Net radiation is an important parameter in meteorological, climatological and agricultural studies. The 2811 sensor measures both sunlight and infrared radiation, and it is a standard sensor for the Aanderaa Automatic Weather Station 2700. It is rugged, stable and will operate under all weather conditions.

The sensor is cylindrically shaped with a teflon dome at one end, and a standard Aanderaa sensor foot with a six-pin receptacle at the other. The sensor housing is made of aluminum with a diameter of 50mm, and the overall length is 125mm.

Inside the sensor housing is the radiation detector. It has two surfaces which absorb/emit radiation, sensed by a thermistor-resistor network that form an electrical half-bridge. One surface is exposed to radiation and the other is shielded inside the sensor housing.

When operating, the radiation detector will be heated or cooled through the sensor housing and the dome. The network will sense the temperature difference between the two surfaces of the detector, giving a measure of radiation.

The teflon dome is more transparent to visible than to infrared radiation, and to compensate for this we made the radiation detector more sensitive to the infrared.

A full scale reading is caused by a temperature difference of only ±2.2°C which eliminates the need for the double dome normally found on this type of sensor. The dome will protect the detector and also reduce inaccurate reading caused by wind. Due to the symmetrical design, the sensor is insensitive to changes in ambient air temperature.

The time constant for the sensor is 60 seconds, and the output signal is the Aanderaa VR-22 format. The teflon dome must be kept clean to maintain accuracy.
Specifications 2811

Wavelength: 0.3 to 60 microns
Range: ±2000W/m²
Accuracy: ±1% of full scale
Resolution: 4W/m²
Time Constant (63%): 60 sec
Output Impedance: 2.5kOhm at 25°C
Sensor Output: Aanderaa VR22
Operating Temp.: -30 to +50°C
Electrical Connection: Six-pin Lemo receptacle mating Watertight Plug 2828
Material and Finish: Aluminum 6061-T6, anodized 10-15µ and stainless steel
Dome: Teflon
Weight: 400 g
Warranty: Two years against faulty materials and workmanship
Approvals: Certified

CALIBRATION
Serial No:
The sensor is calibrated connected to a Datalogger 3660 which gives the raw data readings N.

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These readings give a set of coefficients used when converting a sensor reading to engineering units. The coefficients are:

To convert raw data to engineering units use the formula:
Radiation W/m² = A + BN + CN² + DN³.

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