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DATA LOGGER

User Guide

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INTRODUCTION

This guide contains program design and operating information and instructions for the 2280 Series Data Logger. It's written in clear, non-technical language and arranged so that it's easy to access and task oriented.

We refer to the setting up process as programming, although in a strict sense it is not; you won't be using a computer language. The 2280 is entirely menu driven. When designing programs, all you need to do is respond to prompts as they appear and make selections from the menus. Each menu takes you one step closer to setting up the tasks you want the 2280 to perform.

Check out this introductory section first before you begin programming, and familiarize yourself with the layout of information in this guide. Decide what level of instructions you need. If you've used a programmable data logger before, you may only need this guide for quick reference situations, and you'll probably be able to locate all the information you need by using the index and looking up specific tasks.

At the end of this first section is a brief and general overview of data logging which should give you a feel for the potential uses of your 2280.

Section 2 starts with a discussion of the most prominent programming characteristics of the 2280, and includes an introduction to the 2280 Series Programming Form. This form helps to clarify and simplify the programming process and requires some explanation of its own.

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The rest of Section 2 is a concise tutorial which walks
you through some of the most commonly used tasks. The
tutorial is designed for someone with little or no
experience with the 2280, and it provides complete
step-by-step instructions for each task. You may spend
more time reading the entire tutorial than initially
planned, but consider it time well spent. Once you've
completed it, you should be knowledgeable enough to
design almost any program on your own, without the use
of a guide.

The menu reference in section 3 answers questions about
individual 2280 programming menus and their selections.
The menu reference can also be used to answer specific
questions about different programming steps.

Someone with a working knowledge of the 2280 Series
Data Logging system may still need occasional
reinforcement. The balance of this book covers general
user operations and contains sections devoted to
programming with the Advanced Math Option, remote
programming, cartridge tape use, and error messages.

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ORGANIZATION

Section 1   How to Use This Guide

This first section describes the organization of
the User Guide and gives descriptions of the
kinds of information contained in the other 2280
guides.

Section 1 also contains a brief explanation of the
principles involved in data acquisition systems
and provides a general introduction to data
logging.

Section 2   Introduction to Programming and Operations

Section 2 is for new users and operators; it
includes an introduction to the user interface and
covers the keypad, the menus and programming
modules, and the programming form.

Following the introduction is a concise
walk-through tutorial designed to teach basic
programming and operating skills.

Section 3   Programming and Menu Reference

Section 3 discusses all of the programming utility
options and menus available. Each module is
diagrammed, with menus presented in the same
sequence the user sees them. The reference point
for users in this section is the program module
first, the specific menu in question within that
module, and then the individual menu item.

Section 4   Programming with the Advanced Math Option

    Section 4 discusses programming capabilities and
    functions available with the Advanced Math Board
    (Option -211) installed followed by advanced
    programming techniques. Specific examples and
    sample programs are included.

Section 5   Operating the 2280 From the Front Panel

    Section 5 contains almost everything you need to
    know about operating the 2280 once programming has
    been completed. All of the available input and
    output capabilities are discussed in detail, from
    a front panel point of view.

Section 6   Recording Information

    Section 6 explains how to use the various data
    recording features of the 2280 Series of Data
    Loggers. Included are programming and switch
    setting instructions for the printer and the
    cartridge tape drive and useful information about
    transferring data to external data collection
    systems.

Section 7   Remote Programming and Operation

    Programming and operating the 2280 from RS-232
    terminals and computers and IEEE-488 computers are
    described in detail here. Section 7 includes
    prompting and concise command strings, remote
    access and lockout, and programming examples.

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Section 8   Error Messages and System Alarms

Following brief error and alarm definitions,
Section 8 contains an alphabetized reference of
all error messages and system alarms, their
causes, and what you need to do about them.

Section 9   Appendices

The Glossary contains 2280-related terminology
definitions and additional reference information.

The distinctions between the 2280A, 2280B, and
2285B Data Loggers are discussed in Appendix B and
C. These appendices also describe which portions
of the manual set applies to specific models only.

Appendix D contains formatting information for the
Cartridge Tape Option.

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If You're Using a 2280A or 2285B Data Logger.....

This User Guide provides comprehensive documentation
for all 2280 Series Data Loggers. The main body of this
manual specifically documents the 2280B Data Logger.

Almost all of the reference information in this guide
also applies to the 2280A and 2285B Data Loggers.
Differing descriptions are presented in the following
appendices,

o   2285B Differences - Appendix B
o   2280A Differences - Appendix C

HOW TO USE THE MANUAL SET

2280 User Guide

The 2280 User Guide describes the 2280 from top to bottom. A beginner could use the guide as a complete course in programming and operating the 2280 in a data acquisition system, whereas a more experienced user would probably only need parts of this manual for orientation and quick reference. An untrained operator will find all of the operating basics here as well.

2280 System Guide

The 2280 System guide describes all aspects of installing the 2280 in a data logging system. This guide serves as a complete course in defining the user's data logging functions, identifying system requirements, making the necessary hardware connections, and verifying correct operation. An inexperienced user may need all of this information to get the Data Logger up and running. A user already familiar with data logging may only need incidental reference to this information. In either case, each element of the installation process is easily accessible and fully referenced.

2280 Service Manual

The 2280 Service Manual is primarily a maintenance guide to the instrument. The manual covers theory of operation for mainframe and option assemblies, general maintenance and cleaning, performance testing, calibration, troubleshooting, and repair. Parts lists are also included.

LOGGING DATA WITH A 2280

Our ability to measure is said to be the key to modern technology. A brief look at the history of technical advances seems to bear out this claim. Ever finer machining tolerances, for example, allow us to create the optical devices necessary to produce smaller and smaller microcircuits. Precise temperature monitoring allows us to create incredibly tough alloys, exotic plastic compounds, and durable molded products.

Measurement requires tools. The more accurate the tool, the more precise the measurement, which in turn gives us tighter control of the variables we measure. If measurement is the key to technology, then precise tools are the key to measurement.

In the industrial process environment, it is essential to gather complex data from a variety of sources and interpret this data in a meaningful way. In the research laboratory, any experiment is meaningless unless the resulting data can be collected. We need tools to collect this information. Data collection tools can range from a strip of litmus paper, to a notebook, to a huge mainframe computer.

The Fluke 2280 Series of Data Loggers are the precision tools for the job. From simple data collection to fairly complex control functions, the 2280's provide the necessary precision for both industrial process monitoring and research tasks.

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The Data Logger Environment

The data logger finds its best use simultaneously
monitoring several channels of data and logging the
returned values. Each channel is connected to some type
of physical transducer such as a flowmeter,
thermocouple, strain gauge, or RTD. The 2280 can
perform scaling or data conversion functions on this
raw data to render it more meaningful.

For example, many transducers output a voltage or
resistance to indicate a physical value such as
foot-pounds of force or cubic feet per minute.
Collected information can later be analyzed to pinpoint
failure causes, generate histograms or frequency
distributions of various recurring phenomena, or as a
performance record of individual specimens.

Almost any manufacturing process, for example, can
require some form of continuous quality monitoring. The
2280 has been used in a tremendous variety of
environments, such as continuously monitoring autoclave
temperature in sterilizing pharmaceutical products;
comparing signal reproduction characteristics of
digital audio disks against a reference standard;
recording power supply performance under simulated
forced-air cooling conditions; and recording the
performance characteristics of helicopter-rotor
air-speed sensors.

These types of environments have several features in
common. They all require programming so that many
channels of information are monitored, read frequently,
and checked continually and simultaneously. The 2280
forms the heart of these various process-monitoring
systems. In many instances the data logger is
programmed to trigger alarm conditions which begin
recording data performance only during out-of-range
operating conditions.

By using these and other features of the 2280, you can
achieve the maximum utility possible in your
application. Think of the 2280 as a data sponge you can
use to soak up information from virtually any process.
If you can find a transducer for the phenomena you want
to monitor, the 2280 can probably read it.

Research Data Logging

The 2280 has also been used in a number of research
applications, including automobile performance tests.
The 2280 is frequently used to monitor a variety of
engine and chassis parameters under actual road
conditions. The portability and 12V dc operation allow
it to be used in both unusual and demanding
environments. In situations similar to automobile road
tests, the 2280 can be used to collect real-time data
under experimental conditions for later study and
analysis with data processing equipment.

The data logger will continue to play an important role
in the test and measurement industry. In the future
data loggers will be increasingly accepted and used in
industrial process monitoring and control applications.
Data loggers will continue to become more accessible to
users (as they become easier to use) and will pack
increasing power into smaller and smaller components.

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INTRODUCTION

Programming the 2280 simply means pushing a few
buttons. You program it only in the sense that you tell
it what to do; you're actually just setting up monitor
and scanning processes using the menus and the keypad.
The display prompts you as you go with a series of menu
choices; you respond by typing in the name or number of
the feature you wish to select. It's all much easier
than you might infer from the word "programming" which
usually suggests learning and invoking a complex and
cryptic computer language.

This section explores the programming task for the
uninitiated. We start with a quick look at the data
logger's programmable features and introduce the
programming form. Next is a detailed tutorial, with
walk-through instructions for common tasks. The section
concludes with instructions on how to save the program
to cartridge tape, and then, how to reload the saved
program.

If you've already encountered menu-driven programmable
instruments, you may be able to skip the tutorial and
simply refer to individual sections for information on
specific features. The 2280 Series Programming Form is
an excellent aid to programming. It provides a
reproduction of each menu you'll be selecting from,
along with worksheet space so you can figure out how you
want your program to fit together before you key it in.

Programming with the advanced math board is discussed in Section 4, followed by advanced techniques and programming examples. If you don't need to go through the tutorial but still need assistance from time to time, Section 3 contains a complete programming reference section with detailed instructions for each menu and entry field in each module.

This guide is written as clearly as possible, but there's always a chance you'll run across unfamiliar terminology or function descriptions. The overview and tutorial are still worth referring to if this happens, and you'll find definitions in the Glossary helpful as well.

PROGRAMMING OVERVIEW

In essence, a data logger does the work of a person
with a pen and a notebook, jotting down numbers read
from meters or gauges. On the surface, the process
doesn't seem very complicated. How the data logger goes
about its work can become complicated, though,
depending upon how many features are used.

For example, in addition to programming the data logger
to monitor something, you can also program it to draw
some conclusion about a measurement, and, if the
measurement meets a given condition, (i.e., it's too
high or too low), you can have it measure another
process variable it would not otherwise check.

Unlike the person jotting down numbers in a notebook,
the data logger can record data in a variety of ways.
Using the 2280, you can store measurements on the
internal printer or on magnetic tape, you can display
data on the 40 character display, upload it to a host
system, or do all of these simultaneously. The data
logger plots measurements, too. It's a major step up
from the guy with a notebook.

THE FRONT PANEL

The 2280 series data loggers are programmed and
operated through the front panel keypad. The keys are
divided into two areas, OPERATOR and PROGRAMMER (see
illustration.) The OPERATOR keys can be used at any
time, but the front panel programming door must be open
to access the PROGRAMMER keys.

The operating portion of the keypad contains numerical
keys, SCAN, SINGLE SCAN, MONITOR and PLOT operating
keys, along with the ALARM ACK (alarm acknowledgment)
and REMOTE/LOCAL user function keys.

The programming portion of the keypad contains the
alphabetical characters along with six programming
module keys,

o   CHANNEL PROGRAM

o   ALARM LIST PROGRAM

o   SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

o   PLOT PROGRAM

o   OUTPUT DEVICE PROGRAM

o   SYSTEM PROGRAM

The programming portion of the keypad also contains
additional programming and operating keys, such as
LIST, DATA TRANSFER, DELETE CHAR (delete character),
MENU, TAPE, and SPACE.

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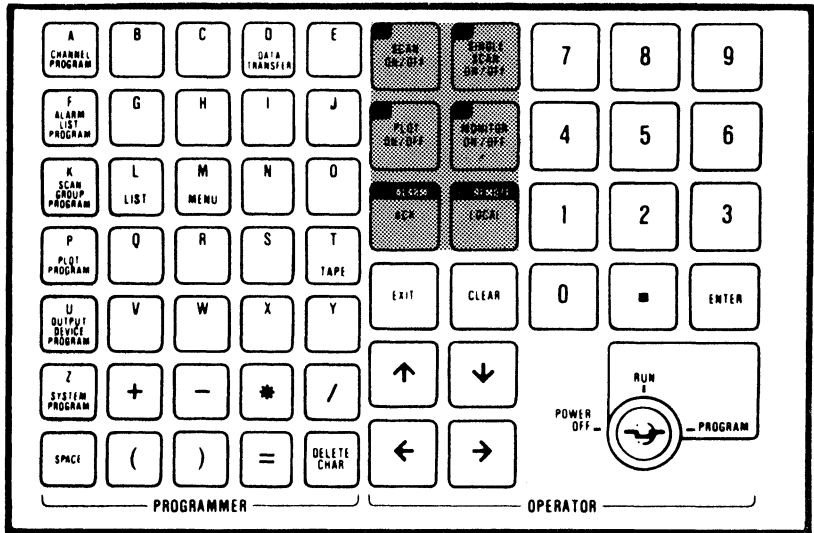
In addition to controlling the 2280 from the front
panel you have the ability to operate and program it
from a terminal or computer. This is referred to as
remote access and is discussed in Section 7 of this
guide.

A security feature of the 2280 is the locked access to
the programming functions. Once the data logger is
programmed, you can turn the key to RUN and remove it
so you can continue to monitor processes and log data,
but only selected users can alter programs or enter new
ones. It is possible to alter certain programmed
characteristics and values while the key is in the RUN
position; see Section 5, Operating the 2280 From the
Front Panel, for more information about this feature.

With the keyswitch in the PROGRAM position and the door
open, you have access to all of the available
programming and operating features.

If you press a wrong key when programming or operating
(for example, if you try to select a 5 and the menu
you're in doesn't offer a 5), you'll hear a beeping
noise. This warning noise, actually, three beeps in
quick succession, tells you to try another entry; the
wrong key is being used. But, don't worry, nothing
terrible will happen to your program. You simply need
to look at the current menu and select a different key.

W THE MENUS WORK

The 2280 Series Data Loggers are menu-driven; you do
all the programming by making selections from menus.
There are only a few user defined entry fields. This
kind of system takes most of the learning curve out of
setting up process monitoring, and it makes programming
and operating considerably easier for most users. You
can access each programming module from the main menu.

Programming is divided into six groups (referred to as
modules), each of which contains sets and then subsets
of menus for programming the options present in that
group. You select the desired option by merely entering
the indicated key. Each menu clearly spells out what is
available, while simultaneously narrowing the entire
field as you descend into the chosen menu subset.

Some menus are simple listings of programmable features
available in a given section, and other menus actually
allow you to set characteristics and limits, specify
output devices, and the like. Along with the menu
title, the display shows the previous setting (if
already programmed) or the preset default selection.

Each of the modules is designed to handle a specific
type of information; channel programming is for
programming channels, output device programming is for
specifying output device characteristics and formats,
and so on. We'll briefly discuss each module on the
following pages. This section uses mostly introductory
descriptions of the modules and how they work together;
the more detailed point-by-point entry instructions are
found in the Programming Reference Section in Section
3 of this guide.

THE PROGRAMMING FORM

The 2280 Series Programming Form should help in
planning your program; it also provides a written
record of the programs implemented. You can also refer
to it as you edit part or all of any existing program.
The programming form allows you to pinpoint the module
and specific menu you need to change an existing
program. Changing one field has no effect on other
fields in the program.

An added benefit in using the form is that you can
refer to it while you are sitting in front of the 2280
and programming it. The modules, menus, and displayed
prompts will seem clearer and more cohesively linked
together. The programming form is a great aid in
following your progress through the menus.

<A> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL #/BLOCK	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE - A-Z -	CHANNEL MENU CHOICE < 1-5 >?				
		< 1 > ALARM LIST#	< 2 > CHANNEL UNITS	< 3 > CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE	< 4 > CHANNEL LABEL	< 5 > LOGGING FORMAT
P C D OR L		0-4 chrs		Refer to programmed channel as C-F	0-15 characters	

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU

(channel function menu options, user defined RTD constants, logging format menu)

<K> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

GROUP #	SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE < 1-5 >?				
P C D or L	< 1 > SCAN GROUP LABEL	< 2 > SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST	< 3 > SCAN TRIG MODE	< 4 > DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL	< 5 > OTHER SCAN GROUP TRIGGER

1 - On Demand Only   3 - Continuous   5 - Externally Triggered
2 - Time Interval HH MM SS   4 - Discrete Time HH MM SS   6 - Scan Once

<F> ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALM LIST #	ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE < 1,2 >?		< 2 > DEAD BAND
P C D OR L	< 1 > LIMITS INFORMATION		
		ALARM MESSAGE	ALARM SCAN TRIGGER
0-1400		0-40 characters	

1 - Never   2 - During Alarm   3 - On Alarm Transition

< Z > SYSTEM PROGRAM

			SYSTEM MENU CHOICE · 1-7 ·?			
·1	2	3	·4	5	6	7
LINE FREQUENCY	CALENDAR DATE & TIME	TEMPERATURE UNITS	ACCESS CODE	SCAN TRIGGER ENABLE TIMES	INTERPOLATION TABLES	SELECT MENU OPTIONS

< P > PLOT PROGRAM

	PLOT MENU CHOICE · 1,2 ·?			
	1			2
	PARAMETERS			COMMON PLOT INTERVAL FOR ALL FOUR PLOTS
	PLOT NUMBER 1-4 ?			
PLOT #:	1 · · · 2 · · · 3 · · · 4			PLOT INTERVAL
SYMBOL				

< U > OUTPUT DEVICE PROGRAM

					OUTPUT MENU CHOICE · 1-8 ·?				
1 ·		· 2 ·	3 ·	4 ·		5 ·	6 ·	· 7 ·	8 ·
PRINTER FORMAT		PORT A FORMAT	PORT B FORMAT	CARTRIDGE TAPE FORMAT		PORT A CHARACTER- ISTICS	PORT B CHARACTER- ISTICS	ALARM ACKNOWLEDGE- MENT LOGGING DEVICE	DATA TRANSFER FILTER
	MENU				MENU				

KEYS THAT MOVE YOU THROUGH THE MENUS

The ENTER key steps you through the menus and is the key you use to make selections from within them. The term "stepping through" refers to the process of moving through the menu hierarchy to either view the selections or alter them. Most fields have a default setting that you can see by selecting the field. Once you select the field, the data logger displays the existing entry.

The 2280 presents a programming menu tree for each program module, and menu selections can be displayed on the front panel screen by pressing the up arrow or down arrow key. Use these keys to help find your place in the menus and also to clearly spell out the choices and selections available at a given point. You can scroll through the menus using the up arrow or down arrow keys, but to enter a menu and make selections from it you need to use the ENTER key. Using only the ENTER key to move through menus causes you to select whatever the earlier program or preset default entries are. Make sure these are the selections you want.
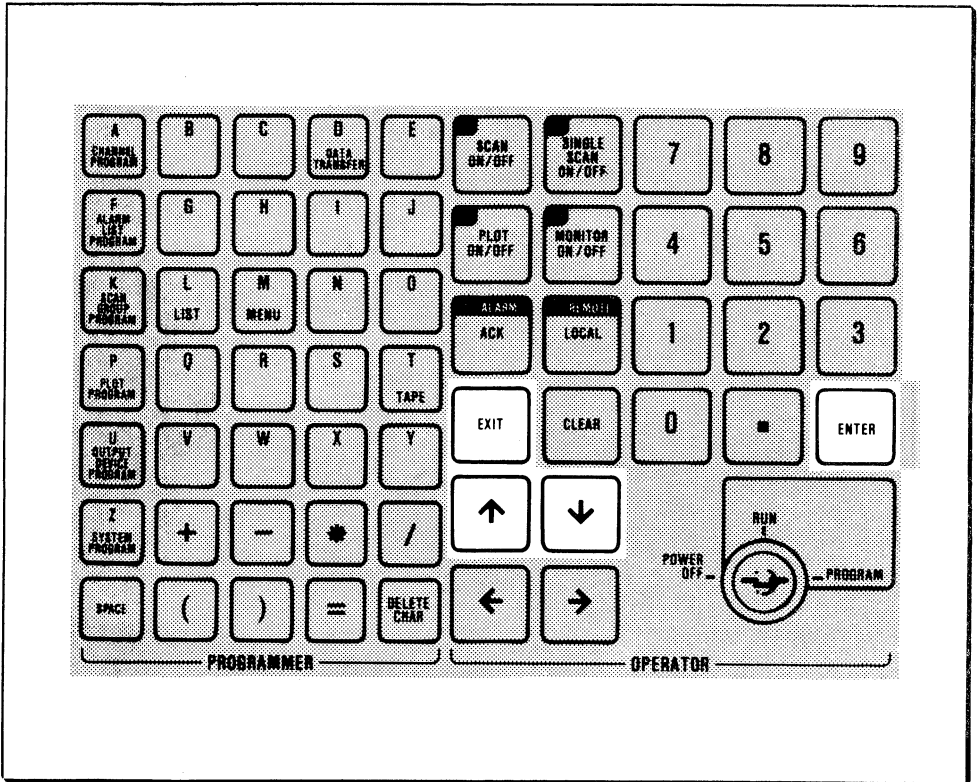
KEYS THAT MOVE YOU THROUGH THE MENUS

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┌─────────────────────────────────────────────────────────┐
│                                                         │
│      ┌──────────────────────────────────────────┐       │
│      │  A:  CHANNEL FUNCTION ( A-Z )?  D          │       │
│      └──────────────────────────────────────────┘       │
│                                                         │
│                                                         │
└─────────────────────────────────────────────────────────┘
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The example display above shows the channel functions
(A-Z) that can be selected at this point. In this
example, the cursor highlights channel function D.
Pressing ENTER at this point selects D. Any of the
other channel functions can be selected by pressing the
appropriate letter (A-Z), and then ENTER. The
cursor-highlighted letter represents the last selection
made, or (if none have been made), the default setting.

Press the EXIT key repeatedly to step back out of the
menu hierarchy when you're finished. Depending upon
the menu level, the number of times you press EXIT will
vary from only once, to four or more times.

Programs are not being altered nor are items selected
when EXIT is being used.

Use the alphanumeric keys for fields requiring user
defined entries (i.e., scan group labels, alarm
messages, etc.), and then press ENTER to store your
entry.

THE PROGRAMMING KEYS

Some of the keys in the programming portion of the
keyboard are marked for selecting specific functions.
When you're at the main menu (MAIN MENU CHOICE <M FOR
MENU>? A), you can select programming modules, or
menus, or some other function without searching for the
appropriate letter key. The programming keys can be
used in addition to their alphabetical characters; the
labels are strictly an added cue for making selections
easier to find.

MISCELLANEOUS KEYS

The 2280 keypads contain a number of other doubly
marked keys. LIST, TAPE, and DATA TRANSFER keys provide
convenient access to common utility tasks and are
discussed in the Operating section of this guide.
(Section 5).

The Menu Key

The front panel display provides prompts for selections
as you use the 2280, but an especially helpful prompt
is the MENU key. When you see bracketed numbers or
letters on the display (which indicates a choice of
selections), you can usually print the current menu by
pressing 'M'. The menu selection available will be
listed onto the printer or whatever menu listing device
you've specified.

Space, Delete Character, and Clear Keys

The SPACE, DELETE CHAR, and CLEAR keys are for editing
programming entries. Use the SPACE key to place spaces
between words or expressions while entering characters
into user defined fields.

The DELETE CHAR key removes characters one at a time as
they appear under the cursor. If the cursor is at the
end of a string being edited, the characters to the left
of the key will be deleted.

The CLEAR key deletes the entire field being edited and
returns the cursor to the beginning position.

Right → and Left ← Arrow Keys

The right arrow and left arrow keys are primarily used
to position the cursor when changing an entry. Use
these keys after you've entered a menu to move to a
specific point in an entry field without disturbing the
existing characters. These cursor control keys won't
alter an entry or a program.

For example, let's say you've noticed a spelling error
in a channel label. To correct it, first scroll through
the menus in the channel programming module to the
proper entry field. Then, use the right arrow key to
advance across the displayed characters to reach the
error you plan to correct. From this point, use the
delete key to remove the offending character or
characters, and then enter the corrected message.
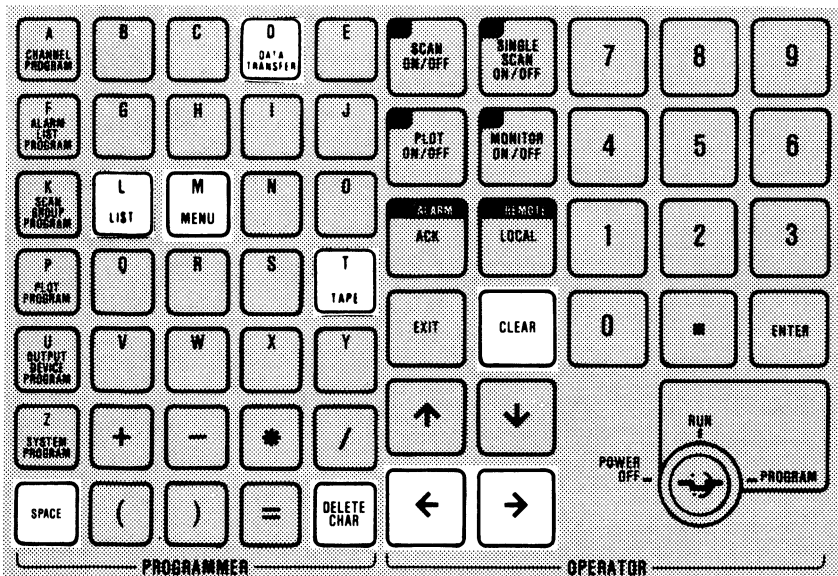
MISCELLANEOUS KEYS

THE OPERATING AND USER FUNCTION KEYS

The right side of the 2280 front panel keypad contains
the numerical keys, along with keys that move you
through the menus (ENTER, EXIT, up arrow and down
arrow), and the operating and user function keys. The
operating keys toggle on and off and have a light
indicating their status.

The SCAN, SINGLE SCAN, PLOT, and MONITOR keys are
discussed in greater detail in the Operating section of
this guide. (Section 5).
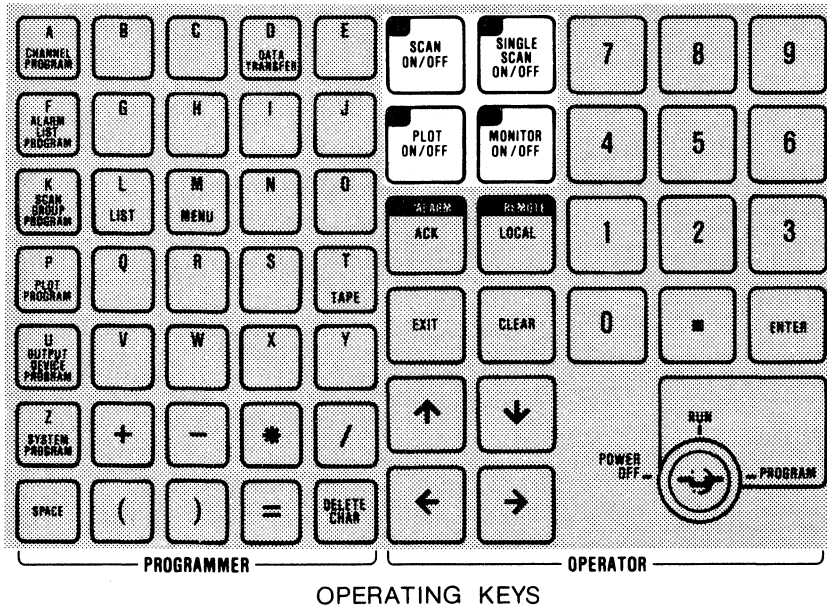
OPERATING KEYS

The ALARM ACK and REMOTE/LOCAL keys are referred
to as user function keys. They are used in very specific
circumstances and are also discussed in the Operating
section.

USER FUNCTION KEYS

Scan Groups

In most cases, you'll have several measurements to make, not just one. Therefore, the main program unit is a scan group. A scan group is a list of channels to be processed or scanned. A scan group program, in turn, tells the data logger what inputs to read, what calculations to make, what outputs to set, where to route collected data, whether additional scan groups are to be started, and so on. You can program up to ten different scan groups on the 2280.

<K> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

GROUP #	SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE < 1-5 >?									
P.C.D. or L.	< 1 > SCAN GROUP LABEL	< 2 > SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST	< 3 > SCAN TRIG MODE	< 4 > DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL pick one for each device					< 5 > OTHER SCAN GROUP TRIGGER	
u 9	0-4u Alphanumeric characters EXAMPLE ENGINE / TEST	FORMAT One channel only, Cn Channel Block only, Cn Cn Channel and Blocks Cn Cn Cn Cn Cn Cn Cn Cn	(pick only one see menu below)						Scan Group to Trigger (#)	Trigger Condition (see menu below)
1 · On Demand Only 2 · Time interval HH MM SS		· 3 · Continuous · 4 · Discrete Time HH MM SS		· 5 · Externally Triggered · 6 · Scan Once		1 · No Data · 3 · Alarm Data 2 · All Data 4 · Alarm Trans Data			1 · Never 3 · Any Alarm 2 · Any Transition Alarm 4 · Always	

Input channels, output channels, and pseudo channels that you want processed as a group are all lumped together as a scan group. You can create different scan groups using the same input, output, and pseudo channels in different combinations, or with new channels.

A scan group is really a procedure. Each programmed
step will be to read an input channel, perform the
calculations in a pseudo channel, or send a value to an
output channel. Each scan group is given a channel list
showing the channel data to be collected and specifying
the order in which the channels within a scan group
will be logged.

The 2280 can only perform one task at a time, so it's
important to set priorities in the scan groups you're
working with. The lower the assigned number, the higher
the priority. For example, if you've programmed groups
4 and 5 to be scanned at the same time, group 4 will be
executed first. The prioritizing only occurs if more
than one scan group is used.

Channel Programming

A channel is the building block for a scan group. Each channel can be defined as a measurement channel, an output channel, or as a pseudo (dummy) channel used to perform calculations between other channels.

\<A\> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL #/BLOCK	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE A-Z	CHANNEL MENU CHOICE < 1-5 >?				
P C D OR L 0-1499 or C#, L#	(see menu below) EXAMPLE (JT C) T	<1> ALARM LIST# 0-1499 EXAMPLE (DL) ?	<2> CHANNEL UNITS 0-6 chrs EXAMPLE DEG F	<3> CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE 0-75 characters Refer to programmed channel as C#. EXAMPLE C# - C# * 1.8 + 32.0	<4> CHANNEL LABEL 0-15 characters EXAMPLE EXHAUST TEMP	<5> LOGGING FORMAT (see menu below)

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU				USER DEFINED RTD CONTANTS	LOGGING FORMAT MENU

P PSEUDO CHANNEL
D VOLTS/CURRENT
 1 · 64 000 VDC
 2 · 8 0000 VDC
 3 512 00 MvDC
 4 64 000 MvDC
 5 64.0 MA
 6 250.0 VAC
 7 64 000 MV UTO
A · A/D CALIBRATION
 1 CALIBRATION
 2 SPECIAL
T THERMOCOUPLE
 J J (NBS)
 K K (NBS)
 T T (NBS)
 E E (NBS)
	· R R (NBS)
	 · S S (NBS)
	 · B B (NBS)
	 · N N (NBS)
	 · C W 5RE VS W 26RE
	 · N J (DIN)
	 · V T (DIN)
	R · RTD
	 1 385 DC VOLTS SCANNER
	 2 10 OHM CU DC VOLTS
	   SCANNER
	 3 USER DEFINED DC VOLTS
	   SCANNER
	 4 385 RTD SCANNER TEMP
	 5 10 OHM CU RTD SCANNER
	   LO RANGE
		· 6 USER DEFINED RTD
		   SCANNER LO RANGE
		 · 7 385 RTD SCANNER TEMP
		   GT 425.0 C
		 · 8 USER DEFINED RTD
		   SCANNER HI RANGE
		User Defined RTD constants
		 1st RO (default 100 0)
		 2nd ALPHA (default 3.80E-3)
		 3rd DELTA (default 1 494)
		 4th C4 (default 205 09E 11)
		C COUNTER/TOTALIZER
		 · 1 · COUNTS
		 · 2 · FREQUENCY
		8 · STATUS OUTPUT
		 1st Zero Result (1 14 chrs)
			2nd Nonzero Result (1 14 chars)
			 · I · STATUS INPUT
			 1st Zero Result (1 14 chrs)
			 2nd Nonzero Result (1 14 chars)
			 · O · ANALOG OUTPUT
			 · B BCD/BINARY INPUT
			 · Z RESISTANCE
			 · 1 · 512 (0) OHMS DC VOLTS
			   SCANNER
			 · 2 64 000 OHMS DC VOLTS
			   SCANNER
			 · 3 256 00 OHMS RTD
			   SCANNER
			 4 2048 0 OHMS RTD
			   SCANNER
			 · 5 64 000 KOHMS RTD
			   SCANNER
					· 1 · Auto
					 · 2 · nnnnn
					 · 3 · n nnnn
					 · 4 · nn nnn
					 · 5 · nnn nn
					 · 6 · nnnn n
					 · 7 · nnnnn

Channel programming refers to the set of instructions telling the data logger what its inputs are and where those inputs are physically located. Alphanumeric labels, engineering units scaling, and the location of the decimal point for logging are defined here. If a channel input is to be checked against an alarm list, those limits are also referenced through channel programming.

Many channels will be programmed in conjunction with an alarm; it's a good idea to use the same number for programming the alarm list as you use for the corresponding channel.

Alarm Lists

Aside from simply writing down numbers, occasionally you'll want the data logger to take further action if it gets a reading outside the range in which it should be. Such a condition is called an alarm. The conditions that are to trigger further action and the conditional tasks to be done are programmed as an alarm list.

\<F\> ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALM LIST #	ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE \< 1,2 \>?								\< 2 \> DEAD BAND
P.C.D. OR L. 0-1490	\< 1 \> LIMITS INFORMATION								
	\<1\> LIMIT #	\<2\> SENSE	\<3\> LIMIT VALUE	\<3\> ALARM MESSAGE 0-40 characters EXAMPLE: EXHAUST TEMP OVEN LIMIT		\<4\> ALARM SCAN TRIGGER		\<5\> DELETE LIMIT	
			H-L			1st TRIG GROUP	2nd TRIG BLOCK		
	1								
	2								
	3								
	4								
	1								
	2								
	3								
	4								
	1								
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	4								
	1								
	2								
	3								
	4								

\<1\> - Never   \<2\> - During Alarm   \<3\> - On Alarm Transition

An alarm list program contains instructions setting
high and low limits to be checked. It also determines
which high or low values will trigger an alarm, whether
a message will accompany an alarm, and whether there is
to be any dead band or hysteresis associated with it.
An alarm list can also be set up to initiate other scan
groups.

Alarm list programming affords you tremendous
flexibility and control over the monitoring and
scanning processes already set up.

System Programming

System programming is a sort of catchall for selecting
instrument characteristics that don't relate
specifically to any one of the other five groups. Time
and calendar date, temperature units, access code, and
line frequency are set in system programs. These values
probably won't need to be changed very often.

< Z > SYSTEM PROGRAM

SYSTEM MENU CHOICE < 1-7 >?							
< 1 > LINE FREQUENCY	< 2 > CALENDAR DATE & TIME	< 3 > TEMPERATURE UNITS	< 4 > ACCESS CODE	< 5 > SCAN TRIGGER ENABLE TIMES	< 6 > INTERPOLATION TABLES		< 7 > SELECT MENU OPTIONS
: 1 : 60 Hz : 2 : 50 Hz	Set Time HH MM SS Set Date MO DD AUG 84	: 1 : Degree C : 2 : Degree F : 3 : Comp mV	(0-9 characters)	Set Start Time Set Stop Time HH MM SS	1st Table of: 25	2nd TABLE ENTRY FORMAT input output e.g. 1.63/0 345.004	1st MENU AUTOMATICALLY DISPLAY ? No Yes

Plot Programs

The internal printer can be programmed to plot
fluctuating values obtained from up to four different
channels.

< P > PLOT PROGRAM

PLOT MENU CHOICE < 1,2 >?					
< 1 > PARAMETERS PLOT NUMBER · 1-4 · ?					< 2 > COMMON PLOT INTERVAL FOR ALL FOUR PLOTS
PLOT #: SYMBOL:	<1 ·	<2 ·	<3 ·	<4 ·	PLOT INTERVAL HH MM SS
1st) Channel to Plot					
2nd) Leftmost Value					
3rd) Rightmost Value					

Plotting is a relatively simple matter to set up. You
only need to specify the left and right most values for
each channel to be plotted; then you set the common
plotting interval. The plotting interval is independent
of any other scanning activity.

Plotting is especially useful for providing a visual
correlation between channels.

Output Device Programs

Output device programs determine the format that logged data assumes on the printer, the devices connected to ports A and B, and on the cartridge tape drive. In addition, various device characteristics may be determined for ports A and B.

< U > OUTPUT DEVICE PROGRAM

PRINTER FORMAT	MENU	PORT A FORMAT	PORT B FORMAT	CARTRIDGE TAPE FORMAT	MENU	PORT A CHARACTER-ISTICS	PORT B CHARACTER-ISTICS	ALARM ACKNOWLEDGE-MENT LOGGING DEVICE	DATA TRANSFER FILTER
· 1		· 2 ·	· 3 ·	· 4 ·		< 5 >	< 6 >	< 7 >	< 8 >

(OUTPUT MENU CHOICE · 1-8 ·? — table largely illegible)

The output device module is also used to select hardware configurations, such as RS-232 or IEEE-488 cards. For example, the data sent simultaneously to the cartridge tape and to the RS-232 port can differ in format, the number of readings per line, and the sequence of characters used to indicate the end of a line.

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TUTORIAL

This tutorial is designed to teach uninitiated users
fundamental techniques for programming and operating
the 2280 Series Data Loggers from the front panel. A
simple but useful sample program is put together here,
complete with scanning and an alarm. A more detailed
programming reference is provided in Section 3 of this
guide.

Creating a New Program

Use the following three-step approach to set up monitor
and scanning processes with the 2280.

1. Determine exactly what you want the program to
    accomplish.

2. Fill out the 2280 Series Programming Form. As you
    do, take into consideration all of the aspects and
    capabilities available to you. Make sure the
    program does precisely what you want it to do.

3   Key the program into the data logger.

With the programming form in front of you, the first
two steps can be done pretty much at the same time.
When you're writing a new program, use the form as a
kind of worksheet to get your thoughts onto paper, and
try various combinations of program options to analyze
whether what you want is actually what will work.

Once you have the program on paper in the exact form
you want, it's a simple matter to key it in. Follow the
displayed prompts, and refer to the form for help in
locating menus and fields within the six modules. Don't
worry if you make an error in putting together a
program--errors rarely create serious problems and are
generally easy to find and repair.

Before you start the following lesson, please make
certain the 2280 hardware you are using contains an
analog to digital converter (set at address "0"), a
scanner, and thermocouples connected to channels 8 and
9. Refer to the 2280 Series System Guide for answers to
hardware configuration questions.

If you get an error message you don't understand while
programming, turn to the error and alarm definitions in
Section 8 of this guide. The alphabetical listing (by
the first letter of the displayed message) makes them
easy to find.

Writing a Program to Measure and Average Two Thermocouples

In this lesson, you'll program three different kinds of
channels to measure temperature with two thermocouples.
This sample program involves programming channels 8, 9
and 10, one scan group (which you designate as scan
group number 5), an alarm list (number 10) and finally,
plotting the input results of the programmed channels.

First, the 2280 needs to accept the measurements on
input channels. The reading obtained from channel
8 (labeled Temperature 1), is displayed as degrees
Celsius. The channel 9 reading (Temperature 2) is
converted mathematically and displayed in degrees
Fahrenheit.

Next, you'll play with the resulting input values by
manipulating them with further computations. You'll
write a pseudo channel procedure to do so. Channel 10
(labeled Difference), is programmed as a pseudo channel
to convert channel 8 input to Fahrenheit, compute the
difference in temperature between channels 8 and 9, and
then display that difference during scanning.

Scan group number 5 is set up to execute a scan of the
three channels every fifteen seconds. You'll program
the alarm list to trigger an alarm any time the
difference measured by channel 10 exceeds fifteen
degrees Fahrenheit.

You finish the lesson by programming the printer to
plot the values of the three programmed channels.

Erasing the Program Memory

It's a good idea to remove any earlier programming
instructions from the instrument memory prior to
entering the program described in the following pages.
With the front panel door open, turn the keyswitch to
PROGRAM. The display reads,

```
MAIN MENU CHOICE (M FOR MENU)? A
```

This main menu is the starting point for programming
each of the six modules and is also the point you
return to when you've completed programming. Press the
MENU key to list the main menu choices onto the
printer.

To delete programming currently in the 2280 memory,
select,

The display now reads,

```
( E )  ERASE ALL OF PROGRAM MEMORY
```

Press **ENTER** and the display changes to,

```
REALLY ERASE ALL MEMORY ( Y, N )?   N
```

This step is to remind you that erasing the memory permanently removes it; make certain it's what you want to do. You can view the existing programming by selecting **L** and pressing **ENTER** from the main menu. The LIST function prints the current programming and configuration list onto the built-in printer.

To proceed with deleting the program memory, press,

```
Y
```
and
```
ENTER
```

Now the main menu is displayed again and you're ready to begin programming.

Programming a Scan Group

<K> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

GROUP #	SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE < 1-5 >?				
P,C,D, or L, 0-9	<1> SCAN GROUP LABEL 0-40 Alphanumeric characters EXAMPLE: ENGINE 2 TEST	<2> SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST FORMAT: One channel only: C# Channel Block only: C#..C# Channel and Blocks: C# C# C# .C# C# C# C#..C#	<3> SCAN TRIG MODE (pick only one see menu below)	<4> DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL pick one for each device: **<1>** Display **<2>** Printer **<3>** Tape **<4>** Port A **<5>** Port B	<5> OTHER SCAN GROUP TRIGGER Scan Group to Trigger (#) / Trigger Condition (see menu below)
5		C8 C9 C10	2 00:00:15	2	

<1> On Demand Only	<3> Continuous	<5> Externally Triggered	<1> No Data <3> Alarm Data	<1> Never <3> Any Alarm
<2> Time Interval HH MM SS.	<4> Discrete Time HH MM SS.	<6> Scan Once	<2> All Data <4> Alarm Trans Data	<2> Any Alarm / Transition <4> Always

A scan group is the foundation of all data logging
activities within the 2280. In this first exercise
you'll program scan group 5 to scan three channels
every fifteen seconds and send the output to the
printer.

Keep the 2280 Series Programming Form nearby to refer
to if you have difficulty following the menu prompts.
To enter and program the scan group module (from the
main menu), select,

The display responds with,

```
⟨K⟩ PROGRAM A SCAN GROUP
```

Press the **ENTER** key to choose the displayed
selection. In addition to choosing what's displayed,
using ENTER propels you through the menu selections as
you type in your program. Each time you hit ENTER you
are automatically advanced to the next menu choice
whether you've entered something in a field or have
chosen to leave the field blank.

The display reads,

```
SCAN GROUP NUMBER = O
```

You're designating this group as number 5, so press,

`5`   and then   `ENTER`

The display now reads,

```
PROGRAM, COPY, DELETE OR LIST ⟨P, C, D, OR L⟩?    P
```

You plan to PROGRAM scan group 5. The cursor always
highlights the preset (or default) selection; it's what
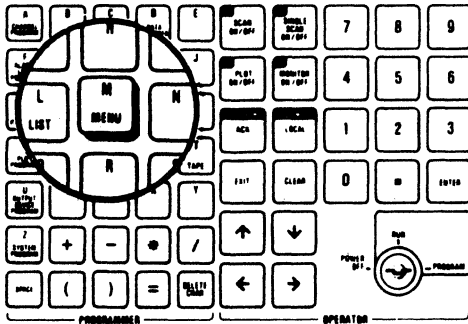you want here, so choose it by pressing **ENTER**.

The display reads,

```
K:  SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE ⟨1-5⟩?    1
```

If bracketed numbers or letters follow a displayed menu
title (e.g., scan group), you can usually list the menu
selections onto the printer by pressing,

Press the MENU key now to see the scan group menu
choices. The selections are also printed in the
corresponding module sections on the 2280 Series
Programming Form.

Scan group label is the first menu encountered in this
section; you're not adding a label to scan group 5,
so to move to the second menu, press 2. The
display reads,

```
K ⟨2⟩ SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST
```

Press ENTER to enter the menu and specify the
list of channels. The scan group is to be composed of
channels 8, 9, and 10. At the prompt CL:
(channel list), key in,

```
C8 C9 C10
```
ENTER

After you've entered the channel numbers, you'll see
another **CL:** on the display, followed by a blank line.
Enough space has been allotted in this field for
unlimited lines of channel numbers (with each line
containing up to 75 characters), but since you're
entering only one line, hit **ENTER** again to move
on.

The third menu, scan trigger mode, allows you to
specify how often and under what circumstances you want
the list of channels scanned. Our program calls for
scanning every fifteen seconds.

ENTER the third menu and the prompt is,

```
K3:   TRIGGER MODE ( 1-6 )?   1
```

In addition to using the MENU key to view your choices,
you can display the current selections by pressing any of
the menu choice indicators. In this case, those
indicators are the digits, 1 through 6.

Press **2** now to select the time interval scan, and
then press **ENTER** again. The format is hours,
minutes, and then seconds. Use the right arrow key to
scroll across the displayed default time and change the
field to read,

```
TIME INTERVAL =   00: 00: 15
```

ENTER this. Next, you'll go on to menu four to
specify which data is logged to which physical device.
In this program, all scan group data is to go to the
printer. Press **ENTER** and at the prompt,

```
K4:   DEVICE ( 1-5 )?   1
```

press the **MENU** key to see a list of the five devices. You want to program the printer, which is the second choice. Press 2, and then press **ENTER**. The prompt now reads,

```
K42: TYPE OF DATA (1-4)?   1
```

Again, press **MENU** if you wish to see what choices are available here. You want all data generated to go to the printer, so select 2, and then press **ENTER**. You don't need to change anything in the remaining fields, so our scan group is now completely programmed. Use the **EXIT** key to return to the main menu. To execute the scan from the front panel, press,
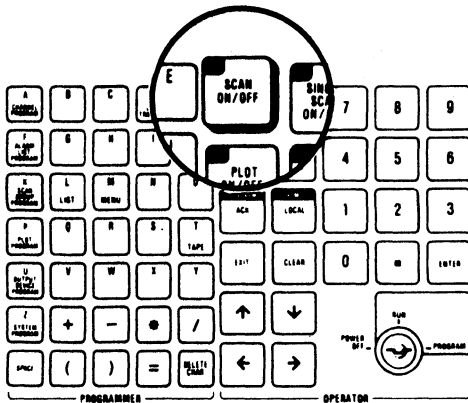
and watch the printer. There isn't any input data to log since the channels listed in this group haven't been programmed yet, but you can get a feeling for the format of the channel readings by running a scan now. This scan executes every fifteen seconds (as it was programmed), and it's stopped when you press the **SCAN** key again. The operating keys toggle on and off and have a light that indicates when they are on. The lesson will continue by programming channels 8, 9, and 10.

Programming Channels <A> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL #/BLOCK	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE < A-Z >	CHANNEL MENU CHOICE < 1-5 >?					
P,C,D, OR L, 0-1499 or C# C#	(see menu below) EXAMPLE (JT/C):TJ	<1> ALARM LIST# 0-1499	<2> CHANNEL UNITS 0-6 chrs. EXAMPLE: DEG F	<3> CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE 0-75 characters Refer to programmed channel as: CX EXAMPLE: CX = CX * 1.8 + 32.0		<4> CHANNEL LABEL 0-15 characters EXAMPLE: EXHAUST TEMP	<5> LOGGING FORMAT (see menu below)
B	TK					TEMP 1	

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU				USER DEFINED RTD CONTANTS	LOGGING FORMAT MENU

<P> PSEUDO CHANNEL
<D> VOLTS/CURRENT
 <1> 64.000 VDC
 <2> 8.0000 VDC
 <3> 512.00 MVDC
 <4> 64.000 MVDC
 <5> 64.0 MA
 <6> 250.0 VAC
 <7> 64.000 MV/OTD
<A> A/D CALIBRATION
 <1> CALIBRATION
 <2> SPECIAL
<T> THERMOCOUPLE
 <J> J (NBS)
 <K> K (NBS)
 <T> T (NBS)
 <E> E (NBS)

<R> R (NBS)
<S> S (NBS)
<B> B (NBS)
<N> N (NBS)
<C> W-5RE VS W-26RE
<H> J (DIN)
<V> T (DIN)
R - RTD
 <1> 385 DC VOLTS SCANNER
 <2> 10 OHM CU DC VOLTS SCANNER
 <3> USER DEFINED DC VOLTS SCANNER
 <4> 385 RTD SCANNER TEMP LT 425.00 C
 <5> 10 OHM CU RTD SCANNER LO RANGE

<6> USER DEFINED RTD SCANNER LO RANGE
<7> 385 RTD SCANNER TEMP GT 425.0 C
<8> USER DEFINED RTD SCANNER HI RANGE
User Defined RTD constants
 1st RO (default = 100.0)
 2nd ALPHA (default = 3.90E-3)
 3rd DELTA (default = 1.494)
 4th C4 (default = 20598E-11)
<C> COUNTER/TOTALIZER
 <1> COUNTS
 <2> FREQUENCY
<8> STATUS OUTPUT
 1st Zero Result (1-14 chrs)

2nd Nonzero Result (1-14 chars)
<I> STATUS INPUT
 1st Zero Result (1-14 chrs)
 2nd Nonzero Result (1-14 chrs)
<O> ANALOG OUTPUT
<B> BCD/BINARY INPUT
<Z> RESISTANCE
 <1> 512.00 OHMS DC VOLTS SCANNER
 <2> 64.000 OHMS DC VOLTS SCANNER
 <3> 256.00 OHMS RTD SCANNER
 <4> 2048.0 OHMS RTD SCANNER
 <5> 64.000 KOHMS RTD SCANNER

USER DEFINED RTD CONTANTS columns: Chans | RO | Alpha | Delta | C4

<1> Auto
<2> .nnnnn
<3> n.nnnn
<4> nn.nnn
<5> nnn.nn
<6> nnnn.n
<7> nnnnn

From the main menu, press,

to access the channel programming module. You can also use the **ENTER** key to choose channel programming since it's the default selection.

You're working with channel 8 first and will program
it to receive input on a K-type thermocouple, and to
have a channel label of TEMP 1.

When prompted for the CHANNEL NUMBER (OR BLOCK), press:

8 and then **ENTER**

The prompt now reads,

PROGRAM, COPY, DELETE OR LIST (P, C, D, OR L)?   P

You're going to program channel 8, and **program** is the
default setting, so press **ENTER** to choose it. The
display reads,

A: CHANNEL FUNCTION (A-Z)?   P

Press **MENU** to list the selections available. The
default selection is P for pseudo channel, and since
you're using a thermocouple in this program, change the
entry to **T**, and then press **ENTER**. The
display reads,

AT: TC TYPE (J, K, ... etc)?   J

Program settings are available for quite an array of
thermocouple types; press **MENU** to see the
complete list. In this exercise you're using a K type
thermocouple (CHROMEL vs ALUMEL), so press **K**, and
then press **ENTER**.

The program for channel 8 doesn't call for an alarm
list number, channel units, or a channel procedure, so
press 4, followed by ENTER, to bypass those
programming options and advance to the fourth menu choice.
The prompt is,

```
CHANNEL LABEL (15 CHRS MAX) =
```

The label for channel 8 is TEMP 1. Locate the
alphanumeric characters on the 2280 front panel now and
key them in. Use the right and left arrow and delete
character keys if you need to make corrections as you
type. When the label appears correct, press
ENTER.

Channel 8 is programmed now; use EXIT to return
to the main menu to program channel 9.

<A> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL #/BLOCK	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE < A-Z >	CHANNEL MENU CHOICE < 1-5 >?				
P.C.D. OR L. 0-1499 or C₀ C₀	(see menu below) EXAMPLE (JT/C) TJ	<1> ALARM LIST# 0-1499	<2> CHANNEL UNITS 6-6 chrs. EXAMPLE. DEG F	<3> CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE 0-75 characters Refer to programmed channel as: CX EXAMPLE: CX = CX * 1.8 + 32 0	<4> CHANNEL LABEL 0-15 characters EXAMPLE. EXHAUST TEMP	<5> LOGGING FORMAT (see menu below)
9	TK		DEG F	CX = CX * 1.8 + 32	TEMP 2	

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU				USER DEFINED RTD CONTANTS						LOGGING FORMAT MENU
<P> PSEUDO CHANNEL <B> VOLTS/CURRENT <1> 64 000 VDC <2> 8 000 VDC <3> 512 00 MVDC <4> 64 000 MVDC <5> 64 0 MA <6> 250 0 VAC <7> 64 000 MV OTO ·A> A/D CALIBRATION <1> CALIBRATION <2> SPECIAL ·Y> THERMOCOUPLE <J> J (NBS) <K> K (NBS) <T> T (NBS) <E> E (NBS)	<R> R (NBS) <S> S (NBS) <B> B (NBS) <N> N (NBS) <C> W-5RE VS W-26RE <H> J (DIN) <V> T (DIN) · R · RTD <1> 385 DC VOLTS SCANNER <2> 10 OHM CU DC VOLTS SCANNER <3> USER DEFINED DC VOLTS SCANNER <4> 385 RTD SCANNER TEMP LT 425 00 C <5> 10 OHM CU RTD SCANNER LO RANGE	<6> USER DEFINED RTD SCANNER LO RANGE <7> 385 RTD SCANNER TEMP GT 425 0 C <8> USER DEFINED RTD SCANNER HI RANGE User Defined RTD constants 1st RO (default = 100 Ω) 2nd ALPHA (default = 3 90E-3) 3rd DELTA (default = 1 494) 4th C4 (default = 20500E-11) ·C· COUNTER/TOTALIZER <1· COUNTS <2· FREQUENCY ·8> STATUS OUTPUT 1st Zero Result (1-14 chrs)	2nd Nonzero Result (1-14 chrs) <I> STATUS INPUT 1st Zero Result (1-14 chrs) 2nd Nonzero Result (1-14 chrs) <O> ANALOG OUTPUT <B> BCD/BINARY INPUT <Z> RESISTANCE <1> 512 00 OHMS DC VOLTS SCANNER <2> 64 000 OHMS DC VOLTS SCANNER <3> 256 00 OHMS RTD SCANNER <4> 2048 0 OHMS RTD SCANNER <5> 64 000 KOHMS RTD SCANNER							<1> Auto <2> .nn.nn <3> n.nnnn <4> nn.nnn <5> nnn.nn <6> nnnn.n <7> nnnnn

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As you get further along in this lesson, you have more and more responsibility for moving through the menus on your own to locate needed entry fields. Starting at the main menu, use the same techniques for programming channel 9 as for channel 8, except, of course, when the prompt asks for the CHANNEL OR BLOCK NUMBER, enter **9**.

Like channel 8, this program is for a type K thermocouple and it isn't associated with an alarm list. Key in **T** and **K** in the channel function menu, and then press **ENTER**. Leave the field for alarm list number blank.

You want channel 9 to log values in degrees Fahrenheit and in order for it to do so, you need to add channel units and a channel expression.

Press **2** (when presented with the prompt CHANNEL MENU CHOICE <1-5>), and then press **ENTER** to advance to the second selection in the menu choice. When the prompt is,

```
AT< 2 > CHANNEL UNITS
```

Press **ENTER** and the display will read,

```
CHANNEL UNITS < 6 CHRS MAX > =
```

The temperature units are **DEGREES FAHRENHEIT** for this channel, but you're limited to six characters in this field so you have to abbreviate the entry. Following the displayed equal sign, type in,

DEG F and then press **ENTER**.

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You're ready to program the third menu in this section now. Press the **ENTER** key again to access it. The mathematical expression entered here converts channel 9 input from degrees Celsius to degrees Fahrenheit. When the display reads **CX =**, key in, **CX*1.8+32.**

Entering spaces in a channel expression is optional. Review the expression you've keyed in, and when you're satisfied it's correct, press **ENTER** to store it and to move to the next menu. The label for this channel is, **TEMP 2.**

ENTER it in the manner used for the channel 8 label. **EXIT** to the main menu (programs the channel).

◁A▷ CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL #/BLOCK	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE < A-Z >	CHANNEL MENU CHOICE < 1-5 >?				
P,C,D, OR L, 0-1499 or C#..C#	(see menu below) EXAMPLE (JT/C):TJ	< 1 > ALARM LIST# 0-1499	< 2 > CHANNEL UNITS 0-6 chrs. EXAMPLE:DEG F	< 3 > CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE 0-75 characters Refer to programmed channel as: CX EXAMPLE: CX = CX * 1 8 + 32.0	< 4 > CHANNEL LABEL 0-15 characters EXAMPLE: EXHAUST TEMP	< 5 > LOGGING FORMAT (see menu below)
10	P	10	DEG F	C10 = (C8 * 1.8 + 32) - C9	DIFFERENCE	

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU			USER DEFINED RTD CONTANTS						LOGGING FORMAT MENU

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU

<P> PSEUDO CHANNEL
<D> VOLTS/CURRENT
  <1> 64 000 VDC
  <2> 8 0000 VDC
  <3> 512 00 MVDC
  <4> 64 000 MVDC
  <5> 64 0 MA
  <6> 250 0 VAC
  <7> 64 000 MV/OTD
- A> A/D CALIBRATION
  <1> CALIBRATION
  <2> SPECIAL
<T> THERMOCOUPLE
  <J> J (NBS)
  <K> K (NBS)
  <T> T (NBS)
  <E> E (NBS)

<R> R (NBS)
<S> S (NBS)
<B> B (NBS)
<N> N (NBS)
<C> W-5RE VS W-26RE
<H> J (DIN)
<V> T (DIN)
<R> RTD
  <1> 385 DC VOLTS SCANNER
  <2> 10 OHM CU DC VOLTS SCANNER
  <3> USER DEFINED DC VOLTS SCANNER
  <4> 385 RTD SCANNER TEMP LT 425 00 C
  <5> 10 OHM CU RTD SCANNER LO RANGE

<6> USER DEFINED RTD SCANNER LO RANGE
<7> 385 RTD SCANNER TEMP GT 425 0 C
<8> USER DEFINED RTD SCANNER HI RANGE
User Defined RTD constants
  1st RO (default = 100 0)
  2nd ALPHA (default = 3 90E-3)
  3rd DELTA (default = 1 494)
  4th C4 (default = 20508E-11)
<C> COUNTER/TOTALIZER
  <1> COUNTS
  <2> FREQUENCY
<8> STATUS OUTPUT
  1st Zero Result (1-14 chrs)

2nd Nonzero Result (1-14 chars)
<I> STATUS INPUT
  1st Zero Result (1-14 chrs)
  2nd Nonzero Result (1-14 chars)
<O> ANALOG OUTPUT
<B> BCD/BINARY INPUT
<Z> RESISTANCE
  <1> 512 00 OHMS DC VOLTS SCANNER
  <2> 64 000 OHMS DC VOLTS SCANNER
  <3> 256 00 OHMS RTD SCANNER
  <4> 2048 0 OHMS RTD SCANNER
  <5> 64 000 KOHMS RTD SCANNER

USER DEFINED RTD CONTANTS: Channel / RO / Alpha / Delta / C4

LOGGING FORMAT MENU
<1> Auto
<2> .nnnnn
<3> n.nnnn
<4> nn.nnn
<5> nnn.nn
<6> nnnn.n
<7> nnnnn

Channel 10 is to be programmed as a pseudo channel and will perform calculations between channels 8 and 9. It doesn't have anything physically connected to it.

Instructions to press the ENTER key appear only in new situations. Use the ENTER key on your own to store entered selections and to move through the menu hierarchy.

From the main menu, enter the channel programming module, label this channel as 10, and advance to the channel function prompt. Select **P** here to indicate that channel 10 is a pseudo channel. Channel 10 is associated with an alarm list that we'll designate as alarm list number 10. At the prompt,

```
ALARM LIST NUMBER = 0
```

type in **10**, and press **ENTER**. The units that channel 10 displays are in degrees Fahrenheit, so at the channel unit prompt, enter **DEG F**.

This pseudo channel converts channel 8 input from degrees Celsius to degrees Fahrenheit, computes the difference between channels 8 and 9, and then displays the difference when scanned. At the channel procedure field, the prompt is,

CP:

Type in **C10=(C8*1.8+32)-C9** and then **ENTER**.

After you've entered the procedure, you'll see another **CP:** on the display, followed by a blank line. Enough space has been allotted in this field for unlimited lines of procedures (with each line containing up to 75 characters), but since you're entering only one line, hit **ENTER** again to move on.

The only other field you need to worry about for channel 10 is the label. At the channel label prompt, type in the label, which is, **DIFFERENCE.**

When you've completed these steps, **EXIT** back to the main menu to program the alarm list.

Programming an Alarm List

<F> ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALM LIST #	ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE < 1,2 >?								
P.C.D, OR L,	<1> LIMITS INFORMATION								<2> DEAD BAND
0-1400	<1> LIMIT #	<2> SENSE H/L	<2> LIMIT VALUE	<3> ALARM MESSAGE 0-40 characters EXAMPLE: EXHAUST TEMP OVER LIMIT		<4> ALARM SCAN TRIGGER 1st TRIG GROUP #	2nd TRIG MODE # (see menu below)	<5> DELETE LIMIT	
10	1	H	15	DELTA TEMP OVER LIMIT					
	2								
	3								
	4								
	1								
	2								
	3								
	4								
	1								
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This alarm list program is designed to trigger an alarm any time the difference between channel 8 and channel 9 (as compared and displayed by channel 10) exceeds fifteen degrees Fahrenheit.

From the main menu display, select,
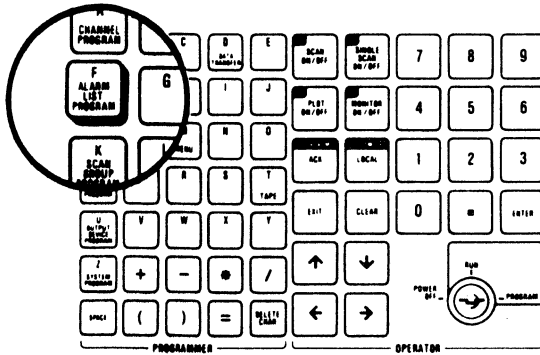
then use the **ENTER** key to reach the prompt,

```
ALARM LIST NUMBER = 0
```

You're designating this alarm list program as number
10, so enter it over the displayed default. When
you've finished, press **ENTER**. A lot of default
selections work for us in this program so you'll be
using the **ENTER** key frequently.

You're **programming** this alarm list, so use **ENTER**
to select the **P**. When you've advanced to the
prompt,

```
F: ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE ( 1, 2 )?   1
```

use the **MENU** key to list the two programming choices
available. You want to program the limits information
(which is the default setting), so use **ENTER** again to
indicate this.

You have the capability of assigning up to four limits
per channel here. You're only programming one limit, so
press **ENTER** and then use **MENU** again to
print the list of menu choices.

Use **ENTER** again to set the alarm for values exceeding
the **HIGH** sense. **ENTER** the second menu of the
limit menu choice to indicate exactly how high the limit
value should be to trigger an alarm. At the prompt,

```
LIMIT VALUE = 0.0
```

key in **15**, and then press **ENTER**. Alarm list
10 is now programmed to indicate an alarm condition
whenever scanning or monitoring occurs and the
difference between channel 8 and channel 9 exceeds
fifteen degrees Fahrenheit. It helps to have a message
corresponding to the alarm condition, especially if
more than one alarm list is programmed. Press
ENTER to access the third menu, and to assign a
message to this alarm. When the display reads,

```
ALARM MESSAGE ( 40 CHRS MAX ) =
```

type in the message **DELTA TEMP OVER LIMIT,** and
press **ENTER.** Use the right and left arrow and
delete character keys for editing or for correcting
typing errors.

This program doesn't call for triggering other scan
groups, deleting earlier programmed limits, or working
with a dead band, so leave the remaining fields
unchanged and **EXIT** to the main menu.

Press the **SCAN** key again now and watch the
printed results. Feel free to experiment a bit if you
like during scanning by dipping the end of the channel
9 thermocouple into hot coffee, or by heating it
slightly by other available means.

Experimenting may cause an alarm to be triggered, which
can easily be acknowledged by pressing the front panel
alarm acknowledgement key.

When you're finished playing with your scan group,
press the **SCAN** key again to stop the scan. Return
to the main menu. You'll complete the lesson by writing
a plot program next.

Writing a Plot Program

< P > PLOT PROGRAM

PLOT MENU CHOICE < 1,2 >?								
<1> PARAMETERS PLOT NUMBER <1-4> ?								<2> COMMON PLOT INTERVAL FOR ALL FOUR PLOTS
PLOT #: SYMBOL:	<1>	••••• •••• •••••	<2>	• ••••• ••• ••	<3>	••••• •• •••••	<4>	•• • •• •• •	PLOT INTERVAL CO:00:05 HH. MM. SS
1st) Channel to Plot	8		9		10			
2nd) Leftmost Value	20		50		-20			
3rd) Rightmost Value	50		100		+20			

A plot program is perhaps the easiest of all to put
together for the 2280. To plot from 1 to 4 channels,
specify the channel numbers, the right and left values
to plot between, and the time interval you wish between
executions of plotting. This program is designed to
plot the values of the three channels (8 through 10)
that you've already programmed.

From the main menu, press,
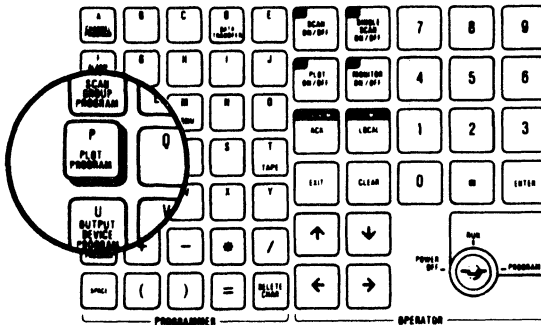
and then press **ENTER**. Use the **MENU** key to list
onto the printer the two programming choices available
here. You can also use the up and down arrow keys to
view the menu selections.

Identify the channel numbers and the parameters for
each channel for the first step. Press **ENTER**
again, and the display reads,

```
PLOT NUMBER ( 1-4 )?   1
```

Use **ENTER** to access the first menu and at the prompt,

```
CHANNEL TO PLOT =
```

type in **C8** and press **ENTER**. Channel 8 input
is read in degrees Celsius, and the range you'll plot
will be from twenty to fifty degrees.

When the display reads,

```
LEFT MOST VALUE =
```

type in **20**, and press **ENTER**. At the prompt,

```
RIGHT MOST VALUE =
```

enter **50** and press **ENTER** again. That's all
there is to specifying plotting parameters. You'll be
advanced by the system to the next menu to program
another channel to plot. Follow the same entry
procedures now on your own to specify left and right
most values for channels 9 and 10.

As the handwritten program at the beginning of this
plotting section indicates, the left most value for
channel 9 (**C9**) is **50**, the right most value is **100**.

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When the parameters for channel 9 are entered, type in
the plotting range for channel 10 (**C10**). Set the left most
value to **-20** and the right most value to **+20**.

You're not programming plot number 4, so press **EXIT**
to return to the prompt,

```
P: PLOT MENU CHOICE < 1, 2 >? 2
```

As you can see from the display, you've been advanced to
the second menu of the plot menu choice. Press
ENTER now to access it so you can set the plotting
interval. At the display,

```
PLOT INTERVAL = 00:00:01
```

use the right arrow key to scroll across the display to
the position indicating seconds. The format is hours,
minutes, and then seconds. This program calls for
plotting every five seconds, so, using the right arrow
key, scroll across the displayed time and change it to
read,

```
00:00:05
```

Press **ENTER,** and the plot program is complete. To execute the plot program you've just written, return to the main menu and press,

```
PLOT
ON/OFF
```

The values from the three programmed channels will be displayed onto the printer at intervals of five seconds. Press the **PLOT** key again to stop plotting.

Use the LIST key, as demonstrated at the beginning of this tutorial, to print the program you've just written onto the built-in printer.

Turn the instrument off (using the keyswitch) and your program is stored in the 2280 memory for at least ninety days. The lesson is now complete.

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CONTENTS

INTRODUCTION

This section takes you through each entry field of each
menu available from the six programming modules. The
menus are presented in the same sequence that they are
encountered while you are programming. Designed for
ease of reference, this section allows you to pinpoint
a menu or entry field you have questions about and
locate it individually to see how to handle it.

Use the 2280 Programming Form for a worksheet and also
to assist you in finding your place as you go through
the menus. Sometimes the entry fields and varying
levels within different menus can be a bit confusing.
The programming form also provides a convenient program
reference of values and characteristics you've assigned
to the 2280.

The Introduction to Programming and Operating (section
2 in this guide) contains simplified general
programming and operating explanations and a tutorial
geared to the uninitiated user. If the reference
information here in section 3 doesn't answer basic
questions you have, it might be helpful for you to go
back and read the earlier sections first.

MENU REFERENCE OVERVIEW

The 2280 series of data loggers are programmed by using
a menu-driven system--you don't have to learn a
computer software language to set up monitor and
scanning processes. The programs are divided into six
modules (or groups) of programmable features, each
accessed by the 2280 front panel keypad.

Using the programming form helps you to plan your entry
before you commit it to the data logger's memory. But,
don't worry if you change your mind once you've written
and entered a program. It's an easy matter to alter
programs after they've been keyed in.

This section takes you through the modules detailed on
the 2280 Series Programming Form and explains each set
of options available under the different menus. If you
have questions about a menu entry, locate information
for that field in the following sequence,

1. Identify the program module first (i.e., channel,
    alarm list, scan group, etc.). Turn to the
    corresponding module section on the following
    pages.

2. Find the menu in question within the tabbed module
    section. Refer to the 2280 Series Programming
    Form if you need assistance in finding the menu
    title.

3. Pinpoint the specific menu (or entry field within
    a menu) that you need information about. The
    menus are presented in the same sequence in which
    they are encountered while programming.

This reference section covers each entry field of each
menu and module available when programming the 2280
Series of Data Loggers. Using it and the programming
form, you'll have no problems quickly putting together
your own individualized program for data acquisition
and monitoring.

CHANNEL PROGRAMMING   3a

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CHANNEL PROGRAMMING

<A> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL #/BLOCK	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE · A-Z ·	CHANNEL MENU CHOICE ⟨ 1-5 ⟩?				
P.C.D. OR L 0-1499 or C # 1-9	(see menu below) EXAMPLE (JT,C) 1	⟨ 1 ⟩ ALARM LIST# 0-1499	⟨ 2 ⟩ CHANNEL UNITS 0-6 chrs EXAMPLE DEG F	⟨ 3 ⟩ CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE 0-75 characters Refer to programmed channel as CX EXAMPLE CX CX*18-32 0	⟨ 4 ⟩ CHANNEL LABEL 0-15 characters EXAMPLE EXHAUST TEMP	⟨ 5 ⟩ LOGGING FORMAT see menu below

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU		USER DEFINED RTD CONTANTS	LOGGING FORMAT MENU

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU			USER DEFINED RTD CONTANTS						LOGGING FORMAT MENU
P PSEUDO CHANNEL	· R H (NBS)	· 6 USER DEFINED RTD SCANNER LO RANGE	2nd Nonzero Result (1-14 chars)						· 1 Auto
D VOLTS/CURRENT	S S (NBS)	· 7 385 RTD SCANNER TEMP	I STATUS INPUT	Chars	RO	Alpha	Delta	Ct	· 2 nn.nn
1 64.000 VDC	B B (NBS)	GT 425.0 C	1st Zero Result (1-14 chrs)						
2 8.0000 VDC	N N (NBS)	· 8 USER DEFINED RTD	2nd Nonzero Result (1-14 chars)						· 3 n.nnnn
3 512.00 MVDC	C W SRE vs W 26RE	SCANNER HI RANGE	O ANALOG OUTPUT						
4 64.000 MVDC	H J (DIN)	User Defined RTD constants	B BCD/BINARY INPUT						· 4 nn.nnn
5 64.0 MA	V : (DIN)	1st RO (default 100 0)	Z RESISTANCE						
6 250.0 VAC	R RTD	2nd ALPHA (default 3.906 3)	· 1 512.00 OHMS DC VOLTS						· 5 r.nnn nn
7 64.000 MV (TD	1 385 DC VOLTS SCANNER	3rd DELTA (default 1 494)	SCANNER						
A A/D CALIBRATION	2 10 OHM CU DC VOLTS	4th C4 (default 2U5968 11)	2 64.000 OHMS DC VOLTS						· 6 nnnn.n
1 CALIBRATION	SCANNER	C COUNTER/TOTALIZER	SCANNER						
2 SPECIAL	J USER DEFINED DC VOLTS	· 1 COUNTS	3 256.00 OHMS RTD						· 7 nnnnn
T THERMOCOUPLE	SCANNER	· 2 FREQUENCY	SCANNER						
J J (NBS)	4 385 RTD SCANNER TEMP	S STATUS OUTPUT	4 2048.0 OHMS RTD						
K K (NBS)	LT 425.0 C	1st Zero Result (1-14 chrs)	SCANNER						
T T (NBS)	5 10 OHM CU RTD SCANNER		5 64.000 KOHMS RTD						
E E (NBS)	(C RANGE)		SCANNER						

Channel programming refers to the set of instructions telling the data logger what its inputs are and where those inputs are physically located. Alphanumeric labels, engineering units scaling, and the location of the decimal point for logging are within a channel program. If a channel input is to be checked against an alarm list, those limits are also referenced through channel programming.

A channel is the building block for a scan group. Each
channel can be defined as a measurement (or input)
channel, an output channel, or as a pseudo (or dummy)
channel used to perform calculations between other
channels.

Program each channel as an input, output, or pseudo
channel, and then combine them into a scan group.

PROGRAM A CHANNEL OR A BLOCK

Specify the numeric channel, or group of channels
(referred to as a block), that you wish to work with.
The assigned number or numbers may be up to four
digits long, from 0 to 1499.

Program each channel separately (for example, C9) or in
blocks of related channels for ease of reference (for
example, C1...25). A program encompassing a block of
channels uses less program memory space than separate
programs for each channel.

If you select a channel or block that has already been
programmed, the existing program will be displayed when
you enter each menu.

P,C,D, or L

Program, Copy, Delete, or List the Channel or Block
number you've specified.

PROGRAM

When you select program, you have access to each menu
in the same sequence as you see on the programming
form. Use program to enter a new program, or to change
values or characteristics entered earlier.

Program is the default selection for this field so you
can select it by merely pressing the ENTER key.

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If you choose copy, the system first checks to see if the channel designated to receive the copied parameters is already programmed. If so, the old program must be deleted before new parameters can be copied into it.

The prompt is,

CHANNEL EXISTS, DELETE<Y,N>? N

If you press Y, then press ENTER (or if the channel wasn't previously programmed), the prompt becomes,

CHANNEL TO COPY FROM =

Now, enter the channel number whose program you want copied to the new channel. Press ENTER, and the channel is programmed completely.

The system responds with the prompt,

CHANNEL OR BLOCK COPIED

When you press ENTER, the system returns the prompt,

CHANNEL NUMBER (OR BLOCK) =

This indicates that you can now enter the number of another channel to be programmed. Press the EXIT key when you're finished to return to the main menu.

DELETE

Delete removes the program from the channel or block number you've chosen. The program is permanently deleted, so use this selection judiciously.

Delete also frees space in the 2280 memory for other program parameters.

LIST   )

> Listing a channel or block prints the current program
> parameters onto the printer (or other listing device,
> if installed and selected).

CHANNEL FUNCTION

> The channel function entry defines the category of
> input and output hardware associated with a given
> channel. Measurement input and output functions are
> assigned here also.

> A channel may also be designated a pseudo channel here.
> A pseudo channel doesn't have anything physically
> connected to it; it's generally used as a mathematical
> expression for a specified channel, or between that
> channel and any other channel.

> Enter the program specifications you desire (from the
> printed menu or from the programming form) by entering
> the letter shown for the function you wish to choose.
> Section 5 of the 2280 System Guide provides several
> measurement and output examples.

CHANNEL MENU CHOICE

> The channel menu choice contains five programmable
> fields. They are alarm list number, channel units,
> channel expression or procedure, channel label, and
> logging format.

Alarm List Number

> This field is for the number of the alarm list
> associated with the channel or block of channels being
> programmed. If no alarm list is programmed in
> connection with this channel number, leave the entry
> field blank and no limits checking will occur when this
> channel is scanned.

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For ease of reference, it's recommended that you use
the same number for the alarm list as you do for the
programmed channel or channels associated with it.

Channel Units

You can enter up to six characters indicating the
engineering units used in programming this channel or
block of channels.

The channel function has a default channel unit that
corresponds to it; if you leave this field blank, the
default will be indicated when you scan or monitor this
channel or group of channels. The preset selections are
as follows.

DEFAULT CHANNEL UNITS

Function and Range	Default Units
==================	=============
64.000V dc	V
8.000V dc	V
512.00mV dc	MV
64.000mV dc	MV
64.0 mA	MA
250.0V ac	VAC
64.000 mV/OTD	MV/OTD
Thermocouples	F, or C, or CMV
RTD	F, or C
Pseudo	none
Counts	none
Frequency	HZ
Status Output	none
Status Input	none
Analog Output	none
BCD/Binary	none
Resistance	OHMS

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Channel Label

You can program a channel label to identify or describe
any channel. One label, containing up to 15 characters,
may be used for each channel or block of channels.

Once programmed, the label is then included whenever
channel information is displayed or recorded. The
exception is when the compressed output format is
selected, in which case the label is omitted in order
to save space.

Logging Format

The logging format automatically used with the
chosen channel function (choice 1 below) can be
changed, if desired, to any of the other choices.

          <1> Auto
          <2> .nnnnn
          <3> n.nnnn
          <4> nn.nnn
          <5> nnn.nn
          <6> nnnn.n
          <7> nnnnn

In cases 3 through 7, one leading zero to the left of
the decimal point is displayed where appropriat . When
format 2 is used, there is no leading zero. The '+'
sign is never displayed. The automatic logging formats
for each of the channel functions are listed below.

The floating decimal format always displays 5 digits,
along with the appropriate decimal location. If one of
the fixed formats is assigned and the value of that
channel exceeds the range of that format, the format
will shift to an appropriate decimal location.

The logged number is usually a rounded off
representation of the number inside the 2280. Since the
display and logging space is limited to 5 digits,
numbers must be rounded off. A number such as .000004
is displayed as .00000. Also, if the internal number
46.895 is logged with the format nnn.nn, it will come
out as 46.90.

Automatic Logging Formats for Each Channel Function

FUNCTION/CONDITION	AUTO FORMAT
Input Channels WITHOUT Expressions	
DC Volts, DC Current, AC Volts, Resistance	(As appropriate for each measurement range)
RTD	nnn.nn
Thermocouple	nnnn.n
Counts, BCD/Binary Input	nnnnn
Frequency	Floating Decimal
Input Channels with Expressions	Floating Decimal
Analog Output or Pseudo Channels	Floating Decimal
Status Input and Output	
zero result	ZERO
nonzero result	ONE

Channel Expression or Procedure

Channel expressions allow you to convert the results of a channel measurement from a raw number to a more meaningful value. Any math or scaling function (any combination of addition, subtraction, multiplication, or division, in an algebraic form), can be applied to the reading obtained from the channel.

With the advanced math option installed, more complex computations, math manipulations, and trigonometric functions are possible. See section 4 of this guide, Advanced Math Programming, or refer to Option -211 of the options section in the 2280 Series System Guide for more information.

In any simple math expression with multiple operations, the data logger will evaluate the operations in the following order.

1.   Negation

2.   Multiplication

3.   Addition and subtraction

Also, operations inside parentheses are evaluated before those outside parentheses.

The range for valid numbers is between 2.72E-20 and 9.22E18. Numbers smaller than 2.72E-20 are set to zero, and numbers larger than 9.22E18 cause a MATH OVERFLOW ERROR (see section 8 of this guide, Error Messages and System Alarms).

A measurement or input channel may have an expression
in which an assignment operator (=) causes the logged
value of the channel to be some function of its raw
reading. It is only one line long. It cannot reference
any channels by number, and it must refer to itself as
CX.

An output or pseudo channel may have a multi-line
procedure. Each line (or statement) contains an
assignment channel number, an assignment operator, and
an expression. When the expression is evaluated, the
result is assigned to the assignment channel (which
may be an output or a pseudo channel). It may refer to
multiple channels by number as well as to itself by
number, or as C". Each line in a procedure, and the
one line of an expression, may be up to 75 characters
long. Channel expressions and procedures are further
defined in the following paragraphs.

INSERTING AND EDITING LINES OF TEXT

Channel procedures and interpolation tables can exist
as multiple lines in a configuration program. Use the
following steps when these lines need editing, or if
you want to insert additional lines.

Editing and Deleting Lines

To edit or delete lines in a set, call up the desired
parameter so the first line is displayed. Use the <up
arrow> and <down arrow> keys to display the line you
wish to edit or delete.

To delete a line, press the CLEAR key, and then press
ENTER.

There are two ways to edit lines.

1. To replace a line, simply start keying in new
    characters over the old ones. The old characters
    will be deleted.

2. Use the <right arrow> or <left arrow> key to move
    the cursor to the character you want to change.

    Remove the character with the DELETE CHAR key and
    then enter the new characters. When the line
    appears the way you want it to, press ENTER. If
    the syntax is correct you will be prompted for
    another line. Use EXIT to return to the main menu.

Inserting Lines into Current Set of Lines

To insert lines into a set that is already programmed,
call up the desired parameter so the first line in the
set is displayed.

Use the <up arrow> and <down arrow> keys to scroll to
the line after which the insertion is to take place.

Press the ENTER key. A blank field is now available for
entry of the new line. When you're finished inserting
lines, move to a new line and press EXIT.

If you are inserting a new line at the beginning of a
set, use the <up arrow> key to scroll up past the top
line. All lists wrap around from the top to the bottom
and have an empty line separating the two.

PUT CHANNEL EXPRESSION

For input channels, the expression must refer to no channel other than the one for which it is written. The channel in question is written in the expression as CX. For example, an mx+b scaling for channel 23 might be entered as **CX=3*CX+4**, (**CX=** is the displayed prompt). The expression translates to,

> Assign a new value to the channel which is 3 times its measured value plus 4. (If programming in the block mode, then CX refers to the channel number being processed at that time).

For example, assume that you are programming the block of input channels 4 through 7, and you have assigned to them the simple expression **CX=5*CX+9**. When the reading for channel 4 is taken during scanning, the expression is evaluated as **5*C4+9**. When the channel 5 reading is taken, the expression is evaluated as **5*C5+9**, and so on for channels 6 and 7.

OUTPUT/PSEUDO CHANNEL MATH PROCEDURE

The procedure programmed for an output or pseudo channel follows the same rules for the order of operation evaluation as channel expressions do. It differs from the input channel expression as follows.

The output or pseudo channel procedure may contain, in addition to CX, any other input, output or pseudo channel numbers. It must refer to itself as CX if you are programming in the block mode. Any other channel in the procedure is referred to by number.

The most recently assigned value is used for any
output channel or pseudo channel that appears in the
procedure on the right hand side of an assignment
operator (=). Any input channel on the right hand side
of an assignment operator will be read by the system
to obtain a current value.

An example of a procedure is a running average of the
last three readings of channel 20. Write the procedure
for channel 100 as,

        C100 = (C101 + C102 + C20)/3   ENTER
        C101 = C102   ENTER
        C102 = C20   ENTER   ENTER

Pressing **ENTER** a second time enters a blank line that
signifies the end of the procedure.

This example illustrates that,

o   A procedure may have multiple lines, each of which
      is ENTERED.

o   Explicit channel numbers may be used both in
      reference to the channel being programmed and in
      reference to other channels in the procedure.

To save memory space, you can use pseudo channels in
procedures without having any channel programming for
them.

BASIC OPERATORS FOR CHANNEL EXPRESSIONS AND PROCEDURES

Basic operators that can be used in channel expressions
and procedures without the advanced math option are
addition, subtraction/negation, multiplication,
division and parentheses.

ADDITION

Format: (operand1) + (operand2)

Usage: Operates between two operand to form their
          algebraic sum. If an operand doesn't appear
          directly to the left of the addition character,
          then the '+' character is interpreted as the
          positive unary operator (i.e. it signifies
          multiplication by +1).

Examples:

          C23+6.34
          +C256

SUBTRACTION/NEGATION

Format: (operand1)- (operand2)

Usage: Operates between two operands, forming the result
          by subtracting the right operand from the left. If
          an operand doesn't appear directly to the left of
          the subtraction character, or if it is preceded by
          another operator, then the minus sign is
          interpreted as a negative unary operator, which
          simply inverts the algebraic sign of the operand
          following it (negation).

Examples:

          C9-C452
          -C29
          C5*-3.17

MULTIPLICATION

Format: (operand1) * (operand2)

Usage: Operates between two operands, giving the product
          of multiplying one by the other.

Examples:

        C39*68.03E3
        C2*C9

DIVISION

Format: (operand1) / (operand2)

Usage: Operates between two operands such that the one on
          the left of the division operator is the dividend,
          while the one on the right is the divisor. The
          dividend is divided by the divisor to produce the
          result.

Examples:

        C35/C4
        100/C28

PARENTHESES

Format: (expression)

Usage: Encloses multiple operands and causes all enclosed
          operators to be executed before those that are
          outside this operator. Parentheses may be nested
          three deep.

Examples:

        C20 = (C1+C2+C3+C4)/4 is the average of 4 channels.

        C20 = C1+C2+C3+C4/4 is not the average of 4
        channels.

SPECIAL MATH FUNCTIONS WITHOUT THE ADVANCED MATH OPTION

The special capabilities available when performing math
expressions (without the advanced math option
installed) are alarm status, error status, reference
voltage, linearization, and RTD function.

ALMn

Format: ALMn(1x//2x//3x// etc.)

Usage: The alarm status function, when evaluated, gives
          the status (1 = exceeded, 0 = not exceeded) of a
          particular limit (n) of the channel or block
          designated in the function. The format of the
          function is ALMn (channel list), where n is a
          number from 1 to 4, and the channel list is a
          single channel, a block of channels, or a
          combination of blocks and single channels
          separated (//). For example, the function
          written as,

          ALM2(C98//C100..102//C200)

          when evaluated, will tell whether channel 98, 100
          to 102, or 200 has exceeded limit #2 of its
          assigned alarm list.

Examples:

    ALM1(C9)
    ALM4(C9...C15)

    A typical use of this function is to connect a status
    output channel with a limit on an input channel. For
    example, consider the following function, where C20 is
    a status output channel,

        C20 = ALM2(C1)

    This becomes an alarm output indicating the state of
    alarm 2 on input channel 1. C20 should then be included
    in a scan group channel list. The inclusion of C20 will
    cause C1 to be read and processed to provide an
    immediate update of the status output channel based on
    the input channel's alarm state.

THERMOCOUPLE REFERENCE VOLTAGE

Format: REFn(temperature)

Usage: This function can be used in applications where
          temperature is being monitored with thermocouples
          that are terminated in an external isothermal
          block. When the function is evaluated, it gives
          the compensating millivolts for specified
          thermocouple terminated at a specific temperature.

          These compensating millivolts, when added to the
          millivolts measured from the thermocouple, provide
          the necessary correction to cancel out the effect
          of the secondary thermocouple formed at the
          thermocouple termination.

          The format of the function is REFn(t) where n is a
          single letter corresponding to the desired
          thermocouple type (as shown in the thermocouple
          selection menu), and (t) one of the following,

          o   A constant temperature---for cases where the
               thermocouple is terminated in an isothermal
               block at a fixed temperature.

          o   A channel number---where the channel is an
               input channel measuring the actual
               temperature of the external isothermal block.

          o   An expression---that, when evaluated gives
               the temperature of the external reference
               block.

The temperature units used in these cases are the
same as programmed in the system program. If the
system temperature units are compensated
millivolts, degrees Celsius is assumed.

A common example of how this function can be used
is in applications where thermocouples are used to
measure temperatures located far away from the
physical data logger.

As a cost saving measure, the thermocouples can be
terminated in an isothermal block close to the
temperatures being monitored. The millivolt
signals from the thermocouples can then be
connected to the 2280 with copper wire.

If the isothermal block used is kept at a constant
temperature (for example in an oven at 50 degrees
Celsius, and NBS type R thermocouples are used),
the reference junction correction can be
determined by the following expression,

    REFR(50)

If in this example, the temperature of the
isothermal block is not held at a constant, but is
being measured by the 2280 (using a platinum RTD,
for instance) the reference junction correction
can be determined by,

    REFR(C100)

where C100 is the RTD channel measuring the
temperature of the isothermal block.

ERMOCOUPLE LINEARIZATION

Format: LINn(millivolts)

Usage: When evaluated, this function gives the
          temperature as measured by a specific type of
          thermocouple. Use this in applications where
          temperature is being measured with thermocouples
          not terminated on the standard 2280 isothermal
          input connector (2280A-175).

Example:

          CX = LINR(CX+REFR(C100))

          The format is LINn(m), where n is a single letter
          corresponding to the type of thermocouple used (as
          shown in the thermocouple selection menu) and 'm'
          is one of the following:

          o   A channel number---where the channel is an
               input channel measuring the millivolt signal
               of a thermocouple.

          o   An expression---that, when evaluated, gives
               the millivolts to be converted to temperature
               for the specified thermocouple type.

          The temperature units used in these cases is the
          same one programmed in the system program. If the
          system temperature units are compensated
          millivolts, the value of the argument is returr
          unchanged.

A common example of how this function can be used is in applications where thermocouples are used to measure temperatures located far away from the physical data logger. As a cost saving measure, the thermocouples can be terminated in an isothermal block close to the temperatures being monitored. The millivolt signals from the thermocouples can then be connected to the 2280 with copper wire.

If the isothermal block used is kept at a constant temperature (for example in an oven at 50 degrees Celsius, and NEBS type R thermocouples are used), the temperature being measured by the thermocouples can be determined by the following expression,

    CX = LINR(CX + REFR(50))

where the current channel is programmed to measure millivolts on the 64-millivolt range with an open thermocouple detection (MV/OTD).

If in this example, the temperature of the isothermal block is not held at a constant, but is being measured by the 2280 (using a platinum RTD, for instance) the temperature can be determined by,

    CX = LINR(CX + REFR (C100))

where C100 is the RTD channel measuring the temperature of the isothermal block.

LIN1

Format: LIN1 (ohms)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, the LIN1 function
          applies a 385 DIN platinum linearization on the
          value of the parameter which is expected to be the
          resistance of the RTD probe in ohms.

Example:
          LIN1(CX)

LIN2

Format: LIN2(ohms)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, the LIN2 function
          applies a 10 ohm Cu RTD linearization on the value
          of the parameter which is expected to be the
          resistance of the probe in ohms.

Example:

          LIN2(CX)

RTD

Format: RTD(ohms//RO//alpha//delta//c4)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, the RTD function
          applies a user defined platinum RTD linearization
          on the value of the resistance of the RTD probe.

Example:

RTD(CX//100.00//0.00390//1.494//-0.205984E-11)

This function returns the temperature of a
calibrated RTD. The following probe
characteristics are required.

ohms	(ohms)
RTD ice-point resistance	(RO)
RTD alpha value	(alpha)
RTD delta value	(delta)
C4 value	(c4)

If any of the last four parameters above are
omitted the following defaults will be used.

RO	100.00
alpha	0.00390
delta	1.494
c4	-0.205984E-11

The RTD constants must be specified in order. For
example, if you need to specify a C4 that differs
from the default, you must also specify RO, alpha,
and delta. This is true even if they are the same
as the default settings.

The temperature unit used in this function is the
same one programmed in the system program. If the
system temperature units are compensated
millivolts, degrees Celsius is assumed.

ERROR STATUS

Format: ERR (1x//2x//3x//etc.)

Usage: The error status function is used to find the
          lowest valued error number (i.e., the one with the
          highest priority) currently active on the channel
          or block of channels listed.

          These errors aren't fatal to system operation, but
          do indicate that something is wrong. The priority
          (ranging from 0 through 5) indicates the severity
          of the problem. The delimiter "//" is used to
          separate the various channels listed. An error
          value of zero indicates that none of the channels
          in the list are in error.

          Error reporting codes are as follows:

                  (1)   Dead Serial Link Device
                  (2)   Broken Thermocouple
                  (2)   Propagated Error
                  (3)   No Reading
                  (4)   Out of Measurable Range
                  (4)   Out of Temperature Range
                  (5)   Argument Out of Range
                  (5)   Bad RTD Constants
                  (5)   Arithmetic Overflow
                  (5)   Denominator of Zero
                  (5)   Negative Argument
                  (5)   Zero Argument

Example:

          The function ERR(C99//C100...104), when evaluated,
          gives the lowest valued error number currently
          active of channel 99 or 100 through 104.

SCAN GROUP PROGRAMMING

<K> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

GROUP #	SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE < 1-5 >?										
P.C.D. or L 0-9	< 1 > SCAN GROUP LABEL 0-40 Alphanumeric characters EXAMPLE ENGINE 2 TEST	< 2 > SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST FORMAT One channel only C# Channel Block only C# C# Channel and Blocks C# C# C# C# C# C# C#	< 3 > SCAN TRIG MODE (pick only one see menu below)	< 4 > DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL pick one for each device					< 5 > OTHER SCAN GROUP TRIGGER	
				1 Display	2 Printer	3 Tape	4 Port A	5 Port B	Scan Group to Trigger (#)	Trigger Condition (see menu below)
1 · On Demand Only	3 · Continuous	5 · Externally Triggered	1 · No Data 3 · Alarm Data		1 · Never 3 · Any Alarm					
2 · Time interval HH MM SS	4 · Discrete Time HH MM SS	6 · Scan Once	2 · All Data 4 · Alarm Trans Data		2 · Any Alarm 4 · Always Transition					

A scan group is a collection of input, output, and
pseudo channels you program to be monitored or scanned
and recorded as a group. A given channel may be
included in any or all scan groups and may appear more
than once in a list, but input channels are only
measured once each time a scan is executed.

A scan group is really a procedure. Each programmed
step reads an input channel, performs the calculations
in a pseudo channel, and sends a value to an output
channel. Each scan group is given a channel list
showing the channel data to be collected and specifying
the order in which the channels within a scan group
will be logged.

Each scan group behaves as an independent task with its
own trigger conditions. To program a scan group, enter
all of the attributes needed to spell out what those
conditions are.

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GROUP NUMBER

Up to ten scan groups (numbered 0 through 9) can be programmed. You can group channels together for process monitoring, data acquisition and recording, or because they have a logical association with one another.

The number of a scan group also indicates its priority. The lower the number, the higher the scan group priority.

The priority affects the scheduling of scan groups when more than one scan group is triggered for execution. The scan group triggered with the highest priority becomes active when the current active scan group is completed. Only one group can be actively scanning at any time.

P,C,D, or L

Program, Copy, Delete, or List the Scan Group number you've specified.

PROGRAM

When you select program, you have access to each menu in the same sequence as you see on the programming form. Use program to enter new scan group parameters or to change values or characteristics entered earlier.

Program is the default setting for this field so you can select it by merely pressing the ENTER key.

COPY

If you choose copy, the system first checks to see if the scan group designated to receive the copied parameters is already programmed. If so, the old program must be deleted before new parameters can be copied into it.

The prompt is,

   SCAN GROUP EXISTS, DELETE<Y,N>? N

If you press Y, then ENTER (or if the scan group wasn't previously programmed), the prompt becomes,

   SCAN GROUP TO COPY FROM =

Now, enter the scan group number whose program you want copied to the new scan group. Press ENTER and the scan group is programmed completely.

The system responds with,

   SCAN GROUP COPIED

When you press ENTER, the system returns the prompt,

   SCAN GROUP NUMBER =

This indicates that you can now enter the number of another scan group to be programmed. Press the EXIT key when you're finished to return to the main menu.

DELETE

   Delete removes the program from the scan group number you've chosen. The program is permanently deleted, so use this selection judiciously.

   Delete also frees space in the 2280 memory for other program parameters.

LIST

   The list function prints the current scan group program onto the printer (or other listing device, if installed and selected).

SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE

There are five areas of programming available through
the scan group menu choice. These parameters can be
programmed in any order, but by following the system
prompts you will automatically be stepped forward to
the next programming option each time you press ENTER.

Scan Group Label

Each scan group can have a label consisting of up to 40
characters. If no previous label has been programmed, an
empty field will be displayed. If you want to change a
label for a given scan group, key in the new label over
the old one.

During scanning the label appears before the logged
data. The label is optional, and scanning is not
affected if you leave it off.

Scan Group Channel List

Enter the number of the channel, or block of channels,
you want to scan. This list is a series of channel
identifiers (numbers and/or blocks), and each channel
or block specified here will produce one or more lines
of logged data. If more than one identifier is
included, you can separate them with spaces to make
them easier to read.

The scan group channel list can be of any length and
specify channels in any sequence. It can contain
multiple lines, each of which can be up to 75
characters long.

Single channel numbers and blocks must start with a
'C', but the second channel of a block doesn't need it.
The second channel number listed must, of course, be
larger than the first. Following are examples of three
different (but acceptable) ways to enter a scan group
channel list.

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C37
C10..20  C78  C1300..1350
C43..C52
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INSERTING AND EDITING LINES OF TEXT

Scan group channel lists can exist as multiple lines in
a configuration program. Use the following steps when
these lines need editing, or if you want to insert
additional lines.

Editing and Deleting Lines

To edit or delete lines in a set, call up the desired
parameter so the first line is displayed. Use the <up
arrow> and <down arrow> keys to display the line you
wish to edit or delete.

To delete a line, press the CLEAR key, and then press
ENTER.

There are two ways to edit lines.

1. To replace a line, simply start keying in new
    characters over the old ones. The old characters
    will be deleted.

2. Use the <right arrow> or <left arrow> key to move
    the cursor to the character you want to change.
    Remove the character with the DELETE CHAR key and
    then enter the new characters. When the line
    appears the way you want it to, press ENTER. If
    the syntax is correct you will be prompted for
    another line. Use EXIT to return to the main menu.

Inserting Lines into Current Set of Lines

> To insert lines into a set that is already programmed, call up the desired parameter so the first line in the set is displayed.
>
> Use the <up arrow> and <down arrow> keys to scroll to the line after which the insertion is to take place.
>
> Press the ENTER key. A blank field is now available for entry of the new line. When you're finished inserting lines, move to a new line and press EXIT.
>
> If you are inserting a new line at the beginning of a set, use the <up arrow> key to scroll up past the top line. All lists wrap around from the top to the bottom and have an empty line separating the two.

Execution Sequence of Scan Group Channel Lists

> A scan group channel list is in fact a program. Like a program, the precise sequence in which the channels are measured and then processed is important. When a channel list is executed, it is done in two stages,
>
> 1.   Scan Sequence
>
> First, the input channels specified directly in the channel list, or indirectly in the channel procedures of the list, are read only once regardless of the number of times a channel may appear in the list. The values of these readings are then used in the execution sequence.

2.   Execution Sequence

After the required channels are read, the scan group
channel list is executed in the same order the channels
appear in the list. The values read in the scan
sequence for input channels are logged as they are
encountered in the execution sequence.

If a pseudo or output channel has a procedure in its
channel programming, the procedure is first executed
top to bottom. Then the pseudo or output channel is
logged.

If, in a procedure, any assignments are made to pseudo
channels, their storage locations are overwritten with
the updated values.

If any assignments are made to an output channel, its
storage location is overwritten, and the output device
is programmed with the new value. This is done each
time an assignment is made to the output channel.

Following is an example of a scan group channel list,
with the accompanying channel expressions or
procedures. The explanation column below shows how
scans are executed, and in what sequence. The channel
list for this example would be entered as,

   C36 C41..48 C59 C217 C172 C84..89

In this example, channels 0 through 99 are input
channels, 100 through 199 are output channels, and 200
through 299 are pseudo channels.

LINE #	LIST	EXPLANATION
1	C36 Expression: None	Channel 36 is measured and results are logged. Since there is no channel expression, the decimal point position is determined by the type of measurement.
2	C41..48 Expression: None	Channels 41 through 48 are measured and logged in that order.
3	C59 Expression: C59 is part of the programmed block C55..70. Its programmed expression is: 3*CX+4	Channel 59 is measured. Then the expression is applied, with CX being the C59 measurement. The result is logged in the format chosen in Channel Programming.
4	C217 Procedure: C217=C217+1	This is a pseudo channel with an attached channel procedure. First, the procedure is executed (i.e., C217 is incremented). Then the result is logged in the programmed format.
5	C172 Procedure: CX=C64*2+17.3 C204=C204-1	This is an output channel with an attached channel procedure. The first procedure statement is an assignment to CX (C172). First, the right side of the assignment is evaluated using the measured value of C64. The result is then assigned to location C172. The second statement in the procedure decrements C204. This is done next. Then, finally, the current value of C172 is logged in its programmed format.
6	C84..89 Expression: These input channels are programmed individually. Only 1 of them, C88, has an attached expression: CX*1.5	First, channels 84 to 87 are measured and logged. Then C88 is measured, its expression applied, then logged in its programmed format. Finally, C89 is measured and logged.

Scan Trigger Mode

For each scan group, you can program specific
conditions for triggering to occur, or you can design a
scan to trigger on demand only. In the latter case,
scanning and recording take place on the group only
when a single scan request is made from the front panel,
or remote device, or when triggered by another scan.

ON DEMAND ONLY

With this feature, scanning is triggered by someone
going to the front panel, pressing the scan button, and
requesting a scan group number. It's also possible to
program another scan to trigger a scan group.

A scan can always be triggered on demand from the front
panel even if it has a different trigger mode
programmed.

TIME INTERVAL HH.MM.SS.

Time Interval causes the scan group to be executed at a
given interval ranging from 1 second to 24 hours. Entry
is made in hours, minutes, and seconds.

Scanning will be repeated each time the programmed
interval has expired, starting from the time scanning
is enabled. For example, an entry of 00.01.30 would
trigger the scan group every one minute and 30 seconds,
from the time scanning is enabled.

CONTINUOUS

This mode causes the scan group to be continuously
active and should be used with caution. If applied to a
high priority scan group, it will keep lower priority
scan groups from ever being allowed to execute. The
minimum scan cycle time is the length of one scan.

DISCRETE TIME HH.MM.SS.

This tells the data logger to scan once at a certain
time each day. The 2280 uses a 24 hour clock.

Time values are entered in the form of hours, minutes
and seconds, with a "wild digit" allowed for each digit
position.

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o   09.00.00 causes the scan group to trigger
               every day at 9 am.

o   XX.00.00 causes a trigger once every hour on
               the hour, since X matches all
               digits 0 through 9.

o   "08.XX.00" causes a trigger once every minute,
               on the minute, between 8 am and 9
               am. The last scan would occur at
               8:59:00 am.

EXTERNALLY TRIGGERED

This feature causes the scan group to be triggered as a
result of the hardware trigger input line changing from
a low to a high state. This input line is located in
connector J25 on the rear panel of the 2280 and is
discussed in detail in section 3 of the 2280 Series
System Guide.

The minimum scan cycle time is the length of one scan.

SCAN ONCE

This setting causes the data logger to trigger the
specified group once only when the scan button is
pushed. This is useful as an initialization scan group
for PID equations or to preset strain gauges or
counters.

SHORTCUTS TO KEYING IN TIME

When you are entering times for time intervals or
discrete times, you can use shortened entries.

EXAMPLES

o   01.30.00 can be entered as 1.30 or 1.3

o   0X.00.00 can be entered as X

Shortened entries should be left justified. A 1 or 2
digit entry gives the hour, not the seconds, and a 3 or
4 digit entry gives hours and minutes, not minutes and
seconds.

THE SYSTEM PROGRAM SOMETIMES AFFECTS SCANNING

All of the scan trigger modes, except scan on demand
and scan once, are affected by the scan trigger window
parameters programmed in the system programming module.
If the trigger window is programmed to allow scanning
only within a particular time window, then these scan
triggering modes are disabled outside of that window.

Any scan group can always be triggered on demand by
means of the SINGLE SCAN ON/OFF key.

Data Output Device Control

In order to log or display data, the data output device
control parameters must be programmed.

For each available output device---the display, the
printer, the tape cartridge, Port A or Port B---select
one of the following types of data output.

1. No Data

2. All Data

3. Alarm Data---This records any channel that is out
    of limits when scanned.

4. Alarm Transition Data---This selection records
    individual channel data only when that channel
    undergoes an alarm transition (i.e., goes out of
    limit, or comes back within limit).

Each output device can be programmed independently, so
an RS-232-C printer at port B could be logging alarm
data while a computer at port A has access to all data.

In addition, while data may be sent to any or all
available devices in a particular configuration, the
data throughput rate, and therefore the scanning speed,
will be no faster than the slowest device.

Other Scan Group to Trigger

Another scan group (or the same one) can be programmed to be triggered at the completion of the current scan. This feature is programmed in two stages.

1. Program the number of the scan group to be triggered on completion of the current scan.

2. Program the conditions under which you want that scan group to trigger upon completion of the current scan. You have four choices here,

    a. Never (default). The scan group is not triggered at completion of the current scan.

    b. Any Alarm. The selected scan group is triggered upon completion of the current scan if there were any channels in alarm in the current scan.

    c. Any Alarm Transition. The selected scan group is triggered upon completion of the current scan if any channel underwent a transition (went out or came back in limit) during it.

    d. Always. The selected scan group is triggered upon completion of the current scan.

Conditions 2 and 3 are useful for obtaining additional data when limits are being exceeded. For example, by using condition 2 to trigger the same scan group, you can obtain a continuous scan-on-alarm configuration.

Two scan groups might have the same channels in them. One might scan continuously for alarms but log no data. When an alarm occurs, it can trigger the higher priority group, which could log all data on alarms.

Condition 4 is useful for chaining scan groups together. Use this to set up a loop of scan groups, each triggering the next in turn.

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ALARM LISTS

<F> ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALM LIST #	ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE < 1,2 >?						
P.C.D. OR L.	<1> LIMITS INFORMATION						<2> DEAD BAND
0-1499	<1> LIMIT #	<2> SENSE	LIMIT VALUE	<3> ALARM MESSAGE 0-40 characters EXAMPLE: EXHAUST TEMP OVER LIMIT	<4> ALARM SCAN TRIGGER 1st TRIG GROUP / 2nd TRIG MODE	<5> DELETE LIMIT	

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<1> - Never   <2> - During Alarm   <3> - On Alarm Transition

An alarm list contains instructions setting high and low limits to be checked against measured or computed channel values. It also determines whether high or low values will generate an alarm, whether a message will accompany an alarm, and whether there is to be any dead band or hysteresis associated with the limits.

An alarm list can also be set up to trigger a scan
group. Each alarm list is programmed for the purpose of
assigning it to one or more channels during channel
programming.

You can specify any number of alarm lists, and each can
contain from one to four individual limits. For each
limit, four types of information are entered: sense,
value, alarm message and alarm scan to trigger. In
addition, a dead band value may be entered to apply to
all four limits in the list. These are all detailed in
the following paragraphs.

Limit values can be changed while the data logger is
scanning. This is especially useful for situations
where the 2280 is being used for monitoring and
emergency shutdowns.

ALARM LIST NUMBER

Assign each alarm list a number between 0 and 1499.
Since all alarms will be referenced by a channel
program it's a good idea to use the same number for
both the alarm list and the corresponding channel.

P,C,D, or L

Program, Copy, Delete, or List the alarm list number
you've specified.

PROGRAM

When you select program, you have access to each menu
in the same sequence as you see on the programming
form. Use program to enter new alarm list parameters,
or to change values or characteristics entered earlier.

Program is the default setting for this field so you
can select it by merely pressing the ENTER key.

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COPY

If you choose copy, the system first checks to see if the alarm list designated to receive the copied parameters is already programmed. If so, the old program must be deleted before new parameters can be copied into it.

The prompt is,

ALARM LIST EXISTS, DELETE<Y,N>? N

If you press Y, then ENTER (or if the alarm list wasn't previously programmed), the prompt becomes,

ALARM LIST TO COPY FROM =

Now, enter the alarm list number whose program you want copied to the new alarm list. Press ENTER and the scan group is programmed completely.

The system responds with the prompt,

ALARM LIST COPIED

When you press ENTER, the system returns the prompt,

ALARM LIST NUMBER =

This indicates that you can now enter the number of another alarm list to be programmed. Press the EXIT key when you're finished to return to the main menu.

DELETE

Delete removes the program from the alarm list number you've chosen. The program is permanently deleted, so use this selection judiciously.

Delete also frees space in the 2280 memory for other program parameters.

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LIST

The list function prints the current alarm list program
onto the printer (or other listing device, if
installed and selected).

ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE

This section contains the limits information and
dead band menus.

Limits Information

Up to four limits can be specified in a single alarm
list. Each of the limits is programmed with a high or
low sense, a value, a message, and a trigger condition.

SENSE

Enter H for a high value or L for a low value.

LIMIT VALUE

The limit value, entered in floating point or
scientific notation, is the reference value for any
channel programmed to that particular alarm list.

After any linearization, scaling or math expressions
have been performed on the channel (or when assignments
are made to channels on the left side of a math
statement in channel procedures), the result is
compared to the limit value(s) of that channel's alarm
list. If none of the limits are exceeded, no further
action takes place.

If the reading is outside one or more limits, the alarm
information (ALM), is added to the log of the channel
whose value tripped the limit.

ALARM MESSAGE

The alarm message feature allows you to add relevant
alarm messages for the channel or block of channels
associated with the limit value being exceeded. From 0
to 40 characters can be used. This feature is optional.

A message must be programmed in order for a limits
exceeded condition to be entered in the alarm queue.

For example, suppose the alarm list being programmed is
associated with a channel measuring the temperature of
liquid oxygen to ensure that the temperature doesn't
elevate enough to convert the oxygen back to gas.
The associated alarm message might be,

OXYGEN NEAR BOIL, ADD COOLANT

The message is logged after the channel reading and
then added to the alarm queue, lighting the front panel
ALARM LED.

When you acknowledge the alarm by pressing the ACK key,
the message is displayed on the 2280 front panel.

If multiple messages are queued up, the ALARM LED stays
on. Press the ALARM ACK key to receive each message in
the queue. After the last message is displayed, the
ALARM LED will go out.

ALARM SCAN TRIGGER

The alarm scan trigger allows you to select by number
a scan group to be triggered due to a channel's limit
condition. The conditions to choose from are,

1.   Never (default). The alarm state of a channel will
     not cause the selected scan group to be triggered.

2.   During Alarm. The selected scan group is triggered
     each time the associated limit is exceeded.

3.   On Alarm Transition. The selected scan group is
     triggered only when the associated limit changes
     by going out of limit or by coming back within
     limit.

Choices 2 and 3 above can be used to trigger a higher
priority scan group with the same scan group channel
list, to create an "all data on alarm" or "all data on
alarm transition" function. Channel alarms that occur
while plotting is active won't trigger another scan
group.

Dead Band Value

The dead band applies to all limits of an alarm list, and is entered in floating point or scientific notation.

It causes a difference in the thresholds at which a channel goes out of limits and comes back within limits. This difference is a kind of buffer zone that must be passed through before an alarm transition is acknowledged by the data logger. The hysteresis introduced may be used to minimize nuisance transitions caused by noisy or fluctuating inputs.

With a dead band, the value at which a channel passes out of limits is not the same as the value at which it comes back within limits.
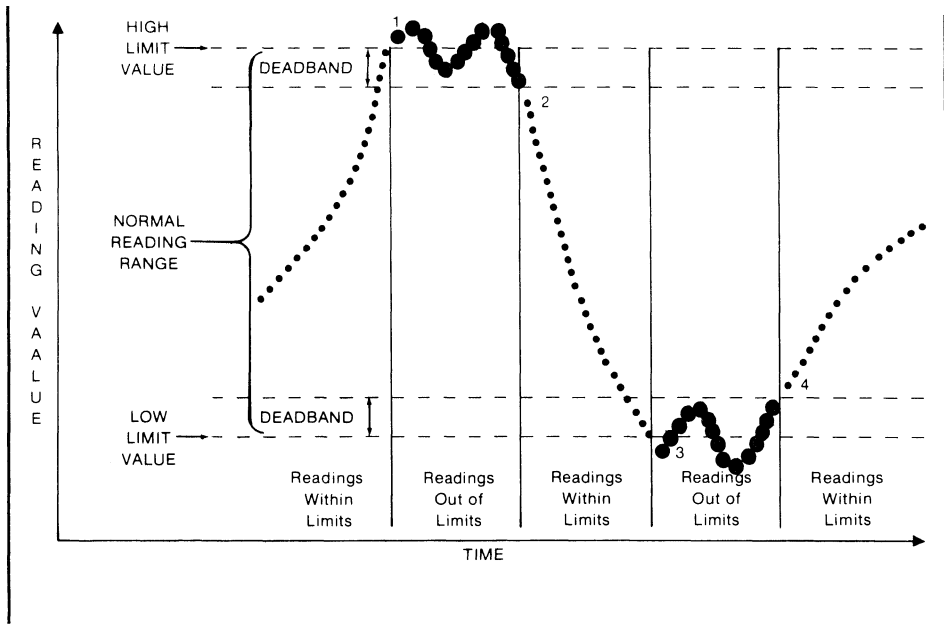
Deadband

Alarm data is logged during the time intervals labeled **Readings Out of Limits.**

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OUTPUT DEVICE PROGRAMMING   3d

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OUTPUT DEVICE PROGRAMMING

< U > OUTPUT DEVICE PROGRAM

· 1 · PRINTER FORMAT	· 2 · PORT A FORMAT	· 3 · PORT B FORMAT	· 4 · CARTRIDGE TAPE FORMAT		< 5 > PORT A CHARACTER- ISTICS	< 6 > PORT B CHARACTER- ISTICS	< 7 > ALARM ACKNOWLEDGE- MENT LOGGING DEVICE	< 8 · DATA TRANSFER FILTER
MENU ←				**MENU** ←				
1 COMPRESSION FORMAT 1 Char Letter Value Units Alrm Fig 2 Chan Value Units Alrm Fig 3 Chan Value 4 Value				· 1 · DEVICE TYPE · 1 · IEEE-488 3 PARALLEL I/F 1 DATA 2 RECORD TYPE ENCODING 1 Fixed Record 1 ASCII Odd Length (1 4096) 2 ASCII Even 2 Variable Record 3 EBCDIC Length 4 BCDIC Odd 5 BCDIC Even			1 None 2 Printer 3 Cartridge Tape 4 Port A 5 Port B	Search
2 DATA TYPE INDICATORS? Yes No								
3 CHAN READINGS/LINE (1 99)				3 RS-232-C 1 BAUD RATE 2 PARITY 1 110 1 None 2 300 2 Even 3 600 3 Odd				Replace
4 START OF DATA SEQUENCE				4 120 5 2400 3 NUMBER OF 6 4800 FILL 7 9600 CHARACTERS 8 1920 (0 99)				
5 END OF DATA SEQUENCE								
6 LINE TERMINATION SEQUENCE				2 TIME OUT 1 ENABLED Timeout Period 2 DISABLED				

OUTPUT MENU CHOICE · 1-8 ·?

If the default device characteristics and logging
formats in the following section satisfy your needs,
no output device programming is necessary. If, however,
you want to change some of the settings, you need to
read this section.

OUTPUT MENU CHOICE

Output device programs determine the format that logged
data assumes on the printer, the devices connected to
port A and B, and on the Cartridge Tape Drive (Option
-214). In addition, various device characteristics may
be determined for ports A and B.

Some choices are simple. For the printer, for example, the choice is between normal or compressed printing. For other devices though, there are a number of selections that can be made for other formats and for port characteristics.

The front panel display doesn't require programming. It displays data one channel at a time, and is updated 2 1/2 times per second. The data is displayed in the following sequence.

DATA TYPE	MAXIMUM CHARACTERS
Channel number	5
Channel label	15
Value	7
Channel units	6
Alarm flag	3

You can program any or all of the following devices to log data.

Printer Format

You can choose between the normal format, which is the same as the display, or the compressed format (i.e., channel number and value), with 3 channels given in one line.

If the limited information provided in the compressed format is enough for you, try to use it. It reduces the amount of paper used and increases the printer's useful throughput, since the printer speed is determined in lines per seconds, not channels per second.

Port A, Port B, and Cartridge Tape Formats

For each of these three output devices, choose the desired characteristics for the following six parameters.

1. Compression Format

Choose one of four levels of compression for logged data. Number 1 is the default choice.

1. channel #, label, value, units, alarm flag (40 characters)

2. channel #, value, units, alarm flag (24 characters)

3. channel #, value. (13 characters)

4. value only. (8 characters)

2. Data Type Indicators (choose YES or NO)

Logged data is a mixture of channel data, scan group information, and alarm messages. While the mixture may be easily distinguished by you, it may be difficult for a computer to sort out and identify. You can simplify the reading operation by tagging the beginning of each line with an identifying character. This function simply inserts a tag character before each type of logged message if YES is selected here. The default choice is NO.

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The tag corresponding to each type is as follows,

TAG   LOGGED MESSAGE
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A   Alarm Message
B   Begin Scan Group Message
C   Channel Reading
E   End Scan Group Message
H   Scan Group Header Message
K   Alarm Acknowledgement Message
Z   Scan or Single Scan is Turned Off.

3.   Channel Readings per Line

Specify how many channel readings are to appear on each
line before a line terminator is recorded. The choice
is made based on the level of data compression chosen
(see compression format #1, above), and the fact that
the data logger inserts four spaces between channel
readings when there is more than one reading per line.

Enter any number between 1 (which is the default
selection) and 99.

4.   SD -- Start of Data

A sequence of up to four characters can be used to flag
the beginning of a scan group. The sequence is sent
prior to a begin scan group message. The default is an
empty sequence. More details on programming this
section are given in Line Termination below.

5.   ED -- End of Data

Up to four characters may be used in a sequence to flag
the end of a scan group. If the sequence is used, it
will be sent after an end scan group message. The
default is an empty sequence.

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6.   LT -- Line Termination

This sequence of up to four characters ends each logged
message or line of output. LT defaults to the ASCII
<CR> and <LF>.
Each character in the sequence is entered in its
decimal equivalent representation, and individual
characters are separated by "//". The sequence consists
of a decimal number (containing up to 2 digits) for
each ASCII character. For example, the default line
termination sequence would read,

   13//10

The appendix of the 2280 Series System guide contains
an ASCII-to-decimal conversion chart.

Port Characteristics

Ports A and B can have a variety of devices plugged
into them. Each device has its own operating
characteristics that require programming. Port A and
port B are individually programmed in one of three
areas, according to the type of device being used.

When the time comes to actually trigger a scan, the
interface installed and the characteristics programmed
must agree, or an error will occur. These
characteristics are detailed in the following
paragraphs.

IEEE-488 INTERFACE

The IEEE-488 Interface requires no front panel
programming.

PARALLEL INTERFACE CHARACTERISTICS

The parallel recording characteristics allow you to
define the type of data encoding, and the record type.

1.   Data Encoding Choices

The default for this field is the first selection,
ASCII Odd Parity.

    1.   ASCII Odd Parity

    2.   ASCII Even Parity

    3.   BCDIC

    4.   BCDIC Odd Parity

    5.   BCDIC Even Parity

2.   Record Type Choices

The default selection for this field is a fixed record
length of 1024 characters.

    1.   Fixed Record Length. Use this to specify the
          number of characters recorded before a record
          gap signal is generated. When a scan group is
          completed, the current record contains the
          fill character,

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          and is then terminated with a record gap
          signal. The range of possible entries is from
          1 to 4095 characters.

    2.   Variable Record Length. In this mode a record
          gap signal is given at the end of each scan
          group.

RS-232-C INTERFACE CHARACTERISTICS

The RS-232-C interface card is equipped with a stall feature. If the device it's connected to sends a Control S (ASCII X-OFF, DC3 or decimal 19), the character stream to the device is suspended. The stream is only resumed after the device receives a Control Q (ASCII X-ON, DC1 or Decimal 17). Alternatively, the RS-232-C device may use the modem control lines (Data Set Ready, Clear to Send, Received Line Signal Detect) to stall the 2280.

To control the flow of data from the 2280 in this manner, send the stall signal two or three characters before the buffer overflows. The 2280 can't stall instantly; it takes a few milli-seconds to respond.

If a printer is connected, it can use Control S and Q to regulate the character flow to suit its printing speed. If scan data is being logged, a stalled RS-232-C I/F will eventually halt the scan until it's unstalled.

Halting a scan in this manner may also cause critical alarm checking to stop. To avoid this, a device timeout (allows scanning to pause and wait for the interface to unstall) can be programmed. If the unstall does not occur within the programmed device timeout period, the 2280 resumes scanning and discards all output data to the interface until the stall condition is removed.

The RS-232-C I/F requires programmed parameters for:

1.   Baud Rate. 110 (default), 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19200.

2.   Parity. Even, Odd, or None (default).

3.   Number of Fill Characters. Enter the number of null fill characters to be sent to the RS-232-C device after each line termination (LT) sequence. Possible entries are 0 through 99 (default =0).

If a port is programmed for one type of interface, but
if a different one (or none at all) is installed, an
error message will be created when a scan is attempted.

The output device characteristics do not take on their
new values until you exit back to the main menu level.

TIMEOUT

Device timeout programming provides the capability for
the 2280 to continue critical scanning and limit
checking when the RS-232 or IEEE-488 interface halts
scanning.

Output or data from the RS-232 interface can be stalled
(temporarily suspended) using the modem control signals
or when the interface receives a Control S character
from the computer or peripheral. This can also occur
with the IEEE-488 interface if the bus controller does
not read all the data from the interface.

An enabled device timeout allows the 2280 to resume
scanning and discard output data after scanning has
been suspended for the programmed time period. The data
output will resume when the stall condition is removed.

If the device timeout is disabled, scanning will be
suspended until the stall condition is removed. No data
will be discarded.

PORT A CHARACTERISTICS ARE SAVED

Port A characteristics are saved when an "erase all
programming" function is performed even though you
won't see the characteristics when you list the
program. Using the ENTER key to scroll through the
menus to check the settings causes you to select the
default characteristics and override any earlier
program settings. Make certain the default
characteristics are what you want. To reprogram, simply
select different characteristics.

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Alarm Acknowledgement Logging Device

It is sometimes desirable to keep a log of alarm
messages and the times at which they occur and are
acknowledged. This can be done with an alarm
acknowledgement logging device connected to the 2280.

Acknowledgement information includes the channel
number, the alarm message, the time an alarm occurred,
and the time it was acknowledged. You can choose which
acknowledgement device, if any, will log this
information. Select from,

1. None (default)
2. Printer
3. Cartridge Tape
4. Port A
5. Port B

Data Transfer Filter

It's possible for you to transfer data from a cartridge
tape or Kennedy magtape to some other device. In most
instances you'll enter the same character strings for
the start of data, end of data, and line termination
for both the source and destination devices. However,
it may be necessary to have different strings for
different devices.

If it is necessary to have different strings for
different devices, the data transfer filter can convert
a sequence of ASCII characters used for the source
device into the sequence used by the destination
device. Only one sequence can be changed with the data
transfer filter, and the programming specifics are
discussed in the line terminator portion of this
section.

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PLOT PROGRAMMING   3e

PLOT PROGRAMMING

< P > PLOT PROGRAM

PLOT MENU CHOICE < 1,2 >?						
< 1 PARAMETERS PLOT NUMBER · 1-4 ?						< 2 > COMMON PLOT INTERVAL FOR ALL FOUR PLOTS
PLOT #: SYMBOL:	< 1 ·	< 2 ·	< 3 ·	< 4 ·		PLOT INTERVAL HH MM SS
1st) Channel to Plot						
2nd) Leftmost Value						
3rd) Rightmost Value						

With the 2280, you can plot the values of four separate
channels simultaneously onto the built-in printer. To
write a plot program, simply specify the 0% and 100%
values of up to four plot channels, and indicate the
desired plotting interval. These channels are then
plotted whenever the plot function is requested.

A plot program is treated by the system as the highest
priority scan group; when it's activated, its channels
are scanned at the programmed interval before any other
scan group. If a scan group is currently active when
the plot interval occurs, the plot group will be the
next one scanned when the current group is finished.

PLOT MENU CHOICE

Parameters

Plot channels can consist of any combination of input, output, or pseudo channels. Remember that the math procedure of a pseudo or output channel can include several assignments using other measurement, output, or pseudo channels.

If pseudo channels are being plotted, the channel procedure for the channel of plot #1 is executed first, then the channel procedure for the channel of plot #2, and so on. This means that if the channel procedure for channel 0 is,

    CO = CO+1
    and
    Plot #1 = CO
    Plot #2 = CO

the plotted value for plot #2 will be 1 greater than that for plot #1.

CHANNEL TO PLOT

For each plot channel (1 through 4), enter the number of the channel whose reading you wish to plot.

LEFT MOST AND RIGHT MOST VALUES

Specify the left and right most values between which the channel readings will be plotted. These values are entered in floating point or scientific notation corresponding to the channel values that will fall at the left and right edges of the paper. For example, an entry may read, 500.0 or 1.25E3.

Common Plot Interval for All Four Channels

The channels are plotted as a group. Enter the plotting
interval for the selected channels in the hours,
minutes, and seconds format.

For example, if you want the readings taken every 30
seconds, the plot interval entry is **00.00.30**. If you
want the reading taken every 90 minutes, the plot
interval entry is **01.30.00** (or 1.30). Plotting has
higher priority than scanning, so if the plot interval
time is smaller than the time required to log and plot
the four channels, no scan groups will become active.
This is referred to as continuous plotting.

Keep in mind when you're plotting that the printer
isn't available for other uses. If a long scan group is
active at the time plot is triggered, the actual time
plotting begins will be delayed.

SYSTEM PROGRAMMING   3f

SYSTEM PROGRAMMING

< Z > SYSTEM PROGRAM

SYSTEM MENU CHOICE < 1-7 >?						
< 1 > LINE FREQUENCY	< 2 > CALENDAR DATE & TIME	< 3 > TEMPERATURE UNITS	< 4 > ACCESS CODE	< 5 > SCAN TRIGGER ENABLE TIMES	< 6 > INTERPOLATION TABLES	< 7 > SELECT MENU OPTIONS
1 - 60 Hz 2 - 50 Hz	1st) Time _:_ HH MM SS 2nd) Date _:_ _:_ * 9 12 AUG 84	-1 - Degrees C -2 - Degrees F -3 - Comp mv	(0-8 characters) _ _ _ _	1st) Start Time _:_ _:_ 2nd) Stop Time _:_ _:_ HH MM SS	1st TBL# (0-9) 2nd TABLE ENTRY FORMAT -input -output e.g. 1.8378 .348.084	1st MENU AUTOMATICALLY DISPLAY ? No / Yes 2nd DESCEND MENU WITHOUT ENTER ? No / Yes

System programs are a sort of catchall for selecting instrument characteristics that don't relate specifically to any one of the other five groups. Time and calendar date, temperature units, access code, and line frequency are all determined in a system program. These values probably won't need to be changed very often.

SYSTEM MENU CHOICE

The system program module is divided into seven different menus, each for programming specific system-wide parameters.

Line Frequency

Choose either 50 or 60 Hz.; only analog to digital
converters need this information for maximum noise
rejection.

All measurement nodes (A/D converters) in the system
are assumed to be operating with the same line
frequency. If the system is battery operated, and there
are ac power lines in the area, the frequency should be
the same as the power lines. If the local line
frequency is 400 Hz, program the system for 50 Hz,
since 400 is a multiple of 50.

The frequency entered has no effect on the internal
clock, which is crystal operated.

Calendar Date and Time

The date is entered as day (1 or 2 digits), month
(3-letter abbreviation), and year (2 digits). Entering
a space (for clarity) between the day, month, and year
is optional.

Enter the time as hours, minutes, and then seconds,
with the minutes and seconds being optional entries.
The 2280s use a 24-hour clock.

Some entry examples are,

Date - 3 DEC 85, 24 JUL 85, or 10MAY85

Time - 7.43.39 (for 7 hours, 43 minutes, 39 seconds)

         2.32   (for 2 hours, 32 minutes, 0 seconds)

         13   (for 13 hours, 0 minutes, 0 seconds)

Once programmed, the date and time are correctly
maintained with the power on and for at least 30
days with the power off.

Temperature Units

The temperature unit entered here affects the
system-wide temperature units for the instrument. You
can select degrees Celsius, degrees Fahrenheit, or
compensated millivolts. This selection causes implicit
translation of numeric data on analog measurement
channels whose input function is a thermocouple or RTD.

Degrees Celsius is assumed for RTDs if compensated
millivolts is selected.

Access Code

The access code, if entered, allows you to control
access to the scan, plot, changing limits or pseudo
channel values while scanning, and single scan
functions. The code consists of an alphanumeric string
of one to six characters.

Once an access code is programmed, an operator must
correctly enter the code string whenever starting or
stopping a process. The default is no code if the
programmer chooses not to enter one, in which case the
access code is neither requested nor required when a
command is entered by the operator.

Scan Trigger Enable Times

This feature allows you to enable scanning and plotting
only between the start and stop times entered. The
start and stop times define a scan window.

The default start and stop times are both 00:00:00 and
when they are equal, the scan window is always open.
The scan window affects only the continuous, time
interval, discrete time, and hardware triggering
mechanisms. The start and stop times have no effect on
the single scan function. You can scan on demand by
using the front panel SINGLE SCAN ON/OFF key,
regardless of the scan window setting.

A scan group executing when the window closes is
completed normally. Scan groups that are triggered
before the window closes (but which haven't been
executed because they have lower priority than the
group now running), will be executed.

Interpolation Tables

You can define up to ten interpolation tables, each
labeled with a number from 0 to 9. The contents of a
table are entered as pairs of numbers, and you must
enter at least two pairs. The pairs consist of an input
value followed by an output value.

The pairs must be in ascending or descending order of
the input; they encompass the maximum and minimum
values expected from channels that use the table.

A table should not contain two entries with the same
input value since that implies a discontinuity. Table
conversion is initiated when a channel expression
references the table number as a function. The argument
of the expression is the input measurement to be
converted.

For example, the expression TBL7(CX)+3.14 indicates
that the raw input reading of the channel will be
converted to an output using the values in interpolation
table 7. The value 3.14 will then be added to produce
the resulting reading for the channel.

Interpolation tables can be programmed at any time, but
the program that uses them won't run without an
advanced math processor (option -211) installed.

If the input measurement falls between points in the
table, a linear interpolation is used to determine the
output. You might, for instance, use the interpolation
table function for a channel with a transducer, which
must convert input volts to a pressure output in a non-
linear relationship.

In a chosen interpolation table, you could program at
least the minimum and maximum input values expected,
each paired with its corresponding output value. For
example, if a transducer is used which outputs between
0.1 and 0.2V dc, corresponding to an input of 10 to 200
pounds per square inch (in a non-linear fashion), the
table might look like this,

        0.100//10
        0.120//30
        0.140//60
        0.160//100
        0.180//150
        0.200//200

Notice that the relationships are non-linear, and thus
cannot be converted with a simple mx+b scaling. Further
details on this and other advanced math features are
covered in Advanced Math Programming (section 4 of this
guide) and the Options section (option -211) of the
2280 Series System Guide.

Select Menu Options

AUTOMATICALLY DISPLAY MENU

When the system is set to automatically display menus,
each time a set of new choices is offered during
programming, the menu for it is automatically listed,

DESCEND MENUS WITHOUT ENTER

You can speed the keypressing mechanics of programming
by eliminating the need to press ENTER after each entry
is chosen. This step should probably only be used by an
experienced 2280 programmer, since it takes away the
option of checking your menu choices before they're
entered.

CONTENTS

INTRODUCTION

This section contains a summary of additional functions and operations available when the 2280 Series Data Logger has the Advanced Math Option (2280A-211) installed. It discusses operational details and syntax and uses typical expressions and situations for illustration.

This section also offers programming techniques that allow your 2280 Series Data Logger to perform both advanced data reduction and analysis, and to enhance its operational flexibility. The 2280 is unique in that it can be programmed to perform custom calculations without requiring the user to learn (and debug) a computer language.

The capabilities of the 2280 Series Data Loggers extend beyond their ability to perform calculations upon input data. Pseudo channels allow calculations ranging from the averaging of a group of channels, to calculating Fo (equivalent sterilization time) to computing the mass flow of a gas. Pseudo channels also augment the ability of the 2280 to perform specialized data acquisition and logging tasks. The data logging rate can be changed on detection of an alarm or preset condition, or even after a period of time has elapsed. This section explains how.

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rUNCTIONS AVAILABLE WITH THE ADVANCED MATH OPTION

With the Advanced Math Option installed, the speed with
which your 2280 Series Data Logger can perform
calculations is increased. Special functions that are
available without the math board (which are described
in Channel Programming, Section 3a) are still available
with the option installed and execute more rapidly and
more efficiently. They are,

ALMx	Alarm Status
ERR	Error Status
LINx	Thermocouple Linearization
LIN1	385 DIN Platinum RTD
LIN2	10 ohm Copper RTD
REFx	Thermocouple Reference Voltage
RTD	User Defined Platinum RTD

In addition, the Advanced Math Option allows for a
number of extra functions that can be performed on
channel or pseudo channel data. These additional
functions are also described in this section.

ABS	Absolute Value
ACOS	Inverse Cosine
ASIN	Inverse Sine
ATAN	Inverse Tangent
COS	Cosine
EXP	Exponential
GAV	Group Average
INT	Integer Part
LOG	Common Logarithm
LN	Natural Logarithm
MAX	Maximum Value
MIN	Minimum Value
SD	Standard Deviation
SIN	Sine
SQR	Square Root
TAN	Tangent
TBL	Interpolation Table
TIME	Elapsed Time

ALMn

Format: ALMn(1x//2x//3x//etc.)

Usage: The alarm status function, when evaluated, gives
         the status (1 = exceeded, 0 = not exceeded) of a
         particular limit (n) of the channel or block
         designated in the function. The format of the
         function is ALMn (channel list), where n is a
         number from 1 to 4, and the channel list is a
         single channel, a block of channels, or a
         combination of blocks and single channels
         separated (//). For example, the function
         written as,

         ALM2(C98//C100..102//C200)

         when evaluated, will tell whether channel 98, 100
         to 102, or 200 has exceeded limit #2 of its
         assigned alarm list.

Examples:

         ALM1(C9)

) ERROR STATUS

Format: ERR(1x//2x//3x//etc.)

Usage: The error status function is used to find the
          lowest valued error number (i.e., the one with the
          highest priority) currently active on the channel
          or block of channels listed.

          These errors aren't fatal to system operation, but
          do indicate that something is wrong. The priority
          (ranging from 0 through 6) indicates the severity
          of the problem. The delimiter "//" is used to
          separate the various channels listed.

          An error value of zero indicates that none of the
          channels in the list are in error.

          Error reporting codes are as follows:

              (1)   Dead Serial Link Device
              (2)   Broken Thermocouple
              (2)   Propagated Error
              (3)   No Reading
              (4)   Out of Measurable Range
              (4)   Out of Temperature Range
              (5)   Argument Out of Range
              (5)   Bad RTD Constants
              (5)   Arithmetic Overflow
              (5)   Denominator of Zero
              (5)   Negative Argument
              (5)   Zero Argument

Example:

          The function ERR(C99//C100...104), when evaluated,
          gives the lowest valued error number currently
          active of channel 99 or 100 through 104.

THERMOCOUPLE LINEARIZATION

Format: LINn(millivolts)

Usage: When evaluated, this function gives the
          temperature as measured by a specific type of
          thermocouple. Use this in applications where
          temperature is being measured with thermocouples
          not terminated on the standard 2280 isothermal
          input connector (2280A-175).

Example:

          CX = LINR(CX+REFR(C100))

          The format is LINn(m), where n is a single letter
          corresponding to the type of thermocouple used (as
          shown in the thermocouple selection menu) and 'm'
          is one of the following,

          o   A channel number---where the channel is an
                input channel measuring the millivolt signal
                of a thermocouple.

          o   An expression---that, when evaluated, gives
                the millivolts to be converted to temperature
                for the specified thermocouple type.

          The temperature units used in these cases is the
          same one programmed in the system program. If the
          system temperature units are compensated
          millivolts, the value of the argument is returned
          unchanged.

) LIN1

Format: LIN1(ohms)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, the LIN1 function
          applies a 385 DIN platinum linearization on the
          value of the parameter which is expected to be the
          resistance of the RTD probe in ohms.

Example:
          LIN1(CX)

LIN2

Format: LIN2(ohms)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, the LIN2 function
          applies a 10 ohm Cu RTD linearization on the value
          of the parameter which is expected to be the
          resistance of the RTD probe in ohms.

Example:

          LIN2(CX)

THERMOCOUPLE REFERENCE VOLTAGE

Format: REFn(temperature)

Usage: This function can be used in applications where
         temperature is being monitored with thermocouples
         that are terminated in an external isothermal
         block. When the function is evaluated, it gives
         the compensating millivolts for a specified
         thermocouple terminated at a specific temperature.

         These compensating millivolts, when added to the
         millivolts measured from the thermocouple, provide
         the necessary correction to cancel out the effect
         of the secondary thermocouple formed at the
         thermocouple termination.

         The format of the function is REFn(t) where n is a
         single letter corresponding to the desired
         thermocouple type (as shown in the thermocouple
         selection menu), and (t) is one of the following,

         o   A constant temperature---for cases where the
              thermocouple is terminated in an isothermal
              block at a fixed temperature.

         o   A channel number---where the channel is an
              input channel measuring the actual
              temperature of the external isothermal block.

         o   An expression---that, when evaluated, gives
              the temperature of the external reference
              block.

         The temperature units used in these cases is the
         same one programmed in the system program. If the
         system temperature units are compensated
         millivolts, degrees Celsius is assumed.

) **RTD**

Format: RTD(ohms//RO//alpha//delta//c4)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, the RTD function
          applies a user defined platinum RTD linearization
          on the value of the resistance of the RTD probe.

Example:

      RTD(CX//100.00//0.00390//1.494//-0.205984E-11)

      This function returns the temperature of a
      calibrated RTD. The following probe
      characteristics are required.

ohms	(ohms)
RTD ice-point resistance	(RO)
RTD alpha value	(alpha)
RTD delta value	(delta)
C4 value	(c4)

      If any of the last four parameters above are
      omitted the following defaults will be used.

RO	100.00
alpha	0.00390
delta	1.494
c4	-0.205984E-11

      The RTD constants must be specified in order. For
      example, if you need to specify a C4 that differs
      from the default, you must also specify RO, alpha,
      and delta. This is true even if they are the same
      as the default settings.

      The temperature unit used in this function is the
      same one programmed in the system program. If the
      system temperature units are compensated
      millivolts, degrees Celsius is assumed.

FUNCTIONS AVAILABLE ONLY WITH THE MATH BOARD

The following functions are only available in the 2280 Series Data Loggers when the Advanced Math Option is installed.

ABSOLUTE VALUE

Format: ABS(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, an ABS function gives the absolute value of x.

Example:
        ABS(C16)
        The absolute value of C16 is returned.

SQUARE ROOT

Format: SQR(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, a square root function gives the number which, when multiplied by itself, results in the value of x. The expression must always be a positive value.

Example:

        SQR(C23)
        The Square Root of C23 is determined.

EXPONENTIAL

Format: EXP(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, an exponential
          function gives the base of the natural log, "e",
          raised to the power x. The value returned is
          always positive.

Examples:

          EXP(.707)
          EXP(C8)
          EXP(ABS(C6))

SINE

Format: SIN(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, a sine function
          gives the sine of angle x. X is assumed to be in
          radians.

Examples:

          SIN(314.16E-02)
          SIN(C8)

COSINE

Format: COS(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, a COS function
          gives the cosine of angle x. X is assumed to be in
          radians.

Examples:

          COS(7.07E-01)
          COS(C3+C4)

TANGENT

Format: TAN(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, a TAN function
          gives the tangent of angle x. X is assumed to be
          in radians.

Examples:

        TAN(SIN(.707))
        TAN(3.14+C6) (note the use of the value of Pi)
        TAN(C9)

INVERSE SINE

Format: ASIN(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, an inverse sine
          function gives the angle, in radians, whose sine
          is x. The value of the expression must be between
          -1 and +1, and the value returned will between
          -Pi/2 and Pi/2.

Examples:

        ASIN(1)
        ASIN(C23)

INVERSE COSINE

Format: ACOS(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, an inverse cosine
          function gives the angle, in radians, whose cosine
          is x. The value of the expression must be between
          -1 and +1, and the value returned will be between
          0 and Pi.

Examples:

          ACOS(0.986E-01)
          ACOS(SIN(C3))

INVERSE TANGENT

Format: ATAN(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, an inverse
          tangent function gives the angle, in radians,
          whose tangent is x. The magnitude of the value
          returned will always be between -Pi/2 and Pi/2.

Examples:

          ATAN(3.6872E+15)
          ATAN(SIN(2.3)+C6)

COMMON LOGARITHM

Format: LOG(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, a common
          logarithm function gives the value by which ten
          must be raised to obtain the value of x. X must
          have a positive non-zero value.

Examples:

          LOG(1.0E06)
          LOG(C3)

NATURAL LOGARITHM

Format: LN(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, a natural
          logarithm gives the value by which the irrational
          constant "e" must be raised to obtain the value of
          x. X must have a value that is positive and
          non-zero.

Examples:

          LN(C12)
          LN(2+LOG(84.3E+02))

TABLE INTERPOLATION

Format: TBLn(x)

Usage: This function uses x as the independent variable
          to perform a linear interpolation in the
          user-defined table n. n is a pre-programmed
          interpolation table numbered between 0 and 9. When
          performed it returns a corresponding dependent
          variable value.

          If x is outside the input range of the table, a
          linear extrapolation is performed to get a
          dependent variable value. It is not recommended
          that you allow the independent variable to be
          outside the values encompassed by the table. If
          so, large errors and unpredictable results could
          occur.

          o   If the interpolation table contains no
               points, zero is always returned.
          o   If the table only contains one pair of
               points, the dependent value of that pair is
               returned.

Examples: TBL1(5.0)
             TBL9(C45)

INTEGER PART

Format: INT(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, the INT
          function gives the integer part of operand x.

Examples:

          INT(C34)
          INT(5.3 + 7/2)

MAXIMUM VALUE

Format: MAX(1x//2x//3x//etc)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, the MAX function
          gives the maximum value among all the operands
          specified as x. If a single channel is specified,
          the function is evaluated as that channel's
          current reading. Channel numbers can be specified
          individually or in block form (with the format:
          Cx..y).

          o   The various operands specified in x are
               separated by the delimiter: //.

Examples:

          MAX(C987)
          MAX(C1..23)
          MAX(C4//C7//C23)
          MAX(C34//C48..57//C67)
          MAX(C21//5.0//LOG(C37))

MINIMUM VALUE

Format: MIN(1x//2x//3x//etc)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, the MIN function
          gives the minimum value among all the operands
          specified as x. Channel numbers may be specified
          in individual or block form. If a single channel
          is specified then the function is evaluated as
          that channel's current reading.

          o   The various operands specified in x are
               separated by the delimiter: //

Examples:

          MIN(C98)
          MIN(C6..9//C234)

STANDARD DEVIATION

Format: SD(1x//2x//3x//etc)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, this function
          gives the standard deviation over all the operands
          specified as x. Channel numbers may be specified
          individually or in block form.

          o   The various operands specified in x are
               separated by the delimiter: "//"

Examples:

          SD(C3..25)
          SD(C2//C5..9//7.4)

GROUP AVERAGE

Format: GAV(x)

Usage: When evaluated in an expression, this function
gives the group average of all the operands
specified as x. If only one operand is entered as
x, the evaluation of that operand itself is the
group average.

If the value of any of the operands is invalid
because of an error (open TC, RTD over/under
temperature, DC voltage over range, divide by
zero, etc) that operand is excluded from the
calculation of the average.

o   The delimiter "//" is used to separate the
various operands specified.

Examples:

GAV(C0..9)
GAV(C23)
GAV(5.3//5.9/C10)

ELAPSED TIME

Format: TIME

Usage: The elapsed time in seconds since the scan was
initiated is determined. The elapsed time is set
to zero when the SCAN key is pressed, or when
plotting begins and scanning is inactive.

o   Elapsed times shorter than 194 days will have
1 second resolution.
o   Elapsed times between 195 and 388 days will
have two second resolution.
o   Elapsed times between 389 days and 776 days
will have four second resolution.

Example: TIME

OPERATORS AVAILABLE WITH THE ADVANCED MATH OPTION

Basic operators used in channel expressions-- addition, subtraction, multiplication, and parentheses --are always available when programming the 2280 Series Data Loggers. Installing the Advanced Math Option also adds exponentiation, logical operators (OR, AND, XOR, etc.), and relational operators (Greater Than, Less than, etc.) to your programming capabilities. The following pages cover the use of these additional operators.

EXPONENTIATION

Format: (operand1) ** (operand2)

Usage: The exponentiation operator works between two operands by raising operand1 to the power indicated by operand2.

Examples:

        3.6 ** C7
        C98 ** LOG(C10)
        -7.3 ** 2

CAUTION

If operand1 is negative, operand2 must be an integer, otherwise, a "NON-INTEGER POWER OF NEGATIVE BASE" error is reported.

LOGICAL OPERATORS

The following logical operators are available when the Advanced Math Option (2280A-211) is installed.

    AND
    NOT
    OR
    XOR

NOTE

Be careful when using logical operators with numbers other than 1 and 0. Logical operators look at whether or not a number is equal to zero. To a logical operator, the numbers .000001 and 100 are the same, since neither is equal to zero. The 2280 only logs 5 digits so the first number would be logged as .00000 (zero). Thus, you could get a number logged as zero, but evaluated as 1 by a logical operator.

AND

Format: (operand1) AND (operand2)

Usage: The AND operator performs the logical "and"
          function between the operands on either side of
          it.

          Any operand having a non-zero value is interpreted
          as a logical "1". Otherwise it is interpreted as a
          logical "0".

```
          Operand    |  Result
          ---------- |
            1    2    |
          ---------------------------
            0    0             0
            1    0             0
            0    1             0
            1    1             1
```

Examples:

          ALM1(C34) AND C501   (where C501 is a Status
          Output)

          If limit number 1 on channel 34 is exceeded and
          status output C501 is set, a logic 1 is returned.
          Otherwise, a logic 0 is returned.

NOT

Format: NOT (operand)

Usage: The NOT operator performs an inversion of the
         logical value of the operand it precedes.

```
            Operand   |  Result
            ----------|
                1     |
            ----------------------
                0            1
                1            0
```

Example:
        NOT C6

OR

Format: (operand1) OR (operand2)

Usage: The OR operator performs the logical "or" function
         between the operands. Any operand having a
         non-zero value is interpreted as a logical "1".
         Otherwise it is interpreted as a logical "0".

```
            Operand   |  Result
            ----------|
             1    2   |
            ----------------------
             0    0           0
             1    0           1
             0    1           1
             1    1           1
```

Examples: C3 OR C7
            ALM2(C3) OR ALM3(C3)

            If limit number 2 or number 3 of channel C3 is
            exceeded, then return a logic 1, otherwise return
            a logic 0.

EXCLUSIVE OR

Format: (operand1) XOR (operand2)

Usage: The XOR operator performs the logical exclusive or
          function between operands on either side of it.
          Any operand having a non-zero value is interpreted
          as a logical "1". Otherwise it is interpreted as a
          logical "0".

```
        Operand    |  Result
        -----------|
          1    2    |
        -----------------------
          0    0            0
          1    0            1
          0    1            1
          1    1            0
```

Example: C2 XOR C14

RELATIONAL OPERATORS

The following relational operators are available with
the Advanced Math Option installed.

          EQ   Equal
          GE   Greater than or equal
          GT   Greater than
          LE   Less than or equal
          LT   Less than
          NE   Not equal

Since the 2280 Series Data Loggers have 5-digit logging
resolution, differences could be created between logged
data and relational operators.

For example, 10.0002 > 10.0 is clearly satisfied, but
the number 10.0002 is logged as 10.000, with the 2
truncated. As a result, the number is treated as
greater than 10.0 internally, even though it is logged
as 10.000.

EQ   (Equal)

Format: (operand1) EQ (operand2)

Usage: The EQ operator returns a value of one if the
          values of the two operands are equal. Otherwise a
          value of zero is returned.

Examples:

        C2 EQ C48
        LOG(C24) EQ 2

                         CAUTION

        Take extreme care when using the EQ
        operator. You may want to test for 10.0 EQ
        CX and have that condition trigger
        something. But it's very possible the value
        of CX will vary around 10.0 without ever
        being equal to 10.0.

GE   (Greater than or equal)

Format: (operand1) GE (operand2)

Usage: The GE operator returns a value of one if the
          value of operand1 is greater than or equal to that
          of operand2. Otherwise, a value of zero is
          returned.

Examples:

        C329 GE -10.87
        C49 GE C58

GT   (Greater Than)

Format: (operand1) GT (operand2)

Usage: The GT operator returns a value of one if the
          value operand1 is greater than that of operand2.
          Otherwise, a value of zero is returned.

Examples:

          C4 GT MAX(C5..9)
          C5 GT C100

LE   (Less Than Or Equal)

Format: (operand1) LE (operand2)

Usage: The LE operator returns a value of one if the
          channel value of operand1 is less than or equal to
          that of operand2. Otherwise, a value of zero is
          returned.

Examples:

          C496 LE 3.87
          C34 LE C695

LT   (Less Than)

Format: (operand1) LT (operand1)

Usage: The LT operator compares operand1 with operand2
          and returns a value of one if operand1 is less
          than that operand2. Otherwise, a value of zero is
          returned.

Examples:

          C3 LT C45

NE   (Not Equal)

Format: (operand1) NE (operand2)

Usage: The NE operator returns a value of one if the
          values of the two operands are not equal.
          Otherwise a value of zero is returned.

Example:

          C45 NE C69
          387.6 NE LOG(C16)

ADVANCED PROGRAMMING TECHNIQUES AND EXAMPLES

The following paragraphs discuss advanced programming
techniques that help to ensure user-created equations
can be executed by the 2280 Series Data Loggers. The
equations and procedures programmed for pseudo channels
allow solutions to a large number of application
problems, and allow almost infinite variation. In
short, there are no right or wrong solutions to almost
any problem. Programming forms with suggested programming
solutions are offered for each problem shown here.

Following are some suggested building blocks that
should prove useful in approaching an applications
problem. Most problems can be broken into smaller
segments that usually contain at least one of these
three fundamentals,

o   the integrator

o   the counter

o   the shift register

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Integrate a Value

Integrating, or summing the value of a measured channel
over time is the first programming building block. It
can be directly used in computing statistics such as
average and standard deviation, along with many other
applications. Pseudo channels are used to perform the
integration, each time the measured value is scanned,
its value is added to the current value of the pseudo
channel. When scanning or plotting is begun, the 2280
Series Data Logger initializes the value of pseudo
channels to 0. Because of this, no special provision
needs to be made for initialization.

Problem

An automobile manufacturer wants to accurately measure
the distance a car travels during a test. A fifth wheel
that generates a pulse every 10 feet has been installed
on the car and connected to a Counter/Totalizer option
(2280B-167). Scan the Counter/Totalizer channels every
20 seconds and accumulate the total distance traveled.

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<F> ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE <1,2 >?

LIMITS INFORMATION

<A> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL MENU CHOICE <1-5 >?

P.C.D. OR L	<1> ALARM LIST#	<2> CHANNEL UNITS	<3> CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE	<4> CHANNEL LABEL
10	C-1	FEET	CX =10*CX	WHEEL INPUT
100	P	FEET	C100 = C100 + C10	DISTANCE TRAVEL

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU

USER DEFINED RTD CONSTANTS

<K> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE <1-5 >?

GROUP #	<1> SCAN GROUP LABEL	SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST	<3> SCAN TRIG MODE	<4> DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL
04				
5		C100	2100100 2	

Counter

The second major building block, a simple variation on
the integrator, is a counter. Instead of adding a
measured value to a pseudo channel each time, a
constant--usually 1--is added.

Counters can be used to keep track of how many times a
channel has been scanned or how often events occur. For
example, how many times a measured channel has been
scanned. By placing the counter in a scan group that is
scanned on a periodic basis, the elapsed time
associated with an event can also be measured.

Problem

A brewery is monitoring the pH of its effluent. They
want to know the number of minutes the pH spends over
limit and how often the excess occurs. The pH is
monitored every 30 seconds.

To determine the total time the pH exceeds its
programmed alarm limit, the ALM function is used
instead of a constant. Every time channel 10 is scanned
and the pH is over limit, ALM1(C10)=1, and every time
the value is below the limit value, ALM1(C10)=0.

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<F> ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE <1,2>?

EXAMPLE EXHAUST TEMP OVER LIMIT

ALM LIST	P.C.D. OR L	LIMIT #	SENSE	LIMIT VALUE	LIMITS INFORMATION (ALARM MESSAGE)	ALARM SCAN TRIGGER (1st 2nd) GROUP	DEAD BAND
10		1	H	8.5	PH OVER LIMIT	7 3	

<A> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL MENU CHOICE <1-8>?

CHANNEL #/BLOCK	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE <A-Z>	<1> ALARM LIST#	<2> CHANNEL UNITS	<3> CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE	<4> CHANNEL LABEL	<5> LOGGING FORMAT
	EXAMPLE DEG F			EXAMPLE CX = CX1 + CX1 ÷ 28.5	EXAMPLE EXHAUST TEMP	
10	D-5	10		CX = 0.875 * CX - 3.5	EFFLENT PH	
100	P			C100 = C100 + ALMS (C10)/2	MINUTES IN ALARM	
101	P			C101 = C101 + ALM.T (C10)	TIMES IN ALARM	

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU

USER DEFINED RTD CONSTANTS

LOGGING FORMAT MENU

<K> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE <1-8>?

GROUP #	P.C.D. or L	<1> SCAN GROUP LABEL	<2> SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST	<3> SCAN TRIG MODE	<4> DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL	<5> OTHER SCAN GROUP TRIGGER
**						
4			C10 C100	2 00:00:30		
7			C101	1		

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Shift Register

The third major building block is a shift register. A
shift register allows measured or calculated values
from previous scans to be saved for future logging or
calculations.

For example, a shift register can be used to save the
previous ten readings for a measured channel. When that
channel goes into alarm, the ten readings preceding the
alarm can be recorded. The shift register operates by
moving the measured value into a pseudo channel, and
then moving the previous value of that pseudo channel
into another pseudo channel, and so on.

When defining a shift register, it is neither necessary
nor desirable to define a different pseudo channel for
each cell of the shift register. Instead, use the
ability of the 2280 Series Data Loggers to use multiple
line channel procedures to define the cells.

Problem

An electronics company wants to monitor the temperature
of a component on a power supply during a destructive
test. When the supply fails, log the previous eight
seconds of readings. In this example, when the output
of the power supply drops below 4.5 V (the failure
point), the alarm triggers scan group 3 which logs onto
the printer the temperatures leading up to the failure.

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ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE <1,2>?

LIMITS INFORMATION <1>

Example: EXHAUST TEMP OVER LIMIT

ALARM MESSAGE: H100 COMPONENT FAILURE

<A> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL MENU CHOICE <1-5>?

CHANNEL #/BLOCK	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE <A-Z>	<1> ALARM LIST?	<2> CHANNEL UNITS	<3> CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE	<4> CHANNEL LABEL	<5> LOGGING FORMAT
	EXAMPLE (T,U)		EXAMPLE (DEG F)	EXAMPLE: C1 = C1 * 1.6 + 32.0	EXAMPLE: EXHAUST TEMP	
0	T-J	0		C100 = C01	COMPONENT TMP	
C100	P			C101 = C102	8 SEC. OLD	
C101	P			C102 = C103	7 SEC. OLD	
C102	P			C103 = C104	6 SEC. OLD	
C103	P			C104 = C105	5 SEC. OLD	
C104	P			C105 = C106	4 SEC. OLD	
C105	P			C106 = C107	3 SEC. OLD	
C106	P			C107 = C108	2 SEC. OLD	
C107	P			C108 = C0	10 SEC. OLD	

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU

<K> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE <1-5>?

GROUP #	<1> SCAN GROUP LABEL	<2> SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST	<3> SCANNING MODE	<4> DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL	<5> OTHER SCAN GROUP TRIGGER
	EXAMPLE: ENGINE 2 TEST				
4		C0, C100..C108	1	2000:0001	3
5	COMPONENT HISTORY	C100..108	1	2	3

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Average Value

Use the GAV function (available with the Advanced Math Board) to determine the average of a measured or calculated value. The function is primarily useful for determining the average of a group of channels, not one channel over time.

One method of calculating an average over time is to integrate the measured or calculated value, count how many times the measured value has been scanned, and then divide the contents of the integrator by the contents of the counter.

Problem

An oven is being monitored during a 1 hour test. Measure the oven temperature every 10 seconds and compute the average temperature at the end of the test.

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<F> ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE <1,2>?

EXAMPLE: EXHAUST TEMP OVER LIMIT

TEST OVER

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<A> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL MENU CHOICE <1-5>?

CHANNEL #/BLOCK <A-Z>	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE <A-Z>	<1> ALARM LIST#	<2> CHANNEL UNITS	<3> CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE	<4> CHANNEL LABEL	<5> LOGGING FORMAT
B	7-K				OVEN TEMP	
C50	P	51		C50 = C50 + CB	SUMMED TEMP	
52	P	0		51 = C51 + 1	N	
				52 = C50 / C51	AVERAGE TEMP	

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU

USER DEFINED RTD CONSTANTS

<K> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE <1-5>?

GROUP #

P,C,D, or L	<1> SCAN GROUP LABEL	<2> SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST	<3> SCAN TRIG MODE	<4> DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL	<5> OTHER SCAN GROUP TRIGGER
3	DATA COLLECTION	C50, C51	200:00:10		
4	OVEN TEST	C52	1	2	4 3

Rolling Average

Instead of an average over a period of time, often a
rolling average, or the average over the last several
readings is desired. Use the shift register building
block for calculations of this type. The number of
previous values to be averaged determines the number of
cells in the shift register. To compute the rolling
average the number of previous values are added
together and then divided by the number of cells.

Problem

A rolling average is desired for profiling a
refrigerator under test. Measure the temperature every
second, and compute and output the rolling average for
the last 4 readings.

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⟨F⟩ ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE ⟨1,2⟩?

⟨1⟩ LIMITS INFORMATION

⟨2⟩ DEAD BAND

EXAMPLE: EXHAUST TEMP OVER LIMIT

ALM LIST #	P.C,D, OR L	⟨A⟩ LIMIT #	Reading	LIMIT VALUE	ALARM MESSAGE 0-48 characters	ALARM SCAN TRIGGER	0-16	⟨D⟩ DEAD BAND
0-199				H 3.5				
	50							

⟨A⟩ CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL MENU CHOICE ⟨1-5⟩?

CHANNEL #/BLOCK	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE ⟨A-Z⟩	⟨1⟩ ALARM LIST#	⟨2⟩ CHANNEL UNITS	⟨3⟩ CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE	⟨4⟩ CHANNEL LABEL	⟨5⟩ LOGGING FORMAT
0-199	EXAMPLE C1,C2,...	0-199	0-6 chars.	Refer to programmed channel i.e. C1 EXAMPLE C1 + C1 * C1 * 12 + 33.6	EXAMPLE: EXHAUST TEMP	(see menu below)
5	T-T				REFRIG. TEMP	
50	P	50		CX = (X + 1	COUNTER	
51	P			(X) = X-5	READING RATER	
60	P			C60 = C61		
61	P			C61 = C62		
62	P			C62 = C63		
63	P			C63 = C51		
70	P			C70 = (C60 + C61 + C62 + C63)/4	ROLLING AVG	

⟨K⟩ SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE ⟨1-5⟩?

GROUP #	⟨1⟩ SCAN GROUP LABEL	⟨2⟩ SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST	⟨3⟩ SCAN TRIG MODE	⟨4⟩ DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL	⟨5⟩ OTHER SCAN GROUP TRIGGER
0-9	0-8 Alphanumeric characters EXAMPLE: ENGINE 2 TEST	FORMAT: One channel only: Cx Channel Block only: Cx,Cx Channel and Block: Cx,Cx, Cx,Cx,Cx Cx			Trigger Group to Trigger (#)
1		C1,C0,C50,C60,C63,C70	3		6 2
6	ROLLING AVG REPORT	C70	1		

Change Logging Interval with Time

Sometimes it is desirable to change a data logging
interval after a period of time has elapsed. To
accomplish this, multiple counters are required, one to
serve as a master counter, and one counter for each of
the different logging intervals desired. In general,
the master counter is scanned at the largest common
non-fractional time interval for the two logging rates.

Problem

Log the temperature from a group of thermocouples every
10 seconds for the first five minutes, and then log the
temperatures once every 45 seconds.

In this example, scan group 3 is scanned every 5
seconds which is the largest common non-fractional time
interval for the two logging rates. Channel 100 is the
master counter and has two alarms, a low alarm at 59,
and a high alarm at 60. Scan group 4 is scanned every
10 seconds, and triggers scan group 6 when
ALM1(C100)=1. Scan group 5 is scanned every 45 seconds
and triggers scan group 6 when ALM2(C100)=1.

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<F> ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE < 1,2 >?

ALM LIST # P.C.D. OR L	LIMITS INFORMATION <1> ALARM MESSAGE	LIMIT VALUE	<2> DEAD BAND
EXAMPLE: EXHAUST TEMP OVER LIMIT		H 1.60	
100		L 51	
101		H 10.5	

<A> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL MENU CHOICE <1-5>?

CHANNEL #/BLOCK P.C.D. OR L	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE <A-Z>	<1> ALARM LIST#	<2> CHANNEL UNITS	<3> CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE	<4> CHANNEL LABEL	<5> LOGGING FORMAT
100		100		CX = CX + 1	MASTER COUNTER	
101	P	101		CX = ALM 2 (100)		
102	P			CX = ALM 1 (100)		
T0..5	T-T				TEMP INPUTS	

<K> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE <1-5>?

GROUP # P.C.D. or L	<1> SCAN GROUP LABEL	<2> SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST	<3> SCAN TRIG MODE	<4> DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL	<5> OTHER SCAN GROUP TRIGGER
3		0100	3.00.00.05		6
5		0101	3.00.00.10	2	3
6		T0..5	3.00.00.45		

Changing Logging Rate on Alarm

Changing the logging rate on the detection of an alarm
is similar to changing the rate after a period of time.
Instead of a master counter the channel (or channels)
to be monitored for the alarm condition are put into
the scan groups and checked for alarm conditions.

Problem

An battery manufacturer wants to record the voltages
from a bank of batteries every 60 minutes. When the
voltage on channel 3 drops below 1.3V log the
voltages every 10 minutes.

Compute Standard Deviation of a Channel Over Time

Although a standard deviation function (SDV) is
available with the Advanced Math Option, it's very
inefficient for determining the standard deviation of a
channel over time. Using the SDV function requires a
shift register to hold all the desired readings. If the
standard deviation of many channels is desired, or if
the standard deviation is desired for many readings,
the shift register may become very large and consume a
large portion of program memory.

An alternate method for calculating the standard
deviation makes use of two integrators and a counter.
The equation for the standard deviation is:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\Sigma X_i^2 - \bar{X}^2}{n-1}}$$

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<A> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL MENU CHOICE <1-4>?

CHANNEL I/BLOCK	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE <A-Z>	<1> ALARM LIST	<2> CHANNEL UNITS	<3> CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE	<4> CHANNEL LABEL	<5> LOGGING FORMAT
5	T-T				TEMPERATURE 1	
100	P			(X = (X + (X × (5	SUM OF SOURCES	
101	P		102	(X = (X + (5	SUM	
102	P			(X = (X + 1	N	
200	P			(X = SQR((X-(100-(101/(102)(cnt)	5DV	
201	P			(X = (101/(102	MEAN	

<K> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE <1-5>?

GROUP #	<1> SCAN GROUP LABEL	<2> SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST	<3> SCAN TRIG MODE	<4> DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL	<5> OTHER SCAN GROUP TRIGGER
A	DATA COLLECTION	(5 (100...102	300:00:00	1	6 3
b	REPORT	(200 (201	1	2	

<F> ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE <1,2>?

ALM LIST	P.C.D. or L	<1> LIMITS INFORMATION	<2> DEAD BAND
1	102	12.5 # OF RDGS IN SDV	

Additional Programming Techniques

While the following techniques do not easily fit into the integrator, counter, and shift register building blocks previously covered, they may prove useful.

Save Maximum Value of a Channel

The following programming illustrates how to keep track of the largest value of a channel since the SCAN key was pressed.

This example takes advantage of the fact that the 2280 Series Data Loggers always reset pseudo channel values to 0 when scanning is started. The measured value in channel 10 is compared to the contents of the pseudo channel, and the larger of the two is saved. This example will work whenever the value of C10 is greater than zero.

Save Minimum Value of a Channel

The routine to save the minimum value of a channel
since SCAN was pressed requires somewhat more work.

In this example, scan group 5 is triggered when the
SCAN key is pushed and is used to initialize the value
of C100 to a large positive number. The measured value
is compared to that large number and saved. All further
values are compared against the first and the smallest
is saved.

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\<F\> ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE \< 1,2 \>?

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LIMITS INFORMATION

EXAMPLE EXHAUST TEMP OVER LIMIT

ALM LIST #	P.C.D. OR L	\<1\> Limit #	Bands	H/L	\<2\> LIMIT VALUE	\<3\> ALARM SCAN TRIGGER	Limit Delta	\<4\> DEAD BAND

\<A\> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL MENU CHOICE \< 1-5 \>?

CHANNEL #/BLOCK	CHANNEL FUNCTION & RANGE \<A-Z\>	\<1\> ALARM LIST#	\<2\> CHANNEL UNITS	\<3\> CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE	\<4\> CHANNEL LABEL	\<5\> LOGGING FORMAT
C10	T-K					
C100	P			(X = MIN (C100) (C10)		
C101	P			C100 = 99999		

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU

USER DEFINED RTD CONSTANTS

\<K\> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE \< 1-5 \>?

GROUP #

P.C.D. or L	\<1\> SCAN GROUP LABEL	\<2\> SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST	\<3\> SCAN TRIG MODE	\<4\> DATA OUTPUT DEVICE CONTROL	\<5\> OTHER SCAN GROUP TRIGGER
5	INITIALIZATION	C101			
6	DATA COLLECTION	C100		3000:01:00	2

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Exclude Open Thermocouples from Calculations

A potential difficulty can occur when a thermocouple
input is the measurement used for an integrator or
shift register. If the thermocouple is broken, an OPEN
TC message is generated. If the value from that channel
is being used in any calculations, a PROPAGATED ERROR
will occur and the previous contents of the integrator
or shift register will be lost. One method to
circumvent this is to use the GAV function available
with the Advanced Math Option.

Problem

Compute the mean and standard deviation for a
thermocouple input. Ignore all open TC conditions and
exclude that reading from the calculations.

The GAV function automatically ignores any invalid
readings it operates upon. Averaging the channel with 0
and then multiplying by 2 will result in the original
reading when the measurement is valid, and in 0 if an
open TC error is detected.

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<F> ALARM LIST PROGRAM

ALARM LIST MENU CHOICE <1,2>?

LIMITS INFORMATION

EXAMPLE: EXHAUST TEMP OVER LIMIT

28.5 # OF RDGS IN SDV

<A> CHANNEL PROGRAM

CHANNEL MENU CHOICE <1-5>?

CHANNEL EXPRESSION or PROCEDURE	CHANNEL LABEL
X = 6AY(15,40)*.2	TEMPERATURE 1
X = X+(C50)	SUM OF SDRS
X = X+(C50)	SUM
X = (X+(ERR(S) E6.0)	
X = SQR(C100-C101)(C102-C103)(C102-1) 5DV	MEAN
X = C101/C102	

CHANNEL FUNCTION MENU

<K> SCAN GROUP PROGRAM

SCAN GROUP MENU CHOICE <1-5>?

SCAN GROUP LABEL	SCAN GROUP CHANNEL LIST
DATA COLLECTION	C5,C50,C100,C102,C200,C300
REPORT	C200,C201

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INTRODUCTION

Operation of the 2280 has been refined and streamlined
through generations of data loggers. The scaled down
front panel, with clearly marked operating and
programming keys, the vacuum fluorescent display, and a
menu-driven programming structure all contribute to the
improved ease of use.

Users of the 2280 Series Data Loggers essentially
customize their own data acquisition systems using the
menu-driven user interface. In most cases, running the
program they've set up is simple; the 2280 operating
and user functions keys are clearly marked and
conveniently accessed. This section contains basic
operating instructions and describes the use of each of
the operating keys.

TURNING THE 2280 ON AND OFF

Before turning on the 2280, make certain the interface
cables and the power supply (whether battery or line
power) are correctly connected. Please refer to the
2280 Series System Guide for information on hooking
everything up.

To turn the data logger on, insert the key into the
lower right front panel keyswitch and turn the key to
the right. Turn the key to the RUN position (for
operating) or the PROGRAMMING position depending upon
what you intend to do. You have access to all of the
operating functions with the key set to PROGRAMMING,
but only a few programming functions when the key is
set to the RUN position.

With the instrument off, turn the key to RUN, and the display will show the prompt,

2280 SELF TEST

This prompt remains on the display until the 2280 initialization and self test have been completed. The version of software that is installed is briefly displayed next. After that, scanning or plotting are resumed if they were in progress when the 2280 was turned off. If they weren't running before, the following prompt is displayed,

SELECT RUN MODE OPERATION

This prompt indicates that only run mode operations may take place. Press one of the four operating keys now--SCAN, SINGLE SCAN, PLOT, or MONITOR--(depending on what you want to do), and enter the data you're prompted for. If the lockswitch is turned to PROGRAM when the 2280 is turned on, the opening prompt is,

MAIN MENU CHOICE <M FOR MENU>? A

In this case, both the programming and the operating modes are available, and an access code (if programmed) isn't required to operate the instrument. If any auxiliary functions are being run, don't turn the data logger off until they're completed, or until you stop them by pressing the EXIT key. The SCAN and PLOT front panel lights should be off before you turn the system off.

To turn the 2280 off, insert the key into the keyswitch and turn it to the left to the OFF position. Turning the machine off this way won't clear or alter the configuration program that's been entered or damage the files on the cartridge tape.

OPERATING MODES

The 2280 contains four operating modes, monitor, scan, single scan, and plot. Each mode has a clearly labeled key on the instrument front panel, and a light indicator which is illuminated when a run mode has been selected and remains active. The operating keys toggle on and off. Push a key once to begin an operation and push it again to end the operation.
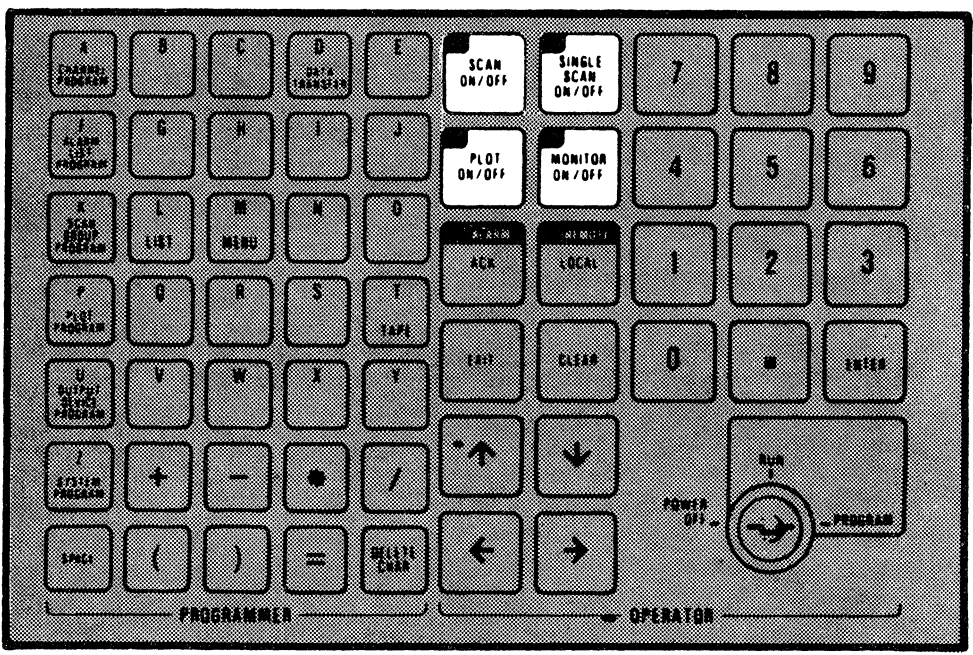
Monitoring

Use the monitor function to access a selected channel
to continuously display the data generated from it.
The information is updated after the completion of each
scan, or two and a half times per second, whichever is
slower.

Data acquired while monitoring goes to the display; if
you're operating from remote it goes to port A. You can
run monitor whether the 2280 is in scan, single scan,
or plot modes, but if a scan is active when monitoring
begins, the data output to the display is pre-empted.
The data generated from the channel being monitored
will appear on the display.

To request the monitor function, turn the instrument
on, and press the MONITOR ON/OFF key on the front
panel.

Key in the desired channel number when the system
prompts for it and press the ENTER key. At this point
the 2280 verifies that the selected channel physically
exists, and that it's programmed consistent with the
hardware configuration. If it isn't a valid channel
number, or if the channel you've requested isn't
programmed, an error message will be displayed until
acknowledged. Refer to Section 8 of this guide for
handling of error messages.

If it's a valid channel number, the MONITOR key light
indicator remain on, and the number of the monitored
channel will be displayed until data is available for
display.

You can change the monitored channel by using the up or
down arrow keys. Pressing the up arrow key increments
the channel number by one and pressing the down arrow
key decrements the channel number by one.

Data from other scan groups that normally goes to the
display will not appear. That data is displaced by data
from the channel you're monitoring. Also, the current
alarm status of the monitored channel will be
displayed, but no alarm messages will be logged, and no
alarm scans triggered or channel procedures executed,
until the channel comes up in a normal scan.

Stop the monitor function by pressing the MONITOR
ON/OFF key again. The light indicator will then go out.

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Scanning

The scan function causes the 10 scan groups (0-9) to be activated according to the trigger conditions specified in the configuration program.

Before starting a scan it's a good idea to get a copy of the program currently contained in the 2280 memory. The 2280 Series Programming Form should have all of this information, including the access code, the channel labels and file names and so forth.

With the instrument turned on and the SELECT RUN MODE OPERATION prompt displayed, activate the Scan function by pressing the front panel SCAN ON/OFF key. If an access code has been programmed the system will prompt for it at this point. Key it in and then press the ENTER key. If the access code is entered incorrectly, the message ACCESS DENIED will appear on the display and remain there until the EXIT key is pressed.

If an access code hasn't been programmed, or if the power keyswitch is in the PROGRAM position, pressing the SCAN ON/OFF key takes you directly to the SELECT RUN MODE prompt.

Scan group functions are checked for conformance to the actual physical configuration of the 2280 Data Logger. If consistent, you'll be allowed to proceed with your scan request. If not, an error message will be displayed, and the scan request will be denied. Operation cannot proceed until the problem is fixed.

If any of the scan groups are programmed for output to the cartridge tape (Opt -214), you'll be asked to enter a tape file name, which is from 1 to 10 characters. If the system requests one, key in the desired file name, and press the ENTER key.

If each step is taken correctly the SCAN key light
indicator will remain on and the display will return to
the SELECT RUN MODE OPERATION prompt until data becomes
available and is displayed. Individual scan groups are
triggered by their programmed trigger conditions, not
by turning on the scan function.

To turn the scan function off, simply press the SCAN
ON/OFF key. The key toggles on and off. If no access
code was programmed, the SCAN key light indicator will
go off and scanning will stop.

If an access code was programmed, type it in at the
prompt and press ENTER. At this point the SCAN LED goes
out, scanning stops, and the message, STOPPED AT <Date>
<Time> is sent to all logging devices used since
scanning began. If the access code is entered
incorrectly, the ACCESS DENIED prompt is displayed
again, and scanning continues.

If data was being recorded to a tape file when the scan
is turned off, then the file is closed. If the scan is
turned back on later, the data will have to be entered
into a new tape file, with another name.

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Single Scan

Use this feature when you want to execute only one of a
scan group, regardless of the programmed trigger order.
If a scan group is currently active under the scan or
plot function, the group requested by the single scan
waits for completion of that current scan group before
it begins.

If other scan groups are queued up, the scan group
requested by the single scan function takes its place
in the queue according to its priority and other
preprogrammed parameters.

To request a single scan, turn the instrument on and
press the front panel SINGLE SCAN ON/OFF key. If an
access code is required, the system will prompt for it;
key it in and press ENTER. If the code entered is
incorrect, the ACCESS DENIED message will appear and
remain on the display until either the ALARM ACK or
EXIT key is pressed.

When access to the single scan function is granted, the
prompt reads,

   SCAN GROUP TO TRIGGER = 0.

Group 0 is the default choice. Displayed defaults are
always selected by pressing ENTER. If another group is
desired, key in the number, and then press ENTER.

If the scan mode was off when you requested a single
scan, the 2280 checks the parameters of the selected
scan group against the physical configuration of the
data logger. If the cartridge tape wasn't programmed as
an output device for the selected scan group, and no
configuration error occurs, the scan becomes active.

If the scan mode was on when the SINGLE SCAN LED comes
on, and there are other scan groups queued up to become
active, then the single scan group is assigned a place
in the queue based on its group number, with lower
numbers getting higher priority.

When the cartridge tape is programmed as an output
device for the selected scan group, the system will ask
for the file name. Type in the desired file name at the
prompt (using up to 10 characters) and then press the
ENTER key. If the single scan group has the cartridge
tape programmed as an output device (and scan is on),
the data from the single scan will also go into the
file that was opened when the scan mode was turned on.

Any single scan of a scan group will not trigger any
other groups to scan after it regardless of the
programming.

Single scan can be aborted before it's completed by
pressing the SINGLE SCAN ON/OFF key again. If the scan
function was off when single scan is aborted, the
following message is sent to every logging device used
during the single scan,

        STOPPED AT <Date> <Time>

Also, if a tape file was opened, aborting the single
scan function closes the file. When the single scan is
completed, the SINGLE SCAN LED will go out.

Plotting

The 2280 Series Data Loggers have the capability of
plotting the activity of up to four programmed plot
channels onto the built-in printer. Plotting is
available only within the window specified by the scan
trigger enable times.

Each of the channels being plotted has its own
individual symbol or character (see the 2280 Series
Programming Form) that represents its value between the
two boundaries over the programmed time interval. When
one of the trend plots exceeds a boundary, the plot
symbol for that channel changes to an overrange
character (distinct from the assigned plot character),
and the plot is pegged along that boundary until its
data again comes back into the range of the plot.

While the PLOT key light indicator is on, all other
logging output to the printer is pre-empted. This data
will still be output to the other devices if it's been
programmed to do so during scan group programming.

To request the plot function, turn the instrument on,
and press the front panel PLOT ON/OFF key. If an
access code is required, type it in at the prompt, and
press ENTER. If the code is incorrectly entered, the
ACCESS DENIED message will be displayed, and remain
until the ALARM ACK or EXIT key is pressed.

If an access code hasn't been programmed, or if the
keyswitch is turned to the PROGRAM position, plotting
will begin as soon as you request it and the display
will read,

SELECT RUN MODE OPERATION

When the plot function is activated, the channels
programmed in the plot group are checked against the
actual 2280 configuration. If they don't agree, an
error message is displayed. See section 8 of this guide
for error message guidance. If they do agree, the PLOT
key light indicator remains illuminated, and the 2280
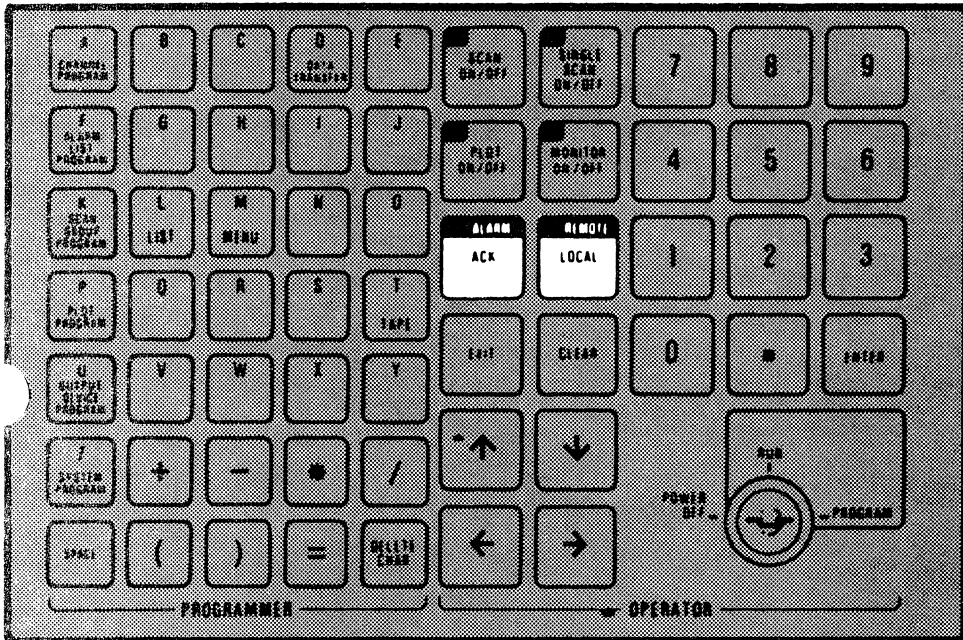prints out the following preliminary information,

o   The current date and time.

o   The plot interval time.

o   The numbers of the 1-4 channels whose values are
     about to be plotted and the symbol to be used for
     each.

o   The leftmost values of each plot channel.

o   The rightmost values of each plot channel.

After this preliminary information, the data logger
prints the relative values of the channels programmed
for trend analysis.

To turn off the plot function, press the PLOT ON/OFF
key again. If an access code was programmed, type it in
when requested, and then press the ENTER key. The PLOT
key light indicator will go off and plotting will stop.
If the 2280 is in the scan mode, normal data output to
the printer is resumed if data is programmed to go to
it.

ƏER STATUS FUNCTIONS

The 2280 contains three user status functions, alarm
acknowledgement, return to local control, and system
status. Two of them, alarm acknowledgement, and return
to local are accessed from the front panel keyboard and
the other one, system status, is used only when
operating from a remote location.

Alarm Acknowledgement

If a limit on an alarm list has a programmed alarm
message the message is placed in the alarm queue
whenever its limit is exceeded. At the same time, the
ALARM LED on the front panel will light and the alarm
message can be viewed by pressing the ALARM ACK key.

The number of messages that can be stored in the alarm
queue is limited only by the amount of unused system
memory. When they've all been acknowledged, the LED
goes out and the alarm output is turned off. The last
alarm message displayed is cleared from the display by
pressing EXIT.

The ALARM ACK key light indicator will be illuminated
when,

o   Out-of-limit data is received from a programmed
     channel during the scan, single scan or plot
     modes (if an alarm message has been programmed
     for that limit).

o   A system alarm occurs.

When the ALARM light indicator comes on, the message
associated with it is placed in the queue until the
ALARM ACK key is pressed. Once acknowledged, the
message remains on the display until the ALARM ACK key
is pressed again to acknowledge another alarm message
in the queue. The number of alarm messages that can be
stored in the queue at any one time is limited only by
the amount of user memory left available by the
configuration program.

While it is not imperative that alarm messages are
acknowledged, they are assumed to be of some
importance. If the ALARM ACK key is pushed when the
ALARM LED is off, the display will indicate ALL ALARMS
ACKNOWLEDGED.

If there are still unacknowledged alarms in the queue
(the light indicator is on) when the scan mode is
terminated, they can still be acknowledged in the
normal manner. However, any time all four operating
modes (scan, single scan, monitor and plot) are turned
off, and then scan or plot is turned back on, any
unacknowledged messages in the queue are erased. They
will also be erased if any programming or auxiliary
functions are performed. If scan is turned on while
plot is on, any messages in the queue are retained.

Logged data that is destined for the display while an
alarm message is viewed is pre-empted from the display.
However, any data that is preprogrammed (during scan
group programming) for other output devices will be
recorded there normally.

If an alarm acknowledgement device has been programmed,
each acknowledged alarm message is logged onto that
device along with,

o   The time the message entered the queue.

o   The time it was acknowledged.

o   An indication of what caused the alarm.

If the user-defined alarm message is longer than 36
characters, the left part of the message may not appear
on the front panel 40 character display. By moving the
cursor to the beginning of the line with the left arrow
key, you can view the first part of the line.

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Return to Local

When the 2280 is under remote control through port A of
an RS-232-C or IEEE-488 device, the REMOTE key light
indicator on the front panel will be illuminated.

If the remote operator hasn't locked out the front
panel, it can be returned to local control by simply
pressing the LOCAL key on the front panel. Refer to
section 7 of this guide for more detailed information
on local and remote programming.

System Status

When operating the 2280 from the front panel, you can
easily see which features are active by simply viewing
the indicator lights. When operating from a remote
location the system status function must be used to
determine which operating functions are active. (The
six functions are scan, single scan, plot, monitor,
alarm acknowledge and remote.) Section 7 of this guide
discusses the System Status function in greater detail.

OPERATING NOTES

Power Failure and Power Up

Whenever power to a 2280 is interrupted in any manner,
the configuration program and clock will be backed up
in nonvolatile memory for at least 30 days.

Whenever a power-on or watchdog timeout occurs, the
2280 comes up in the following state,

o   All hardware assemblies are RESET, then released.

o   The 2280 will be in local control.

o   If power was lost while the SCAN or PLOT key front
    panel light indicators were illuminated, the scan
    or plot will automatically re-start. Before they
    restart, one of the following messages will be
    placed in the alarm queue for acknowledgement:

    POWER FAILURE AT <DATE> <TIME>

The message is also sent to all data output devices
associated with the scan group, with a line termination
sequence sent before it to close any partially logged
lines.

If a plot is to be restarted, the message is sent to
the printer.

If the 2280 was in an operating mode when it lost
power, it may be prevented from restarting that mode by
an error condition when power is returned. If any
system errors are detected at power-up, they will be
displayed on the front panel.

You can acknowledge the error by pressing the EXIT key,
and the 2280 will continue normal operation. However,
depending on the nature of the error, you may need to
take further action. See section 8 of this guide for
assistance with error handling if necessary.

Initialization of Outputs

All output and pseudo channels are initialized to zero when the 2280 is turned on. They are also reset under the following circumstances,

o   SCAN is off and PLOT or SINGLE SCAN is turned on.

o   SCAN is turned on.

If an output is in a 2281A Extender Chassis with its own power supply, and power cycles off and back on at that 2281A, then all outputs in that 2281A Extender Chassis are reset to zero.

Changing Limit Values While Scanning

It's possible to finetune the 2280 operation while it's running by altering the programmed setpoints. To change limit values while scanning is active, press the front panel ALARM LIST PROGRAM key. You will see the prompt,

CHANGE LIMIT VALUE <ENTER OR EXIT>

Press the ENTER key to change a value. Next you'll be asked for the alarm list number you wish to alter. Key in the number and change the value. Scanning continues during this procedure.

You can alter values when the keyswitch is in either the RUN or PROGRAM position, but if it's in RUN, and an access code has been programmed, you will be asked to type it in before you are allowed to continue. Press the EXIT key to return to normal operating conditions.

Changing Pseudo Channel Values While Scanning

Use the same steps as changing limit values above. The only difference is that you need to press the front panel CHANNEL PROGRAM key to access the channel values you want to change.

AUXILIARY FUNCTIONS

You have access to the following 2280 Data Logger
auxiliary functions only when the front panel keyswitch
is turned to the PROGRAM mode. The four operator modes
(scan, single scan, monitor and plot) must be turned
off as well. At this point, you can use any of the
auxiliary functions by pressing a single key. The
auxiliary functions are,

o   **Data transfer.** (Discussed in Section 6 of this
     guide.)

o   **Tape** -- available if the cartridge tape drive
     is installed. (Discussed in Section 6 of this
     guide.)

o   **List.** (Described in the Tutorial in Section 2
     of this guide.)

o   **Erase all programming.** (Described in the Tutorial
     in Section 2 of this guide.)

The following paragraphs describe the auxiliary
functions. Refer to section 8 of this guide for error
handling information.

Data Transfer Operation

The data transfer function allows you to transfer
previously recorded data or program files from the
cartridge tape or parallel interface (option -343/AA),
to the printer, port A or port B.

If the cartridge tape drive is selected as the source
device, you need to input the specific name of the file
to be transferred. If the file is a data file, the
logged data recorded within a time window may be
singled out later for transfer.

If you choose not to enter specific start and stop
times for a data transfer (when the cartridge tape is
the source device), then all of the data in the file is
transferred. The data transfer function continues until
completed, or until the EXIT key is pressed. When you
are transferring a program file, start and stop times
are not relevant.

To start a data transfer procedure, press the D (DATA
TRANSFER) key in response to the main menu prompt. The
system acknowledges with the prompt,

<D> TRANSFER DATA

Press the ENTER key and the display becomes,

D: SOURCE DEVICE <1-3>? 1

You can now choose which of the three possible source
devices you intend to use. Pressing the MENU key will
show that the three choices are,

<1>   CARTRIDGE TAPE DRIVE

<2>   PORT A

<3>   PORT B

Choose the desired source device by pressing the
appropriate number key. The display then shows the
choice taken. Press ENTER to record it, and then use
the EXIT key to return to the main menu.

Port A or B as Source Device

If port A or B is chosen as the source device, press
the ENTER key. The choice is then stored, and the
displayed prompt is,

D: DESTINATION DEVICE <1-3>? 1

Pressing the MENU key shows that the three possible
destination devices are,

    <1> PRINTER

    <2> PORT A

    <3> PORT B

Choose the device you want by pressing the appropriate
number key, followed by ENTER. The 2280 will begin
transferring data from the source to the destination
device until all data is transferred, or until the exit
key is pressed. The main menu prompt will be displayed
when it's finished.

Cartridge Tape Drive as Source Device

If the cartridge tape drive is chosen as the source device, press the ENTER key and the prompt asks for the file name. Enter the file name that represents the desired data on the tape cartridge. When you've correctly typed it in, press ENTER. The prompt becomes,

     BEGIN AT: 01 JAN 00

If the complete data file is to be transferred, press ENTER for the current prompt and next three prompts. The prompts are,

     BEGIN AT: 00:00:00

     END AT: 31 DEC 99

     END AT: 23:59:59

If only a portion of the data file is to be transferred, edit the begin and end times in the preceding prompts. Only those scan groups with a begin date and time between the edited begin and end dates and times will be transferred. If a file contains a saved program then the begin and end times will have no effect.

When the desired END AT: <time> is displayed, press ENTER. The parameter is then programmed, and the prompt becomes,

   D: DESTINATION DEVICE <1-3>?

Choose the destination device now according to the previous instructions.

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CONTENTS

INTRODUCTION

The 2280 Series of Data Loggers allow you to record
information in a variety of ways. This section
discusses techniques for uploading data to other
systems, along with the various interfaces used, and
practical considerations involved with conditioning
other system devices to receive data from the 2280
Series of Data Loggers.

Most of this section contains detailed information on
using the Cartridge Tape Option and the 2280 Series
built-in thermal printer.

PRINTER OPERATION

The 2280 contains a 40-column thermal printer that
provides logging of multiple channels per line and can
be programmed to plot values from one to four channels.
While programming, the printer can be used to show
available menu choices by simply pressing the MENU key.
It is also available as an output device to LIST back
the configuration program and the existent hardware.

Printer ON/OFF Settings

The 2280 printer has a separate power switch which must
be turned to ON to be activated. It's located on the
front right side of the printer drive board and can
only be accessed when the printer drawer is pulled out.
Push in the spring-loaded latch on the left side (just
behind the printer window) and pull the drawer towards
you. You'll see the ON/OFF switch. When the printer
power switch is set to OFF, data sent to the printer
will not be printed. The printer can be turned off
without affecting the rest of the 2280 logging
operation.

The printer ON/OFF switch provides a convenient method
of selectively recording data onto the printer. Program
the scan group so that all output goes to the printer
and then turn the printer on only when you wish to
record the data generated.

PRINTER ON/OFF
SWITCH

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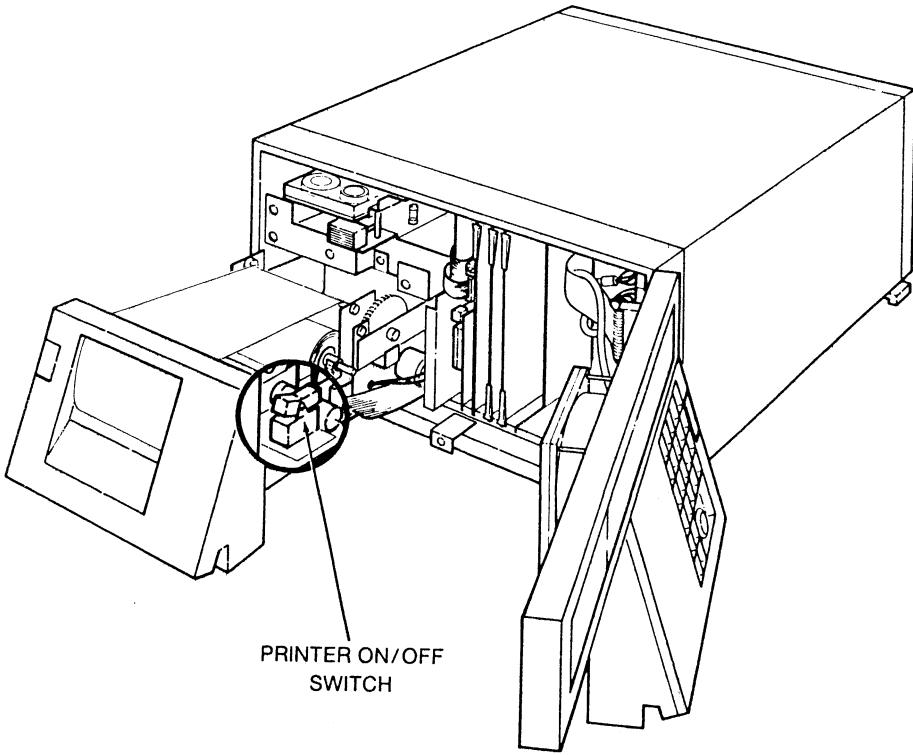
The Printer Operator Switch

The printer operator switch is accessed when the front panel printer door is open. The main printer switch must be ON before any of the paper switch settings are operable. The switch contains three settings. The bottom (TAKE UP OFF) and middle (TAKE UP ON) positions are stationary settings. The top position (PAPER ADVANCE) is spring-loaded, and must be held down to advance the paper.

PAPER ADVANCE

You can advance the printer paper by continuously pressing the printer button to the PAPER ADVANCE position. The paper continues to advance as long as the button is pressed. If data is being printed when PAPER ADVANCE is pushed, the 2280 finishes printing the current line first, and then advances the paper. While the paper is advancing, all data destined for the printer is held until the paper advance is terminated. No data is lost.

However, use of PAPER ADVANCE during plotting can cause one or more plot data lines to be lost.

TAKE UP OFF

This switch setting deactivates the motor powering the action of the take-up spindle. It has no effect on the printing of data. This setting allows you to go into the take-up spindle and examine previously printed data (or pull paper out of the roll) while the printer continues to log current data.

TAKE UP ON

This switch setting activates the motor that powers the take-up spindle. Thus, used printer paper is stored on the take-up spindle, to be removed when the paper on the supply spindle is exhausted.

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Printer Paper Removal and Loading

When a new paper supply must be loaded the following
steps should be taken. Also, refer to the detailed
illustration inside the printer door.

Release the printer "drawer" by pressing the printer
slidelatch located to the left of and behind the
printer cover door latch. Pull the printer out as far
as it will come.

Deactivate the printer by moving the main printer power
switch to the OFF position. This switch is located in
the right corner of the Printer Drive Interface board.

PAPER REMOVAL

If used paper must be removed, tear it off at the
serrated edge where the paper re-enters the inside of
the printer. Locate the spring plate that holds the
take-up spindle in place and pull this spring plate out
with one hand while lifting the take-up spindle (with
the used paper) out of its position.

Pinch the split end of the spindle together. (The
spindle is opposite the gear). Slide the used paper off
the take-up spindle and reinsert the spindle the same
way you took it out.

Push the spring-loaded printer door latch (on the left
side of the printer window) to the right and fold down
the printer cover door.

Release the print head by pushing down on the print
head release lever, located in the lower left corner of
the printer's panel area.

Remove the supply spindle by putting your thumb on the
thumb rest while pushing up on the spindle with your
forefinger. Dispose of the old paper reel and any
remaining paper.

INSTALLING NEW PAPER

When you install the new roll of paper on the supply
spindle make certain the loose end comes out from the
bottom of the roll.

For best results, tear the loose end of the paper at a
45 degree angle, and insert it into the opening of the
paper loading tray.

Use the slot in the tray to push the paper through the
printer so the paper holds the switch arm down. Push
the paper through until it slides past the print head
and continues outside of the printer.

Once the paper is showing outside the printer, pull it
out a few inches more. Run the paper through the return
slot at the top of the printer, and pull it all the way
back over the rear shaft.

Insert the paper through the slot in the take-up
spindle. Secure it by turning the gear a few
revolutions in a counterclockwise direction.

Secure the paper at the print head by pushing the print
head release lever up into the operating position. Make
sure the printer rocker switch is in the TAKE UP ON
position.

Turn the main printer power switch to the ON position,
close the printer cover door, and slide the printer
back into the unit until it snaps into place.

Caution

We recommend that you use NCR T1302 or JUJO
TP50KM-A paper in the 2280 printers. Both
are available through John Fluke Mfg. Co.,
Inc. (Fluke Accessory Y2046) If any other
type of paper is used, the printer warranty
is voided.

CARTRIDGE TAPE DRIVE OPERATION

The optional integrated DC-100 tape drive allows storage of system programs or logged data. Each tape is capable of storing approximately 500k bytes of information.

Data is stored on tape at the 2280's maximum operating speed with no holdups or throughput degradations. Stored data may be recalled at a later date and transferred to the system printer, or to an external computer or recorder by using the optional communication interfaces. The 2280 transfers data from tape at roughly 180 characters per second.

Programs saved onto tape allow the 2280 setup to be easily converted to different kinds of data acquisition configurations by simply loading a pre-defined program. Tape structures are file oriented for easy identification of stored programs.

Removal and Loading

Gain access to the cartridge tape slot in the front panel by gently lifting the bottom part of the cartridge drawer window. This causes the window to swing up and open.

To remove a tape, open the window and push the recessed button in the lower right corner of the opening. The tape will be ejected enough so you can get a grip on it and slip it the rest of the way out.

To load a tape simply open the window, and slide the cartridge into the slot until it is firmly in place.

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Operation

The Cartridge Tape Drive option has basically six functions performed by a programmer. They are,

o   Storing logged data.

o   Requesting a directory of stored files.

o   Deleting files on the tape.

o   Initializing the tape.

o   Writing a configuration program on the tape.

o   Loading a configuration program from the tape to the 2280.

Tape Format Programming

Instructions for programming the cartridge tape data storage in the format you want are provided in the scan group and output device programming portions of Section 3 of this manual.

Tape Functions

With the cartridge tape drive (Option -214) installed, you have a variety of tape functions available.

Tape functions can only be performed when all operating functions are turned off, the keyswitch is turned to the PROGRAM position, and the system is at the main menu.

To request a tape function, press the **T** (TAPE)
key in response to the main menu prompt. The system
acknowledges with the prompt,

    <T> PERFORM A TAPE FUNCTION

Press **ENTER** and the prompt becomes,

    T: TAPE FUNCTION <1-6>? 1

You can now choose from six activities in the tape
function menu. Press the **MENU** key to list the six
choices onto the printer. The choices are,

        <1> TAPE DIRECTORY
        <2> DELETE FILES TO END OF DIRECTORY
        <3> INITIALIZE TAPE CARTRIDGE
        <4> PROGRAM SAVE
        <5> PROGRAM LOAD
        <6> DIRECTORY OUTPUT DEVICE

The following paragraphs describe how to use each tape
function from the front panel.

LISTING TAPE DIRECTORIES

The first function available through the tape function
menu is Tape Directory. Selecting this feature
allows you to obtain a directory of all the files
stored on a tape, both program and data files.

The directory is listed onto the printer, port A, or
port B. The tape directory listing looks like,

FILE NAME		BLOCKS
DATA1		1
DATA2		5
PROG1	P	4

User program files that have been saved are indicated
with a P in front of the file block size.

SPECIFYING OUTPUT DEVICES

You may want to list a tape directory many times but
will most likely use the same device each time.

To specify the output device you want a directory
listing sent to, press **6** in response to the main
tape function prompt. The system acknowledges with the
display,

   T<6> DIRECTORY OUTPUT DEVICE

Press **ENTER** and the prompt becomes,

   DIRECTORY OUTPUT DEVICE <1-3>? 1

You can now choose which output device your directory
will be sent to. Press **MENU** and you'll see the
printer list the choices,

      <1> PRINTER
      <2> PORT A
      <3> PORT B

Choose the device you want by pressing the
corresponding number key, and press **ENTER** again.

DELETE FILES TO THE END OF THE DIRECTORY

This function allows you to selectively delete the
files on a tape from a specified file to the end of
the tape.

To do so, enter the tape function menu from the main
menu by pressing **T**, followed by **ENTER**, and then
select function **2**. The system will acknowledge
with,

T<2> DELETE FILES TO END OF DIRECTORY

Press the **ENTER** key. The display reads,

FILE NAME =

Enter the file name that you want to start with in
deleting files to the end of the directory. Remember,
this is the first file to be deleted, NOT the last
filed to be saved.

Key in the file name and press ENTER. The system will
begin deleting starting with the file specified, to the
end of the directory. When finished, the 2280 will
return to the main tape function menu prompt.

INITIALIZING A TAPE

When performed on a blank tape, this function simply
prepares the tape to accept data. When performed on a
tape that already contains data or program information,
all existing files are erased first and then the tape
is initialized. Make sure there's nothing on the tape
you want saved before you initialize it.

To initialize a tape, insert it and press **3** from
the main tape function menu, followed by **ENTER**. The
prompt reads,

   T<3> INITIALIZE TAPE CARTRIDGE

Press **ENTER** again and the display becomes,

   REALLY INITIALIZE TAPE <Y,N>? N

This step is a reminder that initialization deletes all
existing files on the tape. Double check the tape.
If there's doubt as to the contents of the tape, press
ENTER to return to the main menu. From there you can
obtain a directory listing of the tape to verify its
contents. If the inserted tape is one you want, press **Y**
in response to the above prompt and then press **ENTER**.
When initialization is complete, the system returns to
the main menu display again.

SAVING A PROGRAM ONTO TAPE

This function allows you to save a configuration
program onto a cartridge tape for future use. The
program is written on the tape as a specific program
file, and must be given a name at the time the save
function is performed. This name should be recorded on
the 2280 Series Programming Form for future reference.

When the entire configuration program on the
programming form has been correctly entered into the
2280 memory, insert a properly labeled and initialized
tape. The program can be saved onto tape by pressing
4 from the tape function menu. When the display
reads,

   T<4> PROGRAM SAVE

press **ENTER**. At the prompt,

   FILE NAME =

Enter the name you want the program file to be saved
under on the tape.

When you've keyed in the program name (up to 10
characters), press **ENTER**. The system will then write
the entire configuration program onto the tape and,
when it's finished, return to the main menu. The tape
can now be removed and stored, or used to configure any
2280 Data Logger.

Use the **EXIT** key to abort the save operation. Once
aborted, the file should be deleted from the cartridge
tape.

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LOADING A PROGRAM FROM A CARTRIDGE TAPE

This function allows you to transfer an entire
configuration program from a tape cartridge into the
2280 memory, thus preparing the instrument for data
acquisition and processing.

First, retrieve the tape cartridge containing the
desired configuration program, and insert it into the
2280. From the main menu prompt, access the tape
function menu by pressing **T** and then **ENTER**.

Choose program load by pressing **5** in response to
the main tape function menu. The system acknowledges
with the prompt,

    T<5> PROGRAM LOAD

Press **ENTER** and the display reads,

    FILE NAME =

Key in the name of the program file you wish to load
into 2280 memory. This is the name that was given the
program at the program save function. Press **ENTER** and
the 2280 will load that program from the tape
cartridge. When finished, the system returns to the
main menu prompt. The 2280 is now programmed for data
logging.

Use the **EXIT** key to halt the load operation. Using **EXIT**
however, leaves you with a partially programmed
instrument. You can erase this partial program with the
E (erase) function.

DATA TRANSFER OPERATION

The data transfer function allows you to transfer a data or program file from one of three source devices.

o   Parallel I/F programmed as a mag tape at port A.

o   Parallel I/F programmed as a mag tape at port B.

o   Cartridge tape drive to one of three destination devices--the printer, or optional devices at either port A or port B.

If the cartridge tape drive is selected as the source device, you need to input the specific name of the file to be transferred. If the file is a data file, the logged data recorded within a time window may be singled out later for transfer.

If you choose not to enter specific start and stop times for a data transfer (when the cartridge tape is the source device), then all of the data in the file is transferred. The data transfer function continues until completed, or until the EXIT key is pressed. When you are transferring a program file, start and stop times are not relevant.

To start a data transfer procedure, press the D (DATA TRANSFER) key in response to the main menu prompt. The system acknowledges with the prompt,

    <D> TRANSFER DATA

Press the ENTER key and the display becomes,

    D: SOURCE DEVICE <1-3>? 1

You can now choose which of the three possible source devices you intend to use. Pressing the **MENU** key will show that the three choices are,

   <1> CARTRIDGE TAPE DRIVE

   <2> PORT A

   <3> PORT B

Choose the desired source device by pressing the appropriate number key. The display then shows the choice taken. Press **ENTER** to record it, and then use the **EXIT** key to return to the main menu.

OUTPUT FORMAT EXAMPLES

Measurement data generated during a scan sequence can be sent to the front panel display, internal printer, cartridge tape, or to an external data recording device or computer using an RS-232 or IEEE-488 interface installed in port A or B. The data formats for the recording devices are very similar. An example of the output format is shown below.

```
Line           Output
Number

1
2
3     BEGIN SCAN GROUP 1    01 JAN 82   12:28:51
4     ENGINE PERFORMANCE TEST
5
6     C   1 RUN SPEED            750.3 RPM      ALM
7     RPM TOO LOW
8     C   2 EXHAUST MAN          390.3 DEGREES C
9
10    END SCAN GROUP 1      01 JAN 82   12:28:54
```

This format is determined by the cartridge tape, or
port A or B format selections made in output device
programming. The components of this output are further
explained in the following table.

In all lines, the following conventions are used:

o   (lts) is used to represent the output of the
     programmed line termination sequence. The default
     is carriage return followed by line feed.

o   The symbols H, B, C, A, and E are the data type
     indicators and will be output if the recording of
     data type indicators has been enabled.

o   (sods) represents the start of data sequence.

o   (eods) represents the end of data sequence.

Line
Number   Output and Explanation

1   H(lts)

             A blank line.

2   H(lts)

             A blank line.

3   (sods)B BEGIN SCAN GROUP n   dd mmm yy
          hh:mm:ss(lts)

             If (sods) is programmed, it will be
             output at the beginning of each BEGIN
             SCAN line.

Line
Number   Output and Explanation

4   **H(scan group label)(lts)**

            This line will be output if a scan group
            label has been programmed.

5   **H(lts)**

            A blank line.

6   **C Cnnnn label .... -x.xxxx units ALM(lts)**

            This is a channel reading. The
            characters ALM will be recorded at the
            end of the line if any of the channels
            limits have been exceeded. This line,
            and the one following (if appropriate)
            will be recorded for each channel in the
            scan group's channel list.

7   **A(channel alarm message)(lts)**

            This line is output if a limit (with
            programmed alarm message) is exceeded.

8   **C Cnnnn label .... -x.xxxx units ALM(lts)**

            Another channel reading.

9   **H(lts)**

            Another blank line.

10   **E END SCAN GROUP n   dd mmm yy
hh:mm:ss(lts)(eods)**

            The last line of a scan group output. If
            (eods) is programmed, it will be output
            last.

RETENSIONING CARTRIDGE TAPES

For proper operation, cartridge tapes should
periodically be retensioned. Retensioning means running
the tape forward to the end and then rewinding it. This
can be accomplished by using the Data Transfer
Operation.

Transferring the dummy file named TENSION123 from the
cartridge tape to the printer will cause the tape
to wind forward to the end and then rewind. No data is
actually transferred.

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Section 7
Programming and Operation From a Terminal or Computer

CONTENTS

INTRODUCTION

Once you've become comfortable programming and
operating the 2280 Series Data Logger from the front
panel keypad, it will be easy to carry the same
principles over to a situation where the data logger is
controlled from a terminal or a computer. The commands
used to program and operate the data logger from remote
are identical to those used from the front panel
keypad.

REQUIRED HARDWARE

Remote control of the 2280 Series Data Loggers can be
accomplished using either serial or parallel
communication. The 2280A-341 RS-232 interface option
provides an RS-232 capability in addition to 20 mA
current loop.

The 2280A-342 IEEE-488 interface option is the parallel
interface. The interface option used for remote control
must be installed in the port A position; the port B
position is used for data output only. Port A is the
vertical slot closest to the center and furthest away
from the power supply when viewed from the rear of the
instrument.

For brevity, this section refers to RS-232
communication only. Current loop operations are
functionally identical to RS-232.

FRONT PANEL AND REMOTE CONTROL

The 2280 can be programmed and operated from the front
panel keyboard or from a terminal or computer. Front
panel operation is referred to as **local control**
and terminal or computer operation is referred to as
remote control. The 2280's can successfully be
operated either locally or in remote but not by a
mixture of both modes. Therefore, we must have some
means of establishing and controlling whether the
instrument is to respond to local or remote commands.

Figure 7.1 presents an overview of the remote-local
state transitions. When the 2280 is initially turned on
it enters the local state and the front panel keypad is
used to program or operate the instrument. If remote
control is desired, you need to switch the instrument
from the local state to remote, or to the remote with
lockout state. The method of causing this change to
occur depends on the type of interface used.

```
                 +---------+                        +--------------+
                 |         |----------------------->|              |
power on --->| local   |<----------------------| remote       |
                 | state   |<--------------------| state        |
                 +---------+                        +--------------+
                      ^                                    |
                      |                                    |
                 +--------+    +-------------+
                 |        |    |             |
                 |   v
              +---------------+
              |               |
              | remote with   |
              | lockout state |
              +---------------+
```
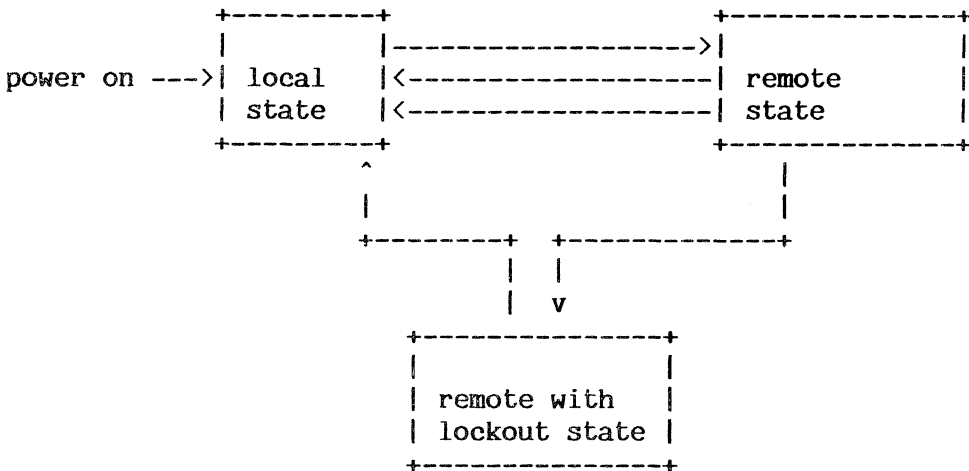
Figure 7.1 General Remote-Local State Diagram

With the RS-232 interface non-printing control characters, control-W, control-X, control-Y and control-Z are used. The IEEE-488 communication standard directly supports the remote-local state changes using messages defined within the standard.

In the local state, control of the instrument is through the front panel keyboard. The remote state allows control of the instrument from the computer or terminal connected at port A. All programming and operation of the 2280 is done using the terminal or the computer and most front panel controls are inoperative.

When the 2280 first enters the remote state, the front panel display will read,

IN REMOTE

While in remote, the LED indicator on the LOCAL key is illuminated and it becomes the only operative front panel key. Pressing LOCAL returns control of the instrument to the front panel keyboard. If any other key is pressed the internal beeper sounds three times to indicate that the key is inoperative.

The remote with lockout state is very similar to the remote state except that the LOCAL key also becomes inoperative. Control of the 2280 cannot be taken away from the terminal or computer using the front panel keypad. If LOCAL is pressed while the 2280 is in remote with lockout, the front panel display will read,

IN REMOTE WITH LOCKOUT

When local is entered again and control is returned to
the front panel keypad, the light indicator on the
LOCAL key is extinguished. If the keyswitch is in the
PROGRAM position, the message,

MAIN MENU CHOICE <M FOR MENU>? A

appears on the display. If the keyswitch is in the RUN
position, the display reads,

SELECT RUN MODE OPERATION

When control is returned to local, front panel
operations and programming begin at the first menu
regardless of the menu that was active when the return
to local took place. This is also true when entering
the remote state. Remote is entered at the main menu
regardless of what menu level was active.

When the terminal or computer puts the 2280
into the remote control state the output timeout
function for port A is disabled. Timeouts
are described in Section 3 of this guide.

Programming and operating from remote using an RS-232
terminal or computer, or an IEEE-488 computer are
described in detail in the following paragraphs.

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PROMPTING AND CONCISE COMMAND MODES

There are two modes of remote control available with
the 2280 Series of Data Loggers. One, called concise
command mode, is used when the instrument is controlled
using a computer. The other, called prompting mode, is
used when the instrument is controlled using a
terminal.

Concise mode involves the computer sending a string of
characters to the 2280 to perform some function, and
then reading back a response from the 2280 indicating
whether the command was successful or not.

The following example illustrates that to program 2280
channel 100 to the 512 mV range, the computer would send
the character string,

```
!A,100,P,D,3,!<carriage return>
^^^ ^ ^^^^^^^^^   ^
||| | |||||||||   |
||| | |||||||||   +- terminate the command
||| | |||||||||+---- return to main menu
||| | ||||||||+----- ENTER key
||| | |||||||+------ 512.00 MVDC range
||| | ||||||+------- ENTER key
||| | |||||+-------- DC RANGE
||| | ||||+--------- ENTER key
||| | |||+---------- PROGRAM the channel
||| | ||+----------- ENTER key
||| | |+------------ channel 100
||| | +------------- ENTER key
||| +--------------- select CHANNEL PROGRAMMING
||+---------------- ENTER key
|+----------------- select CHANNEL PROGRAMMING
+------------------ return to the main menu
```

When received, the 2280 responds with the string,

   :<lts>

where <lts> is used to indicate the programmed
line termination sequence programmed for port A.

The prompting mode is very similar to front panel
operation. All prompts and menu listings normally sent
to the front panel are sent instead to the terminal.

For example, to program 2280 channel 100 to the 512 mV
range, you would type the characters in response to the
prompts appearing on the terminal as follows.

Terminal Prompt	Character(s) Typed
MAIN MENU CHOICE <M FOR MENU>? A	A
<A> PROGRAM A CHANNEL OR BLOCK	<return>
CHANNEL NUMBER (OR BLOCK) = CO	100<return>
PROGRAM COPY DELETE OR LIST<P,C,D,L>?P	P<return>
A: CHANNEL FUNCTION <A-Z>? P	D
A<D> DC VOLTS/CURRENT	<return>
AD: DC RANGE <1-5>? 1	3
AD<3> 512.00 MVDC	<return>
AD: CHANNEL MENU CHOICE <1-5>? 1	^
A: CHANNEL FUNCTION <A-Z>? D	^
CHANNEL NUMBER (OR BLOCK) = C100	^
MAIN MENU CHOICE <M FOR MENU>? A	

If you're using a computer for remote control you'll
want to use the concise command mode. Use the prompting
mode when the 2280 is programmed and operated
interactively using a terminal. These operating
characteristics are explained in more detail further on
in this section of the manual.

The prompting mode is only available using the RS-232
interface. The IEEE-488 interface does not provide
prompting mode.

re on Concise Commands

The following paragraphs describe concise command mode
operation. They should be read and understood before
you start programming a computer to control the 2280
from remote. The material is of a reference nature so
skip ahead if you're reading this just to gain overall
familiarity with the 2280's remote operation.

Concise command strings consist of a sequence of
characters that are equivalent to keys that would be
pressed on the 2280 front panel keypad to perform a
particular programming or operating function. For
example, the concise command for front panel keys,

   L ENTER E ENTER   would be,   L,E,<cr>

with <cr> being the carriage return character.

A concise command must end with a carriage return and
optional line feed character. The 2280 doesn't begin
execution of the concise command until the carriage
return is received. Within a concise command, the
command character ' , ' is synonymous with the front
panel ENTER key.

During execution of concise commands, all characters
sent from the computer or terminal are discarded. The
computer waits for the current concise command to
complete before sending another command. The device
clear and return to local single character commands are
exceptions to this--they can both be sent from the
computer at any time.

After a concise command has completed, a colon ':'
character followed by the programmed line termination
sequence is sent to the computer to indicate that the
command has completed. This informs the computer that
the next command can be sent. The colon character
followed by the programmed line termination sequence is
referred to as the command completion prompt.

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When an error is detected during the execution of a
concise command, the remainder of the command string is
discarded. One or more error messages (lines of text
terminated with the programmed line termination
sequence) will be sent to the computer before the
command complete prompt.

A concise command may be aborted at any time. A command
in execution or a command only partially sent from the
computer can be aborted by sending a device clear, or
by performing a remote control to local control change.

There is no command completion prompt sent if the
command is aborted. However, it's possible the device
clear or remote-local change was sent just after the
completion of the concise command. In this case the
completion prompt may have been sent but not yet
received by the computer. Therefore, your computer
program must be prepared to receive some or no
characters if a command is aborted while in execution.
Also, note that the command will have been executed to
the point where the command was aborted.

Concise command strings have a maximum length of 80
characters. If more than 80 characters are received
before the command ending carriage return character,
the command will be discarded, an error reported
(?COMMAND TOO LONG), and the command completion prompt
sent. The error message and completion prompt is sent
after the command ending carriage return character is
sent by the computer.

Sending the '$' character to the 2280 when in the
concise command mode (RS-232 interface only) also
aborts the command. The concise command mode is
automatically enabled when the remote state is entered.

Character Set

Commands used in programming or operating the 2280 from
a terminal or computer are very similar to the commands
typed on the front panel keypad. For example, the
terminal or computer sending the ASCII character 'A' to
the 2280 is the same as depressing the 'A' key on the
front panel keypad. Most keys on the front panel keypad
have a one for one equivalence to ASCII characters. A
close look at the front panel keypad shows keys labeled
SCAN, SINGLE SCAN, MONITOR, PLOT, and these keys don't
have directly equivalent ASCII characters.

Table 7.1 identifies the relationship between front
panel keypad labels and ASCII characters. The end of
the table has some additional characters that are
meaningful when controlling the 2280 from a terminal or
computer. These characters are included in the table
for reference and are explained in greater detail in
the following paragraphs.

Table 7.1 ASCII Character Equivalents for Front Panel
    Keyboard Keys and Other Important Codes

2280 Keyboard
Key (or Function   ASCII   Decimal Code
Performed)
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Key (or Function Performed)	ASCII	Decimal Code
SPACE	SPACE	32
*	*	42
+	+	43
-	-	45
/	/	47
0 through 9	0 through 9	48 through 57
=	=	61
A through Z	A through Z	65 through 90
SCAN	&	38
SINGLE SCAN	#	35
PLOT	;	59
MONITOR	%	37
ACK	@	64
EXIT	^	94
CLEAR	\	92
Up Arrow	[	91
Down Arrow	]	93
Left Arrow	<	60
Right Arrow	>	62
ENTER	<return> (Prompting)	13
	, (Concise)	46
DELETE CHARACTER	DEL	127
Return to Main Menu	!	33
Send System Status	"	34

Special Characters Used With RS-232

Several characters are required to program and operate
the 2280 using the RS-232 option that don't appear on
the instrument front panel. These characters are listed
in table 7.2. Uses of most of the special characters
are described later in this section.

Two of the characters, Control-S and Control-Q, allow
the computer or terminal to pause and continue the
output of data from the 2280 RS-232 interface. This
flow control capability can be used by the computer to
temporarily stop the 2280 from sending data if the 2280
is sending data too fast.

Table 7.2. RS-232 Special Command Characters

2280 Function Performed	Equivalent ASCII Character	Decimal Code
Enter Prompting Mode	$	36
Send System Status	"	34
Device Clear	Control-C	3
Local to Remote	Control-X	24
Remote to Local	Control-Y	25
Remote to Local	Control-Z	26
Remote to Remote With Lockout	Control-W	23
Remote With Lockout to Local	Control-Z	26
Stall data output	Control-S	19
Unstall data output	Control-Q	17

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PROGRAMMING/OPERATING WITH AN RS-232 TERMINAL

Getting Started

It'll be easier for you to become familiar with
programming and operating the 2280 from an RS-232
terminal if you take the steps described in the
paragraphs below. First of all, verify that the 2280
can communicate with your terminal.

1.   Make certain the 2280A-341 RS-232 interface option
     is installed in the port A position. This is the
     vertical slot nearest the center of the instrument
     when viewed from the rear.

2.   Next, turn on the 2280 and set the front panel
     keyswitch to the PROGRAM position. Using the
     output device programming module, program the baud
     rate and parity of port A to match your terminal
     settings. The 2280 sends and receives seven data
     bits and one parity bit. If no parity is selected
     the parity bit position is always sent as zero.

3.   Connect a cable between the RS-232 connector on
     the port A RS-232 option and your terminal.

4.   Type a SPACE character and look for:

     ?TYPE CTRL-X FOR REMOTE CONTROL

     If no message appears, your cable probably isn't
     making the proper connections between the terminal
     and the 2280A-341 RS-232 interface option. The
     problem is usually solved by swapping pins 2 and 3
     (data transmit and receive) on one of the cable
     ends. If some other message appears (usually
     nonsense character sequences) the baud rate of the
     terminal and the 2280 are probably different and
     need to be corrected. Once you can get the above
     message displayed you're ready to proceed.

Remote Access and Lockout

To program or operate the 2280 from a terminal the
terminal first has to gain control of the instrument.
As shown in the RS-232 remote/local state diagram
(Figure 7.2), the terminal sends the Control-X
character to put the instrument into remote. This makes
all keys on the 2280 front panel inoperative except the
LOCAL key.

While in the remote state, press the front panel LOCAL
key to override the terminal and return programming and
operating control to the front panel keypad. The
remote-local state diagram shows what characters need
to be typed from the terminal to move from the remote
with local lockout state and cause other state
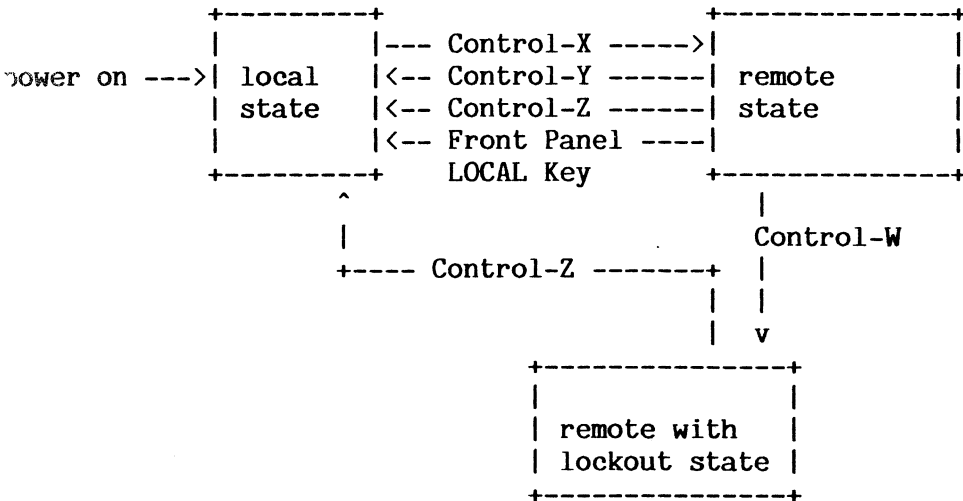transitions.

```
              +---------+                   +--------------+
              |         |--- Control-X ----->|              |
power on --->| local   |<-- Control-Y ------| remote       |
              | state   |<-- Control-Z ------| state        |
              |         |<-- Front Panel ----|              |
              +---------+    LOCAL Key       +--------------+
                   ^                                |
                   |                                Control-W
                   +---- Control-Z -------+         |
                                          |  |      |
                                          |  v
                              +--------------+
                              |              |
                              | remote with  |
                              | lockout state|
                              +--------------+
```

Figure 7.2 RS-232 Remote-Local State Diagram

As an example, turn the 2280 keyswitch to the PROGRAM
position and type the SPACE character on your terminal.
Your terminal screen will read,

   ?TYPE CTRL-X FOR REMOTE CONTROL

and the front panel display on the data logger will
read,

   MAIN MENU CHOICE <M FOR MENU>? A

Type Control-X from the terminal. The 2280 display will
now show,

   IN REMOTE

You've successfully entered the remote state. Now
type Control-Y or Control-Z. The 2280 display reads,

   MAIN MENU CHOICE <M FOR MENU>? A

You've successfully returned control of the 2280 to the
front panel keypad.

Entering the Prompting Mode

Once you've changed programming and operation control
of the 2280 from the front panel to the terminal by
typing Control-X, the next step is to put the
instrument into the prompting command mode. This allows
the 2280 to be programmed and operated in very nearly
the same way as it is operated from the instrument
front panel.

When the instrument first enters the remote state the
command mode defaults to concise mode. To enter the
prompting mode, type the dollar sign ($) character. The
terminal screen should display the message,

MAIN MENU CHOICE <M FOR MENU>? A

Now programming and operation can proceed in the same
fashion as front panel keypad operation. All menus
requested while in the prompting mode are sent to the
terminal instead of the 2280 printer. A useful feature
for beginning programmers is the auto menu enable. This
displays the current menu each time a new set of menu
choices are available. Table 7.1 is a handy reference
to determine what keys on your terminal access 2280
functions.

Special Commands

There are two commands available through RS-232
remote terminal programming and operation that are
not accessible through the 2280 front panel
keypad.

STATUS COMMAND (")

The status command causes the 2280 to send information
indicating what operating modes are currently
active. You can see which of these are active when
operating from the front panel by looking at the
corresponding light indicators on the SCAN, SINGLE
SCAN, PLOT, MONITOR, and ACK keys.

The status command consists of the double quote
character '"'. It is recognized by the 2280 when the
system is at at the main menu only. When the command is
sent from the terminal, the 2280 sends a single
character followed by the line termination sequence
programmed for the port A device. The single character
will be coded as follows.

(least significant bit)	bit 0	always a 1
	bit 1	ALARM indicator (ACK key)
	bit 2	MONITOR indicator
	bit 3	PLOT indicator
	bit 4	SINGLE SCAN indicator
	bit 5	SCAN indicator
	bit 6	always a 1
(most significant bit)	bit 7	always a 0

The bit positions corresponding to the indicator are a
one when the indicator is on and a zero when it's off.
The resulting character value will be somewhere in the
range from decimal 64 (hex 40) to decimal 127 (hex 7F).

DEVICE CLEAR COMMAND (Control C, decimal value 3)

The device clear command provides a mechanism to reset
the 2280 to a known condition. This command can be
issued at any time; it's not a main menu command. The
device clear is a single Control-C character.

When the 2280 receives the device clear it,

1. Turns off scanning, plotting, single scan, and
    monitor.

2. Aborts any auxiliary function such as list,
    data transfer, load, and save.

3. Turns off the ALARM LED.

4. Resets all status outputs and analog outputs
    to their power up conditions.

5. Returns to the MAIN MENU CHOICE <M FOR MENU>? A or
    SELECT RUN MODE OPERATION prompt.

PROGRAMMING/OPERATING WITH AN RS-232 COMPUTER

Getting Started

The first thing you want to accomplish when using a
computer to control the 2280 from remote is to ensure
that the computer and the 2280 can exchange characters
using their RS-232 interfaces. Perform the following
steps to verify that the computer and the 2280 work
together.

1. Make sure that the 2280A-341 RS-232 interface
    option is installed in the port A position. This
    is the vertical slot nearest the center of the
    instrument as viewed from the rear.

2. Connect a cable between the RS-232 connector on
    the port A RS-232 option and your computer or
    modem.

3. Next, turn on the 2280 and turn the keyswitch to
    the PROGRAM position. Using the output device
    program module, program the baud rate and parity
    of port A to match the setting of your computer
    interface. The 2280 sends and receives seven data
    bits and one parity bit. If no parity is selected
    the parity bit position is always sent as zero.

4. Write a short program on your computer that sends
    a character to the 2280. Have the program send a
    Control-X (decimal value 24) to the 2280.

5. Verify that the 2280 front panel displays the message,

   IN REMOTE

   If this prompt isn't displayed the cables probably aren't properly connected between the computer and the 2280A-341 RS-232 interface option. The problem is almost always solved by swapping pins 2 and 3 (data transmit and receive) on one of the cable ends. You may want to double check the baud rate settings too.

   Once you get the above message displayed you have verified the ability of the 2280 to receive characters sent from the computer.

6. Turn the 2280 power switch off, then on, or press the LOCAL key on the front panel keypad. This puts the instrument back into the local state.

   Write a short program on your computer that will receive a character from the 2280. Using it and the program from step 4, send a Control-X character and then a carriage return character to the 2280, and then read the characters from the 2280. The 2280 will send,

   :<lts>

   to the computer where <lts> is the line termination sequence for port A. If you haven't reprogrammed the line termination sequence it will consist of the two character default value which is the carriage return character followed by the line feed character.

   When the above steps are successfully completed, you've demonstrated that the computer can receive characters from the 2280.

Remote Access and Lockout

Operations required for a computer to take control of
the data logger are identical to those used when a
terminal is controlling the 2280. These steps are
summarized in Figure 7.3.

Most state transitions are caused by single characters
sent from the computer to the 2280. The front panel
LOCAL key can be used to move from the remote state to
the local state. The 2280 does not send any characters
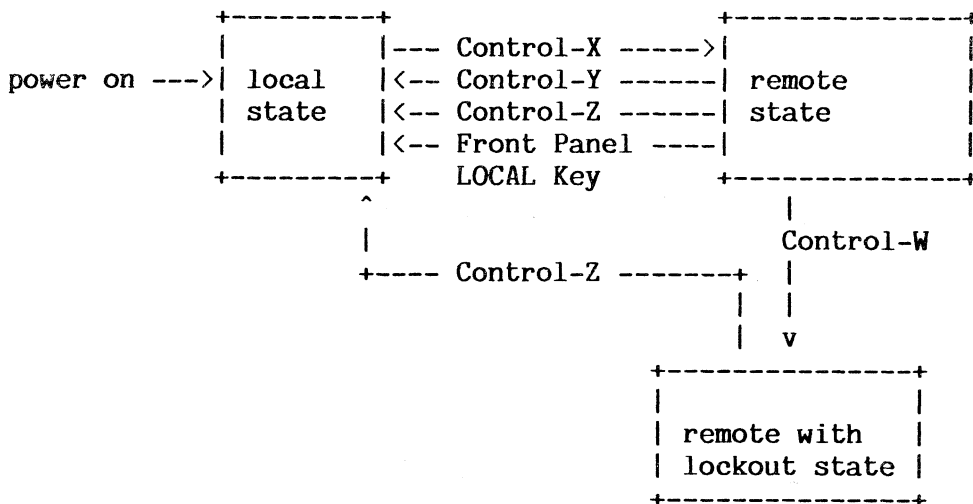in response to receiving the single character commands.

```
               +---------+                +--------------+
               |         |--- Control-X ----->|              |
power on --->| local   |<-- Control-Y ------|  remote      |
               | state   |<-- Control-Z ------|  state       |
               |         |<-- Front Panel ----|              |
               +---------+    LOCAL Key       +--------------+
                    ^                                 |
                    |                              Control-W
                    +---- Control-Z -------+          |
                                           |  |       |
                                           |  |       |
                                           |  v
                                   +---------------+
                                   |               |
                                   | remote with   |
                                   | lockout state |
                                   +---------------+
```

Figure 7.3 RS-232 Remote-Local State Diagram

Concise Command Strings

When a computer is used to control the 2280, concise
commands should be used. The detailed description of
the concise command mode operation that appears earlier
in this section should be read before you begin writing
computer programs to control the 2280.

Special Commands

There are two commands available through RS-232 remote
computer programming and operation that are not
accessible through the 2280 front panel keypad.

STATUS COMMAND ("<carriage return>)

The status command causes the 2280 to send information
indicating what operating modes are currently active.
From the front panel you can see which of these are
running by looking at the corresponding light indicators
on the SCAN, SINGLE SCAN, PLOT, MONITOR, and ACK keys.

The status command consists of the double quote
character (") followed by the carriage return
character. It's recognized by the 2280 at the main
menu only.

When the command is sent from the computer, the 2280
sends a single character followed by the line
termination sequence programmed for the port A device
and the ':', followed by the line termination sequence,
to indicate the completion of the concise command. The
single character containing the status information are
coded as follows.

(least significant bit)	bit 0	always a 1
	bit 1	ALARM indicator (ACK key)
	bit 2	MONITOR indicator
	bit 3	PLOT indicator
	bit 4	SINGLE SCAN indicator
	bit 5	SCAN indicator
	bit 6	always a 1
(most significant bit)	bit 7	always a 0

The bit positions corresponding to the indicator are a
one when the indicator is on and a zero when it's off.
The resulting character value will be somewhere in the
range from decimal 64 (hex 40) to decimal 127 (hex 7F).

DEVICE CLEAR COMMAND (Control C, decimal value 3)

The device clear command provides a mechanism to reset
the 2280 to a known condition. This command can be
issued at any time--it's not a main menu command. The
device clear is a single Control-C character. There's
no response and the 2280 sends no characters to the
device clear command.

When the 2280 receives the device clear it,

1. Turns off scanning, plotting, single scan, and
    monitor.

2. Aborts any auxiliary function such as list, data
    transfer, load, and save.

3. Turns off the ALARM LED.

4. Resets all status outputs and analog outputs to
    their power up conditions.

5. Returns to the MAIN MENU CHOICE <M FOR MENU>? A or
    SELECT RUN MODE OPERATION prompt.

Programming Examples

The following program is written in BASIC to run on the
Fluke 1720A Instrument Controller. Translation of the
program to run on any computer is easily accomplished.

ERASING PROGRAM MEMORY

This sample program puts the 2280 into remote, erases
program memory, and then returns control to the
instrument front panel.

```
10  ! open rs-232 port 0 on the 1720 for output to the 2280
20  OPEN "KB0:" AS NEW FILE 1%
30  !
40  ! open rs-232 port 1 on the 1720 for input from the 2280
50  OPEN "KB0:" AS OLD FILE 2%
60  !
70  ! put the 2280 into the remote state by sending a
80  ! a Control-X character (decimal 24). send one
90  ! character only.
100 PRINT #1%, CHR$(24%);
110 !
120 ! send the concise command to the 2280
130 PRINT #1, "!E,Y,!"
140 !
150 ! read the response to the command
160 INPUT LINE #2%, R$
170 !
180 ! if this is not the last line of the command
190 ! response, read more lines until we encounter the
200 ! one starting with the colon character
210 IF (LEFT(R$,1%) <> ":") THEN GOTO 150
220 !
230 ! return control to the front panel keypad
240 ! by sending a Control-Z character (decimal 26).
250 PRINT #1%, CHR$(26%);
260 !
270 END
```

PROGRAMMING A SCAN GROUP

Programming a scan group is a simple extension of the above program. If you wanted a scan group with the following attributes,

Scan Group Number:	0
Channel List:	0..99
Trigger Mode:	Interval 10 second period
Data Output:	Cartridge Tape all data

You can program this scan group by replacing line 130 of the sample BASIC program with the line,

130 PRINT #1,"!K,0,P,2,C0..99,,3,2,00:00:10,4,3,2,!"
(carriage return)

PROGRAMMING A CHANNEL

Programming a channel is straight forward also. To program channel 0 as a current input with the measurement scaled such that a 4mA input will be recorded as 0.0 and a 20mA input as 500, with engineering units of PSI, replace line 130 of the previous sample program with the line,

130 PRINT #1, "!A,0,P,D,5,2,PSI,3,CX*31.25-125,!"
(carriage return)

TRANSFERRING DATA RECORDED ON CARTRIDGE TAPE

To transfer recorded data on the cartridge tape, a
program must perform the following steps.

1. Send the command to the 2280 to initiate the data
    transfer. The command will be something like,

    !D,1,<file name>,<start data>,<start time>,
    <end date>,<end time>,2,!<carriage return>

    where <file name> is the name of the file to be
    transferred, and the <start ...> and <end ...> are
    sent if only a portion of the recorded file is to
    be transferred. All the comma characters must be
    included in the command. This initiates the
    transfer of data.

2. Read the data back a line at a time.

3. Read data lines until a line beginning with the
    ':' character is encountered signifying the
    completion of command execution.

COLLECTING DATA FROM A SINGLE SCAN

It's a little more involved to collect data output to
port A from a single scan. First of all, the scan group
must be programmed (from either the front panel or from
remote) to output data to port A. Then the remote
computer program must perform the following steps.

1. Start the single scan. The following command
    string starts a single scan on group 0.

    !#0,!<carriage return>

2. Read back the command completion prompt from the
    above command. If no errors were encountered, it
    will be the string,

    :<lts>

3. Now read the data from the single scan. Read lines
    one at a time. The last line of the scan group
    output data will be of the form,

    STOPPED SINGLE SCAN   0 JAN 00 00:00:00

    Your program must look for a string starting with
    'STOPPED SINGLE' in each of the lines of data and
    stop reading data when this line is encountered.

Programming Hints and Suggestions

START AND COMPLETE EACH COMMAND AT THE MAIN MENU

To avoid confusion regarding menu position, it's best to always begin and end each command execution at the main menu. Each command should have the following general format.

! <command characters> !<carriage return>

As an example, the character sequence,

!E,Y,!<carriage return>

will erase the program memory within the 2280. The first and the last '!' characters returns programming to the main menu.

DON'T EXECUTE THE DIAGNOSTICS FROM REMOTE

The system diagnostics were designed to work from the front panel only and they won't work properly if executed from remote.

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PROGRAMMING AND OPERATING WITH AN IEEE-488 COMPUTER

Getting Started

First, when using a computer to control the 2280 from remote, ensure that the computer and the 2280 can exchange characters using their IEEE-488 interfaces. Perform the following steps to verify that the computer and the 2280 work together.

1. Make sure that the 2280A-342 IEEE-488 interface option is installed in the port A position. This is the vertical slot nearest the center of the instrument as viewed from the rear.

2. Select the IEEE-488 bus address for the 2280 by positioning the thumbwheel switches on the rear panel of the 2280A-342 IEEE-488 interface.

3. Connect a shielded IEEE-488 cable between the IEEE-488 connector (port A) and your computer.

4. Next, turn the keyswitch to the PROGRAM position.

5. Write a short program on your computer that puts the 2280 into remote. The program needed to do this depends on the computer you're using. For example, if you were using the Fluke 1720A Instrument Controller executing the BASIC language statement,

    10 REMOTE @2%

    puts the IEEE-488 instrument with bus address 2 into the remote state.

6. The 2280 front panel display should read,

    IN REMOTE

    With this message, you've demonstrated that the computer used can communicate with the 2280.

IEEE-448 Functional Capabilities Supported

The 2280A-342 IEEE-488 interface supports the following
IEEE-488 functional subsets when installed in the port
A position.

SH1	Source Handshake	complete capability
AH1	Acceptor Handshake	complete capability
T5	Talker	talk only included
TEO	Extended Talker	no capability
L4	Listener	no listen only
LEO	Extended Talker	no capability
SR1	Service Request	complete capability
RL1	Remote/Local	complete capability
PPO	Parallel Poll	no capability
DC1	Device Clear	complete capability
DTO	Device Trigger	no capability
CO	Controller	no capability

Concise Command Strings

Use concise commands when a computer is used to control
the 2280. Read the detailed description of concise
command mode operation found earlier in this section
before you begin writing computer programs to control
the 2280.

IEEE-488 Unique Commands

There are several concise commands that pertain to
IEEE-488 operation only. These are,

Command   **Function**

?ER	Send Error Status
?ID	Send 2280 Model Name and Software Version
?AD	Enable SRQ Generation on Data Ready
?DD	Disable SRQ Generation on Data Ready
?AA	Enable SRQ Generation on an Alarm Message
?DA	Disable SRQ Generation on an Alarm Message
?AS	Enable SRQ Generation on Single Scan Complete
?DS	Disable SRQ Generation on Single Scan Complete
?AX	Enable SRQ Generation on All Events
?DX	Disable SRQ Generation on All Events
?ST	Send 2280 Status
?TC	Set Carriage Return as Terminator
?TL	Set Line Feed as Terminator

Following are complete descriptions of each command.
"Command" identifies the sequence of characters that
must be sent to the 2280 to execute the command.

"Response" indicates what characters will be sent by
the 2280 when the command completes execution. In each
paragraph, <lts> is used to represent the line
termination sequence of characters programmed for port
A and <cr> represents the carriage return character.

Send Error Status

Command: ?ER<cr>
Response: <status byte><lts>:<lts>

This command sends a status character that
contains the same information as the IEEE-488
status byte that can be read using an IEEE-488
serial poll. Table 7.4 identifies the coding of
the status character.

Send 2280 Model Name and Software Version

```
Command:      ?ID<cr>
Response:     2280<model designator><space>
              V<version string><lts>:<lts>
```

This command reports the version number of the
2280 mainframe software. The field <model
designator> will be a single character--like A,
B, or C.

<space> is a single space character. The <version
string> will be something like '1.2' or '3.0'.

Enable or Disable SRQ Generation on Data Ready

```
Commands:     ?AD<cr>  and  ?DD<cr>
Response:      :<lts>
```

The ?AD command enables the 2280 to generate a
service request whenever data is available for
reading by the host computer. The ?DD command
disables the generation of the SRQ.

Enable or Disable SRQ Generation on an
Alarm Message

```
Command:      ?AA<cr>  and  ?DA<cr>
Response:      :<lts>
```

The ?AA command enables the 2280 to generate a
service request when the data available for
reading is an alarm message. The alarm message, if
programmed, is recorded on the line following the
channel reading. The ?DA disables the generation
of an SRQ.

**Enable or Disable SRQ Generation on
Single Scan Complete**

Command:　　?AS<cr>　and　?DS<cr>
Response:　:<lts>

The ?AS command enables the 2280 to generate a
service request whenever a single scan completes.
The ?DS command does just the opposite.

Enable or Disable SRQ Generation on All Events

Command:　　　?AX<cr>　and　?DX<cr>
Response:　　:<lts>

The ?AX command is synonymous with executing the
?AD, ?AA, and ?AS commands in sequence. The ?DX
command has the same effect as executing the ?DD,
?DA, and ?DS commands in sequence.

Send 2280 Status

Command: ?ST<cr>
Response: <status character><lts>:<lts>

The response to this command is a single character
followed by <lts> that provides the status of the
2280 front panel indicators, followed by a ':' and
another <lts>. The single character coding is:

(least significant bit) bit 0 always a 1
                         bit 1 ALARM (ACK key)
                         bit 2 MONITOR
                         bit 3 PLOT
                         bit 4 SINGLE SCAN
                         bit 5 SCAN
                         bit 6 always a 1
 (most significant bit) bit 7 always a 0

The bit position corresponding to the front panel
indicator is a one when the indicator is on and a
zero when it's off. The resulting character value
will be in the range from decimal 64 (hex 40) to
decimal 127 (hex 7F). For example, when the SCAN
indicator is the only one on, the character 'a'
is sent in response to the command.

Set Carriage Return as Terminator; Ignore Line Feed

Command: ?TC<cr>
Response: :<lts>

This command sets the command termination
character to the carriage return character. All
line feed characters received by the 2280 are
ignored. The IEEE-488 EOI message may optionally
be sent with the carriage return character.

Set Line Feed as Terminator; Ignore Carriage Return

Command: ?TL<cr>
Response: :<lts>

This command sets the command termination
character to the line feed character. All
carriage return characters received by the 2280
are ignored. The IEEE-488 EOI message may
optionally be sent with the line feed character.

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IEEE-488 Interface Commands

   Several interface commands or messages are defined
   within the IEEE-488 standard. These commands are used
   to manage the IEEE-488 interface system, however, some
   of these commands affect the operation of the 2280.
   Table 7.3 identifies what the 2280 does in response to
   receiving the commands.

        Table 7.3 2280 Response to IEEE-448 Commands

MNEMONIC   NAME   2280 ACTIONS
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   DCL Device Clear   See description in preceding
                                    paragraphs.
   GET Group Execute Trigger   No action, message ignored.
   GTL Go to Local   Enter the local state.
   LLO Local Lockout   Disables the front panel
                                    LOCAL key.
   MLA My Listen Address   Addresses the 2280 to listen.
   MTA My Talk Address   Addresses the 2280 to talk.
   PPC Parallel Poll Configure   No action, message ignored.
   PPE Parallel Poll Enable   No action, message ignored.
   PPU Parallel Poll Unconfigure No action, message ignored.
   REN Remote Enable   When REN is sent with the MLA
                                    message the 2280 will enter
                                    remote.
   SDC Selective Device Clear   Same as device clear.
   SPD Serial Poll Disable   Exits the serial poll mode.
   SPE Serial Poll Enable   Enters the serial poll mode;
                                    if the 2280 is addressed to
                                    talk, it sends the status
                                    byte to the system controller.
   TCT Take Control   No action, message ignored.
   UNL Unlisten   Releases the 2280 from being
                                    addressed to listen.
   UNT Untalk   Releases the 2280 from being
                                    addressed to talk.
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Serial Poll

Information sent from the 2280 to the IEEE-488 system
controller in the serial poll status byte is defined in
table 7.4. There are four operating conditions or
events in 2280 programming or operation that can cause
a service request. These are,

o   Alarm message available for reading

o   Single scan complete

o   Data available for reading

o   Illegal command

Table 7.4. Serial Poll Status Byte Coding

BIT POSITION	MEANING
8765 4321	
xxxx xxx1	data available for reading
xxxx xx11	alarm message available for reading
xxxx 00xx	command accepted
xxxx 01xx	not in remote, can't process commands
xxxx 10xx	illegal control character in command
xxx1 xxxx	single scan complete
xx1x xxxx	alarm condition
x1xx xxxx	requesting service
0xxx xxxx	interface installed in port A
1xxx xxxx	interface installed in port B

Programming Examples

A few brief programming examples illustrating RS-232 computer control of the 2280 appear earlier in this section. These examples can easily be translated to provide some guidance for IEEE-488 control.

Programming Hints and Suggestions

READ ALL THE DATA YOU ASK FOR

It's important to read all of the data that you request from the 2280. You can't continue to send commands to the 2280 without reading the response from the previous commands. If this is attempted, the data output buffers of the 2280 become full and the communication path will stop working.

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INTRODUCTION

When the 2280 detects that an error has occurred during programming or scanning, it lets you know. If the error occurs during programming, the data logger displays an ERROR message. If the error occurs during scanning, the data logger puts an ALARM message in the alarm queue and generates an alarm.

This section lists error and alarm messages exactly as they appear on the 2280 display or output device, and then gives a cause description and the appropriate response. For ease of reference, all messages are listed in alphabetical order, by the first letter of the first word in each message.

Errors or over-limit inputs cause alarms, and when they first occur, the data logger lights up the front panel ALARM LED. The 2280 can be programmed to write the alarm message to the alarm acknowledgement device after you've acknowledge the alarm.

ERRORS AND ALARMS

Alarms

Data logger alarms alert users when trouble is
detected. When an alarm occurs while the 2280 is
scanning, an alarm message is logged, and the alarm
front panel alarm indicator light is illuminated. All
alarms are classified as either channel alarms or
system alarms. Channel alarms are traced directly to a
specific channel or to a block of channels. A channel
alarm can be easily recognized by a channel number
appearing to the left of the error message. System
alarms are not associated with any specific channel.

An alarm can be generated by a condition defined by the
user, such as a measurement exceeding a limit, and this
is referred to as a user programmed alarm. A user
programmed alarm is a type of channel alarm. An alarm
can also be generated by an error in the 2280 system
itself while scanning or plotting is active. An error
that occurs before scanning is started, or after it's
stopped, won't generate an alarm.

Most alarm messages may be programmed to be logged on
the alarm acknowledgment device. The device can be
either port A or B (RS-232 or IEEE-488), the printer,
or the cartridge tape. Alarm messages for a specific
channel are also recorded on the data output device
when that channel is logged.

Errors

Errors can occur for a variety of reasons. Some are due to physical faults with the system, such as power-up errors, auxiliary functions errors or start/stop errors, and some are caused by programming errors.

In general, two types of programming errors can occur. They are,

o   Pressing an invalid key, for instance, attempting to select an item which doesn't appear on the current menu.

o   Attempting to enter syntactically unacceptable data, or data that conflicts with a previous entry.

The 2280 beeps once to acknowledge a correct entry, and it sounds three short beeps when you try to make an invalid entry. It won't accept invalid entries.

If incorrect syntax is entered, when you press ENTER an error message is displayed instead of a prompt for the next line. When you understand the error message, do the following,

o   Press the EXIT key. This brings the erroneous line back to the display, with the cursor positioned at the first error in the line.

o   Correct the error and press ENTER. If the line had more than one error, the process will have to be repeated until the entire line is correct.

Channel Alarms

As stated before, channel alarms are associated with a specific channel or block of channels. All messages generated by channel alarms are sent to the data output device(s) when the channel is logged.

Channel alarms may be grouped into three categories,

1. Serial Link Alarms -- Caused by a fault on the serial link, an input voltage or temperature out of range, a broken thermocouple, or a faulty a/d converter.

2. Math Execution Alarm -- Caused by a math argument out of range, arithmetic overflow, or division by zero.

3. User Programmed Alarms -- Caused by a user programmed limit being exceeded. The alarm message itself is written by the user.

The first two categories of alarms have error priority levels from 1 to 5 associated with their messages, with level 1 being the highest and 5 being the lowest priority alarms.

You can write a program to check the error priority level on a channel and take action only on a high priority error, ignoring all lower priority errors. To obtain the priority level of the error on a given channel, use the ERR function described in the Channel programming portion of section 3 of this guide.

If an error is present, the ERR function returns the priority of the error. If no error is present, the ERR function returns a value of 0.

Serial link alarms are caused by a fault on the serial link, an input voltage or temperature out of range, a broken thermocouple, or a faulty a/d converter.

The third category, user programmed alarms, has no error priority level associated with it.

Channel alarms and system alarms generate messages that are stored in an alarm queue until they are acknowledged by the operator. When the alarm is acknowledged, the associated message is sent to the alarm acknowledgment device.

A channel alarm message is placed in the alarm queue when the following conditions occur.

o   Each time a user programmed alarm changes from a non alarm state to an alarm state. This is true for each of the four limits per channel that the user can program. The alarm must have an alarm message programmed in order for it to be entered in the queue.

o   Whenever a new serial link alarm or a math execution alarm occurs on a channel. The queue will not accept another alarm message on that channel until after the channel has been scanned without a serial link or math execution error.

User Programmed Alarm Messages

A user programmed alarm occurs when an input voltage or temperature exceeds a user defined limit. When inputs change from a normal state to an alarm state, the user's message (for example, TOO HOT--ADD COOLANT) is placed in the alarm queue, and the alarm LED lights up.

User programmed alarms are also recorded on the alarm acknowledgment device and data output device in generally the same format as all other errors.

System Alarms

System alarms are alarms not associated with any specific channel. They may indicate running out of paper, reaching the end of a cartridge tape, a faulty tape drive, full alarm queue, or power failure. System alarms are placed into the alarm queue each time they occur.

The causes and suggested solutions for these system errors are detailed in the following alphabetical listing of errors and alarms.

Logged Messages That Generate No Alarm

Certain messages are recorded on the data output device like any other alarm, but are not otherwise indicated to the user. These messages don't turn on the alarm LED, get placed in the alarm queue, or get sent to the alarm acknowledgment device. In this sense, they are warnings, not alarms.

For example the message,

    CO   PROPAGATED

indicates the procedure for channel 0 depends upon the value of another channel that has an error. The message is sent to the data output device but an alarm is not generated. To rectify the error, determine which dependent channel contains the error and correct it.

ALARM AND ERROR MESSAGES AND THEIR CAUSES

ACCESS DENIED

Cause

The access code you've entered is different than the one currently listed in the system program.

Solution

Enter the correct access code. It may be on the 2280 Series Programming Form, if not, you can list the system program and read it from there.

Another alternative is to turn the data logger keyswitch to PROGRAM and re-enter the access code.

ALARM LIST NOT FOUND, RE-ENTER

Cause

The alarm list number you requested to copy from hasn't been programmed.

Solution

Program the alarm list directly, or enter the correct number for the alarm list you want to copy.

ALARM LIST NOT PROGRAMMED

Cause

While scanning is active, you've attempted to change a limit value of an alarm list number that is not programmed.

Solution

Make certain you're entering the correct number. If the number isn't programmed, stop the scan, program the alarm list and then start scanning again.

ALARM MESSAGES LOST

Cause

An alarm occurred when the alarm message queue was full and the new alarm message can't be stored.

Solution

Acknowledge one or more of the messages in the alarm queue to make room for new alarms as they occur.

ALARM NUMBER 1-4 NEEDED

Cause

You need to enter a number from 1 through 4 at ALMn (where "n" is between 1 and 4). The alarm number is either missing, or the digit you've specified is outside the range 1 through 4.

Solution

Add 1, 2, 3, or 4 to the function ALMn, or change the existing digit n to be within the range 1 to 4.

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ALL ALARMS ACKNOWLEDGED

Cause

You pressed the ACK key when there weren't any alarms to be acknowledged.

Solution

Press the EXIT key.

ALM

See Cn <user-defined message>

ARGMT NEG

See Cn ARGUMENT NEG IN <operation>

ARGMT OVER

See Cn ARG OUT OF RANGE IN <operation>

ARGMT ZERO

See Cn ARGUMENT ZERO IN <operation>

ASSIGNMENT OPERATOR NEEDED

Cause

The equal sign is missing after the assignment channel (Cx or Cn) at the beginning of the channel procedure statement. This error message also occurs if you fail to enter the assignment channel and assignment operator.

Solution

Change the line at the channel procedure to read:

CX= <expression> or CN= <expression>

AT END OF CARTRIDGE TAPE

Case 1

Cause

While scanning is active, or while running a
single scan, you've reached the end of the tape,
or there's no more room to record data. Scanning
will continue but any logging output sent to the
cartridge tape won't be recorded.

Solution

Stop the scan, remove the tape, and insert another
one. You can safely restart the scan.

Case 2

Cause

There is not enough room on the cartridge tape to
store an entire program. A partial program will be
saved onto the tape.

Solution

Delete the file containing the partial program.
Remove the tape and insert another one. Save the
program onto the second tape.

If the data on this tape is no longer wanted,
initialize the tape (as described in the 2280
Series System Guide) and save the program.

AT END OF TAPE

Cause

While reading from the Parallel Interface, you are trying to read past the double end-of-file mark - no files exist beyond this mark.

Solution

Stop trying to read past the double end-of-file.

AT END OF TAPE <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response to acknowledging the AT END OF CARTRIDGE TAPE alarm with the ALARM ACK key.

BAD TAPE DIRECTORY

Case 1

Cause

The tape you inserted hasn't been initialized.

Solution

Initialize the tape (see System Guide.)

Case 2

Cause

There is a problem with the tape drive hardware.

Solution

Substitute a known good tape. If the error message persists, have the tape drive repaired.

Case 3

Cause

The tape you've inserted appears to have serious problems and none of it can be read.

Solution

If you've ruled out the above possible problems, your tape is probably ruined.

BLANK STRING

Cause

After you press EXIT, a blank line is displayed. You've apparently entered a line consisting of one or more blank spaces, and nothing else.

Solution

Press the CLEAR key, then press ENTER to delete the blank line.

BLANK TAPE

Cause

The inserted tape hasn't been initialized.

Solution

Initialize the tape as described in the 2280 Series System Guide.

) CARTRIDGE TAPE DEVICE FAILED

Cause

Several tape read errors occurred during a data
transfer or program load, or the tape drive is
unable to record data on the tape.

If scanning was active when the error occurred,
then scanning continues, but any logging output
sent to the cartridge tape is no longer recorded on
the tape. The blocks of data already recorded on
the tape are not lost.

The next time the cartridge tape is inserted and a
tape operation is requested, the cartridge tape
will be wound forward to determine how many blocks
of data were recorded on the file before the
cartridge tape was pulled.

Solution

Remove the tape and insert one you know is good.
Try the operation that caused the error. If it
happens again, have the cartridge tape interface
and tape drive serviced.

CARTRIDGE TAPE READ ERROR

Cause

During a data transfer, or a program load, a block of data on the cartridge tape cannot be read, even after several attempts.

If this error occurs during a data transfer, the bad block of data is skipped and the data transfer continues with the next block.

If this error occurs during a program load, the load is aborted.

Solution

Try the operation again. If the error persists, follow the cleaning instructions in the 2280 Series System Guide. After cleaning, try the operation again.

If the error is still present, try a known good tape. If the error goes away then the previously inserted tape is bad. If an error occurs with the known good tape, contact service personnel.

If one tape continues to have intermittent tape read errors while other tapes do not, replace the defective tape.

CARTRIDGE TAPE REMOVED

Case 1

Cause

The cartridge tape was removed from the tape drive during a data transfer or program load. The operation is aborted.

Solution

Reinsert the same cartridge tape (or another one) and start the operation again. A program loaded in this manner probably won't work; you need to completely reload it from tape or re-enter it from the front panel.

Case 2

Cause

The cartridge tape was removed from the tape drive during a program save. Part of the user's program is left on the tape.

Solution

The program saved thus far will not operate properly if loaded into the data logger. Reinsert the tape and delete the file containing the partial user's program.

You can now repeat the program save operation.

Case 3

Cause

A file name was requested and then the cartridge tape was removed while scanning, or during a single scan.

Scanning continues but any logging output sent to the tape is no longer recorded. The blocks of data already recorded on the tape are not lost.

The next time you insert the cartridge tape and request a tape operation, the cartridge tape will wind forward to determine how many blocks of data were recorded on the file before the tape was pulled.

Solution

To start recording again, you must stop and restart scanning. Recording on the tape will not resume if it is inserted.

Start the scan using a new file name.

CHANNEL NOT A PSEUDO CHANNEL

Cause

You've attempted to change the value of a pseudo channel while scanning is active, and the channel number you entered is programmed to some function other than a pseudo channel.

Solution

Make certain you're entering the correct channel number. To program the channel as a pseudo channel, stop the scan, enter the new program and then start the scan again.

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CHANNEL NOT IN ANY SCAN GROUP

Cause

While scanning is active, you've attempted to change the value of a pseudo channel that is not associated with any of the scan groups or channels programmed for plotting.

Solution

You can change the value of a pseudo channel when the 2280 is scanning or plotting as long as the channel meets one of the following criteria.

1. The number appears in a scan group channel list.

2. The number appears in a channel procedure. The channel procedure appears in a channel whose number is included in a scan group channel list.

3. The number is one of the channels to plot.

CHANNEL (OR BLOCK) NOT FOUND, RE-ENTER

Cause

The channel number you're trying to copy from hasn't been programmed.

Solution

Program the channel directly, or enter the correct number for the channel you want to copy.

CHANNEL NUMBER NEEDED

Cause

One of the following has occurred,

o   A channel number, Cn, doesn't appear to the left of the channel procedure statement.

o   The letter C is not in front of a number.

o   There are no parameters for math functions that require one or more channel numbers.

When EXIT is pressed, the cursor is positioned where the channel number is expected.

Solution

Add the channel number, Cn, or insert the missing letter C.

Cn <user-defined message>

Cause

The value assigned to channel Cn has exceeded a user-defined alarm limit value.

Solution

Respond to the message, or redefine the alarm limit value.

Cn ARG OUT OF RANGE <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm
acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response
to acknowledging the Cn ARG OUT OF RANGE IN
<operation> alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

Cn ARG OUT OF RANGE IN <operation>

Cause

During execution of Cn's channel expression or
procedure, one of the operands for the <operation>
was found to be too large or too small.

There is no value assigned to the channel
appearing on the left hand side of the channel
expression or procedure statement.

Solution

Modify the channel expression or procedure to
bring the operand back into range.

Cn ARGUMENT NEG <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm
acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response
to acknowledging the Cn ARGUMENT NEG IN
<operation> alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

Cn ARGUMENT NEG IN <operation>

Cause

While executing Cn's channel expression or
procedure, a negative operand for the <operation>
was found. A negative operand is not allowed.

There is no value assigned to the channel
appearing on the left hand side of the channel
expression or procedure statement.

Solution

Modify the channel expression or procedure so the
operation does not have a negative operand.

Cn ARGUMENT ZERO <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm
acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response
to acknowledging the Cn ARGUMENT ZERO IN
<operation> alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

Cn ARGUMENT ZERO IN <operation>

Cause

While executing Cn's channel expression or
procedure, a zero operand for the <operation> was
found. A zero operand isn't allowed here.

There is no value assigned to the channel
appearing on the left hand side of the channel
expression or procedure statement.

Solution

Modify the channel expression or procedure so the
operation doesn't have a zero operand.

Cn DENOMINATOR ZERO \<time occurred\> \<time acknowledged\>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm
acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response
to acknowledging the Cn DENOMINATOR ZERO
\<operation\> alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

Cn DENOMINATOR ZERO IN \<operation\>

Cause

During execution of Cn's channel expression or
procedure, the \<operation\> appearing there
attempted a division by zero.

There is no value assigned to the channel
appearing on the left hand side of the channel
expression or procedure statement.

Solution

Modify the channel expression or procedure so the
operation does not have a zero argument.

If the \<operation\> is INTERPOLATION, then the
table has two adjacent entries with the same input
measurement value. Delete one of the entries or
change one of the input measurement values.

Cn FUNC DISAGREES WITH CONFIGURATION

Cause

The programmed channel function for channel Cn is not one of the allowed functions for the serial link device responding for channel Cn.

This error is detected whenever you attempt to start scan, single scan, monitor, or plot.

For example, this error occurs if you programmed Channel 0 as an analog output with the hardware configured with an a/d converter at address 0.

Solution

Do a list hardware configuration to find out what serial link device is responding for channel Cn.

If the wrong device is being listed, check all the serial link address switches to make sure they're correctly set.

If the wrong device is installed, install the correct serial link device. Also, make certain you've programmed channel Cn to respond to the desired function.

Cn HAS NO SERIAL LINK DEVICE

Cause

The serial link device that is to respond to
channel Cn is either not installed, not connected
to the system, has an incorrect address switch
setting, or has failed.

This error is detected whenever you attempt to
start scan, single scan, monitor, or plot.

Solution

Check all the serial link address switches,
cabling, and power supply (if the device is in a
2281A with an optional power supply).

If necessary, call service personnel.

Cn ILLEGAL BCD NO <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm
acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response
to acknowledging the Cn ILLEGAL BCD NO <operation>
alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

Cn ILLEGAL BCD NO

Cause

During a scan, a bcd digit with binary value
greater than 9 is present on one or more of the
digit fields for the digital input.

There is no value assigned to the channel Cn.

Solution

Check digital input line wiring.

Cn Lm INPUT CHANNEL IN LHS

Cause

There is a measurement channel appearing on the left hand side (LHS) of line m in the channel procedure of channel Cn. This error is detected when you attempt to start a scan, single scan, monitor, or plot.

You cannot output to a measurement channel.

Solution

Change the channel number appearing on the left-hand side (LHS) of the procedure to a pseudo channel number or output channel number, or

Delete the programming for the measurement channel.

Cn Lm MATHBOARD REQUIRED

Cause

Line m of the procedure programmed for channel Cn requires the Advanced Math board (option -211), and the option is either not installed or has failed.

This error is detected when attempting to start a scan, single scan, monitor, or plot.

Solution

Perform one of the following:

o   Change the channel procedure statement so the Advanced Math option isn't needed.
o   Install the Advanced Math board.
o   If installed, have the Advanced Math board repaired.

Cn MATH OVERFLOW <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response to acknowledging the Cn MATH OVERFLOW <operation> alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

Cn MATH OVERFLOW IN <operation>

Cause

While executing Cn's channel expression or procedure, the result of the <operation> was outside the range of -9.22E18 to 9.22E18.

There is no value assigned to the channel appearing to the left of the channel expression or procedure statement.

Solution

Modify the channel expression or procedure so the result of the operation is within the allowable range.

Cn NO CONVERGENCE <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response to acknowledging the Cn NO CONVERGENCE <operation> alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

Cn NO CONVERGENCE

Cause

Using the measured RTD resistance and the programmed RTD constants, the RTD temperature calculation cannot converge to a solution. This can happen while scanning, doing a single scan, monitoring, or plotting.

There is no value assigned to the channel Cn.

Solution

Check the programmed RTD constants for channel Cn to see if they are correct. If the constants seem okay, change the channel function of channel Cn to the resistance function, and then monitor channel Cn and determine if a valid RTD resistance is being measured for the RTD temperature.

If the resistance is okay, verify that the correct RTD constants are being programmed.

Cn NO DEVICE REPLY <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response to acknowledging the Cn NO DEVICE REPLY <operation> alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

Cn NO DEVICE REPLY

Cause

While scanning, monitoring, plotting, or doing a
single scan, a serial link device associated with
channel Cn has stopped communicating over the
serial link.

There is no value assigned to the channel Cn.

Solution

Check to see if the serial link cable has been
disconnected, the address switch altered, or
whether the device has lost power.

If the device is an a/d, it has power if the LED
at the rear edge of the card next to the address
switch is on.

If the device is installed in an extender chassis,
2281A, then the device has power if the LED on the
front of the 2281A is on.

Cn NO MEASUREMENT <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm
acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response
to acknowledging the Cn NO MEASUREMENT <operation>
alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

Cn NO MEASUREMENT

Cause

The A/D converter and scanner card associated with
channel Cn can't complete a measurement because
they aren't working properly. This alarm message
can happen during scanning, single scan,
monitoring, or plotting.

There is no value assigned to the channel Cn.

Solution

Have service personnel repair the a/d and scanner
cards.

Cn NOT ON SERIAL LINK DEVICE

Cause

The channel number n is outside the range of
channels for the serial link device associated
with the block of ten channels that Cn is in.

This can occur with bcd/binary input,
counter/totalizer input, and analog output when
attempting to start a scan, single scan, monitor,
or plot.

Solution

Change your channel number to within the range of
channels for the serial link device.

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Cn OPEN TC <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm
acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response
to acknowledging the Cn OPEN TC alarm using the
ALARM ACK key.

Cn OPEN TC

Cause

The thermocouple for channel Cn is broken or
damaged. This alarm message can occur during
scanning, single scan, monitoring, or plotting.

There is no value assigned to the channel Cn.

Solution

Repair or replace the thermocouple or the
thermocouple wiring.

Cn OVER RANGE <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm
acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response
to acknowledging the Cn OVER RANGE alarm using the
ALARM ACK key.

Cn OVER RANGE

Cause

The input voltage for channel Cn exceeds the range programmed for it. This alarm message can occur during scanning, single scan, monitoring, or plotting. There is no value assigned to the channel Cn.

Solution

Program channel Cn with a higher voltage range or check and adjust the input voltage.

Cn OVER TEMP <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response to acknowledging the Cn OVER TEMP alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

Cn OVER TEMPERATURE

Cause

The temperature for channel Cn is outside the specified range for the thermocouple or RTD being used. This can occur during scanning, single scan, monitoring, or plotting.

Solution

Reduce the temperature being measured by the sensor, or replace the sensor with one that measures the higher or lower temperature.

If a different type of sensor is used, programming for channel Cn must be changed.

Cn PREVIOUSLY DEFINED
Cn..m PREVIOUSLY DEFINED

Cause

The channel (Cn) or channels from the range
specified (Cn..m) have already been programmed.

Solution

You have the following options,

o   Delete the previously programmed channel or
     channel block.
o   Program two blocks instead of just one.
o   Split the previously programmed channel
     block in two: copy the block to a temporary
     channel; delete the channel block; copy the
     temporary channel into the two new blocks.

Cn SERIAL LINK FAILURE OR OVERLAP

Case 1

Cause

Two or more devices are responding to the same
serial link address.

Solution

Remove the serial link device associated with
channel Cn and restart the operation.

If the error changes to Cn FUNC DISAGREES WITH
CONF, or there is no error, then some other device
is also addressed to respond for channel Cn.

Find the serial link device and change the address
so it doesn't conflict with channel Cn.

Case 2

Cause

The serial link device associated with channel Cn is faulty. This error occurs when you are trying to start a scan, single scan, monitor, or plot.

Solution

Remove the serial link device associated with channel Cn and restart the operation.

If the error changes to Cn HAS NO SERIAL LINK DEVICE, then the device you disconnected is faulty.

Cn SERIAL LINK SELF-TEST FAILED

Cause

The serial link device associated with channel number Cn is faulty.

Solution

Have the serial link device repaired.

Cn UNKNOWN SERIAL LINK DEVICES

Cause

The serial link device associated with channel Cn is not known to this version of software.

Solution

The 2280A and the 2285B cannot operate the 2280B-170 Analog Output or the 2280B-167 Counter/Totalizer options.

Cn LIMIT m <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm
acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response
to acknowledging the Cn <user defined message>
alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

Cn OUT OF RANGE <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm
acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response
to acknowledging the Cn OUT OF RANGE alarm using
the ALARM ACK key.

Cn OUT OF RANGE

Case 1

Cause

The input frequency for channel Cn is below 1.5
Hz. There is no channel value assigned to channel
Cn.

Solution

Increase the frequency to a value above 1.5 Hz.

Case 2

Cause

The number of counts for channel Cn has exceeded
8,388,607 counts. There is no channel value
assigned to channel Cn.

Solution

Read channel Cn more often.

COMMAND TOO LONG

Cause

A concise command string longer than 80 characters was received. The concise command is aborted.

Solution

Break the concise command string up into two or more substrings.

CX SYMBOL NEEDED

Cause

Channel number Cn was entered in a channel expression. The channel self reference, CX, is the only channel reference allowed in channel expressions.

When EXIT is pressed, the cursor is positioned where the channel self reference, CX, is expected.

Solution

Change the math so that no other channel number is used except CX.

If information from more than one channel is required in the computation, use a pseudo channel to perform the operation.

CURSOR POINTS TO ENTRY ERROR

Cause

A parsing error has occurred for a new feature added to the math board option, and your version of the 2280 Series controller software doesn't have the appropriate error message.

DELIMITER NEEDED

Cause

The delimiter "//" is missing, or another
character is located where the delimiter should
be. When EXIT is pressed, the cursor is positioned
where the delimiter is expected.

Solution

Remove unnecessary characters and add the
delimiter.

DENOM ZERO

See Cn DENOMINATOR ZERO IN <operation>

DESTINATION DEVICE NOT AVAILABLE

Cause

The destination device you're trying to send data
to is not installed, or has failed.

Solution

Request a valid destination device or install the
one you've specified.

If the device you requested is installed, and you
still get this error message, it probably needs
repair.

DIGIT EXPECTED
DIGIT OR . EXPECTED

Cause

Another character is present where a digit or "."
is expected in a floating point constant.

When EXIT is pressed, the cursor is positioned
where the digit or "." is expected.

Solution

Remove the unwanted characters, or add characters
to create the correct syntax.

EMPTY STRING

Cause

No file name or floating point number was present
when the ENTER key was pushed.

Solution

Add the desired file name or floating point number
before pressing ENTER.

FILE NAME ALREADY EXISTS

Cause

The filename you entered when requesting a program
save, or when beginning a scan or single scan, has
already been used on this tape for another file.

Solution

Use a filename unique to the cartridge tape. To
find out which names have already been used, list
the tape directory.

FILE NAME NOT FOUND

Cause

The filename you requested for a program load or data
transfer doesn't exist on this cartridge tape.

Solution

List the cartridge tape directory to determine
what files are on this tape.

FUNCTION NOT AVAILABLE

Cause

The requested data transfer or tape functions, or
selected channel functions, aren't available in
this model of the 2280 Series Data Logger.

ILLEG BCD

See Cn ILLEGAL BCD NO

IN REMOTE

Cause

You pressed a key on the front panel, other than
LOCAL when the REMOTE light is on.

Solution

If you want front panel control of the data
logger, press the LOCAL key first.

IN REMOTE WITH LOCKOUT

Cause

You pressed a front panel key while the 2280 was in the "remote with front panel lockout" state. The data logger is put into this state by a remote terminal or computer.

Solution

To return the data logger to local control, follow the instructions for "return-to-local" in the Remote Programming and Operations section of this user guide.

INCOMPATIBLE MATH BOARD SOFTWARE

Cause

The versions of math board software and controller board software are incompatible.

Solution

Contact the nearest Fluke service center.

LAST CHAN MUST BE GREATER THAN FIRST

Cause

The channel block Cn..m uses a first number (n) that is larger than the second number (m).

When you press EXIT, the cursor is positioned at the incorrect channel block.

Solution

Edit the channel block so the first number is smaller than the second.

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LEFT PARENTHESIS NEEDED

Cause

When EXIT is pressed, the cursor is positioned
where the left parenthesis is expected.

Solution

Edit the line to correct the syntax error.

LIMIT NOT PROGRAMMED

Cause

While scanning is active, you've attempting to
change a limit value in a number that has not
been programmed.

Solution

Enter the correct alarm list or limit number, or
stop scanning, program the limit number, and
restart scanning.

LISTING DEVICE NOT AVAILABLE

Cause

You have requested the list function or list of
tape directory from a device that is either not
installed, or that has failed its self test.

Solution

Select one of the following:
o   Choose a different output device. Select from
     menu choices in the list or tape function.
o   If necessary, install the requested device.
o   If the device is already installed, and the
     error persists, have the device repaired.

Math Execution Alarms

Math function alarms occur for a specific channel. The error message is followed by the <operation> being performed when the error occurred.

For example, a possible error message is MATH OVERFLOW IN ADDITION. The <operation> is ADDITION. Other possible operations are,

ADDITION	LINEARIZATION
ARC COSINE	MULTIPLICATION
ARC SINE	NATURAL LOG
COMMON LOG	POWER OF E
DIVISION	REFERENCE VOLTAGE
EXPONENTIATION	SQUARE ROOT
GROUP AVERAGE	STD DEVIATION
INTEGER PART	SUBTRACTION
INTERPOLATION	TANGENT

MATH BOARD APU TEST FAILED

Cause

The arithmetic processing unit on the advanced math option is not functioning properly.

The data logger will try to operate without using the math board.

Solution

Have the math board repaired. As a temporary solution, try starting a scan and plot, if plot is also programmed.

If there are no start-up errors, you can use the data logger without using the math board, but with a possible reduced throughput rate.

MATH BOARD DOES NOT RESPOND

Cause

The math board is installed, but does not interrupt the controller board at power-up.

The data logger will try to operate without using the math board.

Solution

Have the math board repaired. As a temporary solution, try starting a scan and plot if plot is also programmed.

If there are no start-up errors, you can use the data logger without using the math board, but with a possible reduced throughput rate.

MATH BOARD INTERFACE FAILED

Cause

The math board is installed, but cannot communicate with the controller board.

The data logger will try to operate without using the math board.

Solution

Have the math board repaired. As a temporary solution, try starting a scan and plot, if plot is also programmed.

If there are no start-up errors, you can use the data logger without using the math board, but with a possible reduced throughput rate.

MATH BOARD RAM TEST FAILED

Cause

There is a bad RAM or a faulty RAM control circuit on the math board.

The data logger will try to operate without using the math board.

Solution

Have the math board repaired. As a temporary solution, try starting a scan and plot, if plot is also programmed.

If there are no start-up errors, you can use the data logger without using the math board, but with a possible reduced throughput rate.

MATH BOARD ROM CHECKSUM TEST FAILED

Cause

There is a bad ROM or a faulty ROM control circuit on the math board.

The data logger will try to operate without using the math board.

Solution

Have the math board repaired. As a temporary solution, try starting a scan and plot, if plot is also programmed. If there are no start-up errors, you can use the data logger without using the math board, but with a possible reduced throughput rate.

MATH OVER

See Cn MATH OVERFLOW IN <operation>

NEARING END OF TAPE <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm acknowledgement device (if programmed) in response to acknowledging the NEARING END OF TAPE alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

NEARING END OF CARTRIDGE TAPE

Cause

The cartridge tape is almost full of logged data. This warning message occurs only during scan or single scan.

The 2280 Series Data Logger continues recording scan data on the cartridge tape until the end of the cartridge tape is reached.

Solution

Before the end of the cartridge tape is reached, stop the scan, remove the tape, and insert another tape with space for additional recording of logged data.

NO CONVRG

See Cn NO CONVERGENCE

NO MEASMNT

See Cn NO MEASUREMENT

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NO REPLY

See Cn NO DEVICE REPLY

NO ROOM ON TAPE

Cause

When you attempt to do a program save, or start a
scan or a single scan, no room is available on the
inserted cartridge tape.

Either the tape directory is full or there are no
more blocks available on this tape.

Solution

Delete some of the files at the end of the
directory (this is one of the tape function menu
choices) or remove the cartridge tape and insert
another one.

NO SCAN GROUPS PROGRAMMED

Cause

You've attempted to start a scan when there are no
scan groups programmed.

Solution

Program one or more scan groups before you press
the SCAN key.

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NO TAPE INSTALLED

Cause

You've requested a data transfer or tape operation, or attempted to start a scan or single scan, when there is no cartridge tape inserted.

Solution

Insert a cartridge tape and try again.

NOT A PROGRAM FILE

Cause

The filename selected for a program load is a data file instead of a program file.

Solution

Enter the name of a program file. Listing the tape directory will show you which files are program files.

NOT PROGRAMMED

Cause

You're trying to delete a channel, channel block, alarm list, or scan group that is not currently programmed.

Solution

Enter the correct number.

OPEN TC

See Cn OPEN TC

OPERAND EXPECTED

Cause

Two math operators, (i.e., +, -, /, *, etc.) appear
next to each other, or an operator was misspelled.
When EXIT is pressed, the cursor is positioned
where the operand is expected.

Solution

Correct the math expression.

OPERATOR EXPECTED

Cause

An operator, (i.e., +, -, /, *, etc.) is missing
from the math expression or is misspelled.

When EXIT is pressed, the cursor is positioned
where the operand is expected.

Solution

Correct the math expression.

OUT OF RANGE

See Cn OUT OF RANGE

OUT OF USER MEMORY

Cause

The amount of information that can be stored by
the 2280 has been exceeded, or there is not enough
room in user memory to store the channel values as
they are read, along with the other information
needed during scanning.

Solution

Reduce the program size by eliminating any unused
channel programs, scan groups, alarm lists, plot
programming, or interpolation tables.

You can also delete or shorten any of the channel
or scan group labels, channel expressions and
procedures, or alarm messages.

OVER RANGE

See Cn OVER RANGE

OVER TEMP

See Cn OVER TEMPERATURE

PLOT NOT PROGRAMMED

Cause

You are attempting to plot parameters that
haven't been programmed.

Solution

Program the desired parameters before beginning to
plot.

PORT <A or B> SELF-TEST FAILED

Cause

The designated port is faulty.

Solution

Have the device that is installed in the designated port repaired.

As a temporary solution, you can keep using the logger as long as you don't output data to the faulty port. The data logger will try to work without the port.

POWER FAILED <Date> <Time>

Cause

Power was lost while the instrument was scanning or plotting, and then was restored at the specified date and time.

Solution

Use a 12 volt battery as a power backup to the 2280 Series Data Logger.

POWER FAILED <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm acknowledgement device in response to acknowledging the POWER FAILED alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

PRINTER NOT AVAILABLE

Cause

The printer has a fault associated with it when attempting to start the plot function.

Solution

Have the printer repaired.

PRINTER OUT OF PAPER

Cause

The printer ran out of paper during a scan, single scan, plot, listing, or data transfer.

Solution

Replace the printer paper as described in the Recording chapter (section 6) of this user guide.

PROPAGATED

Cause

A channel procedure statement that assigns a value to the channel Cn is dependent upon another channel, Cm, which has an error.

The channel Cm has no value associated with it; therefore no value can be calculated for channel Cn.

Solution

Correct the problem associated with channel Cm.

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RAM TEST FAILED

Cause

There is a bad RAM or a faulty RAM control circuit on the controller or memory board.

The data logger will attempt to continue operation, but there is no guarantee as to what might happen.

Solution

Have the controller and memory boards repaired.

RIGHT PARENTHESIS NEEDED

Cause

You've entered a line missing a right parenthesis, or having too many left parenthesis.

When you press EXIT, the cursor is positioned where the right parenthesis is expected.

Solution

Add a right parenthesis, or remove a left one.

ROM CHECKSUM TEST FAILED

Cause

There is a bad ROM or a faulty ROM control circuit on the controller or memory board.

The data logger attempts to continue operation, with no guarantee what might happen.

Solution

Have the controller and memory boards repaired.

SCAN GROUP NOT FOUND, RE-ENTER

Cause

The scan group you wish to copy from isn't
programmed.

Solution

Program the scan group directly, or enter the
correct number for the existing scan group you
wish to copy.

SGn PORT <A or B> NOT PROGRAMMED FOR IEEE
SGn PORT <A or B> NOT PROGRAMMED FOR PARALLEL
SGn PORT <A or B> NOT PROGRAMMED FOR RS-232

Cause

The device installed in the indicated port is not
the same as that selected in output device
programming. SGn identifies the scan group number.

Solution

Change the device type specified in output device
programming or have the correct option installed.

SGn PRINTER NOT AVAILABLE
SGn PORT A NOT AVAILABLE
SGn PORT B NOT AVAILABLE
SGn TAPE NOT AVAILABLE

Cause

The printer, port A, port B, or the tape has been
selected as an output device in scan group SGn and
the device is not installed or has failed.

Solution

Install or repair the output device.

SGn NOT PROGRAMMED

Cause

You are attempting to start up a single scan for scan group SGn, which has not been programmed.

Solution

Enter the correct scan group number, or if it doesn't exist, program the desired scan group.

SINGLE CHANNEL NUMBER NEEDED

Cause

The channel number you've entered has too many C's in it.

Solution

Delete the extra C's. The channel number shouldn't have more than one C.

SOURCE DEVICE MUST BE MAGTAPE

Cause

You are requesting a data transfer from port A or port B that has an IEEE-488 (Option -342) or RS-232-C (Option -341) installed.

Solution

Install a Parallel Interface (Option -343/AA) to a Kennedy magtape. This is the only port A or port B device that data can be transferred from during a data transfer.

SOURCE DEVICE NOT AVAILABLE

Cause

You are trying to transfer data from a device that
is either not installed or that has failed.

Solution

Do one of the following,

o   Check to be certain you're entering the
     correct device number.
o   Install the desired device if it isn't
     present.
o   If the device is installed and you're
     entering the correct number, the device needs
     repair.

SOURCE SAME AS DESTINATION

Cause

When starting a data transfer, you specified the
same device for both the destination and the
source.

Solution

Select the correct source and destination devices.

TABLE NUMBER 0-9 NEEDED

Cause

The "n" part of the interpolation table, TBLn, is not present, or is not a digit between 0 and 9.

When you press EXIT, the cursor is positioned where the table number n is expected.

Solution

Correct (or add) the table number.

TAPE DEVICE FAILED <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm acknowledgement device in response to acknowledging the CARTRIDGE TAPE DEVICE FAILED alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

TAPE OPTION NOT AVAILABLE

Cause

The DC100A Cartridge Tape Drive option is not installed or has failed.

Solution

Install or repair the DC100A Cartridge Tape Drive.

TAPE REMOVED <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm acknowledgement device in response to acknowledging the CARTRIDGE TAPE REMOVED alarm using the ALARM ACK key.

TAPE SELF-TEST FAILED

Cause

The DC100A Cartridge Tape Drive option is faulty.

Solution

Have the DC100A Cartridge Tape Drive repaired.

As a temporary solution, as long as you don't output data to the tape drive, you can continue logging data. The 2280 will try to work without the tape drive option.

TAPE WRITE PROTECTED

Cause

The inserted cartridge tape has the RECORD tab in the "read only" position.

This error can occur when you start a scan, single scan or program save.

Solution

Remove the cartridge tape, move the RECORD tab to the record position, re-insert the tape, and start the operation again.

If you're deleting files to the end of the present directory, or are initializing the tape, make sure this is really what you want to do. The tape may have been write protected because the files are not supposed to be erased.

TOO MANY OPERATOR LEVELS OR PARENTHESES

Cause

The math expression or statement has more than three pairs of nested parentheses.

When press EXIT, the cursor is positioned where the unexpected parentheses begin.

Solution

Change the expression or statement so there are no more than three levels of nested parentheses.

UNEXPECTED ADDITIONAL CHARACTERS

Cause

There are extra characters after the x-y number pair in the interpolation table entry.

For example, in,

   3.4//5.6//6.1,

The string "//6.1" are extra characters.

When you press EXIT, the cursor is positioned where the unexpected additional characters begin.

Solution

Remove the extra characters.

USE FORMAT DD MMM YY

Cause

Parts of the date are left out or mistyped, or the day of month is incorrect.

When you press EXIT, the cursor is positioned where the incorrect date format is located.

Solution

Edit the date so the numerical day of the month isn't too large for the month. For example, no month contains more than 31 days.

October 30, 1986 will read: 30 OCT 86

The three letters in the middle should be abbreviations of the month, with the year as the last two digits.

USE FORMAT HH.MM.SS WHERE HH<24

Cause

The time string entered contains hours larger than 23 or minutes or seconds larger than 59. Too many decimals may also be present.

When you press EXIT, the cursor is positioned where the incorrect time format is located.

Solution

Edit the time so hours are less than 24 and minutes and seconds are less than 60.

Make sure there is a decimal point located between the hours and minutes and between the minutes and seconds.

USE FORMAT NN//NN//... WHERE NN<96

Cause

The numbers entered for ASCII values are too large
or the delimiters are incorrect.

Solution

Use ASCII values less than 96, and use delimiters
as shown in the error message.

USE NO MORE THAN SIX NUMBERS

Cause

There are more than six ASCII values in the ASCII
sequence.

Solution

Use an ASCII sequence that is no longer than six
ASCII values.

USER PROGRAM CORRUPTED

Cause

The user program was altered unintentionally. This
can happen if RAM becomes faulty or if there is a
fault with the user memory backup battery.

A minimum program is saved for the user.

Solution

Re-enter your program from the 2280 Series
Programming Form or load it from cartridge tape.

If the problem continues, contact service
personnel.

USER PROGRAM LOST

Cause

The user program is no longer present when the
data logger is turned on. This can happen when
the 2280 Series Data Logger is turned off for a
period longer than 30 days. It may also occur if
there's a fault with the memory backup battery. A
minimum program is saved for the user.

Solution

Re-enter your program from the 2280 Series
Programming Form.

The data logger should retain your program in
memory for at least thirty days. If the program
isn't retained, the 2280 probably needs repair.

WATCH-DOG TIMEOUT <Date> <Time>

Cause

While the instrument was scanning or plotting, a
hardware or software fault occurred, causing a
hardware watch-dog timer to reset the data logger.

Solution

Contact service personnel, especially if the
watch-dog timeout keeps occurring.

WATCH-DOG TIMEOUT <time occurred> <time acknowledged>

Cause

This message is recorded on the alarm
acknowledgement device in response to
acknowledging the WATCH-DOG TIMEOUT alarm using
the ALARM ACK key.

1499 IS THE LARGEST CHANNEL ALLOWED

Cause

A channel number larger than 1499 was entered.

Solution

Enter a channel number <= 1499.

1499 IS THE LARGEST NUMBER ALLOWED

Cause

An alarm list number larger than 1499 was entered. If the alarm list number was less than 1499, check your channel programming. A number in a channel expression or procedure statement may be larger than 1499. When you press EXIT, the cursor is positioned where the incorrect number is located.

Solution

Change the alarm list number or channel number so it is less than or equal to 1499.

2.8E-20 IS SMALLEST CONSTANT ALLOWED

Cause

The magnitude of the constant that was entered, or that appears in a channel expression or procedure statement, is too small to be represented internally by the 2280 Series Data Logger.

When you press EXIT, the cursor is positioned where the incorrect constant is located.

Solution

Change to an absolute value larger than 2.71E-20.

2280 SELF-TEST

Cause

A device on the device bus is hanging up the bus.
The controller card cannot communicate with the
display to update the prompts.

The 2280 SELF-TEST message is displayed by the
software whenever the display interface board
receives a bus reset.

If working properly, this message is displayed 3
to 4 seconds after the data logger has been turned
on. If the message continues, the data logger is
locked up.

Solution

If the message continues to be displayed, have the
unit repaired.

4095 IS LARGEST NUMBER ALLOWED

Cause

A fixed record length number greater than 4095
characters was entered for the parallel I/O.

Solution

Change the number to be less than, or equal to,
4095.

9.2E18 IS LARGEST CONSTANT ALLOWED

Cause

The magnitude of the entered constant, or one that appears in a channel expression or procedure statement, is too large to be represented internally by the 2280 series data logger.

When you press EXIT, the cursor is positioned where the incorrect constant is located.

Solution

Change the number so its absolute value is smaller than 9.22E18.

99 IS THE LARGEST CHANNEL ALLOWED

Cause

A channel number larger than 99 was entered.

Solution

Change to a channel number <= 99.

99 IS THE LARGEST NUMBER ALLOWED

Cause

An alarm list number larger than 99 has been entered, or a channel number larger than 99 appears in a channel expression or procedure statement.

When you press EXIT, the cursor is positioned where the incorrect number is located.

Solution

Enter an alarm list (or channel) number <= 99.

+, - OR DIGIT EXPECTED
+, -, . OR DIGIT EXPECTED

Cause

Some other character is present where a

        "+"
        "-"
        "."

or digit is expected in a floating point constant.

When you press EXIT, the cursor is positioned
where the "+","-","."; or digit is expected.

Solution

Remove the unwanted characters or add characters
to create the correct syntax.

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a/d converter

Analog-to-Digital Converter. A circuit used to convert
information in analog form (such as voltage or current
measurements) into digital form.

ADC

See a/d converter.

address

The channel number that represents an I/O channel.

alarm acknowledgement device

The device (printer, cartridge tape, port A, or port B)
where alarm messages are acknowledged and the time of
the alarm is recorded.

analog

The representation of numerical quantities that do not
have discrete values but that are continuously variable.
Electrical measurements are analog in nature until
converted into digital signals by an a/d converter. See
digital.

ANSI

American National Standards Institute; an industry
supported U.S. organization that primarily serves to
coordinate and publish technical standards requested by its
members.

arithmetic expression

An equation with arithmetic operators producing a numerical
result.

arithmetic operator

A process to be applied to numerical values in an equation
(+,-,/, etc.).

array

A group of numbers sharing the same variable name, followed
by a subscript.

ASCII

American Standard Code for Information Interchange; ASCII is a standardized code set of 128 characters, including upper and lower case alphabet, numerals, and a set of control characters (line feed, carriage return, etc.)

baud

Originally used to express the capabilities of a telegraph transmission facility in terms of "modulation rate per unit of time." For practical purposes, it is now used interchangeably with "bits per second" as a unit of measure for data flow.

BCD

Binary Coded Decimal; BCD is a digital data format in which each digit of a decimal (base 10) number is represented in order, by its binary equivalent. For example, the decimal number 597 is represented as (0101 1001 0111) in BCD. See binary.

binary

The base two number system; binary numbers are made up of ones and zeros. The least significant digit represents one, the next digit represents twos, the next digit represents fours, and so on with each digit of the binary number corresponding to the next higher exponent of two. See also BCD.

bit

The smallest element of a binary number; a bit (contraction of "binary digit") either represents a high or a low state (one or zero, also mark or space).

bridge

In a measuring system, an instrument in which part or all of its circuit measures one or more electrical quantities. In a 2280 Series system, quarter-, half-, and full-bridge strain gauges can be used. See microstrain, strain gauge.

CCITT

Comite Consulatif International Telegraphic et Telephonique; an international organization concerned with devising and proposing standards for international telecommunications.

CD

Carrier Detect; RS-232-C, line 8. This signal is sent by DCE to tell DTE that a suitable carrier is present at the DCE. See also DTE, DCE.

channel expression

A computation applied to the raw input of same (measurement) channel

channel procedure

A set of expressions involving more than one channel.

concise command string

A set of commands used when the 2280 is controlled remotely be a computer.

Counter/Totalizer

The 2280 Series option that measures frequency and totalizes event occurrences.

CTS

Clear to Send; RS-232-C line 5. Sent by DCE to DTE when it is ready to accept data. See also DCE, DTE.

current shunt

Traditionally, a precision, low-value resistor placed across an ammeter's terminals to increase its range. The 2280 uses a current shunt resistor in the input circuitry of each channel of the current input connector (Option 2400A-171). The shunt resistor allows the current input to develop a voltage which the 2280A-161 Analog to Digital Converter can measure.

DAV

Data Valid; an IEEE-488 bus handshake signal, bus line 6. Indicates the availability data byte. See also handshake, NDAC, NRFD.

DCE

Data Communication Equipment; the RS-232-C term for computer equipment that sends or receives data. Modems are examples of DCE. The other type of computer equipment specified by RS-232 is DTE, Data Terminal Equipment.

DCL

Device Clear, IEEE-488 Universal Command, ASCII code 20. This message, from the Controller, causes all instruments on the bus to reset the IEEE-488 interface of each instrument on the bus to a known state. The action taken by each instrument is unique for that instrument.

default

The value or state selected by system software (or firmware) when the user doesn't specify one.

delimiter

A character that sets the beginning and end of a string, and is not considered to be a part of the string. the two delimiters allowed by the 2280 Series are // (double slash) and : (colon).

digital

A circuit or device concerned only with high or low states (or pulses), generating a logical or numerical result. Digital computers, calculators, and digital watches use digital circuitry. See analog.

DSR

Data Set Ready; RS-232-C line 6. Indicator from DCE to DTE that a suitable line connection has been made, that all preliminary line protocol is complete, and that it is ready for data transfer. See also DCE, DTE.

DTE

Data Terminal Equipment; the RS-232-C Standard term for computer equipment where digital information originates or terminates. The 2280, terminals, and computers are examples of DTE. The other type of computer equipment specified by RS-232-C is DCE, Data Communication Equipment.

DTR

Data Terminal Ready; RS-232-C line 20. Sent by DTE to DCE when it is ready to transfer data.

EIA

Electronic Industries Association; the organization that devises electrical and data communication standards including RS-232-C and RS-422.

EOI

End Or Identify, IEEE-488 bus line 5. Often used by a
Talker to designate the end of a data transfer sequence.

expression

A combination of variables, constants, numbers, or function
references, separated by operators and parentheses in such
a way that the whole can be reduced to a single result. See
also arithmetic expression, logical expression, relational
expression.

floating point

A numerical notation useful for computer calculations. In
the 2280, the resolution of a floating point number is 7
digits, and its range is up to 38 places either side of the
decimal. When the decimal point is out of range of the
displayed digits, the number is displayed in exponential
form (E+mn or E-mn, where mn represents the number of
places the decimal point must be moved; + for right and -
for left). See also floating point variable, integer
variable.

frequency

The cycles-per-second (Hertz) of ac signal. Can be measured
in a 2280 system using the Counter/Totalizer Option
(2280B-167).

gauge factor

A strain gauge parameter, gauge factor specifies the
characteristics of the strain gauge material being used.

GND

Ground; RS-232-C line 1. A chassis connection intended for
the cable shield. Not to be used for signal reference.

GPIB

General Purpose Interface Bus. This is a commonly used name for the IEEE-488 instrument interconnection bus.

handshake

The three-wire hardware protocol used to exchange data on the IEEE-488 Bus. Three bus lines (DAV, NRFD, NDAC) coordinate sending and receiving of data.

IEEE

Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, Inc., 345 East 47th Street, New York, NY 10017. The IEEE is the publisher of Standard IEEE-488-1978, for interconnection of electronic instruments.

IEEE-488 Bus

A parallel bus system agreed upon by participating instrument manufacturers for interconnecting instruments to form a system.

IFC

Interface Clear; IEEE-488 Bus line 9. Set high by the controller to reset the IEEE-488 interface of each instrument on the bus to a known state. The action taken by each instrument on the bus is unique for that instrument.

interface

A hardware and software connection of a device to a system. For example, either the Serial Interface or the IEEE-488 Interface must be used to connect a host computer to the 2280.

interference

The presence of undesirable energy in a circuit, caused by electrostatically or electromagnetically coupled external circuits.

I/O

Input/Output.

isothermal

Means an area of equal temperature. The 2280 Series Thermocouple Input Connector (Option 2280A-175) uses an alloy isothermal terminal block to stabilize and equalize input lead temperatures.

Limit Values

Reference points used in alarm list programming.

Listener

IEEE-488 bus device designated by a Controller to receive data or instructions from a designated Talker or controller. There can be more than one Listener on a bus at the same time.

logical expression

An expression that can contain variables, constants, and function references, and is separated by logical operators and parentheses, yielding a logical result (true or false).

logical operator

A function that compares, selects, or matches. In the 2280, the logical operators are AND, OR, and NOT. These are used for Boolean operation. See also Boolean Algebra.

microstrain

The unit of strain measured by a strain gauge in a 2280 system.

MLA

My Listen Address; IEEE-488 Bus Listen Address. ASCII codes 32 through 62 correspond to MLA 0 to MLA 30, respectively. Each instrument on the bus must have a unique Listen Address. See also MTA.

modem

A transmitter and receiver of digital data. One modem receives data from an attached computer terminal and sends the data on a modulated carrier signal to another modem. The other modem demodulates the received carrier and sends the recovered data to another computer terminal.

MTA

My Talk Address; IEEE-488 Talk Address. ASCII codes 64 through 94 correspond to MTA 0 to MLA 30, respectively. Each instrument on the bus must have a unique Talk Address. See also MLA.

NDAC

Not Data Accepted; IEEE-488 handshake signal, bus line 8. Held high by each Listener until the current data byte is accepted. Only when all Listeners on the bus have released NDAC will it go low. See also DAV, handshake, NRFD.

NRFD

Not Ready For Data; IEEE-488 handshake signal, bus line 7. Held high by each Listener until it is ready to receive a data byte. Only when all listeners on the bus have released NRFD will it go low. See also DAV, handshake, NDAC.

operand

The components of a mathematical expression. Each, when evaluated, has an arithmetic value.

operator

A term for symbols within an application program (such as + or <) that identify operations to be performed. Also see arithmetic operator, logical operator.

overrange

The state indicated by a measurement instrument when an input signal is greater (or lower) than the range that the instrument can measure.

parallel data

The system where each bit is sent on a separate line. The IEEE-488 Bus transfers parallel data. See also serial data.

parity

A method of error detection that uses one extra bit for each unit of information (such as a character). The parity bit is set to one or zero so that the total number of one-bits in the byte is even or odd, depending on the type of parity in use.

Poisson's ratio

A strain gauge parameter; the ratio of the lateral strain to the longitudinal strain in a specimen subjected to a longitudinal stress.

port

A connection point used for data transfer. See interface.

port A

The right-hand interface port on the 2280 rear panel. Used for remote control and measurement data acquisition.

port B

The left-hand interface port on the 2280 rear panel. Used for measurement data acquisition only.

protective ground

The common chassis ground that is connected to earth ground through the ground wire in the line power cord. See also signal ground.

pseudo channel

A channel dedicated to special tasks performed on measurement information supplied by other channels.

REC

Received Data, RS-232-C line 3. This line carries the stream of serial data from DCE to DTE. See also serial data, DCE, DTE.

relational expression

An expression containing variables, constants, numbers, and function references, separated by relational operators and parenthesis in such a way that the whole can be reduced to a single (true or false) result. See also relational operator.

relational operator

An operator that compares the relative value of one
variable, constant, number, or expression with another
variable, constant, number or expression. Examples of
relational operators are "EQ","GT","LT","GE", and "LE". See
also operator, relational expression.

RET

Return; RS-232-C line 7. A signal return line that serves
as a zero voltage reference point for all other signals.

RFI

Radio Frequency Interference; see interference.

RS-232-C

A digital communications standard agreed upon by
participating manufacturers of data communication equipment
for the transfer of serial digital data between data
communication equipment (DCE) and data terminal equipment
(DTE). The 2280 is a DTE device. The standard is published
and maintained by the Electronic Industries Association,
2001 Eye Street, N.w., Washington, D.C. 20006. See also
DCE, DTE, serial data.

RTD

Resistance Temperature Detector; a device with a resistance
that varies predictably with changes in temperature. Made
of various materials, with platinum the most popular and
accurate.

RTS

Request To Send; RS-232-C line 4. The signal from DTE to
DCE when it has data to transmit. See also DTE, DCE.

scanner

An option in the 2280 system that selects a desired analog
input channel for measurement.

SDC

Selective Device Clear; IEEE-488 Addressed Command, ASCII
code 4. From the controller, this command causes the
addressed Talker or Listener to reset to some defined
state. The action taken by the device is unique to that
instrument.

serial data

Information transmitted one bit at a time over a single
line at a predefined bit rate (baud). See also baud.

serial link address

Address for a serial link device. The address range is
manually set on the A/D Converter, Analog Output, and
Digital I/O Assemblies.

serial link device

A 2280 assembly performing an output or measurement input
function. There are positions (horizontal slots) for six
such devices in each 2280.

serial port

A connection point on a computer that is used to transfer
information in a serial manner. Data transmission through a
serial port in the 2280 is in the form of asynchronous
ASCII codes.

shield input

The input lead on various 2280 options that can be grounded
or connected to the low lead at a measurement point to
reduce interference. The shield input is attached to the
braided shield wire surrounding the conductor in the cable.

signal ground

A conductor establishing electrical ground reference
potential for all transmitting circuits in a communications
network.

SRQ

Service Request; IEEE-488 bus line 10. This line allows a
Talker or Listener (such as the 2280) to interrupt the host
computer when ever necessary.

strain gauge

resistive transducer the electrical output of which is
proportional to the amount it is deformed under stress or
strain. Strain gauge circuits use fixed precision resistors
and resistors bonded to a surface to be mechanically
loaded, in quarter-, half-, or full-bridge configuration.
See also bridge, gauge factor, microstrain.

Talker

An IEEE-488 connected instrument that has been designated
by the Controller on the bus to send data to Listeners.

thermocouple

A pair of dissimilar conductors joined together, forming
form a junction that generates a voltage when the opposite
conductors are at different temperatures. The 2280 has
provisions for 12 different types of thermocouples.

transducer

A device that converts energy from one form to another. An example of a transducer is a strain gauge.

XMT

Transmitted Data, RS-232-C line 2. The line that carries the stream of serial data from DTE to DCE. See also RS-232-C, serial data, DCE, DTE.

X-OFF

CTRL/S or DC3 ASCII code (decimal 19); sent by the receiving station to halt transmission from the sending station when information is coming too fast for the receiver to process. When able to receive more information, the receiving station sends X-ON to restart the transmitting station. See also X-ON.

X-ON

CTRL/Q or DC1 ASCII code (decimal 17); sent by the receiving station to cause the transmitting station to resume transmission of data after being halted by an X-OFF command. See also X-OFF.

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FEATURES

The 2285B is an economical solution to a data logging system not requiring the expansion capabilities of the 2280B. The following configuration is possible:

o   The channel total for the 2285B is limited to 100.

o   The number of alarm lists is limited to 100.

o   The TAPE and DATA TRANSFER front panel keys are not functional (the Cartridge Tape option is not available).

OPTIONS

The following option assemblies cannot be used with the 2285B:

o   Advanced Math Processor (2280A-211)

o   DC Cartridge Tape (2280A-214)

o   Counter/Totalizer (2280B-167)

o   Analog Output (2280B-170)

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INTRODUCTION

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Logger, do require some further explanation. Some
features can be used with the 2280B, but not on the
2280A. Several option assemblies can be used with the
2280B, but not with the 2280A. This Appendix describes
these differences.

FEATURES

Features of the 2280A differ from those of the 2280B in the following areas:

o   Alarm Limits: alarm limits cannot be changed while scanning.

o   Pseudo Channels: pseudo channels values cannot be changed while scanning.

o   Scan Once Trigger Mode: not available on 2280A.

o   Remotely Terminated Thermocouples: not supported by 2280A. (the 64.000 mV with open thermocouple detect measurement range is not available.)

o   Time of Day: not shown during scanning.

o   AC voltage measurement require a programmed math expression. This expression adds the diode voltage drop incurred in the ac-to-dc conversion.

o   The LIN1, LIN2, and RTD functions are not available.

OPTIONS

The following option assemblies cannot be used with the 2280A:

o   RTD/Resistance Scanner and Connector (2280B-163/-177)

o   Counter/Totalizer (2280B-167)

o   Analog Output (2280B-170)

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INTRODUCTION

The DC100 Cartridge Tape Interface option (hereafter
called the "Cartridge") is a two-track system,
employing Manchester phase encoding at a density of
1600 bits per inch. Data is written to or read from the
tape while it is traveling past the head at 30 inches
per second. The data format closely follows the
standard for DC300 tapes (ANSI X3.56-1977); however, at
the time of this writing there is no explicit standard
for DC100 tapes. Data is stored as magnetic flux
transitions in block form (sections of data separated
by erased sections called gaps.) A gap is characterized
by the absence of flux transitions.

Manchester phase encoding is a "self-clocking" coding
scheme. This means that both the data and the data rate
information can be recovered from the read signal as it
comes off the tape. Ideally, bit-to-bit spacing is
constant with this method; however, in reality spacing
between adjacent bits varies slowly from bit to bit and
can vary widely (as motor speed changes) between
different blocks or drive units. One bits are always
recorded as positive transitions, while zero bits are
always recorded as negative transitions. Since
bit-to-bit spacing is constant, extra transitions have
to be inserted between adjacent zero bits or adjacent
one bits. Figure 9d-1 illustrates the encoded bit
sequence 011001 using Manchester phase encoding.

```
 __            __  __            __   __   __           __
|  |          |  ||  |          |  | |  | |  |         |  |
v__|          |__||__|          v__| |__| v__|         |__|

 0             1   1             0    0    1
```
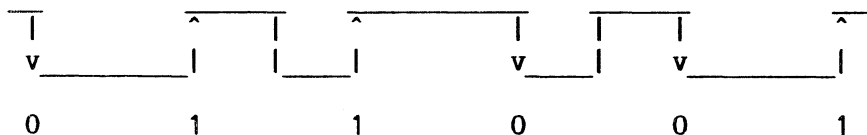
Figure 9d-1. Manchester Phase Encoding

The encoded format of a recorded block is illustrated
in Figure 9d-2. The preamble (which always contains
fifteen zero bits followed by a single one bit)
immediately follows the gap. The preamble allows the
hardware to sort out significant transitions by
synchronizing the decoder hardware with the negative
transitions: e.g., getting "on track" with the known
fifteen zero bits.

```
GAP->|<--------------------- PREAMBLE -------------------------->|<-DATA
  ‾‾‾‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾‾|‾  |‾‾|
     |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_|   |__|   |__|

      0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   1   0   1

<-CRC->|<-------------------- POSTAMBLE -------------------------->|<-GAP
 ‾|‾‾‾|‾|‾|  |‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾|‾‾‾‾‾
  |__| |_|   |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_| |_|

  0   1   1   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0

<-GAP->|<-PREAMBLE-->|<-------DATA-------->|<----CRC---->|<-POSTAMBLE->|<-GAP->
       |             |                     |             |             |
         2  bytes       1024 bytes            2 bytes        2 bytes
```
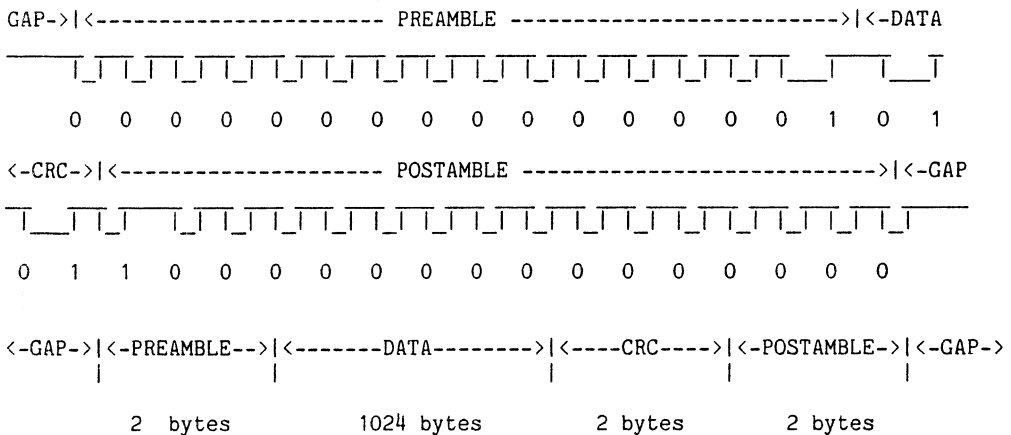
Figure 9d-2. Recorded Block Format

The data field of the block consists of a fixed number
of bytes, followed by the two-byte crc (cyclic
redundancy check). This code is used to check data
integrity. The crc code is generated by the polynomial
$x^{16} + x^{15} + x^2 + 1$.

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TRACK FORMAT

The layout of blocks on the tape is the same for either
track. The first block on the track starts
approximately five inches after the Load Point hole.
All gaps between blocks are approximately one inch long
except for the gap between the second and third blocks
on either track, which is about three inches long.
Blocks are written only between the Load Point hole and
the Early Warning hole.

CHARACTER SET

Characters recorded on the tape are restricted to the
ASCII set; thus, the most significant bit of each byte
in the data field of a block is cleared. In addition,
characters from the range 60 to 7F (hexadecimal) are
reserved for use as tokens (special symbols). The
tokens currently used have the special meanings as
described in Table 9d-1. Usage of these tokens is
described later in the appropriate context.

Table 9d-1. Single Character Tokens

Token	Description
a	Encoded begin scan date marker
b	End-of-file marker
e	Equivalent to two space characters
f	Equivalent to four space characters
g	Equivalent to eight space characters
h	Equivalent to 16 space characters
i	Equivalent to 32 space characters
j	Begin forced line terminator
k	End forced line terminator
l	Data file type
m	Program file type

DIRECTORY BLOCKS

Information about all other blocks is contained in the
two (redundant) "directory blocks" (the first two
blocks on the first track.) All other valid blocks on
tape (if any) are termed "data blocks".

The format of the directory blocks is given in Tables
9d-2 and 9d-3. All number fields are ASCII-encoded,
right-justified decimal numbers. If the number is less
than three digits long, it is padded with space
characters on the left.

Table 9d-2. Directory Block Format

Byte Range	Description
0 - 2	Block number on this track (either 0 or 1)
3 - 5	Number of valid entries in the entry array
6 - 8	Next free block number
9 - 11	Number of blocks on track 1
12 - 14	Anti-aliasing number
15 - 29	Space padding
30 - 33	Programmed line terminator
34 - 1023	Entry array (55 entries using the format described in Table 9d-3. One entry is used for each file on the tape.

Table 9d-3. Directory Entry Format

Number of Bytes	Description
10	File name
1	File type token
3	File length, in blocks
4	Programmed line terminator

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The information in the directory is used to locate any
valid data block without ambiguity. But the recovery of
data blocks after a power failure is an exception
(covered later in this section).

Each track contains a variable number of data blocks,
whose maximum is primarily related to tape speed. To
accommodate this variation, the fourth field in the
directory block contains the number of blocks on the
first track (including directory blocks). If the first
track is not full yet, this number is zero.

The third field in the directory contains the number of
the next free block on the tape. If the tape is full,
this number is set to zero. Data blocks are numbered
consecutively, starting with the first block (block
number 2) after the two directory blocks and ending
with the last block on the second track.

LOCATING PREVIOUSLY WRITTEN INFORMATION

A previously recorded block is located by comparing its
number to the directory field containing the number of
blocks on track one. If this field is zero, all blocks
are on track one and the block number is the distance
from the load point. Otherwise, the block is on either
track 1 (if its number is less than the number of
blocks on track 1) or track 2 (if its number is greater
than or equal to the number of blocks on track 1.)

If the block is on track 2, the location of the block
is determined by subtracting the number of blocks on
track 1 from the block's number, yielding the distance
of the block from the load point. Note that blocks are
numbered sequentially starting at zero (the two
directory blocks are blocks 0 and 1), while block on
track position numbers start at zero for each track.

Consider the following example. For a tape with three
files and room left on track 2, a typical directory
might look like Table 9d-4.

Table 9d-4. Example Directory

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              o   Block number on this track:       0
              |   Number of valid entries:          3
Directory     |   Next free block number:           352
Header        |   Number of blocks on track 1:      261
              |   Anti-aliasing number:             123
              o   Programmed line terminator:       <SP><SP><CR><LF>

              o       File name:                     SCAN1
              |       File type token:               1
              |       File length:                   153
              |       Line terminator:               <SP><SP><CR><LF>
Entry         |
Array         |       File name:                     SCAN2
              |       File type token:               1
              |       File length:                   196
              |       Line terminator:               <SP><SP><CR><LF>
              v
                      File name:                     PROG1
                      File type token:                 m
                      File length:                     1
                      Line terminator:               <SP><SP><CR><LF>

              o       File name:                     < 10 spaces >
Unused        |       File type token:               < 1 space >
Entries       |       File length:                   < 3 spaces >
              |       Line terminator:               <SP><SP><CR><LF>
              |
              |                             o
              |                             o
              |                             o
              v
```

To locate the first block of PROG1, the length of the
previous files is summed and added to the number of the
first block after the directory blocks:

    2 + 153 + 196 = 351

Next, block number 351 is compared to the number of
blocks on track one:

    351 >= 261

implies that the block is on track 2, and has the
block-on-track number 351 - 261 = 90.

Locating the first block of SCAN1 is much easier. Since
it is the first file on tape, it starts at block number
two. Comparing this to the number of blocks on track
one shows that its block-on-track number is also two.

DATA BLOCKS

The format of a data block differs from that for
directory blocks. Table 9d-5 illustrates the format used
for data blocks in both file types (data and program).

Table 9d-5. Data Block Format

Byte Range	Description
0 - 2	Block number on this track
3 - 12	File name
13 - 15	Anti-aliasing number
16 - 19	Programmed line terminator
20 - 1019	Data bytes
1020 - 1023	Programmed line terminator

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When a data block is read, the block-on-track and file name fields are checked to verify that this is the desired block. When recovering blocks after a power failure, the anti-aliasing number is checked as well (see the section on recovering blocks). The block-on-track and anti-aliasing fields are decimal numbers, space-padded at the left if they are less than three digits long.

The data bytes field is surrounded by two four-character fields containing the programmed line termination sequence. If the sequence is less than four characters long, it is right-justified and padded with spaces at the left. These two line terminator fields guarantee that the data block header fields exist on a line of their own, easing the task of separating header information from data bytes.

FILE TYPES

Two file types are supported: data and program. The directory entry for a file contains a file type field which contains one of two tokens distinguishing the file type. Both file types use the same data block format (see Table 9d-5); the difference between them is in the contents of the data bytes field. Data files contain information logged from the 2280, while program files contain configuration and programming information.

In addition, if the data bytes field contains information obtained during a scan, the Cartridge prepends an encoded version of the date and time that the scan began. This is used by the Cartridge during a data transfer to filter out unwanted data. The encoded field contains 13 characters, the first of which is the token that marks the field (see Tables 9d-1 and 9d-6). The remaining twelve are digits representing the date and time. The data logged to the tape can be reformed by stripping every occurrence of the 'a' token and the twelve characters that follow.

Table 9d-6. Encoded Begin Scan Date Format

Byte Range	Description and Range of Values
0	'a' - Encoded begin scan date token
1 - 2	Year [00 , 01 , ... , 99]
3 - 4	Month [00 , 01 , ... , 11]
5 - 6	Day of Month [01 , 02 , ... , 31]
7 - 8	Hour [00 , 01 , ... , 23]
9 - 10	Minute [00 , 01 , ... , 59]
11 - 12	Second [00 , 01 , ... , 59]

Most files end with a partially full block. An end-of-file token is placed in the block immediately following the last valid character. The remainder of the data bytes field is padded with empty lines, using zero or more spaces per line combined with the programmed line terminator.

Data file information consists of a series of lines terminated with the programmed line terminator. The maximum line length is about 40 characters. Program file information (as received from the mainframe) has a much more mysterious structure, with no explicit line boundaries. (No attempt to describe the meaning of program file characters is made here.)

Consequently, a line terminator is forced onto the tape at periodic intervals by the Cartridge to turn program files into a series of lines. Each forced line terminator is prepended with a "begin line terminator" token and appended with an "end forced line terminator" token (see Table 9d-5). These tokens allow the Cartridge to strip these line terminators when loading programs into the 2280.

RECOVERING BLOCKS AFTER A POWER FAILURE

The 2280 possesses the ability to continue logging
data to the same file on the tape after power has
cycled. To do this, the Cartridge must be able to
determine the number of blocks written successfully
before power loss.

First, the directory is scanned to verify that the last
directory entry was never closed - this is true if the
entry's file length field is zero. Next, the potential
blocks in the file are read until a read error occurs,
the end of tape is encountered, or a block is read that
does not belong to the file being recovered. To
determine the latter, the filename and anti-aliasing
fields of the block header are checked. The
anti-aliasing field must match the anti-aliasing field
in the directory header. When recovering blocks,
examining the filename in the recovered block's header
is not sufficient to make a reliable determination,
since a file by the same name may have existed in the
same place on tape before, and may be 'aliased' into
reincarnation as blocks appended to the actual end of
the file being recovered. This is not an altogether
unlikely occurrence, since people tend to have pet
names for files.

Anti-aliasing numbers were created to reduce the
probability of aliasing to an acceptably low level.
Every time the directory is rolled back (by
initializing the tape or deleting files), a new random
number (the anti-aliasing number) is placed in the
directory header. A file being written also has the
same number in every block header. Thus, an unclosed
file has an anti-aliasing number in the header of every
valid block that matches the anti-aliasing number in
the directory. Aliasing candidates in the form of
long-dead files are unlikely to have both the same
filename and the same anti-aliasing number as the file
currently being recovered.

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