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SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

TVS-1100 is a hot wire anemometer system for measuring air temperature and velocity using single sensor technology. The device is connected to a PC through an USB port for communication between the software and the device. The system is capable of measuring temperatures from –20 °C to 130 °C and flows from 0 to 10000 ft/min. It can accommodate up to 32 channels. The standard calibration is from 0 to 1200 lfm, the high speed calibration is from 0 to 10,000 lfm. The air temperature at which velocity is calibrated is from ambient to 85 °C. An attempt to measure flows in temperatures higher than 85 °C, would give erroneous data, even though it can read temperatures up to 120 °C.

1.2 General Applications and Benefits

Heat sink manufacturers, IC houses, board designers, and other electronic manufacturers are increasingly becoming interested in evaluating the thermal performance of their product under different airflow conditions. The reduction of electronic component sizes and increase in their power dissipation has forced the electronic community to be more aware of the thermal performance of their products. The hotter the devices, the shorter their life span and the greater the likelihood of a malfunction. The challenge in these units is the reduction in the spacing between boards, thereby the requirement of small size sensors to measure air flow measurement. Of utmost importance is the measurement of air flow and temperature at the same point to minimize errors introduced as a result of temperature gradients. The conventional hot wire systems measure these two
quantities using two independent sensors and, in most situations this can introduce errors in excess of 40% due to temperature gradients and radiation coupling between the two sensors.

1.3 Identification

The TVS-1100 is identified by OE followed by 5 digits (i.e., OE12345) located on the bottom of the unit.
SECTION 2: HARDWARE DESCRIPTION

The device is housed in an electronic box that accepts commands from the software through the USB communication port, and reports the data back to the system. It includes the circuitry for temperature and velocity sensors. Figure 1 shows the rear view of the TVS-1100 box.

**Note:** Please read the Manual before operating the system.

![Figure 1 - Rear view of the TVS-1100](image)

The function and description of ports and connectors on the rear panel are as follows:

1. Power – This is the location for connecting the power supply to the system. The external power supply provided with the system plugs in here.
2. USB Port (COM Port) – The TVS-1100 is attached to the serial port of the PC with a straight cable through this port. **TVS-1100 comes with a 6 feet long standard USB cable.**

3. Port# - Sensors are attached to the TVS-1100 through these ports. The order of attachment is immaterial, since each individual sensor has a sensor ID card that enables the system to find its calibration constants from a text file located in the PC C directory using its serial identification number.

Figure 2 shows the front view of the TVS-1100. It has 8 LEDs associated with up to 8 daughter cards. For every daughter card installed, there is one LED lit up.

![Figure 2 - Front view of the TVS-1100](image-url)
SECTION 3: SOFTWARE DESCRIPTION

3.1 Introduction

TVS-1100 software is a graphical user interface that communicates with the TVS-1100 box through the PC USB port. This software enables the user to set the different parameters and run the software to acquire the data.

THEORY OF OPERATION:
Data acquisition is comprised of cycles dictated by the duration set by the user in minutes. Each cycle consists of a selected number of temperature measurements followed by a selected number of velocity measurements. The selected number is set by the user. The cycles will continue until the time elapsed is greater than the duration. The user has the option to check the availability of the sensors and select which of those sensors he wants to collect data. Software also allows the user to save temperature and velocity raw data into text files that can be opened in Excel™ using tab delimited. The software has different controls and is described bellow:

3.2 TVS-1100 Software

Figure 3 and 4 show the TVS-1100 software user interface when it is running.
TVS-1100 software interface has three functional areas, Main Menu selection on the left, display windows in the middle and status panel on the bottom. The user interface elements are explained as follows:

[1] **Windows Menu.** The windows menu includes File, Edit, and Help. The submenu of File includes,

- **File—Start:** Select to start test.
- **File—Stop:** Select to stop test.
- **File—Exit:** Select to exit the software.

The submenu of Edit includes,

- **Edit—Cut:** Cut content to clipboard.
- **Edit—Copy:** Copy content to clipboard.
- **Edit—Paste:** Paste content from clipboard.
The submenu of Help includes,

**Help—Show Context Help**: Select to open context help window.

- **System Setup**: Push this button to display System Setup window.
- **Run Button**: Push this button to start the program.
- **Stop Button**: Push this button to stop the program.
- **All Sensors**: Push this button to display View All Sensors window (See Figure 4).
- **Sensors 1-8**: Push this button to display Sensors 1-8 window (See Figure 5).
- **Sensors 9-16**: Push this button to display Sensors 9-16 window.
- **Sensors 17-24**: Push this button to display Sensors 17-24 window.
- **Sensors 25-32**: Push this button to display Sensors 25-32 window.
- **Selected Sensors**: Push this button to display View Selected Sensors window (See Figure 6).
- **Load Cal File**: Push this button to reload the sensor calibration file.
- **Save Settings**: Push this button to save the system configuration to a text file.
- **Load Settings**: Load system configuration from a previously saved text file.
- **Load Default**: Push this button to load the default system configuration.
- **Check Sensors**: Push this button to display Check TVS Sensors window (See Figure 7).
- **Left Time (min)**: Display of left test time in minutes.
- **Elapsed Time (min)**: Display of elapsed test time in minutes.
- **Port Selection Window**: Select or unselect Ports for air temperature and velocity measurement, enter port description.
- **Com Port**: Select the communication port that connects to TVS-1100 instrument.
- **Temperature Unit**: Choose the unit for temperature.
- **Velocity Unit**: Choose the unit for velocity.
[22] **Overall Test Duration (Min):** Enter the total test duration time in minutes.

[23] **Save Data:** Select to save measurement data.

[24] **Input Data File Location and Name (txt File):** When you specify a file name such as **Test.txt**. The software will automatically generate two files to record data.

- **Test.txt** for temperature data and velocity data
- **Test-Temperature.txt** for temperature data

![Figure 4 - TVS-1100 User Interface](image)

[25] **Sampling Mode:** Enter the total test

[26] **Easy Mode:** In this mode, users can specify data output rate and sampling rate.
[27] **Data Output Rate**: Choose the time interval to average measurement and update data. Displaying plots and tables will update data at this time rate. Measurement data will be saved at this time rate too.

[28] **Sampling Rate**: Choose the sampling rate from the pull-down menu. The menu will update its selections according to the total number of sensors chosen. The more sensors is chosen, the smaller is the sampling rate.

[29] **Temperature Measurement Duration (s)**: Set the duration in seconds for temperature measurement per scan.

[30] **Velocity Measurement Duration (s)**: Set the duration in seconds to velocity measurement per scan.

[31] **Fast Mode**: In this mode, users can take the fast measurement of temperature and velocity.

[32] **Temperature Samples**: Number of temperature measurements will be taken per scan.

[33] **Velocity Samples**: Number of velocity measurements will be taken per scan.

[34] **Delay Between Measurements (s)**: Specify delay between two adjacent scans.

[35] **System Status**: Display of system status information.

[36] **Temperature Waiting**: LED for temperature setting indication.

[37] **Reading Air Temperature**: LED for air temperature measuring indication.

[38] **Velocity Waiting**: LED for velocity setting indication.

[39] **Reading Air Velocity**: LED for air velocity measuring indication.

[40] **Start/Stop**: Click **Start** to initialize test. In the test, click **Stop** to end the test.

[41] **Time**: Current date and time.

**CAUTION**: When the sensor is in velocity mode its temperature will be in excess of 160 °C. Please take precaution not to touch the sensors when they are running. Touching them can cause skin burning.
Figure 5 shows the View All Sensors window and the user interface elements are explained as follows,

[1] **Air Temperature Plot**: Display air temperature measured by TVS-1100 sensors 1-16.

[2] **Air Temperature/Velocity Plot Legend**

[3] **Air Velocity Plot**: Displays air velocity measured by TVS-1100 sensor 1-16.


[5] **Air Temperature/Velocity Plot Legend**

Figure 6 shows the View Sensors 1-8 window and the user interface elements are explained as follows,

[1] **Air Temperature Plot**: Displays air temperature measured by TVS-1100 sensors.

[2] **Air Temperature Plot Digital Display**

[3] **Export Plot**: Push to export the Air Temperature Plot to a BMP file.

[4] **Air Temperature Plot Control**: Plot control to change X Scale/Y Scale mode.

[5] **Save T Summary**: Push to save the content of Air Temperature Summary table to a file.

[6] **Air Temperature Summary**: This table displays the summary of each TVS-1100 sensor temperature reading and updates its results according to Measurement Duration setting.
[7] **Air Velocity Plot**: Displays air velocity measured by TVS-1100 sensors.

[8] **Air Velocity Plot Digital Display**

[9] **Air Temperature/Velocity Plot Legend**

[10] **Export Plot**: Push to export the **Air Velocity Plot** to a BMP file.

[11] **Air Velocity Plot Control**: Plot control to change X Scale/Y Scale mode.

[12] **Save V Summary**: Push to save the content of **Air Velocity Summary** table to a file.

[13] **Air Velocity Summary**: This table displays the summary of each TVS sensor velocity reading and updates its results according to **Measurement Duration** setting.

**NOTE**: The View Sensors 9-16, View Sensors 17-24, View Sensors 25-32 windows have same structures as View Sensors 9-16 window.

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**Figure 7 -TVS-1100 User interface**
Figure 7 shows the **TVS-1100** software user interface when *View Selected Sensors* in main menu is selected. The user interface elements are explained as follows:

1. **Air Temperature Plot**: Displays air temperature measured by TVS-1100 sensors.
2. **Air Temperature Plot Digital Display**
3. **Export Plot**: Push to export the **Air Temperature Plot** to a BMP file.
4. **Air Temperature Plot Control**: Plot control to change X Scale/Y Scale mode.
5. **Save T Summary**: Push to save the content of **Air Temperature Summary** table to a file.
6. **Air Temperature Summary**: This table displays the summary of each TVS sensor temperature reading and updates its results according to **Measurement Duration** setting.
7. **Air Velocity Plot**: Display air velocity measured by TVS sensors.
8. **Air Temperature/Velocity Plot Legend**
9. **Air Velocity Plot Digital Display**
10. **Export Plot**: Push to export the **Air Velocity Plot** to a BMP file.
11. **Air Velocity Plot Control**: Plot control to change X Scale/Y Scale mode.
12. **Select Sensor to Display**: Click to select sensor to display in the plots, you can select multiple sensors by push **Ctrl** Button.

**NOTE**: Maximum eight sensors can be selected at same time.

13. **Save V Summary**: Push to save the content of **Air Velocity Summary** table to a file.
14. **Air Velocity Summary**: This table displays the summary of each TVS sensor velocity reading and updates its results according to **Measurement Duration** setting.
Figure 8 shows the **TVS-1100** software user interface when **Check Sensor** in main menu is selected. The user interface elements are explained as follows:

1. **Sensor Status**: Displays the TVS-1100 sensor availability.
2. **Sensor Information**: Displays the TVS-1100 sensor ID and serial number.
3. **Checking Sensors**: Sensor checking progress indicator.
4. **Com Port Error Out**: Displays Com port information.

### 3.3 Software Installation

In order to install the **TVS-1100** software, please follow the following steps:
1. Install the software by double clicking on TVS-1100 installer\Volume\setup.exe. It installs the TVS-1100 and supporting files to your computer.

2. Install National Instruments serial communication driver by double clicking on Drivers\ NI-Serial 3.5\Setup.exe

   Note: NI-Serial 3.5 Supports the following operating system:
   Windows 2000; Windows XP; Windows Vista; Windows Vista x64.

   NI-Serial 3.6 Supports the following operating system: Windows 7 64 bit; Windows 7 x86; Windows XP x86; Windows Server 2008 R2 (64-bit); Windows Vista x64; Windows Vista x86; Windows Server 2003 R2 (32-bit).

3. Install the USB driver by double clicking on Drivers\ FTDI USB-RS232 driver\ USB-RS232 driver.exe.

4. When you run TVS-1100 software for the first time, a window (see Figure 9 will pop out asking for ATVS-2020 calibration data.txt file. You have to load this file before using the TVS-1100.
Figure 9 - Load Calibration File for TVS-1100
SECTION 4: ELECTRICAL AND SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Electrical and Safety Specifications

- Products destined for the North American market are furnished with a cord set. Outside of North America, a detachable cord set compliant with the local electrical safety and code requirements is necessary. The cord set shall have a female fitting MAINS connector according to IEC 60320 and shall either meet the requirements of IEC 60799 or shall be rated for maximum current ratings of the equipment (1.5 A). The length of the cord set must be less than 3 meters long.

- The system is powered by a DC power supply with the following specifications:

  Separable power supply
  Input: 100-240 V, 1.5A, 60-50 HZ
  Output: +5Vdc, 5A, +15Vdc, 2A, -15Vdc, 0.8A

  The power supply provided should be used to maintain acceptable safety of the unit. Contact Omega for repairs and replacement.

4.1.1 Description of Connectors

- The DIN mount receptacle accepts DC voltages from the specified power supply.
- The sensor connectors receive voltages from sensors. The system will not function properly with any other sensor other than the one supplied by Omega.
• The DB9 connector is used with a straight cable to communicate with a PC or laptop through the COM port.

4.1.2 Description of the Symbol

The above symbol indicates caution, risk of danger. Documentation must be consulted where this symbol is marked. There are no user serviceable parts inside. It is not recommended that the user open the electronic box or the power supply unit.

4.2 System and Environmental Requirements

Environmental conditions:

This equipment is designed to be safe at least under the following conditions:

• Indoor use
• Altitude up to 2000 m.
• Temperatures from 5 °C to 40 °C.
• Maximum relative humidity, 80% for temperatures up to 31°C decreasing linearly to 50% relative humidity at 40 °C.

Installation/overvoltage category: II
Pollution degree: 2
Degree of protection to IEC 60529: IPK0

Equipment mobility: Portable

Connection to mains supply: Detachable cord set

Operating conditions: Continuous (duration of operation set by operator through software)

- Unit can be mounted in any orientation as long as it is securely mounted.
- Connect the power supply to a grounding type receptacle.
- The cord set is the disconnect device. Position the equipment to facilitate disconnect from Mains as necessary.
- The system does not require any cleaning or decontamination.

System requirements:

- Use a PC or laptop with minimum of 512 MB of memory and an operating systems windows 2000, XP, Vista, or 7. To maintain an acceptable level of safety, the host computer should comply with the requirements of UL/CSA/IEC 60950.

It is recommended that the sensors be calibrated on an annual basis.
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