

Title: **RADIANT HEAT**
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OBJECTIVE

To examine the behaviour of thermometers in the presence of radiant heat.

To use the Kata Thermometer to measure air speeds within an occupied space, noting the various factors needed for accurate estimation.

APPARATUS

- * Electric Fire
- * Thermometers: unprotected, foiled shaded, globe and Kata
- * Stopwatch
- * Shield

PROCEDURE

1. Record FOUR readings, at 2 minute intervals, of the Globe, shielded and unshielded thermometers temperatures BEFORE switching on the electric fire.
2. Take THREE Kata thermometer readings (see back sheet- each reading takes 2 minutes)
3. Place the electric fire about 0.5m from the thermometers, in a safe positions for use.
4. Place the polished shield between the fire and thermometers
5. Switch on the electric fire. Take THREE readings of temperatures. At 2 minute intervals. (NOT the Kata).
6. Remove the shield take TEN readings at 1 minute intervals (NOT the Kata)
7. Switch off the electric fire and remove it to a safe place
8. Continue to take a further TEN readings at 1 minute intervals.
9. Plot the results on a graph, fully labelled
10. Replace the electric fire, without the shield, switch it on, leave for 10 minutes.
11. Take ONE reading of the temperatures AND take a Kata reading (THREE measurements which you should average)

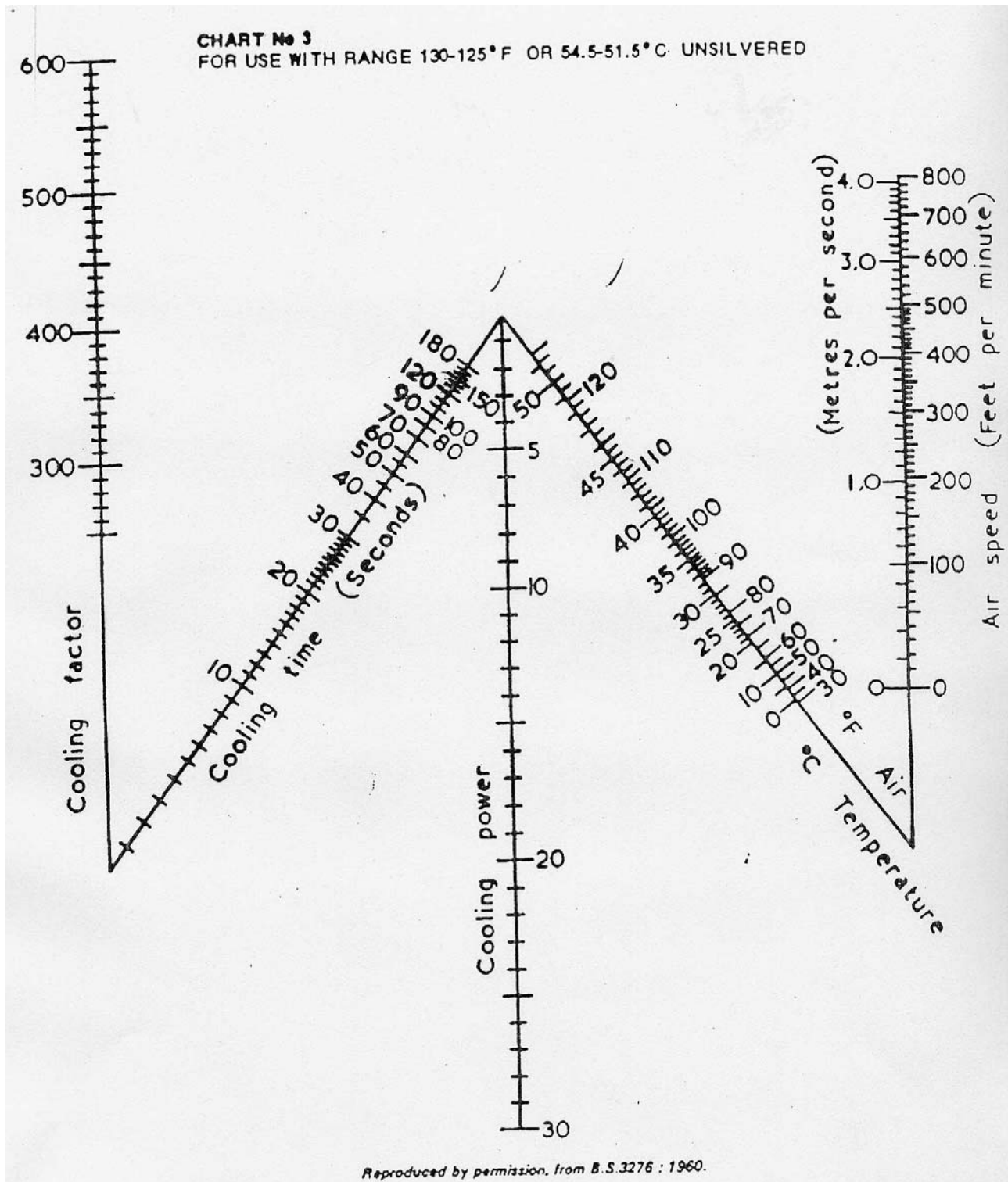
RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

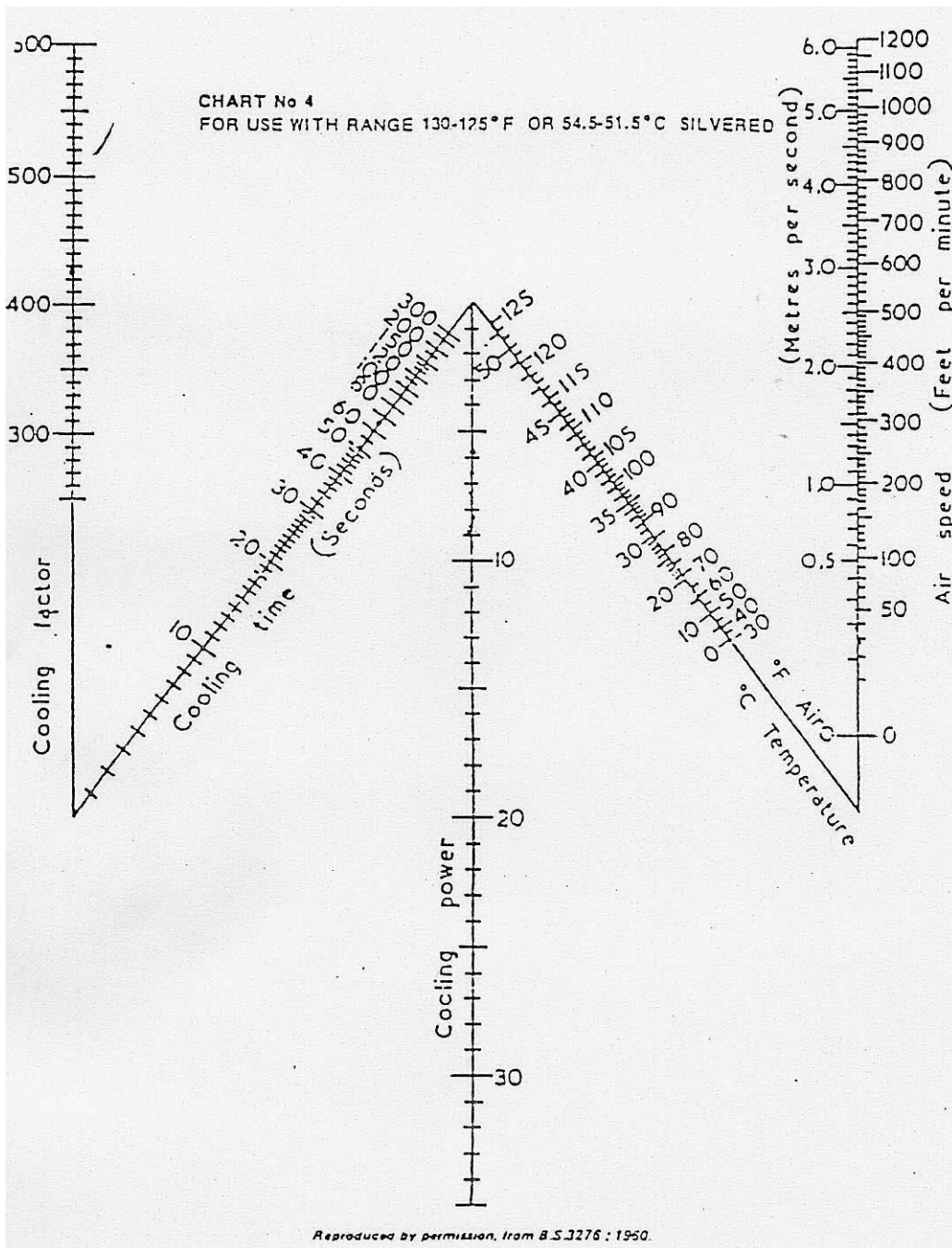
Plot the results on a graph, fully labelled. Comment on the responses

Calculate the air speed and mean radiant temperatures using both the formulae and the appropriate nomogram.

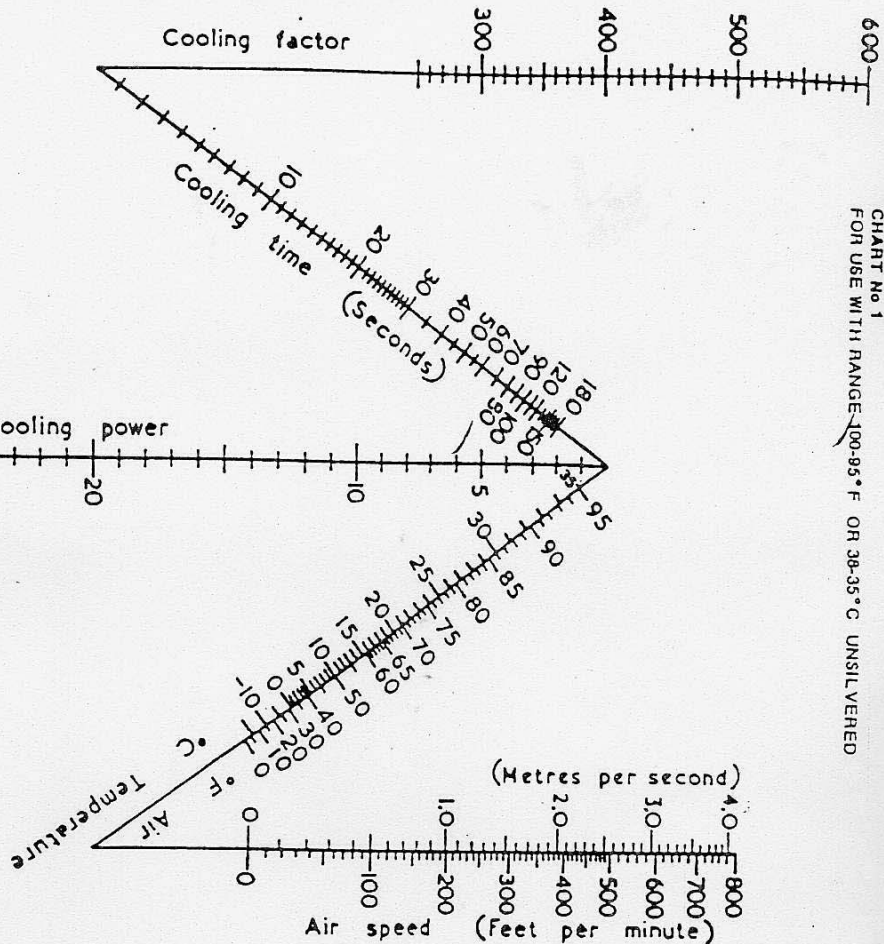
Kata Measurement Procedure

1. Fill a vacuum flask with boiling water, take GREAT care for your own and others safety.
2. Immerse the bulb of the Kata thermometer in the flask until the column of spirit in the thermometer stem just rises into the top bulb and the column is also free of bubbles. DO NOT allow excess spirit into the top bulb as it can break the glass.
3. Remove the Kata and wipe the bulb dry.
4. Using a stopwatch, observe the time taken for the column of liquid to fall between the two marked points on the stem of the Kata.
5. Repeat the process at least TWICE, taking the answer as the average of THREE readings.

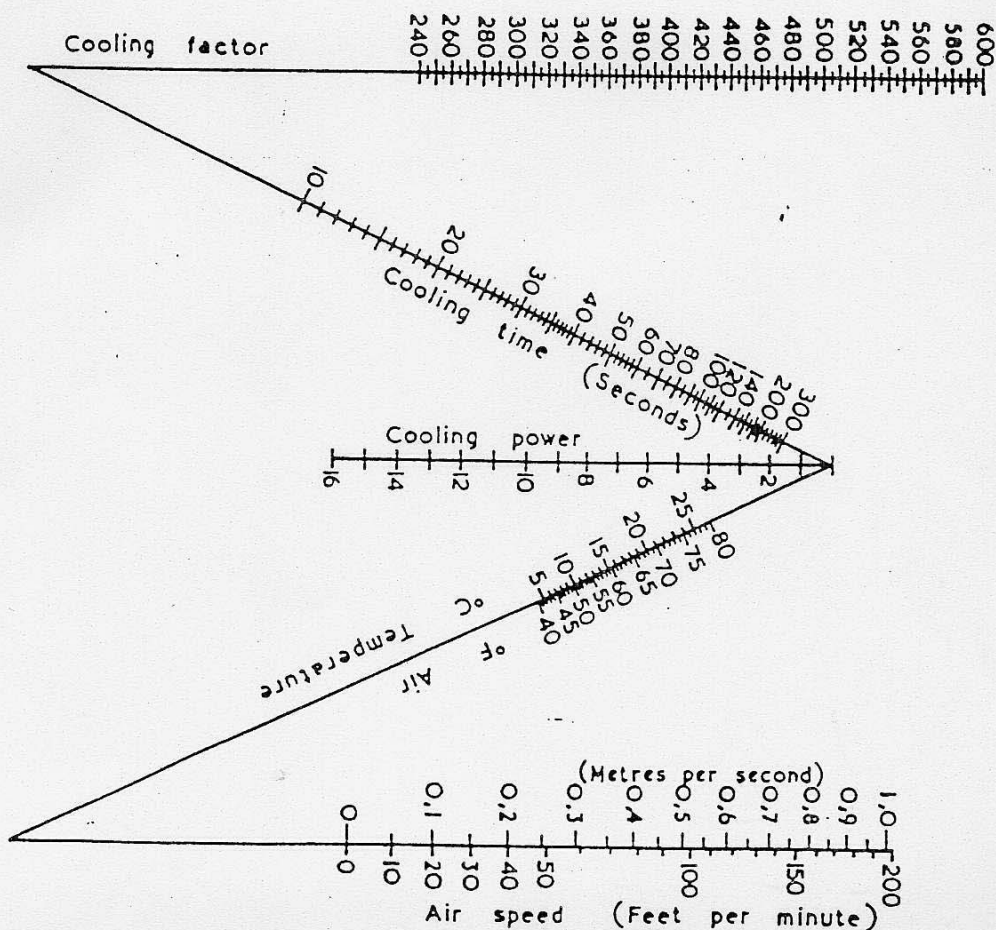




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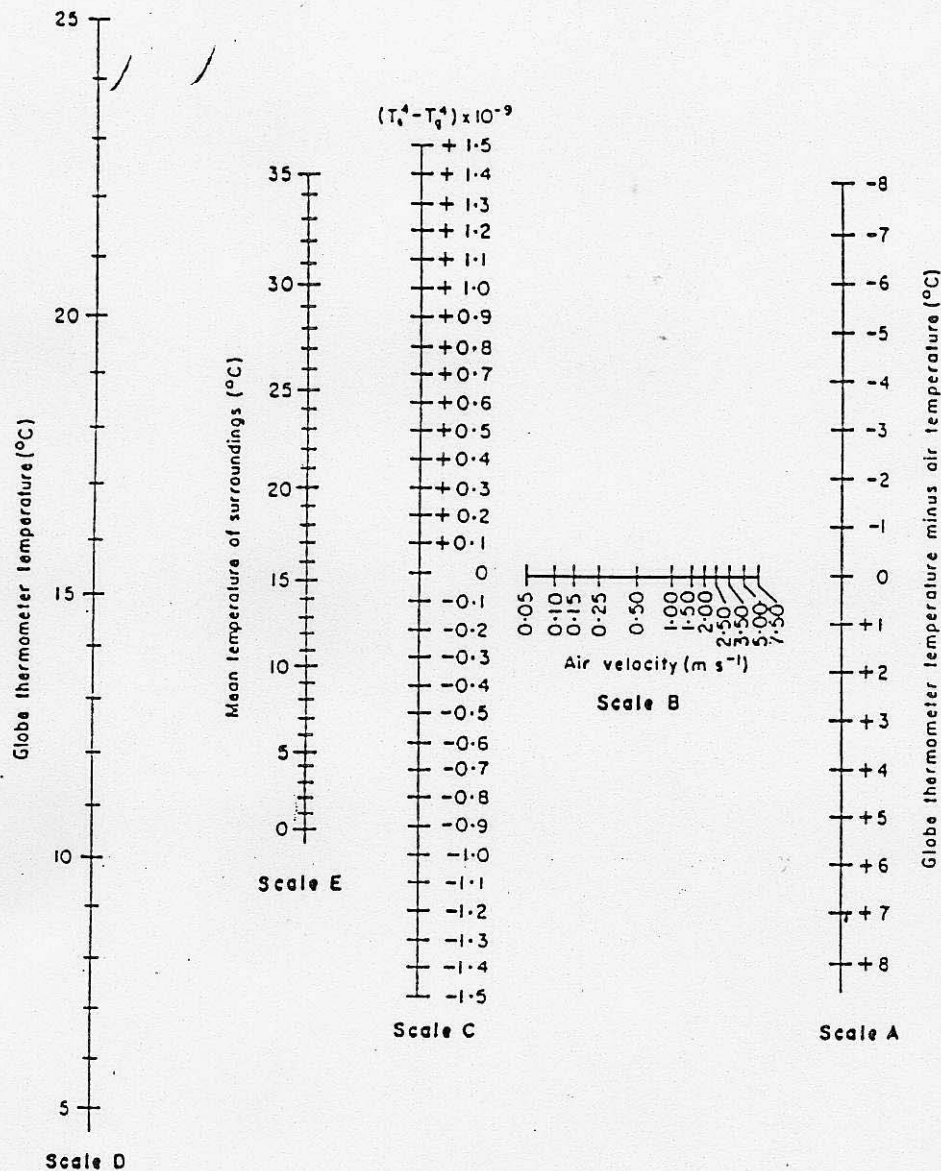


Figure 4 ; Nomogram for the estimation of mean radiant temperature

Range : 5-25°C

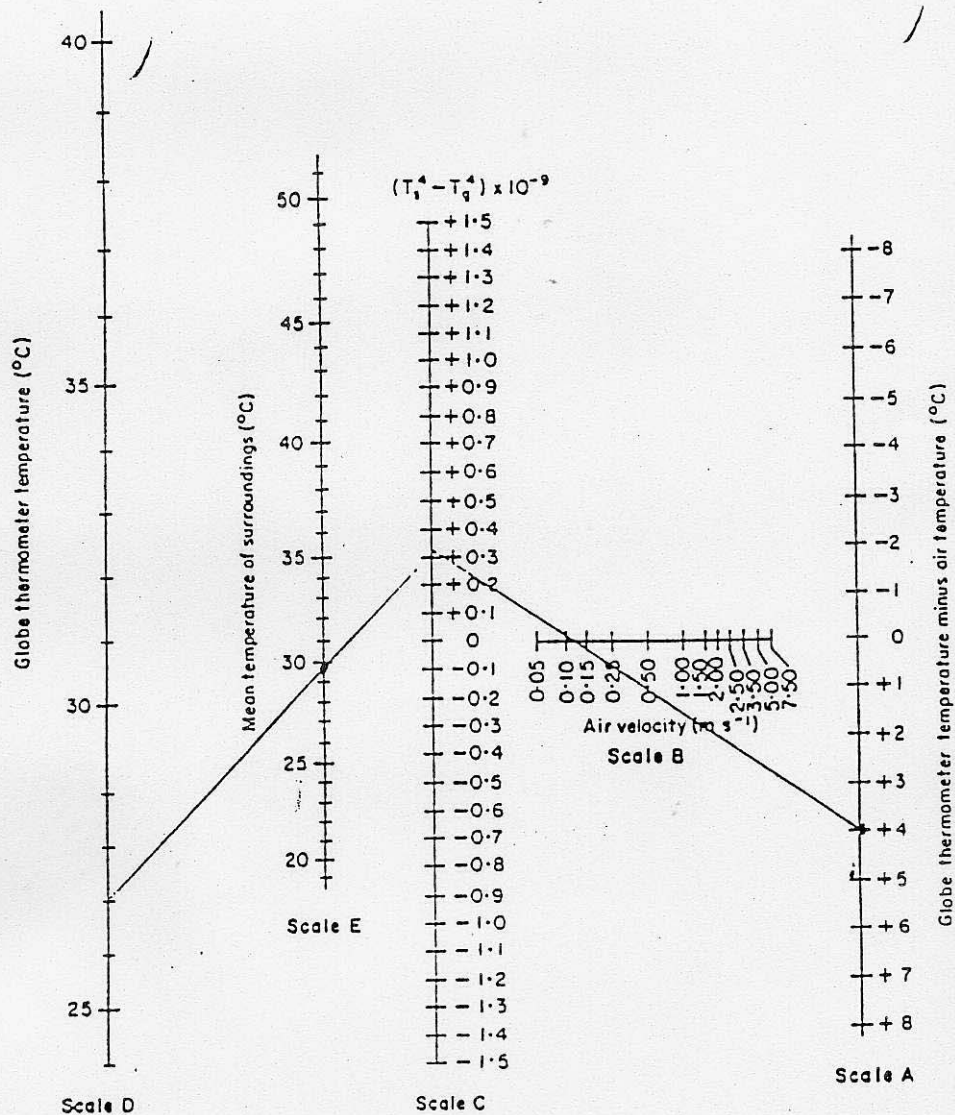


Figure 5 ; Nomogram of the estimation of mean radiant temperature .

Range : 25-40 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

Example : Using a globe temperature of 27.0 $^{\circ}\text{C}$, a dry bulb temperature of 23.0 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ and an air velocity of 0.11m/s , we obtain a mean radiant temperature of 29.5 $^{\circ}\text{C}$.

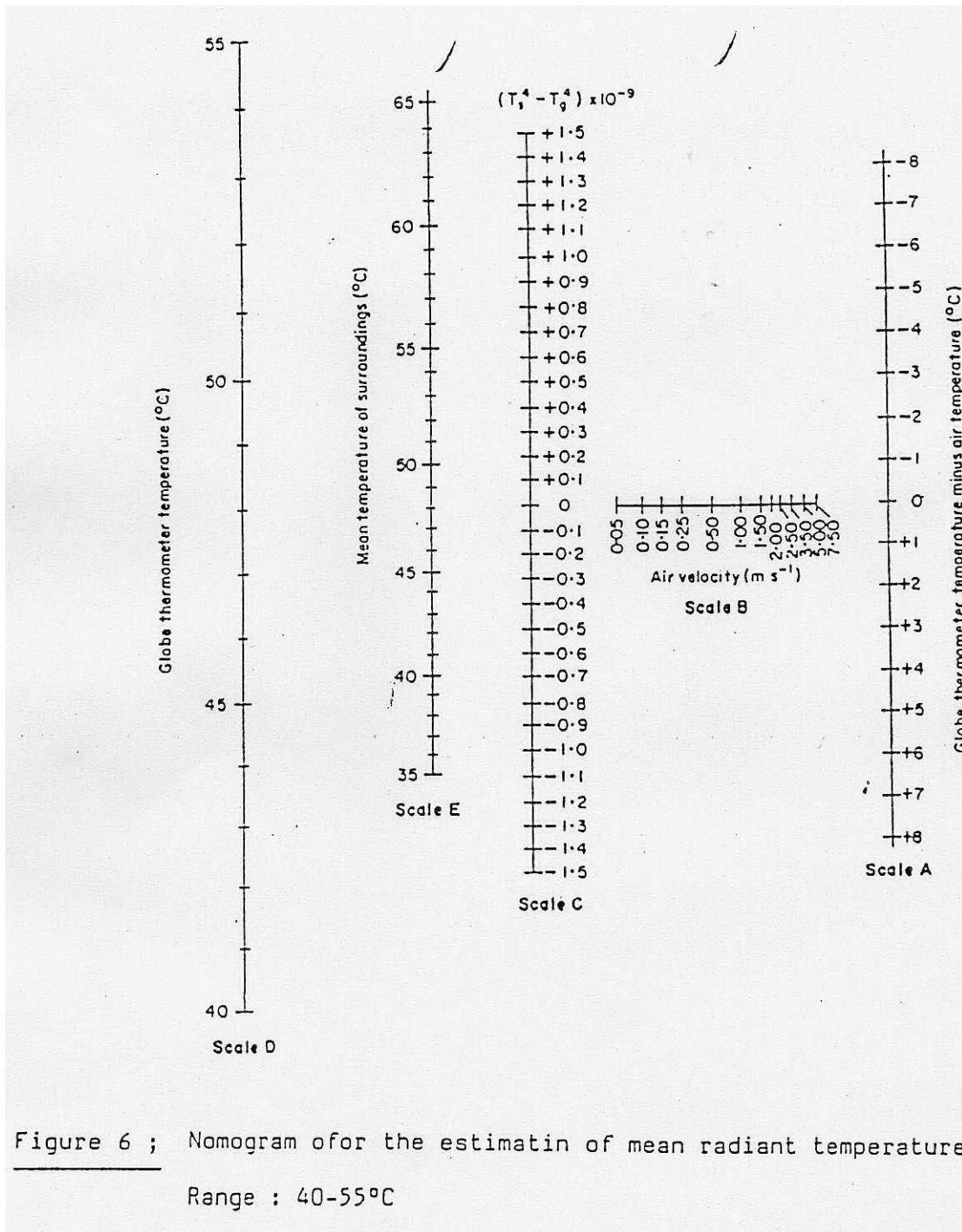


Figure 6 ; Nomogram for the estimation of mean radiant temperature
Range : 40-55 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

