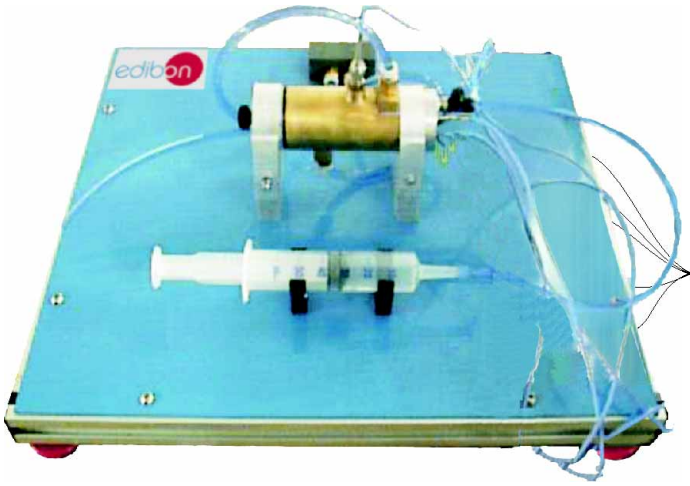
Computer Controlled **Thermal Conductivity of Liquids and Gases Unit**

TCLGC

Technical Teaching Equipment



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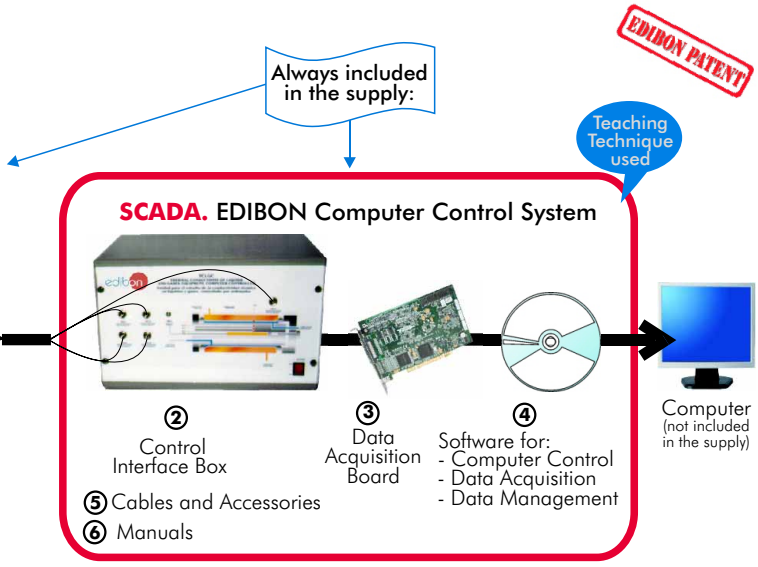

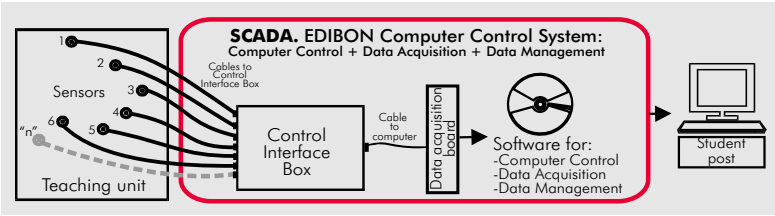

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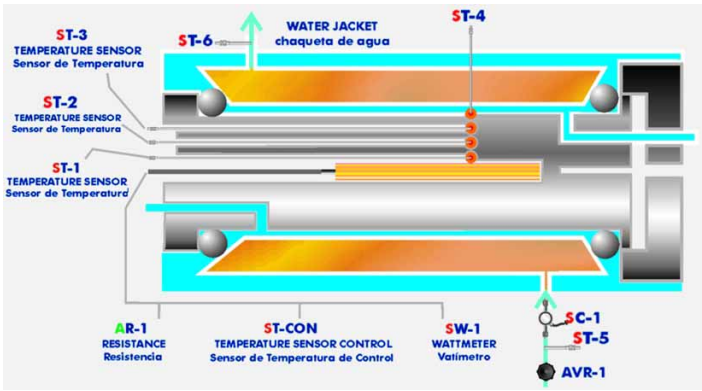
DESCRIPTION

This unit has been designed to enable students to easily determine the thermal conductivity of liquids and gases.
By the realization of the practices the student can determine the thermal conductivity of any suitable gas or compatible liquid with materials on construction.
The unit consists of an aluminum cylinder that forms the body of the unit which has inside a variable power resistance and temperature sensors, one of them inside the own resistance. It also has a brass jacket that contains the test fluid and the refrigeration water.
The fluid whose thermal conductivity is to be determined, fill the small distance of radial security between the body of heated aluminum and a jacket with cooled water. This space is small enough to avoid the natural convection of the fluid.
The aluminum body is centered in the water jacket thanks to two "o" ring joints, which seal the distance of security, and which allow easily and quick dismantling for cleaning.
The unit incorporates a water regulation valve, which allows the flow of water to be varied; a water flow sensor; and temperature sensors at the water inlet and outlet.
The connection and disconnection of the sensors have been made to be easy and comfortable.
This Computer Controlled Unit, is supplied with the EDIBON Computer Control System (SCADA), including: Control Interface Box + Data Acquisition Board +Computer Control and Data Acquisition Software, for controlling the process and the parameters involved.

PROCESS DIAGRAM AND ELEMENTS ALLOCATION

1 actuator and 7 sensors controlled from any computer, and working simultaneously



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REAL TIME CONTROL

Note:
ST= Temperature sensor.
SC= Flow sensor.
AVR= Regulation valve.

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Certificates ISO 14001: 2004 and
ECO-Management and Audit Scheme
(environmental management)

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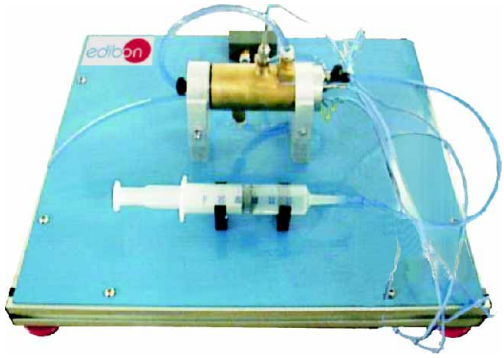
Items supplied as standard

①TCLGC. Unit:

Bench-top unit.
Anodized aluminium structure and panel in painted steel.
Main metallic elements in stainless steel.
Diagram in the front panel with similar distribution to the elements in the real unit.
Aluminium body (cylinder) with brass jacket that contains the test fluid and the refrigeration water.
Variable heating resistance (in the cylinder), computer controlled, (150 W, temperature max.: 150°C). Resistance power controlled from computer (0-100%).The power is measured by a sensor.
6 Temperature sensors, "J" type.
Water flow sensor.
Water flow regulation valve.
Valves.
Syringe.



TCLGC Unit

②TCLGC/CIB. Control Interface Box :

Control interface box with process diagram in the front panel and with the same distribution that the different elements located in the unit, for an easy understanding by the student.
All sensors, with their respective signals, are properly manipulated from -10V. to +10V. computer output.
Sensors connectors in the interface have different pines numbers (from 2 to 16), to avoid connection errors.
Single cable between the control interface box and computer.
The unit control elements are permanently computer controlled, without necessity of changes or connections during the whole process test procedure.
Simultaneously visualization in the computer of all parameters involved in the process.
Calibration of all sensors involved in the process.
Real time curves representation about system responses.
Storage of all the process data and results in a file.
Graphic representation, in real time, of all the process/system responses.
All the actuators' values can be changed at any time from the keyboard allowing the analysis about curves and responses of the whole process.
All the actuators and sensors values and their responses are placed in only one computer screen.
Shield and filtered signals to avoid external interferences.
Real time PID control with flexibility of modifications from the computer keyboard of the PID parameters, at any moment during the process. Real time PID and on/off control for pumps, compressors, resistances, control valves, etc. **Real time PID control for parameters involved in the process simultaneously. Proportional control, integral control and derivative control, based on the real PID mathematical formula, by changing the values, at any time,** of the three control constants (proportional, integral and derivative constants).
Open control allowing modifications, at any time and in a real time , of parameters involved in the process simultaneously.
Possibility of automatization of the actuators involved in the process.
Three safety levels, one mechanical in the unit, other electronic in control interface and the third one in the control software.

TCLGC/CIB

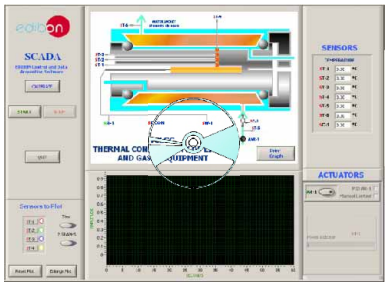
③DAB. Data Acquisition Board:

PCI Data acquisition board (National Instruments) to be placed in a computer slot. Bus PCI.
Analog input: **Channels= 16** single-ended or 8 differential. **Resolution=16 bits,** 1 in 65536.
Sampling rate up to: 250 KS/s (Kilo samples per second). Input range (V)=±10V.
Data transfers=DMA, interrupts, programmed I/0. DMA channels=6.
Analog output: **Channels=2. Resolution=16 bits,** 1 in 65536. Max. output rate up to: 833 KS/s.
Output range(V)=±10V. Data transfers=DMA, interrupts, programmed I/0.
Digital Input/Output: Channels=24 inputs/outputs. D0 or DI Sample Clock frequency: 0 to 1 MHz.
Timing: **Counter/timers=2.** Resolution: Counter/timers: 32 bits.

DAB

④TCLGC/CCSOF. Computer Control+Data Acquisition+Data Management Software:

Compatible with actual Windows operating systems. Graphic and intuitive simulation of the process in screen.
Compatible with the industry standards.
Registration and visualization of all process variables in an automatic and simultaneously way.
Flexible, open and multicontrol software, developed with actual windows graphic systems, acting simultaneously on all process parameters.
Analog and digital PID control. Menu for PID and set point selection required in the whole work range.
Management, processing, comparison and storage of data.
Sampling velocity up to 250,000 data per second guaranteed. Calibration system for the sensors involved in the process.
It allows the registration of the alarms state and the graphic representation in real time.
Comparative analysis of the obtained data, after the process and modification of the conditions during the process.
Open software, allowing to the teacher to modify texts, instructions.
Teacher's and student's passwords to facilitate the teacher's control on the student, and allowing access at different work levels.
This unit allows that the 30 students of the classroom can visualize simultaneously all results and manipulation of the unit, during the process, by using a projector.



TCLGC/SOF

⑤Cables and Accessories, for normal operation.

⑥Manuals: This unit is **supplied with 8 manuals:** Required Services, Assembly and Installation, Interface and Control Software , Starting-up, Safety, Maintenance, Calibration & Practices Manuals.

✱References 1 to 6: TCLGC + TCLGC/CIB + DAB + TCLGC/CCSOF + Cables and Accessories + Manuals are included in the minimum supply, enabling a normal operation.

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Complementary items to the standard supply

PLC. Industrial Control using PLC (7 and 8):

⑦ PLC-PI. PLC Module:

Circuit diagram in the front panel.

Front panel:

Digital inputs(X) and Digital outputs (Y) block:

16 Digital inputs, activated by switches and 16 LEDs for confirmation (red).

14 Digital outputs (through SCSI connector) with 14 LEDs for message (green).

Analog inputs block:

16 Analog inputs (-10V. to + 10V.) (through SCSI connector).

Analog outputs block:

4 Analog outputs (-10V. to + 10V.) (through SCSI connector).

Touch screen:

High visibility and multiple functions.
Display of a highly visible status.
Recipe function.
Bar graph function.
Flow display function.
Alarm list.
Multi language function.
True type fonts.

Back panel:

Power supply connector.
Fuse 2A.
RS-232 connector to PC.

Inside:

Power supply outputs: 24 Vdc, 12 Vdc, -12 Vdc, 12 Vdc variable.

Panasonic PLC:

High-speed scan of 0.32 μsec. for a basic instruction.
Program capacity of 32 Ksteps, with a sufficient comment area.
Free input AC voltage(100 to 240 V AC).
DC input:16 (24 V DC).
Relay output: 14 (250 V A AC/2 A).
High-speed counter.
Multi-point PID control.
Digital inputs/outputs and analog inputs/outputs Panasonic modules.

Communication RS232 wire, to computer (PC).

⑧ TCLGC/PLC-SOF. PLC Control Software:

For this particular unit, always included with PLC supply.

PLC-PI

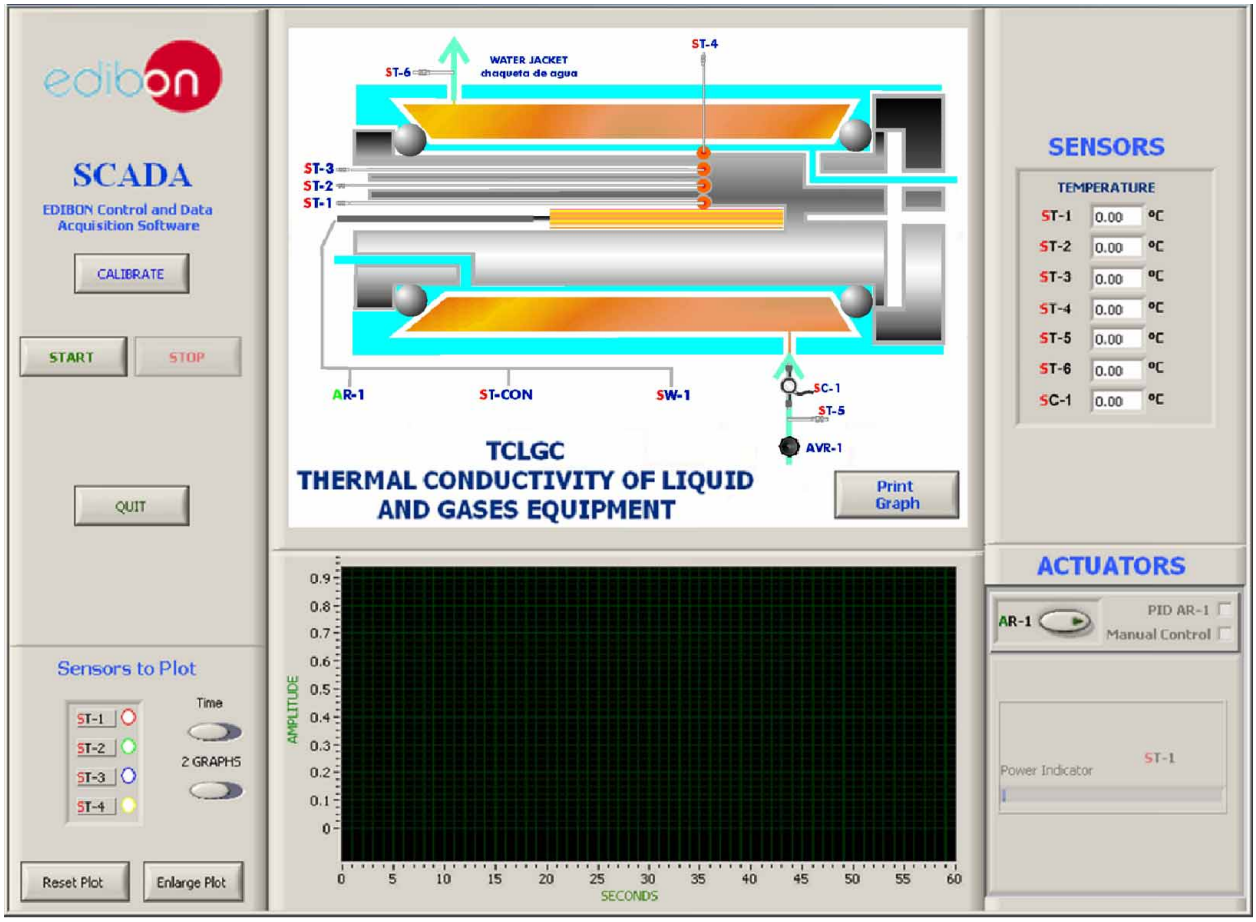
Items available on request

⑨ TCLGC/CAL. Computer Aided Learning Software (Results Calculation and Analysis).

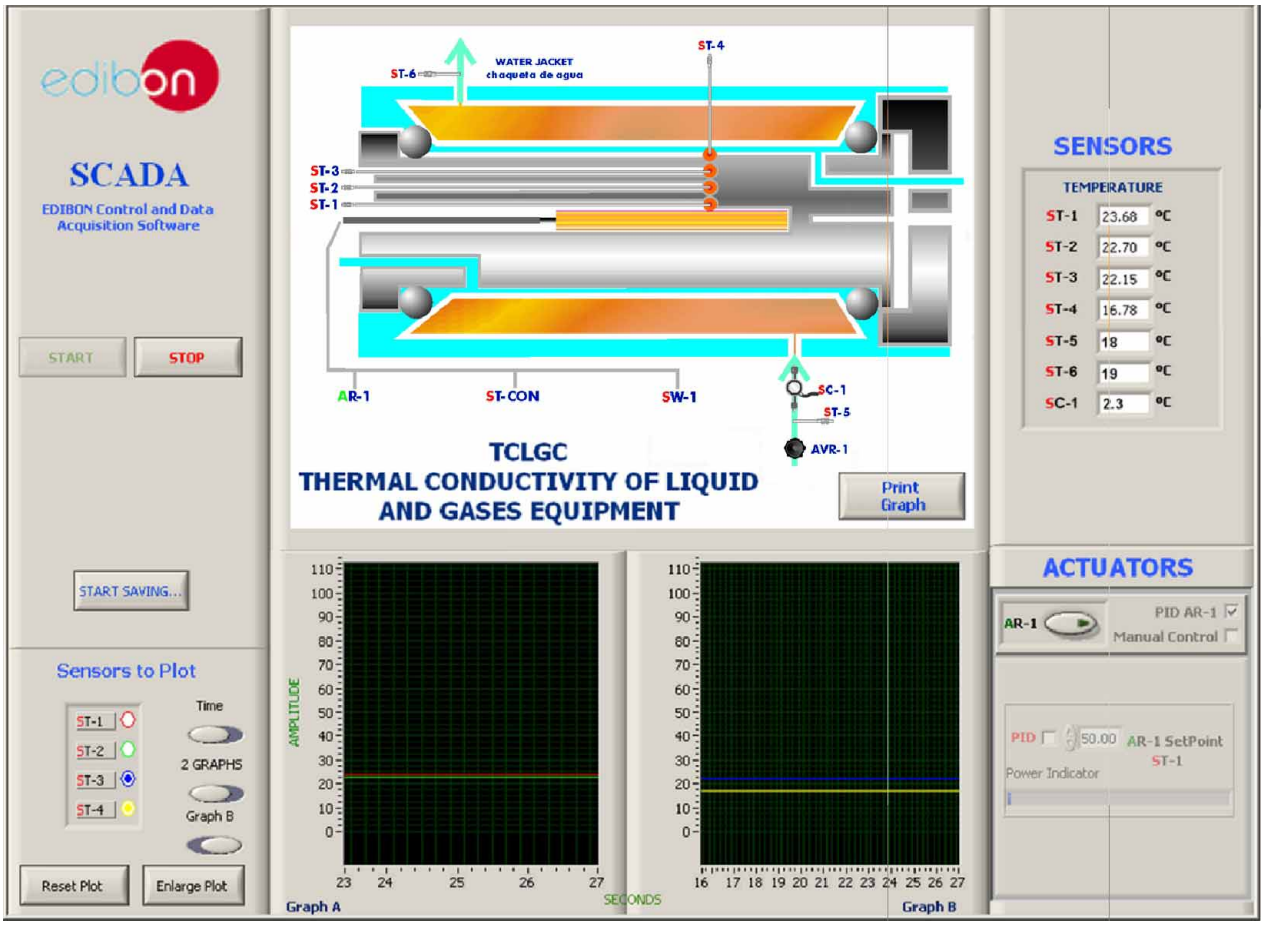
⑩ TCLGC/FSS. Faults Simulation System.

Software Main Screens

Main screen



Unit in operation



Note: ST= Temperature sensor. SC= Flow sensor. AR=Heating resistance.

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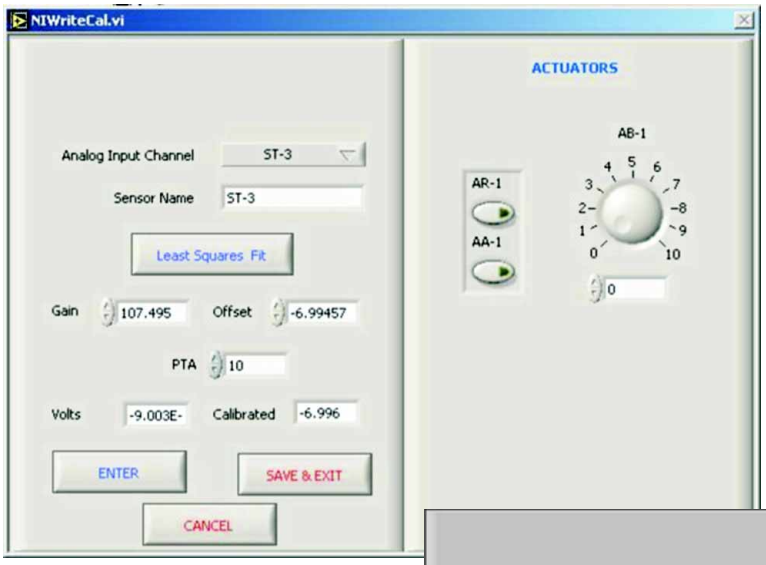
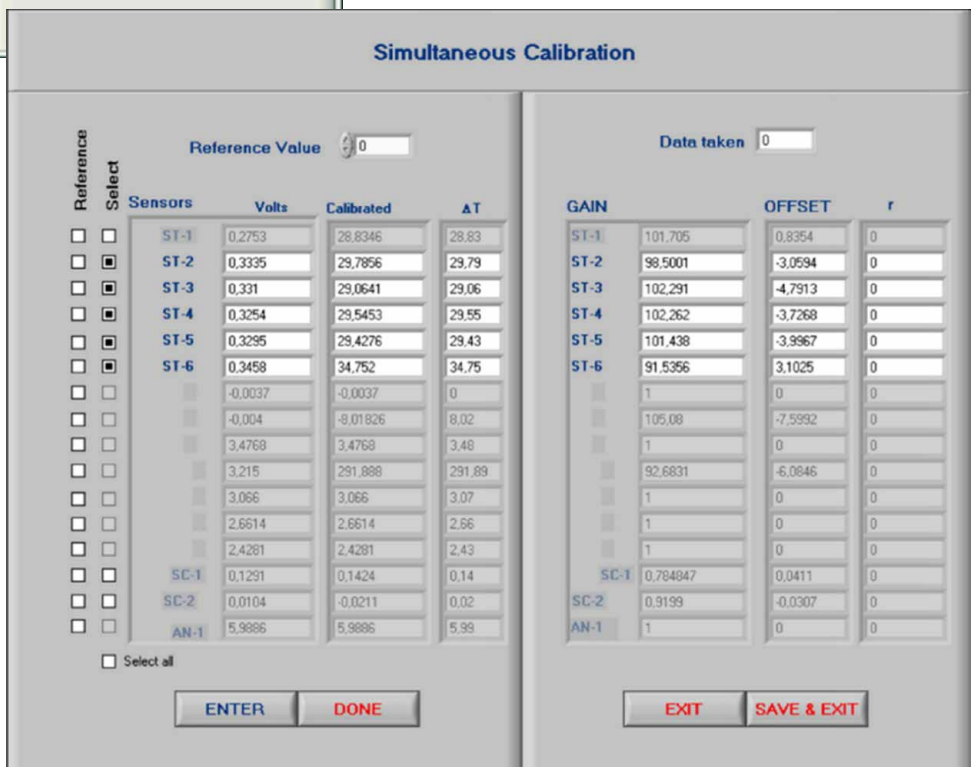
Examples of Sensors Calibration screens





EXERCISES AND PRACTICAL POSSIBILITIES

Some Practical Possibilities of the Unit:

1.- Obtaining of the curve of thermal conductivity of the air.

2.- Thermal conductivity in vacuum.

3.- Water thermal conductivity determination.

4.- Thermal conductivity determination of a mineral oil.

5.- Calibration of the Unit.

6.- Control system: Calibration of the sensors.

Other possible practices:

7.- Dry air thermal conductivity under atmospheric pressure.

Practices to be done by PLC Module (PLC-PI) + PLC Control Software:

8.- Control of the TCLGC unit process through the control interface box without the computer.

9.- Visualization of all the sensors values used in the TCLGC unit process.

10.- Calibration of all sensors included in the TCLGC unit process.

11.- Hand on of all the actuators involved in the TCLGC unit process.

12.- Realization of different experiments, in automatic way, without having in front the unit. (This experiment can be decided previously).

13.- Simulation of outside actions, in the cases do not exist hardware elements. (Example: test of complementary tanks, complementary industrial environment to the process to be studied, etc).

14.- PLC hardware general use and manipulation.

15.- PLC process application for TCLGC unit.

16.- PLC structure.

17.- PLC inputs and outputs configuration.

18.- PLC configuration possibilities.

19.- PLC program languages.

20.- PLC different programming standard languages (literal structured, graphic, etc.).

21.- New configuration and development of new process.

22.- Hand on an established process.

23.- To visualize and see the results and to make comparisons with the TCLGC unit process.

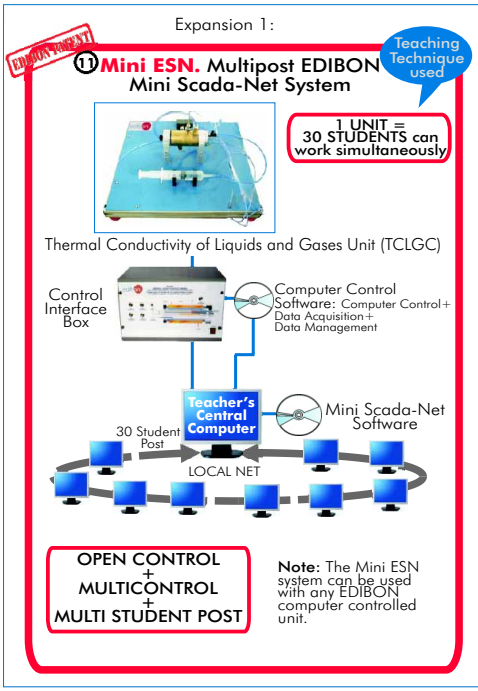
24.- Possibility of creating new process in relation with the TCLGC unit.

25.- PLC Programming Exercises.

26.- Own PLC applications in accordance with teacher and student requirements.

POSSIBILITIES OF OTHER AVAILABLE EXPANSIONS

Expansion 1:



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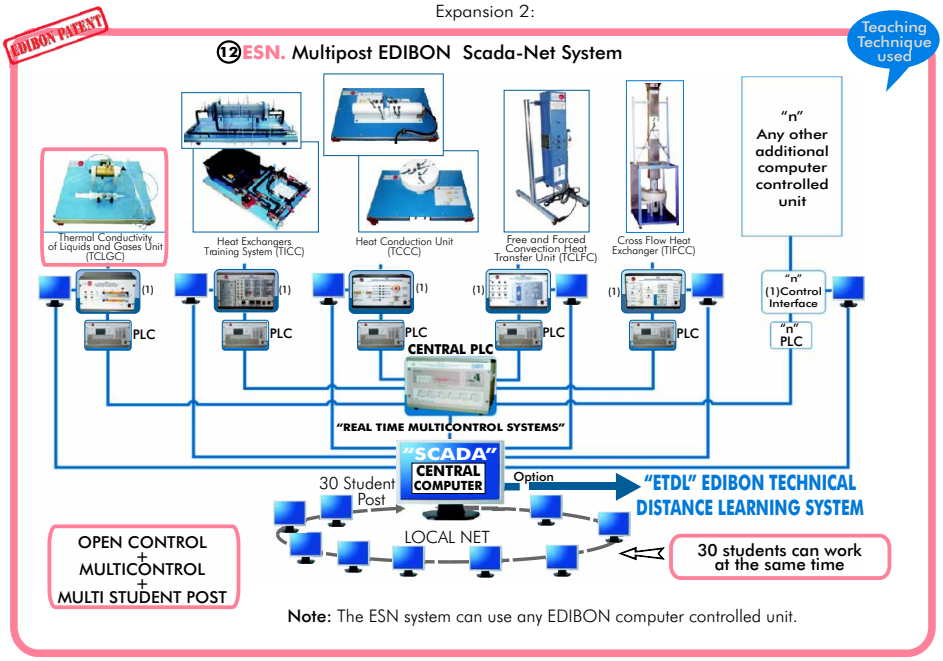

ORDER INFORMATION

Items supplied as standard

Minimum configuration for normal operation includes:

① **Unit: TCLGC. Thermal Conductivity of Liquids and Gases Unit.**

② **TCLGC/CIB.Control Interface Box.**

③ **DAB.Data Acquisition Board.**

④ **TCLGC/CCSOF. Computer Control + Data Acquisition + Data Management Software.**

⑤ **Cables and Accessories**, for normal operation.

⑥ **Manuals.**

*** IMPORTANT: Under TCLGC we always supply all the elements for immediate running as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.**

Complementary items to the standard supply

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⑪ Mini ESN. Multipost EDIBON Mini Scada-Net System.

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REQUIRED SERVICES

-Electrical supply: single-phase, 220 V. 50Hz or 110V. 60 Hz.
-Water supply.
-Computer (PC).

DIMENSIONS & WEIGHTS

TCLGC Unit:	-Dimensions: 500 x 400 x 300 mm. approx.
	-Weight: 40 Kg. approx.
Control Interface Box:	-Dimensions: 490 x 330 x 310 mm. approx.
	-Weight: 10 Kg. approx.
PLC Module (PLC-PI):	-Dimensions: 490 x 330 x 310 mm. approx.
	-Weight: 30 Kg. approx.

✱Specifications subject to change without previous notice, due to the convenience of improvements of the product.

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