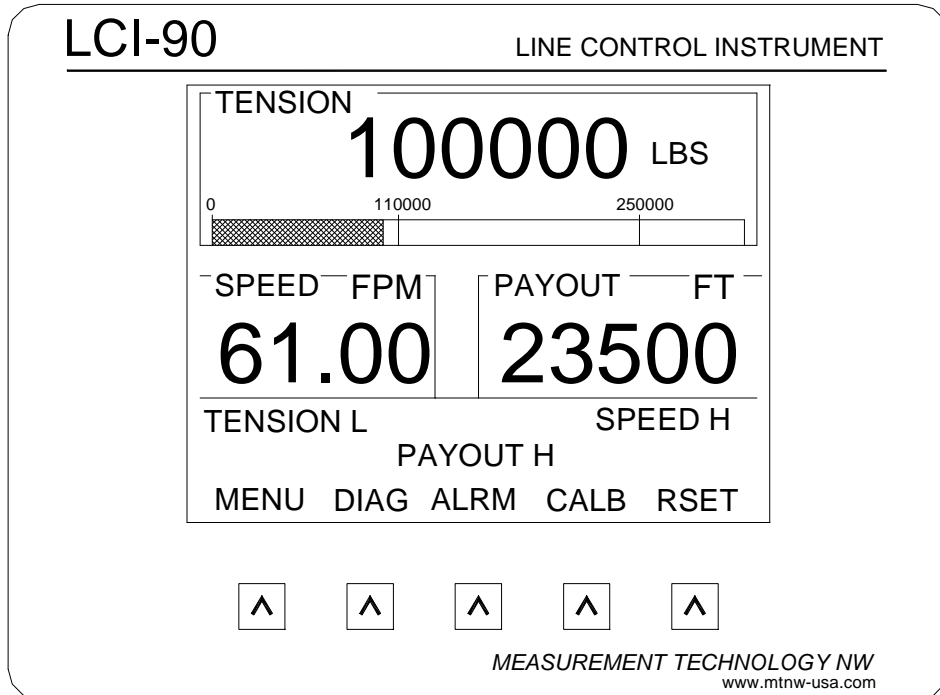


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## 1.0 Overview

The LCI-90 Line Control Instrument is a versatile instrument that displays line Tension, Payout, and Speed for winch and wire rope applications. Signals from Tension and Payout sensors are converted into engineering units and displayed on a high visibility electro-luminescent display. The display and the five front panel keys underneath it allow the operator to acknowledge alarms and to manipulate the calibration and configuration menus. The function of each key is indicated by the label that appears immediately above it in the Display. As the operator navigates through various displays the functions of these keys and their associated labels will change. The LCI-90 can be user configured to accept inputs from a range of Tension and Payout sensors, display the parameters in different locations and resolutions, enable as many as six different alarms, and select a variety of serial communication options.

This manual is intended to cover the installation, set-up, and operation of the LCI-90 and the LCI-90R remote display.

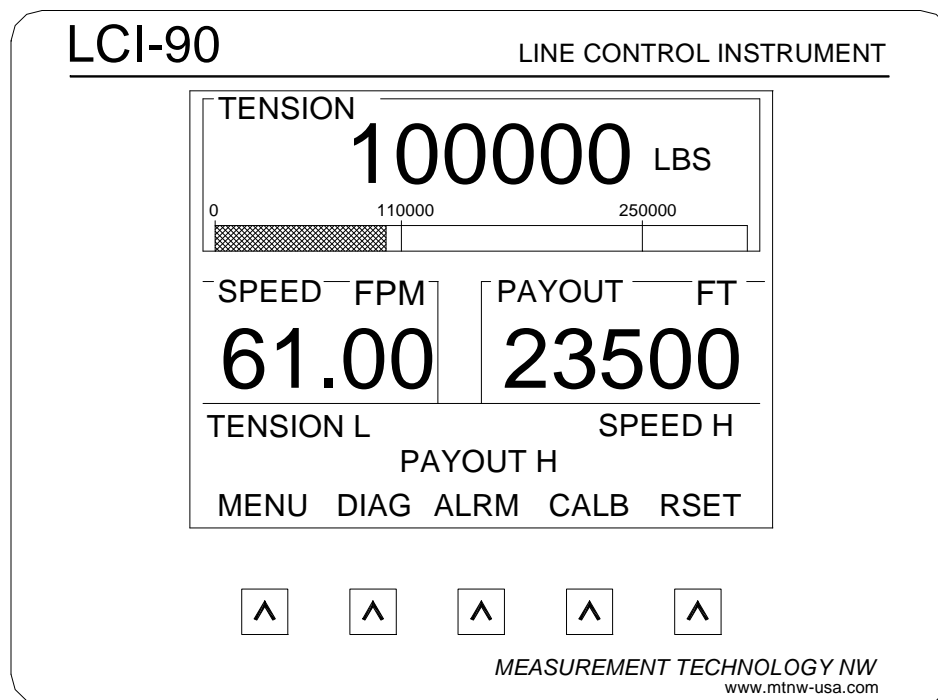


Figure 1.1 – LCI-90 Front Panel

## 2.0 Quick Start

This section provides a subset of the full technical manual to facilitate installation and start-up of the LCI-90. For a complete technical description please refer to Sections 3.0-6.0.

### 2.1 Mounting

The LCI-90 will fit in a 7.15" x 5.25" cutout, with a minimum of 4.75" depth clearance (see Appendix A for dimensional drawing). The instrument is held in place with removable panel clamps that index into the slotted holes on all sides of the display. Four clamps are included with each display.

After sliding the display into the cutout, clip the four panel clamps on the sides of the display, with the flanged end of the clamp facing away from the panel. Once the panel clamps are installed, tighten the jackscrews against the panel to compress the LCI-90 gasket to seal against the panel. Lock the jackscrews with hex nuts to prevent them from vibrating loose over time.

### 2.2 Basic Field Wiring

Basic field wiring connections for the LCI-90 are those required for power, the force transducer, and the quadrature Payout sensors. The base unit LCI-90 (i.e. no options) is shipped with hardware settings to accommodate the following field devices: one 4-20 mA Tension signal and two PNP proximity switch inputs for Payout. The LCI-90 can be connected to a broad range of field sensors; wiring connections for these are explained in detail in Section 4.0.

During installation, an appropriate disconnect device must be installed to provide a means of disconnecting the display from the external power source for servicing. This disconnect device is not provided with this equipment.

Input power requirements are 18-36VDC (nominal 24VDC) at 15 Watts. This device is a DC device. This device is approved for Overvoltage Installation Category III.

The connection diagrams for the factory standard power input, Tension and Payout sensors are shown in the tables below. The LCI-90 terminal blocks are listed on the left, and the field devices are listed on the right.

#### DC Power Connection

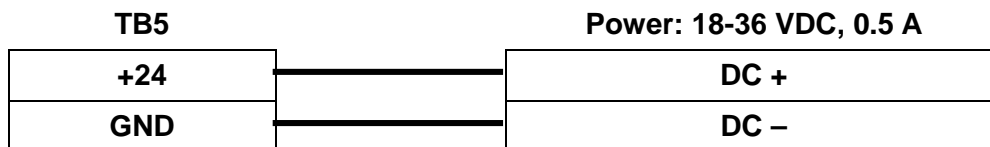


Figure 2.1 – Power Hookup – DC Power

**Direct Input – 4-20 mA, Four Wire, Channel 1**

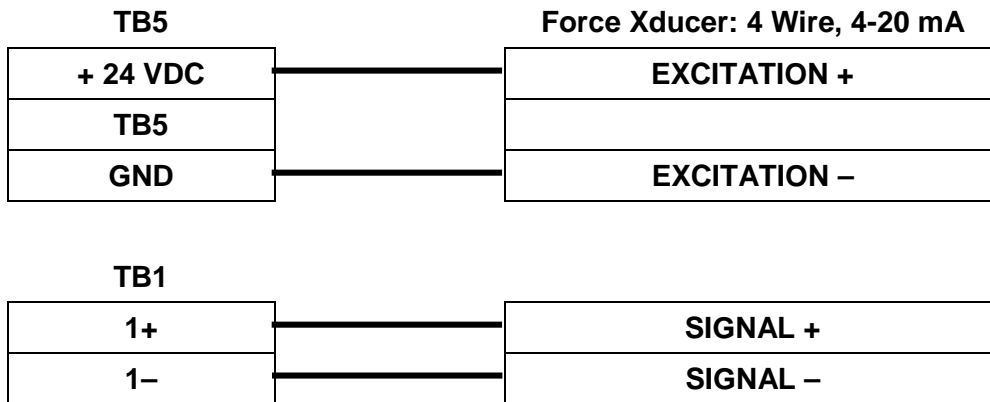


Figure 2.2 – Tension Hookup – 4 Wire 4-20 mA Signal

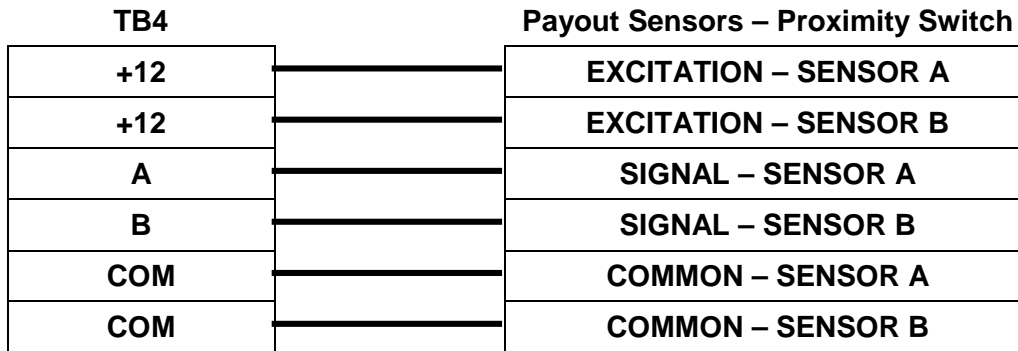


Figure 2.3 – Payout Hookup – 2 Channel 12VDC Proximity Switch

**2.3 Basic Hardware Configuration**

The base unit LCI-90 (i.e. no options) will accommodate the field device wiring and input devices shown in Section 2.2 above. No menu programming or DIP switch changes are necessary if these inputs are used. Setup procedures for alarms, analog outputs, input isolation modules, and serial communication options are discussed in Sections 4.0-6.0.

**2.4 Basic Operation**

The LCI-90 base unit is configured at the factory to display Tension at the top of the screen, both numerically and as an analog bar graph immediately underneath. Speed is displayed in the middle on the left and Payout on the right, as shown on the cover. The factory setting for units is pounds and feet. Tension and Payout have 0 decimal places, while Speed has 1 (2 illustrated). Section 5.0 explains how to change these settings.

The calibration values for the Tension and Payout sensors must be set for each field application. The following is a description of the simplest calibration for the anticipated sensors described above. For complete instructions on the menu functions and calibration features refer to Section 5.0.



To calibrate either the Tension or Payout sensors, just press the **CALB** button on the RUN screen. This will bring up the **2.0 CALIBRATE** display. (Or press **MENU** to get the **0 MAIN MENU** shown below, then select **2 CALIBRATION**; this achieves the same result):

	<b>0</b>	<b>MAIN MENU (Rev 1.xx)</b>
	<b>1</b>	<b>SET ALARMS</b>
>	<b>2</b>	<b>CALIBRATION</b>
	<b>3</b>	<b>DISPLAY CONFIGURATION</b>
	<b>4</b>	<b>SYSTEM CONFIGURATION</b>

<b>RUN</b>	<b>UP</b>	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>ENT</b>	<b>ESC</b>
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To calibrate the Payout sensor, use the **UP** and **DOWN** keys to align the pointer with menu item **5 PAYOUT SCALE**, then press **ENT** to move to the input field. Now use the **INCR**, **DECR** and **→** keys to change the value to the correct number of pulses per foot. (See §5.9 for details; the number of decimal places shown is adjusted to maintain four-digit accuracy.) Pressing **ENT** will accept the new value, pressing **ESC** will restore the old value. Pressing **RUN** saves the displayed value for future use and returns the instrument to RUN mode.

	<b>2.0 CALIBRATION</b>	
	<b>1</b>	<b>TENSION (THREE METHODS)</b>
	<b>2</b>	<b>TENSION TARE                      OFF</b>
	<b>3</b>	<b>SHUNT CAL                              OFF</b>
	<b>4</b>	<b>WRAP ANGLE                            120 DEG</b>
>	<b>5</b>	<b>PAYOUT SCALE                            2.800 P/FT</b>
	<b>6</b>	<b>PAYOUT PRESET                            0 FT</b>

<b>DECR</b>	<b>INCR</b>	<b>→</b>	<b>ENT</b>	<b>ESC</b>
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To calibrate the Tension sensor, select menu item **1 TENSION (THREE METHODS)** to move to the **2.1 TENSION CAL METHOD 1** menu shown below. Select Item 2 and enter the **full-scale** Tension sensor output in pounds. Then select Item 3 and enter the Tension **offset** in pounds. The **ENT** key accepts the new value; the **ESC** key restores the old value. Press **RUN** to save the new values for future use and to return to the RUN Screen display. This completes the initial calibration of the instrument.

2.1 TENSION CAL METHOD 1		
1	CALIBRATION	SCL/OFS
> 2	FULL SCALE	20000 LBS
3	OFFSET	50 LBS

### **3.0 Mechanical Installation**

The LCI-90 is designed for mounting on the front-panel of an electrical enclosure with a suitable environmental rating. The sealed front face of the LCI-90 is made of 12 gauge stainless steel, and the slotted rear cage is designed to promote heat transfer, facilitate field wire terminations, and provide a purchase point for the panel clamps. The front face is 5.7" high x 7.6" wide; the total depth is 4.75", depending on the presence of optional modules.

#### **3.1 Environmental Considerations**

The front face of the LCI-90 is designed for NEMA 4X applications. It consists of a 316 stainless steel top layer, a sealed lexan window, and five membrane-sealed stainless steel push buttons. The rear cage is NEMA 1 and requires protection with a suitable enclosure. A polyurethane gasket, held in-place by a high temperature adhesive is applied to the back-side of the front face. When mounting the LCI-90 in open deck locations, a front-panel cover is recommended to protect the unit when it is not in use.

The standard temperature range of the LCI-90 is  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+75^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

#### **3.2 Dimensions and Cutout**

The LCI-90 will fit in a 7.15" x 5.25" cutout (tolerance  $-0.01$ ,  $+0.100$ ), with a minimum of 4.75" depth clearance (see Appendix A for dimensional drawing). The front panel can be up to 5/8" thick.

#### **3.3 Display Mounting**

The instrument is held in place with removable panel clamps that index into the slotted holes on all sides of the display. Four clamps are included with each display, but the unit can be installed using as few as two if a panel seal is not required. For thin panel mounting, as many as 8 clamps can be used to ensure a reliable panel seal.

After sliding the display into the cutout, clip the four panel clamps on the sides of the display, with the flanged end of the clamp facing away from the panel. Once the panel clamps are installed, tighten the jackscrews against the panel to compress the LCI-90 gasket to seal against the panel. Lock the jackscrews with hex nuts to prevent them from vibrating loose over time.

#### **3.4 Ventilation Requirements**

The instrument should be mounted with a minimum of 0.75" spacing between the rear enclosure (all edges) of the display and adjacent equipment.

#### **3.5 Cleaning Instructions**

To clean the front panel of the display, use a clean lint free cloth and a high quality and pure isopropanol. Do not apply the mild solvent directly to the polycarbonate window, instead wet the cloth or wipe first and then gently wipe the window and the stainless steel bezel.

## 4.0 Options and Wiring Diagrams

The LCI-90 can be configured for a wide range of signal input and output functions. Each of these functions requires the instrument to have the correct menu settings (Section 5.0), DIP switch settings (Appendix B), signal and power wiring, and in some cases, optional I/O modules installed. The wiring diagrams are given in this Section; the optional I/O modules are listed in Appendix D. The table below gives of a summary of the LCI-90 functions, referenced to their associated menu and DIP switch numbers, required hardware options, and section of this manual covering the wiring termination.

Function	Menu Number	DIP Switch #	Std/Option #	Wiring – Manual Section
DC Power	N/A	N/A	Std	4.1.1
Analog Input Direct 4-20 mA	4.2	SW1	Std	4.1.2
Analog Input Direct DC Voltage	4.2	SW1	Std	4.1.2
Analog Input Isolated	4.2	SW1	21,22,23	4.1.2
Payout Sensor Input	2.0	SW4	Std	4.1.3
Alarm Output	4.4	SW2	01,02,03,04	4.1.4
Analog Output Direct 4-20 Ma	4.3	N/A	30	4.1.5
Analog Output Direct DC Voltage	4.3	N/A	31	4.1.5
Analog Output Isolated	4.2	N/A	32, 33	4.1.5
Serial Comm. RS232, Network	4.5	N/A	10	4.1.6
Serial Comm. RS485, Network	4.5	SW3	11	4.1.6
Serial Comm. RS232, Auxiliary	4.5	N/A	Std	4.1.6

Figure 4.1 – Identification of hardware options, DIP switches and manual sections by function

## 4.1 Wiring Hookup – Local Display

This section provides wiring diagrams and related specifications for power and signal input and output connections for the LCI-90.

### 4.1.1 Display power and fuse

The fuse, F1, is located on the rear panel of the display. Use a flat blade screwdriver to open the cover for access. The replacement part is a 5 x 20 mm fuse rated according to the system options. See the table below for fuse sizing.

Model No	Fuse Rating	Littlefuse Part No
LCI-90-DC	1/2 A	218.500

Figure 4.2 – Fuse rating and replacement part – Local display

During installation, an appropriate disconnect device must be installed to provide a means of disconnecting the display from the external power source for servicing. This disconnect device is not provided with this equipment.

Input power requirements are 18-36VDC (nominal 24VDC) at 15 Watts. This device is a DC device. This device is approved for Overvoltage Installation Category III.

The LCI-90 requires an 18-36 Volt DC power source. The connection for the power is shown below.

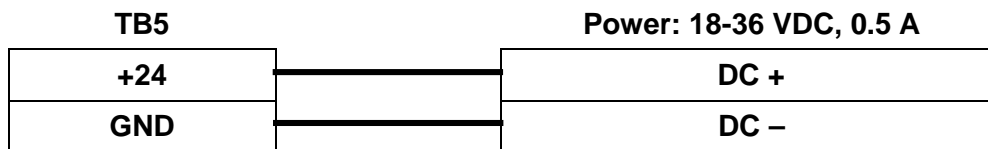


Figure 4.3 – Local Display Power Hookup – DC Power

### 4.1.2 Tension Sensor Inputs

The Tension sensor analog inputs are terminated on TB1 for direct input and TB6 for signal conditioning modules. The optional analog input modules (Appendix D) supply isolation and a variety of signal conditioning options. TB1 can accept 4-20 mA inputs as well as 0-5 VDC voltage inputs. The LCI-90 can accept four analog inputs, allowing the output from multiple tension sensors to be summed. Each different input type requires a specific DIP switch setting (see Appendix B).

A push-on jumper is located next to TB1. When direct (non-isolated) inputs are used the signal common is tied to the DC power ground through jumper H1. **The factory configuration is with H1 removed; in this case the signal common and DC power common are not connected.**

Tension sensors can be externally powered or powered from the same 24VDC used by the display. When the display power is used for sensor excitation, Jumper H1

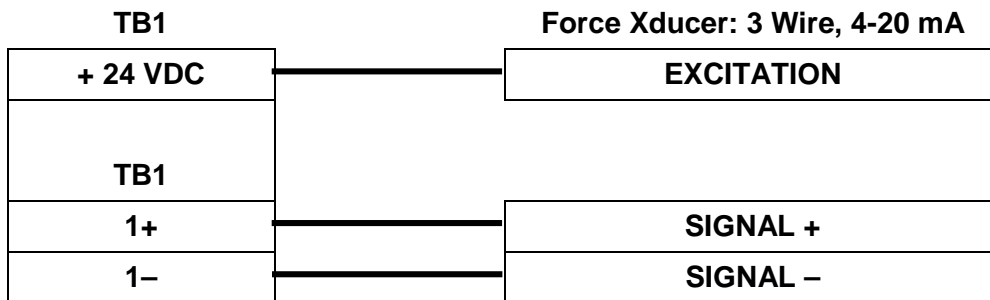
must be installed to connect the input reference to the DC power common. The factory configuration is for this jumper to not be installed.

**Note: The terminal labeled +24 located on TB1 is a pass-through of the input power, not an internal regulated +24V supply. If it is to be used for sensor excitation, ensure that the voltage supply for the display is within the required limits for the sensor.**

The LCI-90 can accept input from a dual axis load pin on any two adjacent channels. The first channel should be the x-axis input, the second channel should be the y-axis input. Both channels must be configured for **2-AXIS** input (see §6.3). Refer to §5.8 and §12-13 (Appendices D & E) for more details about this configuration.

Below are the wiring diagrams for the different sensor types and excitation scenarios.

**Direct Input – 4-20 mA, Three Wire, Channel 1**



Note: Jumper H1 must be inserted.

Figure 4.4 – Tension Hookup – 3 Wire 4-20 mA Signal

**Direct Input – 4-20 mA, Four Wire, Channel 1**

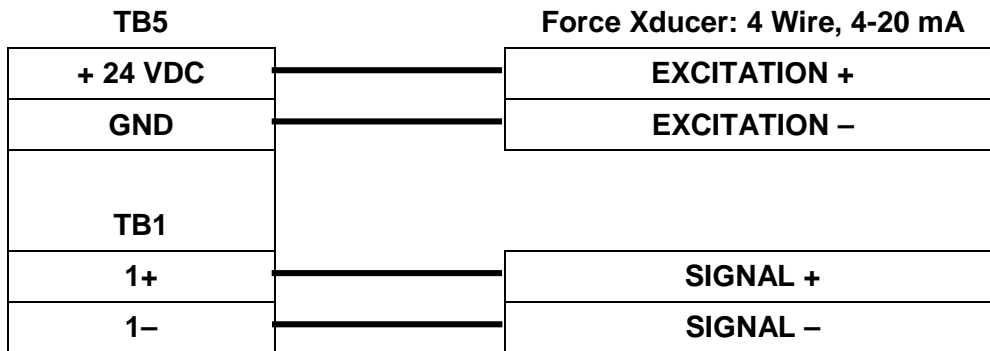
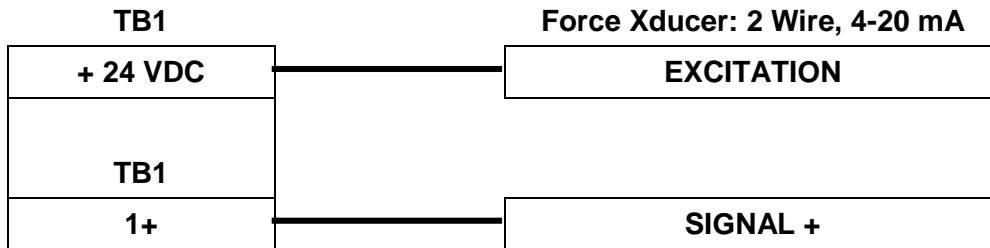


Figure 4.5 – Tension Hookup – 4 Wire 4-20 mA Signal

**Direct Input – 4-20 mA, Two Wire, Channel 1**



Note: Jumper H1 must be inserted.

Figure 4.6 – Tension Hookup – 2 Wire 4-20 mA Signal Direct Input – DC Voltage, +24 Volt Excitation, Channel 1

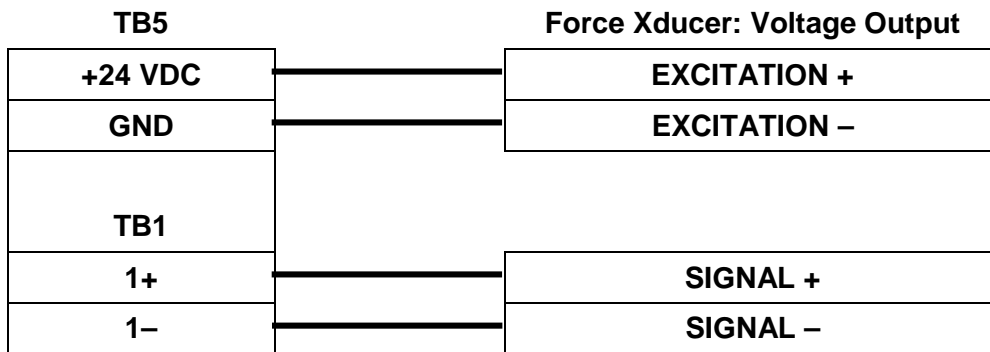
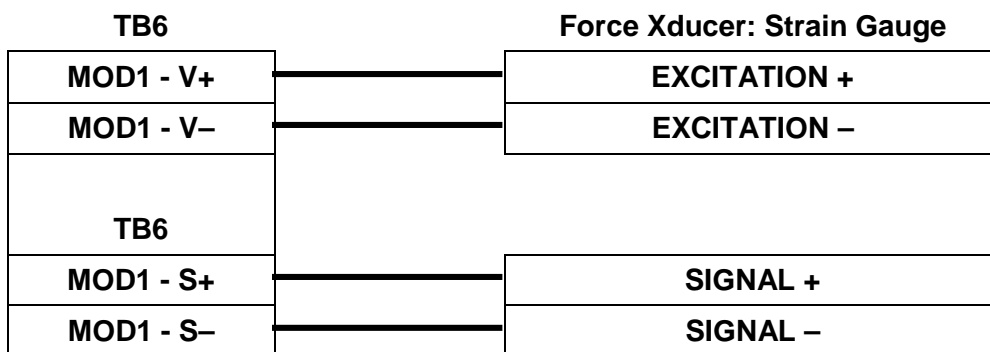


Figure 4.7 – Tension Hookup – 4 Wire DC Voltage Input

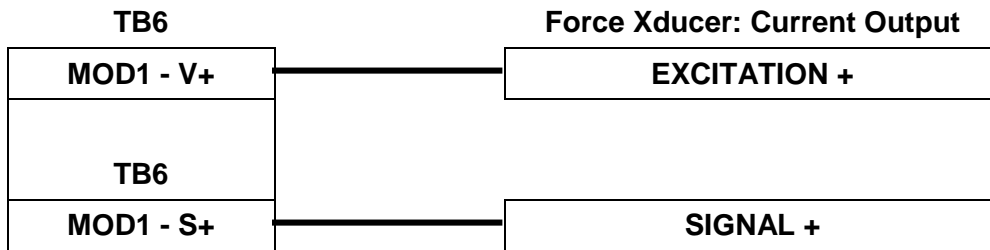
**Isolated Input – 4 Wire Strain Gauge with Module**



Note: 4 wire strain gauge module must be inserted in correct position.

Figure 4.8 – Tension Hookup – 4 Wire Strain Gauge

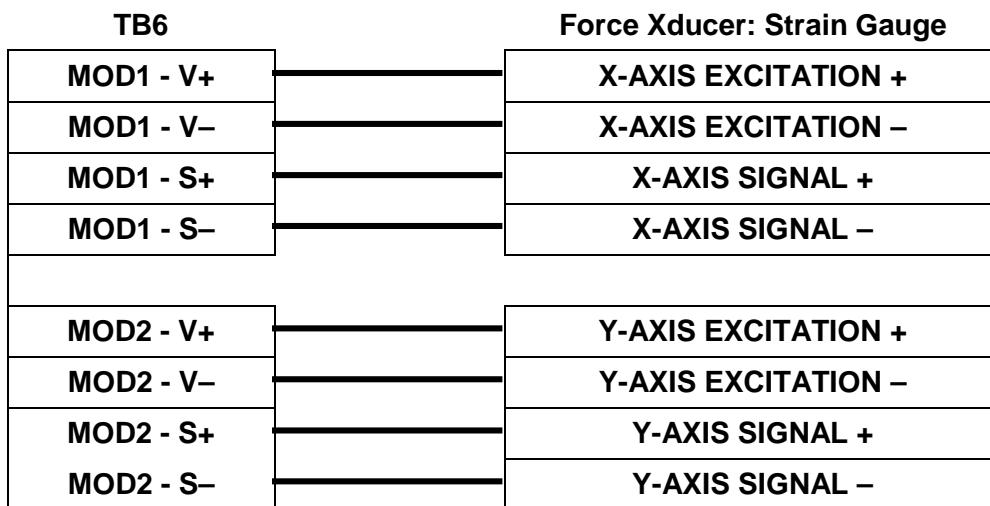
**Isolated Input – 4-20 mA Isolated Process Current Loop with Module**



Note: 2 wire 4-20 process current loop module must be inserted in correct position.

Figure 4.9 – Tension Hookup – Isolated 2 Wire 4-20 mA Signal

**Isolated Dual Axis Input – Two 4 Wire Strain Gauges with Modules**



Note: Each 4 wire strain gauge module must be inserted in correct position.

Figure 4.10 – Dual Axis Tension Hookup – Two 4 Wire Strain Gauge Inputs

**4.1.3 Count Sensor Inputs**

The count sensor inputs are terminated on TB4. The LCI-90 can accept NPN and PNP type proximity and Hall-Effect inputs, as well as TTL/CMOS encoder inputs. The input voltage thresholds are set to accommodate all these ranges with no adjustment. These thresholds are 3.4 Volts for low-high transitions, and 2.3 volts for high-low transitions.

Each different sensor type requires a specific DIP switch setting (see Appendix B). Below are the wiring diagrams for the different sensor types with typical excitation voltages.



**Dual NPN/PNP Switches, +12 V Excitation**

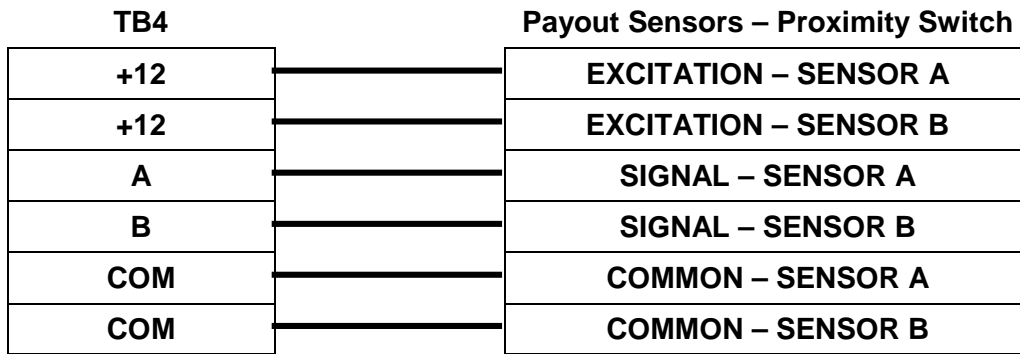


Figure 4.11 – Payout Hookup – 12V NPN/PNP switches

**TTL Encoder, +5 V Excitation**

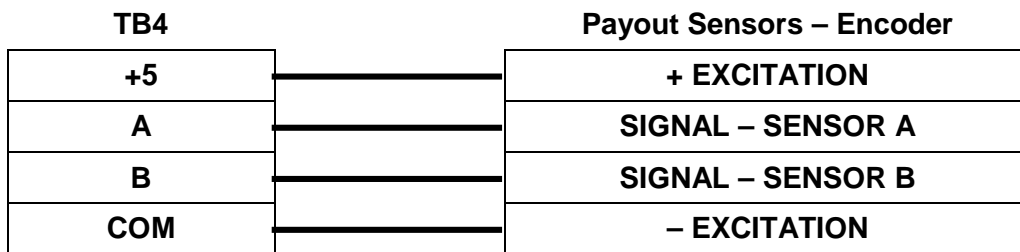
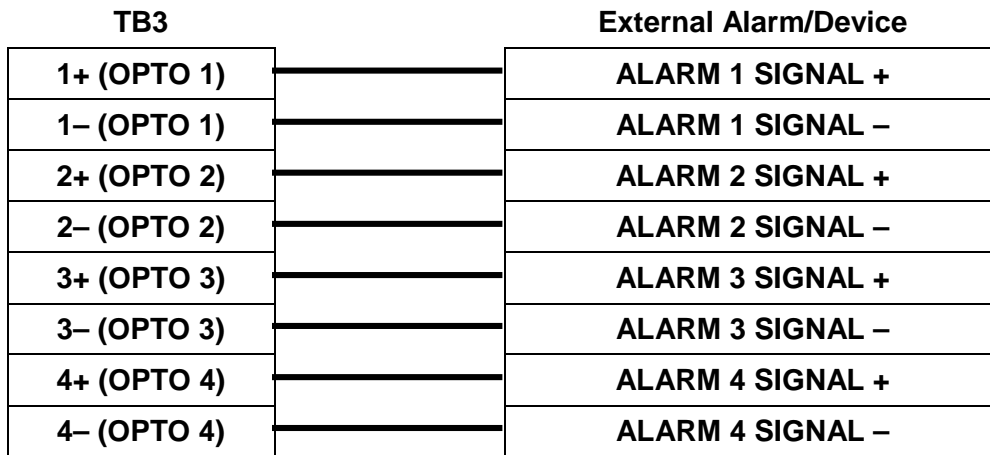


Figure 4.12 – Payout Hookup – TTL Encoder

**4.1.4 Alarm Outputs**

The four alarm outputs are terminated on TB3. The LCI-90 requires optional G5-type optically isolated output modules to implement the alarm outputs. These are available in both solid state and hard contact types with a variety of voltage and current ratings. The specific DIP switch settings required for the Alarm Outputs are shown in Appendix B. The wiring diagram below matches the Opto Module number with the corresponding terminal block numbers on TB3. Note that the **Input Check** alarm (§6.3.2) also uses Opto 1, and the **Shunt Cal** relay (§4.1.5, §5.6) uses Opto 4.

**Alarm Outputs (4 channels total)**



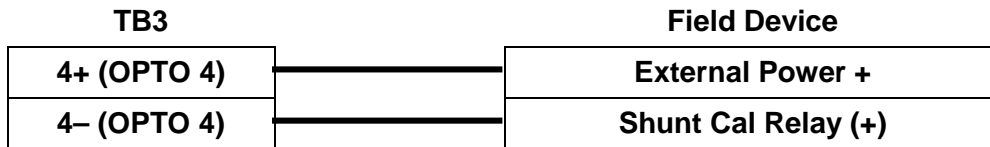
Note: Associated output modules must be installed in the correct position.

Figure 4.13 – Alarm Output Hookup – 4 Channels

### 4.1.5 Shunt Calibration

The LCI-90 provides a method for “shunt calibration” of a load cell or load pin. The sensor must have an internal relay that connects a precision resistor across one leg of the bridge. The LCI-90 uses the Opto 4 output module to energize this relay.

#### Shunt Calibration Connections



Note: Shunt Cal relay must be referenced to external power common.

Figure 4.14 – Shunt Calibration Hookup

### 4.1.6 Analog Outputs

The LCI-90 provides two non-isolated analog outputs on TB2, or two isolated outputs on TB6 using signal conditioning modules. In both cases these outputs can be 4-20 mA, 0-5 Vdc, or 0-10 Vdc. Below are wiring diagrams for the different output types.

#### Direct Voltage Output

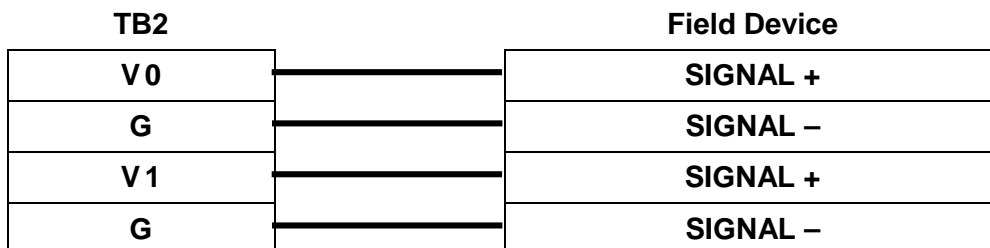


Figure 4.15 – Voltage Output Hookup – 2 Channels

#### Direct 4-20 mA Output

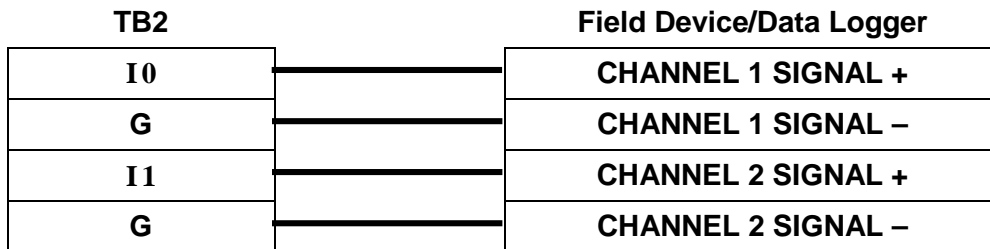
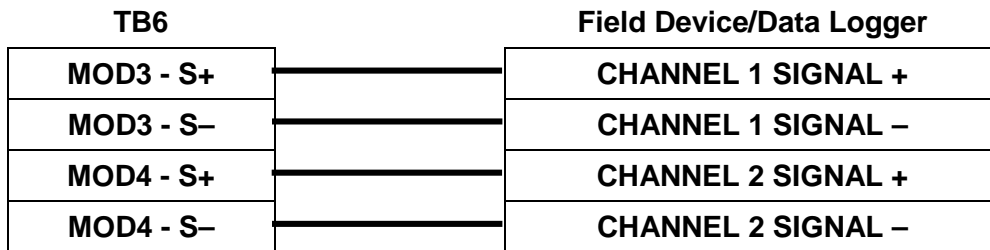


Figure 4.16 – 4-20 mA Current Output Hookup – 2 Channels

**Isolated Outputs** (associated Module must be installed)



Note: Associated output module must be installed in correct position.

Figure 4.17 – Isolated Analog Output Hookup – 2 Channels

**4.1.7 Serial Communications**

The LCI-90 provides both RS-232 and RS-485 serial communication options with a maximum of two ports. The base model has no serial ports. A RS-232 network port can be added for data logging to a single remote device in close proximity. For long cable runs or multi-drop applications, this option can be replaced by an electrically-isolated RS-485 port. An auxiliary RS-232 port is also available for serial output to user-supplied logging or display devices.

The RS-485 serial termination is set using the DIP switch settings in Appendix B.

Below are the wiring diagrams for all serial communications options.

**RS-232 Connection – Auxiliary Port**

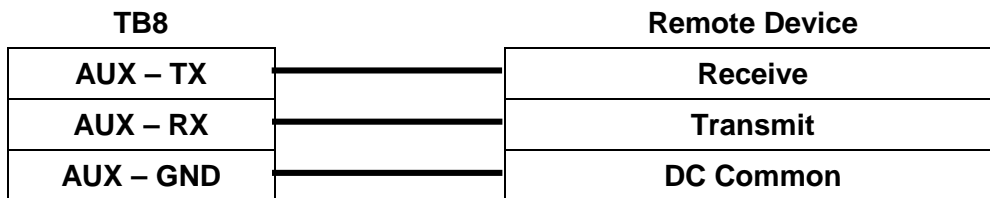


Figure 4.18 – RS-232 Auxiliary Communication Hookup

**RS-232 Connection – Network Port**

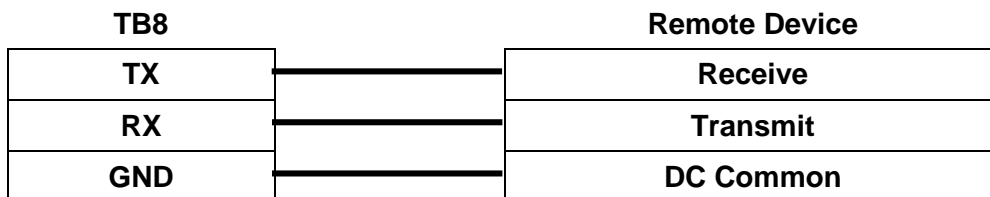
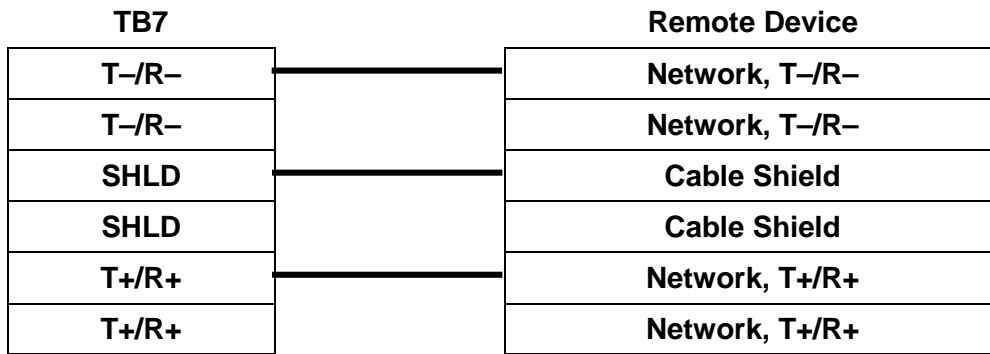


Figure 4.19 – RS-232 Network Communication Hookup

**RS-485 Connection – Network Port**



Note: the duplicate terminal blocks are used for daisy chaining multiple units.

Figure 4.20 – RS-485 Network Communication Hookup

**4.2 Wiring Hookup – LCI-90R Remote Display**

A LCI-90R remote can be used to independently display (and optionally echo) all the line variables measured by a LCI-90. The LCI-90R does not support field I/O and thus has a much reduced wiring and configuration specification compared to the LCI-90. This section describes the wiring and other options associated with the LCI-90R.

**4.2.1 LCI-90R display power and fuse**

The LCI-90R, unlike the LCI-90, can accept either DC power (standard) or AC power (optional). The fuse, F1, is located on the rear panel of the display. Use a flat blade screwdriver to open the cover for access. The replacement part is a 5 x 20 mm fuse rated according to the system options. See the table below for fuse sizing.

Model No	Fuse Rating	Littlefuse Part No
LCI-90R-DC	1/2 A	218.500
LCI-90R-AC	1/2 A	218.500

Figure 4.21 – Remote Display Fuse rating and replacement part

The standard LCI-90R requires an 18-36 Vdc power source. The optional AC-powered unit requires an 85-265 Vac, 47-440Hz power source. The connection diagrams for these two power options are shown below.

**DC Power Connection**

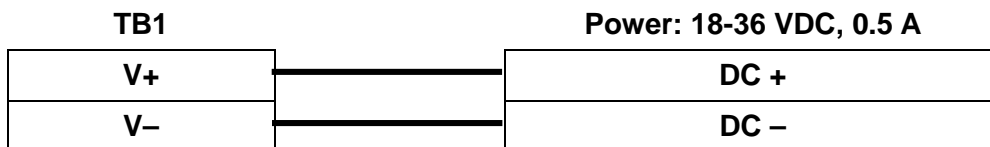


Figure 4.22 – Remote Display Power Hookup – DC Power

**AC Power Connection** (requires AC Power Option)

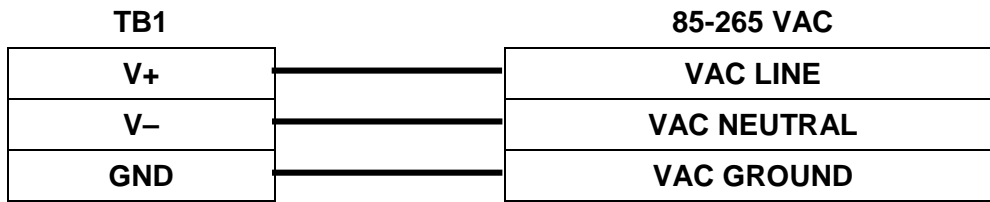


Figure 4.23 – Remote Display Power Hookup – AC Power

**4.2.2 LCI-90R communication ports**

The LCI-90R provides two serial communication ports on TB2, the network and the auxiliary ports. The connection to the LCI-90 is made via the network port, which is factory configured as either RS-232 (standard) or RS-485 (optional). The RS-232 configuration is suitable when the LCI-90 is connected to a single LCI-90R remote within 50 feet. If multiple remote displays are to be used, or if the network cabling distance is over 50 feet, the RS-485 option should be used. The auxiliary port is RS-232, which can be configured via the Remote Setup feature described in Section 5.6 to transmit line variables to logging or display devices using a variety of protocols. Below are the wiring diagrams for the LCI-90R serial ports.

**RS-232 Connection – Auxiliary Port**

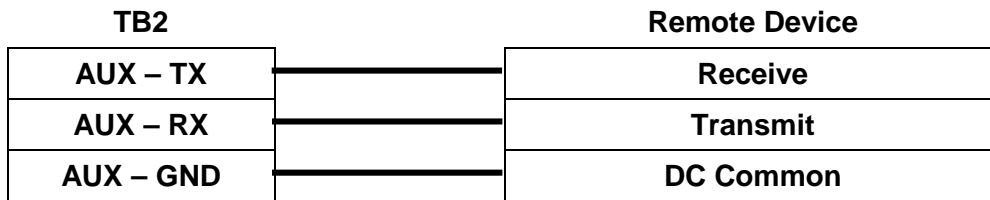


Figure 4.24 – LCI-90R Auxiliary RS-232 Hookup

**RS-232 Connection – Network Port**

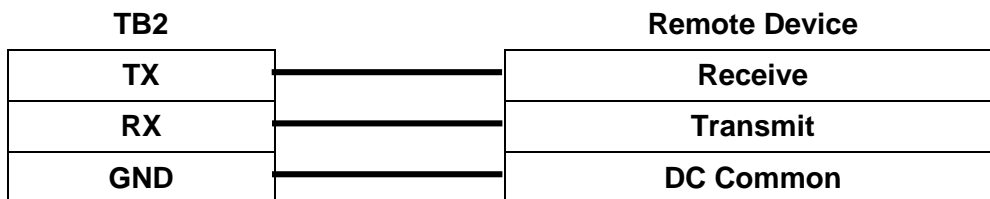
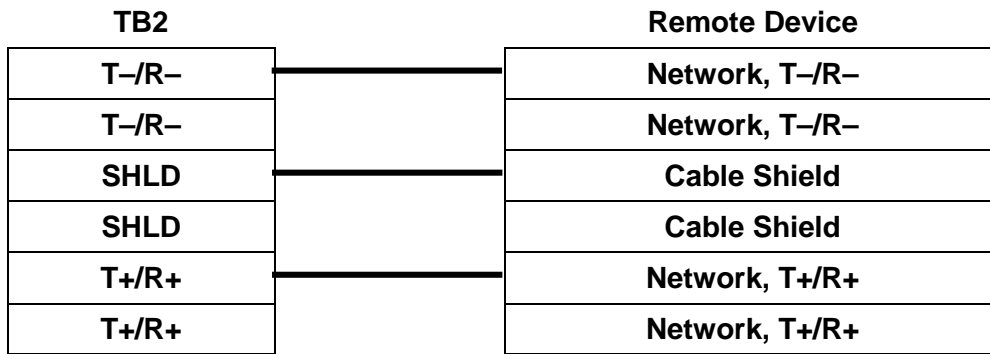


Figure 4.25 – LCI-90R Network RS-232 Hookup

**RS-485 Connection – Network Port** (requires RS-485 option)



Note: Duplicate terminal blocks are for daisy-chaining multiple units.

Figure 4.26 – LCI-90R Network RS485 Hookup

**4.3 Display brightness adjustment**

The display brightness on the HT model can be varied by using the rear panel DIP switches (SW-5 on the LCI-90, SW-2 on the LCI-90R) to change the scan rate, or by adjusting the rotary potentiometer (also on the rear panel) marked DISP. The DIP switch settings are described in Appendix B. Varying the DISP potentiometer is most effective on the higher scan rates. Decreasing the brightness prolongs the life of the screen.

## 5.0 Local Display Operation

### 5.1 Front Panel Identification

The LCI-100 front panel, shown in Figure 5.1, features a high visibility display and a five-button keypad. Each key has a label at the bottom of the screen that identifies its function. When a key is pressed its function (and the label) changes to reflect the current “operating mode” of the instrument.

In normal operation the RUN screen (shown below) is displayed. This screen is divided into three separate displays at the Top, Left, and Right, which can be user programmed to display Tension, Speed and Payout in any order. The Top display includes a bar graph with operator selectable limits and a visual indication of alarm setpoints. Alarm message displays are located below the parameter displays. Up to six alarm conditions can be shown in this area.

The function of the five menu keys during RUN mode are as follows:

- MENU** Displays the menu for programming and/or calibration of the unit. Section 5.2 describes the navigation and data editing within the programming menu
- DIAG** Switches to the diagnostics screen which shows raw sensor inputs and scaled Tension and Payout values. Once in DIAG mode, the same button (now labeled **MAIN**) returns the display to the RUN screen.
- ALRM** If an alarm condition is present, this button will reset all alarm output modules. **Double-pressing** this button within a two-second interval will bring up the **1.0 SET ALARMS** menu (§5.3.2)
- CALB** Acts as a shortcut to the **2.0 CALIBRATION** menu (§5.4).
- RSET** Resets Payout to zero. Requires two key-pushes within a 2 second period to zero the Payout display.

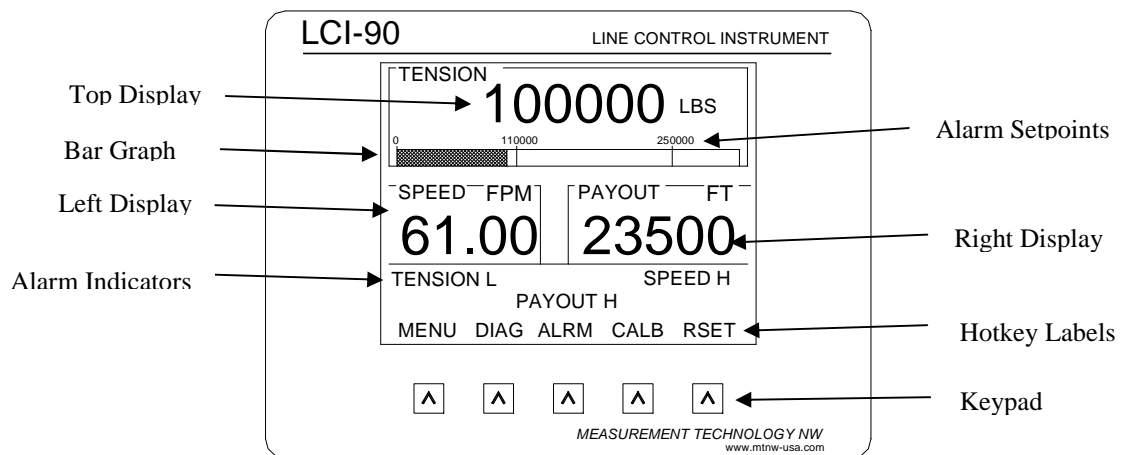


Figure 5.1 – LCI 90 Front Panel



## 5.2 Programming Menu

The LCI-90 is user programmable via the front panel keypad and the display. Programming options include selection of input/output signal ranges, setting screen displays and formats, defining alarm points, and calibrating the unit. The menu tree is shown below in Figure 5.2.

Pressing the **MENU** key displays the **0 MAIN MENU** screen. The key labels also change to indicate the functions they perform in **Menu** mode, allowing the user to navigate through the menu system and select menu items. Once an item is selected, the keypad labels change again to reflect their uses in **Edit** mode for modifying data fields.

In Menu mode the keys have the following labels and functions:

<b>RUN</b>	<b>UP</b>	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>ENT</b>	<b>ESC</b>
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**RUN** Returns to the Run Display, saving any changes made to menu items

**UP** Moves pointer up the menu (wraps to the bottom)

**DOWN** Moves pointer down the menu (wraps to the top)

**ENT** If the pointer indicates a sub-menu, jumps to that menu. If the pointer indicates a data field, enters **Edit** mode to allow changes on the selected field (see below).

**ESC** Moves back one menu level. When reaching the top menu, displays the message: **DISCARD CHANGES? NO YES**. Pressing **ESC** (under the **YES** label) will discard all changes made while in the menu and return to Run mode

When a data field is selected with the **ENT** key, the labels and functions of the keypad change to **Edit** mode as shown below.

<b>DECR</b>	<b>INCR</b>	<b>→</b>	<b>ENT</b>	<b>ESC</b>
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**DECR** Decreases the selected digit by one when editing a numeric field, or reverse scrolls through a list of available options.

**INCR** Increases the selected digit by one when editing a numeric field, or scrolls through a list of the available options.

**→** Moves the edit cursor to next digit in data field, or scrolls through a list of choices.

**ENT** Accepts the edited value and returns to **Menu** mode

**ESC** Rejects the edited value and return to **Menu** mode

Here is an overview of the LCI-90 menu system:

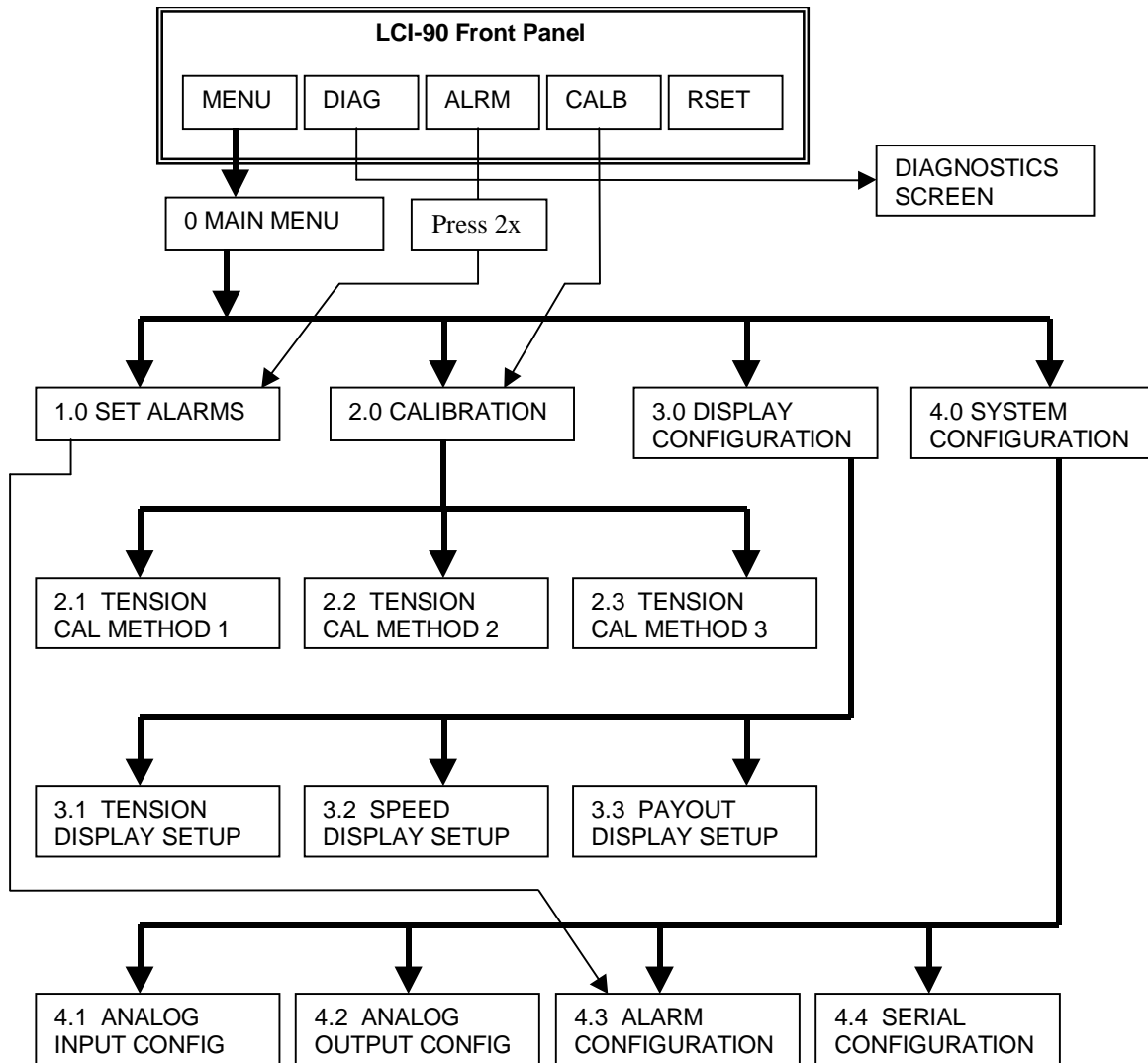


Figure 5.2 – LCI 90 Menu Tree

### 5.3 Alarms

The LCI-90 provides the user with up to six optional visual alarms that can be configured to indicate high and low conditions of Tension, Payout, and line Speed. Each alarm can be assigned to any of the three measured variables, and can be designated as a high or low alarm. Each alarm can also be assigned to any one of the four opto output modules that could be used to drive lights and/or horns. (Opto 4 is reserved for shunt calibration.)

The lower third of the Run Display is reserved for alarm messages. The alarm messages correspond to how the user configured them. Figure 5.3 below is an example display of alarms 1-2 being configured as high Tension alarms, alarms 3-4 configured as Payout high and low alarms, alarm 5 configured as a Speed high alarm, and alarm 6 unused. It would be unlikely to have all these messages on the display at one time, but each has its own location to prevent them from overwriting each other.

TENSION H	PAYOUT H	SPEED H
TENSION H	PAYOUT L	

Figure 5.3 – Sample Alarm Message Display

Two separate menus are used for alarms. One menu is dedicated to adjusting alarm limits only and is described in Section 5.3.2. This menu can be reached from the front panel by pressing the **ALRM** key **twice within two seconds**. A separate menu is used when setting up the instrument to identify the alarm variable and type, enable opto outputs, and set the deadband for each channel. This alarm configuration menu is covered in Section 5.3.3.

In addition to these six high-level alarms, the LCI-90 can be configured to monitor each analog input channel, watching for a low-level fault condition. This is particularly useful with multiple input configurations, where the failure of a single sensor might not be easily noticed. Enabling and responding to the **input check** alarms is described in Section 6.3.2.

### 5.3.1 Acknowledging alarms

When an alarm event occurs a message appears in the lower part of the Run Screen identifying the source of the alarm. This message remains on the screen as long as the alarm condition exists. When the variable causing the alarm changes to a value beyond the dead-band range, the message will go away. If the user configures the alarm to output to a relay module, that module will track the screen display: it will energize when the alarm event occurs and de-energize when the condition goes away. (If multiple alarms use the same output module, then all alarm conditions must clear before the relay will de-energize.)

Pressing the **ALRM** key after an alarm condition occurs de-energizes all the modules currently energized. They will remain de-energized until a new alarm condition is generated. Note that even when an alarm is acknowledged by pressing the **ALRM** key, the on-screen message remains until the condition goes away.

When an alarm condition occurs, two quick presses on the **ALRM** key will still go directly to the **1.0 SET ALARMS** menu. This makes it convenient to view or correct alarm limits to prevent nuisance alarms.

### 5.3.2 Setting alarm limits

From the RUN screen push the **ALRM** key twice within 2 seconds, or press **MENU** and select the **1.0 SET ALARMS** (shown below). Upper limits are indicated by a greater-than sign “>”, and lower limits by a less-than sign “<”. Press **ENT** to change the set point using the **DECR**, **INCR** and **→** keys. Save the change with the **ENT** key. Keep the old value with the **ESC** key. Push the **RUN** key to return to the Run screen. To check or alter the configuration of the alarm settings choose item 7, or go to Menu **4.3 ALARM CONFIGURATION**.

<b>1.0 SET ALARMS</b>			
> 1	<b>TENSION</b>	<b>&gt;</b>	<b>10000 TONS</b>
2	<b>TENSION</b>	<b>&gt;</b>	<b>8000 TONS</b>
3	<b>PAYOUT</b>	<b>&gt;</b>	<b>2500 FT</b>
4	<b>PAYOUT</b>	<b>&lt;</b>	<b>100 FT</b>
5	<b>SPEED</b>	<b>&gt;</b>	<b>250 FPM</b>
6	<b>NONE</b>		
7	<b>CHANGE CONFIGURATION</b>		

### 5.3.3 Configuring Alarms

To configure the alarm settings, go to menu **4.3 ALARM CONFIGURATION** shown below by pressing the **MENU** key from the RUN screen and navigating through the menu (or by selecting Item 7 in the **1.0 SET ALARMS** menu above).

<b>4.3 ALARM CONFIGURATION</b>			
> 1	<b>ALARM NO.</b>	<b>1</b>	
2	<b>VARIABLE</b>	<b>PAYOUT</b>	
3	<b>OUTPUT TO</b>	<b>SCR+OP2</b>	
4	<b>ALARM TYPE</b>	<b>HIGH</b>	
5	<b>LIMIT</b>	<b>1000 FT</b>	
6	<b>DEADBAND</b>	<b>20 FT</b>	

- Item 1 Directs the configuration to alarm numbers 1–6. Edit this field first to view the information for the desired alarm channel
- Item 2 Sets the alarm to monitor Tension, Payout, or line Speed. There are no limits to how many of the six channels can be assigned to each variable.
- Item 3 Relates the alarm condition to an opto output module as shown in the table below. There is no requirement for each alarm to have its own module. All alarms can be assigned to a single module that energizes a horn, if so desired. Conversely, alarms can be configured to only appear on the screen. Note that the Input Check Alarm (§6.3.2) always uses output module 1, and the Shunt Cal relay (§5.6) always uses output module 4.



### 5.4.1 Scale and offset

The Scale and Offset values displayed in Menu 2.1 are the actual numbers used in the calculation of displayed Tension (unless a lookup table is being used).

The menu for setting scale and offset values, **2.1 TENSION CAL METHOD 1**, is shown below. Select Item 2 and enter the full-scale Tension sensor output in the specified units. The full-scale value corresponds to the load at 20 mA on a 4-20 mA device, or to the load at 5.00 V, on a 0-5 Vdc device. Then select Item 3 and enter the Tension offset. The offset corresponds to the load at 4 mA on a 4-20 mA device, or to the load at 0.0 V, on a 0-5 Vdc device.

2.1 TENSION CAL METHOD 1		
> 1	CALIBRATION	SCL/OFS
2	FULL SCALE	20000 LBS
3	OFFSET	50 LBS

Once the calibration values have been entered, press **RUN** to save the values and return to the run screen, or to discard the changes, press **ESC** until the message **DISCARD CHANGES? NO YES** appears, and choose **YES**.

### 5.4.2 Two point live calibration

The two point live calibration method allows the Tension input to be calibrated using actual weights or measured line Tensions in the field. The two-point live calibration automatically calculates the Scale and Offset values described in section 5.4.1, based on the applied weights. When you perform a two-point live calibration, the previous Scale and Offset values are automatically updated to reflect the new calibration. This eliminates the chance of conflicting calibration values in the two modes. If the existing numbers are significant, they should be recorded before beginning this procedure.

The menu for using the two point live calibration functions, **2.2 TENSION CAL METHOD 2**, is shown below. Two known Tension loads are required to perform this calibration. Ideally these loads are near each end of the normal working load range, but not at either full-load or zero load.

2.2 TENSION CAL METHOD 2		
> 1	CALIB MODE	TWO-PT
2	DISPLAY LO	50 TONS
3	DISPLAY HI	9500 TONS
4	LIVE/EDIT	LIVE
5	INPUT LO	0.126 V
6	INPUT HI	4.873 V

Perform this calibration as follows:

- 1) Apply known or measured **LOW** Tension to the cable.
- 2) Move to Item 2 using the **DOWN** key and press **ENT**. Edit the **DISPLAY LO** value to correspond to the applied load. Press **ENT** when complete.
- 3) Move to Item 5 using the **DOWN** key and press **ENT**. The number shown will be a real-time measurement of the input signal. It should be near the low end of its full range for low loading conditions. The message above the keypad now reads: **PRESS ENT TO GRAB ENT ESC**. Once the reading has stabilized, press **ENT** to grab the value, or **ESC** to cancel the reading.
- 4) Repeat, applying a known or measured **HIGH** Tension to the cable.
- 5) Move to Item 3 using the **UP** key and press **ENT**. Edit the **DISPLAY HI** number to correspond to the applied load. Press **ENT** when complete.
- 6) Move to Item 6 using the **DOWN** key and press **ENT**. The number shown will be a real-time measurement of the input signal. It should be near the high end of its full range for high loading conditions. The message above the keypad now reads: **PRESS ENT TO GRAB ENT ESC**. Once the reading has stabilized, press **ENT** to grab the value, or **ESC** to cancel the reading.
- 7) While not recommended, there may be occasions where it would be helpful to numerically edit the **INPUT LO** and **INPUT HI** fields. This is possible by moving to Item 4, and changing it from **LIVE** to **EDIT**. This will allow the **INPUT HI** and **LO** values to be edited like any other menu item.
- 8) Press the **RUN** key to apply the two-point linear fit to the scale and offset values and save the results. To abort the calibration and keep the current settings, press **ESC** until you are prompted to lose changes and press **YES**

### 5.4.3 Look-up tables

The menu for selecting a look-up table calibration function, **2.3 TENSION CAL METHOD 3**, is shown below with some sample user-defined lookup tables. By selecting Item 2, the Tension input signal can be calibrated using one of up to five look-up tables. These tables are intended to be installed by factory trained personnel, based on calibrations made on a test stand.

<b>2.3 TENSION CAL METHOD 3</b>	
<b>1</b>	<b>CALIB MODE                      LOOK-UP</b>
> <b>2</b>	<b>USE TABLE NO.                      6</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Winch #1 A-Frame</b>
<b>4</b>	(Not yet defined)
<b>5</b>	(Not yet defined)
<b>6</b>	<b>Traction Winch No. 4</b>
<b>7</b>	(Not yet defined)

## 5.5 Tension Tare

To perform a tension tare, press **CALB** to display the main **2.0 CALIBRATION** menu, shown below. Select Item 2 and press **ENT** to activate the edit keys. Press either **INCR** or **DECR** to toggle between **ON** and **OFF**. Press **ENT** to accept the selection. When Tension Tare is turned **ON**, the tension input **at that moment** will be saved and subtracted from all future displayed values. To warn the user that the displayed value is not the real tension (which could be much higher!), an asterisk (\*) is displayed after the TENSION label. When Tension Tare is turned **OFF** the tare value (and the asterisk) are removed, and the actual tension is again displayed.

2.0 CALIBRATION		
1	TENSION (THREE METHODS)	
> 2	TENSION TARE	ON
3	SHUNT CAL	OFF
4	WRAP ANGLE	120 DEG
5	PAYOUT SCALE	2.800 P/FT
6	PAYOUT PRESET	150 FT

### 5.5.1 Tension Tare

The tare function is a way to zero a small displayed tension value. Care should be taken when using the tare function as the displayed value does not reflect actual line tension but rather line tension minus the tare value. Any alarms that are set to monitor the tension input will be triggered by the actual line tension value, not the displayed value. The tare function can be deactivated at any time, returning the unit to its normal tension display.



## 5.6 Shunt Calibration

To perform a shunt calibration, press **CALB** to display the main **2.0 CALIBRATION** menu shown below. Select Item 3 and press **ENT** to activate the edit keys. Press either **INCR** or **DECR** to toggle between **ON** and **OFF**. Press **ENT** to accept the selection. At this time the contacts on the Opto 4 module will either be closed (**ON**) or opened (**OFF**).

2.0 CALIBRATION		
1	TENSION (THREE METHODS)	
2	TENSION TARE	OFF
> 3	SHUNT CAL	ON
4	WRAP ANGLE	120 DEG
5	PAYOUT SCALE	2.800 P/FT
6	PAYOUT PRESET	150 FT

### 5.6.1 Shunt Calibration

The Shunt Cal function requires a load pin or cell with an internal relay that, when energized, connects a precision resistor in parallel with one leg of the bridge. This perturbation simulates a known change in tension, which can be used to verify the calibration of the unit. Setting Shunt Cal to ON closes the contacts of the DC output module installed in the Opto 4 slot. A 24VDC relay in the load pin is appropriate.

## 5.7 Wrap Angle (single-input configurations)

To set the correct wrap angle for a single-axis load-pin, press **CALB** to display the main **2.0 CALIBRATION** menu. Select Item 4 and press **ENT** to activate the edit keys. Use the **INCR**, **DECR** and **→** keys to change the value. Press **ENT** to save the new value or **ESC** to cancel the changes. Note that Sensor Angle replaces Wrap Angle when the input configuration is set to **2-AXIS** mode, and neither angle is displayed in **SUM** mode.

2.0 CALIBRATION		
1	TENSION (THREE METHODS)	
2	TENSION TARE	OFF
3	SHUNT CAL	OFF
> 4	WRAP ANGLE	120 DEG
5	PAYOUT SCALE	2.800 P/FT
6	PAYOUT PRESET	150 FT

### 5.7.1 Wrap angle adjustments

The LCI-90 has the ability to correct for variations in sheave geometry by allowing the user to specify the wrap angle. (See §11 for a definition of this angle, and a table showing the effect it has on the measured tension.) The wrap angle correction only applies to fixed sheave angle geometries; if this angle varies (for example, a sheave mounted on a movable boom, or a load that swings through an arc), a dual-axis load pin (§5.8), or a direct line-tension sensor is required to get accurate results.

In practical situations the wrong wrap angle can lead to a 40-50% error in the readout unless the LCI-90 is calibrated using the two-point live method described in §5.4.2. The two-point method automatically adjusts the scale and offset values to compensate for fixed wrap angles. For maximum accuracy with live calibrations (or for tension measurements that do not involve wrap angle), this item should be set to 120° (the factory default value).

## 5.8 Sensor Angle (two-axis input configurations)

To set the sensor angle for a two-axis load-pin application, press **CALB** to display the main **2.0 CALIBRATION** menu shown below. Select Item 4 and press **ENT** to activate the edit keys. Use the **INCR**, **DECR** and **→** keys to change the value. Press **ENT** to save the new value or **ESC** to cancel the changes. Note that Sensor Angle replaces Wrap Angle when the input configuration is set to **2-AXIS** mode; neither angle is displayed in **SUM** mode.

2.0 CALIBRATION		
1	TENSION (THREE METHODS)	
2	TENSION TARE	OFF
3	SHUNT CAL	OFF
> 4	SENSOR ANGLE	0 DEG
5	PAYOUT SCALE	2.800 P/FT
6	PAYOUT PRESET	150 FT

### 5.8.1 Sensor Angle Correction for Dual-Axis Load Pins

Dual-axis load pins are used in applications where the wrap angle varies. A dual axis load pin is constructed with two independent measurement bridges oriented 90° from each other, one labeled 'x', the other 'y'. The LCI-90 combines these signals to calculate the actual line tension, which is independent of the wrap angle. However, the calculation is only correct if the 'y' axis of the sensor is aligned exactly parallel to the winch line. (See §4.1.2 for sensor hookup, and §§12-13 for geometrical definitions.) Even small deviations from this orientation can lead to substantial errors, which can be corrected by specifying a non-zero Sensor Angle.

An angle of '0' corresponds to the 'ideal geometry' shown in §12. Positive angles represent a rotation of the x-axis toward the load, while negative angles represent a rotation of the x-axis away from the load. (The drawing in §13 shows a positive sensor angle.) While two-axis load pins are usually mounted quite accurately, the Sensor Angle adjustment allows the LCI-90 to work properly in non-standard installations. This adjustment can also be used to compensate for mis-aligned single-axis load pins; contact the factory for additional information.

## 5.9 Payout Calibration

To set the Payout calibration, push **CALB** to display the main **2.0 CALIBRATION** menu shown below. In this example the units shown are in feet. To change to other units see Section 5.6.2. Items 5 and 6 allow the operator to set the scale factor (pulses per foot) and the preset value. These two settings are explained in Section 5.9.1-2.

2.0 CALIBRATION		
1	TENSION (THREE METHODS)	
2	TENSION TARE	OFF
3	SHUNT CAL	OFF
4	WRAP ANGLE	120 DEG
> 5	PAYOUT SCALE	2.800 P/FT
6	PAYOUT PRESET	150 FT

### 5.9.1 Payout Scale

The payout scale factor represents the number of pulses per unit length. In a typical application the line will pay out over a sheave with a known circumference and number of targets (= pulses) per revolution. The payout scale factor is calculated as follows:

$$\text{Payout Scale} = \text{Number of Targets} / \text{Sheave Circumference}$$

The LCI-90 expects to receive pulses generated by a pair of offset sensors that see the targets in sequence (or quadrature pulses generated by a shaft encoder). The quadrature signal allows the count to increment or decrement depending on the direction of motion. The quadrature outputs of the two sensors (called A and B) look like two superimposed square waves that are 90 degrees out-of-phase (i.e. partially overlapped). A single pulse in terms of the scale factor consists of the two rising and the two falling edges of waves A and B. For encoder signals, the LCI-90 also counts the two rising and two falling edges as one pulse.

### 5.9.2 Payout Preset

Selecting Item 6, Payout Preset value, allows the operator to manually enter a Payout value. This value is entered as a length in the current Payout units, but is saved by the LCI-90 as a scaled number of counts. If the scale value is subsequently changed, the saved value is adjusted to preserve the specified Preset.

### 5.10 Display Configuration

The LCI-90 allows the user to change the display position of the three line variables on the **RUN** Screen, change the units of measure, and the number of decimal places. The LCI-90 also has a screen saver to prolong the life of the display. These features are accessed via the **3.0 DISPLAY CONFIGURATION** menu. Each of the three line variables, Tension, Speed and Payout, has its own sub-menu to customize the readout. These are described in Sections 5.10.1-4 below.

3.0 DISPLAY CONFIGURATION		
> 1	TENSION DISPLAY	
2	SPEED DISPLAY	
3	PAYOUT DISPLAY	
4	SCREEN SAVER	ON

#### 5.10.1 Locating variables on screen

The LCI-90 screen has three locations for displaying line variables. The **TOP** location can display up to 6 digits, and is usually used for the most important parameter since it includes a **bar graph** beneath the numeric display. The **RIGHT** location can display up to 5 digits, and the **LEFT** location can display up to 4 digits.

If the number is too large for the assigned space, the rightmost digits are clipped to make it fit. In this case, the LCI-90 will display “**OR**” over the top of the rightmost digit to indicate the display is over the digit limit for that field. If this happens, consider switching that variable to a different display location or picking a different set of units (TONS or KIPS instead of LBS).

Menus **3.1 TENSION DISPLAY SETUP**, **3.2 SPEED DISPLAY SETUP** and **3.3 PAYOUT DISPLAY SETUP** are listed below and referenced in the following sections.

To fully define the screen layout, Item 1, **LOCATION** must be set for each variable. The available choices are **TOP**, **LEFT**, **RIGHT**, and **NONE**. If **NONE** is selected, that variable will not be displayed on the RUN screen

3.1 TENSION DISPLAY SETUP		
> 1	LOCATION	TOP
2	UNITS	LBS
3	DECIMAL PLCS	1
4	FULL SCALE	5000 LBS
5	SMOOTH (0-5)	1

<b>3.2 SPEED DISPLAY SETUP</b>		
> 1	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>LEFT</b>
2	<b>UNITS</b>	<b>FPM</b>
3	<b>DECIMAL PLCS</b>	<b>2</b>
4	<b>FULL SCALE</b>	<b>200 FPM</b>

<b>3.3 PAYOUT DISPLAY SETUP</b>		
> 1	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>RIGHT</b>
2	<b>UNITS</b>	<b>FT</b>
3	<b>DECIMAL PLCS</b>	<b>0</b>
4	<b>FULL SCALE</b>	<b>3000 FT</b>

### 5.10.2 Setting display units

Each displayed variable can be individually set for several common units. The LCI-90 was designed to be **units-aware**. Any of the display units can be switched during operation without requiring re-calibration. The internal display calculations automatically accommodate the changes. If the RUN screen shows **3000.0 LBS** on the Tension display, and the Tension units are changed to **tons**, the screen will immediately display **1.5 TONS** with no other changes necessary.

The available Units, and their abbreviations, are listed in the table below. Item 2 in menus **3.1**, **3.2**, and **3.3** (listed above in Section 5.10.1) determines the units used for each line variable. To change the units, scroll through the choices with the **INCR** or **→** keys, and push the **ENT** key when the desired units are displayed.

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Units – Abbreviation</b>
Tension	Pounds – LBS Tons – TONS Kilopounds – KIPS Kilograms – KGMS
Speed	Feet per Minute – FPM Meters per Minute – MPM
Payout	Feet – FT Meters – M

Figure 5.5 – LCI-90 Display Units

### 5.10.3 Setting decimal places

Item 3 in menus **3.1**, **3.2**, and **3.3** (listed above in Section 5.10.1) sets the maximum number of digits displayed to the right of the decimal point for each line variable. To select decimal places scroll through the choices with the **INCR** or **→** keys, and push **ENT** when the desired value is displayed.

Each display variable can be set to have as many as 3 decimal places. If the value has too many digits for the assigned screen location, then trailing decimals are automatically dropped to make the number fit the available space. If the number is still too wide for the assigned space, then the rightmost digits are clipped to make it fit. In this case, the LCI-90 displays “**OR**” on top of the rightmost digit to indicate that the display is over the digit limit for that field. If this happens, consider switching that variable to a different display location or use a different set of units.

### 5.10.4 Setting Bar Graph Range

The top display of the LCI-90 includes a bar graph for visual indication of the current operating condition. The full scale of the bar graph can be set by the user via item 4 in menus **3.1**, **3.2**, and **3.3** (listed above in Section 5.10.1). This full scale value is only used for the bar graph upper limit.

The Tension input has a well-defined full scale limit based on the calibration and the input range of the Tension input channels. This full scale Tension is calculated by the LCI-90 after every calibration operation, automatically updating menu 3.1 Item 4. This ensures that the full scale of the Tension bar graph is the true full scale of the sensor as calibrated. After calibration, the full scale value can be adjusted by the user to change the upper limit on the graph if desired.

Payout and Speed have no defined upper limit, so they must be entered manually into menus 3.2 and 3.3, Item 4.

### 5.10.5 Tension Display Smoothing

A modified running average filter can be enabled to reduce wave motion effects on the Tension display. The amount of smoothing is determined by menu **3.1**, Item 4. The available settings range from '0' to '5'. A setting of 0 results in no filter being applied, and a setting of 5 applies the maximum filtering. The higher the setting, the less sensitive the display is to sudden changes. At a setting of 5 a full-scale change will take approximately 15 seconds to “settle out”. A setting of 1 or 2 will “dampen out” most small fluctuations, while still allowing the LCI-90 to respond immediately to large changes.

### 5.10.6 Screen saver

The LCI-90 is equipped with a screen-saver to prolong the life of the display. The screen will go blank after 30 minutes if the unit has not detected a change in Payout or an operator key press. To re-energize the display, simply push any front panel button (preferably the **MENU** or **DIAG** buttons on the left). Note that the LCI-90R blind remote has no screen saver, since it has no front panel keypad.

## 6.0 Hardware Configuration

The LCI-90 will work with a wide variety of input sensors, output alarms and data systems. The **4.0 SYSTEM CONFIGURATION** menu, shown below, allows the LCI-90 to be customized for a particular installation. Once these settings have been made, this menu also offers a security feature that locks out unauthorized changes. Should it happen, however, that unwanted changes to the configuration are made, it is possible to return to the "Factory Setup" configuration, which can be customized for a given installation. The functions of each item in this menu are described in Sections 6.1-6.6.

4.0 SYSTEM CONFIGURATION		
> 1	SECURITY OFF	0
2	FACTORY SETUP	NO
3	ANALOG INPUTS	
4	ANALOG OUTPUTS	
5	ALARM SETTINGS	
6	SERIAL COMMUNICATION	

### 6.1 Security

Security is either **OFF (0)** or **ON (1)**. When Security is **ON** most of the RUN functions are disabled, i.e. **RSET**, **CALB** and **ALRM SET** are locked out. The user can access the DIAG screen(s), and can silence alarms, but all menu items are locked out except for the security option.

To change the Security setting, press **ENT**. This will highlight the default value (0=off, 1=on), and allow the operator to enter a security code. This number can be any value between 2 and 255, which will become the security unlock code, so it should be kept in a safe place. Once a number is entered (and **RUN** is pressed to save the change), the security lockout feature is enabled, and can only be disabled by re-entering the **same number**.

### 6.2 Factory Setup

This item always defaults to **NO**; pressing **ENT** and changing the value to **YES**, followed by a second **ENT** will immediately restore all configuration parameters to their "Factory Setup" values. This operation should only be necessary in cases where the LCI-90 does not seem to be working properly and it is desired to return to a known configuration in order to perform long-distance troubleshooting. All existing configuration parameters are lost and the display will return to RUN mode automatically after this operation.



### 6.3 Analog Input Configuration

The various analog input options are configured through menu **4.1 ANALOG INPUT CONFIG**, shown below. A description of each item in this menu is given below:

4.1 ANALOG INPUT CONFIG		
> 1	CHANNEL NO.	1
2	INPUT RANGE	0 – 5 V
3	INPUT VAR.	TENSION
4	MULT. INPUTS	NONE
5	INPUT CHECK	ON
6	LOWER LIMIT	0.050 V
7	UPPER LIMIT	4.950 V

Item 1 Selects the channel number, 1-4, that the settings apply to. The channels correspond to specific modules and terminal blocks on the back of the LCI-90:

Channel	No Module Used	Module Used
AI – 1	TB1 1+/1–	TB6 - MOD1: V+ S+ / V– S–
AI – 2	TB1 2+/2–	TB6 - MOD2: V+ S+ / V– S–
AI – 3	TB1 3+/3–	TB6 - MOD3: V+ S+ / V– S–
AI – 4	TB1 4+/4–	TB6 - MOD4: V+ S+ / V– S–

Figure 6.1 – Analog Input Module Locations and Menu Names

- Item 2 Selects the input range for the channel in Item 1. The choices are 4-20 mA, 0-5V, 0-10V and –10 to +10V. Note the DIP switch settings in Appendix B section 10.
- Item 3 Assigns the analog input channel to a line variable. The choices for the standard LCI-90 are NONE and TENSION; consult the factory for other options. Items 4-7 are disabled when NONE is selected.
- Item 4 The LCI-90 can combine the input from several sensors. The choices here are NONE, SUM or 2-AXIS. Use of multiple sensors is discussed in Section 6.3.1.
- Item 5 Selects whether input from this channel is monitored for out-of-range values or not. This is a unique feature of the LCI-90 – see Section 6.3.2 for details.
- Item 6 Selects the lower limit for sensor input, below which an "input check" error will occur. See Section 6.3.2 for details.
- Item 7 Selects the upper limit for sensor input, above which an "input check" error will occur. See Section 6.3.2 for details.

### 6.3.1 Using Multiple Tension Sensors

The LCI-90 can combine the input from several sensors into a single result. If a single sensor is used (the most common configuration), item 4 should be set to **NONE**. If more than one sensor is used, the results can be **SUM**ed (which gives a result equal to the total Tension applied to all sensors), or treated as a **2-AXIS** (dual axis load pin), which calculates the tension from two sensors 90° apart. Care should be taken to adjust the DIP switch settings to accommodate the various types of sensor input configurations. See Appendix B section 10.

As many sensors as desired can be combined in **SUM** mode, but only two are "legal" in **2-AXIS** mode. The display assumes that the first analog input channel is the x-axis and the second is the y-axis; the channels must be consecutive (1-2, 2-3 or 3-4).

The LCI-90 checks for inappropriate configurations – for example two channels selected for TENSION, but only one set to SUM, or one set to SUM and another to 2-AXIS. Pressing **RUN** when the input configuration is ambiguous will display one of the error messages shown below. The selection arrow will automatically point to this item, and pressing **ENT** will take you to the **4.2 ANALOG INPUT CONFIG** screen discussed in this section (Section 6.3).

#### Possible Tension Input Errors

>	7	TENSION ERROR:	NO INPUT!
Or	7	TENSION ERROR:	>4 INPUTS
Or	7	TENSION ERROR:	>1 woMULT
Or	7	TENSION ERROR:	MULT DIFR
Or	7	TENSION ERROR:	RANGES ><

NO INPUT      no channels have been selected for TENSION.

>4 INPUTS      more than four channels are selected for TENSION.

>1 woMULT      two or more channels are selected for TENSION, but none were designated for "multiple inputs"

MULT DIFR      the channels selected for Multiple Inputs have different configurations, i.e. one is SUM and another 2-AXIS.

RANGES ><      channels selected for multiple inputs have different input ranges. While this *might* not represent an inappropriate configuration, the LCI-90 is not designed to process multiple inputs from different types of sensors, for example, summed output from load cells with different ranges, or sensors, some of which have 4-20 mA outputs and others that have 0-10V outputs. Consult the factory if such operation is required for your installation.

### 6.3.2 Sensor Input Check Alarm

Sensor input checking is a unique feature of the LCI-90, which is particularly important for multiple input configurations, but can be useful for single input operation as well. When input checking is turned **ON** (as shown in the sample menu above), input

values less than the Lower Limit (item 6, shown as 0.050 V) or greater than the Upper Limit (item 7, shown as 4.950 V) will automatically switch from the normal **RUN** screen to the **DIAG** screen, with the offending channel(s) displayed in reverse video. At the same time the alarm attached to OP1 (TB3-1) will be turned on. (It can be turned off in the usual way by pressing the **ALRM** button.)

Input checking allows faulty load cells in a multiple-cell configuration to be instantly identified – something that is not possible with summing boxes. This feature also provides an independent check for over-range conditions, even when an appropriate TENSION alarm has *not* been set up. This double-level of monitoring, if properly configured, can provide enhanced operator safety.

### 6.4 Analog Output Channels

The analog output hardware is configured through the **4.2 ANALOG OUTPUT CONFIG** menu, shown below. The purpose of the analog output channels is to create a signal that mirrors one of the line variables over a user determined range. A description of each item in this menu is given below:

4.2 ANALOG OUTPUT CONFIG		
> 1	CHANNEL NO.	1
2	OUTPUT RANGE	0 – 5 V
3	INPUT VAR.	TENSION
4	FULL SCALE	6000 LBS
5	OFFSET	3000 LBS

Item 1 Selects the channel number, 1-2, that the configuration applies to. These channels correspond specific terminal blocks on the back of the LCI-90 as shown below:

Channel	No Module Used	Module Used
AO – 1	TB2 V0/G (voltage out) TB2 I0/G (4-20 mA out)	TB6 – MOD3: S+ / S–
AO – 2	TB2 V1/G (voltage out) TB2 I1/G (4-20 mA out)	TB6 – MOD4: S+ / S–

Figure 6.2 – Analog Output Module Locations and Menu Names

Item 2 Selects the analog range for the channel in Item 1. The choices are 4-20 mA, 0-5 V, 0-10V and in a special case  $\pm 5V$ . The appropriate range is determined by the output module installed and the menu should be set to match the installed module range.

Item 3 Assigns the analog output to a given line variable. The choices are **NONE**, **TENSION**, **SPEED** or **PAYOUT**. If **NONE** is selected, items 4 and 5 are disabled.

Item 4 Sets the analog output full scale value (see Section 6.4.1).

Item 5 Sets the analog output offset (see Section 6.4.1).

### 6.4.1 Calibrating the analog output signal

Items 4 and 5 in the **4.2 ANALOG OUTPUT CONFIG** menu allow the analog output for a given line variable to be scaled in any way the user desires. Item 5 specifies the "offset", which is the value of the variable that corresponds to the lower limit of the output range – for example, the value that produces 4 mA or 0 V. Line values below the "offset" usually produce the same (minimum) output (some 4-20 modules can generate currents less than 4.00 mA). Similarly, item 4 specifies the value of the line variable that corresponds to the upper limit of the output range, i.e. 20 mA or 5 V, etc. Line values above the "full scale" value generate the same (maximum) output. This flexible arrangement allows the LCI-90 to meet the requirements of almost any conceivable data system or output device.

## 6.5 Alarm Configuration

The **4.3 ALARM CONFIGURATION** menu is distinct from the **1.0 SET ALARMS** menu, which was described in §5.3.2. **Set Alarms** allows one to conveniently change the *value* of a 'trip point', while **Alarm Configuration** allows the user to disable the alarm completely, change the variable associated with the alarm, or change the alarm from a "High" (value above) to a "Low" (value below) condition. Menu **4.3** described below can be reached either through Item 7 of the **1.0 SET ALARMS** menu, or Item 4 of the **4.0 SYSTEM CONFIGURATION** menu.

4.3 ALARM CONFIGURATION		
> 1	ALARM NO.	3
2	VARIABLE	PAYOUT
3	OUTPUT TO	SCR+OP2
4	ALARM TYPE	HIGH
5	LIMIT	1000 FT
6	DEADBAND	20 FT

- Item 1 Selects one of the six available alarm settings. Each alarm, when activated, displays a message on the RUN SCREEN that remains until the alarm condition disappears, and optionally turns on one of the four Output modules, which can be used to signal a remote data system, flash a light or sound an alarm.
- Item 2 Selects the line variable to be monitored. The choices are **NONE**, **TENSION**, **SPEED** and **PAYOUT**. A setting of **NONE** disables the remaining items.
- Item 3 Specifies what happens when the alarm is activated. See Section 6.5.3 for details.
- Item 4 Specifies whether the alarm is turned on when the value is above the limit (**HIGH**) or below the limit (**LOW**). See Section 6.5.1.
- Item 5 Sets the limit above or below which the alarm occurs. If the variable is assigned to the top display, this value also appears as a 'tick mark' on the bar graph. The limit

is compared *algebraically* with the line variable, thus a speed of **-10 FPM** is *above* a limit of **-11 FPM**. Tick marks are shown at absolute value positions.

- Item 6 Specifies how much the value must change before the alarm is turned *off*; alarms always turn *on* at the specified limit. In the menu above, Alarm #3 will turn on when Payout exceeds 1000 feet, remaining on until Payout falls below 980 feet.

### 6.5.1 Alarm types

Alarms are tripped when the line variable is either on the “high side” (above the limit), or on the “low side” (below the limit). High limits are indicated by a ">" (“greater than”) symbol in the **1.0 SET ALARMS** menu (§5.3.2) and by an "H" following the variable name in the alarm message. Low limits are indicated by a "<" (“less than”) symbol in menu 1.0, and by the letter "L" in the alarm message.

### 6.5.2 Alarm limits

There are no restrictions on the value entered as the limit; the comparison is made algebraically with the line variable, thus a High Limit of “-1000” will cause an alarm if the variable goes to “-900”. Few applications use negative limits, hence “high” usually means a value whose magnitude is larger than the limit.

### 6.5.3 Alarm outputs

When an alarm condition occurs, the thing that *always* happens is that a message appears on the RUN screen. This message stays there until the condition goes away, i.e. the value changes by more than the specified deadband (in the correct direction).

Alarm conditions can also be used to turn on a warning light, create a raucous sound, or signal a remote monitoring system. These actions are accomplished by turning on one of the optional “Opto Modules”, which can then be wired to set off an external alarm. Since the LCI-90 can have up to four (4) such modules, the possible output options (Item 3) are: **SCREEN, SCR+OP1, SCR+OP2, ... SCR+OP4**. More than one alarm can be assigned to the same module, but keep in mind that Input Check errors (§6.3.2) always turn on OP1 and the Shunt Cal feature (§5.6) always uses OP4.

Since external alarms are both useful *and* annoying, the LCI-90 provides a simple way to turn off the buzzer while still reminding the user of the alarm condition. A single press of the **ALRM** button will turn off all Opto Modules, but the screen display will remain until the condition goes away. Note that if the variable falls below the limit, but then exceeds it again, the external alarm will come on again. Pressing the **ALRM** button does not disable future alarms, it only resets current ones.

## 6.6 Serial Communication

The LCI-90 has two serial ports: the NETWORK port is dedicated to supporting remote displays, using the RS-232 or RS-485 protocol, while the other (the AUXiliary Port), is available for transmitting data to remote processing facilities, using the RS232 protocol at 4800-19200 baud, in either a broadcast or polled mode. The AUX port supports several customized data streams, allowing the LCI-90 to be retrofit into existing applications. The **4.4 SERIAL CONFIGURATION** menu controls how the LCI-90 uses its serial ports.

Here is a typical menu display:

4.4 SERIAL CONFIGURATION		
> 1	LOC/REMOTE	LOCAL
2	CONFIG REMs	NO
3		
4	AUX COM PORT	ON
5	BAUD RATE	9600
6	PROTOCOL #	1
7	XMIT MODE	POLLED

- Item 1 Selects **LOCAL**, **REM-A** or **REM-B** modes of operation. **REM-A** and **REM-B** modes turn the LCI-90 into a remote display, receiving data through the network communication port, rather than field sensors. See Section 7.0 for details.
- Item 2 This item only appears when units are set to **LOCAL** mode. Selecting this item, changing it to **YES**, and pressing **RUN** downloads the entire set of configuration parameters to all REM-B units attached to the Network port.
- Item 3 This item is reserved for future use; it is skipped when moving the cursor.
- Item 4 Turns the AUX port **ON** or **OFF**. When set to **OFF**, items 5-7 are disabled. If the AUX port is not connected to another system it is prudent to set this item to OFF.
- Item 5 Selects the baud rate (4800, 9600 or 19200) used by the AUX port. The character format is "N81", i.e. no parity, 8 data bits and 1 stop bit.
- Item 6 Selects the data protocol used by the AUX port. There are currently four options: '0', '1', '2', '3', which are discussed in Section 6.6.4 below.
- Item 7 Selects whether output from the AUX port is "broadcast" or "polled". The details are spelled out in Section 6.6.5.

### 6.6.1 Local/Remote operation modes

The basic LCI-90 is a self-contained instrument, which both measures and displays the three standard line variables: Tension, Speed and Payout. When operating in this manner the instrument is said to be in **LOCAL** mode. All features of the instrument are available in this mode, including the ability to behave as a Remote (update via the network communication port) device.

**REM-A** mode (also known as an "Active Remote") retains use of the normal set of buttons for customizing the display. An "Active Remote" can be configured to mimic the LOCAL display, or can be programmed for a more flexible application. For example, the local display can interface with sensors and be located near the physical location of the winch. A second LCI-90 can be configured through the menu as a **REM-A**, and can output serial communications to nearby data loggers, or can have its own alarm outputs, operating independently from the LOCAL unit. The position and precision of the variables on the screen can be set for the preferences of

a different viewer. When a LCI-90 is set as **REM-A**, it will not accept configuration information from a LOCAL display; it is only configured from the keypad and menu.

**REM-B** displays (also called "Blind Remotes") mimic the operating mode of the LCI-90R, which has no buttons and can only be configured from a LOCAL unit. The **REM-B** models have no sensor input or output capability. When a display is configured as a **REM-B**, it will receive its configuration information from the LOCAL.

### 6.6.2 Programming remote displays

In addition to the steady stream of Tension, Speed, and Payout data from the Local unit, Remote displays configured as REM-B also recognize specially-formatted configuration data. When such data is detected, the Remote display immediately updates its operation, including screen displays and alarm limits to match that of the Local unit (with the exception that it remains a Remote!). This facility allows a group of LCI-90s to be quickly programmed with the same configuration parameters – even if they are subsequently used as "Locals" in independent systems.

To perform a "remote configuration", simply connect one or more Remote units to a Local using the Network Port. Ensure that all remote displays to be programmed are set to **REM-B** in the **4.4 SERIAL CONFIGURATION** menu. After all units are powered up and seem to be working properly, select the **CONFIG REM** menu item, change it to **YES** (it always defaults to **NO**) and press **RUN**. All displays should "freeze" for a few seconds, then resume operation with the new set of parameters.

It is possible that a very noisy network connection (this *does* happen!) could corrupt the data. If the Remote unit detects any errors, and is unable to obtain an error-free set of parameters after several attempts, it will revert to its existing values and display the message: **SU-ERR** in the top display position ("SU" stands for "SetUp"). Should this happen, the best approach is simply to repeat the operation; if difficulties persist, then general operation of the unit as a Remote is questionable and the connection should be monitored with a suitable receiver.

### 6.6.3 AUX com port settings

Note that both Remote as well as Local units can use the AUX port to send data to other systems (a shipboard computer, for example). A network with one local LCI-90 and two Remote LCI-90Rs could thus be attached to three separate data logging systems, each using a different protocol.

The AUXiliary serial port is designed for communicating with other user devices, including remote data-logging or monitoring systems. It uses the familiar RS232 protocol, sending each character in a "N81" format (no parity, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit). The baud rate is selected by Item 5: the choices are 4800, 9600 or 19200 (contact the factory if other values are required). If no devices are attached to this port, selecting **OFF** will improve the performance of the instrument, since it prevents spurious electrical noise from interrupting the display.

If a serial device (anything from a PC running a terminal-emulator program, such as HyperTerm to a more elaborate data logging/display system) is attached to the AUX port, then the remaining items in this menu become important. Beyond the obvious baud-rate selection, the most important parameter is the protocol selection, which is discussed in the following section.

### 6.6.4 Protocol descriptions

The data transmitted through the AUX port contains (usually) values for Tension, Payout and Speed (sometimes known by other names). The format of this data is determined by the "protocol" selected. The LCI-90 currently supports four protocols, numbered: 0, 1, 2, 3. Protocol '0' is a special 'diagnostic' protocol that is normally only used during production.

Protocol '1' is the LCI-90's Remote Data protocol. This format is the same one used to send data to Remote Displays over the network communications port; it is a check-summed, comma-separated, maximum precision, zero-filled format, consisting of strings with the form:

```
"RD,-TTTTT.TT,-SSSS.SSS,-PPP.PPPP,CCCC<CR><LF>"
```

where "RD" identifies the record as a Remote Data string, "-" stands for an optional minus sign, which is always the first character (but omitted if the data is positive). "TTTT" is the Tension, "SSS" is the Speed, and "PPP" is the Payout. Each field is 8 characters long, with leading '0's as needed. The indicated decimal points are only symbolic – integer values will not have a decimal point, and the number of digits following the decimal point (if any) is adjusted on a record-by-record basis to reflect the internal accuracy of the data.

Programs written to parse these strings should look for the commas. (Excel calls this a 'CSV', Comma Separated Values, format). "CCCC" is a 4-digit (always!) decimal field, which contains the sum of the ASCII values of all preceding characters, including the commas (but not including the four CCCC characters). All characters included in the sum have ASCII values less than 127, hence it will not matter if the receiving device uses "7-bit" or "8-bit" characters. Spurious characters preceding "RD" may occur, and should be ignored. Each record ends with a Carriage Return (ASCII 13) + Line Feed (ASCII 10), which are not included in the checksum.

Protocols '2' and '3' consist of strings with the general form:

```
"xx00_TTTTTTTT_0_PPPPPPP_0_SSSSSSS_0<CR><LF>"
```

where "TTTT", "PPP" and "SSS" are 7-character (including sign and decimal point) strings for the Tension, Payout and Speed values. The number of decimal places is determined by the configuration setting for the respective displays (see §5.10.3). Minus signs (if any) appear just before the first significant digit, with the remainder of the field filled with spaces (ASCII 32). The first two characters, "xx", are "\*\*\*" (two stars) for Protocol #2, and "<CR><LF>" (Carriage Return, Line Feed) for Protocol #3. This is followed by "00" (two 'zeros'), then either a SPACE (Protocol #2) or a COMMA (Protocol #3), seven characters for the Tension, a SPACE or COMMA (represented by "\_"), then a "0" (zero), and so on for Payout and Speed. The string ends with a Carriage Return (ASCII 13) and Line Feed (ASCII 10).

Additional, or alternative, protocols can be supported. Contact Measurement Technology NW for advice on this matter.



### 6.6.5 Polling Strings

Item 7 controls whether the AUX port transmits data continuously ("BRDCAST" mode), or only after the LCI-90 has received a specified "Polling String" ("POLLED" mode). Polled mode is generally the preferred method of operation, since it allows the remote device to control the data flow, and thus to receive data only when it is ready for it. Each protocol has its own designated Polling String. For Protocols '0' and '1' (the two MTNW protocols), the Polling String can be anything containing a Carriage Return (ASCII 13). Thus if the AUX port is connected to a "Terminal Emulator" program running on a PC (for example "HyperTerm"), just hitting the Enter key will cause the LCI-90 to send a data string. Similarly, a data-logging system only needs to send a "blank line" to get a response.

Protocols 2 and 3, on the other hand, requires a specific string, "SS", followed by a Carriage Return (+ optional Line Feed). Sending a blank line, or even a line containing "ss" (i.e. lower case letters) will not produce any output.

## 7.0 Remote Display Operation

For applications where data from a local LCI-90 needs to be displayed at another physical location, there are two solutions available: use a second LCI-90, or use the LCI-90R dedicated remote display.

A LCI-90 Local display can be configured to behave as a remote display in two different ways. (1) **REM-A**, or Active mode, described in Section 7.1, allows the operator to set up the display through the menu. (2) **REM-B**, or Blind mode, described in Section 7.2, only allows configuration changes via ‘downloading’ from a Local unit, as described in §6.6.2. In either mode the LCI-90 retains the ability to generate digital (alarm) and analog output.

Also operating in REM-B mode, the LCI-90R is a lower-cost, dedicated-function remote display, which only accepts data from a LCI-90 via the network communications port and has no provision for analog or digital output. The LCI-90R cannot be field upgraded to a LCI-90.

Remote displays receive their data from the network port. The data is sent using a flexible, check-summed protocol (described in Section 6.6.4), which maintains the full accuracy of the instrument. Although the data used by a Remote unit comes from a Local, the display format is completely independent. Thus a Remote might show Payout on the top, while the Local displays Tension. REM-A (Active) Remotes (those with buttons) can be configured from the front panel, while REM-B (Blind or LCI-90R) Remotes can only be configured from a Local (or by the Supplier).

Remote displays depend on a steady stream of data from the Local unit, hence if that stream is interrupted for more than five (5) seconds, (for example the Local unit is powered down, or the Network is disconnected), then the Remote will blank all display fields to prevent the user from being misled by "stale" values. The bar-graph, on the other hand, remains "frozen" at its last value, serving as a further clue that something is amiss. In addition, REM-B units change the text at the bottom of the screen from "**REMOTE DISPLAY**" to "**REMOTE DISPLAY NO VALID DATA**".

### 7.1 Active Remotes – REM-A

Active Remote displays (REM-A) are ideal for monitoring applications in which the user wishes to configure the display (including the Alarm settings) in a manner that differs from the Local unit. Setting up a REM-A display is completely straight-forward: simply use the Keypad keys as described for the Local LCI-90, but be sure to set Item 1 of the **4.4 SERIAL CONFIGURATION** menu to **REM-A**.

Connect the Network Ports of the Local and Remote (be sure to use the correct polarity!), and the Remote unit’s display should immediately “come to life”. If the Remote does not receive valid data within a 5-second time period, it will blank the display as described above. If this should happen, first check the Network connection, then check that the unit is actually set for REM-A operation.

Finally, while the main advantage of a REM-A display is that the user can control the “look and feel”, such displays can also be quickly configured to look exactly like the Local simply by setting Item 1 of the **4.4 SERIAL CONFIGURATION** menu to **REM-B** and using the **4.4.2 CONFIG REMs** menu item (which is only available on a Local unit). See §6.6.2 for details. After this operation is complete, the display can be returned to the **REM-A** mode of operation.

## **7.2 Blind Remotes – REM-B**

Blind Remote displays (LCI-90R) have the same display and communications hardware found in the LCI-90, but lack a front panel keypad. This means that they can only be configured by connecting them to a LCI-90 Local display, or, per request, by the Supplier. REM-B units, like REM-A displays, need not use the same display configuration as other LCI-90s in the network, but in order to change a REM-B configuration, a Local unit must first be set up in the desired manner so that its configuration can be copied to the REM-B unit by means of the **4.4.2 CONFIG REMs** menu item (which is only available on a Local unit). See Section 6.6.2 for details.

## 8.0 Troubleshooting

The LCI-90 was designed with the user in mind. Using full language menus and a minimum of abbreviations makes the programming and operation much easier to understand. A diagnostics screen described in the section below is easily accessible by the user to check raw input signals. Most apparent malfunctions of the instrument can usually be traced to incorrect wiring, jumper settings, or programming. Consult the troubleshooting chart in section 8.2 to diagnose apparent problems.

### 8.1 *DIAG* screen operation

Pressing the **DIAG** key from the Run mode display will bring up the Diagnostics screen. This display, shown in Figure 8.1, provides the operator with important feedback on raw signal inputs, and scaled display values for Tension and Payout. From the DIAG screen, the same button, which is now labeled **MAIN**, will return the system to the main RUN display mode. The instrument continues normal operation, including updating remote displays and checking alarm limits in the background while the DIAG screen is on display.

INPUT	VALUE	SCALED
IN-1	4.765 mA	1450 LBS
IN-2	7.430 mA	2308 LBS
COUNT	2452 P	12630 FT

Figure 8.1 – Diagnostics Screen Display

The first items displayed are the active analog input channels. There can be from one to four of these, depending on the Analog Input Configuration (two are shown in Fig 8.1). These lines show the raw input signal as measured by the LCI-90, and the resulting scaled Tension *on a per-channel basis* (the combined result of multiple inputs is only displayed on the RUN screen). The bottom line shows the Payout counter and resulting scaled Payout in the selected units.

The utility of the DIAG screen is clear when a malfunction occurs. Comparing the displayed values with measurements from a multimeter can help identify if the fault lies in the sensor/wiring, or within the instrument and its setup configuration.

An additional function of the DIAG screen is described in Section 6.3.2. When an Input Check Alarm occurs, the LCI-90 automatically displays the DIAG screen with the outlying input channel highlighted (as shown in Fig 8.1 for channel 1). An alarm connected to OP1 (TB3-1) is also turned on. Pressing the **ALRM** button will silence the alarm and pressing **MAIN** will return to the normal RUN screen, but the channel will continue to be highlighted whenever the DIAG screen is displayed until the Input Check condition goes away.

## 8.2 Troubleshooting procedures

<b>Problem</b> Blank Screen		
<b>Possible Causes</b>	<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>Remedies</b>
Screen saver is on	Activate display by pressing any key or by changing payout	Disable screen saver if screen visibility is required during periods of inactivity
Input power problem	Check voltage between TB5 +24 and GND. If below 18VDC then the problem is not in the display	Repair or replace power source to provide 18-36 VDC
Fuse is blown	Check for voltage between TB1 +24 and TB5 GND. If unit has power and there is no voltage, then the fuse is suspect.	Check and replace fuse
Screen is faulty	Listen closely for high frequency hum coming from the within the LCI-90	Contact supplier
Display brightness adjustment set too low	Adjust the potentiometer labeled DISP on the rear panel over its full range	Set potentiometer to desired brightness level for normal operation
Internal power supply failure	Measure voltage between TB4 +5 and COM and also +12 and COM. If these voltages are out of range, the internal power supply is suspect.	Contact supplier
CPU failure	Check for communication with remote displays. If remote displays are not updating and the LCI-90 has power, then the CPU is suspect	Contact supplier

<b>Problem</b> Zero Speed/Payout Not Changing		
<b>Possible Causes</b>	<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>Remedies</b>
Scale Factor is zero or very small	Check Menu 2.0, Item 3 for an incorrect value.	Recalibrate the payout based on true physical values.
LCI-90 not receiving pulse inputs	Press <b>DIAG</b> to view diagnostics screen. Turn sheave to increment pulse counter and look for updates on screen.	
	Measure voltage between TB4 A and COM and B and COM as the sheave is turning. There should be a significant voltage change between on-target and off-target.	Independently check operation of count sensors and replace if faulty.
	Check DIP switch settings on SW4 to ensure that correct switches are set for the count sensors being used.	Set correct values. See Appendix B.
Input sensors not in quadrature configuration	Ensure that there is an overlap between on-time of channels A and B on the payout sensor.	Adjust sensor mounting or target width to guarantee overlap.

<b>Problem</b> No Response or Zero Value for Tension Signal		
<b>Possible Causes</b>	<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>Remedies</b>
Incorrect scaling	Check menu 2.1 for correct values of Offset and Full Scale	Recalibrate if incorrect
No sensor input	Press <b>DIAG</b> to view diagnostics screen. Use a multimeter to compare the raw input value with the LCI-90 displayed input	If no input signal, then replace or repair tension sensor
	Confirm that the sensor has excitation power with a multimeter. If using an external supply, ensure there are no grounding problems.	Review Section 4.1.2 for discussion of Tension input hookup.
	Check SW1 settings to ensure that the correct switches are set for the desired input range	Review Section 4.1.2 for discussion of Tension input hookup.
	See Menu 4.2 to ensure the proper analog input channel and range are configured.	Review Section 6.3 for discussion of Analog Input Configuration.

<b>Problem</b> "Jumpy" Tension Signal		
<b>Possible Causes</b>	<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>Remedies</b>
Electrical noise	Check input signal quality with oscilloscope. For some frequencies, a AC voltmeter can be used to measure the presence or absence of noise on a DC signal.	Use shielded cabling and/or conduit for sensor wiring
	Check that cable shields are grounded near the LCI-90 for best noise immunity.	Try variations on shield grounding. Try both ends, or no grounding.
	Floating ground level resulting from jumper H1. Draw or review a schematic of the tension input sensor/LCI-90 connection and insure that the low side of the signal is properly referenced.	Jumper H1 connects the input signal low side to instrument power common. If H1 is removed, then the input low is not connected to COM.
	Baseline noise – cannot be remedied	Adjust Tension Smoothing filter to reduce the effective noise. See §5.6.5.
Ground loop	Draw or review a schematic of the tension input sensor/LCI-90 connection to identify any ground loops.	Use Isolation module on Tension input.
	Draw or review a schematic of the tension input sensor/LCI-90 connection to identify any ground loops.	Install or remove H1 to remedy ground loop problem.
Wave motions affecting tension signal	Confirm that the tension display varies at the same frequency as the wave motion.	Adjust the Tension Smoothing filter. See Section 5.6.5.

<b>Problem</b> Run Screen Visible, No Numeric Values on Screen		
<b>Possible Causes</b>	<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>Remedies</b>
Incorrect menu configuration	This will occur when a unit is set to REM-A (Active Remote) and doesn't receive valid serial communication. See previous problem for diagnosis.	If unit is supposed to receive sensor input, then change the LOC/REMOTE mode to LOCAL. Otherwise see previous section.

<b>Problem</b> "REMOTE DISPLAY NO VALID DATA" Displayed		
<b>Possible Causes</b>	<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>Remedies</b>
Incorrect menu configuration	If using the display as a local, check Menu 4.5, Item 1.	Change the Menu 4.5 Item 1 LOC/REMOTE mode to LOCAL
Incorrect serial communication wiring	Check polarity of the wiring for RS-485, with T+R+ on the local to T+R+ on the remote. For RS-232, Tx on the local should connect to Rx on the remote.	Correct any wiring errors
Incorrect serial termination	For RS-485, the display on each end of the chain should be terminated for best performance.	Check SW3 settings. See Appendix B

<b>Problem</b> No Outputs from Alarm Channels		
<b>Possible Causes</b>	<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>Remedies</b>
Incorrect menu configuration	Check the alarm configuration in Menu 4.4 to make sure that the expected module will be energized by the alarm condition. Each alarm must be programmed to output to OP1-OP4 to energize a module	Review manual Section 5.3 for alarm use and configuration
Incorrect DIP switch settings	Review the settings for SW2 to configure the output module slots	See Appendix B
Blown fuse on output module	Remove fuse and check with an ohmmeter.	Check for shorts in the circuit and replace fuse.
Incorrect module type	Verify the part number and specifications of the installed module	Replace with correct type

<b>Problem</b> No Shunt Calibration		
<b>Possible Causes</b>	<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>Remedies</b>
Opto 4 module missing or dislodged	Open unit and look inside. Locate Opto 4 and confirm that the Opto is there and seated properly.	Order new module or reseat
Field wire polarity not observed	DC module is polarity sensitive, requires correct field wire termination.	Check field wires and try reversing polarity
Blown fuse on output module	Remove fuse and check with an ohmmeter.	Replace with correct type



### **8.3 Technical support**

The resolution of technical problem should first be attempted using the Troubleshooting Guide in Section 8.2 or by reading the appropriate sections of the manual. If this fails, either contact the supplier from whom you purchased the display, or the manufacturer, for additional technical support. When seeking technical support, please fax or e-mail notes including a description of the problem, all relevant menu, DIP switch and jumper settings, any hardware options installed, plus a description of the field devices in use and how they are terminated on the LCI-90.

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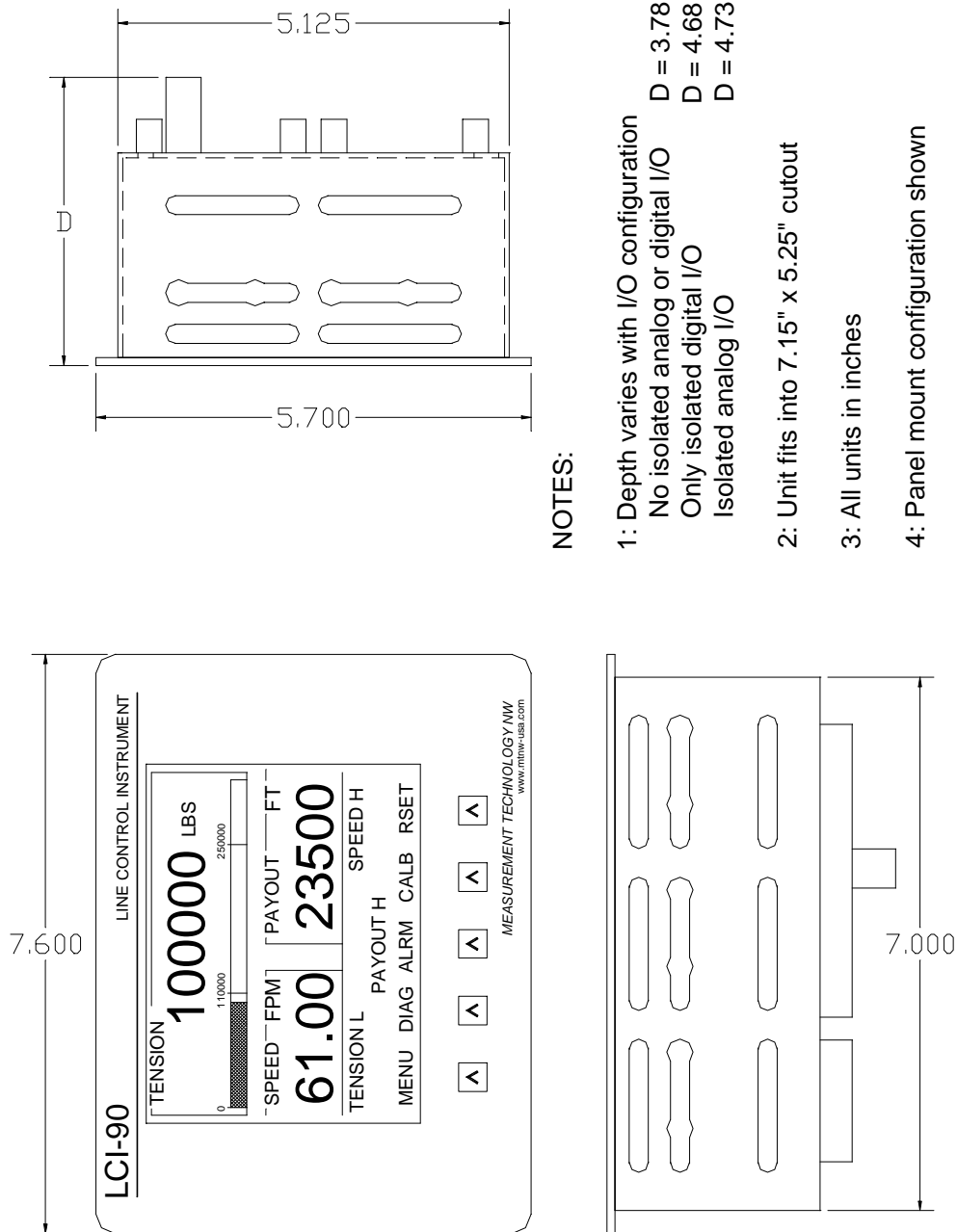
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## 9.0 Appendix A – Dimensional Drawing



## 10.0 Appendix B – DIP Switch Settings

### SW-1: Analog Input

CH Select	SW-1	SW1-2	SW1-3	SW1-4
CH1 0-5VDC	OFF	•	•	•
CH1 4-20mA*	ON	•	•	•
CH2 0-5VDC	•	OFF	•	•
CH2 4-20mA*	•	ON	•	•
CH3 0-5VDC	•	•	OFF	•
CH3 4-20mA*	•	•	ON	•
CH4 0-5VDC	•	•	•	OFF
CH4 4-20mA*	•	•	•	ON

### SW-2: OPTO Configuration

OPTO	SW2-1	SW2-2	SW2-3	SW2-4	SW2-5	SW2-6	SW2-7	SW2-8
1 OUT*	OFF	ON	•	•	•	•	•	•
2 OUT*	•	•	OFF	ON	•	•	•	•
3 OUT*	•	•	•	•	OFF	ON	•	•
4 OUT*	•	•	•	•	•	•	OFF	ON
1 IN#	ON	OFF	•	•	•	•	•	•
2 IN#	•	•	ON	OFF	•	•	•	•
3 IN#	•	•	•	•	ON	OFF	•	•
4 IN#	•	•	•	•	•	•	ON	OFF

### SW-3: RS-485 Serial Termination and General Purpose Digital Input Bits

Function	SW3-1	SW3-2	SW3-3	SW3-4	SW3-5
RS 485 Term OFF	OFF	OFF	•	•	•
RS 485 Term ON*	ON	ON	•	•	•
BIT 1 HIGH*	•	•	OFF	•	•
BIT 2 HIGH*	•	•	•	OFF	•
BIT 3 HIGH*	•	•	•	•	OFF
BIT 1 LOW#	•	•	ON	•	•
BIT 2 LOW#	•	•	•	ON	•
BIT 3 LOW#	•	•	•	•	ON

Note: Make sure that SW3-3, SW3-4 and SW3-5 are always in the OFF position.

- Denotes switch setting does not affect parameter configuration.
- \* Denotes factory default settings
- # Denotes hardware options not supported by firmware

**SW-4: Count Sensor Configuration**

Sensor Config	SW4-1	SW4-2	SW4-3	SW4-4
CH A NPN*	ON	OFF	•	•
CH B NPN*	•	•	ON	OFF
CH A PNP	OFF	ON	•	•
CH B PNP	•	•	OFF	ON
Encoder	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF

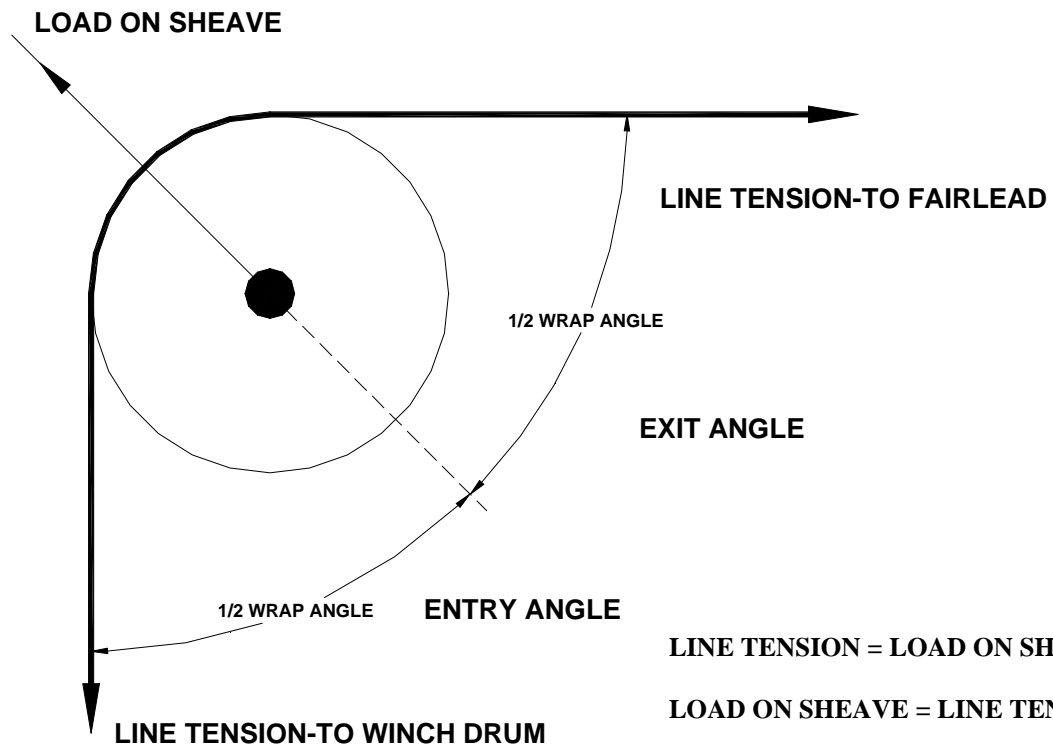
Note: **DO NOT** simultaneously position SW4-1 and SW4-2 in the ON position.  
**DO NOT** simultaneously position SW4-3 and SW4-4 in the ON position.

**SW5: Display Scan Rate (HT Option Only)**

Display Luminance	SW5-1 (SW2-1 on the LCI-90R)	SW5-2 (SW2-2 on the LCI-90R)
100%	OFF	OFF
75%	OFF	ON
50%	ON	OFF
30%	ON*	ON*

- Denotes switch setting does not affect parameter configuration.
- \* Denotes factory default settings
- # Denotes hardware options not supported by firmware

### 11.0 Appendix C – Wrap Angle Calculations



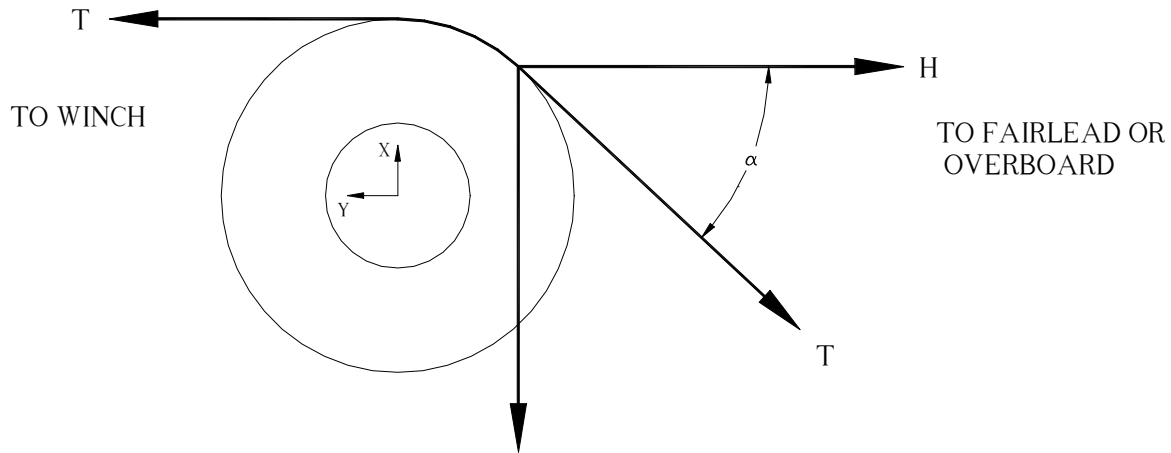
**LINE TENSION = LOAD ON SHEAVE \* WACF**

**LOAD ON SHEAVE = LINE TENSION / WACF**

**Wrap Angle Correction Factor (WACF)**

Angle	WACF	Angle	WACF	Angle	WACF	Angle	WACF	Angle	WACF
0	0.50000	38	0.52881	76	0.63451	114	0.91804	152	2.06678
2	0.50080	40	0.53209	78	0.64338	116	0.94354	154	2.22271
4	0.50030	42	0.53557	80	0.65270	118	0.97080	156	2.40487
6	0.50069	44	0.53927	82	0.66251	120	1.00000	158	2.62042
8	0.50122	46	0.54318	84	0.67282	122	1.01539	160	2.87939
10	0.50191	48	0.54732	86	0.68366	124	1.06503	162	3.19623
12	0.50275	50	0.55169	88	0.69508	126	1.10134	164	3.59265
14	0.50375	52	0.55630	90	0.70711	128	1.14059	166	4.10275
16	0.50491	54	0.56116	92	0.71978	130	1.18310	168	4.78339
18	0.50623	56	0.56629	94	0.73314	132	1.22930	170	5.73686
20	0.50771	58	0.57168	96	0.74724	134	1.27965	172	7.16779
22	0.50936	60	0.57735	98	0.76213	136	1.33473	174	9.55366
24	0.51117	62	0.58332	100	0.77786	138	1.39521	175	11.46279
26	0.51315	64	0.58959	102	0.79451	140	1.46190		
28	0.51531	66	0.59618	104	0.81213	142	1.53578		
30	0.51764	68	0.60311	106	0.83082	144	1.61803		
32	0.52015	70	0.61039	108	0.85065	146	1.71015		
34	0.52285	72	0.61803	110	0.87172	148	1.81398		
36	0.52573	74	0.62607	112	0.89415	150	1.93185		

## 12.0 Appendix D – Idealized Dual Axis Load Pin Geometry



Note: This is the idealized condition where the Y-axis is parallel to the line going to the winch. This is a fixed relationship, but as the equations below show,  $\alpha$  can vary without changing the calculated Tension.

Equations:

$$\sum \bar{F}_x = 0 \quad X - T \sin \alpha = 0 \quad \sin \alpha = \frac{X}{T} \quad \sin^2 \alpha = \frac{X^2}{T^2}$$

$$\sum \bar{F}_y = 0 \quad Y - T \cos \alpha - T = 0 \quad \cos \alpha = 1 - \frac{Y}{T} \quad \cos^2 \alpha = \frac{Y^2}{T^2} - \frac{2Y}{T} + 1$$

$$\sin^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha = 1 \quad \frac{X^2}{T^2} + \frac{Y^2}{T^2} - \frac{2Y}{T} + 1 = 1 \quad \frac{X^2 + Y^2}{T^2} = \frac{2Y}{T}$$

$$H = T \cos \alpha = T - Y = \frac{X^2 + Y^2}{2Y} - Y = \frac{X^2 - Y^2}{2Y}$$

$$T = \frac{X^2 + Y^2}{2Y}$$



## 14.0 Appendix F – LCI-90 Specifications

LCI-90	PHYSICAL/POWER	Std/Option
<b>Temp.</b>	-40°C to 75°C	Std
<b>Environmental</b>	NEMA 4X front panel	Std
	NEMA 1 rear enclosure	Std
<b>Dimensions</b>	7.6" wide x 5.7" high x 3.7-4.8" deep (per options)	Std
	Cut out: 7.15" wide x 5.25 high	Std
<b>Weight</b>	3.4 pounds	Std
<b>Materials</b>	Stainless Steel 316 front panel	Std
	Polycarbonate display window	Std
	Urethane front panel gasket	Std
<b>Power</b>	18-36 VDC, 0.5 A typical, 0.75 A maximum	Std
<b>Heat Output</b>	8 Watts typical	Std

LCI-90	DISPLAY	Std/Option
<b>Type</b>	Graphic electro-luminescent, 320 x 240 pixels	Std
<b>View Angle</b>	160 degrees	Std
<b>Viewing Area</b>	4.7" wide x 3.6" high	Std
<b>Brightness</b>	High brightness – 50 cd/m2	Std
	Ultra high brightness – 340 cd/m2	HT
<b>Contrast</b>	Fixed	Std
	Adjustable	HT
<b>Characters</b>	6 at top center, 4 at lower left, 5 at lower right	Std

LCI-90	COUNT SENSOR INTERFACE	Std/Option
<b>Type</b>	Inductive proximity, quadrature, PNP, NPN, 2 or 3 wire	Std
	Quadrature encoder, CMOS or TTL	Std
<b>Frequency</b>	0.05 Hz to 10 kHz	Std
<b>Excitation</b>	12 VDC, 250 mA (total for device)	Std
	5 VDC, 250 mA (total for device)	Std
<b>Thresholds</b>	3.4 V Low-High transition, 2.3 V High-Low transition	Std



LCI-90	DIGITAL I/O – ALARMS	Std/Option
<b>Channels</b>	Four total, input and output, menu configurable	Std
<b>Type</b>	TTL	Std
	Fused output module: dry contact, 0.5 A max, 3-60 VDC	01
	Fused output module: solid state, 3.5 A max, 3-60 VDC	02
	Fused input module: 3-32 VDC	03
	Fused input module: 90 to 140 VAC	04

LCI-90	SERIAL COMMUNICATION	Std/Option
<b>Type</b>	Network Port, RS-232, non-isolated	10
	Network Port, RS-485, 2 wire, isolated	11
	Auxiliary Port, RS-232, non-isolated	12
<b>Baud Rate</b>	Network Port 19200, Aux Port 4800 to 19200	Std
<b>Protection</b>	RS-485 option, 2500 V rms	11

LCI-90	ANALOG SENSOR INPUT	Std/Option
<b>Type</b>	4 to 20 mA, non-isolated, 2,3 and 4 wire	Std
	0-5 VDC, non-isolated	Std
	0-10 VDC, non-isolated	20
	4 to 20 mA, isolated, 2, 3 and 4 wire	21
	0-10 VDC, isolated	22
	4 Wire Strain Gauge, load range 10 k $\Omega$ to 300 $\Omega$	23
<b>Channels</b>	Four channels total	Std
<b>Protection</b>	16 V peak DC	Std, 20
	1500 V rms	21 – 23
<b>Impedance</b>	Non isolated 4 to 20 mA input: 250 V	Std
	Non isolated VDC input: 100,000 $\Omega$	Std
<b>Resolution</b>	12 bits (1/4096)	Std
<b>Accuracy</b>	Base unit: 0.05%	Std
	Optional isolated input modules: 0.05%-0.08%	21 – 23
<b>Scan Rate</b>	1.5 Hz (typical) with 10 times over-sampling	Std
<b>Excitation</b>	12 VDC, 250 mA (total for device)	Std
	5 VDC, 250 mA (total for device)	Std

LCI-90	ANALOG OUTPUT	Std/Option
<b>Type</b>	4 to 20 mA, non-isolated, 15 VDC maximum	30
	0-10 VDC, non-isolated, load range 0 to 1000 $\Omega$	31
	4 to 20 mA, isolated, load range 0 to 750 $\Omega$	32
	0-10 VDC, isolated, load range 0 to 1000 $\Omega$	33
<b>Channels</b>	Two channels total	Std
<b>Protection</b>	Non-isolated, 16 V peak DC	30, 31
	Isolated, 4 to 20 mA, 240 V rms	32, 33
<b>Resolution</b>	12 bits (1/4096)	Std
<b>Accuracy</b>	0.05% ( $\pm$ 1 LSB)	Std
<b>Update</b>	4 Hz (typical)	Std

## 15.0 Appendix G – LCI-90R Specifications

LCI-90R	PHYSICAL/POWER	Std/Option
<b>Temp.</b>	-40°C to 75°C	Std
<b>Environmental</b>	NEMA 4X front panel	Std
	NEMA 1 rear enclosure	Std
<b>Dimensions</b>	7.6" wide x 5.7" high x 4.0" deep	Std
	Cut out: 7.15" wide x 5.25 high	Std
<b>Weight</b>	3.4 pounds	Std
<b>Materials</b>	Stainless Steel 315 front panel	Std
	Polycarbonate display window	Std
	Urethane front panel gasket	Std
<b>Power</b>	18-36 VDC, 0.5 A typical, 0.75 A maximum	Std
	85-250 VAC, 13 W typical, 18 W maximum	AC
<b>Heat Output</b>	8 Watts typical	Std

LCI-90R	DISPLAY	Std/Option
<b>Type</b>	Graphic electro-luminescent, 320 x 240 pixels	Std
<b>View Angle</b>	160 degrees	Std
<b>Viewing Area</b>	4.7" wide x 3.6" high	Std
<b>Brightness</b>	High brightness – 50 cd/m <sup>2</sup>	Std
	Ultra high brightness – 340 cd/m <sup>2</sup>	HT
<b>Contrast</b>	Fixed	Std
	Adjustable	HT
<b>Characters</b>	8 at top center, 4 at lower left, 5 at lower right	Std

LCI-90R	SERIAL COMMUNICATION	Std/Option
<b>Type</b>	Network Port, RS-232, non-isolated	Std
	Network Port, RS-485, 2 wire, isolated	11
	Auxiliary Port, RS-232, non-isolated	12
<b>Baud Rate</b>	4800 to 19200	Std
<b>Protection</b>	RS-485 option, 2500 V rms	11

## 16.0 Appendix H – LCI-90 IFB Wirelist

Function	Manual Reference	IFB Terminal Block Designator
Analog Input 1 High	TB1 1+	TB1
Analog Input 1 Low	TB1 1-	TB2
Analog Input 2 High	TB1 2+	TB3
Analog Input 2 Low	TB1 2-	TB4
Analog Input 3 High	TB1 3+	TB5
Analog Input 3 Low	TB1 3-	TB6
Analog Input 4 High	TB1 4+	TB7
Analog Input 4 Low	TB1 4-	TB8
24VDC Output	TB1 +24	TB9
24VDC Output	TB1 +24	TB10
Analog Output 1 - Volts	TB2 V0	TB11
Analog Output 1 - mA	TB2 I0	TB12
DC Common	TB2 G	TB13
Analog Output 2 - Volts	TB2 V1	TB14
Analog Output 2 - mA	TB2 I2	TB15
DC Common	TB2 G	TB16
Opto 1 High	TB3 1+	TB17
Opto 1 Low	TB3 1-	TB18
Opto 2 High	TB3 2+	TB19
Opto 2 Low	TB3 2-	TB20
Opto 3 High	TB3 3+	TB21
Opto 3 Low	TB3 3-	TB22
Opto 4 High	TB3 4+	TB23
Opto 4 Low	TB3 4-	TB24
5VDC Output	TB4 +5	TB31
12VDC Output	TB4 +12	TB30
12VDC Output	TB4 +12	TB29
Count A	TB4 A	TB28
Count B	TB4 B	TB27
DC Common	TB4 COM	TB26
DC Common	TB4 COM	TB25
24VDC Input	TB5 +24	TB34
24VDC Input	TB5 +24	TB33
DC Common	TB5 GND	TB32

<b>Function</b>	<b>Manual Reference</b>	<b>IFB Terminal Block Designator</b>
Iso Analog Input 1 Exc +	TB6 MOD1 V+	TB48
Iso Analog Input 1 Sig +	TB6 MOD1 S+	TB47
Iso Analog Input 1 Sig -	TB6 MOD1 S-	TB46
Iso Analog Input 1 Exc -	TB6 MOD1 V-	TB45
Iso Analog Input 2 Exc +	TB6 MOD2 V+	TB44
Iso Analog Input 2 Sig +	TB6 MOD2 S+	TB43
Iso Analog Input 2 Sig -	TB6 MOD2 S-	TB42
Iso Analog Input 2 Exc -	TB6 MOD2 V-	TB41
Iso Analog Input 3 Exc +	TB6 MOD3 V+	TB40
Iso Analog Input 3 Sig +	TB6 MOD3 S+	TB39
Iso Analog Input 3 Sig -	TB6 MOD3 S-	TB38
Iso Analog Input 4 Exc +	TB6 MOD4 V+	TB37
Iso Analog Input 4 Sig +	TB6 MOD4 S+	TB36
Iso Analog Input 4 Sig -	TB6 MOD4 S-	TB35
RS 485 T+/R+	TB7 T+/R+	TB49
RS 485 T+/R+	TB7 T+/R+	TB50
RS 485 SHD	TB7 SHD	TB51
RS 485 SHD	TB7 SHD	TB52
RS 485 T-/R-	TB7 T-/R-	TB53
RS 485 T-/R-	TB7 T-/R-	TB54
RS 232 Transmit - Data	TB8 TX	TB55
RS 232 Recieve - Data	TB8 RX	TB56
RS 232 Ground - Data	TB8 GND	TB57
RS 232 Transmit - Auxiliary	TB8 AUX TX	TB58
RS 232 Recieve - Auxiliary	TB8 AUX RX	TB59
RS 232 Ground - Auxiliary	TB8 AUX GND	TB60

### 17.0 Appendix I – LCI-90 SS Bracket Mounting Footprint

