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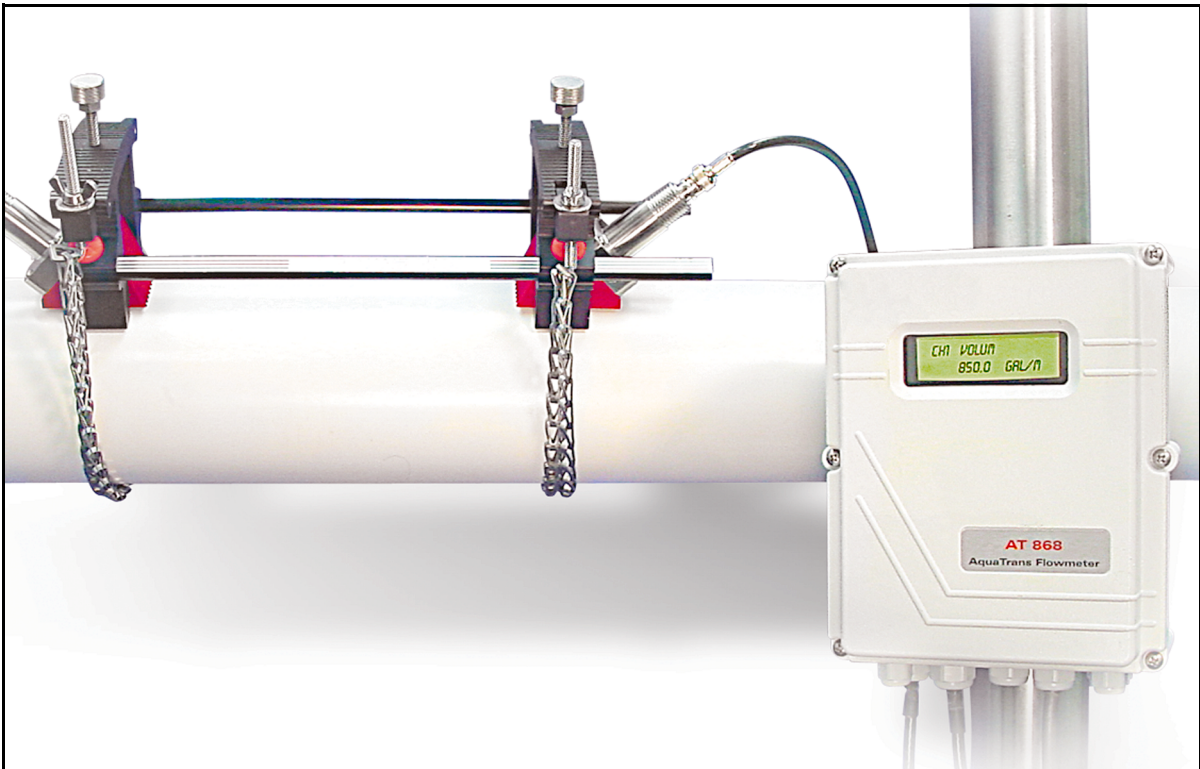
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Introduction

To ensure safe and reliable operation of the AT868, the system must be installed and programmed in accordance with the guidelines established by GE. Those guidelines are explained in detail in this chapter.

!WARNING!

Be sure to follow all applicable local safety codes and regulations for installing electrical equipment. Consult company safety personnel or local safety authorities to verify the safety of any procedure or practice.

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To meet CE Mark requirements, all cables must be installed as described later in this chapter.

Site Considerations

Because the relative location of the flowcell and the electronics enclosure is important, use the guidelines in this section to plan the AT868 installation.

Electronics Enclosure Location

The standard AT868 electronics enclosure is a powder-coated aluminum NEMA 4X, IP66 weatherproof enclosure (see *Figure 1-4* on page 1-15). Typically, the enclosure is mounted as close as possible to the transducers. When choosing a site, make sure the location permits easy access to the electronics enclosure for programming, maintenance and service.

Note: *For compliance with the European Union's Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC), this unit requires an external power disconnect device such as a switch or circuit breaker. The disconnect device must be marked as such, clearly visible, directly accessible, and located within 1.8 m (6 ft) of the unit.*

Flowcell Location

A *flowcell* is the section of pipe where the transducers are mounted. It can be created either by mounting the transducers on the existing pipeline or by mounting them on a *spoolpiece*. A spoolpiece is a separately manufactured pipe section, matched to the existing pipe, which contains ports for mounting the transducers. A spoolpiece allows the transducers to be aligned and calibrated before inserting the flowcell into the pipeline.

Ideally, install the flowcell in a section of pipe with unlimited access, such as a long section of pipe that is above ground. However, if the flowcell must be installed in an underground pipe, dig a pit around the pipe to facilitate installation.

Transducer Location

For a given fluid and pipe, the accuracy of the AT868 depends primarily on the location and alignment of the transducers. In addition to accessibility, when planning for transducer location, follow these guidelines:

- Locate the transducers so that there are at least 10 pipe diameters of straight, undisturbed flow upstream and 5 pipe diameters of straight, undisturbed flow downstream from the measurement point. Undisturbed flow means avoiding sources of turbulence in the fluid such as valves, flanges, expansions, and elbows; avoiding swirl; and avoiding cavitation.
- Locate the transducers on a common axial plane along the pipe. Install the transducers on the side of the pipe instead of the top or bottom, because the top of the pipe accumulates gases and the bottom of the pipe accumulates sediment. These conditions cause attenuation of the ultrasonic signal. There is no similar restriction with vertical pipes. However, vertical pipes with downward flow should be avoided to ensure a full pipe at the measurement point.

Cable Lengths	Locate the electronics enclosure as close as possible to the flowcell, preferably directly on the flowcell. However, GE can supply transducer cables up to 1,000 ft (300 m) in length for remote location of the electronics enclosure. If longer cables are required, consult the factory for assistance.
Transducer Cables	<p>When installing the transducer cables, always observe established standard practices for the installation of electrical cables. Do not route transducer cables alongside high amperage AC power lines or any other cables that could cause electrical interference. Also, protect the transducer cables and connections from the weather and corrosive atmospheres.</p> <p>Note: <i>If you are using your own cables to connect the transducers to the electronics console, they must have electrical characteristics identical to the cables supplied by GE. For transducer frequencies up to 2 MHz, the cables in each pair must be the same length within ± 4 in. (± 10 cm). For transducer frequencies above 2 MHz, the cables in each pair must be the same length within ± 0.5 in. (± 1.25 cm).</i></p>
Installing a Flowcell	<p>A <i>flowcell</i> is the section of pipe where the transducers are mounted. It can be created either by mounting the transducers on the existing pipeline or by mounting them on a <i>spoolpiece</i>. A spoolpiece is a separately manufactured pipe section, matched to the existing pipe, which contains ports for mounting the transducers. A spoolpiece allows the transducers to be aligned and calibrated before inserting the flowcell into the pipeline.</p>

CE Mark Compliance

For CE Mark compliance, the AT868 must meet both the EMC and LVD directives.

IMPORTANT: *CE Mark compliance is required for all units intended for use in EEC countries.*

EMC Compliance

For EMC compliance, the electrical connections must be shielded and grounded as in *Table 1-1* below. Also refer to *Figure 1-1* on the next page an example of acceptable wiring. After all the necessary electrical connections have been made, seal any unused cable entry holes with standard conduit plugs or equivalent.

Note: *If the instructions in this section are followed, the unit will comply with the EMC Directive 89/336/EEC.*

Table 1-1: Wiring Modifications

Connection	Cable Type	Termination Modification
Transducer	RG62 a/u	Add metallic cable clamp from braid to chassis ground.
	Armored RG62 a/u or conduit	Terminate RG62 a/u shield to chassis ground.
Input/Output	22 AWG Shield (e.g. Baystate #78-1197)	Terminate shield to chassis ground at the AT868.
	Armored conduit	None - grounded via cable gland.
Power	14 AWG, 3 conductor, shielded (e.g. Belden #19364)	Terminate shield to chassis ground at the AT868.
	Armored Conduit	None - grounded via cable gland.
Shielding	Wires enclosed in a properly-grounded metal conduit do not require additional shielding.	

LVD Compliance

For compliance with the European Union's Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC), the analyzer requires an external power disconnect device such as a switch or circuit breaker. The disconnect device must be marked as such, clearly visible, directly accessible, and located within 1.8 m (6 ft) of the unit.

Note: *If the instructions in this section are followed, the unit will comply with the Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC).*

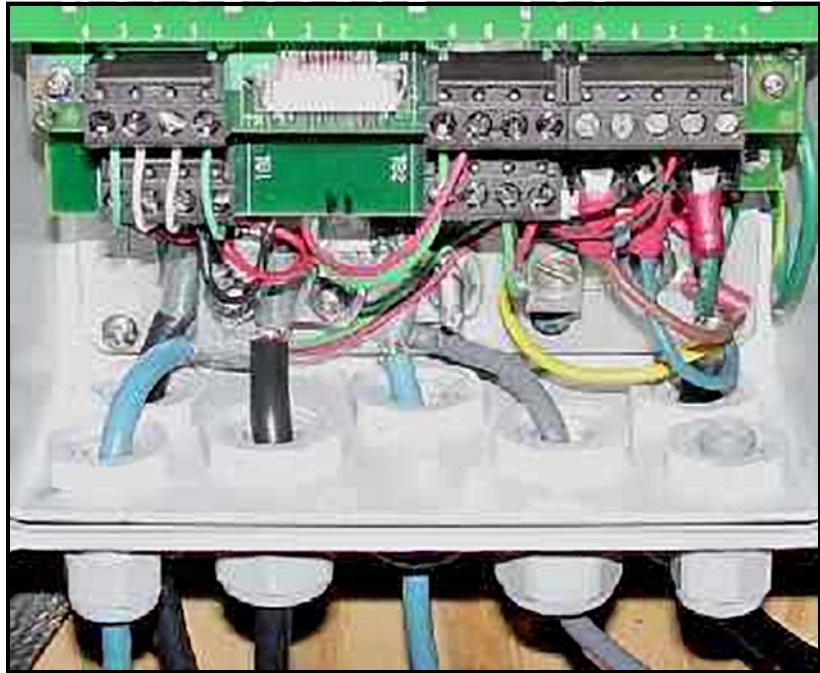


Figure 1-1: Properly Wired AT868

Making Electrical Connections

This section contains instructions for making all the necessary electrical connections to the AT868 electronics console. Refer to *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16 for a complete wiring diagram.

!ATTENTION EUROPEAN CUSTOMERS!
To meet CE Mark requirements, all cables must be installed as described in the previous section

!WARNING!
Always disconnect the line power from the AT868 before removing the front cover.

Preliminary Steps

Before making any electrical connections, prepare the AT868 by completing the following steps:

1. Disconnect any previously wired power line from the unit.
2. Remove the screws on the front cover.
3. Loosen the two screws and remove the plastic shroud that protects the electrical connections.

Note: *For compliance with the European Union's Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC), a transparent plastic shroud protects the electrical connections. The shroud must remain in place, except while wiring the unit. Reinstall the shroud after the wiring has been completed.*

4. Install any required cable clamps in the appropriate conduit holes on the bottom of the enclosure.
5. Note the labels inside the enclosure to assist in wiring.

Proceed to the appropriate section of this chapter to make the required wiring connections.

Wiring the Line Power

The AT868 may be purchased for operation with power inputs of 85-265 VAC or 12-28 VDC. The label on the side of the electronics enclosure lists the required line voltage and power rating. The fuse rating is listed on label located under the fuse.

IMPORTANT: *Be sure to connect the meter only to the specified line voltage.*

Note: *For compliance with the European Union's Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC), this unit requires an external power disconnect device such as a switch or circuit breaker. The disconnect device must be marked as such, clearly visible, directly accessible, and located within 1.8 m (6 ft) of the unit.*

Refer to *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16 to locate the power input terminal block and connect the line power as follows:

!WARNING!

Improper connection of the line power leads or connecting the meter to the incorrect line voltage may damage the unit. It may also result in hazardous voltages at the flowcell and associated piping as well as within the electronics enclosure.

1. Prepare the line power leads by trimming the line and neutral AC power leads (or the positive and negative DC power leads) to a length 0.5 in. (12 mm) shorter than the ground lead. This ensures that the ground lead is the last to detach if the power cable is forcibly disconnected from the meter.
2. Install a suitable cable clamp in the conduit hole where the line power wires will enter the enclosure. If possible, avoid using a conduit hole containing any other cables cables, to minimize any interference in the circuitry from the AC power line.
3. Strip 1/4-in. of insulation from the end of each of the three line power leads.
4. Route the cable through the conduit hole and connect the line power leads to the power terminal block as shown in *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16.

Wiring the Line Power
(cont.)

5. Leaving a bit of slack, secure the power line with the cable clamp.

Caution!

Do not apply power to the AT868 until after the transducers have been properly wired.

6. Do one of the following:
 - Proceed to another section to continue wiring the AT868.
 - Reinstall the plastic shroud, replace the front cover on the enclosure and tighten the screws.

Wiring Transducers

!WARNING!

Before connecting the transducers, discharge any static buildup by shorting the center conductor of the transducer cables to the metal shield on the cable connector.

Note: *For transducer frequencies below 2 MHz, the cable lengths must be within ± 4 in. (± 10 cm) of each other. If the transducer frequency exceeds 2 MHz, the cable lengths must be within ± 0.5 in. (± 1.25 cm) of each other.*

1. Locate the CH1 transducer cables and connect them to the two CH1 transducers. Route the free ends of the cables through the selected conduit hole in the electronics enclosure.
2. If an optional lightning protector is being installed, connect it between the meter and the transducers.
3. Refer to the wiring diagram in *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16 and connect the transducer cables to the terminal block labeled **DN** and **UP** for Channel 1. Then, secure the cable clamp.

Note: *The RED cable leads are the SIG(+) leads and the BLACK cable leads are the RTN(-) leads.*

Note: *The AT868 can use two channels or paths to make more accurate flow measurements by averaging, subtracting or adding the the two readings.*

Wiring Transducers (cont.) 4. For a 2-Channel AT868, repeat steps 1-3 to connect the CH2 transducers to the **DN** and **UP** terminal block for Channel 2.

Note: *It is not required that both channels of a 2-Channel unit be connected.*

5. Do one of the following:

- Proceed to another section to continue wiring the AT868.
- Reinstall the plastic shroud, replace the front cover on the enclosure and tighten the screws.

IMPORTANT: *Each channel must be activated before it can begin taking measurements. See Chapter 2, Programming Site Data, for instructions.*

Wiring Standard 0/4-20 mA Analog Outputs

The AT868 has one isolated 0/4-20 mA analog output per channel (designated as **Output A** and **Output C**). These outputs can be configured independently. Typically, Output A is used for Channel 1 and Output C is used for Channel 2. However, either analog output can be configured for use with either channel.

Connections to the analog outputs may be made with standard twisted-pair wiring, but the current loop impedance for these circuits must not exceed 600 ohms. To wire the analog outputs, complete the following steps:

1. Refer to *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16 for the locations of the appropriate terminal blocks and wire the analog outputs as shown. Then, secure the cable clamp.

IMPORTANT: *Outputs 1 and 2 in the wiring diagram correspond to Outputs A and C in the AT868 software.*

2. Do one of the following:

- Proceed to another section to continue wiring the AT868.
- Reinstall the plastic shroud, replace the front cover on the enclosure and tighten the screws.

IMPORTANT: *Prior to use, the analog outputs must be calibrated as described in Chapter 4, Calibration.*

Wiring the Totalizer/Frequency Output

The AT868 also provides a second output for each channel (designated as **Output B** and **Output D**) that can be configured as a totalizer or frequency output using the *Instrument Data Manager (IDM)* software. These outputs can be configured independently. Typically, Output B is used for Channel 1 and Output D is used for Channel 2. However, either output can be configured for use with either channel.

Figure 1-2 below shows a wiring diagram for a typical totalizer or frequency output circuit.

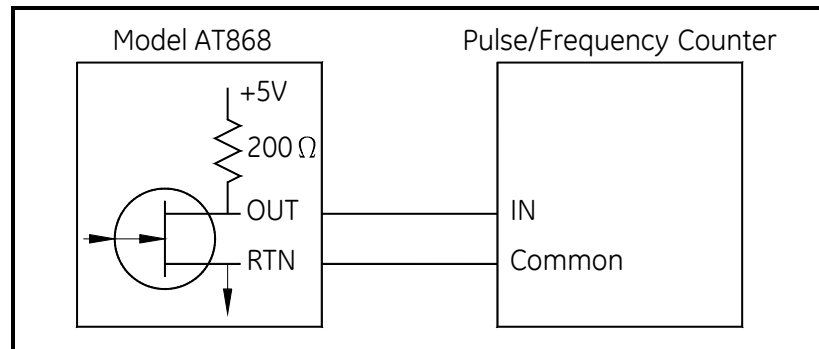


Figure 1-2: Totalizer/Frequency Output Wiring

!WARNING!
**NEVER CONNECT EXTERNAL POWER TO THE
PULSE/FREQUENCY OUTPUT TERMINALS.**

To wire the totalizer/frequency outputs, complete the following steps:

1. Refer to *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16 for the location of the terminal blocks and wire the totalizer/frequency outputs as shown. Then, secure the cable clamp.

Note: *Outputs 1 and 2 in the wiring diagram correspond to Outputs B and D in the AT868 software.*

2. Do one of the following:
 - Proceed to another section to continue wiring the AT868.
 - Reinstall the plastic shroud, replace the front cover on the enclosure and tighten the screws.

Wiring the Serial Port

The AT868 is equipped with a built-in serial communications port. The standard port is an RS232 interface, but an optional RS485 interface is available upon request. Proceed to the appropriate section for wiring instructions.

Wiring an RS232 Interface

Use the serial port to connect the AT868 to a printer, an ANSI terminal or a personal computer. The RS232 interface is wired as *Data Terminal Equipment* (DTE), and the signals available at the COMMUNICATION terminal block are shown in *Table 1-2* below.

To wire the RS232 output, complete the following steps:

1. Use the information in *Table 1-2* below to construct a suitable cable for connecting the AT868 to the external device. If desired, an appropriate cable may be purchased from GE.

Table 1-2: RS232 Connection to DCE or DTE Device

COMMUNICATION TB	Colors for GE Cable (flying leads)*	Signal Description	DCE DB25 Pin #	DCE DB9 Pin #	DTE DB25 Pin #	DTE DB9 Pin #
5	White	DTR (Data Terminal Ready)	20	4	20	4
4	Yellow	CTS (Clear to Send)	4	7	5	8
3	Green	COM (Ground)	7	5	7	5
2	Red	RX (Receive)	2	3	3	2
1	Black	TX (Transmit)	3	2	2	3
*For standard GE cables 704-659, -660, -661 and -662.						

Note: *Signal names that imply direction (e.g., transmit and receive) are named from the point of view of the DTE device (the GE meter is usually considered the DTE device). When the RS232 standard is strictly followed, these signals are labeled with the same name and pin # on the DCE device side. Unfortunately, the convention is not followed because the DTE and DCE side get confused. Therefore, connections that imply direction are changed to reflect their direction on the DCE side.*

*Wiring an RS232 Interface
(cont.)*

2. Route the flying leads end of the cable through the conduit hole and wire the leads to the COMMUNICATION terminal block as shown in *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16. Connect the other end of the cable to the printer, ANSI terminal or personal computer. Then, secure the cable clamp.
3. Do one of the following:
 - Proceed to another section to continue wiring the AT868.
 - Reinstall the plastic shroud, replace the front cover on the enclosure and tighten the screws.

Note: *Consult the User's Manual for the external device to configure it for use with the AT868.*

Wiring an RS485 Interface

Use the optional RS485 serial port to network multiple AT868 flow transmitters to a single computer terminal. Upon request, the standard RS232 port on the AT868 may be configured as a two-wire, half-duplex RS485 interface, through a device such as the INMAC Model 800052 RS232-RS422/RS485 converter.

Note: *If the AT868 is configured at the factory for RS485 operation, the INMAC converter is not necessary.*

Proceed to the appropriate following section to wire the RS485 interface.

Using an INMAC Converter To wire the RS485 serial port using an INMAC converter, refer to *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16 and complete the following steps:

1. Route one end of the cable through the conduit hole and wire the leads to the COMMUNICATION terminal block as shown in *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16. Then, secure the cable clamp.
2. Connect the other end of the cable to the converter, as shown in *Figure 1-3* below.
3. Do one of the following:
 - Proceed to another section to continue wiring the AT868.
 - Reinstall the plastic shroud, replace the front cover on the enclosure and tighten the screws.

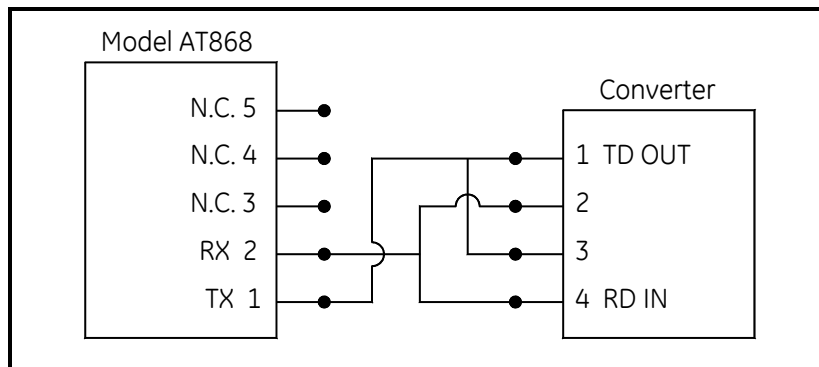


Figure 1-3: Typical RS485 Connections

Using a Factory Serial Interface

Use the following steps to link the AT868 to the control system using a factory-installed RS485 serial interface:

1. Route the wires through the conduit hole and connect the TMT+ lead to Pin 2 (RX) on the COMMUNICATION terminal block (see *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16).
2. Connect the TMT- lead to Pin 1 (TX) on the COMMUNICATION terminal block. Then, secure the cable clamp.
3. Connect the other end of the cable to the control system.
4. Do one of the following:
 - Proceed to another section to continue wiring the AT868.
 - Reinstall the plastic shroud, replace the front cover on the enclosure and tighten the screws.

Wiring an External Totalizer Reset Switch

The AT868 can be wired with an external switch for resetting the totalizer values. When properly configured, pressing the switch will reset the totalizer values to zero for both Channel 1 and Channel 2.

IMPORTANT: *The AT868 has the capability to use a reset switch, but the user must supply all the hardware.*

Complete the following steps to connect an external reset switch:

1. Refer to *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16 to properly connect the external reset switch to the AT868.
2. Configure the the external reset switch for use, as described in Chapter 2, *Programming Site Data*.
3. Do one of the following:
 - Proceed to another section to continue wiring the AT868.
 - Reinstall the plastic shroud, replace the front cover on the enclosure and tighten the screws.

Programming the AT868

After the AT868 has been completely installed and wired, reconnect line power and proceed to Chapter 2, *Programming Site Data*, to program the meter for taking flow rate measurements.

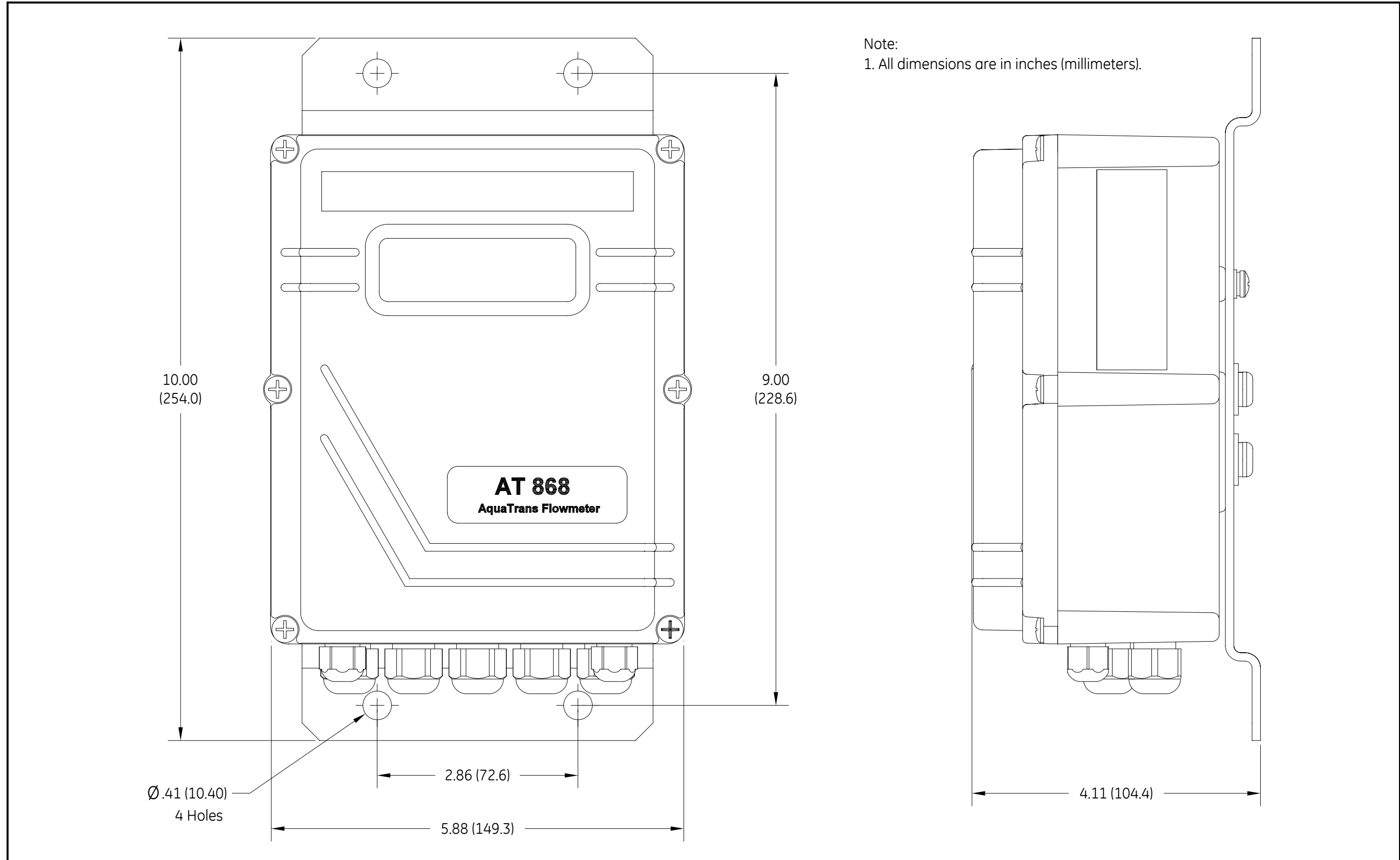


Figure 1-4: Outline and Installation - Wall Mount (Ref. #712-1106C, sht 1)

NOTE: For compliance with the European Union's Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC), this unit requires an external power disconnect device such as a switch or circuit breaker. The disconnect device must be marked as such, clearly visible, directly accessible and located within 1.8 m (6 ft) of the unit.

NOTE: For compliance with the European Union's Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC), a transparent plastic shroud protects the electrical connections. The shroud must remain in place, except while wiring the unit. Reinstall the shroud after the wiring has been completed.

TB3: 0/4-20 mA Analog Outputs

Pin No.	Description
7 OUT1-	Output 1 RTN (-)
6 OUT1+	Output 1 SIG (+)

TB3: Frequency/Totalizer Outputs

Pin No.	Description
9 FREQ1-	Output 1 RTN (-)
8 FREQ1+	Output 1 SIG (+)

TB1: CH1 Transducer

Pin No.	Description
4 SIGDN	Downstream SIG (+)
3 RTNDN	Downstream RTN (-)
2 RTNUP	Upstream RTN (-)
1 SIGUP	Upstream SIG (+)

TB2: CH2 Transducer

Pin No.	Description
4 SIGDN	Downstream SIG (+)
3 RTNDN	Downstream RTN (-)
2 RTNUP	Upstream RTN (-)
1 SIGUP	Upstream SIG (+)

TB4: Frequency/Totalizer Outputs

Pin No.	Description
4 FREQ1-	Output 1 RTN (-)
3 FREQ1+	Output 1 SIG (+)

TB3: RS232/RS485 Serial Port

Pin No.	Color*	Description
5 DTR	White	Data Terminal Ready
4 CTS	Yellow	Clear to Send
3 COM	Green	Ground
2 RX	Black	Receive
1 TX	Red	Transmit

* for standard factory cables 704-659, 660, 661, 662

External Totalizer Reset Switch*

Test Point	Description
E5	Pole 1 of Switch
E9	Pole 2 of Switch

*Switch hardware is user-supplied.

AC Power Input

Pin No.	Description
LINE	Line Power
NEUT	Line Neutral
GND	Earth Ground

DC Power Input

Pin No.	Description
1	Line Positive
2	Line Negative
3	No Connection

TB4: 0/4-20 mA Analog Outputs

Pin No.	Description
2 OUT2-	Output 2 RTN (-)
1 OUT2+	Output 2 SIG (+)

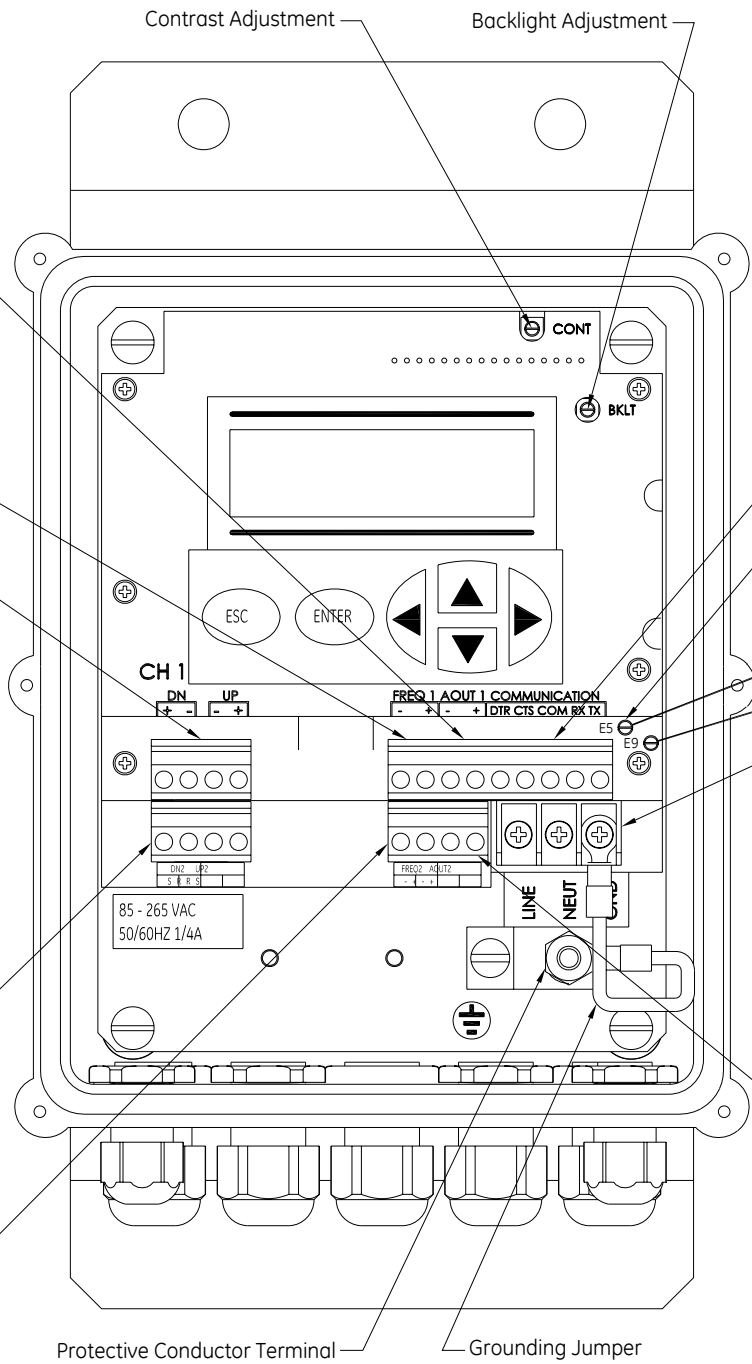


Figure 1-5: Wiring Diagram (Ref. #702-425)

Chapter 2

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Introduction

The AT868 has a *user program* that provides access to the various programmable features of the unit. To program the AT868 you can use either the internal keypad or *Panaview™*, which is a PC-based, non-resident software program that communicates with the AT868 through its serial port.

Note: *Only the internal keypad programming methods are described in this manual. See the PanaView manual for instructions on using that software.*

To begin taking measurements with the AT868, you must at least:

- activate the channels
- enter the channel data
- enter the global system data
- enter the pipe parameters

As a programming aid, a complete set of menu maps are included in Appendix A, *Menu Maps*. The specific figure numbers are referenced throughout this chapter.

Note: *Only the programming required for initial setup is described in this manual, but the menu maps show all available programming features for the AT868.*

Activating a Channel [CHx-ACTIV Menu]

The CHx-ACTIV submenu (see *Figure A-1* on page A-1) is used to activate or deactivate the channels. All installed channels should be activated when you receive your unit. However, you should verify that the channels are active before you begin programming.

Note: *In this manual, only the programming of Channel 1 is described. To program Channel 2 of a 2-channel meter, simply repeat the same procedures described for Channel 1.*

Accessing the ACTIV Submenu

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until PROG appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until the desired channel appears. Press [ENTER] at CH1 or CH2.
4. Press [▶] until ACTIV appears and press [ENTER].
5. Press [▶] until TRANS appears and press [ENTER]. Selecting TRANS activates the channel.
6. If you have a 2-channel unit, you can also disable a channel. However, if you select OFF for a channel, you will not be able to program that channel.

After completing the above step, the *user program* returns to the Channel PROGRAM menu. To continue entering your initial setup data, proceed to the next section.

Entering System Data [CHx-SYSTEM Menu]

The CHx-SYSTEM submenu (see *Figure A-1* on page A-1) is used to enter system parameters for the individual channels. In situations where the channels operate independently, the AT868 uses the system parameters in this menu. When channels are averaged together, the AT868 uses the parameters entered in the GLOBL-SYSTEM submenu.

Accessing the CHx-SYSTEM Submenu

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until PROG appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until the desired channel appears. Press [ENTER] at CH1 or CH2.
4. Press [▶] until SYSTEM appears and press [ENTER].
5. Enter the desired CHANNEL LABEL (up to 5 characters) by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to change a letter. Then press [ENTER].
6. Use the arrow keys to enter the desired SITE MESSAGE (up to 16 characters) and press [ENTER]. (For a 2-channel meter, this prompt is called CHANNEL MESSAGE.)

Selecting the Volumetric Units

1. Use the arrow keys to select the desired volumetric units for the flow rate display and press [ENTER].
2. Use the arrow keys to select the desired number of digits to the right of the decimal point in the volumetric flow rate display and press [ENTER].

Selecting the Totalizer Units

1. Use the arrow keys to select the desired units for the totalized flow rate display and press [ENTER].
2. Use the arrow keys to select the desired number of digits to the right of the decimal point in the totalized flow rate display and press [ENTER].
3. Do one of the following:
 - If MASS FLOW is ON and both channels are active (for 2-channel units only), proceed to *Selecting Mass Flow Units* below.
 - If MASS FLOW is OFF or only one channel is active, the meter returns to the Channel PROGRAM menu. Go to *Entering Transducer and Pipe Parameters* on the next page.

Selecting Mass Flow Units

1. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the desired mass flow units for the flow rate display and press [ENTER]. The available units for this prompt are determined by the selection made at SYSTEM UNITS.
2. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the desired time units for the mass flow rate display and press [ENTER].
3. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the desired number of digits to the right of the decimal point in the mass flow rate display and press [ENTER].
4. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the desired units for the totalized mass flow rate display and press [ENTER]. The available units for this prompt are determined by the selection made at SYSTEM UNITS.
5. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the desired number of digits to the right of the decimal point in the totalized mass flow rate display and press [ENTER].

Entering Transducer and Pipe Parameters [CHx-PIPE Menu]

Enter the transducer and pipe parameters via the PIPE submenu (see *Figure A-1* on page A-1).

Accessing the PIPE Submenu

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until PROG appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until the desired channel appears. Press [ENTER] at CH1 or CH2.
4. Press [▶] until PIPE appears and press [ENTER].
5. Do one of the following:
 - For standard transducers, use the arrow keys to enter the transducer number. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER] and proceed to the next step.
 - For special transducers, proceed to the next section.
6. Go to one of the following sections:
 - Standard clamp-on transducers - proceed to *Pipe Material* on page 2-6.
 - Standard wetted transducers - proceed to *Pipe Outside Diameter* on page 2-7.

Special Transducers

1. For a special transducer, press [▶] to move the cursor to STD and press [▲] until SPEC appears and press [ENTER].
2. Assign a number between 90 and 99 to the special transducer. Enter the number by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].
3. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the wedge type (supplied by GE) and press [ENTER].
4. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the transducer frequency (supplied by GE) and press [ENTER].
5. Enter the special transducer time delay value (supplied by GE) by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number and press [ENTER].

Special Clamp-On Transducers

The following two prompts appear only if special clamp-on transducers are being used. If special wetted transducers are being used, proceed to *Pipe Outside Diameter* on page 2-7.

1. Enter the wedge angle (supplied by GE) of the transducer by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].
2. Enter the wedge sound speed (supplied by GE) of the transducer by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER] and proceed to *Pipe Material* on the next page.

Pipe Material

If a standard or special clamp-on transducer is being used, the programming sequence should be rejoined here.

1. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the pipe material and press [ENTER]. Some of the pipe materials require additional selections. See a complete list of choices in *Table 2-1* below.

Table 2-1: Pipe Material Choices

Material	Types
STEEL	Carbon Steel Stainless Steel
IRON	Ductile Cast
Cu (Copper)	no additional selection required
Al (Aluminum)	no additional selection required
BRASS	no additional selection required
CuNi (Copper Nickel)	70% Cu 30% Ni 90% Cu 10% Ni
GLASS	Pyrex Heavy silicate flint Light borate crown
Plastic	Nylon Polyethylene Polypropylene PVC, CPVC Acrylic
OTHER	Enter the sound speed of the pipe material by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number and press [ENTER].

Pipe Outside Diameter

The programming sequence should be rejoined here for all transducers.

1. Press [▶] to move the cursor to the outside diameter units. Press [▲] and [▼] to select the desired units and press [ENTER].
2. Measure either the pipe outside diameter (OD) or circumference at the transducer installation site. Enter the measured dimension by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].
3. Enter the know thickness of the pipe wall by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER]. If the pipe wall thickness cannot be measured directly, look up the value in a table of standard pipe size data.
4. Do one of the following:
 - wetted transducers - proceed to *Path and Axial Length* below.
 - clamp-on transducers - proceed to *Lining* on the next page.

Path and Axial Length

Note: *If a spoolpiece was ordered with the meter, the transducer signal path length (P) and the transducer signal axial length (L) are engraved on the flowcell and are included in the documentation supplied with the meter. For on-site transducer installations, refer to Appendix B, Measuring P and L Dimensions, for instructions.*

1. Enter the path length (P) of the ultrasonic signal.
2. Select the desired units and press [ENTER].
3. Enter the axial length (L) of the ultrasonic signal and press [ENTER].
4. Select the desired units and press [ENTER].
5. Proceed to *Setting Up a Tracking Window* on the next page.

Lining

1. Press [◀] and [▶] to select Yes if your pipe has a lining or No if your pipe does not have a lining. Then, press [ENTER].
2. Do one of the following:
 - If you selected No, proceed to *Setting Up a Tracking Window* below.
 - If you selected Yes, continue with the next step.
3. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the lining material and press [ENTER].
4. If you selected OTHER, enter the lining sound speed by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].
5. Enter the lining thickness by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].

Setting Up a Tracking Window

The *Tracking Window* feature enables you to make accurate measurements when the fluid sound speed is unknown or when the fluid sound speed varies due to changing process conditions.

1. At the TRACKING WINDOWS prompt select:
 - YES - If you **do not** know the fluid sound speed, proceed to Step 2.
 - NO - If you **do** know the fluid sound speed, proceed to *Fluid Type* on the next page.
2. Do one of the following:
 - If the fluid sound speed is variable, the Tracking Window must remain active. Proceed to *Fluid Type* on the next page to complete the programming your meter.
 - If the sound speed is constant or if you want to determine if the sound speed is constant, continue with Step 3.
3. Proceed to *Fluid Type* on the next page to complete the programming your meter.

Fluid Type

1. The selections for fluid type vary depending on whether the Tracking Window is enabled or disabled. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the desired fluid and press [ENTER]. Refer to *Table 2-2* below for a list of available fluids.

Table 2-2: Fluid Types

Tracking Window = NO	Tracking Window = YES
WATER	W100 (Water, 0°-100°C)
OTHER	W260 (Water, 0°-260°C)
	Oil, Tracking
	OTHER

2. If you selected OTHER, enter the additional information required by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].

Reynolds Correction

1. Using [◀] and [▶], select Activ to activate the Reynolds Correction Factor or select Off to deactivate the Reynolds Correction Factor. Then press [ENTER].

Note: *usually, Reynolds Correction should be set to Activ.*

2. Do one of the following:
 - If you selected OFF, enter the *Calibration Factor* and press [ENTER]. Then, proceed to one of the following sections:
 - **Clamp-on Transducers** - proceed to *Number of Traverses and Transducer Spacing* on the next page.
 - **Wetted Transducers** - The meter returns to the Channel PROGRAM window. To complete initial setup of the AT868, you must enter data in the GLOBL-SYSTEM submenu on page 2-12.
 - If you selected ACTIV, proceed to *KV Input Selection* on the next page.

KV Input Selection

1. Press [◀] and [▶] to enter a static *kinematic viscosity* or a table of values and press [ENTER].
2. Do one of the following:
 - If you selected Table, enter the *Calibration Factor* by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].
 - If you selected STATC, the AT868 will select and automatically display the Kinematic Viscosity (see note below). If you want to enter a different number use the [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER]. Enter the *Calibration Factor* in a similar manner and press [ENTER].

Note: *If you select OTHER as the fluid type, you must enter the Kinematic Viscosity. The AT868 will only approximate the Kinematic Viscosity if you select one of the specific available fluid options.*

3. Proceed to one of the following sections:
 - **Clamp-on Transducers** - proceed to *Number of Traverses and Transducer Spacing* below.
 - **Wetted Transducers** - The meter returns to the Channel PROGRAM window. To complete initial setup of the AT868, you must enter data in the GLOBL-SYSTEM submenu on page 2-12.

Number of Traverses and Transducer Spacing

1. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the number of traverses and press [ENTER].
2. Enter the value for the transducer spacing by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].

Entering the Zero Cutoff Value [CHx-I/O Menu]

Near a zero flow rate, the AT868 readings may fluctuate due to small offsets caused by thermal drift or similar factors. To force a zero display reading when there is minimal flow, enter a *zero cutoff value* as described below (see *Figure A-1* on page A-1):

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until PROG appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until the desired channel appears. Press [ENTER] at CH1 or CH2.
4. Press [▶] until I/O appears and press [ENTER].
5. Enter a value from 0 to 1 ft/sec (0 to 0.30 m/sec) for the zero cutoff by using the arrow keys. The recommended setting is 0.1 ft/sec (0.03 m/sec). Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].

Activating Mass Flow

Use this option to calculate mass flow from a static fluid density. Complete the following steps (see *Figure A-3* on page A-3) to enter the static density of the fluid:

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until PROG appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until the desired channel appears. Press [ENTER] at CH1 or CH2.
4. Press [▶] until SETUP appears and press [ENTER].
5. Press [▶] until ADVAN appears and press [ENTER].
6. Press [▶] until MASS appears and press [ENTER].
7. Press [▶] to activate or deactivate mass flow (mass flow is calculated from a static density) and press [ENTER].
8. If you have activated mass flow, enter the fluid density by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].

Entering Global System Data [GLOBL-SYSTEM Menu]

Refer to *Figure A-2* on page A-2, and complete the steps below to enter system information in the GLOBL menu.

Selecting the GLOBL-SYSTEM Units

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until PROG appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until GLOBL appears and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] until SYSTM appears and press [ENTER].
5. Enter a short *message* (up to 16 characters) by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to select the desired character. Then press [ENTER].

Selecting the System Units

1. Press [▶] to select the *system units* and press [ENTER].
2. Do one of the following:
 - **1-Channel Meters** - go to *Setting Up the External Totalizer Reset Switch* on the next page.
 - **2-Channel Meters** - continue with the next step.
3. Press [▶] to select the volumetric units for the flow rate display and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] to select the number of digits to the right of the decimal point in the volumetric flow rate display and press [ENTER].
5. Press [▶] to select the desired units for the totalized flow rate display and press [ENTER].
6. Press [▶] to select the desired number of digits to the right of the decimal point in the totalized flow rate display and press [ENTER].

Setting Up the External Totalizer Reset Switch

If you have installed an external totalizer reset switch as described in Chapter 1, *Installation*, the GATE OPTION enables you to configure the switch.

1. At the GATE OPTION prompt, press [▶] to select one of the following and press [ENTER].
 - RESET - the meter resets totals to zero for both channels and then immediately begins to count again.
 - HOLD - the meter holds totals at the current point for both channels. The meter will not count as long as the switch remains closed. This option is typically used for calibration.
2. Do one of the following:
 - If MASS FLOW is ON and both channels are active, proceed to *Selecting Mass Flow Units* below.
 - If MASS FLOW is OFF or only one channel is active, the meter returns to the Global PROGRAM menu. Go to *Settings Up the Outputs* on the next page.

Selecting Mass Flow Units

1. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the desired mass flow units for the flow rate display and press [ENTER]. The available units for this prompt are determined by the selection made at SYSTEM UNITS on the previous page.
2. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the desired time units for the mass flow rate display and press [ENTER].
3. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the desired number of digits to the right of the decimal point in the mass flow rate display and press [ENTER].
4. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the desired units for the totalized mass flow rate display and press [ENTER]. The available units for this prompt are determined by the selection made at SYSTEM UNITS on the previous page.
5. Press [◀] and [▶] to select the desired number of digits to the right of the decimal point in the totalized mass flow rate display and press [ENTER].

Setting Up the Outputs [GLOBL-I/O Menu]

To set up the AT868 analog outputs and totalizer/frequency outputs, refer to *Figure A-2* on page A-2 and follow the instructions in this section.

Accessing the Analog Outputs

Output A and **Output C** are analog outputs that can be configured independently. To configure these outputs, complete the following steps:

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until PROG appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until GLOBL appears and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] until I/O appears and press [ENTER].
5. Press [▶] until OPTN appears and press [ENTER].
6. Press [▶] to select A or C and press [ENTER].

Setting Up the Analog Output Scale

1. Press [▶] to select the desired output scale and press [ENTER].
2. Do one of the following:
 - If you selected OFF, the meter returns to the Global I/O menu. Go to *Accessing the Totalizer/Frequency Outputs* on the next page.
 - If you are using a 1-channel meter, go to step 4.
 - If you are using a 2-channel/path meter, go to step 3.
3. At Channel, press [▶] to select the desired channel and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] to select the desired measurement parameter and press [ENTER].

Note: *The measurement units that appear in these prompts are those selected in the GLOBL-SYSTM menu earlier in this chapter.*

5. At BASE, enter a flow rate value for the low end of the analog output range by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].

Setting Up the Analog Output Scale (cont.)

6. At FULL, enter a flow rate value for the high end of the analog output range by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].
7. At Error Handling, press [▶] to select the desired option for handling errors (HOLD, LOW, HIGH, or OTHER) and press [ENTER].
8. If OTHER is selected, the Forced milliamps display appears. This allows the user to impose a set value for this option. Enter the desired forced milliamps value by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].

Accessing the Totalizer/Frequency Outputs

A *totalizer output* issues one pulse per selected volume of flow, and the meter produces a pulse each time the programmed amount of flow passes through the pipe. A *frequency output* issues a frequency that is proportional to the assigned measurement parameter.

Output B and **Output D** are totalizer/frequency outputs that can be configured independently. To configure these outputs, complete the following steps:

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until PROG appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until GLOBL appears and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] until I/O appears and press [ENTER].
5. Press [▶] until OPTN appears and press [ENTER].
6. Press [▶] to select B or D and press [ENTER].
7. Do one of the following:
 - **Frequency Output** - go to *Setting Up a Frequency Output* on the next page.
 - **Totalizer Output** - go to *Setting Up a Totalizer Output* on page 2-17.

Setting Up a Frequency Output

1. At Output B or D, select OFF or FREQ and press [ENTER].
2. Do one of the following:
 - If you selected OFF, the meter returns to the Global I/O menu. Go to *Setting Up a Totalizer Output* on the next page.
 - For 1-channel meter, go to step 4.
 - For a 2-channel meter, go to step 3.
3. At Channel, press [▶] to select the desired channel and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] to select the desired measurement parameter and press [ENTER].

Note: *The measurement units that appear in these prompts are those selected in the GLOBL-SYSTM menu earlier in this chapter.*

5. At BASE, enter a value for the low end of the output range (-2,000,000 to 2,000,000) by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].
6. At FULL, enter a value for the high end of the output range (-2,000,000 to 2,000,000) by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].
7. At FULL SCALE FREQ, enter a value for the full scale of the output (between 10 to 100,000) by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].
8. At Error handling, press [▶] to select the desired option for handling errors (HOLD, LOW, HIGH, or OTHER) and press [ENTER].
9. If OTHER is selected, the Error frequency display appears. This allows the user to enter a set value for this option. Enter the desired error frequency by using the arrow keys. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].

Setting Up a Totalizer Output

1. At Output B or D, select OFF or TTLZR and press [ENTER].
2. Do one of the following:
 - If you selected OFF, the meter returns to the Global I/O menu. Go to *Configuring the Communications Port* on the next page.
 - For 1-channel meter, go to step 4.
 - For a 2-channel/path meter, go to step 3.
3. At Channel, press [▶] to select the desired channel and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] to select the desired measurement parameter and press [ENTER].
5. Enter a value for the minimum pulse on-time (between 50 μ sec and 500,000 μ sec) for the frequency of the totalizer pulses and press [ENTER]. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].

Note: *A complete pulse consists of equal amounts of ON and OFF times. Choose a value that is compatible with the pulse counter to be used.*

6. At UNITS/PULSE enter a value for the number of measurement units represented by each pulse and press [ENTER].

Configuring the Communications Port [GLOBL-COMM]

The AT868 is equipped with a built-in serial communications port, as described in Chapter 1, *Installation*. Refer to *Figure A-2* on page A-2 and use the GLOBL-COMM menu to set up the communications port by completing the following steps:

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until PROG appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until GLOBL appears and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] until COMM appears and press [ENTER].
5. Enter a meter address (between 1 and 254) by using the arrow keys. The default number is 1. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to the desired location and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number. Then press [ENTER].

Note: *A meter address is only necessary for communication with the GE Panaview software. See the Panaview User's Manual for more information.*

6. Press [▶] to select a baud rate and press [ENTER].

Taking Measurements

The AT868 has now been totally programmed for taking accurate flow rate measurements. Proceed to Chapter 3, *Displaying Data*, for instructions on configuring the display.

Chapter 3

Displaying Data

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Introduction

The AT868 is equipped with a Liquid Crystal Display (LCD), which may be programmed to display up to four variables in sequence. Both the brightness and the contrast of the LCD are easily adjusted by following the instructions in this chapter. In addition, instructions are provided for resetting the totalizers and pausing the measurements.

Adjusting LCD Contrast and Brightness

The AT868 has two adjustment potentiometers located on the LCD circuit board (see *Figure 3-1* below). To make contrast and brightness adjustments, complete the following steps:

1. Loosen the screws and remove the front cover.
2. With power still applied to the meter, carefully use a small screwdriver to adjust the BKLT (backlight) potentiometer. Turning the control completely clockwise yields maximum brightness.
3. In a similar manner, adjust the CONT (contrast) potentiometer to set the contrast as desired. At either extreme of the CONT control, the display is unreadable. To make the adjustment, turn the control fully counterclockwise and then turn it clockwise very slowly until the display is clear and sharp.
4. As there is some interaction, readjust the BKLT control if necessary.
5. Replace the front cover and secure it in place with the screws.

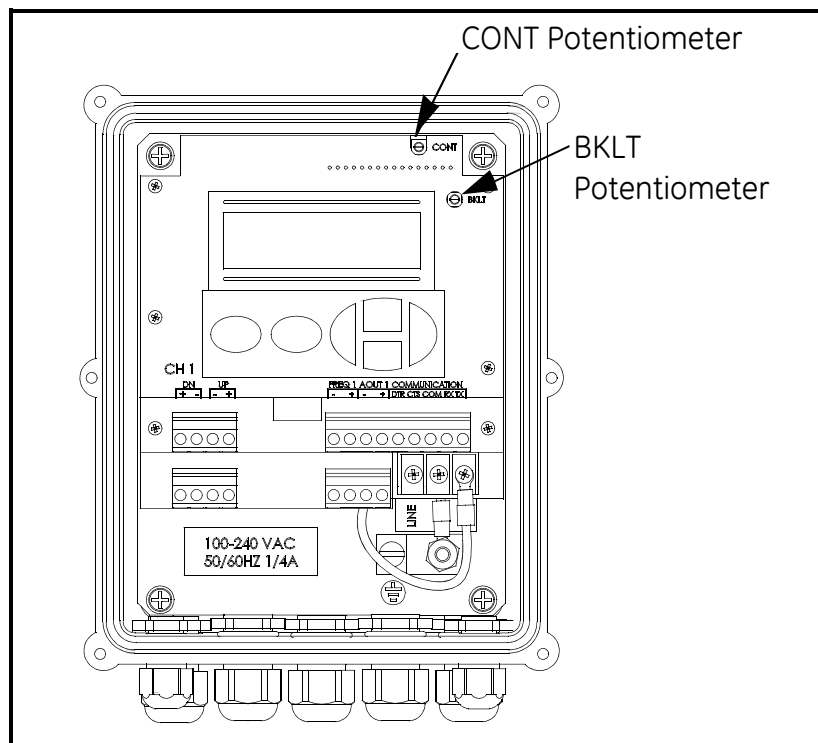


Figure 3-1: CONT and BKLT Potentiometers

Setting Up the Display

Follow the instructions in this section to display the desired data on the display screen (see *Figure A-2* on page A-2 in Appendix A, *Menu Maps*)

Accessing the Display Submenu

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until PROG appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until GLOBL appears and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] until I/O appears and press [ENTER].
5. Press [▶] until LCD appears and press [ENTER].

Configuring the Display

1. At # of LCD PARAMS, press [▶] to select the desired number of parameters to be sequentially displayed and press [ENTER].
2. For a 1-channel AT868, proceed to Step 4. For a 2-channel AT868, proceed to Step 3.
3. Press [▶] to select the desired channel option and press [ENTER].
4. At Measurement Name, press [▶] to select the desired parameter and press [ENTER].
5. Repeat the two previous steps until all of the specified # of LCD PARAMS have been set up.

Note: *The measurement units that appear in these prompts are those selected in the GLOBL-SYSTM menu as described in Chapter 2, Programming Site Data.*

After leaving the *User Program*, the AT868 will reset and will begin to display the parameters specified in this section. If more than one parameter was set up, each of the parameters will be displayed in sequence, with a pause of several seconds between display changes.

Resetting the Totalizers

To reset the totalizers, you can use either the internal keypad or an external switch. When resetting the totalizers, the totals for both channels are reset. Use the appropriate section below to reset the totalizers.

Resetting Totalizers Using the Internal Keypad

See *Figure A-4* on page A-4 in Appendix A, *Menu Maps*. Then,

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until RESET appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] to select YES or NO and press [ENTER].
4. To leave the *User Program*, press [ESC].

If you select YES, the AT868 resets the totalizers for both channels. If you select NO, the totalizers continue to count.

Resetting Totalizers Using an External Switch

While the meter is operating, press and hold the external *reset switch* for 1 second. Both totalizers will reset to zero and will then immediately begin to resume counting.

IMPORTANT: *The external totalizer reset switch must be configured as described in Chapter 2, Programming Site Data.*

Chapter 4

Calibration

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Introduction

Follow the instructions in this chapter to calibrate and test the AT868 analog and totalizer/frequency outputs. Refer to *Figure A-4* on page A-4 in Appendix A, *Menu Maps*, while following the calibration instructions.

Calibrating and Testing the Analog Outputs

The AT868 includes one built-in analog output per channel with a resolution of 5.0 μA (0.03% full scale). Typically, **Output A** is used for **Channel 1** and **Output C** is used for **Channel 2**. However, either output can be configured for use with either channel. Both the low and high values for the analog outputs must be calibrated. After the end points are calibrated, the linearity should be tested.

Note: *The zero point of the analog output may be set for either 0 mA or 4 mA. However, the calibration procedure always uses the 4 mA point, as the meter will extrapolate this value to obtain the 0 mA point.*

Calibration

Prepare for calibration by connecting an ammeter in series with the load on analog output 1 or 2 as shown in *Figure 4-1* below. **DO NOT** connect the ammeter directly across the terminals. Refer to *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16 for the locations of the analog outputs terminal blocks.

Note: *Analog outputs 1 and 2 in the wiring diagram correspond to analog outputs A and C in the AT868 software.*

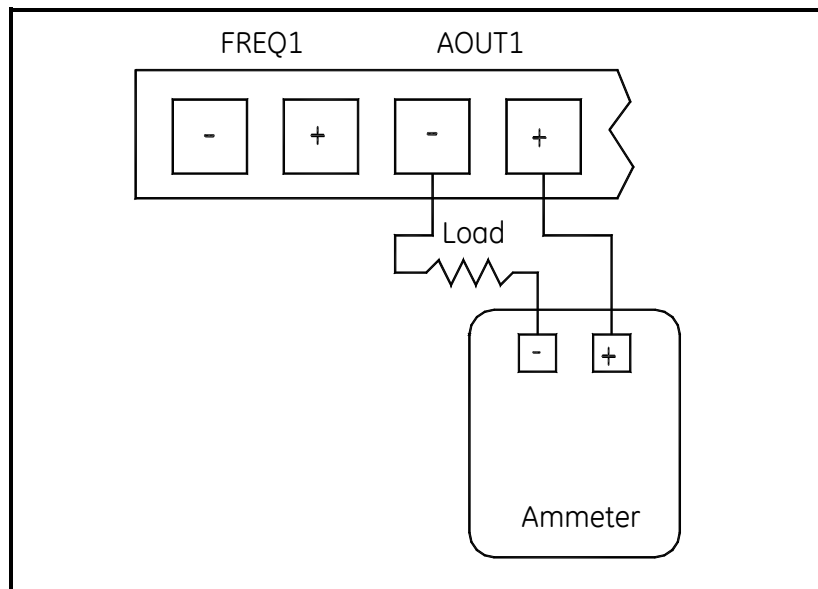


Figure 4-1: Ammeter Connection

Calibration (cont.)

To calibrate the analog outputs, complete the following steps:

Accessing the Calibration Menu

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until CALIB appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until SLOTO appears and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] until A or C appears and press [ENTER].

Calibrating the Low Point

1. Press [▶] to select 4 mA and press [ENTER].
2. Press [▶] to select UP or DOWN to adjust the reading until the ammeter reads exactly 4 mA. Press [ENTER].
3. When the desired reading is achieved, select STORE. If the ammeter reading cannot be adjusted with $\pm 5.0 \mu\text{A}$ of the 4 mA setting, select ABORT to end the calibration and contact GE for assistance.

Calibrating the High Point

1. Press [▶] to select 20 mA and press [ENTER].
2. Press [▶] to select UP or DOWN to adjust the reading until the ammeter reads exactly 20 mA. Press [ENTER].
3. When the desired reading is achieved, select STORE. If the ammeter reading cannot be adjusted with $\pm 5.0 \mu\text{A}$ of the 20 mA setting, select ABORT to end the calibration and contact GE for assistance.

Testing Linearity

To test the linearity of the analog outputs, complete the following steps:

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until CALIB appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until SLOTO appears and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] until A or C appears and press [ENTER].
5. Press [▶] to select Test and press [ENTER].

Testing Linearity (cont.)

6. Under % Full Scale use the arrow keys to enter 50.00. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to desired character position and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the number to the desired value. Then, press [ENTER].
7. Check the ammeter reading. *Table 4-1* below lists the expected ammeter readings at various % Full Scale settings for both 4-20 mA and 0-20 mA scales. Use this table to verify the accuracy of your ammeter reading.

Note: *If the linearity test readings are not within $\pm 5 \mu\text{A}$ of the values listed in Table 4-1, check the accuracy and wiring of the ammeter. Then, repeat the low and high end calibrations. If the analog output still does not pass the linearity test, contact GE for assistance.*

8. Repeat Step 2 for a different output percentage (0-100%). Check the ammeter reading at this setting and press [ENTER] when done.

Table 4-1: Expected Ammeter Readings

% Full Scale	4-20 mA Scale*	0-20 mA Scale*
0	4.000	0.000
10	5.600	2.000
20	7.200	4.000
30	8.800	6.000
40	10.400	8.000
50	12.000	10.000
60	13.600	12.000
70	15.200	14.000
80	16.800	16.000
90	18.400	18.000
100	20.000	20.000
* all ammeter readings should be $\pm 0.005 \text{ mA}$		

Calibrating the Totalizer/Frequency Outputs

Prepare for the calibration procedure by connecting a frequency counter to the appropriate terminal blocks (see *Figure 1-5* on page 1-16).

Note: *Outputs 1 and 2 in the wiring diagram correspond to Outputs B and D in the AT868 software.*

Calibrating the Frequency Outputs

To calibrate the frequency outputs, complete the following steps:

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until CALIB appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until SLOTO appears and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] until B or D appears and press [ENTER].
5. Use the arrow keys to enter the desired frequency. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to desired character position and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the value. Then, press [ENTER].

Calibrating the Totalizer Outputs

To calibrate the totalizer outputs, complete the following steps:

1. Press [ESC], [ENTER], [ESC] in sequence to enter the *user program*.
2. Press [▶] until CALIB appears and press [ENTER].
3. Press [▶] until SLOTO appears and press [ENTER].
4. Press [▶] until B or D appears and press [ENTER].
5. Use the arrow keys to enter the desired pulse width in μsec . Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to desired character position and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the value. Then, press [ENTER].
6. Use the arrow keys to enter the number of pulses. Press [◀] and [▶] to move the cursor to desired character position and press [▲] and [▼] to increase or decrease the value. Then, press [ENTER]. Your counter should display the number of pulses entered.
7. Repeat Steps 5 and 6 until you achieve the desired result.

Appendix A

Menu Maps

The CHx ACTIV, SYSTM, PIPE and I/O Menu Map	A-1
The GLOBL Menu Map	A-2
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The RESET and CALIB Menu Map	A-4

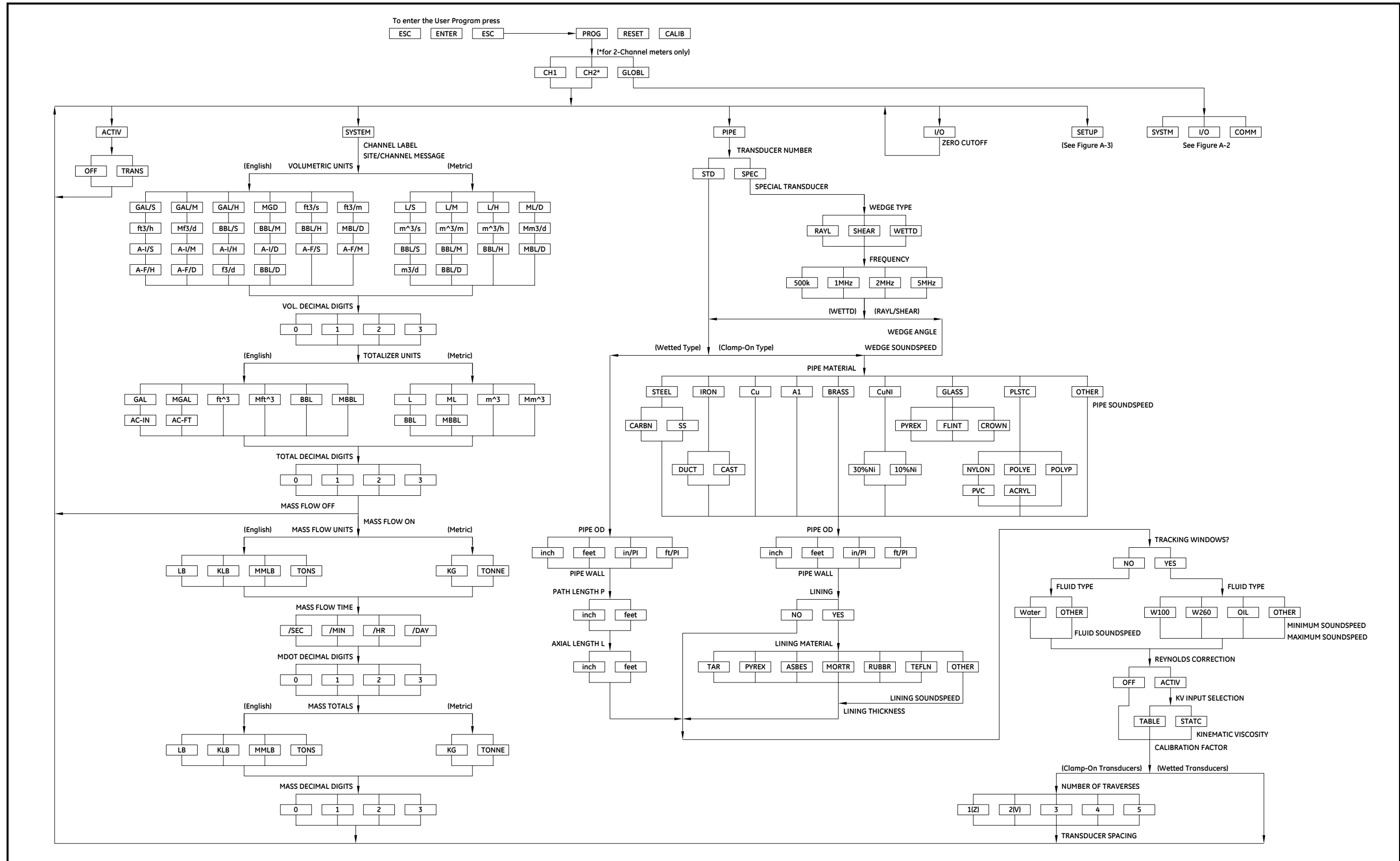


Figure A-1: The CHx ACTIV, SYSTM, PIPE and I/O Menu Map

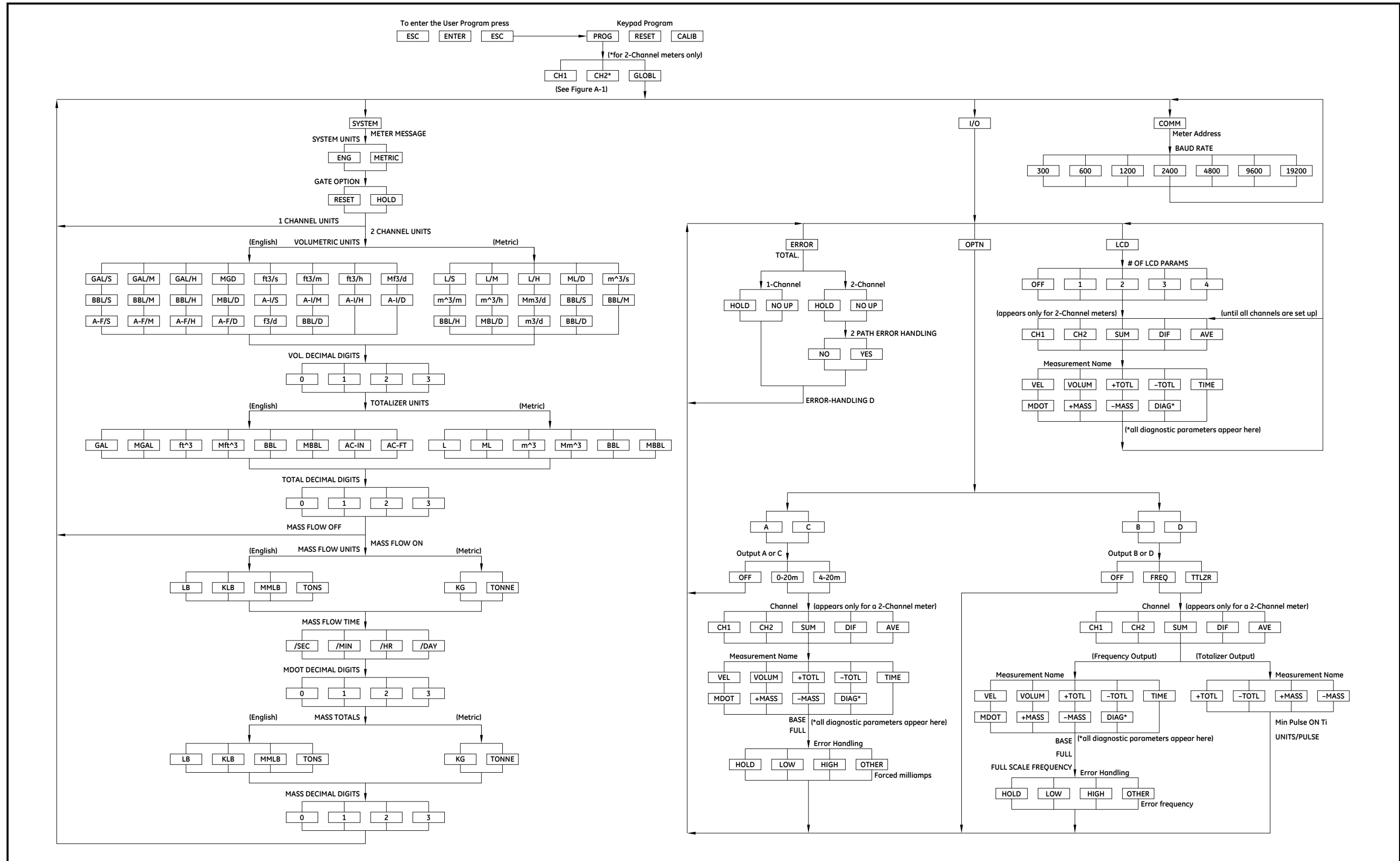


Figure A-2: The GLOBL Menu Map

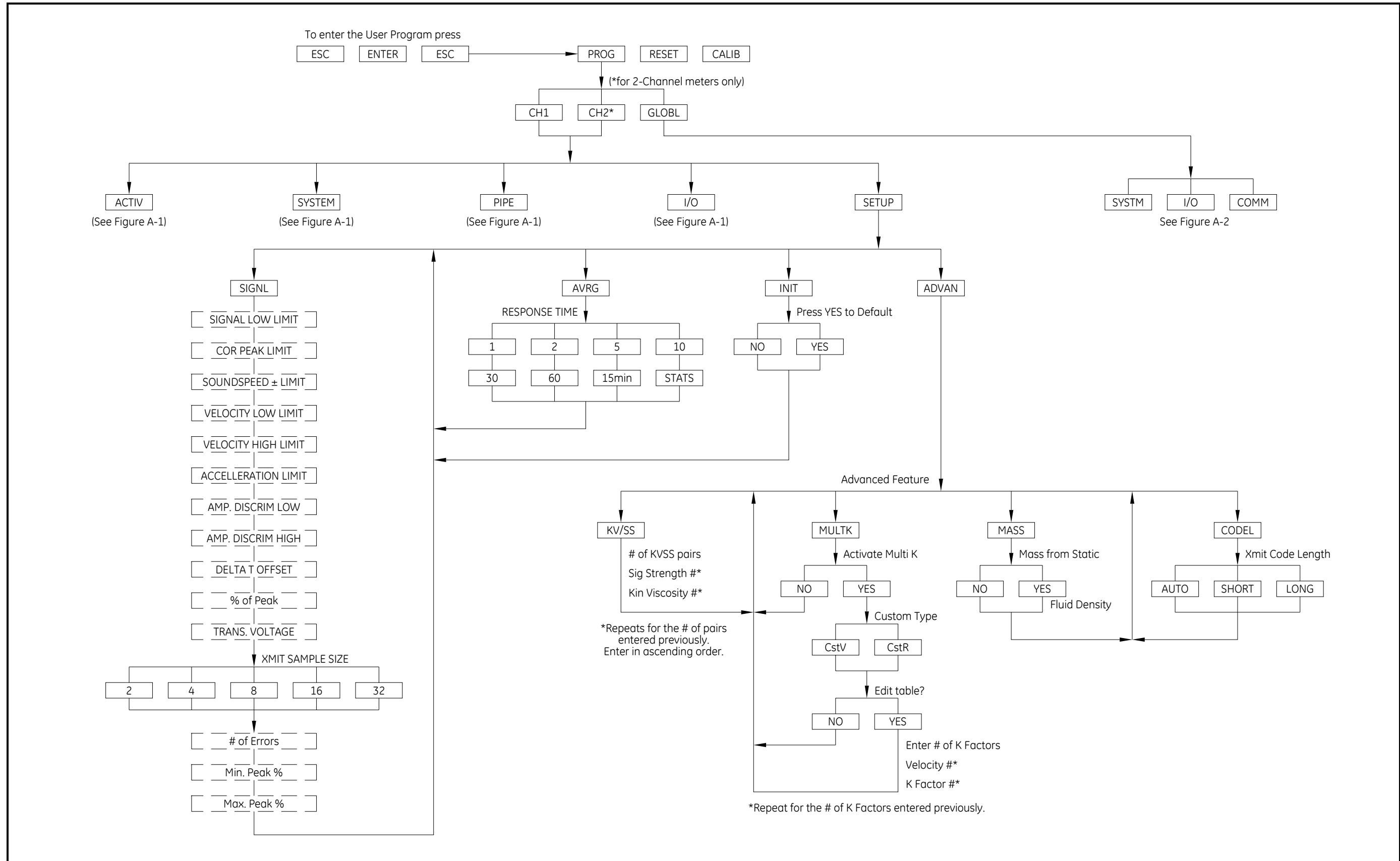


Figure A-3: The CHx SETUP Menu Map

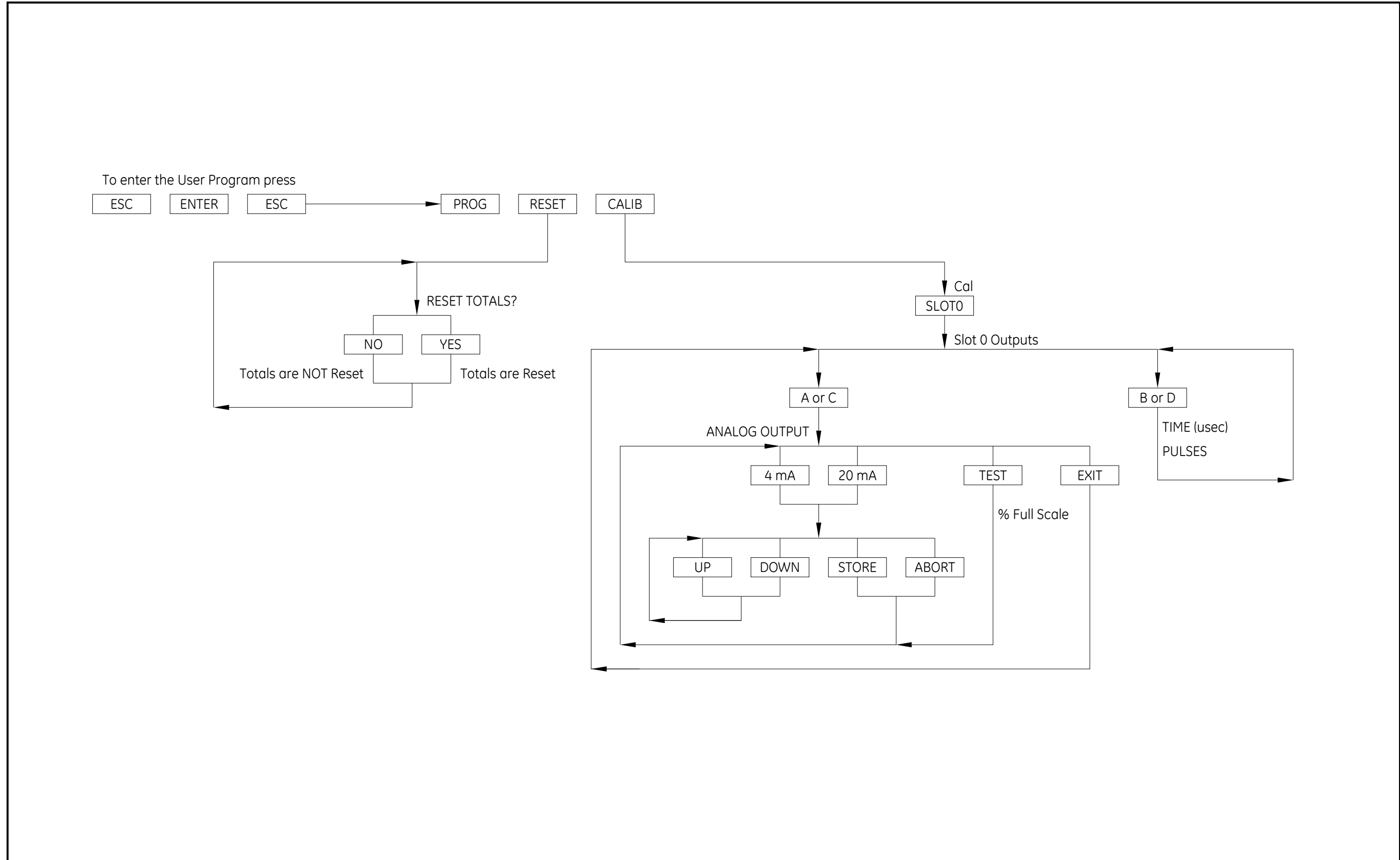


Figure A-4: The RESET and CALIB MenuMap

Appendix B

Measuring P and L Dimensions

Measuring P and L B-1

Measuring P and L

If you are using wetted transducers, the AT868 requires you to enter the path length (P) and the axial dimension (L). P is the transducer face-to-face distance, and L is the axial projection of P in the flow stream.

To determine L, physically measure the distance between the center of the transducer ports at the inside wall as shown in Figure B-1 below. If such a measurement is not possible, consult the factory for assistance.

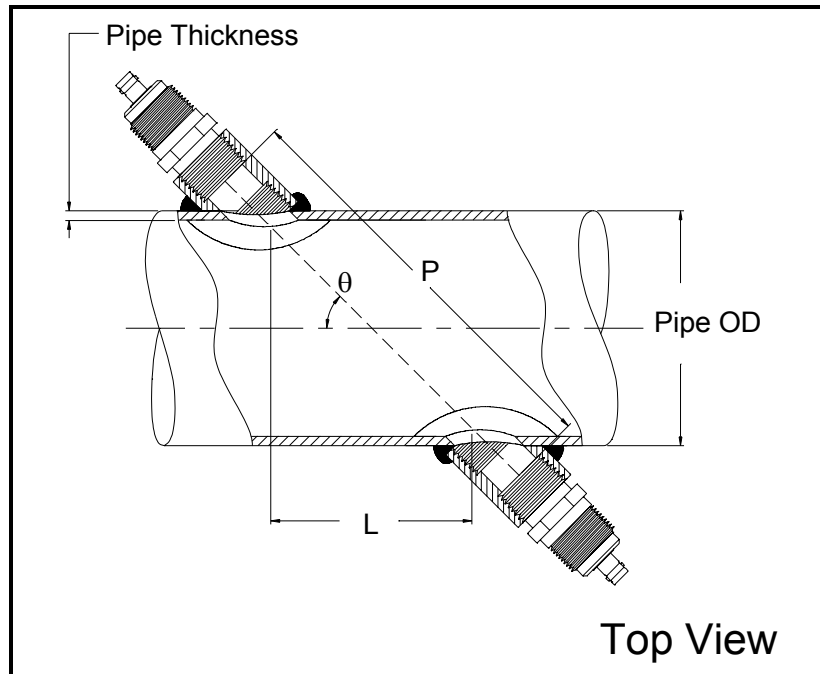


Figure B-1: 180° Transducer Installations

To determine P, you need the following information:

- the pipe inside diameter (ID)
- the pipe wall thickness (WT)
- the installed pipe coupling length (CL)
- the transducer face depth (FD)
- the mounting angle (MA)

Measuring P and L (cont.) Use *Figure B-2* below to properly measure the pipe coupling length. Typically, the transducer face is positioned just outside the inside diameter (ID) of the pipe, or slightly retracted inside the coupling.

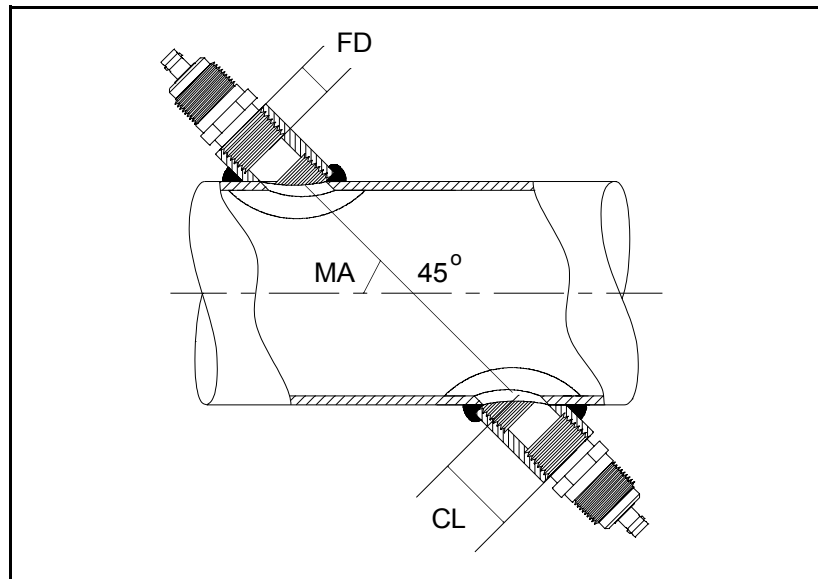


Figure B-2: Determining the Pipe Coupling Length

Then, use the following formula to determine the P dimension:

$$P = \frac{[ID + 2(WT)]}{\cos(MA)} + 2(CL - FD)$$

For example, if:

- inside diameter (ID) = 48"
- wall thickness (WT) = 3/8"
- installed coupling length (CL) = 2.0"
- transducer face depth (FD) = 1.75"
- mounting angle (MA) = 45°

Then, the P dimension would be:

$$P = \frac{[48 + 2(0.375)]}{\cos(45^\circ)} + 2(2.0 - 1.75) = 69.4"$$

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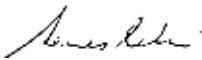
to which this declaration relates, are in conformity with the following standards:

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The units listed above and any transducers supplied with them (spoolpieces are addressed under a separate declaration of conformity) do not bear CE marking for the Pressure Equipment Directive, as they are supplied in accordance with Article 3, Section 3 (sound engineering practices and codes of good workmanship) of the Pressure Equipment Directive 97/23/EC for DN<25.

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