGRAM CODE.

LADR IS THE LABEL.

THE OPERATION CODE MNEUMONIC IS LDX. THIS POSITION MAY ALTERNATIVELY SHOW AN ASSEMBLER DIRECTIVE.

#STRING IS THE OPERAND.

ALL LISTED VALUES, OPERATION CODES AND INSTRUCTIONS ARE LISTED IN THE HEXADECIMAL NUMBER BASE.

SYMBOLS

XASMBL MAINTAINS A SINGLE SYMBOL TABLE CONTAINING THE PERMANENT AND USER DEFINED SYMBOLS. PERMANENT SYMBOLS ARE THE INSTRUCTION MNEUMONICS AND ASSEMBLER DIRECTIVES, AND NEED NOT BE DEFINED. USER SYMBOLS ARE THOSE USED AS LABELS OR DEFINED BY THE EQU DIRECTIVE. THEY MUST BE CONSTRUCTED AS FOLLOWS:-

- THE FIRST CHARACTER MUST BE ALPHABETIC
- UP TO FIVE ALPHANUMERIC CHARACTERS MAY FOLLOW
- EACH SYMBOL MUST BE UNIQUE
- SPACES, TABS AND OTHER SPECIAL CHARACTERS ARE ILLEGAL WITHIN THE SYMBOL.

LOCAL SYMBOLS ARE NOT SUPPORTED.

ASSEMBLY LOCATION COUNTER

THE ASTERISK (*) REPRESENTS THE ASSEMBLY LOCATION COUNTER (IE THE ADDRESS OF THE CURRENT INSTRUCTION) WHEN USED IN THE OPERAND FIELD. FOR EXAMPLE, THE STATEMENT

```
ORG * + $100
```

INCREMENTS THE ASSEMBLY LOCATION COUNTER BY 256, LEAVING AN UNCHANGED 256 BYTE BLOCK.

NUMBERS

NUMBERS CAN BE REPRESENTED IN ANY ONE OF FOUR BASES - BINARY, OCTAL, DECIMAL OR HEXADECIMAL. NUMBERS HAVE THE GENERAL FORM

<QUALIFIER><NUMBER>

WHERE <QUALIFIER> CAN BE

% FOR BINARY, FOR EXAMPLE, %10 = 2 (BASE TEN)

@ FOR OCTAL, FOR EXAMPLE, @10 = 8 (BASE TEN)

\$ FOR HEXADECIMAL, FOR EXAMPLE, \$10 = 16 (BASE TEN)

ANY NUMBER WITHOUT QUALIFIER IS ASSUMED TO BE DECIMAL.

ADDRESSING MODES

(1) INHERENT AND ACCUMULATOR MODES

IN THESE MODES THE OPERAND IS IMPLIED BY THE OPERATION CODE, FOR EXAMPLE:-

```
TSTA
INX
```

NOTE THAT FOR ALL OPERATION CODES INVOLVING AN ACCUMULATOR, THERE MUST NOT BE A BLANK BETWEEN THE OPERATION CODE AND THE ACCUMULATOR INDICATOR, FOR EXAMPLE:-

```
TST A      IS ILLEGAL
TSTA      IS VALID
```

(2) IMMEDIATE MODE

FOR THIS MODE, THE OPERAND IS ASSEMBLED AS PART OF THE INSTRUCTION ITSELF IN ONE OF THE FORMS:-

```
#<VARIABLE>
OR #<NUMBER>
OR #'<SINGLE CHARACTER>
```


FOR EXAMPLE:-

LDAA #LOCN THE ADDRESS OF LOCN IS PUT INTO ACCUMULATOR A
 LDAA #16 THE HEXADECIMAL NUMBER 16 IS LOADED INTO A
 LDAB #'N THE ASCII CODE FOR THE CHARACTER N IS PUT INTO B

(3) INDEXED MODE

IN THIS MODE, THE EFFECTIVE OPERAND ADDRESS IS THE SUM OF AN OFFSET PLUS THE CONTENTS OF THE INDEX REGISTER, FOR EXAMPLE:-

LDAA 17,X

THE ACCUMULATOR WILL BE LOADED WITH THE DATA AT THE ADDRESS GIVEN BY THE CONTENT OF THE X REGISTER PLUS 17.

(4) RELATIVE MODE

FOR BRANCH INSTRUCTIONS, THE TARGET ADDRESS OF THE BRANCH IS THE ADDRESS OF THE NEXT INSTRUCTION PLUS THE OPERAND, WHICH MUST BE IN THE RANGE -128 TO +127. FOR EXAMPLE:-

BGT ERROR IF THE CONDITION CODES ARE SET, EXECUTION
 WILL CONTINUE FROM THE LABEL ERROR.

(5) DIRECT AND EXTENDED MODE

THE FORM OF THESE TWO MODES OF ADDRESSING IS THE SAME, FOR EXAMPLE:-

LDAA STORE
 LDAB DATA

THE DIRECT MODE IS USED IF THE SYMBOL HAS BEEN DEFINED IN THE FIRST 256 WORDS OF CORE, AND USES ONLY TWO BYTES. OTHERWISE, EXTENDED ADDRESSING IS USED, REQUIRING THREE BYTES.

ASSEMBLER DIRECTIVES

END - END OF SOURCE PROGRAM. END MUST BE PRESENT AS THE LAST LINE OF THE SOURCE PROGRAM.

EQU - EQUATE SYMBOL. THIS DIRECTIVE ASSIGNS TO A SYMBOL A VALUE, WHICH MAY BE A NUMBER OR AN EXPRESSION IN TERMS OF PREVIOUSLY DEFINED SYMBOLS, FOR EXAMPLE:-

DATA EQU \$FC DATA WILL BE USED AS HAVING THE VALUE -4
 ADDR EQU DATA-8 ADDR WILL BE TAKEN AS -12

FCB - FORM CONSTANT BYTE. FCB MAY HAVE A NUMBER OF ARGUMENTS SEPARATED BY COMMAS, WITH ONE BYTE BEING ALLOCATED TO HOLD THE VALUE OF EACH OPERAND. SUCCESSIVE COMMAS GENERATE ZERO BYTES.

FCB ,1,2 THREE BYTES CONTAINING 0,1,2 ARE FORMED

FCC - FORM CONSTANT CHARACTERS. THE FCC DIRECTIVE TRANSLATES CHARACTERS INTO THEIR 7-BIT ASCII EQUIVALENTS AND ALLOCATES STORAGE. TWO FORMATS MAY BE USED:-

(1) <COUNT>,<TEXT> WHERE <COUNT> IS THE NUMBER OF CHARACTERS TO BE TRANSLATED IN <TEXT>.

(2) <DELIMITER><TEXT><DELIMITER> WHERE <DELIMITER> MAY BE ANY NON-BLANK CHARACTER, NOT OCCURRING IN <TEXT>, BUT SERVING TO DEFINE ITS EXTENT. IF <DELIMITER> IS A NUMBER, THEN <TEXT> MUST NOT BEGIN WITH A NUMBER. FOR EXAMPLE:-

MSSGE FCC 11,INPUT ERROR
MSSGE FCC !INPUT ERROR! THESE TWO LINES ARE EQUIVALENT

FDB - FORM DOUBLE BYTES. THIS DIRECTIVE IS SIMILAR TO THE FCB DIRECTIVE EXCEPT THAT EACH OPERAND IS ASSIGNED TWO BYTES, FOR EXAMPLE:-

ADDRS FDB ,15,\$EF,\$AFF

WILL GENERATE 00 00 00 0F 00 EF 0A FF.

NAM - NAME. THIS DIRECTIVE OUTPUTS A HEADER RECORD TO THE OBJECT FILE AND HEADS EACH PAGE OF THE LISTING WITH THE TEXT WHICH IS THE OPERAND. ONLY THE FIRST 30 CHARACTERS ARE SIGNIFICANT. FOR EXAMPLE:-

NAM DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

OPT - OPTION DEFINITION. THE ASSEMBLER OUTPUT CAN BE CONTROLLED WITH THE ARGUMENTS OF OPT. NO LABEL MAY BE USED, AND THE OPTIONS ARE WRITTEN IN THE OPERAND FIELD SEPARATED BY COMMAS:-

LONG FORM	SHORT FORM	
-----	-----	
NOOTAP	NOO	SUPPRESS LOAD FILE
NOLIST	NOL	SUPPRESS LISTING
NOSYMB	NOS	SUPPRESS SYMBOL TABLE LISTING

FOR EXAMPLE:-

OPT NOO,NOLIST,NOS TO OUTPUT ERROR COUNT ONLY

ORG - ORIGIN DEFINITION. THE PROGRAMMER CAN DEFINE AND REDEFINE THE ABSOLUTE ADDRESS WHERE THE NEXT AND FOLLOWING ASSEMBLED INSTRUCTIONS ARE TO START. THE OPERAND MAY BE A NUMBER OR AN EXPRESSION, FOR EXAMPLE:-

```
ORG 256  
ORG 256+100
```

THE FIRST LINE SETS THE ASSEMBLY LOCATION COUNTER TO 256, WHILE THE SECOND SETS IT 256 BYTES FURTHER ON.

PAGE - PAGE ADVANCE. THE LISTING IS ADVANCED TO THE TOP OF THE NEXT PAGE, AND PRINTS THE HEADING SPECIFIED IN THE NAM DIRECTIVE. THE PAGE DIRECTIVE ITSELF IS NOT LISTED.

RMB - RESERVE MEMORY BYTES. THIS DIRECTIVE RESERVES A BLOCK OF MEMORY, WITH SIZE GIVEN BY THE OPERAND, FOR EXAMPLE

```
RMB 64
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RESERVES 64 BYTES. THE ACTION OF THE DIRECTIVE IS MERELY TO INCREASE THE LOCATION COUNTER AND THE CONTENTS OF THE MEMORY BLOCK ARE NOT CHANGED.

SPC - SPACE LINES. THIS DIRECTIVE PROVIDES THE NUMBER OF BLANK LINES IN THE LISTING AS DEFINED BY THE OPERAND. THE SPC LINE IS NOT LISTED.

APPENDIX VI

STEADY STATE BINARY COLUMN MODEL PROGRAMS

VI.1 SYSHDL

SYSHDL was written to handle the system property data for the binary column model program SSGW. A listing of the program, and a sample output of the system data for methanol/water (using the data of Appendix VII) follows.


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FORTRAN IV      V02.1-1      T      06-N      -79 00:42:20      PAGE 002
0037      READ(5,320)EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5
0038      WRITE(7,120)
0039      120  FORMAT('0 INPUT COEFFICIENTS FOR EV-EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5'/)
0040      READ(5,320)EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5
0041      WRITE(7,125)
0042      125  FORMAT('0 INPUT COEFFICIENTS FOR MW-AMW1,AMW2'/)
0043      READ(5,320)AMW1,AMW2
0044      WRITE(7,130)
0045      130  FORMAT('0 INPUT COEFFICIENTS FOR DENSITIES-RH1-RH6'/)
0046      READ(5,320)RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6
0047      WRITE(7,131)
0048      131  FORMAT('/' INPUT COEFFICIENTS FOR T=F(X),TS0-TS5'/)
0049      READ(5,320) TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
0050      WRITE(7,137)
0051      137  FORMAT('/' INPUT HEAT OF VAPOURISATION FOR REBOILER STEAM'/)
0052      READ(5,320) DHV
0053      WRITE(7,134)
0054      134  FORMAT('/'SDO YOU WISH TO USE CST REL VOL (YES/NO)? ')
0055      READ(5,300) IQRE
0056      IF(IQRE.NE.'YE') GO TO 11
0058      WRITE(7,136)
0059      136  FORMAT('/' INPUT CST REL VOL '/)
0060      READ(5,320) ALFA
0061      DO 12 J=1,41
0062      XT=DX*(J-1)
0063      EQS(J)=ALFA*XT/(1.+(ALFA-1.)*XT)
0064      12  CONTINUE
0065      GO TO 20
0066      11  CONTINUE
0067      WRITE(7,132)
0068      132  FORMAT('0INPUT EQUILIBRIUM DATA TABLE'/
1' (41 Y VALUES FOR AN X SPACING OF 0.025)'/
2' 10 POINTS TO A LINE IN 10F6.0'/)
0069      READ(5,355) (EQS(J),J=1,41)
0070      355  FORMAT(10F6.0)

C
0071      20  CONTINUE

C
C      CREATE DISK FILE?

C
0072      WRITE(7,135)
0073      135  FORMAT('/'SDO YOU WISH TO CREATE A DISK FILE FOR FUTURE USE? ')
0074      READ(5,300) IQRE
0075      IF(IQRE.NE.'YE') GO TO 30
0077      WRITE(7,140)
0078      140  FORMAT('/' ENTER DISK FILE NAME THUS AA:FILNAM.DAT '/)
0079      CALL ASSIGN(11,'AA:FILNAM.DAT',-1,'NEW')
0080      WRITE(11,330)I.BL
0081      WRITE(11,310)CP1,CP2,CP3,CP4
0082      WRITE(11,310)EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5
0083      WRITE(11,310)EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5
0084      WRITE(11,310)AMW1,AMW2
0085      WRITE(11,310)RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6
0086      WRITE(11,310) TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
0087      WRITE(11,310) DHV
0088      WRITE(11,350) (EQS(J),J=1,41)
0089      WRITE(7,145)
0090      145  FORMAT('0*** DISK FILE CREATED ***')

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0091      ENDFILE 11

      C
0092      30 CONTINUE

      C
      C      WRITE OUT SYSTEM PROPERTIES
      C

0093      WRITE(7,150)
0094      150 FORMAT(/'5DO YOU WISH TO LIST DATA ? ')
0095      READ(5,300) IQRE
0096      IF(IQRE.NE.'YE') STOP
0098      WRITE(7,152)
0099      152 FORMAT(/' ASSIGN OUTPUT FILE THUS AA:FILNAM.DAT/C'/)
0100      CALL ASSIGN(6,'AA:FILNAM.DAT/C',-1,'NEW')
0101      WRITE (6,200)
0102      WRITE(6,205)LBL
0103      205 FORMAT('0',25A2)
0104      WRITE(6,210)
0105      WRITE(6,220)
0106      WRITE(6,230)CP1,CP2,CP3,CP4
0107      WRITE(6,240)EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5
0108      WRITE(6,250)EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5
0109      WRITE(6,260)AMW1,AMW2
0110      WRITE(6,270)RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6
0111      WRITE(6,275) TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
0112      WRITE(6,277) DHV
0113      WRITE(6,280)
0114      WRITE(6,290) (EQS(J),J=1,41)
0115      200 FORMAT(///,22X,'SYSTEM PROPERTIES'/22X,17('='))
0116      210 FORMAT('0HEATCP=(CP1T+CP2)X+CP3T+CP4',17X,'KJ/MOL K'/
1'0',4X,'EL=(((EL5X+EL4)X+EL3)X+EL2)X+EL1)X+EL0 KJ/MOLE'/
2'0',4X,'EV=(((EV5Y+EV4)Y+EV3)Y+EV2)Y+EV1)Y+EV0 KJ/MOLE'/
3'0',4X,'MW=AMW1X+AMW2',27X,'MOLECULAR WEIGHT'/
4'0',3X,'RHO=RH1+RH2T+(RH3+PH4T)X',17X,'GM/CC(SUBCOOLED)'/
5'0',3X,'RHO=RH5+RH6X',29X,'GM/CC(SATURATED)'/
6'0',5X,'T=(((TS5X+TS4)X+TS3)X+TS2)X+TS1)X+TS0 OC'/
7'0'3X,'DHV=CONSTANT',29X,'KJ/KG')
0117      220 FORMAT('0',3(2X,'VARIABLE',5X,'VALUE',4X))
0118      230 FORMAT('0',4X,'CP1',5X,E12.5,4X,'CP2',5X,E12.5,4X,'CP3',5X,E12.5
15X,'CP4',5X,E12.5)
0119      240 FORMAT('0',4X,'EL0',5X,E12.5,4X,'EL1',5X,E12.5,4X,'EL2',5X,E12.5
15X,'EL3',5X,E12.5,4X,'EL4',5X,E12.5,4X,'EL5',5X,E12.5)
0120      250 FORMAT('0',4X,'EV0',5X,E12.5,4X,'EV1',5X,E12.5,4X,'EV2',5X,E12.5
15X,'EV3',5X,E12.5,4X,'EV4',5X,E12.5,4X,'EV5',5X,E12.5)
0121      260 FORMAT('0',4X,'AMW1',4X,E12.5,4X,'AMW2',4X,E12.5)
0122      270 FORMAT('0',4X,'RH1',5X,E12.6,4X,'RH2',5X,E12.5,4X,'RH3',5X,E12.5
15X,'RH4',5X,E12.5,4X,'RH5',5X,E12.5,4X,'RH6',5X,E12.5)
0123      275 FORMAT('0',4X,'TS0',5X,E12.5,4X,'TS1',5X,E12.5,4X,'TS2',5X,E12.5
11X,4X,'TS3',5X,E12.5,4X,'TS4',5X,E12.5,4X,'TS5',5X,E12.5)
0124      277 FORMAT('0',4X,'DHV',5X,E12.5)
0125      280 FORMAT('0EQUILIBRIUM Y VALUES FOR A SPACING OF 0.025 IN X ')
0126      290 FORMAT(3X,F6.4,5F10.4)

      C
      C      COMPLETE
      C

0127      CALL EXIT
0128      END

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SYSTEM PROPERTIES

METHANOL/WATER BINARY SYSTEM DATA

$HEATCP = (CP1T + CP2)X + CP3T + CP4$ KJ/MOL K
 $EL = (((EL5X + EL4)X + EL3)X + EL2)X + EL1)X + EL0$ KJ/MOLE
 $EV = (((EV5Y + EV4)Y + EV3)Y + EV2)Y + EV1)Y + EV0$ KJ/MOLE
 $MW = AMW1X + AMW2$ MOLECULAR WEIGHT
 $RHO = RH1 + RH2T + (RH3 + RH4T)X$ GM/CC (SUBCOOLED)
 $RHO = RH5 + RH6X$ GM/CC (SATURATED)
 $T = (((TS5X + TS4)X + TS3)X + TS2)X + TS1)X + TS0$ OC
 $DHV = CONSTANT$ KJ/KG

VARIABLE	VALUE	VARIABLE	VALUE	VARIABLE	VALUE
CP1	0.67000E-07	CP2	0.12600E-01	CP3	0.13400E-04
CP4	0.74670E-01				
EL0	0.75240E+01	EL1	-0.13630E+02	EL2	0.33930E+02
EL3	-0.38970E+02	EL4	0.16470E+02	EL5	0.00000E+00
EV0	0.48210E+02	EV1	-0.90840E+01	EV2	0.14900E+01
EV3	0.00000E+00	EV4	0.00000E+00	EV5	0.00000E+00
AMW1	0.14024E+02	AMW2	0.18016E+02		
RH1	0.100650E+01	RH2	-0.36162E-03	RH3	-0.19574E+00
RH4	-0.60352E-03	RH5	0.97000E+00	RH6	-0.22230E+00
TS0	0.99930E+02	TS1	-0.16270E+03	TS2	0.50190E+03
TS3	-0.87420E+03	TS4	0.73980E+03	TS5	-0.24000E+03
DHV	0.22500E+04				

EQUILIBRIUM Y VALUES FOR A SPACING OF 0.025 IN X

0.0000	0.1550	0.2670	0.3450	0.4180	0.4700
0.5170	0.5480	0.5790	0.6060	0.6270	0.6470
0.6650	0.6820	0.6970	0.7120	0.7290	0.7380
0.7500	0.7640	0.7790	0.7880	0.8000	0.8130
0.8250	0.8310	0.8460	0.8580	0.8700	0.8820
0.8930	0.9040	0.9150	0.9260	0.9360	0.9470
0.9580	0.9670	0.9790	0.9900	1.0000	

VI.2 SSGW

The model equations described in Chapter 6 were programmed and solved in an interactive program SSGW. A listing of this program and a sample output from the program follows.

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C
C
C
C
C
C
C
C
C
C
C

* SSGW *

A BINARY STEADY STATE DISTILLATION COLUMN PROGRAM

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0001 COMMON/DRMST /RMSTL,RMSTD
0002 COMMON/ELVDRV/EL(20),EV(20),OLEQT(20),DHOT(20),ELF,SUBCAL
0003 COMMON/EQDATA /EQ(41),EQS(41),EMV(5),OX
0004 COMMON/FLAG /RFLAG,IFLAG
0005 COMMON/FLOCOM/L(20),V(20),X(20),Y(20),F,D,W,XF
0006 COMMON/MLBL /LABEL(20),MSSG(8)
0007 COMMON/IDATA /TT,TB,TF,TR,FV,OV,RV,WV,QV1,QV2,PSI,R
0008 COMMON/RBRNCH/IOK,IYES,INO,IHT,LP(14)
0009 COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEQN
0010 COMMON/REBOIL/QS1,QS2
0011 COMMON/SPRTN /TNSM,RM
0012 COMMON/SYSPRP/CP1,CP2,CP3,CP4,EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5,
1 EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5,AMW1,AMW2,
2 RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6,DHV
0013 COMMON/TCOEFF/ TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
0014 COMMON/TRIDM / A(20),B(20),C(20),RHS(20)
0015 LOGICAL SUBCAL
0016 LOGICAL RFLAG,IFLAG
0017 REAL L
0018 DATA IOK,IYES,INO,IHT/'OK','YE','NO','HT'/
0019 CALL ASSIGN(6,'TT:')            IOUTPUT FILE

C
0020 TYPE 500
0021 500 FORMAT(/'1',33X,'SSGW'/34X,4(' ')/
1/,14X,' A STEADY-STATE BINARY DISTILLATION PROGRAM'/
2 15X,42(' '))

C
C CALL RDR FOR SYSTEM PROPERTIES
C
0022 CALL RDR
C
0023 20 CONTINUE
C
C USER OPTIONS
C
0024 CALL READR1
C
C COMPUTE COLUMN VARIABLES
C
0025 CALL SSDRIV
C
0026 GO TO 20
C
0027 END
    
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0001           SUBROUTINE ROR
           C
           C   PURPOSE: TO INPUT SYSTEM PROPERTY DATA FROM DISK FILE
           C
           C   GRANT WILSON
           C   NOVEMBER 1976
           C
0002           COMMON/EQDATA/EQ(41),EQS(41),EMV(5),DX
0003           COMMON/SYSPRP/CP1,CP2,CP3,CP4,EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5,
           1     EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5,AMW1,AMW2,
           2     RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6,DHV
0004           COMMON/TCOEFF/TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
           C
0005           TYPE 100
0006           100 FORMAT(/72('-')/' ENTER SYSTEM PROPERTIES DISK FILENAME'/)
0007           CALL ASSIGN(10,'AA:FILNAM.DAT',-1,'ROO')
0008           READ(10,310)
0009           READ(10,310)CP1,CP2,CP3,CP4
0010           READ(10,310)EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5
0011           READ(10,310)EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5
0012           READ(10,310)AMW1,AMW2
0013           READ(10,310)RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6
0014           READ(10,310)TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
0015           READ(10,310)DHV
0016           READ(10,350) (EQS(J),J=1,41)
0017           CALL CLOSE(10)
0018           DX=0.025
0019           310 FORMAT(6E12.5)
0020           350 FORMAT(9F7.4)
           C
           C   COMPLETED
           C
           C
0021           TYPE 390
0022           390 FORMAT(/' SYSTEM DATA LOADED ')
0023           RETURN
0024           END

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0001      SUBROUTINE READR1

      C
      C      PURPOSE: TO INPUT INTERACTIVELY DATA FOR STEADY STATE SOLUTION
      C
      C      FOR USE BY INTERACTIVE TERMINAL
      C
      C      GRANT WILSON
      C      NOVEMBER 1975
      C
      C      PART OF COLSYM PACKAGE
      C
0002      COMMON/DRMST/RMSTL,RMSTD
0003      COMMON/EQDATA/EQ(41),EGS(41),EMV(5),DX
0004      COMMON/FLOCOM/L(20),V(20),X(20),Y(20),F,D,W,XF
0005      COMMON/IDATA/TT,TB,TF,TR,FV,DV,RV,WV,QV1,QV2,PSI,R
0006      COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEQN
0007      COMMON/REBOIL/QS1,QS2
0008      COMMON/RBRNCH/ IOK,IYES,INO,IHT,LP(14)
0009      COMMON/SYSPRP/CP1,CP2,CP3,CP4,EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5,
      1 EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5,AMW1,AMW2,
      2 RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6,DHV
0010      REAL L

      C
0011      TYPE 94
0012      94 FORMAT(/,1X,72('-'))

      C
0013      10 CONTINUE

      C
      C      ACCEPT INPUT FROM TERMINAL
      C
0014      TYPE 350
0015      350 FORMAT(/'S NEXT COMMAND ? ')
0016      READ(5,104) IQR
0017      104 FORMAT(A2)
0018      IF(IQR.EQ.'AL') GO TO 51
0020      IF(IQR.EQ.'PL') GO TO 51
0022      IF(IQR.EQ.'TE') GO TO 52
0024      IF(IQR.EQ.'FL') GO TO 53
0026      IF(IQR.EQ.'XF') GO TO 54
0028      IF(IQR.EQ.'RF') GO TO 55
0030      IF(IQR.EQ.'CL') GO TO 56
0032      IF(IQR.EQ.'RL') GO TO 57
0034      IF(IQR.EQ.'VE') GO TO 58
0036      IF(IQR.EQ.'LI') GO TO 59
0038      IF(IQR.EQ.'HL') GO TO 50
0040      IF(IQR.EQ.'OF') GO TO 61
0042      IF(IQR.EQ.'EX') CALL EXIT
0044      IF(IQR.EQ.'LP') GO TO 66      !LIST ON PRINTER
0046      IF(IQR.EQ.'LO') GO TO 1
0048      IF(IQR.EQ.'SA') GO TO 60
0050      IF(IQR.EQ.'RU') GO TO 70

      C
0052      50 TYPE 370
0053      370 FORMAT(/' OPTIONS ALLOWED ARE: '/
      1' AL - ENTER ALL DATA          PL - ENTER PLATE DATA'/
      2' TE - ENTER COLUMN TEMPS       FL - ENTER COLUMN FLOWS'/
      3' XF - ENTER FEED COMPOSITION   RF - REFLUX RATIO'/

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4* CL = CONVERGENCE LIMIT      RL = REBOILER LOAD*/
5* VE = VAPOUR EFFICIENCY      LI = LIST ON SCREEN*/
6* OF = ASSIGN OUTPUT FILE      EX = EXIT PROGRAM*/
7* LP = LIST ON OUTPUT FILE      HL = THIS LISTING*/
8* LOAD = LOAD DATA FROM DISK*/
9* SAVE = SAVE DATA ON DISK*/
* RUN = RUN PROGRAM*/
0054      GO TO 10

C
0055      1 CONTINUE
0056      TYPE 415
0057      415 FORMAT(/' INPUT DISK FILE NAME'/)
0058      CALL ASSIGN(1,'AA:FILNAM,EXT',-1,'RDO')
0059      READ(1,100) NP
0060      READ(1,100) NF
0061      READ(1,120)TF,TR,TT,TB
0062      READ(1,120)FV,DV,WV
0063      READ(1,120)XF
0064      READ(1,120)R,PSI
0065      READ(1,120)RMSTL
0066      READ(1,120)QV1,QV2
0067      READ(1,120)(EMV(J),J=1,5)
0068      CALL CLOSE(1)
0069      120 FORMAT(6E13.6)
0070      NP2=NP+2
0071      NF2=NF+2
0072      NP1=NP+1
0073      NFP=NF+1
0074      ICOND=1
0075      NEQN=NP2
0076      TYPE 122
0077      122 FORMAT(' COLUMN DATA LOADED ')
0078      GO TO 10

C
0079      51 TYPE 300
0080      300 FORMAT(/' $ENTER NUMBER OF COLUMN PLATES = ')
0081      READ(5,100) NP
0082      100 FORMAT(2I5)
0083      TYPE 302
0084      302 FORMAT(/' $ENTER FEED PLATE NUMBER = ')
0085      READ(5,100) NF
0086      ICOND=1
0087      NP2=NP+2
0088      NP1=NP+1
0089      NFP=NF+1
0090      NF2=NF+2
0091      NEQN=NP2
0092      IF(IQR.NE.'AL') GO TO 10

C
0094      52 TYPE 304
0095      304 FORMAT(/' INPUT FEED,REFLUX,EST. TOPS,EST. BOTTOMS'/
1'S TEMPERATURES IN OC = ')
0096      READ(5,110) TF,TR,TT,TB
0097      110 FORMAT(6F10.0)
0098      IF(IQR.NE.'AL') GO TO 10

C
0100      53 TYPE 306
0101      306 FORMAT(/' INPUT FEED RATE,AND EST.DISTILLATE AND BOTTOMS'/

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1'SRATES IN L/TIME = ')
0102 READ(5,110) FV,DV,WV
0103 IF(IQR.NE.'AL') GO TO 10
C
0105 54 TYPE 307
0106 307 FORMAT(/'INPUT FEED COMPOSITION,CONDITION = ')
0107 READ(5,110) XF
0108 IF(IQR.NE.'AL') GO TO 10
C
0110 55 TYPE 308
0111 308 FORMAT(/'INPUT REFLUX RATIO = ')
0112 READ(5,110) R,PSI
0113 IF(IQR.NE.'AL') GO TO 10
C
0115 56 TYPE 312
0116 312 FORMAT(/'INPUT CONVERGENCE LIMIT RMSTL = ')
0117 READ(5,110) RMSTL
0118 IF(IQR.NE.'AL') GO TO 10
C
0120 57 TYPE 314
0121 314 FORMAT(/' INPUT REBOILER COEFFICIENTS,QS=GV1+QV2*T'/
1'SQS IN KJ/TIME = ')
0122 READ(5,110) QV1,QV2
0123 IF(IQR.NE.'AL') GO TO 10
C
0125 58 TYPE 318
0126 318 FORMAT(/' INPUT COEFFICIENTS EMV(I),I=1,5 FOR FOURTH'/
1'SORDER POLYNOMIAL IN EMV = ')
0127 READ(5,110) (EMV(J),J=1,5)
0128 IF(IQR.NE.'AL') GO TO 10
0130 GO TO 20
C
0131 61 TYPE 319
0132 319 FORMAT(/' REASSIGN OUTPUT FILE'/)
0133 REWIND 6
0134 CALL CLOSE(6)
0135 CALL ASSIGN(6,'AA:FILNAM.EXT/C',-1,'NEW')
0136 IF(IQR.NE.'AL') GO TO 10
C
C      OUTPUT ALL DATA RECEIVED
C
0138 20 CONTINUE
0139 59 WRITE(7,200)
0140 200 FORMAT('1INPUT DATA FOR COLUMN (CONDENSER TYPE =TOTAL)')
0141 WRITE(7,210)NP,NF
0142 210 FORMAT(/' NUMBER OF PLATES ',I3/' FEED PLATE NUMBER ',I3)
0143 WRITE(7,220)FV,XF,R,TF,TR
0144 220 FORMAT(/' STEADY STATE DATA:/' FEED RATE ',F11.5/
1' FEED COMP. ',F11.5/
2' REFLUX RATIO ',F11.5/' FEED TEMPERATURE',F11.5/
3' REFLUX TEMP ',F11.5)
0145 WRITE(7,230)DV,WV,TT,TB
0146 230 FORMAT(/' STEADY STATE GUESSES:/' DISTILLATE RATE ',F11.5/
1' BOTTOMS RATE ',F11.5/' TOP TEMPERATURE ',F11.5/
2' BOT TEMPERATURE ',F11.5)
0147 WRITE(7,240)QV1,QV2
0148 240 FORMAT(/' REBOILER DUTY:QS=',F10.4,' +T(NP2)* ',F8.4)
0149 WRITE(7,280) (EMV(J),J=1,5)

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0150      280  FORMAT(/' MURPHREE TRAY EFFICIENCY COEFFICIENTS: '/
          11X,SE10.3)
0151      GO TO 10
          C
          C      NEW INPUT FILE TO BE CREATED
          C
0152      60  TYPE 430
0153      430  FORMAT(/' INPUT NEW FILE NAME' /)
0154      CALL ASSIGN(1,'AA:FILNAM.EXT',-1,'NEW')
0155      WRITE(1,100) NP
0156      WRITE(1,100) NF
0157      WRITE(1,120) TF,TR,TT,TB
0158      WRITE(1,120) FV,DV,WV
0159      WRITE(1,120) XF
0160      WRITE(1,120) R,PSI
0161      WRITE(1,120) RMSTL
0162      WRITE(1,120) QV1,QV2
0163      WRITE(1,120) (EMV(J),J=1,5)
0164      CALL CLOSE(1)
0165      TYPE 124
0166      124  FORMAT(' NEW FILE CREATED' )
0167      GO TO 10
          C
          C      RUN STEADY STATE SOLVER
          C
          C
          C      CONVERT VOLUME, MASS FLOWS TO MOLAR FLOWS
          C
0168      70  RHO=RH1+RH2*TF+(RH3+RH4*TF)*XF
0169      F=FV/(AMW1*XF+AMW2)*1000.0*RHO
0170      RHO=RH1+RH2*TR+(RH3+RH4*TR)*1.0
0171      D=DV/(AMW1*1.0+AMW2)*1000.0*RHO
0172      RHO=RH5+RH6*0.0
0173      W=WV/(AMW1*0.0+AMW2)*1000.0*RHO
0174      QS1=QV1*DHV
0175      QS2=QV2*DHV
0176      DO 72 J=1,41
0177      72  EQ(J)=EQS(J)
          C
0178      RETURN
          C
          C      LIST OUTPUT ON PRINTER
          C
0179      66  CONTINUE
0180      WRITE(6,200)
0181      WRITE(6,210) NP,NF
0182      QS=0.0
0183      WRITE(6,220) FV,XF,R,TF,TR
0184      WRITE(6,230) DV,WV,TT,TB
0185      WRITE(6,240) QV1,QV2
0186      WRITE(6,280) (EMV(J),J=1,5)
0187      REWIND 6
0188      GO TO 10
0189      END

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FORTRAN IV      V02.1-1      T      06-N      -79 02:10:35      PAGE 001
0001      FUNCTION HEATCP(COMP,T)
          C
          C      PURPOSE: TO PROVIDE LIQUID HEAT CAPACITY GIVEN COMP,T
          C
          C      GRANT WILSON
          C      APRIL 1976
          C
          C      HEAT CAPACITIES CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:
          C      HEATCP=MOLE FRACTION AVERAGE OF PURE
          C      LIQUID CP'S WHICH ARE LINEAR
          C      FUNCTIONS OF TEMPERATURE. (KJ/MOLE K)
          C
0002      COMMON/SYSRP/CP1,CP2,CP3,CP4,EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5,
          1EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5,AMW1,AMW2,
          2RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6,DHV
          C
0003      HEATCP=(CP1*T+CP2)*COMP+CP3*T+CP4
          C
0004      RETURN
0005      END
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0001      SUBROUTINE NTHLPY

      C
      C      PURPOSE: TO CALCULATE LIQUID AND VAPOUR ENTHALPIES.
      C
      C      GRANT WILSON
      C      APRIL 1976
      C
      C      ENTHALPY=FIFTH ORDER POLYNOMIAL IN COMPOSITION
      C
0002      COMMON/ELVDRV/EL(20),EV(20),OLEDT(20),DHOT(20),ELF,SUBCAL
0003      COMMON/FLOCOM/L(20),V(20),X(20),Y(20),F,D,W,XF
0004      COMMON/IDATA/TT,TB,TF,TR,FV,DV,RV,WY,QV1,QV2,PSI,R
0005      COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEON
0006      COMMON/SYSPRP/CP1,CP2,CP3,CP4,EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5,
      1EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5,AMW1,AMW2,
      2RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6,DHV
0007      COMMON/TCOEFF/TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
0008      LOGICAL SUBCAL
0009      REAL L

      C
0010      DO 1 J=1,NP2
0011      EL(J)=((((EL5*X(J)+EL4)*X(J)+EL3)*X(J)+EL2)*X(J)+EL1)*X(J)+EL0
0012      EV(J)=((((EV5*Y(J)+EV4)*Y(J)+EV3)*Y(J)+EV2)*Y(J)+EV1)*Y(J)+EV0
0013      1 CONTINUE

      C
      C      CHECK FOR SUBCOOLING ON FEED AND REFLUX
      C
0014      TBR=(((TS5*X(1)+TS4)*X(1)+TS3)*X(1)+TS2)*X(1)+TS1)*X(1)+TS0
0015      IF(TBR.LE.TR)GO TO 10
0017      EL(1)=EL(1)-HEATCP(X(1),(TBR+TR)/2.)*(TBR-TR)
0018      10 CONTINUE

      C
0019      ELF=((((EL5*XF+EL4)*XF+EL3)*XF+EL2)*XF+EL1)*XF+EL0
0020      TBF=(((TS5*XF+TS4)*XF+TS3)*XF+TS2)*XF+TS1)*XF+TS0
0021      IF(TBF.LE.TF)GO TO 40
0023      ELF=ELF-HEATCP(XF,(TBF+TF)/2.)*(TBF-TF)
0024      40 CONTINUE

      C
0025      RETURN
0026      END

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0001      FUNCTION EQU LIB(X,I)
          C
          C      PURPOSE TO PROVIDE EQUILIBRIUM DATA FOR PROGRAM
          C      USING LINEAR INTERPOLATION IN THE EQ TABLE AND
          C      INCORPORATING MURPHREE STAGE EFFICIENCIES(VAPOUR)
          C
          C      DX=SPACING OF X VALUES CORRESPONDING TO EQ TABLE
          C
          C      EQUILIBRIUM DATA ADJUSTED FOR NON-IDEAL STAGES BY
          C      TRANSFORMING THE EQ TABLE THUS
          C       $Y^* = X + EMV(Y-X)$ 
          C      WHERE EMV IS A 4TH ORDER POLYNOMIAL IN X
          C
          C      IF I=0 RETURN Y/X GIVEN X
          C      IF I=1 RETURN Y/X GIVEN Y
          C      IF I=2 RETURN X GIVEN Y
          C      IF I=3 RETURN Y GIVEN X
          C
          C      GRANT WILSON
          C      DECEMBER 1975
0002      COMMON/EQDATA/EQ(41),EQS(41),EMV(5),DX
          C
0003      IF(I.EQ.1,OR.I.EQ.2) GO TO 999
          C
          C      FIND POSITION IN THE EQ TABLE
          C
0005      J=X/DX+1,
0006      IF(J.GT.40) J=40
0008      JP1=J+1
          C
          C      USE LINEAR INTERPOLATION BETWEEN J AND JP1
          C
0009      EQU LIB=(X-DX*(J-1))*(EQ(JP1)-EQ(J))/DX+EQ(J)
0010      IF(I.EQ.0) EQU LIB=EQU LIB/X
0012      RETURN
          C
0013      999 CONTINUE
          C
          C      FIND THE X VALUE
          C
0014      DO 10 J=2,41
0015      IF(X.LT.EQ(J)) GO TO 16
0017      10 CONTINUE
          C
          C      VALUE LIES BETWEEN J-1,J
          C      IE DX(J-2),DX(J-1)
          C      USE LINEAR INTERPOLATION
          C
0018      16 X1=(J-2)*DX
0019      EQU LIB=(X-EQ(J-1))*DX/(EQ(J)-EQ(J-1))+X1
0020      IF(I.EQ.1) EQU LIB=X/EQU LIB
          C
0022      RETURN
0023      END

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0001      SUBROUTINE SSSDRIV
          C
          C      TO CONTROL THE SOLUTION OF THE STEADY STATE COLUMN.
          C
          C      GRANT WILSON
          C      AUGUST 1975
          C
          C      SUBROUTINES REQUIRED: "FLOWS", "TRID", "THOMAS", "RMST"
          C      "INITL", "EQULIB", "HEATCP"
          C
0002      COMMON/DRMST/RMSTL,RMSTD
0003      COMMON/ELVDRV/EL(20),EV(20),DLEDT(20),DHDOT(20),ELF,SUBCAL
0004      COMMON/FLAG/RFLAG,IFLAG
0005      COMMON/FLOCOM/L(20),V(20),X(20),Y(20),F,D,W,XF
0006      COMMON/IDATA/TT,TB,TF,TK,FV,OV,RV,WV,QV1,QV2,PSI,R
0007      COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEQN
0008      COMMON/REBOIL/QS1,QS2
0009      COMMON/SPRTN/TNSM,RM
0010      COMMON/SYSPRP/CP1,CP2,CP3,CP4,EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5,
          1 EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5,AMW1,AMW2,
          2 RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6,DHV
0011      COMMON/TCOEFF/TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
0012      COMMON/TRIDM/A(20),B(20),C(20),RHS(20)
0013      REAL L
0014      LOGICAL RFLAG,IFLAG
0015      RFLAG=.FALSE.
0016      IFLAG=.FALSE.
          C
          C      SET UP INITIAL FLOWS AND COMPOSITIONS THEN
          C      CHECK FOR PROGRAM FAILURE IN "INITL"
          C
0017      CALL INITL
0018      IF(.NOT.IFLAG)GO TO 1
          C
          C      FAILURE IN "INITL" SUBROUTINE
          C
0020      WRITE(6,100)
0021      100 FORMAT(/' ',27('='))/' FAILURE IN SUBROUTINE INITL/' ' ',27('='))
0022      WRITE(6,110)
0023      110 FORMAT(/' INITIAL CONDITIONS WERE: TRAY COMPOSITION')
0024      WRITE(6,120)(J,X(J),J=1,NP2)
0025      120 FORMAT(26X,13,3X,F7.4)
0026      STOP '? FAILURE IN INITIAL ?'
          C
0027      1 CONTINUE
          C
          C      ITERATE ON THE STEADY STATE SOLUTION
          C
0028      DO 2 K=1,800
0029      IF(K/50*.EQ.K)CALL CHKSPR
0031      CALL TRID
0032      CALL THOMAS
0033      CALL RMST
0034      CALL FLOWS
          C      SENSE SWITCH 1 LISTS CONVERGENCE CRITERIA ON CONSOLE
0035      IF(ISSW1(MM).LT.1) TYPE 230,K,RMSTD,RMSTL

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0037 230 FORMAT(' ITERATION=',I3,' RMSTD (RMSTL) = ',G12.4,' ( ',G12.4,' )')
      C      SENSE SWITCH 2 LISTS XU,XW,D,W ON CURRENT ITERATION
0038 IF(ISSW2(MM).LT.1) TYPE 232,K,X(1),X(NP2),V(1),L(NP2)
0040 232 FORMAT(' ITERATION=',I3,' XU,XW,D,W = ',4G12.4)
      C      CONSOLE INTERRUPT FOR PROGRAM ABORT ?
0041 CALL BRKPT(M)
0042 IF(M.EQ.1) RFLAG=.TRUE.      !ABORT ON CTRL/A FROM TERMINAL
      C
      C      IF RFLAG IS SET SOLUTION HAS CONVERGED.
      C
0044 IF(RFLAG)GO TO 3
0046 2 CONTINUE
      C
      C      HAS NOT CONVERGED INSIDE 800 ITERATIONS.
      C
0047 WRITE(6,150)
0048 150 FORMAT('/' '33(' '=' )/' EXCEEDED 800 ITERATIONS IN SDRIV/' '33('
      1))
0049 WRITE(6,190)
0050 190 FORMAT('/' LAST RESULT',12X,'3 TRAY COMPOSITION')
0051 WRITE(6,120) (J,X(J),J=1,NP2)
0052 WRITE(7,160) K,RMSTD,RMSTL
0053 RETURN
      C
0054 3 CONTINUE
0055 CALL RCTRL0
      C
      C
      C      STEADY STATE SOLUTION FOUND
      C
      C      COMPUTE NECESSARY PARAMETERS
      C
0056 DO 10 J=1,NP2
0057 10 Y(J)=EQUILIB(X(J),3)
      C
0058 QC=V(2)*(EV(2)-EL(1))
0059 Z=X(NP2)
0060 TC=(((TS5*Z+TS4)*Z+TS3)*Z+TS2)*Z+TS1)*Z+TS0
0061 QS=QS1+QS2*TC
0062 CALL RMNM
      C
      C
      C      CALCULATE VOLUME FLOWS
      C
0063 RHO=RH1+RH2*TR+(RH3+RH4*TR)*X(1)
0064 AMW=AMW1*X(1)+AMW2
0065 DV=D*AMW/1000.0/RHO
0066 RV=L(1)*AMW/1000.0/RHO
0067 RHO=RH5+RH6*X(NP2)
0068 WV=W*(AMW1*X(NP2)+AMW2)/1000.0/RHO
0069 BALV=FV-DV-WV
0070 BAL=F-D-W
      C
      C
      C      CALCULATE END TEMPERATURES
      C
0071 Z=X(1)
0072 TT=(((TS5*Z+TS4)*Z+TS3)*Z+TS2)*Z+TS1)*Z+TS0
0073 Z=X(NP2)
0074 TB=(((TS5*Z+TS4)*Z+TS3)*Z+TS2)*Z+TS1)*Z+TS0

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C
C   CALCULATE INTERNAL REFLUX RATIO
C
0075     Z=X(1)
0076     TRSATD=(((TS5*Z+TS4)*Z+TS3)*Z+TS2)*Z+TS1)*Z+TS0
0077     CP=HEATCP(Z,(TR+TRSATD)/2.)
0078     HVD=(((EV5*Z+EV4)*Z+EV3)*Z+EV2)*Z+EV1)*Z+EV0
0079     HLD=(((EL5*Z+EL4)*Z+EL3)*Z+EL2)*Z+EL1)*Z+EL0
0080     RINT=R*(1.+CP*(TRSATD-TR)/(HVD-HLD))

C
C   SELECT OUTPUT FORMAT USING CONSOLE SWITCH 1
C   ON = SHORT LISTING , OFF = LONG LISTING
C
0081     IF(ISSW0(MM).LT.1) GO TO 900
0083     WRITE(6,1000) F,QS,TF,TR,XF,X(1),X(NP2),V(1),L(1),V(2)
0084     WRITE(6,1010) W,L(NP1),V(NP2),R,RINT
0085     1000 FORMAT(/' F =',E13.6,2X,' QS=',E13.6,2X,' TF=',E13.6,2X,
1' TR=',E13.6/
2' XF=',E13.6,2X,' XD=',E13.6,2X,' XW=',E13.6,2X/
3' D =',E13.6,2X,' LR=',E13.6,2X,' VR=',E13.6,2X)
0086     1010 FORMAT(' W =',E13.6,2X,' LS=',E13.6,2X,' VS=',E13.6,2X/
1' RE=',E13.6,2X,' RI=',E13.6,2X)
0087     REWIND 6
0088     RETURN

C
C   WRITE OUT RESULTS
C
0089     900 WRITE(6,130)
0090     130 FORMAT(/' STEADY STATE SOLUTION')
0091     WRITE(6,170)
0092     170 FORMAT(/' TRAY',4X,' LIQUID',8X,' VAPOUR',8X,' LIQUID',8X,
1' VAPOUR',9X,' COMP.',9X,' COMP.',9X,' RATE',10X,' RATE')
0093     WRITE(6,140) (J=1,X(J),Y(J),L(J),V(J),J=1,NP2)
0094     140 FORMAT(2X,I2,2X,E13.6,1X,E13.6,1X,E13.6,1X,E13.6)

C
0095     WRITE(6,160) K,RMSTD,RMSTL
0096     160 FORMAT(/' AFTER ',I3,' ITERATIONS,RMSTD= ',G11.3,' (WITH RMSTL= '
1G11.3,')')
0097     WRITE(6,180) QS,QC
0098     180 FORMAT(/' ENERGY TRANSFER,KJ/TIME:',
1' REBOILER DUTY ',E13.6/
226X,' CONDENSER DUTY ',E13.6)

C
0099     WRITE(6,200) TNSM,RM,PSI
0100     200 FORMAT(' MINIMUM NUMBER OF STAGES ',F6.3,
1' MINIMUM REFLUX RATIO ',F6.3/
2' FEED FRAC VAPOURISED ',F6.3)
0101     WRITE(6,210) FV,DV,RV,WV,BAL,BALV
0102     210 FORMAT(/' VOLUMETRIC FLOWS,L/TIME:',
1' FEED',7X,F6.2/28X,' DISTILLATE ',F6.2/
228X,' REFLUX',5X,F6.2/28X,' BOTTOMS',4X,F6.2/
3' MOLAR BALANCE DISCREPANCY',F8.4/
4' VOLUME BALANCE DIFFERENCE',F8.4)
0103     WRITE(6,215) TT,TB
0104     215 FORMAT(/' COLUMN END TEMPERATURES:',
1' TOPS ',F6.2,' BOTTOMS ',F6.2)
0105     WRITE(6,217) R,RINT
0106     217 FORMAT(/' REFLUX RATIOS: EXTERNAL = ',F6.3,

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1* INTERNAL = ('F6.3)  
0107          REWIND 6  
0108          RETURN  
0109          END
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0001      SUBROUTINE INITL

      C
      C      PURPOSE: TO INITIALISE COMPOSITIONS AND FLOWS FOR
      C      C      THE STEADY STATE SOLUTION
      C
      C      GRANT WILSON
      C      AUGUST 1975
      C

0002      COMMON/EQDATA/EQ(41),EGS(41),EMV(5),DX
0003      COMMON/FLAG/RFLAG,IFLAG
0004      COMMON/FLOCOM/L(20),V(20),X(20),Y(20),F,D,W,XF
0005      COMMON/IDATA/TT,TB,TF,TR,FV,DV,RV,WV,GV1,GV2,PSI,R
0006      COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEGN
0007      COMMON/TCOEFF/TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
0008      REAL L
0009      REAL LR,LS
0010      LOGICAL RFLAG,IFLAG

      C
      C      CHECK INITIAL TEMP GUESSES WHERE VALID FOR TT,TB
      C

0011      TOP=TS5+TS4+TS3+TS2+TS1+TS0
0012      BOT=TS0
0013      DT=BOT-TOP
0014      TOP=TOP+0.05*DT
0015      BOT=BOT-0.05*DT
0016      IF(TT.LT.TOP) TT=TOP
0018      IF(TB.GT.BOT) TB=BOT
0020      IF(TB.GT.TT) GO TO 10
0022      TT=TOP
0023      TB=BOT
0024      10 CONTINUE

      C
      C      SET UP LINEAR TEMPERATURE PROFILES
      C

0025      DO 1 J=1,NP2
0026      TI=TT+(J-1)*(TB-TT)/NP1

      C
      C      COMMENCE WEGSTEIN SEARCH FOR X(J), MAX OF 50 ITERATIONS
      C

0027      X0=1.-1./NP1*(J-1)
0028      X1=(TI-TS0-(((TS5*X0+TS4)*X0+TS3)*X0+TS2)*X0*X0)/TS1
0029      Y0=X1
0030      IJ=0
0031      30 CONTINUE
0032      Y1=(TI-TS0-(((TS5*X1+TS4)*X1+TS3)*X1+TS2)*X1*X1)/TS1
0033      DENOM=X1-X0+Y0-Y1
0034      IF(DENOM.EQ.0.0) GO TO 2
0036      X2=(X1*Y0-X0*Y1)/DENOM
0037      IF(ABS(X2-X1).LT.0.0001) GO TO 20
0039      X0=X1
0040      Y0=Y1
0041      X1=X2
0042      IJ=IJ+1
0043      IF(IJ.GT.50) GO TO 2
0045      GO TO 30
0046      20 CONTINUE
0047      X(J)=X2

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0048      GO TO 1
0049      2 CONTINUE

      C
      C      FAILURE IN INITIALISATION ROUTINE
      C

0050      IFLAG=.TRUE.
0051      1 CONTINUE

      C
      C      INITIALISE FLOWS BASED ON CONSTANT MOLAL OVERFLOW
      C
      C      CHECK FOR VALID D,W GUESSES
0052      IF(D+W.EQ.F) GO TO 16
0054      IF(D.EQ.0.0.OR.W.EQ.0.0) GO TO 14
0056      D=D*F/(D+W)      ISCALE SO D+W = F
0057      W=W*F/(D+W)
0058      GO TO 16
0059      14 D=F*(XF-X(NP2))/(X(1)-X(NP2))
0060      W=F-D
0061      W=D
0062      16 CONTINUE
0063      VR=(R+1.)*D
0064      LR=R*D
0065      VS=VR-PSI*F
0066      LS=LR+(1.-PSI)*F
0067      W=F-D
0068      DO 5 J=1,NP2
0069      IF(J.EQ.NFP)GO TO 6
0071      IF(J.GT.NFP)GO TO 7
0073      L(J)=LR
0074      V(J)=VR
0075      GO TO 5
0076      6 L(J)=LS
0077      V(J)=VR
0078      GO TO 5
0079      7 L(J)=LS
0080      V(J)=VS
0081      5 CONTINUE
0082      L(NP2)=0.0
0083      V(1)=0.0

      C

0084      RETURN
0085      END

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FORTRAN IV      V02.1-1   T   06-N   -79 02:34:23      PAGE 001
0001      SUBROUTINE TRID
          C
          C      SUBROUTINE TO SET UP THE TRIDIAGONAL MATRIX FOR THE
          C      STEADY STATE SOLUTION
          C
          C      GRANT WILSON
          C      AUGUST 1975
          C
0002      COMMON/EQDATA/EQ(41),EQS(41),EMV(5),DX
0003      COMMON/FLOCOM/L(20),V(20),X(20),Y(20),F,D,W,XF
0004      COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEQN
0005      COMMON/TRIDM/A(20),B(20),C(20),RHS(20)
0006      REAL L
          C
          C      SET UP MATRIX
          C
          C      CONDENSER
          C
0007      A(1)=0.0
0008      B(1)=- (L(1)+D)
0009      C(1)=V(2)*EQULIB(X(2),0)
0010      RHS(1)=0.0
          C
          C      ENRICHING SECTION
          C
0011      DO 200 J=2,NF
0012      A(J)=L(J-1)
0013      B(J)=- (V(J)*EQULIB(X(J),0)+L(J))
0014      C(J)=V(J+1)*EQULIB(X(J+1),0)
0015      200 RHS(J)=0.0
          C
          C      FEED PLATE
          C
0016      A(NFP)=L(NF)
0017      B(NFP)=- (V(NFP)*EQULIB(X(NFP),0)+L(NFP))
0018      C(NFP)=V(NFP+1)*EQULIB(X(NFP+1),0)
0019      RHS(NFP)=-F*XF
          C
          C      STRIPPING SECTION
          C
0020      DO 210 J=NF2,NP1
0021      A(J)=L(J-1)
0022      B(J)=- (V(J)*EQULIB(X(J),0)+L(J))
0023      C(J)=V(J+1)*EQULIB(X(J+1),0)
0024      210 RHS(J)=0.0
          C
          C      REBOILER
          C
0025      A(NP2)=L(NP1)
0026      B(NP2)=- (V(NP2)*EQULIB(X(NP2),0)+W)
0027      C(NP2)=0.0
0028      RHS(NP2)=0.0
          C
0029      RETURN
0030      END

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FORTTRAN IV      V02.1-1   T   06-N   -79 02:34:29      PAGE 001
0001      SUBROUTINE THOMAS
      C
      C      PURPOSE: TO SOLVE THE STEADY STATE MATRIX (TRIDIAGONAL)
      C
      C      GRANT WILSON
      C      AUGUST 1975
      C
0002      COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEQN
0003      COMMON/TRIDM/A(20),B(20),C(20),RHS(20)
      C
0004      C(1)=C(1)/B(1)
0005      DO 200 IJ=2,NP2
0006      B(IJ)=B(IJ)-A(IJ)*C(IJ-1)
0007      C(IJ)=C(IJ)/B(IJ)
0008      200 CONTINUE
      C
0009      A(1)=RHS(1)/B(1)
0010      DO 201 IJ=2,NP2
0011      A(IJ)=(RHS(IJ)-A(IJ)*A(IJ-1))/B(IJ)
0012      201 CONTINUE
      C
0013      RHS(NP2)=A(NP2)
0014      DO 202 IJ=2,NP2
0015      I=NP2+1-IJ
0016      RHS(I)=A(I)-C(I)*RHS(I+1)
0017      202 CONTINUE
      C
0018      RETURN
0019      END

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FORTRAN IV      V02.1-1   T   06-N   -79 02:34:33      PAGE 001
0001      SUBROUTINE RMST
          C
          C      PURPOSE: TO CHECK ON THE STEADY STATE SOLUTION CONVERGENCE
          C
          C      GRANT WILSON
          C      AUGUST 1975
          C
0002      COMMON/DRMST/RMSTL,RMSTD
0003      COMMON/FLAG/RFLAG,IFLAG
0004      COMMON/FLOCOM/L(20),V(20),X(20),Y(20),F,D,W,XF
0005      COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEQN
0006      COMMON/ICOEFF/ TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
0007      COMMON/TRIDM/A(20),B(20),C(20),RHS(20)
0008      REAL L
0009      LOGICAL RFLAG,IFLAG
0010      SE=0.0
          C
          C      FIND BUBBLE POINTS ON PRESENT AND PAST ITERATIONS
          C      SE=SQRT(SE)/NP2/AV,TEMP.*100
          C
0011      DO 1 J=1,NP2
0012      Z=RHS(J)
0013      T1=(((TS5*Z+TS4)*Z+TS3)*Z+TS2)*Z+TS1)*Z+TS0
0014      U=X(J)
0015      T2=(((TS5*U+TS4)*U+TS3)*U+TS2)*U+TS1)*U+TS0
0016      X(J)=RHS(J)
0017      SE=SE+(T1-T2)*(T1-T2)
0018      IF(J.EQ.1)TT1=T1
0020      1 IF(J.EQ,NP2)TT2=T1
0022      RMSTD=SQRT(SE)/NP2*200./(TT1+TT2)
          C
          C      TEST FOR CONVERGENCE
          C
0023      IF(RMSTD.LE.RMSTL)RFLAG=.TRUE.
          C
0025      RETURN
0026      END

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FORTRAN IV      V02,1-1      T      06-N      -79 02:34:37      PAGE 001
0001      SUBROUTINE FLOWS

      C
      C      PURPOSE: TO RECALCULATE THE COLUMN FLOWS FOR THE STEADY
      C      C      SOLUTION.
      C
      C      GRANT WILSON
      C      C      OCTOBER 1975
      C
0002      COMMON/ELVDRV/EL(20),EV(20),DLEDT(20),DHDT(20),ELF,SUBCAL
0003      COMMON/EGDATA/EQ(41),EGS(41),EMV(5),DX
0004      COMMON/FLOCOM/L(20),V(20),X(20),Y(20),F,D,W,XF
0005      COMMON/IDATA/TT,T6,TF,TR,FV,DV,RV,WV,QV1,QV2,PSI,R
0006      COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEQN
0007      COMMON/KEBOIL/QS1,QS2
0008      COMMON/TCOEFF/ TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
0009      REAL L
0010      LOGICAL SUBCAL

      C
      C      CALCULATE NEW Y VALUES
      C
0011      Y(2)=X(1)
0012      DO 10 J=3,NP2
0013      Z=X(J)
0014      Y(J)=EQUILIB(Z,3)
0015      10 CONTINUE

      C
      C      CALCULATE NEW ENTHALPIES
      C
0016      CALL NTHLPY

      C
      C      CALCULATE QS,D,L(1),V(2),W
      C
0017      Z=X(NP2)
0018      QS=QS1+((((TS5*Z+TS4)*Z+TS3)*Z+TS2)*Z+TS1)*Z+TS0)*QS2
0019      DNUM=F*(ELF-EL(NP2))+QS
0020      DDEN=(R+1.)*(EV(2)-EL(1))+EL(1)-EL(NP2)
0021      D=DNUM/DDEN
0022      L(1)=R*D
0023      V(2)=(R+1.)*D
0024      V(1)=D
0025      W=F-D
0026      L(NP2)=W

      C
      C      ENRICHING SECTION
      C
0027      DO 1 J=2,NF
0028      L(J)=(V(J)*EV(J)-L(J-1)*EL(J-1)-D*EV(J+1))/(EV(J+1)-EL(J))
0029      V(J+1)=D+L(J)
0030      1 CONTINUE

      C
      C      FEED PLATE
      C
0031      L(NFP)=(V(NFP)*EV(NFP)-L(NF)*EL(NF)+W*EV(NF2)-F*ELF)/
0032      1      (EV(NF2)-EL(NFP))
      V(NF2)=L(NFP)-W
      C

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FORTRAN IV      V02,1-1      T      06-N  -79 02:34:37      PAGE 002
  C      STRIPPING SECTION
  C
0033      DO 2 J=NF2,NP1
0034      L(J)=(V(J)*EV(J)-L(J-1)*EL(J-1)+W*EV(J+1))/(EV(J+1)-EL(J))
0035      V(J+1)=L(J)-W
0036      2 CONTINUE

  C
  C      RECOMPUTE L/V EQUILIBRIA USING EMV CRITERIA
  C
  C      FIRST FIND AVERAGE FLOWS
  C
0037      ALR=0.
0038      AVR=0.0
0039      ALS=0.0
0040      AVS=0.0
0041      DO 20 J=1,NF
0042      20 ALR=ALR+L(J)
0043      ALR=ALR/NF
0044      DO 22 J=2,NF+1
0045      22 AVR=AVR+V(J)
0046      AVR=AVR/NF
0047      DO 24 J=NFP,NP1
0048      24 ALS=ALS+L(J)
0049      ALS=ALS/(NP1-NFP+1)
0050      DO 26 J=NF+2,NP2
0051      26 AVS=AVS+V(J)
0052      AVS=AVS/(NP1-NFP+1)
  C      NOW MODIFY EQUILIB DATA
0053      DO 30 J=1,41
0054      Z=(J-1)*DX
0055      EM=((EMV(5)*Z+EMV(4))*Z+EMV(3))*Z+EMV(2))*Z+EMV(1)
0056      XINT=(D*X(1)/AVR-W*X(NP2)/AVS)/(ALS/AVS-ALR/AVR)
0057      IF(Z.GE.X(1)) GO TO 50
0059      IF(Z.GT.XINT) GO TO 48
0061      IF(Z.GT.X(NP2)) GO TO 46
  C      X <= XD
0063      EQ(J)=Z+EM*(EQS(J)-Z)
0064      GO TO 30
  C      XW < X <= XINT
0065      46 EQ(J)=EM*(EQS(J)-ALS/AVS*Z+W/AVS*X(NP2))+ALS/AVS*Z-W/AVS*X(NP2)
0066      GO TO 30
  C      XINT < X < XD
0067      48 EQ(J)=EM*(EQS(J)-ALR/AVR*Z-D/AVR*X(1))+ALR/AVR*Z+D/AVR*X(1)
0068      GO TO 30
  C      X >= XD
0069      50 EQ(J)=EM*(EQS(J)-Z)+Z
  C
0070      30 CONTINUE
  C
  C      COMPLETE
  C
0071      RETURN
0072      END

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FORTRAN IV      V02.1-1   T   06-N   -79 02:14:48      PAGE 001
0001      SUBROUTINE CHKSPR
          C
          C      PURPOSE: TO CHECK THAT THE CONSTRAINTS OF
          C      MINIMUM REFLUX AND MINIMUM NUMBER
          C      OF STAGES ARE NOT VIOLATED.
          C
          C      GRANT WILSON
          C      APRIL 1976
          C
0002      COMMON/FLOCOM/L(20),V(20),X(20),Y(20),F,D,W,XF
0003      COMMON/IDATA/TT,TB,TF,TR,FV,DV,RV,WV,QV1,QV2,PSI,R
0004      COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEQN
0005      COMMON/SPRTN/TNSM,RM
0006      REAL L
          C
          C      CHECK X VALUES
          C
0007      DO 10 J=1,NP2
0008      IF(X(J).LE.0.9999.AND.X(J).GE.0.0001) GO TO 10
0010      WRITE(6,100)J,X(J)
0011      10 CONTINUE
          C
          C      GET RM,NM
          C
0012      CALL RMNM
0013      IF(RM.NE.0.0) GO TO 20
0015      WRITE(6,110)
0016      STOP
          C
0017      20 CONTINUE
          C
          C      CHECK RM,TNSM FOR ACCEPTABLE VALUES
          C
0018      IF(RM.GE.R/1.02)WRITE(6,120)RM
0020      IF(TNSM.GE.NP1)WRITE(6,130)TNSM
          C
0022      100 FORMAT('0#### TRAY ',I2,' COMPOSITION IS ',E12.5,' ####')
0023      110 FORMAT('0#### ERROR IN RMNM, PROGRAM KILLED ####')
0024      120 FORMAT('0#### REFLUX RATIO TOO CLOSE TO MINIMUM REFLUX RATIO( ',I
          C      1.3,' ) ####')
0025      130 FORMAT('0#### TOO FEW STAGES IN COLUMN, MINIMUM NUMBER OF STAGES :
          C      1 ',F6.3,' ####')
          C
0026      RETURN
0027      END

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FORTRAN IV      V02.1=1      T      06=N      -79 02:14:51      PAGE 001
0001      SURROUTINE RMNM
          C
          C      PURPOSE: TO DETERMINE THE MINIMUM REFLUX RATIO AND
          C      THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF STAGES FOR THE COLUMN
          C
          C      GRANT WILSON
          C      APRIL 1976
          C
0002      COMMON/ELVDRV/EL(20),EV(20),DLEDT(20),DHDT(20),ELF,SUBCAL
0003      COMMON/FLOCOM/L(20),V(20),X(20),Y(20),F,D,W,XF
0004      COMMON/IDATA/TT,TB,TF,TR,FV,OV,RV,WV,QV1,QV2,PSI,R
0005      COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEQN
0006      COMMON/SPRTN/TNSM,RM
0007      COMMON/SYSPRP/CP1,CP2,CP3,CP4,EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5,
          1      EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5,AMW1,AMW2,
          2      RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6,DHV
0008      REAL L
0009      LOGICAL SUBCAL
          C
          C      MINIMUM REFLUX
          C      FIRST GET SATD LIQ & VAP ENTHALPIES FOR FEED COMPOSITION
          C
0010      CALL NTHLPY
0011      EVXF=(((EV5*XF+EV4)*XF+EV3)*XF+EV2)*XF+EV1)*XF+EV0
0012      ELXF=(((EL5*XF+EL4)*XF+EL3)*XF+EL2)*XF+EL1)*XF+EL0
          C
          C      FIND PSI
          C
0013      PSI=(ELF-ELXF)/(EVXF-ELXF)
          C
          C      FIND "Q" LINE EQUATION
          C
0014      SLOPE=- (1.-PSI)/PSI
0015      ANCPY=XF*(1.-SLOPE)
          C
          C      NOW FIND "Q" LINE INTERCEPT WITH EQUILIBRIUM CURVE
          C      USING REGULA-FALSI. EQUATION IS SLOPE*X+ANCPY-EQULIB(X,3)
          C
0016      FL=ANCPY
0017      FR=SLOPE+ANCPY-1.
0018      XL=0.
0019      XR=1.
          C
          C      CHECK FOR NO ROOT OR ROOT =XL,XR
          C
0020      IF(FL*FR)1,2,3
          C
0021      3 WRITE(6,100)
0022      100 FORMAT('0 APPARENTLY NO ROOT IN RMNM')
0023      TNSM=0.0
0024      RM=0.0
0025      RETURN
          C
0026      2 ITER=1
0027      IF(FL.NE.0.)GO TO 4
0029      XCNPT=XL
0030      YNCPT=EQULIB(XL,3)
0031      GO TO 8

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0032          4 XNCPT=XR
0033          YNCPT=EQULIB(XR,3)
0034          GO TO 8
      C
      C      BEGIN ROOT SEARCH
      C
0035          1 CONTINUE
0036          DO 7 ITER=1,20
0037          XNCPT=(XL*FR-XR*FL)/(FR-FL)
0038          FNCPT=SLOPE*XNCPT+ANCPT-EQULIB(XNCPT,3)
0039          IF(ABS(FNCPT).LE.0.001)GO TO 8
0041          IF(FNCPT*FL.LT.0.)GO TO 6
0043          XL=XNCPT
0044          FL=FNCPT
0045          GO TO 7
0046          6 XR=XNCPT
0047          FR=FNCPT
0048          7 CONTINUE
      C
      C      FAILED TO CONVERGE
      C
0049          WRITE(6,110)
0050          110 FORMAT('0 CONVERGENCE FAILURE IN RMNM')
0051          TNSM=0.0
0052          RM=0.0
0053          RETURN
      C
0054          8 CONTINUE
0055          YNCPT=EQULIB(XNCPT,3)
      C
      C      SOLUTION FOUND, NOW CALCULATE RM
      C
0056          RM=(X(1)-YNCPT)/(YNCPT-XNCPT)
      C
      C      MINIMUM NUMBER OF STAGES
      C
0057          N=0
0058          Y1=X(1)
0059          X1=Y1
0060          10 N=N+1
0061          X2=X1
0062          X1=EQULIB(Y1,2)
0063          Y1=X1
0064          IF(X1.GE.X(NP2))GO TO 10
0066          DN=0.0
0067          IF((X2-X1).EQ.0.0) GO TO 989
0069          DN=(X2-X(NP2))/(X2-X1)
0070          989 CONTINUE
0071          TNSM=DN+N-1
      C
0072          RETURN
0073          END

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BREAKPOINT HANDLER

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1          .LIST   TTM
2          .TITLE  BREAKPOINT HANDLER
3          ;
4          ;      THE SUBPROGRAM ,WHENEVER CALLED ,CHECKS FOR /
5          ;      CHARACTER AVAILABLE FROM THE CONSOLE AND
6          ;      RETURNS EITHER THE CHARACTER OR IF NONE WAS
7          ;      AVAILABLE A NULL, NO <CR> IS NECESSARY TO
8          ;      MAKE THE CHARACTER AVAILABLE TO THE PROGRAM.
9          ;      THE ROUTINE CAN BE CALLED AS A
10         ;      SUBROUTINE WITH A SINGLE ARGUMENT.
11         ;
12         .GLOBL BRKPT
13         .MCALL .TTINR
14         ;
15 000000 005725 BRKPT: TST      (R5)+          ;BUMP UP R5
16         ; PUT TERMINAL IN SPECIAL MODE
17 000002 052737     BIS      #10100,0#44
18         010100
19         000044
20         ;
21         .TTINR          ;READ CHARACTER
22         ; RESET TERMINAL MODE
23 000012 042737     BIC      #10100,0#44
24         010100
25         000044
26 000020 103001     BCC      CHAR          ;CHARACTER FOUND ?
27 000022 005000     CLR      R0          ;NO
28 000024 042700     CHAR:  BIC      #177600,R0 ;STRIP UPPER BITS
29         177600
30 000030 010035     MOV      R0,0(R5)+    ;RETURN CHARACTER
31 000032 000207     RTS      PC
32 000001 .END

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SENSESWITCH HANDLER

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1          .LIST      TTM
2          .TITLE    SENSESWITCH HANDLER
3          ;
4          ;
5          ;         A FORTRAN CALLABLE FUNCTION
6          ;         TO READ THE SIXTEEN CONSOLE SWITCHES
7          ;         AS SENSE SWITCHES, AND TO READ THE SWITCH
8          ;         REGISTER CONTENTS. RETURNS 1 FOR SWITCH
9          ;         ON (UP) AND 0 FOR SWITCH OFF (DOWN).
10         ;         ISSW0() = SWITCH 0, ISSW15() = SWITCH 15
11         ;         CALL OPTION(I) RETURNS SWITCH
12         ;         REGISTER CONTENTS IN "I".
13         ;
14         .GLOBL   ISSW0, ISSW1, ISSW2, ISSW3, ISSW4, ISSW5
15         .GLOBL   ISSW6, ISSW7, ISSW8, ISSW9, ISSW10
16         .GLOBL   ISSW11, ISSW12, ISSW13, ISSW14, ISSW15
17         .GLOBL   OPTION
18         ;
19         177570    SWREG=177570
20         ;
21         ;         UTILITY MACRO
22         ;
23         .MACRO   PUSH      ARG
24         MOV      ARG, -(SP)
25         BR       TEST
26         .ENDM
27         ISSW0:   PUSH      #1
28         ISSW1:   PUSH      #2
29         ISSW2:   PUSH      #4
30         ISSW3:   PUSH      #10
31         ISSW4:   PUSH      #20
32         ISSW5:   PUSH      #40
33         ISSW6:   PUSH      #100
34         ISSW7:   PUSH      #200
35         ISSW8:   PUSH      #400
36         ISSW9:   PUSH      #1000
37         ISSW10:  PUSH      #2000
38         ISSW11:  PUSH      #4000
39         ISSW12:  PUSH      #10000
40         ISSW13:  PUSH      #20000
41         ISSW14:  PUSH      #40000
42         ISSW15:  PUSH      #100000
43         000140   005000    TEST:   CLR      R0
44         000142   032637    BIT      (SP)+, @#SWREG
45         000146   001401
46         000150   005200
47         000152   000207    RETURN: RTS   PC
48         ;
49         ;         CONSOLE SWITCH REGISTER CONTENTS
50         ;
51         000154   005725    OPTION: TST   (R5)+
52         000156   013775    MOV      @#SWREG, @ (R5)
53         000164   000207
54         000001

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INPUT DATA FOR COLUMN (CONDENSER TYPE =TOTAL)

NUMBER OF PLATES 8

FEED PLATE NUMBER 5

STEADY STATE DATA:

FEED RATE 1.75000

FEED COMP. 0.46000

REFLUX RATIO 0.73000

FEED TEMPERATURE 26.00000

REFLUX TEMP 19.60000

STEADY STATE GUESSES:

DISTILLATE RATE 0.00000

BOTTOMS RATE 0.00000

TOP TEMPERATURE 69.00000

BOT TEMPERATURE 96.00000

REBOILER DUTY:Qs= 0.9600 +T(NP2)* 0.0000

MURPHREE TRAY EFFICIENCY COEFFICIENTS:

0.614E+00 0.786E+00-0.103E+01 0.436E+00 0.000E+00

STEADY STATE SOLUTION

TRAY	LIQUID COMP.	VAPOUR COMP.	LIQUID RATE	VAPOUR RATE
0	0.916993E+00	0.955522E+00	0.209687E+02	0.287242E+02
1	0.826251E+00	0.917000E+00	0.229331E+02	0.496930E+02
2	0.734174E+00	0.876714E+00	0.225924E+02	0.516574E+02
3	0.648482E+00	0.836510E+00	0.222925E+02	0.513166E+02
4	0.565666E+00	0.799666E+00	0.220036E+02	0.510168E+02
5	0.489762E+00	0.764605E+00	0.929379E+02	0.507276E+02
6	0.438000E+00	0.737355E+00	0.921769E+02	0.573013E+02
7	0.350303E+00	0.657600E+00	0.908808E+02	0.565403E+02
8	0.215311E+00	0.517144E+00	0.892204E+02	0.552442E+02
9	0.916479E-01	0.297550E+00	0.356366E+02	0.535839E+02

AFTER 54 ITERATIONS, RMSTO= 0.850E-04 (WITH RMSTL= 0.100E-03)

ENERGY TRANSFER, KJ/TIME: REBOILER DUTY 0.216000E+04

CONDENSER DUTY 0.198886E+04

MINIMUM NUMBER OF STAGES 4.114 MINIMUM REFLUX RATIO 0.557

FEED FRAC VAPOURISED -0.101

VOLUMETRIC FLOWS, L/TIME:

FEED	1.75
DISTILLATE	1.10
REFLUX	0.80
BOTTOMS	0.72

MOLAR BALANCE DISCREPANCY 0.0000

VOLUME BALANCE DIFFERENCE -0.0705

COLUMN END TEMPERATURES: TOPS 66.18 BOTTOMS 88.61

REFLUX RATIOS: EXTERNAL = 0.730 INTERNAL = 0.812

SAMPLE SSGW OUTPUT

VI.3 SSGW ADDITIONS

To test the modified feedforward controller and adapter described in Chapter 8, an additional routine was included in SSGW, and a minor modification made to the main program. A listing of the modified main program and the additional routine follows.


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FORTRAN IV      V02.1-1   T   06-N   -79 03:33:45      PAGE 001
0001      SUBROUTINE ADAPT
          C
          C      TO ADAPT/PROVIDE FF CONTROL OF SS MODEL
          C      USING THE GILLILAND CORRELATION.
          C      INCLUDES NON-EQUIMOLAL CORRECTION
          C
0002      COMMON/ADAPT/HXD,HXB,HD,HW,HLR,HLS,HVR,HVS,HNM,HRM,HN,HA,HB
0003      COMMON/DRMST/RMSTL,RMSTD
0004      COMMON/ELVDRV/EL(20),EV(20),DLEDT(20),DHDT(20),ELF,SUBCAL
0005      COMMON/FLAG/RFLAG,IFLAG
0006      COMMON/FLOCOM/L(20),V(20),X(20),Y(20),F,D,W,XF
0007      COMMON/IDATA/TT,TB,TF,TK,FV,DV,RV,WV,QV1,QV2,PSI,R
0008      COMMON/NDATA/NP2,NP1,NFP,NF,NF2,ICOND,NEQN
0009      COMMON/REEGIL/QS1,QS2
0010      COMMON/SPRTN/TNSM,RM
0011      COMMON/SYSPRP/CP1,CP2,CP3,CP4,EL0,EL1,EL2,EL3,EL4,EL5,
          1 EV0,EV1,EV2,EV3,EV4,EV5,AMW1,AMW2,
          2 RH1,RH2,RH3,RH4,RH5,RH6,DHV
0012      COMMON/TCOEFF/TS0,TS1,TS2,TS3,TS4,TS5
0013      REAL L
0014      LOGICAL RFLAG,IFLAG,IDEALF,MCTF
0015      DATA HA,HB,HN,HXD,HXB/3.4,2.1,8.,.9,.05/
          C
          C      GET PARAMETERS
          C
0016      TYPE 100
0017      100  FORMAT(/'SENDER XD,XB SPECS ')
0018      ACCEPT 110,A,B
0019      110  FORMAT(SF10.0)
0020      IF(A,EQ.0) GO TO 20
0022      HXD=A
0023      HXB=B
0024      20  TYPE 120
0025      120  FORMAT(/'SENDER EQN COEFFS A,B ')
0026      ACCEPT 110,A,B
0027      IF(A,EQ.0) GO TO 21
0029      HA=A
0030      HB=B
0031      21  TYPE 130
0032      130  FORMAT(/'SENDER NO. OF IDEAL STAGES ')
0033      ACCEPT 110,A
0034      IF(A,EQ.0) GO TO 22
0036      HN=A
0037      22  CALL CLOSE(8)
0038      TYPE 140
0039      140  FORMAT(/'SENDER OUTPUT FILE FOR ADAPT DATA ')
0040      CALL ASSIGN(8,'TT:/C',-1)
0041      TYPE 160
0042      160  FORMAT(/'SEQUIMOLAL SYSTEM (YES/NO) ? ')
0043      ACCEPT 162,I
0044      162  FORMAT(A2)
0045      IDEALF=.TRUE.
0046      IF(I,EQ.'NO') IDEALF=.FALSE.
0048      IF(IDEALF) GO TO 24
0050      TYPE 164
0051      164  FORMAT(/'SENDER BETA,BREAKPOINT ')
0052      ACCEPT 110,BETA,BRK
0053      24  CONTINUE

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FORTRAN IV      V02,1-1      T      06-N  -79 03:33:45      PAGE 002
0054      TYPE 166
0055      166      FORMAT(/'SUSE CONSTANT REL VOL (YES/NO) ? ')
0056      ACCEPT 162,I
0057      MCTF=,TRUE.
0058      IF(I.EQ.'YE') MCTF=,FALSE.
0060      IF(MCTF) GO TO 26
0062      TYPE 168
0063      168      FORMAT(/'SENER CST REL VOL ')
0064      ACCEPT 110,ALFA
0065      26      CONTINUE
C
C      GET DIRECTIONS FROM CONSOLE
C
0066      2      CONTINUE
0067      TYPE 200
0068      200      FORMAT(/'SADAPT,CONTROL,BOTH,OR EXIT ? ')
0069      ACCEPT 210,I
0070      210      FORMAT(A2)
0071      IF(I.EQ.'EX') RETURN
0073      IF(I.EQ.'CO') GO TO 50
0075      IF(I.NE.'BO'.AND.I.NE.'AD') GO TO 2
C
C      ADAPT
C
0077      IF(.NOT.MCTF) GO TO 30
C      USE MCCABE-THIELE TO FIND RM,NM
0079      HN2=TNSM/ALOG(HA-HB*(RM+1.)/(R+1.))
0080      GO TO 32
C      USE FENSKE,UNDERWOOD TO FIND RM,NM
0081      30      ANM=ALOG(X(1)*(1.-X(NP2))/X(NP2)/(1.-X(1)))/ALOG(ALFA)
0082      Q=1.-PS1
0083      A=Q*(ALFA-1)
0084      B=Q-ALFA*(XF+Q-1.)+XF
0085      C=-XF
0086      XP=(-B+SQRT(B*B-4.*A*C))/2./A
0087      YP=ALFA*XP/(1.+XP*(ALFA-1.))
0088      ARM=(X(1)-YP)/(YP-XP)
0089      HN2=ANM/ALOG(HA-HB*(ARM+1.)/(R+1.))
0090      32      CONTINUE
C      WRITE OUT ADAPTION RESULTS
0091      REWIND 6
0092      REWIND 8
0093      WRITE(8,300) X(1),HXD,X(NP2),HXB,HN2,HN,HA,HB
0094      300      FORMAT(/' ADAPTION: XD=',F6.4,' (RXD=',F6.4,' )',
1' XB=',F6.4,' (RXB=',F6.4,' )'/
2' N=',F6.2,' (LAST N=',F6.2,' )',
3' (COEFFS A,B: ',F7.3,2X,F7.3,' )')
0095      IF(MCTF) WRITE(8,302)
0097      302      FORMAT('SUSING MCCABE-THIELE FOR RM,NM')
0098      IF(.NOT.MCTF) WRITE(8,304)
0100      304      FORMAT('SUSING FENSKE,UNDERWOOD FOR RM,NM')
0101      WRITE(8,305)
0102      305      FORMAT(' ')
0103      HN=HN2
0104      IF(I.EQ.'AD') RETURN
C
C      CONTROL
C

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FORTRAN IV          V02.1-1    T    06-N   -79 03:33:45          PAGE 003
0106  50    CONTINUE
0107          IF(.NOT.MCTF) GO TO 60
           C    USE MCCABE-THIELE TO FIND RM,NM
           C    SAVE X(1),X(NP2) & USE RMNM TO FIND RN,NM
0109          A=X(1)
0110          B=X(NP2)
0111          X(1)=HXD
0112          X(NP2)=HXB
0113          CALL RMNM
0114          X(1)=A
0115          X(NP2)=B
           C    COMPUTE R(EXT)
0116          HR=HB*(RM+1.)/(HA-EXP(TNSM/HN))-1.
0117          GO TO 62
           C    USE FENSKE,UNDERWOOD TO FIND RM,NM
0118  60    ANM=ALOG(HXD*(1.-HXB)/HXB/(1.-HXD))/ALOG(ALFA)
0119          Q=1.-PSI
0120          A=Q*(ALFA-1)
0121          B=Q-ALFA*(XF+Q-1.)*XF
0122          C=-XF
0123          XP=(-B+SQRT(B*B-4.*A*C))/2./A
0124          YP=ALFA*XP/(1.+XP*(ALFA-1.))
0125          ARM=(HXD-YP)/(YP-XP)
0126          HR=HB*(ARM+1.)/(HA-EXP(ANM/HN))-1.
0127  62    CONTINUE
           C    COMPUTE R(INT)
           C    CALCULATE INTERNAL REFLUX RATIO
           C
0128          Z=HXD
0129          TRSATD=(((TS5*Z+TS4)*Z+TS3)*Z+TS2)*Z+TS1)*Z+TS0
0130          CP=HEATCP(Z,(TR+TRSATD)/2.)
0131          HVD=(((EV5*Z+EV4)*Z+EV3)*Z+EV2)*Z+EV1)*Z+EV0
0132          HLD=(((EL5*Z+EL4)*Z+EL3)*Z+EL2)*Z+EL1)*Z+EL0
0133          RINT=HR*(1.+CP*(TRSATD-TR)/(HVD-HLD))
           C    COMPUTE FLOWS
0134          HD=F*(XF-HXB)/(HXD-HXB)
0135          HW=F-HD
0136          HLR=RINT*HD
0137          HVR=HLR+HD
0138          IF(IDEALF) GO TO 70
           C    NON-EQUIMOLAL SYSTEM
0140          HLRF=HLR*(BETA-HXD)/(BETA-X(NFP))
0141          HLSF=HLRF+(1.-PSI)*F
0142          Z=HXB
0143          IF(HXB.LT.BRK) Z=BRK
0145          HLS=HLSF*(BETA-X(NFP))/(BETA-Z)
0146          GO TO 72
           C    EQUIMOLAL SYSTEM
0147  70    HLRF=HLR
0148          HLSF=HLRF+(1.-PSI)*F
0149          HLS=HLSF
0150  72    HVS=HLS-HW
0151          Z=HXB
0152          HVD=(((EV5*Z+EV4)*Z+EV3)*Z+EV2)*Z+EV1)*Z+EV0
0153          HLD=(((EL5*Z+EL4)*Z+EL3)*Z+EL2)*Z+EL1)*Z+EL0
0154          HQ=HVS*(HVD-HLD)
0155          HQS=HQ/DHY
           C    OUTPUT CONTROLLER RESULTS

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FORTRAN IV          V02.1-1      T   06-N   -79 03:33:45          PAGE 004
0156                WRITE(8,335)HR,RINT
0157  335           FORMAT(' REFLUX RATIO=',F7.3,' (INT=',F7.3,' )')
0158                WRITE(8,340)HD,HW,HLR,HVR,HVS,HQ,HQS
0159  340           FORMAT(' COMPUTED FLOWS:'//
1' DIST   ',F7.3,' BOT   ',F7.3,
2' LR     ',F7.3,' VR     ',F7.3/
3' VS     ',F7.3,' Q      ',F7.1,
4' QS     ',F7.3)
0160                WRITE(8,345)HLRF,HLSF
0161  345           FORMAT(' (INTERMEDIATE FLOWS: [LRF,LSF] ',F7.3,1X,F7.3,' )')
0162                IF(MCTF) WRITE(8,302)
0164                IF(.NOT.MCTF) WRITE(8,304)
0166                IF(IDEALF) WRITE(8,306)
0168  306           FORMAT(' AND EQUIMOLAL OVERFLOW')
0169                IF(.NOT.IDEALF) WRITE(8,308)BETA,BRK
0171  308           FORMAT(' AND NON-EQUIMOLAL OVERFLOW '//
1' (BETA = ',F7.3,' BREAKPOINT = ',F7.3,' )')
0172                REWIND 8
C
C                APPLY CONTROLLER SETTINGS TO THE COLUMN
C                AND COMPUTE THE PRODUCT COMPOSITIONS
C                AND FLOWS
C
0173                R=HR
0174                QS1=HQ
0175                QV1=HQS
0176                CALL SDRIV
0177                GO TO 2
0178                END

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APPENDIX VII

METHANOL-WATER PROPERTIES

(1) Vapour/Liquid Equilibrium (Perry (1963))

x	y	x	y	x	y
0	0.0	.350	.697	.700	.870
.025	.155	.375	.712	.725	.882
.050	.267	.400	.729	.750	.893
.075	.345	.425	.738	.775	.904
.100	.418	.450	.750	.800	.915
.125	.470	.475	.764	.825	.926
.150	.517	.500	.779	.850	.936
.175	.548	.525	.788	.875	.947
.200	.577	.550	.800	.900	.958
.225	.606	.575	.813	.925	.967
.250	.627	.600	.825	.950	.979
.275	.647	.625	.831	.975	.990
.300	.665	.650	.846	1.00	1.00
.325	.682	.675	.858		

x, y are mole fractions.

(2) Boiling Points (Perry (1963))

$$T = 99.93 - 162.7x + 501.9x^2 - 874.2x^3 + 739.8x^4 - 240.0x^5$$

x is mole fraction methanol

T is °C at 1 atmosphere.

(3) Enthalpy Data (Ansell et al (1951))

Saturated vapour:

$$H_V = 48.21 - 9.08y + 1.49y^2$$

y is mole fraction methanol

H_V is kJ mol^{-1}

Saturated liquid:

$$h_L = 7.524 - 13.63x + 33.93x^2 - 38.97x^3 + 16.47x^4$$

x is mole fraction methanol

h_L is kJ mol^{-1}

(4) Heat Capacity (International Critical Tables (1928))

$$C_P = (.0001T + .00343)x + .0000134T + .07467$$

T is $^{\circ}\text{C}$

x is mole fraction methanol

C_P is $\text{kJ mol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$

(5) Liquid Density (Mikhail and Kimel (1961))

Saturated liquid: $\rho = 0.970 - .222x$

Subcooled liquid: $\rho = 1.00 - .000361T - (.1957 + .000604T)x$

T is $^{\circ}\text{C}$

x is mole fraction methanol

ρ is $\text{kg } \ell^{-1}$

The correlations listed were used in the steady state computer model SSGW to predict system properties. The following figures show a comparison between the fitted correlations, and the published data in the literature. There was some variance between the various sources of data as can be seen from these graphs.

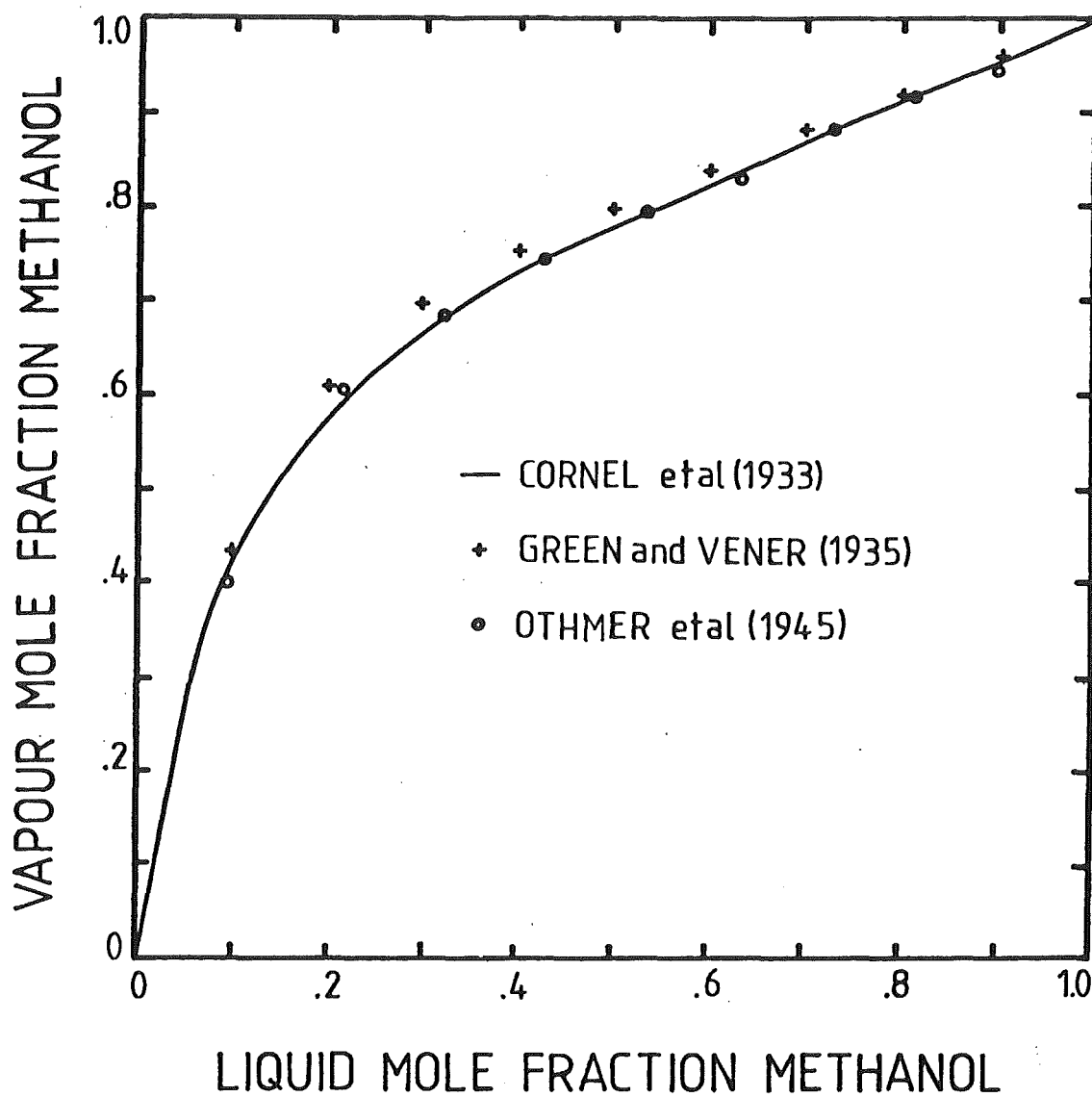


FIGURE VII-1 VAPOUR/LIQUID EQUILIBRIUM
FOR METHANOL/WATER

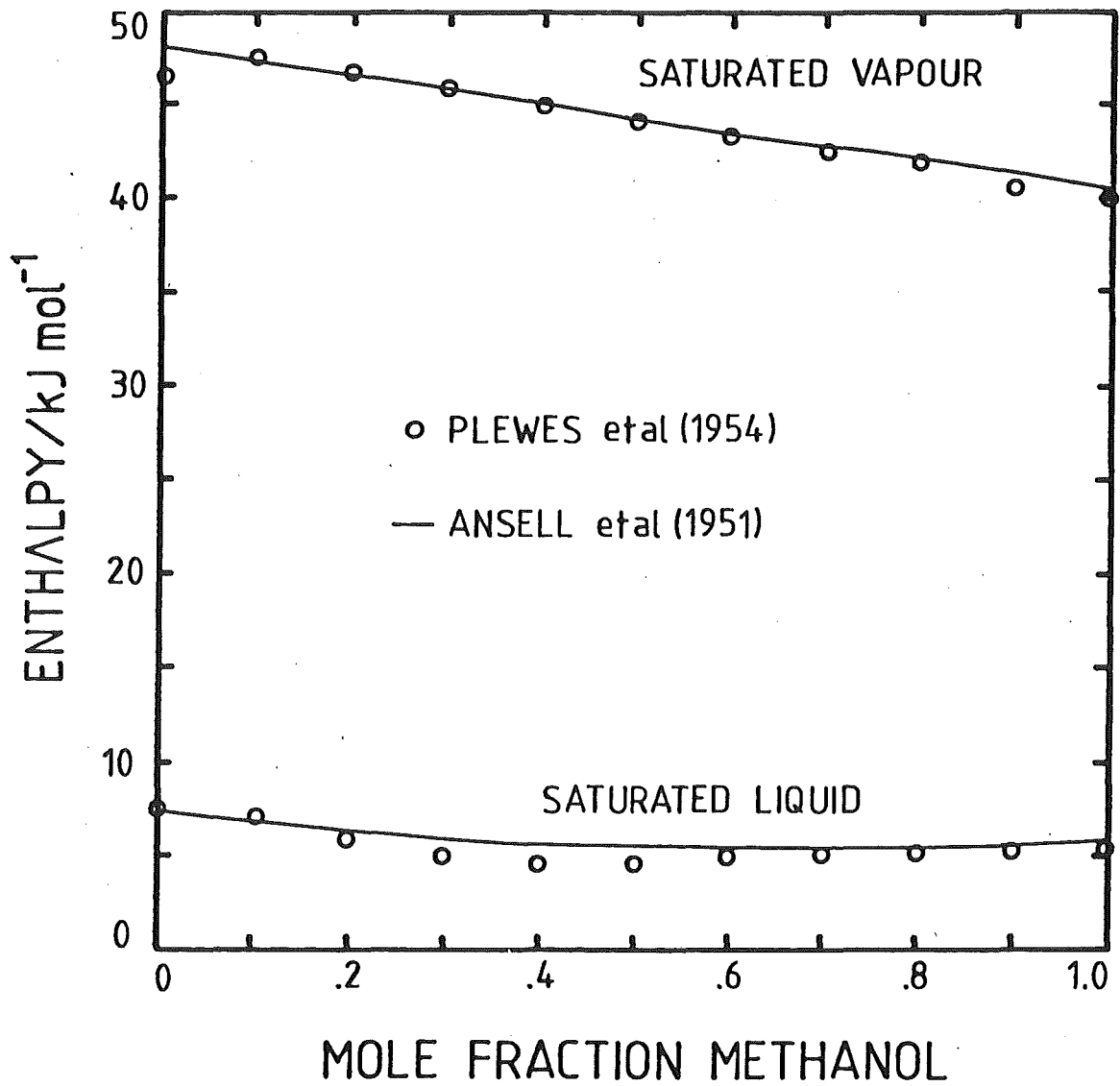


FIGURE VII-2 METHANOL/WATER ENTHALPIES

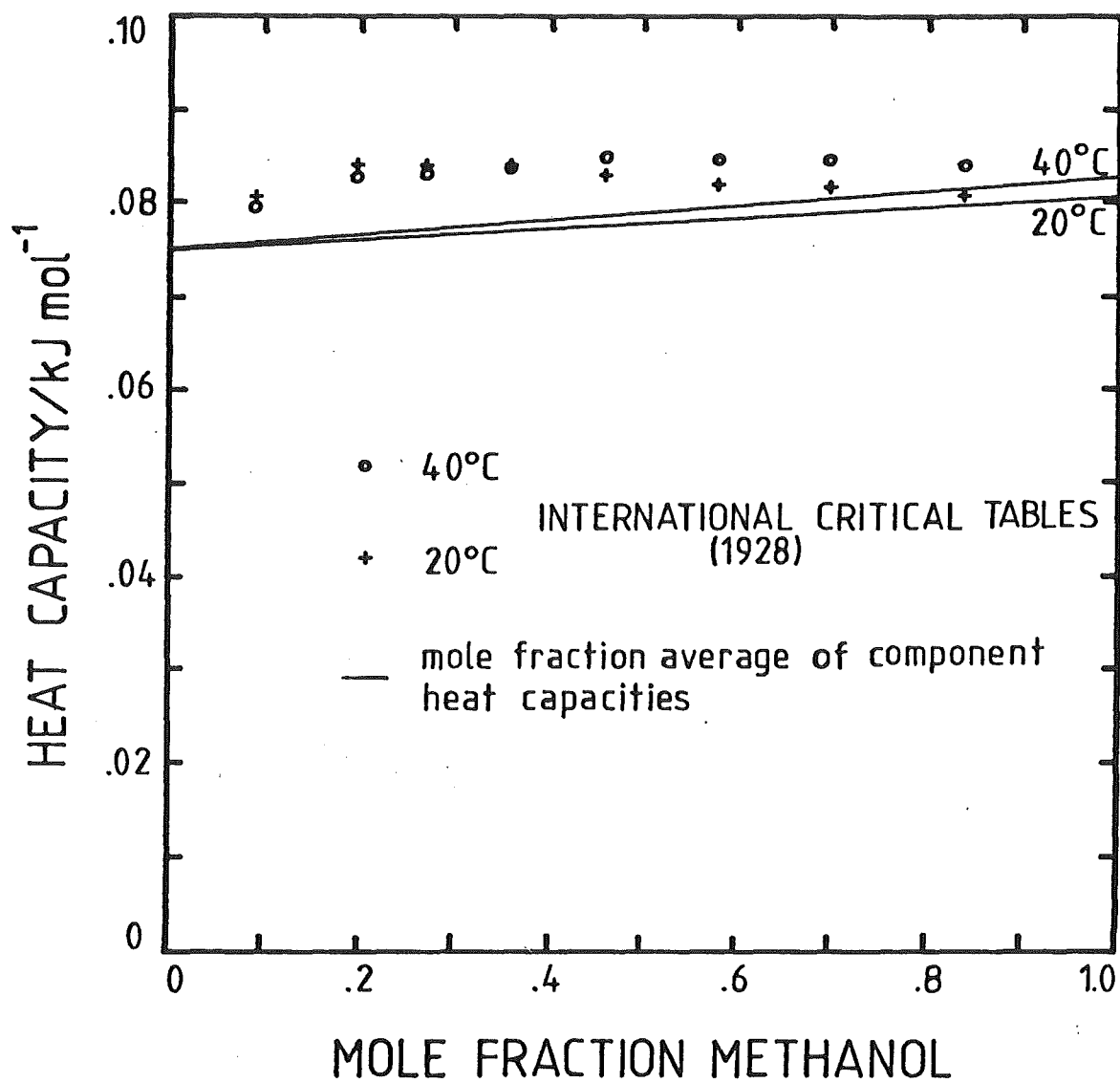


FIGURE VII-3 METHANOL/WATER HEAT CAPACITIES

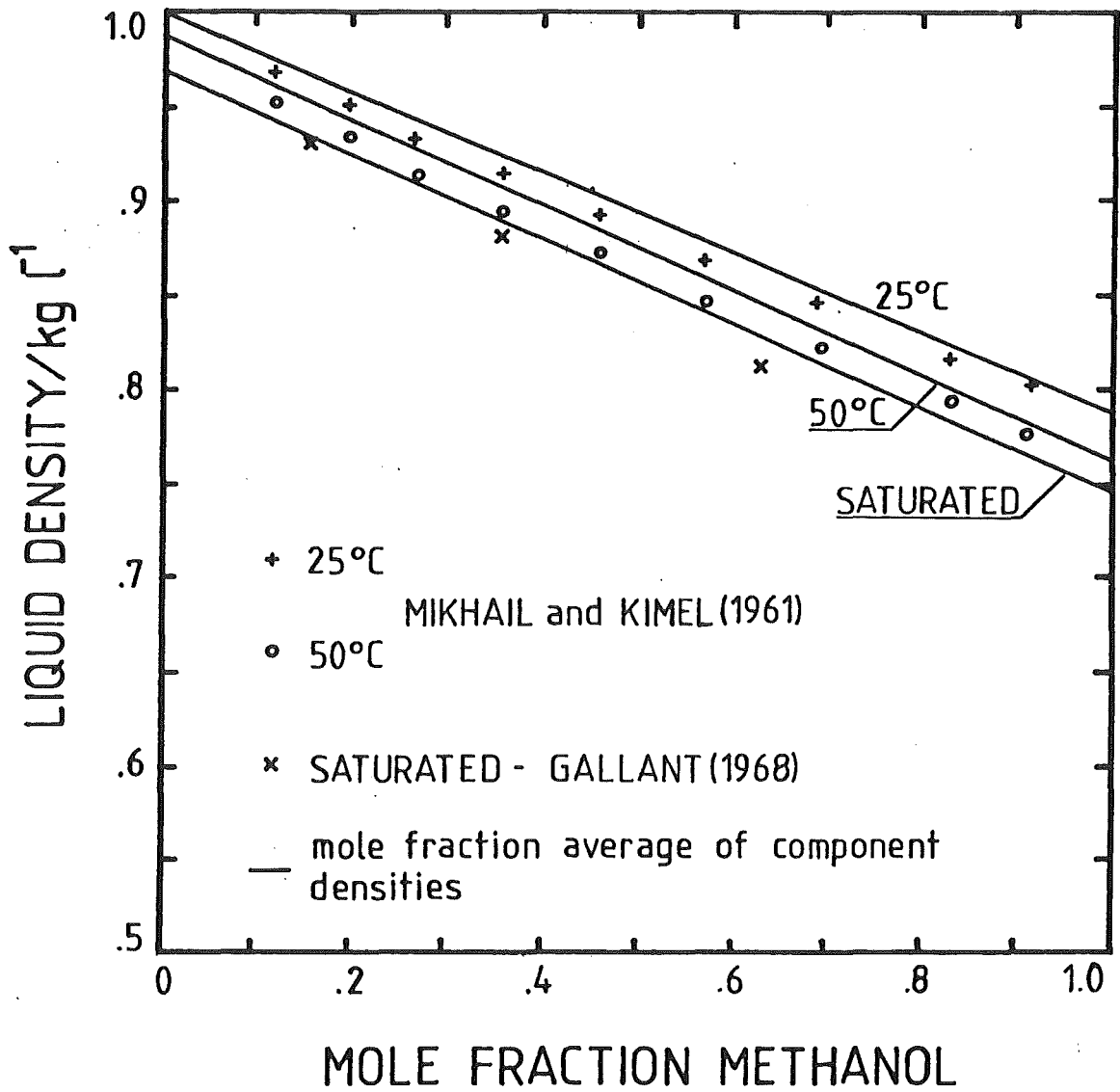


FIGURE VII-4 METHANOL/WATER LIQUID DENSITIES

APPENDIX VIII

COMPARISON OF EXPERIMENTAL DATA WITH THE STEADY STATE MODEL

VIII.1 COMPARISON OF STEADY STATE MODEL WITH EXPERIMENTAL MEASUREMENTS

The model SSGW was compared with 22 steady state experimental runs made on the column. The operating conditions for each run are given in Table VIII-1 and the comparison made in Table VIII-2. The following results were obtained from Table VIII-2:

agreement : 18 runs
 1 variable disagreement : 1 run
 > 1 variable disagreement : 3 runs

within the experimental errors given in the Table. The experimental errors were due to inaccuracies in the measurements and reflect both instrument error, where applicable, and process error. The likely error on the variables determined by the model program SSGW were computed using a sensitivity analysis as described in section 6.4.1. Table VIII-2 shows the comparison of the measured and predicted values of

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|-------|--|---------------------------|-------|
| (i) | distillate composition (mole fraction) | x_D | |
| (ii) | bottoms composition | (mole fraction) | x_W |
| (iii) | distillate flow | (mole min ⁻¹) | D |
| (iv) | bottoms flow | (mol min ⁻¹) | W |
| (v) | reflux flow | (mol min ⁻¹) | L_R |

The difference between the two values was calculated as

$$\Delta x_D = (x_D)_{\text{experimental}} - (x_D)_{\text{model}}$$

The results for these experiments are discussed in Chapter 6. Runs 9 and 10 failed to converge because the high reflux ratios (1.90, 2.54) caused instability in the iterative solution of the model equations, and produced distillate compositions in excess of 100 mol%.

TABLE VIII-1

COLUMN OPERATING CONDITIONS FOR STEADY STATE RUNS

RUN	F/ ℓ min ⁻¹ ± .05	x _F /m.f. ± .005	T _F /°C ± 1	T _R /°C ± 1	R ± 0.03	Q _S /kg min ⁻¹ ± .02
1	1.75	.515	26.0	19.0	0.73	0.98
2	"	.480	"	19.0	0.76	0.82
3	"	.500	"	20.0	1.15	1.17
4	"	.540	"	19.0	0.57	1.11
5	"	.440	"	18.0	0.83	1.15
6	"	.460	"	19.0	1.13	1.13
7	"	.450	"	19.0	1.14	1.16
8	"	.450	"	19.0	1.41	1.16
9	"	.425	"	19.0	1.90	1.16
10	"	.400	"	19.0	2.54	1.16
11	"	.500	"	18.0	0.67	1.13
12	"	.490	"	18.0	0.62	1.12
13	"	.490	"	18.0	0.59	1.11
14	"	.470	"	18.0	0.91	1.20
15	"	.480	"	19.0	0.97	1.19
16	"	.470	"	19.0	0.80	1.09
17	"	.460	"	19.0	0.74	0.78
18	"	.460	"	19.0	0.74	0.84
19	"	.460	"	19.0	0.75	0.97
20	"	.460	"	20.0	0.73	1.03
21	"	.480	"	20.0	0.74	1.10
22	"	.485	"	20.0	0.78	1.20

Murphree Vapour Efficiency was given by

$$E_{MV} = .436x^3 - 1.03x^2 + .786x + .614$$

F = feed rate

T_R = reflux temperature

x_F = feed composition

R = reflux ratio

T_F = feed temperature

Q_S = steam flow

8 trays used, feed on to fifth tray from the top.

RUN	EXPTL	MODEL	Δx_D $\pm .010$	EXPTL	MODEL	Δx_W $\pm .032$	EXPTL	MODEL	ΔD ± 1.1	EXPTL	MODEL	ΔW ± 2.7	EXPTL	MODEL	ΔL_R ± 1.1	R
	x_D	x_D		x_W	x_W		D	D		W	W		L_R	L_R		
1	.925	.928	-.003	.160	.180	-.020	28.7	27.6	1.01	33.7	34.0	-.3	21.0	20.1	.9	.73
2	.920	.926	-.006	.225	.249	-.024	20.8	21.6	-.8	40.1	41.8	-1.7	17.2	16.4	.8	.76
3	.955	.950	.005	.125	.153	-.028	26.4	27.1	-.7	37.4	35.2	2.2	30.3	31.2	-.9	1.15
4	.895	.901	-.006	.020	.038	-.018	31.4	35.1	-3.7	27.3	25.3	2.0	20.1	20.0	0.1	.57
5	.915	.911	.004	.040	.028	.012	30.5	30.5	0	34.4	34.9	-.5	25.2	25.3	-.1	.83
6	.930	.936	-.006	.055	.065	-.01	28.2	29.2	-1.	33.0	35.1	-2.1	28.5	29.4	-.9	1.01
7	.930	.923	.007	.085	.087	-.002	27.2	27.3	-.1	37.0	37.5	-.5	31.1	31.2	-.1	1.14
8*	.955	.900	.055	.110	.180	-.070	24.5	24.2	.3	39.5	40.7	-1.2	34.5	34.1	.4	1.41
9*	.960	-	-	.155	-	-	20.1	-	-	44.6	-	-	38.2	-	-	1.90
10*	.980	-	-	.175	-	-	16.6	-	-	49.5	-	-	42.1	-	-	2.54
11	.905	.905	0	.020	.035	-.015	33.6	33.3	0.3	27.3	29.0	-1.7	22.5	22.3	0.2	.67
12	.890	.888	.002	.010	.025	-.015	34.1	33.8	0.3	29.8	29.0	0.8	21.3	21.0	0.3	.62
13	.880	.882	-.002	.010	.024	-.014	35.0	34.1	0.9	29.3	28.7	0.6	20.5	20.1	0.4	.59
14	.920	.926	-.006	.025	.039	-.014	31.7	31.0	0.7	31.5	32.8	-1.3	28.8	28.2	0.6	.91
15	.920	.912	-.008	.010	.012	-.002	33.0	32.9	0.1	27.6	30.4	2.8	31.9	31.9	0.0	.97
16	.920	.925	-.005	.065	.079	-.014	30.1	29.5	0.6	34.4	34.3	0.1	24.1	23.6	0.5	.80
17	.915	.921	-.006	.250	.247	.003	19.8	20.4	-.6	43.3	44.0	-.7	14.6	15.1	-.5	.74
18	.915	.921	-.006	.150	.166	-.016	24.4	25.0	-.6	39.3	39.4	-.1	18.0	18.5	-.5	.74
19	.915	.921	-.006	.120	.137	-.017	26.0	26.5	-.5	38.6	37.9	0.7	19.6	19.9	-.3	.75
20	.915	.917	-.002	.080	.091	-.011	29.2	28.7	0.5	34.6	35.6	-1.0	21.2	21.0	0.2	.73
21	.915	.917	-.002	.050	.062	-.012	31.2	31.0	0.2	32.6	32.4	0.2	23.2	22.9	0.3	.74
22	.910	.902	.008	.020	.018	.002	33.9	33.3	0.6	27.9	29.7	-1.8	26.3	26.0	0.3	.78

* Failed to converge. All compositions in mole fractions, all flows in mol min⁻¹

COMPARISON OF STEADY STATE MODEL PREDICTIONS AND EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

TABLE VIII-2

VIII.2 COMPARISON OF THE STEADY STATE MODEL WITH THE EXPERIMENTAL DATA
OF SVRCEK.

Svrcek (1967) used a similar column to separate a methanol/water mixture. There was no data on the bubble cap geometries used by Svrcek so a constant Murphree vapour efficiency of 90% was assumed (based on an estimated bubble cap slot 3.8 cm long and the correlation of Bakowski (1969)). In general, the experimental data of Svrcek and the predictions from the steady state model agreed within the tolerances described previously in this appendix. Two sample runs are listed below in Table VIII-3.

TABLE VIII-3

COMPARISON OF SSGW AND THE EXPERIMENTAL DATA OF SVRCEK (1967)

RUN S - 1

Feed Rate	= 1.12 l min ⁻¹	Number of Trays = 8
Feed Comp.	= 0.366	Feed Tray = 6*
Feed Temperature	= 75°C	(*from the top of the column)
Reflux Temperature	= 65°C	
Reflux Ratio	= 1.94	
Steam Flow	= 0.81 kg min. ⁻¹	

VARIABLE	SVRCEK	SSGW
X _D (m.f.)	.925	.938
X _W (m.f.)	.005	.002
D (mol min ⁻¹)	17.0	16.8
W (mol min ⁻¹)	26.3	26.3
L _R (mol min ⁻¹)	33.0	32.5
x ₁ (m.f.)	.840	.854
x ₂ (m.f.)	.735	.726
x ₃ (m.f.)	.576	.551
x ₄ (m.f.)	.383	.336
x ₅ (m.f.)	.216	.180

x_6 (m.f.)	.148	.119
x_7 (m.f.)	.051	.032
x_8 (m.f.)	.016	.008

x_i = composition of the liquid leaving tray i

RUN S -13

Feed Rate	= 1.28 g min^{-1}	Number of Trays = 8
Feed Composition	= .375	Feed Tray = 6*
Feed Temperature	= 75°C	(* from the top of the column)
Reflux Temperature	= 65°C	
Reflux Ratio	= 1.31	
Steam Flow	= 0.72 kg min^{-1}	

VARIABLE	SVRCEK	SSGW
x_D (m.f.)	.948	.951
x_W (m.f.)	.010	.011
D (mol min^{-1})	18.9	18.9
W (mol min^{-1})	29.6	30.0
L_R (mol min^{-1})	24.9	24.8
x_1 (m.f.)	.882	.886
x_2 (m.f.)	.802	.800
x_3 (m.f.)	.706	.693
x_4 (m.f.)	.569	.565
x_5 (m.f.)	.439	.426
x_6 (m.f.)	.311	.300
x_7 (m.f.)	.178	.147
x_8 (m.f.)	.090	.046

x_i = composition of the liquid leaving tray i