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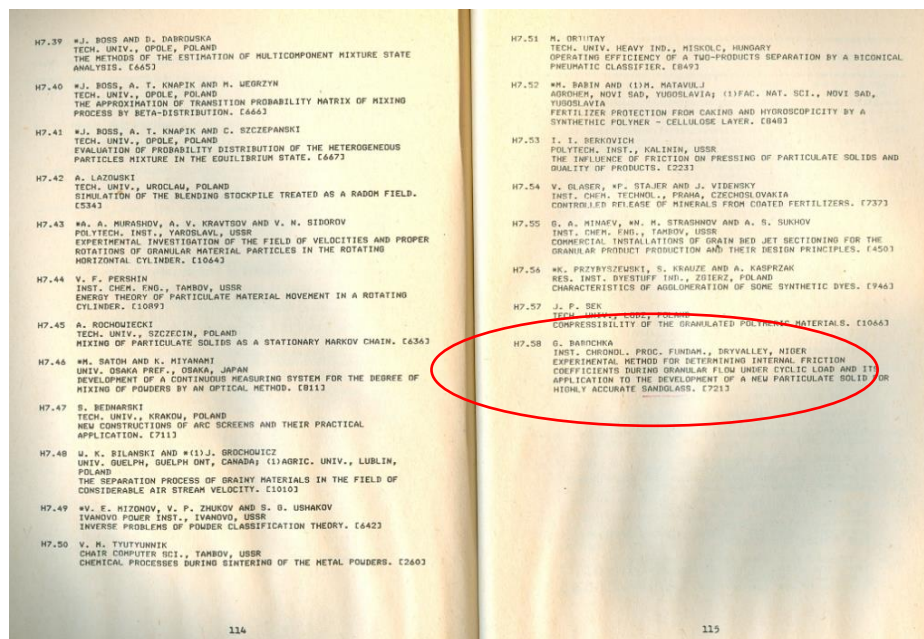
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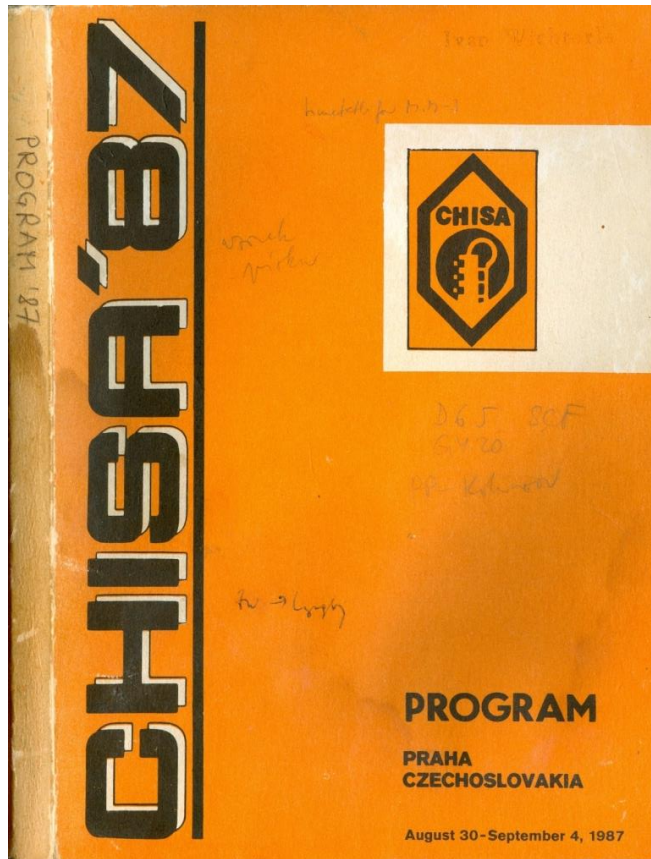
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The experimental method devised in our laboratory for determining internal friction coefficients during granular flow has been extended to measurements under cyclic load. The experimental set-up is described in detail and compared with other hitherto existing equipments of this kind. Systematic experimental studies on different classes of particulate solids based on the present method and conducted in our laboratory during the past few years lead to the very latest practical application of the research, namely to the development of a new granular material extremely suitable for use in highly accurate sandglass. Preliminary results of real time measurements obtained by means of the first laboratory-scale installation using the new material will be shown and their unparalleled reproducibility will be documented. Nevertheless, there prevail several minor disadvantages to be solved, particularly still the relatively large size of the instrument. However, we have already work in progress on several major improvements. Especially the introduction of computer-controlled granular flow as well as computer-controlled synchronization of turning the instrument upside down seem very promising and are likely to open new areas of application for the device under development.



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INTRODUCTION

Measurement of time based on flow of material has been used since antiquity (Fig. 1). Firstly, the water was used as a measuring media, however it caused large errors due to evaporation (in summer time) or due to solidification (in winter). Therefore, it was substituted by particulate material as a more suitable media for sandglass (die Sanduhr, le sablier, pesochnye chasy).

Early experiments were very simple and operated manually.
Advantages:

Relatively inexpensive raw material (desert or sea sand).

Disadvantages:

- a) Discrete time measurement (as a sum of time elements between individual turnings of the equipment);
- b) unpredictable control of flow;
- c) human factor (delays, nonreliability of attendant);
- d) requirement of three shift full time attendance.

AIMS

On the basis of an analysis of the studied problem, the following aims of the research program were identified:

1. Development of theoretical quantitative description of flow under cyclic load;
2. Optimum design of shape of the measuring device;
3. Reduction of the effect of friction factors of various sands on accuracy of the measuring device;
4. Automatic control with the aim to reduce the effect of unsteady state flow conditions at the beginning of the measurement.

Questions to be solved for optimum operation of precise sandglass:

- a. Indication of the end of time interval;
- b. Mechanical device for turning the equipment upside down within infinitesimal time;
- c. Minimization of time interval for total throughflow;
- d. Possibility of continuous flow control to eliminate the discrete measurement;
- e. Elimination of stress singularity effects at the beginning of full load cycle;
- f. Automation of the whole equipment.

RESULTS

The first part of theoretical flow control equation was developed; the remaining terms are under investigation (Fig. 2).

With regard to available modern techniques, the problem will be studied in the future by the method of computerized modelling of unsteady flow process.

With regard to the immense stock of raw material in our country, it was decided to compare the desert sand of various localities together with artificially prepared materials. The material used was pre-treated, so that a single size fraction was obtained (it was subjected to liquid fluidization with simultaneous removal of salts) and then dried. As a standard the quartz chronometer "SEIKO 2453" was used (Fig. 3). Simultaneously the image analysis of all materials used was made by the image analyzer Leitz Classimat. The dominant fraction consisted of ideally spherical particles.

All the performed experiments lead to the conclusion that the best material is the desert sand (black) from the region of north-west Sahara (Dryvalley). Advantageously, it enables very accurate readings (Fig. 4).

CONCLUSIONS

As indicated in the introduction, the optimum size and shape of particulate solid was found, which solves only a part of problems outlined.

Photosensitive diodes and elements, permittivity change indication and other sensors have been tried for the flow observation.

The microprocessor COMPUCHRONIC-1 of our design was built into a newly developed control unit enabling complete solution or at least radical improvement of the experimental equipment imperfections. However, the arrangement of computer controlled flow and the pneumatic turning of the central unit upside down has resulted in a large size of the equipment so preventing it from widespread applications.

On the other hand the accuracy of real time measurement seems to be superior and cannot be compared with commercially available devices.

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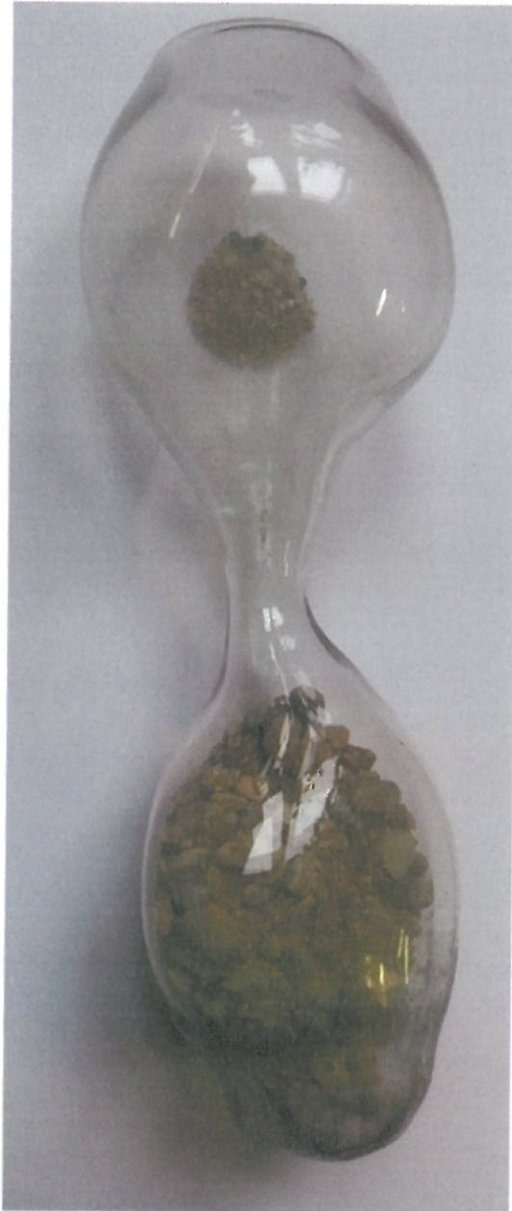


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(from excavation at Tassili)

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Fig. 2

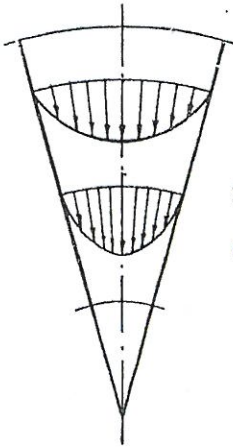


Рис. 20.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial \Phi_1}{\partial \lambda} &= \frac{\tau_0}{h^3} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{C_n Z_{ik}'}{2ax^{m+i+k+n+2}} + \frac{U_{ik}' C_n}{2a^3 x^{3m+i+k+n}} + \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{V_{ik}' C_n}{2a^5 x^{5m+i+k+n-2}} \right) - \left(\frac{\tau_0}{h} + \eta \right) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_i'}{ax^{m+i}}; \\
 \frac{\partial^2 \Phi_1}{\partial \lambda^2} &= -\frac{\tau_0}{h^5} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{z=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\delta=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{3Z_{ik}' Z_{z\delta}' C_n}{4ax^{m+i+k+n+z+\delta+4}} + \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{6U_{ik}' Z_{z\delta}' C_n}{4a^3 x^{3m+i+k+n+z+\delta+3}} + \frac{3(2Z_{ik}' V_{z\delta}' + U_{ik}' U_{z\delta}') C_n}{4a^5 x^{5m+i+k+n+z+\delta}} + \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{6U_{ik}' V_{z\delta}' C_n}{4a^7 x^{7m+i+k+n+z+\delta-2}} + \frac{3V_{ik}' V_{z\delta}' C_n}{4a^9 x^{9m+i+k+n+z+\delta-4}} \right] + \\
 &\quad + \frac{\tau_0}{h^3} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{Z_{ik}'' C_n + 2Z_{ik}' C_n'}{2ax^{m+i+k+n+2}} + \frac{U_{ik}'' C_n + 2U_{ik}' C_n'}{2a^3 x^{3m+i+k+n}} + \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{V_{ik}'' C_n + 2V_{ik}' C_n'}{2a^5 x^{5m+i+k+n-2}} \right) - \left(\frac{\tau_0}{h} + \eta \right) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_i''}{ax^{m+i}}; \\
 \frac{\partial^2 \Phi_1}{\partial \lambda \partial x} &= \frac{\tau_0}{h^5} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{z=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\delta=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{3(i+k+2)Z_{ik} Z_{z\delta}' C_n}{4ax^{m+i+k+n+z+\delta+5}} + \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{3C_n [(2m+i+k)U_{ik} Z_{z\delta}' + (i+k+2)Z_{ik} U_{z\delta}']}{4a^3 x^{3m+i+k+n+z+\delta+3}} + \\
 &\quad + \frac{3C_n [(4m+i+k-2)V_{ik} Z_{z\delta}' + (2m+i+k)U_{ik} U_{z\delta}' + (i+k+2)Z_{ik} V_{z\delta}']}{4a^5 x^{5m+i+k+n+z+\delta+1}} + \\
 &\quad + \frac{3C_n [(4m+i+k-2)V_{ik} U_{z\delta}' + (2m+i+k)U_{ik} V_{z\delta}']}{4a^7 x^{7m+i+k+n+z+\delta-1}} + \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{3C_n (4m+i+k-2)V_{ik} V_{z\delta}'}{4a^9 x^{9m+i+k+n+z+\delta-3}} \right\} - \\
 &\quad - \frac{\tau_0}{h^3} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(m+i+k+n+2)Z_{ik}' C_n + (i+k+2)Z_{ik} C_n'}{2ax^{m+i+k+n+3}} + \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{(3m+i+k+n)U_{ik}' C_n + (2m+i+k)U_{ik} C_n'}{2a^3 x^{3m+i+k+n+1}} + \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{(5m+i+k+n-2)V_{ik}' C_n + (4m+i+k+n-2)V_{ik} C_n'}{2a^5 x^{5m+i+k+n-1}} \right] + \\
 &\quad + \left(\frac{\tau_0}{h} + \eta \right) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{(m+i)C_i'}{ax^{m+i+1}} + \\
 \frac{\partial \Phi_2}{\partial \lambda} &+ \frac{\tau_0}{h^3} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{Z_{ik}' D_n}{2x^{i+k+n+3}} + \frac{Z_{ik}' \omega_n'' + U_{ik}' D_n}{2a^2 x^{2m+i+k+n+1}} + \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{U_{ik}' \omega_n'' + V_{ik}' D_n}{2a^4 x^{4m+i+k+n-1}} + \frac{V_{ik}' \omega_n''}{2a^6 x^{6m+i+k+n-3}} \left. \right) + \\
 &\quad + \left(\frac{\tau_0}{h} + \eta \right) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{D_i'}{x^{i+1}} + \frac{\omega_i''}{a^2 x^{2m+i-1}} \right) + \\
 \frac{\partial^2 \Phi_2}{\partial \lambda^2} &+ \frac{\tau_0}{h^5} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{z=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\delta=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{3Z_{ik}' Z_{z\delta}' D_n}{4x^{i+k+n+z+\delta+5}} + \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{3(2U_{ik}' Z_{z\delta}' D_n + Z_{ik}' Z_{z\delta}' \omega_n'')}{4a^2 x^{2m+i+k+n+z+\delta+3}} + \\
 &\quad + \frac{6Z_{z\delta}' (V_{ik}' D_n + U_{ik}' \omega_n'') + 3U_{z\delta}' U_{ik}' D_n}{4a^4 x^{4m+i+k+n+z+\delta+1}} + \\
 &\quad + \frac{3[2V_{ik}' (Z_{z\delta}' \omega_n'' + U_{z\delta}' D_n) + U_{ik}' U_{z\delta}' \omega_n'']}{4a^6 x^{6m+i+k+n+z+\delta-1}} + \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{3(2U_{ik}' V_{z\delta}' \omega_n'' + V_{ik}' V_{z\delta}' D_n)}{4a^8 x^{8m+i+k+n+z+\delta-3}} + \frac{3V_{ik}' V_{z\delta}' \omega_n''}{4a^{10} x^{10m+i+k+n+z+\delta-5}} \right\} -
 \end{aligned}$$

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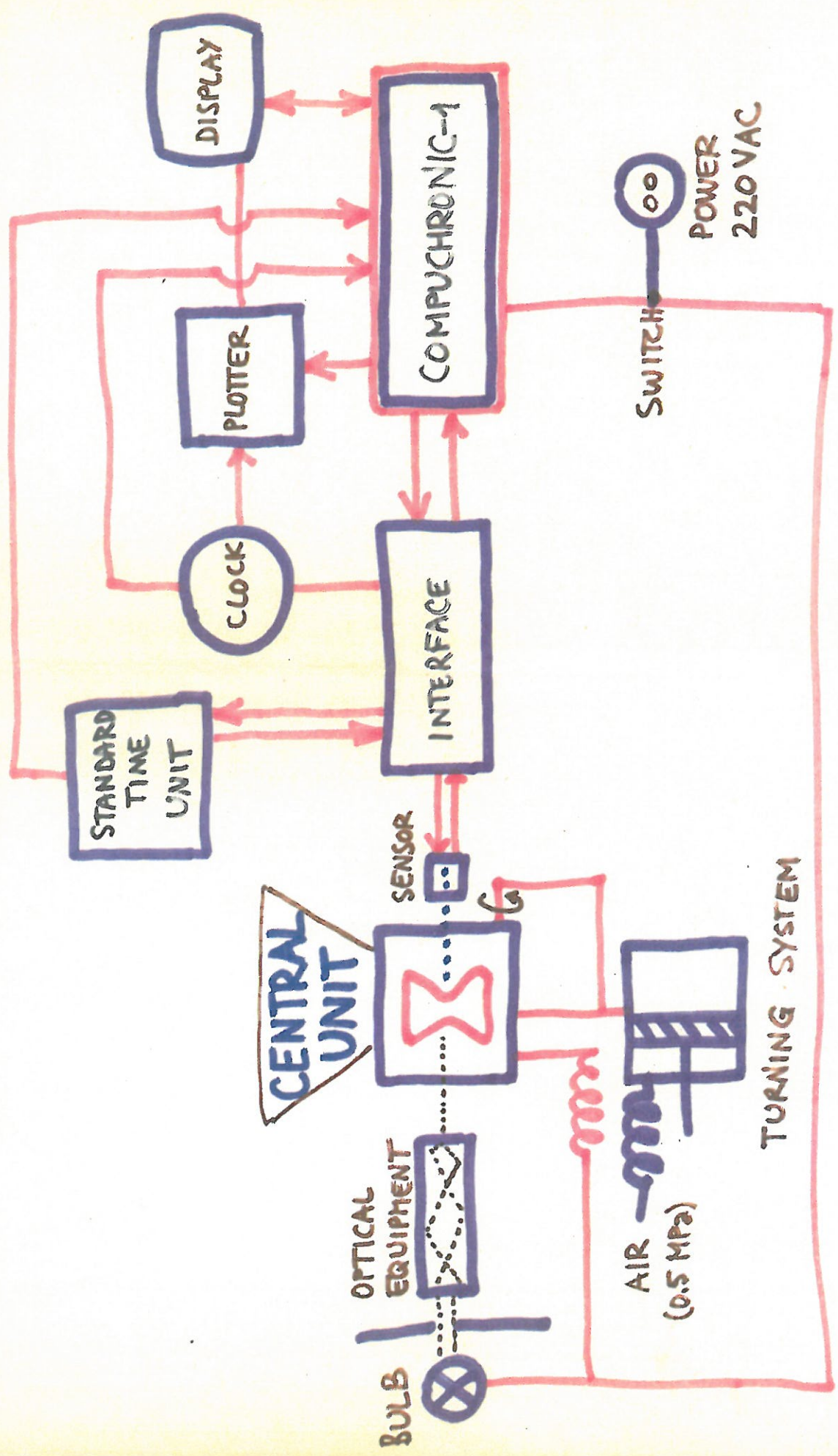


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