



METER

ATMOS 22 GEN 2 INTEGRATOR GUIDE

SENSOR DESCRIPTION

The ATMOS 22 GEN 2 Ultrasonic Anemometer is designed for continuous monitoring of wind speed and direction (see [Measurement Specifications](#)). Ultra-low power consumption and a robust, no moving parts design that prevents errors because of wear or fouling, make the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 ideal for long-term, remote installations.

APPLICATIONS

- Weather monitoring
- Microenvironment monitoring
- In-canopy wind measurement
- Spatially distributed environmental monitoring
- Wind profiling
- Crop weather monitoring
- Fire danger monitoring/mapping
- Weather networks

ADVANTAGES

- Robust, no moving parts design
- Small form factor
- Low-input voltage requirements
- Low-power design supports battery-operated data loggers
- Supports the SDI-12 three-wire interface and Modbus RTU
- Tilt sensor informs user of out-of-level conditions
- No configuration necessary

PURPOSE OF THIS GUIDE

METER provides the information in this integrator guide to help ATMOS 22 GEN 2 Ultrasonic Anemometer customers establish communication between these sensors and their data acquisition equipment or field data loggers. Customers using data loggers that support SDI-12 sensor communications should consult the data logger user manual. METER sensors are fully integrated into the METER system of plug-and-play sensors, cellular-enabled data loggers, and data analysis software.

COMPATIBLE FIRMWARE VERSIONS

This guide is compatible with firmware versions 2.00 or newer.

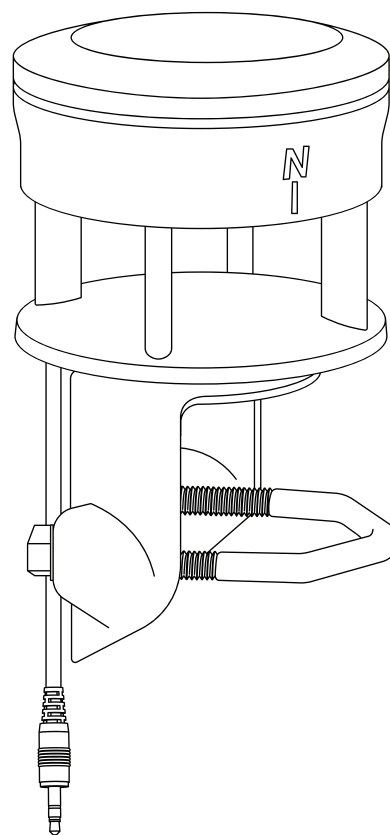


Figure 1 ATMOS 22 GEN 2 Ultrasonic Anemometer

SPECIFICATIONS

MEASUREMENT SPECIFICATIONS

Horizontal Wind Speed	
Range	0–60 m/s
Resolution	0.01 m/s
Accuracy	The greater of 0.3 m/s or 6% of measurement
Wind Gust	
Range	0–60 m/s
Resolution	0.01 m/s
Accuracy	The greater of 0.3 m/s or 6% of measurement
Wind Direction	
Range	0°–359.9°
Resolution	0.1°
Accuracy	±1°
Tilt	
Range	–90° to 90°
Resolution	0.1°
Accuracy	±1°

COMMUNICATION SPECIFICATIONS

Output
SDI-12 communication or Modbus RTU (on enabled units)
Data Logger Compatibility
METER ZL6 and EM60 data loggers or any data acquisition systems capable of 3.6- to 15.0-VDC excitation and SDI-12 communication or Modbus RTU (on enabled units)

PHYSICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Dimensions	
Diameter	10.16 cm (4.00 in)
Height	18.28 cm (7.20 in)
Operating Temperature Range	
Minimum	–50 °C
Typical	NA
Maximum	60 °C

PHYSICAL SPECIFICATIONS

(Continued)

Cable Length
5 m (stereo plug)
1.5 m (5-pin)
75 m (maximum custom cable length for additional cost)
NOTE: Contact Customer Support if nonstandard cable length is needed.
Cable Diameter
0.165 ±0.004 in (4.20 ±0.10 mm), with minimum jacket of 0.030 in (0.76 mm)
Connector Types
Stereo plug connector or 3 stripped and tinned wires
5-pin M12 connector or 4 stripped and tinned wires
Connector Diameter
3.5 mm (diameter stereo plug)
14.4 mm (diameter M12)
Conductor Gauge
22-AWG / 24-AWG drain wire

ELECTRICAL AND TIMING CHARACTERISTICS

Supply Voltage (VCC to GND)	
Minimum	3.6 VDC continuous
Typical	NA
Maximum	25.0 VDC continuous
NOTE: The ATMOS 22 GEN 2 must be continuously powered to work properly.	
NOTE: For the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 to meet digital logic levels specified by SDI-12, it must be excited to 3.9 VDC or greater.	
Digital Input Voltage (logic high)	
Minimum	2.8 V
Typical	3.6 V
Maximum	5.0 V
Digital Input Voltage (logic low)	
Minimum	–0.3 V
Typical	0.0 V
Maximum	0.8 V

ELECTRICAL AND TIMING CHARACTERISTICS

(Continued)

Digital Output Voltage (logic high)	
Minimum	NA
Typical	3.6 V
Maximum	NA
NOTE: For the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 to meet digital logic levels specified by SDI-12, it must be excited to 3.9 VDC or greater.	
Power Line Slew Rate	
Minimum	1.0 V/ms
Typical	NA
Maximum	NA
Current Drain (during measurement)	
Minimum	0.2 mA
Typical	8.0 mA
Maximum	33.0 mA
Current Drain (while asleep)	
Minimum	0.1 mA
Typical	0.2 mA
Maximum	0.3 mA
Current Drain (while asleep, Modbus enabled)	
Minimum	2 mA
Typical	2.5 mA
Maximum	3.5 mA

Power Up Time (SDI ready)—aRx! Commands	
Minimum	NA
Typical	5 s
Maximum	NA
Power Up Time (SDI ready)—Other Commands	
Minimum	NA
Typical	130 ms
Maximum	NA
Power Up Time (SDI-12, DDI disabled)	
Minimum	NA
Typical	200 ms
Maximum	NA
Measurement Duration	
Minimum	NA
Typical	110 ms
Maximum	3,000 ms

COMPLIANCE

EM ISO/IEC 17050:2010 (CE Mark)

EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT AND CONNECTION TYPES

The following sections explain the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 connection types available. ATMOS 22 GEN 2 units are either SDI-12 only or Modbus RTU enabled. Units that are SDI-12 only are shipped with a stereo plug connector or a three-wire pigtail cable. Units that are Modbus RTU enabled are capable of SDI-12 communication in addition to Modbus RTU, and are shipped with a 5-pin M12 connector or four-wire pigtail cable. The hardware version of the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 can also be determined from the serial number of the unit: units with a serial number format of A22G2S0000001 are SDI12 only, and units with serial number format A22G2M0000001 are Modbus RTU enabled.

SDI- 12 ONLY VERSION

Refer to [Figure 2](#) and [Figure 3](#) to connect the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 to a logger. [Figure 2](#) provides a low-impedance variant of the recommended [SDI-12 specification](#).

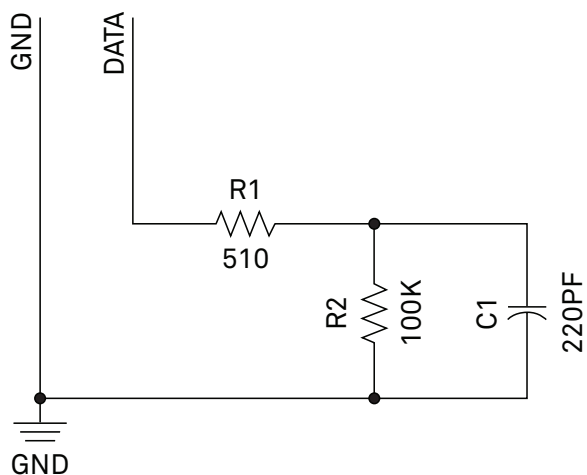
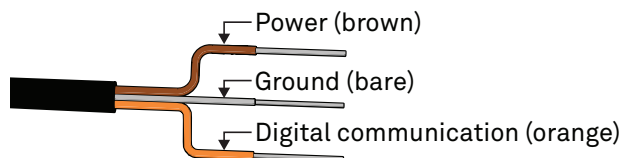


Figure 2 Equivalent circuit diagram

PIGTAIL CABLE



STEREO CABLE

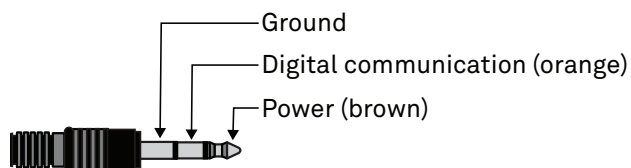


Figure 3 Connection types

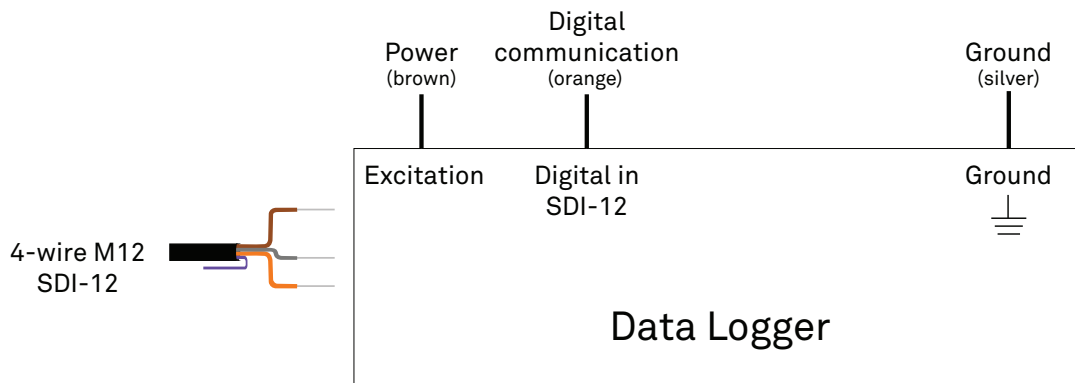


Figure 4 Four wire connector SDI-12 wiring diagram

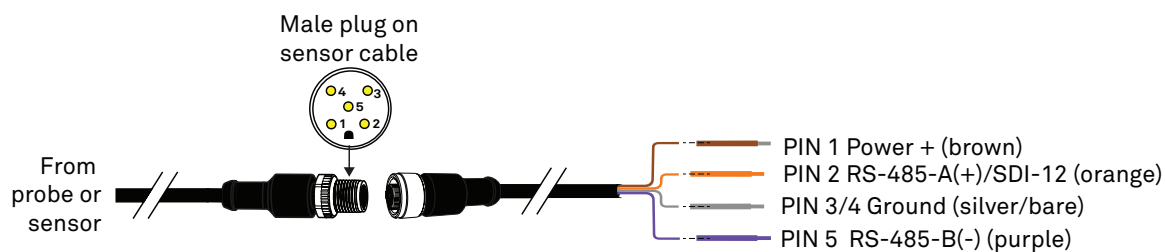


Figure 5 Four-wire M12 connector and pigtail adapter for use with screw terminals

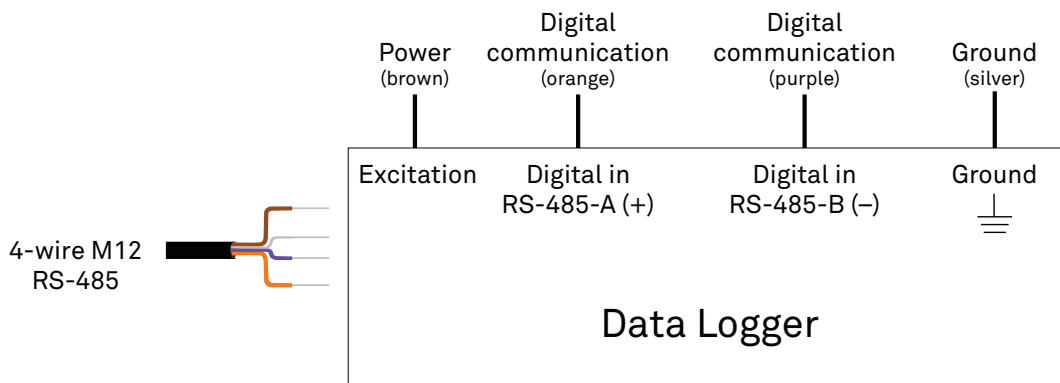


Figure 6 Four wire M12 connector RS-485 wiring diagram

NOTE: Some non-METER wiring may have A(-) and B(+).

⚠ PRECAUTIONS

METER sensors are built to the highest standards, but misuse, improper protection, or improper installation may damage the sensor and possibly void the warranty. Before integrating sensors into a sensor network, follow the recommended installation instructions and implement safeguards to protect the sensor from damaging interference.

SURGE CONDITIONS

Sensors have built-in circuitry that protects them against common surge conditions. Installations in lightning-prone areas, however, require special precautions, especially when sensors are connected to a well-grounded third-party logger.

Visit metergroup.com for articles containing more information.

CABLES

Improperly protected cables can lead to severed cables or disconnected sensors. Cabling issues can be caused by many factors, including rodent damage, driving over sensor cables, tripping over the cable, not leaving enough cable slack during installation, or poor sensor wiring connections. To relieve strain on the connections and prevent loose cabling from being inadvertently snagged, gather and secure the cable travelling between the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 and the data acquisition device to the mounting mast in one or more places. Install cables in conduit or plastic cladding when near the ground to avoid rodent damage. Tie excess cable to the data logger mast to ensure cable weight does not cause sensor to unplug.

SENSOR COMMUNICATIONS

The ATMOS 22 GEN 2 can support SDI-12 and Modbus RTU protocols. Each protocol has implementation advantages and challenges. Please contact METER [Customer Support](#) if the protocol choice for the desired application is not obvious.

SDI-12 INTRODUCTION

SDI-12 is a standards-based protocol for interfacing sensors to data loggers and data acquisition equipment. Multiple sensors with unique addresses can share a common 3-wire bus (power, ground, and data). Two-way communication between the sensor and logger is possible by sharing the data line for transmit and receive as defined by the standard. Sensor measurements are triggered by protocol command. The SDI-12 protocol requires a unique alphanumeric sensor address for each sensor on the bus so that a data logger can send commands to and receive readings from specific sensors.

Download the [SDI-12 Specification v1.3](#) to learn more about the SDI-12 protocol.

MODBUS RTU RS-485 INTRODUCTION

Modbus RTU is a common serial communications protocol used by Programmable Logic Controllers (PLCs) or data loggers to communicate with all kinds of digital devices. The communication works over the physical RS-485 connection. The combination of RS-485 for the physical connection and Modbus as serial communications protocol allows fast and reliable data transfer for a high number of sensors connected to one serial bus wire. Use the following links for more Modbus information: Wikipedia and modbus.org.

DDI SERIAL INTRODUCTION

The DDI serial protocol is the method used by the METER family of data loggers for collecting data from the sensor. This protocol uses the data line configured to transmit data from the sensor to the receiver only (simplex). Typically, the receive side is a microprocessor UART or a general-purpose IO pin using a bitbang method to receive data. Sensor measurements are triggered by applying power to the sensor. When the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 is set to address 0, a DDI serial string is sent on power up, identifying the sensor.

INTERFACING THE SENSOR TO A COMPUTER

The serial signals and protocols supported by the sensor require some type of interface hardware to be compatible with the serial port found on most computers (or USB-to-serial adapters). There are several SDI-12 interface adapters available in the marketplace; however, METER has not tested any of these interfaces and cannot make a recommendation as to which adapters work with METER sensors. METER data loggers and the ZSC can operate as a computer-to-sensor interface for making on-demand sensor measurements. For more information, please contact [Customer Support](#).

METER SDI-12 IMPLEMENTATION

METER sensors use a low-impedance variant of the SDI-12 standard sensor circuit ([Figure 2](#)). During the power-up time, sensors output some sensor diagnostic information and should not be communicated with until the power-up time has passed. After the power up time, the sensors are compatible with all commands listed in the [SDI-12 Specification v1.3](#) except for the continuous measurement commands (aR0 – aR9 and aRC0 – aRC9). M, R, and C command implementations are found on [page 9](#). The aXR3 and aXR4 extended commands are used by METER systems as a result use a space delimiter, instead of a sign delimiter as required by SDI-12.

Out of the factory, all METER sensors start with SDI-12 address 0 and print out the DDI serial startup string during the power-up time. This can be interpreted by non-METER SDI-12 sensors as a pseudo-break condition followed by a random series of bits.

The ATMOS 22 GEN 2 will omit the DDI serial startup string (sensor identification) when the SDI-12 address is nonzero or if <suppressionState> is set to 1 (see [Common SDI-12 Commands](#)). Changing the address to a nonzero address is recommended for this reason.

ATMOS 22 GEN 2 INTERNAL MEASUREMENT SEQUENCE

Upon power up, the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 initializes an internal timer to 57. This internal timer is incremented by 1 every second and resets to 0 after incrementing to 59. In addition, issuing an averaging command (aM!, aR0!, aR3!, and aC!) resets this timer to 58.

While powered up, the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 takes wind and air temperature measurements every 3 s and logs these values internally. Orientation is measured every 60 s and logged internally. The aR4! command will output instantaneous measurements of these parameters.

The aM!, aR0!, aR3!, and aC! commands (and subsequent D commands when necessary) will compute and output the averages, accumulations, or maximums of these measurements (and derived measurements) and reset internal averaging counters and accumulators. Therefore, it is not necessary to oversample the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 and compute averages, accumulations, and maximums in external data systems. Less frequent sampling has the additional benefit of decreasing data acquisition systems and ATMOS 22 GEN 2 power consumption. If the aM!, aR0!, aR3!, and aC! commands are issued more frequently than 2 times their measurement interval, the ATMOS 22 will not average the measurements and will output instantaneous values.

SENSOR ERROR CODES

The ATMOS 22 GEN 2 has four error codes available:

- -9999 is output in place of the measured value if the sensor detects that the measurement function has been compromised and the subsequent measurement values have no meaning.
- -9992 is output in place of the measured value if the sensor detects corrupt or lost calibrations
- -9991 is output in place of the measured value if the sensor detects insufficient voltage to perform the measurement
- -9990 is output in place of the measured value if the sensor detects a temporary issue with one of its measurement values (e.g. rain detected on the sonic anemometer transducers). The sensor will resume outputting the measured value as normal once it detects the issue is no longer occurring.

SDI-12 CONFIGURATION

Table 1 lists the SDI-12 communication configuration.

Table 1 SDI-12 communication configuration

Baud Rate	1,200
Start Bits	1
Data Bits	7 (LSB first)
Parity Bits	1 (even)
Stop Bits	1
Logic	Inverted (active low)

SDI-12 TIMING

All SDI-12 commands and responses must adhere to the format in Figure 7 on the data line. Both the command and response are preceded by an address and terminated by a carriage return line feed combination and follow the timing shown in Figure 8.

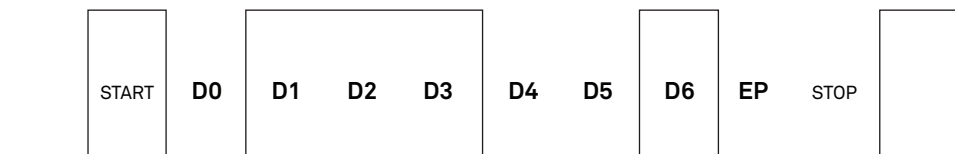


Figure 7 Example SDI-12 transmission of the character 1 (0x31)

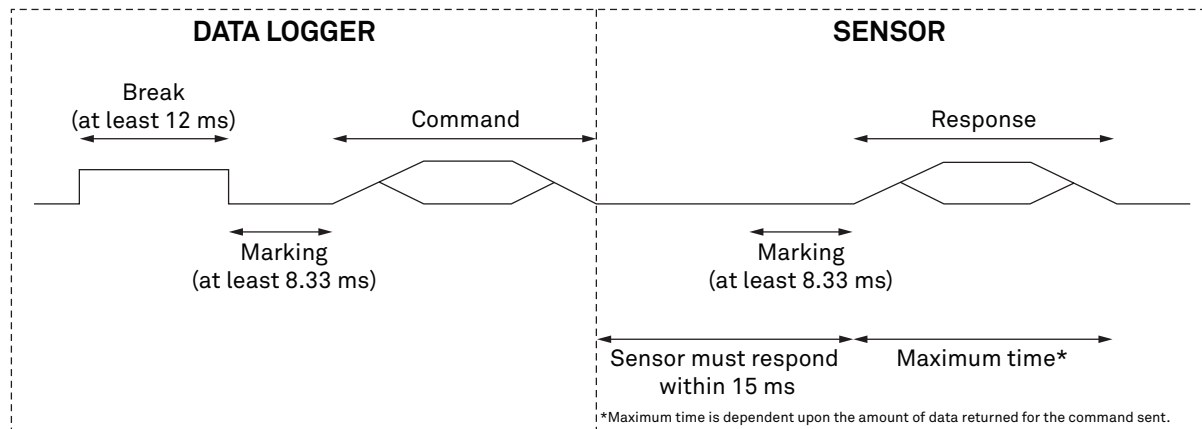


Figure 8 Example data logger and sensor communication

COMMON SDI-12 COMMANDS

This section includes tables of common SDI-12 commands that are often used in an SDI-12 system and the corresponding responses from METER sensors.

IDENTIFICATION COMMAND (**aI!**)

The Identification command can be used to obtain a variety of detailed information about the connected sensor. An example of the command and response is shown in Example 1, where the command is in **bold** and the response follows the command.

Example 1 1I!113METER _ _ _ ATM22 _ 200A22G2S0001234

Parameter	Fixed Character Length	Description
1I!	3	Data logger command Request to the sensor for information from sensor address 1.
1	1	Sensor address Prepended on all responses, this indicates which sensor on the bus is returning the following information.
13	2	Indicates that the target sensor supports SDI-12 Specification v1.3
METER _ _ _	8	Vendor identification string (METER and three spaces _ _ _ for all METER sensors)
ATM22 _	6	Sensor model string This string is specific to the sensor type. For the ATMOS 22 GEN 2, the string is ATM22 _.
200	3	Sensor version This number divided by 100 is the METER sensor version (e.g., 200 is version 2.00).
A22G2S0001234	≤13, variable	Sensor serial number This is a variable length field. It may be omitted for older sensors.

CHANGE ADDRESS COMMAND (aAB!)

The Change Address command is used to change the sensor address to a new address. All other commands support the wildcard character as the target sensor address except for this command. All METER sensors have a default address of 0 (zero) out of the factory. Supported addresses are alphanumeric (i.e., a–z, A–Z, and 0–9). An example output from a METER sensor is shown in [Example 2](#), where the command is in **bold** and the response follows the command.

Example 2 1A0!0

Parameter	Fixed Character Length	Description
1A0!	4	Data logger command. Request to the sensor to change its address from 1 to a new address of 0.
0	1	New sensor address. For all subsequent commands, this new address will be used by the target sensor.

ADDRESS QUERY COMMAND (?!)

While disconnected from a bus, the Address Query command can be used to determine which sensors are currently being communicated with. Sending this command over a bus will cause a bus contention where all the sensors will respond simultaneously and corrupt the data line. This command is helpful when trying to isolate a failed sensor. [Example 3](#) shows an example of the command and response where the command is in **bold** and the response follows the command. The question mark (?) is a wildcard character that can be used in place of the address with any command except the Change Address command.

Example 3 ?!0

Parameter	Fixed Character Length	Description
?!	2	Data logger command. Request for a response from any sensor listening on the data line.
0	1	Sensor address. Returns the sensor address to the currently connected sensor.

COMMAND IMPLEMENTATION

The following tables list the relevant Measurement (M), Continuous (R), and Concurrent (C) commands and subsequent Data (D) commands when necessary.

MEASUREMENT COMMANDS IMPLEMENTATION

Measurement (M) commands are sent to a single sensor on the SDI-12 bus and require that subsequent Data (D) commands are sent to that sensor to retrieve the sensor output data before initiating communication with another sensor on the bus.

Please refer to [Table 2](#) and [Table 3](#) for an explanation of the command sequence and see [Table 13](#) for an explanation of response parameters.

Table 2 aM! command sequence

Command	Response
NOTE: This command reports average or maximum values.	
aM!	atttn
aD0!	a+<windSpeed>+<windDirection>+<gustWindSpeed>
aD1!	a±<airTemperature>
NOTE: The measurement and corresponding data commands are intended to be used back to back. After a measurement command is processed by the sensor, a service request and <CR><LF> is sent from the sensor signaling the measurement is ready. Either wait until ttt seconds have passed or wait until the service request is received before sending the data commands. See the SDI-12 Specifications v1.3 document for more information.	

Table 3 aM1! command sequence

Command	Response
NOTE: This command reports instantaneous values.	
aM1!	atttn
aD0!	a±<xOrientation>±<yOrientation>+<nullValue>
NOTE: The measurement and corresponding data commands are intended to be used back to back. After a measurement command is processed by the sensor, a service request and <CR><LF> is sent from the sensor signaling the measurement is ready. Either wait until ttt seconds have passed or wait until the service request is received before sending the data commands. See the SDI-12 Specifications v1.3 document for more information.	

CONTINUOUS MEASUREMENT COMMANDS IMPLEMENTATION

Continuous (R) measurement commands trigger a sensor measurement and return the data automatically after the readings are completed without needing to send a D command.

The aR3! and aR4! commands must be used at intervals of 3 s or greater for the response to be returned within 15 ms as defined in the SDI-12 standard.

Please refer to [Table 4](#) through [Table 7](#) for an explanation of the command sequence and see [Table 13](#) for an explanation of response parameters.

Table 4 aR0! measurement command sequence

Command	Response
NOTE: This command reports average or maximum values.	
aR0!	a+<windSpeed>+<windDirection>+<gustWindSpeed>±<airTemperature>±<xOrientation>±<yOrientation>+<nullValue>±<NorthWindSpeed>±<EastWindSpeed>

Table 5 aR1! measurement command sequence

Command	Response
NOTE: This command reports instantaneous values.	
aR1!	a±<xOrientation>±<yOrientation>+<nullValue>

Table 6 aR3! measurement command sequence

Command	Response
NOTE: This command reports average or maximum values.	
aR3!	a<TAB><NorthWindSpeed> <EastWindSpeed> <gustWindSpeed> <airTemperature> <xOrientation> <yOrientation> <nullValue><CR><sensortype><Checksum><CRC>

NOTE: This command does not adhere to the SDI-12 response format. However, it does adhere to SDI-12 timing if it is sent at intervals ≥3 s. The values in this command are space delimited. As such, a + sign is not assigned between values, and a - sign is only present if the value is negative. See [METER SDI-12 Implementation](#) for more information.

Table 7 aR4! measurement command sequence

Command	Response
NOTE: This command reports instantaneous values.	
aR4!	a<TAB><NorthWindSpeed> <EastWindSpeed> <gustWindSpeed> <airTemperature> <xOrientation> <yOrientation> <nullValue><CR><sensortype><Checksum><CRC>

NOTE: This command does not adhere to the SDI-12 response format. The values in this command are space delimited. As such, a + sign is not assigned between values, and a - sign is only present if the value is negative. See [METER SDI-12 Implementation](#) for more information.

CONCURRENT MEASUREMENT COMMANDS IMPLEMENTATION

Concurrent (C) measurement commands are typically used with sensors connected to a bus. Measurements are initiated with a C command and subsequent D commands are sent to the sensor to retrieve the readings.

Please refer to [Table 8](#) for an explanation of the command sequence and [Table 13](#) for an explanation of response parameters.

Table 8 aC! measurement command sequence

Command	Response
This command reports average or maximum values. Please see ATMOS 22 GEN 2 Internal Measurement Sequence for more details.	
aC!	atttnn
aD0!	a+<windSpeed>+<windDirection>+<gustWindSpeed>
aD1!	a±<airTemperature>
aD2!	a±<xOrientation>±<yOrientation>+<nullValue>
aD3!	a±<NorthWindSpeed>±<EastWindSpeed>+<gustWindSpeed>

NOTE: Please see the [SDI-12 Specifications v1.3](#) document for more information.

VERIFICATION COMMAND IMPLEMENTATION

The Verification (V) command is intended to give users a means to determine information about the current state of the sensor. The V command is sent first, followed by D commands to read the response.

Please refer to [Table 9](#) for an explanation of the command sequence and [Table 18](#) for an explanation of those response parameters.

Table 9 aV! measurement command sequence

Command	Response
aV!	atttnn
aD0!	a+<meta>

NOTE: Please see the [METER SDI](#) document for more information.

EXTENDED COMMAND IMPLEMENTATION

Extended (X) commands provide sensors with a means of performing manufacturer-specific functions. Additionally, the extended commands are utilized by METER systems and use a different response format and different response timing than standard SDI-12 commands. X commands are required to be prefixed with the sensor address and terminated with an exclamation point. Responses are required to be prefixed with the sensor address and terminated with <CR><LF>.

METER implements the following X commands:

- aXRx! to trigger a sensor measurement and return the data automatically after the readings are completed without needing to send additional commands.
- aX0! (with capital O as in Oscar) to suppress the DDI Serial string.

Please refer to [Table 10](#) -[Table 11](#) for an explanation of the aXRx! command sequence and see [Table 13](#) for an explanation of response parameters. It is recommended to use a buffer that can store 60 characters for aXR3! and aXR4!.

Table 10 aXR3! measurement command sequence

Command	Response
This command reports average, accumulated, or maximum values.	
aXR3!	a<TAB><northWindSpeed> <eastWindSpeed> <gustWindSpeed> <airTemperature> <xOrientation> <yOrientation> <nullValue><CR><sensorType><Checksum><CRC>

Table 11 aXR4! measurement command sequence

Command	Response
This command reports instantaneous values.	
The typical duration from the end of this command to the beginning of the command repose is 210 ms. Please allow up to 250 ms for the sensor to respond to this command.	
aXR4!	a<TAB><northWindSpeed> <eastWindSpeed> <gustWindSpeed> <airTemperature> <xOrientation> <yOrientation> <nullValue><CR><sensorType><Checksum><CRC>

Table 12 aX0! measurement command sequence

Command	Response
aX0!	a<suppressionState>
aX0<suppressionState>!	aOK

PARAMETERS

Table 13 Parameter Descriptions

Parameter	Unit	Description
\pm	—	Positive or negative sign denoting sign of the next value
a	—	SDI-12 address
n	—	Number of measurements (fixed width of 1)
nn	—	Number of measurements with leading zero if necessary (fixed width of 2)
ttt	s	Maximum time measurement will take (fixed width of 3)
<TAB>	—	Tab character
<CR>	—	Carriage return character
<LF>	—	Line feed character
<NorthWindSpeed>	m/s	Wind speed from the northerly direction (negative values denote southerly direction) (average since the last measurement or instantaneous value depending on SDI-12 command used)
<EastWindSpeed>	m/s	Wind speed from the easterly direction (negative values denote westerly direction) (average since the last measurement or instantaneous value depending on SDI-12 command used)
<windSpeed>	m/s	Combined wind speed magnitude of the <NorthWindSpeed> and <EastWindSpeed> (average since the last measurement or instantaneous value depending on SDI-12 command used)
<gustWindSpeed>	m/s	Maximum measured <windSpeed> since the last measurement
<windDirection>	°	Wind heading clockwise from north reference (average since the last measurement or instantaneous value depending on SDI-12 command used)
<airTemperature>	°C	Air temperature (not a true air temperature as it is not corrected for solar radiation) (average since the last measurement or instantaneous value depending on SDI-12 command used)
<xOrientation>	°	X orientation angle (0 is level) (average since the last measurement or instantaneous value depending on SDI-12 command used)
<yOrientation>	°	Y orientation angle (0 is level) (average since the last measurement or instantaneous value depending on SDI-12 command used)
<nullValue>	—	This parameter is reported as 0. Previous firmware versions reported a compass heading, which has been removed.
<meta>	—	Auxiliary sensor information.
<sensortype>	—	ASCII character denoting the sensor type For ATMOS 22 GEN 2, the character is the backslash \ character
<suppressionState>	—	0: DDI Serial string unsuppressed 1: DDI Serial string suppressed
<Checksum>	—	METER serial checksum
<CRC>	—	METER serial 6-bit CRC

SENSOR METADATA VALUE

The sensor metadata value contains information to help alert users to sensor-identified conditions that may compromise optimal sensor operation. The output of the `aV! aD0!` sequence will output a <meta> integer value. This integer represents a binary bitfield, with each individual bit representing an error flag.

Table 14 lists the possible error flags that can be set by the ATMOS 22 GEN 2. If multiple error flags are set, the sensor metadata integer value will be the sum of the individual values. To decode an integer value not explicitly in Table 14, find the largest error flag value that will fit in the integer value and accept that error as being present. Then, subtract that error flag value from the integer value and repeat the process on the remainder until the result is zero. For example, a sensor metadata integer value of 144 is the sum of the individual error flag values 128 + 16, so this would be a sensor firmware corrupt error flag, and the sensor misorientation error flag.

Table 14 Error flag values and issue resolution

Error Flag Value	Issue Present	Resolution
0	No issue present	–
16	Sensor misorientation error will likely affect readings	Use the ZENTRA Utility app to reorient the X orientation or Y orientation of the sensor.
128	Sensor firmware is corrupt	Contact Customer Support for instructions on reloading firmware.
256	Sensor calibrations lost or corrupted	Contact Customer Support for instructions on reloading sensor calibrations.

SERIAL CHECKSUM

These checksums are used in the continuous commands R3, R4, XR3, and XR4, as well as the DDI serial response. The legacy checksum is computed from the start of the transmission to the sensor identification character, excluding the sensor address.

Legacy checksum example input is `<TAB>0.26 1.27 0.37 23.1 3.2 4.8 0<CR>\Hg` and the resulting checksum output is `H`.

```
uint8_t LegacyChecksum(const char * response)
{
    uint16_t length;
    uint16_t i;
    uint16_t sum = 0;

    // Finding the length of the response string
    length = strlen(response);

    // Adding characters in the response together
    for(i = 0; i < length; i++)
    {
        sum += response[i];
        if(response[i] == '\r')
        {
            // Found the beginning of the metadata section of the response
            break;
        }
    }

    // Include the sensor type into the checksum
    sum += response[++i];

    // Convert checksum to a printable character
    sum = sum % 64 + 32;

    return sum;
}
```

The more robust CRC6, if available, utilizes the CRC-6-CDMA2000-A polynomial with the value 48 added to the results to make this a printable character and is computed from the start of the transmission to the legacy checksum character, excluding the sensor address.

CRC6 checksum example input is `<TAB>0.26 1.27 0.37 23.1 3.2 4.8 0<CR>\Hg` and the resulting checksum is the character g.

```
uint8_t CRC6_Offset(const char *buffer)
{
    uint16_t byte;
    uint16_t i;
    uint16_t bytes;
    uint8_t bit;
    uint8_t crc = 0xfc; // Set upper 6 bits to 1's

    // Calculate total message length—updated once the metadata section is found
    bytes = strlen(buffer);

    // Loop through all the bytes in the buffer
    for(byte = 0; byte < bytes; byte++)
    {
        // Get the next byte in the buffer and XOR it with the crc
        crc ^= buffer[byte];

        // Loop through all the bits in the current byte
        for(bit = 8; bit > 0; bit--)
        {
            // If the uppermost bit is a 1...
            if(crc & 0x80)
            {
                // Shift to the next bit and XOR it with a polynomial
                crc = (crc << 1) ^ 0x9c;
            }
            else
            {
                // Shift to the next bit
                crc = crc << 1;
            }
        }
        if(buffer[byte] == '\r')
        {
            // Found the beginning of the metadata section of the response
            // both sensor type and legacy checksum are part of the crc6
            // this requires only two more iterations of the loop so reset
            // "bytes"

            // bytes is incremented at the beginning of the loop, so 3 is added
            bytes = byte + 3;
        }
    }

    // Shift upper 6 bits down for crc
    crc = (crc >> 2);

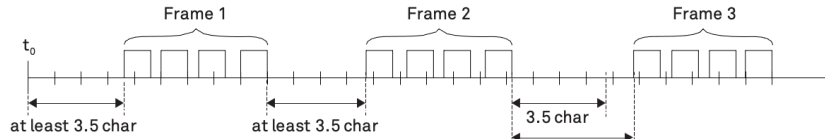
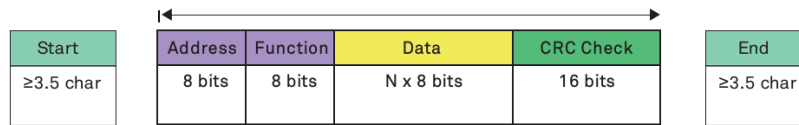
    // Add 48 to shift crc to printable character avoiding \r \n and !
    return (crc + 48);
}
```

METER MODBUS RTU SERIAL IMPLEMENTATION

Modbus over Serial Line is specified in two versions—ASCII and RTU. Modbus enabled ATMOS 22 GEN 2 sensors communicate using RTU mode exclusively. The following explanation is always related to RTU.

Table 15 Modbus communication configuration

Baud Rate	9,600
Start Bits	1
Data Bits	8 (LSB first)
Parity Bits	1 (even)
Stop Bits	1
Logic	Standard (active high)

**Figure 9 Modbus message****Figure 10 Modbus RTU message frame**

A message in Modbus RTU format is shown in [Figure 9](#). The length of the message is determined by the size of the data. By default, the format of each byte in the message has 11 bits, including the Start and Stop bit. Each byte is sent from left to right: Least Significant Bit (LSB) to Most Significant Bit (MSB). If no parity is implemented, an additional Stop bit is transmitted to fill out the character frame to a full 11-bit asynchronous character.

From the factory, ATMOS 22 GEN 2s use a Modbus server address of 1, even parity, and one stop bit. The device address, parity bit, and stop bits may be configured using Modbus RTU requests.

The Modbus application layer implements a set of standard function codes that are divided into three categories—public, user-defined, and reserved. This document covers ATMOS 22 GEN 2 sensor-supported public functions that are well-defined function codes documented in the Modbus Organization, Inc. (modbus.org) community.

SUPPORTED MODBUS FUNCTIONS

Table 16 Modbus Function Definitions

Function Code	Action	Description
01	Read coil/port status	Reads the on/off status of discrete output(s) in the Modbus server
02	Read input status	Reads the on/off status of discrete input(s) in the Modbus server
03	Read holding registers	Reads the binary contents of holding register(s) in the Modbus server
04	Read input registers	Reads the binary contents of input register(s) in the Modbus server
05	Write single coil/port	Sets a single coil/port in the Modbus server to either on or off
06	Write single register	Writes a value into a holding register in the Modbus server
15	Write multiple coils/ports	Sets multiple coils/ports in the Modbus server to either on or off
16	Write multiple registers	Writes values into a series of holding registers in the Modbus server

DATA REPRESENTATION AND REGISTERS

Data values (setpoint values, parameters, sensor specific measurement values, etc.) are sent to and from the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 sensors using 16-bit holding (or input) registers. The registers use the standard 4- or 5-digit address notation specified in the Modbus Application Protocol v1.1b3 and do not use the Modicon or Modbus Enron register conventions.

16-bit register values are in big-endian order as called out in the Modbus standard. 32-bit values such as IEEE754 single-precision floating point or 32-bit unsigned values will span two 16-bit registers.

Table 17 below shows the default byte ordering (big endian) for an example 32-bit value.

Table 17 32-bit Value Byte Order Example

Example Value: 123456.0 (0x471F2000)			
Register n		Register n+1	
Most Significant Byte 0x47	Least Significant Byte 0x1F	Most Significant Byte 0x20	Least Significant Byte 0x00

Register Mapping lists the Holding and Input register map for the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 sensor. The registers are listed with their 1-based register number; the register's actual address (i.e. the address that appears in a Modbus RTU request PDU) is the register number decremented by 1. The ATMOS 22 GEN 2 does not use coils for sensor data or actions and Modbus requests with public function codes 01, 05, or 15 will result in the Modbus exception code 01 (Illegal Function).

REGISTER MAPPING

Table 18 lists the Holding registers available on the ATMOS 22 GEN 2. These Holding registers may be read or written to retrieve or configure (respectively) the sensor's Modbus RTU settings. These settings are stored in sensor nonvolatile memory and will be maintained even after the sensor is power cycled or reset.

Any configuration updates take place immediately after the response to the initial Modbus client Holding register request. For example, after changing the server address, the sensor will first confirm the Holding register request using the old server address; all further Modbus requests to the sensor should then be sent using the sensor's new server address.

Table 18 Holding Registers

4401	Modbus Server Address
Detailed description	Read or update the sensor Modbus address
Data type	16-bit unsigned integer, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	1–247
Unit	—
Comments	—
4402	Modbus Serial Baud Rate
Detailed description	Read or update the sensor Modbus serial baud rate.
Data type	16-bit unsigned integer, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	0
Unit	—
Comments	0 is 9600 baud, 1 is 19200 baud.
4403	Modbus Parity Bit
Detailed description	Read or update the parity bit format used in each Modbus RTU byte.
Data type	16-bit unsigned integer, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	0-2
Unit	—
Comments	0 is no parity, 1 is odd parity, and 2 is even parity.
4404	Modbus Stop Bit Count
Detailed description	Read or update the amount of stop bits used in each Modbus RTU byte.
Data type	16-bit unsigned integer, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	1–2

Unit	—
Comments	—

Table 19 lists the Input registers containing ATMOS 22 GEN 2 sensor measurements. When these registers are accessed, the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 will compute and output the averages, accumulations, or maximums of its internal measurement accumulators (and derived measurements) and reset these internal averaging counters and accumulators.

The measurement values listed are all 32-bit values that span two 16-bit registers. For example, to access wind speed starting at register number 3001, the Read Input Register request (function code 04) should access register 3001 and register 3002. Both registers are required for the measurement value to be valid; attempting to access an odd number of Input registers in the range 3001 to 3016 will result in Modbus exception code 02 (Illegal Data Address).

NOTE: When the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 returns measurements in response to a Read input register request, the sensor's internal counters and accumulators for all measurements are reset, even if not all sensor measurement registers are accessed. For this reason, it is recommended to "burst read" all desired measurement values using one Read Input Register request.

Table 19 Input Registers

3001-3002	Wind Speed
Detailed description	Average wind speed magnitude since last measurement
Data type	32-bit floating point, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	0.0 to 60.0
Unit	m/s
Comments	—
3003-3004	Wind Direction
Detailed description	Average wind heading clockwise from North (0°) since last measurement
Data type	32-bit floating point, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	0.0 to 359.9
Unit	°
Comments	—
3005-3006	Gust Wind Speed
Detailed description	Maximum wind speed magnitude seen since last measurement
Data type	32-bit floating point, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	0.00 to 60.00
Unit	m/s
Comments	—
3007-3008	Air Temperature
Detailed description	Average air temperature since last measurement
Data type	32-bit floating point, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	-65.0 to 60.0
Unit	°C
Comments	—
3009-3010	X-Direction Orientation
Detailed description	Average sensor orientation in the X direction since the last measurement
Data type	32-bit floating point, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	-90.0 to 90.0
Unit	°
Comments	—
3011-3012	Y-Direction Orientation
Detailed description	Average sensor orientation in the Y direction since the last measurement
Data type	32-bit floating point, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	-90.0 to 90.0

Unit	°
Comments	—
3013-3014	North Wind Speed
Detailed description	Average wind speed from northerly direction since last measurement
Data type	32-bit floating point, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	-60.00 to 60.00
Unit	m/s
Comments	—
3015-3016	East Wind Speed
Detailed description	Average wind speed from easterly direction since last measurement
Data type	32-bit floating point, Big-Endian
Allowed Range	-60.00 to 60.00
Unit	m/s
Comments	—

Table 20 lists the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 sensor identity Input registers.

Table 20 Identity Input Registers	
3401	Sensor Type
Detailed description	Sensor type number
Data type	16-bit unsigned integer, Big-Endian
Comments	For ATMOS 22 GEN 2, this value is the decimal number 92.
3402-3403	Sensor Numeric Serial Number
Detailed description	Numeric portion of sensor serial number
Data type	32-bit unsigned integer, Big-Endian
Comments	This is the XXXXXX portion of the sensor serial number A22G2MXXXXXX
3404	Sensor Firmware Version
Detailed description	METER digital sensor firmware major and minor version
Data type	16-bit unsigned integer, Big-Endian
Comments	This number divided by 100 is the METER sensor version (e.g. 200 is version 2.00).
3405	Sensor Build Version
Detailed description	METER digital sensor firmware build/patch version
Data type	16-bit unsigned integer, Big-Endian
Comments	This number appended to the end of the METER sensor version forms the full firmware version number. (e.g. 7 appended to version 2.00 is version 2.00.7).
3406	Sensor Hardware Revision
Detailed description	Sensor hardware revision number
Data type	16-bit unsigned integer, Big-Endian
Comments	This number indicates the hardware version and hardware capabilities of the sensor.
3407-3418	Sensor Model String
Detailed description	Sensor model information
Data type	UTF-16 array, Big-Endian
Comments	For ATMOS 22 GEN 2, this value is ATM22 encoded as UTF-16 .
3419-3425	Sensor ASCII Serial Number
Detailed description	Sensor serial number
Data type	13-character ASCII string plus one null terminator
Comments	This is the sensor's full serial number, i.e. A22G2MXXXXXX

EXAMPLE USING A CR6 DATALOGGER AND MODBUS RTU

The Campbell Scientific, Inc. CR6 Measurement and Control Datalogger supports Modbus client and Modbus server communication for integration in Modbus SCADA networks. The Modbus communications protocol facilitates the exchange of information and data between a computer/HMI software, instruments (RTUs), and Modbus-compatible sensors. The CR6 datalogger communicates in RTU mode exclusively. In a Modbus network, each server on the bus has a unique address. Therefore, sensor devices must be properly configured before being connected to a Modbus Network. Addresses range from 1 to 247. Address 0 is reserved for universal broadcasts.

PROGRAMMING A CR6 DATALOGGER

The programs running on the CR6 (and CR1000) dataloggers are written in CRBasic, a language developed by Campbell Scientific. It is a high-level language designed to provide an easy, yet extremely flexible and powerful method of instructing the data logger how and when to take measurements, process data, and communicate. Programs can be created using either the ShortCut Software or be edited using the CRBasic Editor, both available for downloading as a stand-alone application on the official [Campbell Scientific website](http://www.campbellsci.com) (www.campbellsci.com).

A typical CRBasic program for a Modbus application consists of the following:

- Variables and constants declarations (public or private)
- Units declarations
- Configuration parameters
- Data tables declarations
- Logger initializations
- Scan (Main Loop) with all the sensors to be queried
- Function call to the data tables

CR6 DATALOGGER RS-485 CONNECTION INTERFACE

The universal (U) terminal of the CR6 offers 12 channels that connect to nearly any sensor type. It gives the CR6 the ability to match more applications and eliminates the use of many external peripherals.

The Modbus CR6 connection shown in Figure 13 uses the RS-485 (A/B) interface mounted on terminals (C1–C2) and (C3–C4). These interfaces can operate in Half-Duplex and Full-Duplex; the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 sensor uses RS-485 Half-Duplex. The serial interface of the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 sensor used for this example is connected to (C1–C2) terminals.

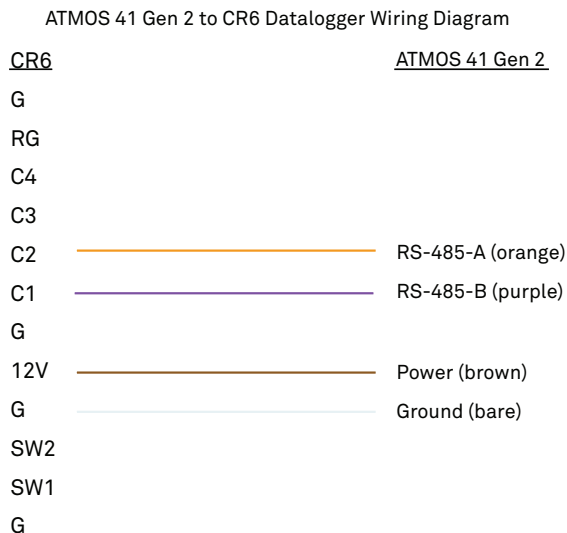


Figure 11 RS-485 interface

NOTE: The A/B pinout on the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 is different from the labels of the C1 (A-) and C2 (B+) ports of the CR6. Connect the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 RS-485-A line to C2 and the RS-485-B line to C1.

After assigning the ATMOS 22 GEN 2 sensor a unique Modbus server address (and configuring its RTU parity and stop bit settings, if required) it can be wired according to [Figure 11](#) to the CR6 logger. Make sure to connect the purple and the orange wires according to their signals respectively to the C1 and C2 ports. Connect the brown wire to 12 V (V+) and the bare wire to G (GND). If the power supply must be controlled through the program, connect the brown wire directly to one of the SW12 terminals (switched 12 V outputs).

EXAMPLE PROGRAM

```
'CR6 Datalogger

'This is an example program for reading the ATMOS 22 Gen 2 Ultrasonic Anemometer using a
'CR6 datalogger and the Modbus RTU protocol over half-duplex RS485.
'This program runs a scan every 1 Min and stores the data in a 1 Min table.

'Declare Constants
Const MB_ADDR=1      'Default ATMOS 22 Gen 2 Modbus server address
Const MB_TIMEOUT= 15 '150ms request timeout (value * 0.01 sec)
Const MB_RETRIES= 1   'Number of times to retry Modbus client request

'Declare Public Variables
Public PTemp, batt_volt
Public mb_status 'used for monitoring the Modbus poll status
Dim A22G2_Data(8) 'Input register data; 8 32-bit values for 16 registers total

'Declare Private Variables

'Aliases used for the ATMOS 22 Gen 2
Alias A22G2_Data(1) = WindSpeed : Units WindSpeed=m/s
Alias A22G2_Data(2) = WindDirection : Units WindDirection=degrees
Alias A22G2_Data(3) = GustWindSpeed : Units GustWindSpeed=m/s
Alias A22G2_Data(4) = AirTemperature : Units AirTemperature=degC
Alias A22G2_Data(5) = XOrientation : Units XOrientation=degrees
Alias A22G2_Data(6) = YOrientation : Units YOrientation=degrees
Alias A22G2_Data(7) = NorthWindSpeed : Units NorthWindSpeed=m/s
Alias A22G2_Data(8) = EastWindSpeed : Units EastWindSpeed=m/s

'Define Data Tables
DataTable (A22G2_Table,1,-1) 'Set table size to # of records, or -1 to auto allocate.
  DataInterval (0,1,Min,10) 'Store new measurement every 1 Second
  Minimum (1,batt_volt,FP2,False,False)
  Sample (1,PTemp,FP2)
  Sample (1,WindSpeed,IEEE4)
  Sample (1,WindDirection,IEEE4)
  Sample (1,GustWindSpeed,IEEE4)
  Sample (1,AirTemperature,IEEE4)
  Sample (1,NorthWindSpeed,IEEE4)
  Sample (1,EastWindSpeed,IEEE4)
  Sample (1,XOrientation,IEEE4)
  Sample (1,YOrientation,IEEE4)
EndTable

'Main Program
BeginProg
'Port C1/C2, 9600 baud, even parity, 100us TX delay, 120 byte buffer, RS485 half-duplex
SerialOpen (ComC1,9600,2,100,120,4)
  Scan (1,Min,0,0) 'Read data from sensor and log every minute
    'Read 8 32-bit, big-endian values from A22G2 starting at input reg number 3001
    ModbusClient(mb_status,ComC1,9600,MB_ADDR,4,A22G2_Data,3001,8,MB_RETRIES,MB_TIMEOUT,2)
    CallTable A22G2_Table
  NextScan
EndProg
```

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