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- **Do not climb** tripods or towers at any time, and prohibit climbing by other persons. Take reasonable precautions to secure tripod and tower sites from trespassers.
- Use only manufacturer recommended parts, materials, and tools.

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- Prior to performing site or installation work, inform all utility companies and have all underground utilities marked.
- Comply with all electrical codes. Electrical equipment and related grounding devices should be installed by a licensed and qualified electrician.

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- Exercise extreme caution when performing elevated work.
- Use appropriate equipment and safety practices.
- During installation and maintenance, keep tower and tripod sites clear of un-trained or nonessential personnel. Take precautions to prevent elevated tools and objects from dropping.
- Do not perform any work in inclement weather, including wind, rain, snow, lightning, etc.

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- Periodically (at least yearly) check for wear and damage, including corrosion, stress cracks, frayed cables, loose cable clamps, cable tightness, etc. and take necessary corrective actions.
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# 024A Met-One Wind Direction Sensor

## 1. Introduction

The 024A is a wind vane manufactured by Met One. It measures wind direction only and is traditionally used in tandem with Met One's 014A Wind Speed Sensor.

#### NOTE

This manual provides information only for CRBasic dataloggers. It is also compatible with most of our retired Edlog dataloggers. For Edlog datalogger support, see an older manual at www.campbellsci.com/old-manuals.

## 2. Precautions

- READ AND UNDERSTAND the *Safety* section at the front of this manual.
- The 024A is a precision instrument. Please handle it with care.
- If the 024A is to be installed at heights over 6 ft, be familiar with tower safety and follow safe tower climbing procedures.
- Danger—Use extreme care when working near overhead electrical wires.
   Check for overhead wires before mounting the 024A or before raising a tower.
- The black outer jacket of the cable is Santoprene® rubber. This compound
  was chosen for its resistance to temperature extremes, moisture, and UV
  degradation. However, this jacket will support combustion in air. It is rated
  as slow burning when tested according to U.L. 94 H.B. and will pass
  FMVSS302. Local fire codes may preclude its use inside buildings.

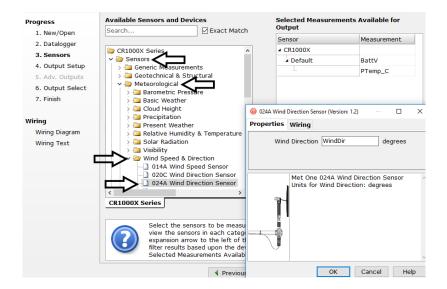
## 3. Initial Inspection

- Upon receipt of the 024A, inspect the packaging and contents for damage.
   File damage claims with the shipping company. Immediately check package contents against the shipping documentation. Contact Campbell Scientific about any discrepancies.
- The model number and cable length are printed on a label at the connection end of the cable. Check this information against the shipping documents to ensure the expected product and cable length are received.

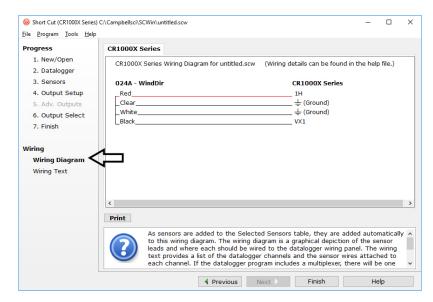
## 4. QuickStart

Short Cut is an easy way to program your datalogger to measure this sensor and assign datalogger wiring terminals. Short Cut is available as a download on www.campbellsci.com. It is included in installations of LoggerNet, PC200W, PC400, or RTDAQ. The following procedure shows using Short Cut to program the sensor.

- 1. Open *Short Cut* and create a new program.
- 2. Double-click the datalogger model.
- Under Available Sensors and Devices, select the Sensors |
   Meteorological | Wind Speed & Direction folder and double-click 024A
   Wind Direction Sensor.



4. After selecting the sensor, click **Wiring Diagram** to see how the sensor is to be wired to the datalogger. The wiring diagram can be printed out now or after more sensors are added.



- 5. Select any other sensors you have, then finish the remaining *Short Cut* steps to complete the program. The remaining steps are outlined in *Short Cut Help*, which is accessed by clicking on **Help** | **Contents** | **Programming Steps**.
- 6. If *LoggerNet*, *PC400*, *RTDAQ*, or *PC200W* is running on your PC, and the PC to datalogger connection is active, you can click **Finish** in *Short Cut* and you will be prompted to send the program just created to the datalogger.
- 7. If the sensor is connected to the datalogger, as shown in the wiring diagram in step 4, check the output of the sensor in the datalogger support software data display to make sure it is making reasonable measurements.

## 5. Overview

Met One's 024A is a wind vane that measures wind direction from 0 to 360 degrees with a 5-degree accuracy. It uses a 10-k $\Omega$  potentiometer to sense wind direction. A datalogger applies a precision excitation voltage to the potentiometer, resulting in an analog voltage output that is directly proportional to the wind direction's azimuth.

The cable includes a 10k 1% resistor as shown in FIGURE 7-5. If the cable was purchased from Met One Instruments, the 10k resistor is not included. The cable can be used without the resistor, but this requires program changes not supported by *Short Cut* (see Section 7.4.1, *Datalogger Instruction (p. 8)*).

Cable length for the 024A is specified when the sensor is ordered. TABLE 5-1 gives the recommended cable length for mounting the sensor at the top of a tripod/tower via a CM202 crossarm.

TABLE 5-1. Recommended Cable Lengths							
CM106B CM110 CM115 CM120 UT10 UT20 UT30							
11 ft	14 ft	19 ft	24 ft	14 ft	24 ft	37 ft	

The 024A's cable can terminate in:

- Pigtails that connect directly to a Campbell Scientific datalogger (option –PT).
- Connector that attaches to a prewired enclosure (option –PW). Refer to www.campbellsci.com/prewired-enclosures for more information.

## 6. Specifications

### Features:

 Compatible with Campbell Scientific CRBasic dataloggers: CR200(X) series, CR300 series, CR6 series, CR800 series, CR1000, CR1000X, CR3000, CR5000, and CR9000(X)

**Range:** 0 to 360 degrees

**Threshold:**  $0.447 \text{ m s}^{-1} (1.0 \text{ mph})$ 

Accuracy:  $\pm 5$  degrees

**Temperature Range:** -50 to 70 °C

**Delay Distance:** < 1.5 m (5 ft)

**Damping Ratio** 

 Standard:
 0.25

 Optional:
 0.4

**Potentiometer Specifications** 

Sand, Dust, and Fungus: MIL-E-5272 Salt Spray: MIL-E-12934 Resistance: 0 to  $10,000 \Omega$ 

**Weight:** 450 g (1 lb)

**Dimensions** 

 Overall Height:
 33.8 cm (13.3 in)

 Overall Length:
 44.7 cm (17.6 in)

 Tail Height:
 30.5 cm (12 in)

 Tail Width:
 7.6 cm (3 in)

## 7. Installation

If you are programming your datalogger with *Short Cut*, skip Section 7.3, *Wiring (p. 7)*, and Section 7.4, *Programming (p. 8)*. *Short Cut* does this work for you. See Section 4, *QuickStart (p. 2)*, for a *Short Cut* tutorial.

## 7.1 Siting

Locate wind sensors away from obstructions such as trees or buildings. The recommended horizontal distance is at least ten times the height of the obstruction between the windset and the obstruction. If it is necessary to mount the sensors on the roof of a building, the height of the sensors, above the roof, should be at least 1.5 times the height of the building. See Section 9, *References (p. 12)*, for a list of references that discuss siting wind direction sensors.

## 7.2 Mounting

## 7.2.1 Mounting the Sensor to a Crossarm

Install the 024A using:

- CM220 Right-Angle Mounting Kit, or
- 17953 1 x 1 inch NU-RAIL Crossover Fitting
- 1. Remove the Allen hex screw in the lower part of the sensor housing (FIGURE 7-1).
- 2. Insert the 024A in the mounting bushing (FIGURE 7-1).
- 3. Tighten the mounting bushing screw onto the sensor housing (FIGURE 7-1).

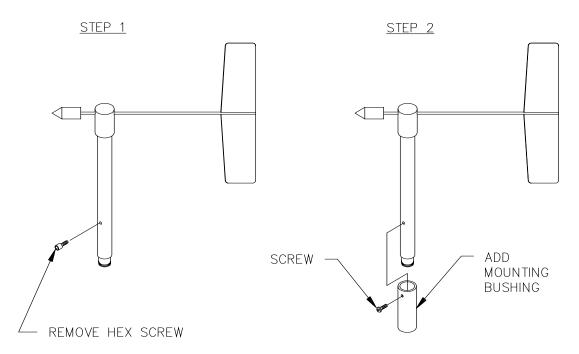


FIGURE 7-1. Bushing installation on 024A sensor

- 4. Mount the crossarm to a tripod or tower.
- 5. Orient the crossarm north-south, with the CM220 or 17953 NU-RAIL on the north end. Appendix C, *Determining True North and Sensor Orientation (p. C-1)*, contains detailed information on determining true north using a compass and the magnetic declination for the site.

6. Insert the sensor in the CM220 (FIGURE 7-2) or NU-RAIL fitting (see FIGURE 7-3).



FIGURE 7-2. CM220 mount attached to a crossarm

- 7. Align the sensor so that the counter weight points due south and tighten the U-bolts on the CM220 or tighten the set screws on the NU-RAIL fitting.
- 8. Connect the cable assembly to the sensor receptacle.
- 9. Route the sensor cable along the underside of the crossarm to the tripod/tower, and to the instrument enclosure.
- 10. Secure the cable to the crossarm and tripod/tower using cable ties (FIGURE 7-3).

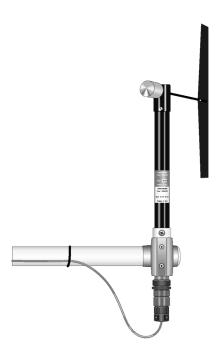


FIGURE 7-3. The 024A mounted to a crossarm via the 17953 NU-RAIL

## 7.2.2 Mounting the 024A Atop a Tripod Mast

The 024A mounts at the top of a CM106B, CM110, CM115, or CM120 tripod with the CM216 (see FIGURE 7-4). The CM216 extends 10 cm (4 in) above the mast of the tripod.



FIGURE 7-4. CM216 mount

## 7.3 Wiring

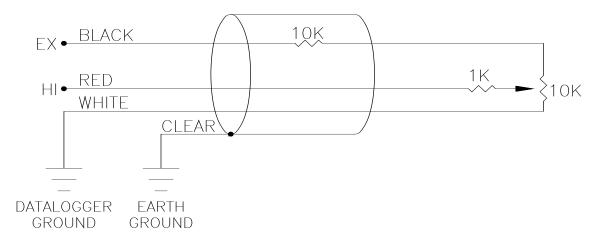


FIGURE 7-5. Schematic of 024A Wind Direction Sensor

FIGURE 7-5 and TABLE 7-1 shows wiring; a detailed cable diagram is provided in Section 8, *Maintenance (p. 10)* (FIGURE 8-1).

TABLE 7-1. Wire Color, Function, and Datalogger Connection			
Wire Color	Wire Function	Datalogger Connection Terminal	
Red	Signal	U configured for single-ended analog input <sup>1</sup> , SE (single-ended, analog-voltage input)	
Black	Voltage excitation input	U configured for voltage excitation <sup>1</sup> , EX, VX (voltage excitation)	
White	Wind Direction Reference	AG or    (analog ground)	
Clear	Shield	AG or ≟ (analog ground)	
<sup>1</sup> U channels are automatically configured by the measurement instruction.			

## 7.4 Programming

*Short Cut* is the best source for up-to-date datalogger programming code. Programming code is needed when:

- Creating a program for a new datalogger installation
- Adding sensors to an existing datalogger program

If your data acquisition requirements are simple and you are connecting the sensor to a pulse port, you can probably create and maintain a datalogger program exclusively with *Short Cut*. If your data acquisition needs are more complex, the files that *Short Cut* creates are a great source for programming code to start a new program or add to an existing custom program.

#### **NOTE**

Short Cut cannot edit programs after they are imported and edited in CRBasic Editor.

A Short Cut tutorial is available in Section 4, QuickStart (p. 2). If you wish to import Short Cut code into CRBasic Editor to create or add to a customized program, follow the procedure in Appendix A, Importing Short Cut Code Into CRBasic Editor (p. A-1). Programming basics for CRBasic dataloggers are provided in the following sections. Complete program examples for select CRBasic dataloggers can be found in Appendix B, Example Programs (p. B-1). Programming basics and programming examples for Edlog dataloggers are provided at www.campbellsci.com\old-manuals.

## 7.4.1 Datalogger Instruction

The datalogger instruction that measures the 024A is datalogger dependent. The CR200(X) datalogger uses the **ExDelSE()** instruction to measure wind direction. All other CRBasic dataloggers use the **BRHalf()** instruction. Excitation voltages, range codes, delays, and multipliers are listed in TABLE 7-2. The multipliers listed in TABLE 7-2 do not account for cable length or resistor tolerances. A more accurate multiplier can be determined as described in Section 7.4.2, *Calibration (p. 9)*.

TABLE 7-2. Parameters for Wind Direction						
	CR200(X)	CR300 Series	CR800, CR850, CR1000	CR6, CR1000X	CR5000, CR3000	
Measurement Range	NA	mV2500	mV2500	mV5000	mV5000	
Excitation Voltage <sup>1</sup>	2500 mV	2500 mV	2500 mV	2500 mV	5000 mV	
Reverse Excitation	NA	NA	True	True	True	
Delay or Settling Time	20000 μs	20000 μs	20000 μs	20000 μs	20000 μs	
Multiplier	0.288	720	720	720	720	
Offset	0	0	0	0	0	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>For cables purchased from Met One that do not include the 10k-series resistor, reduce the excitation voltages listed in this table by half.

## 7.4.2 Calibration

Conversion of the measurement result (X) to wind direction is done by the multiplier parameter of the measurement instruction. For a more accurate measurement, use Eq. 1 to calculate a multiplier that accounts for cable length and resistor tolerances:

Calculated Multiplier = 360/FSX

Eq. 1

Where,

FSX = full scale measurement result

With a multiplier of 1, the measurement result (X) for the **BRHalf()** instruction is the ratio  $V_1/V_X$ , where  $V_1$  is the voltage measured on the SE channel, and  $V_X$  is the excitation voltage. For the **EX-DEL-SE()** instruction used with the CR200(X), the measurement result is the mV value.

The full scale measurement result (FSX) is the maximum, X, output from the 024A. To determine the FSX, create a program with the parameters listed in TABLE 7-2, and a multiplier of 1. The value displayed in the input variable is (X). With the shoulder screw removed, slowly rotate the wind vane to get the maximum value, which is the FSX. With the 10k series resistor, the FSX is approximately half the excitation voltage for the **EX-DEL-SE()** instruction and approximately 0.5 for the **BRHalf()** instruction. The calculated multiplier is 360/(FSX) should be close to the multiplier listed in TABLE 7-2. Keep the offset at 0.

Enter the value calculated in Eq. 1 in the program using the CRBasic program editor.

NOTE

If the FSX is NAN or -999999, reduce the excitation voltage by 5 mV and determine the new FSX.

## 8. Maintenance

The maintenance schedules are for average to adverse environments.

## 8.1 6 to 12 Month Periodic Service

Inspect sensor for physical damage and verify that the vane assembly rotates freely. To verify parts and locations, refer to the parts diagram (FIGURE 8-2) and the parts list (TABLE 8-1).

## 8.2 24 to 36 Month Service

A complete factory overhaul of the sensor, including the replacement of the potentiometer, is recommended. To send the 024A to Campbell Scientific, the customer must receive an RMA number and fill out a "Statement of Product Cleanliness". For more information, refer to the *Assistance* section that is at the beginning of this document.

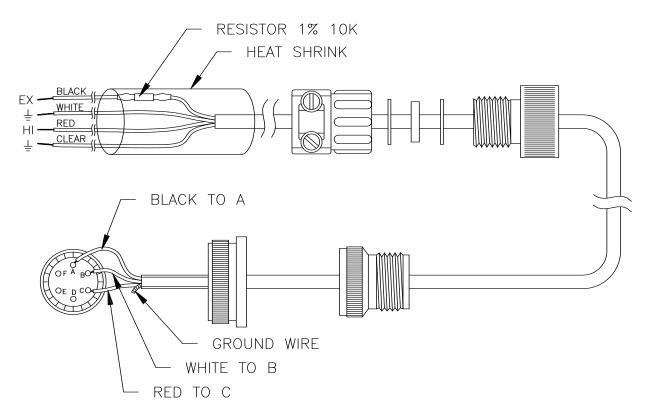


FIGURE 8-1. Cable diagram

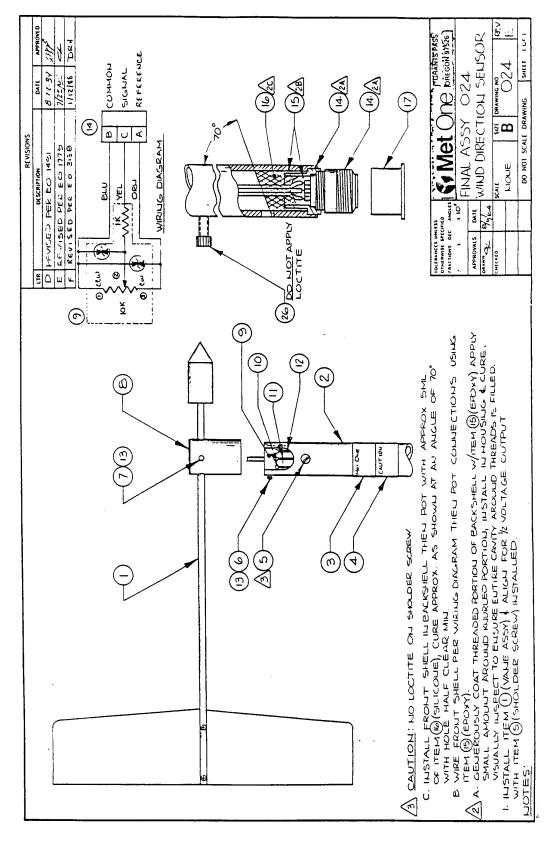


FIGURE 8-2. Parts diagram

TABLE 8-1. Met One Parts List Reproduced by Campbell Scientific					
Item	Part No.	Description	Qty./Assy		
1	102105	Vane Assembly	1		
2	101685-1	Wind Direction Support	1		
3	101049-2	Label, Wind Direction	1		
4	101789	Label, Caution	1		
5	860015	Screw, Shoulder	1		
6	601100	Screw, Pan Head Ph, 2-56x3/16	3		
7	601680	Screw, Set A/H, 8-32x3/8	2		
8	101687	Label, Met One	1		
9	102017	Assembly, Potentiometer	1		
10	980495	Wire, 22 Gage, Yellow	1		
11	980450	Wire, 22 Gage, Blue	1		
12	980475	Wire, 22 Gage, Orange	1		
13	995425	Loctite 222	A/R		
14	500280	Connector, 6 Pin	1		
15	995100	Adhesive, Epoxy	A/R		
16	995060	Adhesive, Silicone	5 ml		
17	510020	Cap	1		
18					
19					
20					
21	101806	Assembly, Cable	Ref		
22	101699	Assembly Instructions	Ref		
23	101706	014 and 024 Installation	Ref		
24	101697	Wiring Diagram	Ref		
25					
26	601850	Screw, Cap A/H SS 10-32x5/8	1		

# 9. References

The following references give detailed information on siting wind speed and wind direction sensors.

EPA, 1989: *Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurements System*, Office of Research and Development, Research Triangle Park, NC, 27711.

- EPA, 1987: On-Site Meteorological Program Guidance for Regulatory Modeling Applications, EPA-450/4-87-013, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711.
- The State Climatologist, 1985: *Publication of the American Association of State Climatologists: Height and Exposure Standards*, for Sensors on Automated Weather Stations, vol. 9, No. 4.
- WMO, 1983: Guide to Meteorological Instruments and Methods of Observation, World Meteorological Organization, No. 8, 5th edition, Geneva, Switzerland.

# Appendix A. Importing Short Cut Code Into CRBasic Editor

#### This tutorial shows:

- How to import a Short Cut program into a program editor for additional refinement
- How to import a wiring diagram from *Short Cut* into the comments of a custom program

Short Cut creates the following files, which can be imported into CRBasic Editor. Assuming defaults were used when Short Cut was installed, these files reside in the C:\campbellsci\SCWin folder:

- .DEF (wiring and memory usage information)
- .CR2 (CR200(X)-series datalogger code)
- .CR300 (CR300-series datalogger code)
- .CR6 (CR6-series datalogger code)
- .CR8 (CR800-series datalogger code)
- .CR1 (CR1000 datalogger code)
- .CR1X (CR1000X datalogger code)
- .CR3 (CR3000 datalogger code)
- .CR5 (CR5000 datalogger code)
- .CR9 (CR9000(X) datalogger code)

Use the following procedure to import *Short Cut* code and wiring diagram into *CRBasic Editor*.

- 1. Create the *Short Cut* program following the procedure in Section 4, *QuickStart* (p. 2). Finish the program and exit *Short Cut*. Make note of the file name used when saving the *Short Cut* program.
- 2. Open CRBasic Editor.
- 3. Click **File** | **Open**. Assuming the default paths were used when *Short Cut* was installed, navigate to C:\CampbellSci\SCWin folder. The file of interest has the .CR2, .CR300, .CR6, .CR8, .CR1, .CR1X, .CR3, .CR5, or .CR9 extension. Select the file and click **Open**.
- 4. Immediately save the file in a folder different from C:\Campbellsci\SCWin, or save the file with a different file name.

#### NOTE

Once the file is edited with *CRBasic Editor*, *Short Cut* can no longer be used to edit the datalogger program. Change the name of the program file or move it, or *Short Cut* may overwrite it next time it is used.

- 5. The program can now be edited, saved, and sent to the datalogger.
- 6. Import wiring information to the program by opening the associated .DEF file. Copy and paste the section beginning with heading "-Wiring for CRXXX-" into the CRBasic program, usually at the head of the file. After pasting, edit the information such that an apostrophe (') begins each line. This character instructs the datalogger compiler to ignore the line when compiling.

# Appendix B. Example Programs

The following program examples measure the 014A wind speed sensor and the 024A wind direction sensor. Wind speed and direction measurements are processed by the **WindVector()** instruction, which outputs mean wind speed, mean wind vector direction, and standard deviation of wind direction for the output interval.

## **B.1 CR1000 Program**

```
CRBasic Example B-1. CR1000 Program
'Declare Variables and Units
Public BattV
Public PTemp_C
Public WS_ms
Public WindDir
Units BattV=Volts
Units PTemp_C=Deg C
Units WS_ms=meters/second
Units WindDir=degrees
'Define Data Tables
DataTable(Table1,True,-1)
 DataInterval(0,60,Min,10)
 WindVector(1,WS_ms,WindDir,FP2,False,0,0,0)
 FieldNames("WS_ms_S_WVT,WindDir_D1_WVT,WindDir_SD1_WVT")
EndTable
'Main Program
BeginProg
  'Main Scan
 Scan(1, Sec, 1, 0)
    'Default Datalogger Battery Voltage measurement 'BattV'
    Battery(BattV)
    'Default Wiring Panel Temperature measurement 'PTemp_C'
    PanelTemp(PTemp_C,_60Hz)
    '014A Wind Speed Sensor measurement 'WS_ms'
   PulseCount(WS_ms,1,1,2,1,0.8,0.447)
    If WS_ms<0.457 Then WS_ms=0
    '024A Wind Direction Sensor measurement 'WindDir'
   BrHalf(WindDir,1,mV2500,1,1,1,2500,True,20000,250,720,0)
   If WindDir>=360 Or WindDir<0 Then WindDir=0
    'Call Data Tables and Store Data
    CallTable Table1
 NextScan
EndProg
```

## **B.2 CR200(X) Program**

```
CRBasic Example B-2. CR200(X) Program
'CR200/CR200X
'Declare Variables and Units
Public BattV
Public WS_ms
Public WindDir
Units BattV=Volts
Units WS_ms=meters/second
Units WindDir=degrees
'Define Data Tables
DataTable(Table1,True,-1)
 DataInterval(0,60,Min)
  WindVector(WS_ms,WindDir,False,0,0)
  FieldNames("WS_ms_S_WVT,WindDir_D1_WVT,WindDir_SD1_WVT")
EndTable
'Main Program
BeginProg
   'Main Scan
  Scan(1,Sec)
    'Default Datalogger Battery Voltage measurement 'BattV'
    Battery(BattV)
    '014A Wind Speed Sensor measurement 'WS_ms'
    PulseCount(WS_ms, P_SW, 2, 1, 0.8, 0.447)
    If WS_ms<0.457 Then WS_ms=0
    '024A Wind Direction Sensor measurement 'WindDir'
    ExDelSE(WindDir,1,1,1,2500,20000,0.288,0)
    If WindDir>=360 Or WindDir<0 Then WindDir=0
    'Call Data Tables and Store Data
    CallTable Table1
  NextScan
EndProg
```

# **B.3 CR3000 Program**

## CRBasic Example B-3. CR3000 Program 'CR3000 'Declare Variables and Units Public Batt\_Volt Public WindDir Public NewMult Units Batt\_Volt=Volts Units WindDir=degrees 'Define Data Tables DataTable(Table1,True,-1) DataInterval(0,60,Min,10) Sample(1,WindDir,FP2) EndTable DataTable(Table2,True,-1) DataInterval(0,1440,Min,10) Minimum(1,Batt\_Volt,FP2,False,False) EndTable 'Main Program BeginProg Scan(5,Sec,1,0) 'Default Datalogger Battery Voltage measurement Batt\_Volt: Battery(Batt\_Volt) '024A Wind Direction Sensor measurement WindDir: BrHalf(WindDir,1,mV5000,1,1,1,5000,True,2000,250,1.0,0) NewMult=360/WindDir 'Call Data Tables and Store Data CallTable(Table1) CallTable(Table2) NextScan **EndProg**

# Appendix C. Determining True North and Sensor Orientation

Orientation of the wind direction sensor is done after the datalogger has been programmed, and the location of True North has been determined. True North is usually found by reading a magnetic compass and applying the correction for magnetic declination; where magnetic declination is the number of degrees between True North and Magnetic North. The preferred method to obtain the magnetic declination for a specific site is to use a computer service offered by NOAA at <a href="https://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/geomag">www.ngdc.noaa.gov/geomag</a>. The magnetic declination can also be obtained from a map or local airport. A general map showing magnetic declination for the contiguous United States is shown in FIGURE C-1.

Declination angles east of True North are considered negative, and are subtracted from 360 degrees to get True North as shown FIGURE C-2 (0° and 360° are the same point on a compass). For example, the declination for Logan, Utah is 11.78° East (11 August 2015). True North is 360° – 11.78°, or 348.22° as read on a compass. Declination angles west of True North are considered positive, and are added to 0 degrees to get True North as shown in FIGURE C-3.

Orientation is most easily done with two people, one to aim and adjust the sensor, while the other observes the wind direction displayed by the datalogger.

- 1. Establish a reference point on the horizon for True North.
- Sighting down the instrument center line, aim the nose cone, or counterweight at True South. Display the input location or variable for wind direction and verify the value is close to 180 degrees.

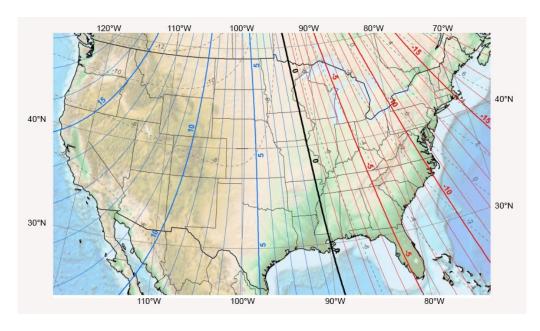


FIGURE C-1. Magnetic declination for the contiguous United States (2015)

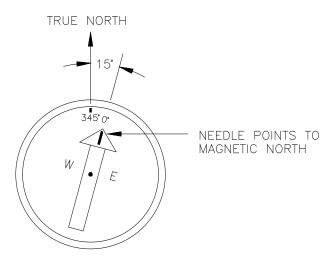


FIGURE C-2. Declination angles east of True North are subtracted from 0 to get True North

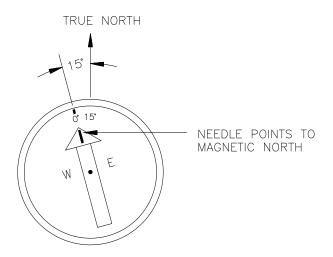


FIGURE C-3. Declination angles west of True North are added to 0 to get True North

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