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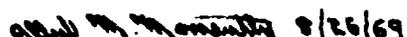
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#### ABSTRACT

This report presents analyses of results obtained from cold flow and hot firing tests conducted on the LM Ascent, LM Descent, and Service Propulsion System engines. The purposes of these analyses were to provide a basis for defining the thermodynamic processes and hardware variables that lead to a hypergol engine hard restart after a short duration firing, and to determine if cold flow tests can be formulated to provide data that will allow a reduction in the requirements for costly hypergol engine hot firing restart performance tests. Engine restart characteristics were related to the results from thermodynamic analyses of propellant behavior during the coast phase of cold flow and hot firing tests. Hard restarts were related to the accumulation of frozen propellants in the injector assemblies and the accumulation of nitrates in the thrust chambers. Recommendations were made concerning the conduct of future cold flow test programs and for further experimental and analytical investigations. Details of the test programs are covered in these appendices.

#### KEY WORDS

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Chamber Pressure Overshoot  
Hydrazine  
Injector  
Injector Freezing  
LM Ascent Engine  
LM Descent Engine  
Mixed Hydrazines  
Nitrogen Tetroxide  
Propellant Temperature  
Propellant Thermodynamics  
Restart  
Rocket Engine Restart  
Rocketdyne  
Service Propulsion System Engine  
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DEFINITIONS

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| AEDC          | Arnold Engineering Development Center  |
| ARC           | Atlantic Research Corporation  |
| Bell          | Bell Aerospace Corporation   |
| TRW           | TRW Systems Group  |
| SPS           | Service Propulsion System  |
| APS           | Ascent Propulsion System   |
| DPS           | Descent Propulsion System  |
| LMAE          | Lunar Module Ascent Engine   |
| LMDE          | Lunar Module Descent Engine  |
| GAEC          | Grumman Aircraft Engineering Corporation   |
| GAC           | Grumman Aerospace Corporation  |
| Dry Start     | An engine start mode with no fuel or oxidizer between the engine ball valves, and (APS and DPS only) no fuel in the valve actuator lines.            |
| Wet Start     | An engine start mode with propellants between the engine ball valves and (APS and DPS) fuel in the valve actuator lines.                             |
| Initial Start | The first start of a test series.  |
| Hard Start    | An engine firing which produced higher chamber pressure and accelerometer readings at ignition than initial starts made at the same test conditions. |

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NOMENCLATURE

|          |                                    |
|----------|------------------------------------|
| m        | mass                               |
| $C_p$    | specific heat capacity             |
| T        | temperature (absolute)             |
| t        | time                               |
| $h_{1v}$ | enthalpy of vaporization           |
| e        | base of natural logarithms         |
| S        | solubility                         |
| p        | pressure                           |
| sc       | standard cubic centimeters         |
| $C_D$    | discharge coefficient              |
| A        | area                               |
| $\gamma$ | ratio of specific heats, $C_p/C_v$ |
| n        | molecular weight                   |
| $R_0$    | gas constant (universal)           |

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APPENDIX A - INJECTOR COLD-FLOW TESTING AT ARC

A.0 GENERAL

This appendix describes the Atlantic Research Corporation (ARC) test facility used for injector cold-flow testing. The test series and engine instrumentation are described, and an evaluation of the cold-flow testing is presented. Detailed information on the test facility, test article, instrumentation and test series conduct is presented in References 1 and 2.

## A.1 TEST FACILITY AND TEST APPARATUS

### A.1.1 Facility

The stainless steel altitude chamber used during the ARC injector tests was 6 feet in diameter and 25 feet long. The chamber was evacuated by a 5 stage steam ejector system designed to produce a no-load altitude of 245,000 feet, and to maintain an altitude of 200,000 feet with a 25 gram/second mass influx rate.

The propellant supply system for the Bell ascent injector tests is shown in Figure A-1. The fuel tank was pressurized with helium gas, and was thermally conditioned by immersion in a temperature-controlled water/alcohol bath. The fuel supply line was one inch in diameter and was thermally conditioned by coils through which the cooled water/alcohol solution was circulated. A short two inch diameter fuel line section was equipped with an orifice flowmeter and a delta-p transducer to measure flow as a function of time. The oxidizer/oxidizer simulant tank was located inside the altitude chamber and was pressurized with nitrogen. Thermal conditioning was provided by water/alcohol solution which was circulated through tubing coils wrapped around the exterior of the tank and the oxidizer feed lines. The quantity of oxidizer or oxidizer simulant used during a test was determined by observing the oxidizer tank sight glass before and after each pulse. The level of propellant saturation with pressurization gases was neither controlled nor measured during the test series. The Bell ascent injector was cooled to 40°F, when required, by using trickle flows of methyl alcohol and Freon MF to cool the fuel and oxidizer passages respectively.

Prior to the TRW descent injector and Rocketdyne ascent injector tests, the oxidizer supply system was modified to make it similar to the fuel supply system. A schematic of the modified system is shown in Figure A-2. The major changes to the oxidizer supply system included relocating the oxidizer tank outside of the altitude chamber, providing a temperature-controlled bath for the oxidizer tank and installing an orifice flow meter in the 2 inch diameter section of the oxidizer supply line. A nitrogen gas valve actuation system produced engine valve opening times of approximately 200 milliseconds and closing times of approximately 170 ms during the TRW descent injector tests.

The TRW descent injector was cooled to 40°F, when required, by spraying isopropyl alcohol from two circular manifolds onto the valve side of the injector. Two heat lamps were aimed at the lower area of the injector manifolds to compensate for the overcooling which occurred when alcohol drained down and collected near the bottom of the injector plate. The Rocketdyne injector was cooled to 40°F, when required, by using trickle flows of methyl alcohol and Freon MF to cool the fuel and oxidizer passages respectively.

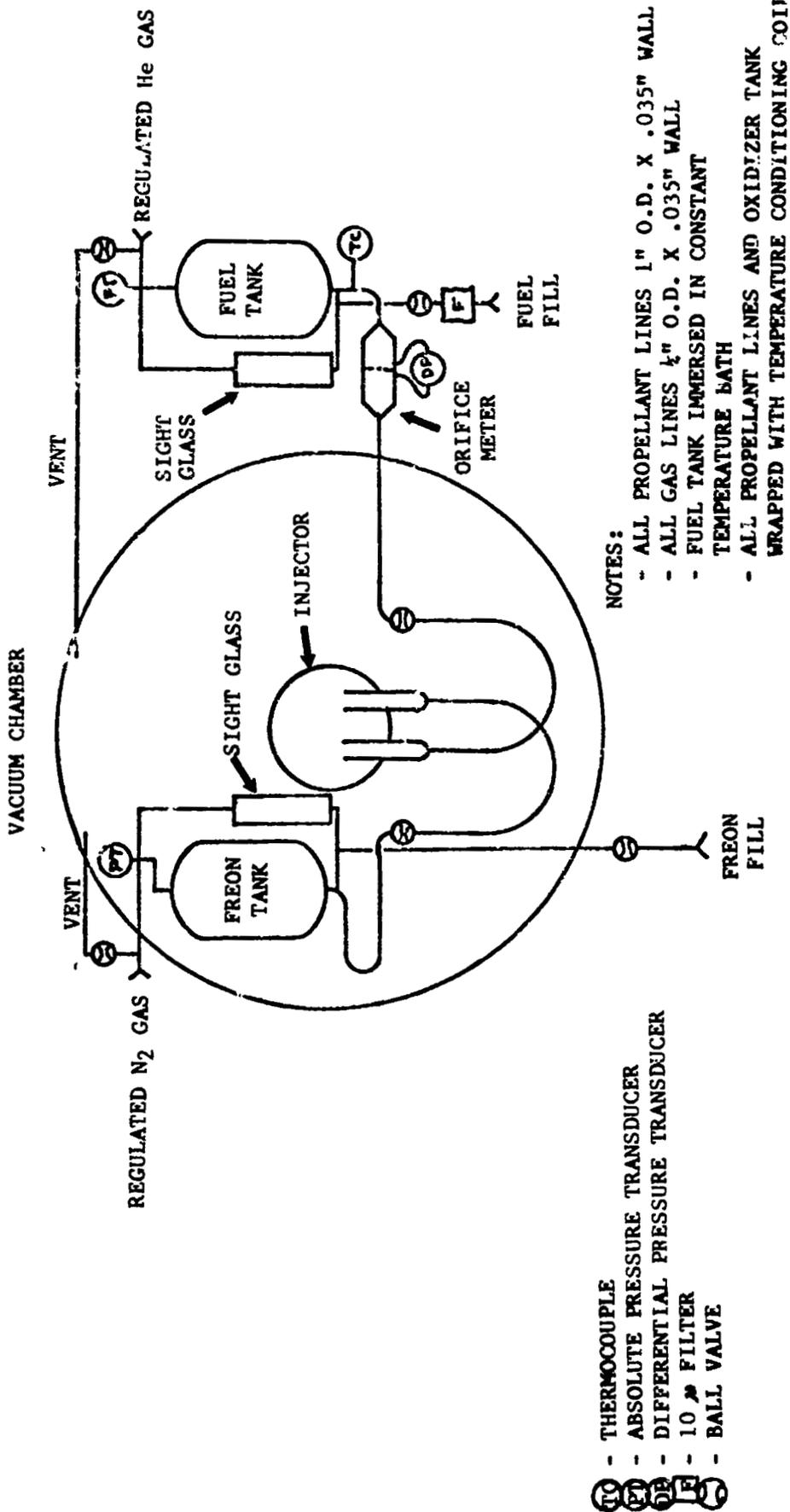
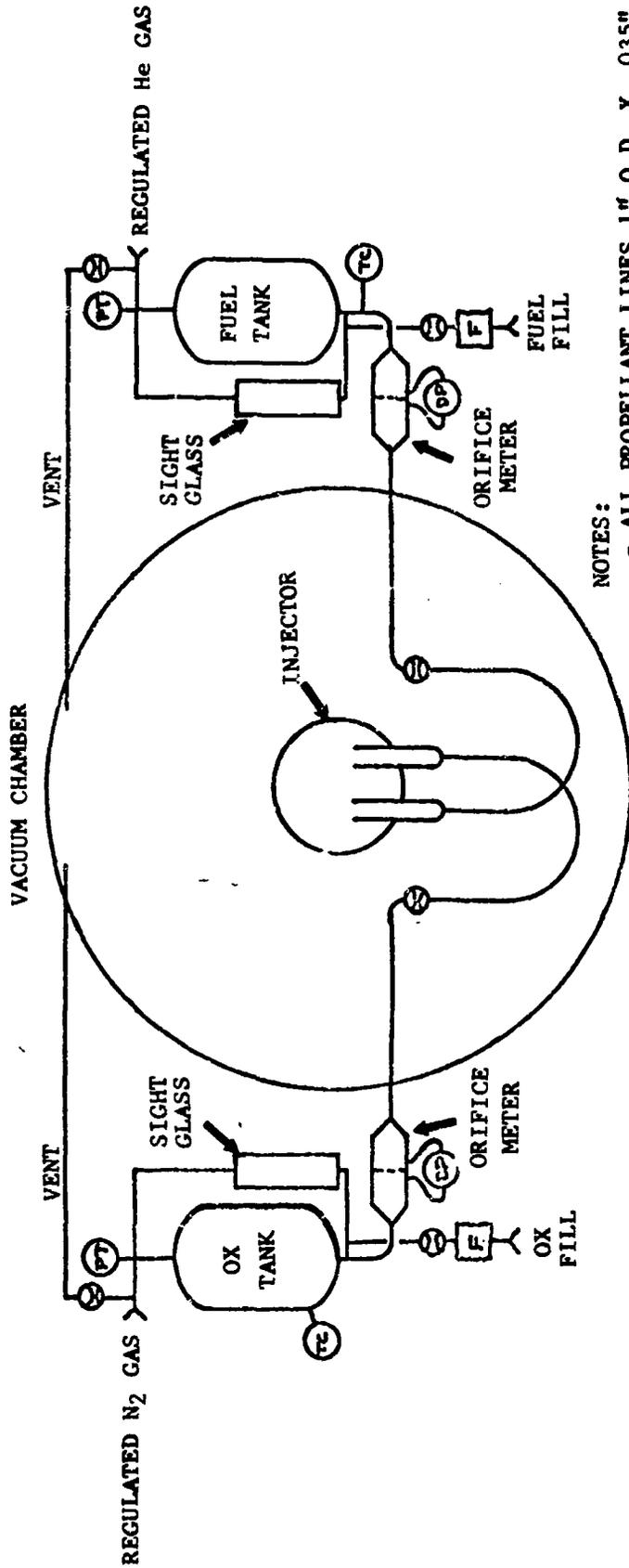


FIGURE A - 1 PROPELLANT SUPPLY SYSTEM, BELL INJECTOR PHASE I TESTS

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NOTES:

- ALL PROPELLANT LINES 1" O.D. X .035" WALL
- ALL GAS LINES 1/2" O.D. X .035" WALL
- BOTH TANKS IMMersed IN CONSTANT TEMPERATURE BATHS
- ALL PROPELLANT LINES WRAPPED WITH TEMPERATURE CONDITIONING COILS

- TC - THERMOCOUPLE
- PT - ABSOLUTE PRESSURE TRANSDUCER
- DP - DIFFERENTIAL PRESSURE TRANSDUCER
- F - 10 μm FILTER
- BV - BALL VALVE

FIGURE A - 2 MODIFIED PROPELLANT SUPPLY SYSTEM

### A.1.2 Distillation Apparatus

A vacuum distillation apparatus was used to determine the volume of propellant mass residuals located in the injectors and injector manifolds. A schematic drawing of the apparatus used with all three of the injectors is shown in Figure A-3. The following procedure was used to determine the propellant residual volumes. At a preselected time interval after a propellant cold flow, the test chamber pressure was brought up to ambient, and a cap was placed over the injector. The distillation apparatus was connected to the fuel injector manifold, and the residual propellants were drawn off into the evacuated cold traps, labeled A, B, and C on Figure A-3. The traps were maintained at approximately 0°C, -60°C, and -200°C by using ice, dry ice, and liquid nitrogen respectively. At preselected time intervals, the traps were removed, the volume of residuals was determined, and the traps were reinstalled for further distillation.

The propellant distillation procedure was evaluated prior to starting Phase II of the Bell ascent injector tests. Since the procedure was not evaluated prior to the Phase I tests, the accuracy of the Phase I tests is not known. Data for the first ten evaluation runs are shown on Table A-1. The duration of the distillation was 30 minutes. Beginning with test #8, the distillation procedure was changed because strong hydrazine odors were observed at the vacuum pump exhaust, and a large fraction of the distillate was recovered in the coldest trap (trap "C"). The procedure change involved keeping the stopcock between traps "B" and "C" closed during most of the distillation period. Although this procedure change reduced the repeatability of the distillation procedure, it was retained for safety reasons.

A second procedure change was incorporated after test #10. The distillation was performed in two periods, lasting 30 minutes and 20 minutes. The amount recovered during the final 20 minute period was always less than 10% of the amount recovered during the first 30 minute period, indicating that the distillation was essentially complete. In addition, the tubing between the injector and the traps was heated to reduce the possibility of condensate collecting in the line. This procedure, which gave recovery rates of  $85 \pm 5\%$  of known samples, was used for the Phase II Bell injector tests. The reported mass residual data are not corrected for the accuracy of the recovery process.

Prior to the TRW descent injector tests, the distillation procedure was revised to incorporate at least two 30 minute distillation periods, and the dry ice trap was replaced by a liquid nitrogen trap. The 30 minute distillation periods were repeated until no further material condensed in the traps. Data obtained during the evaluation of this procedure are given in Table A-1. This procedure was used for the Rocketdyne ascent injector tests, but no separate evaluation of the

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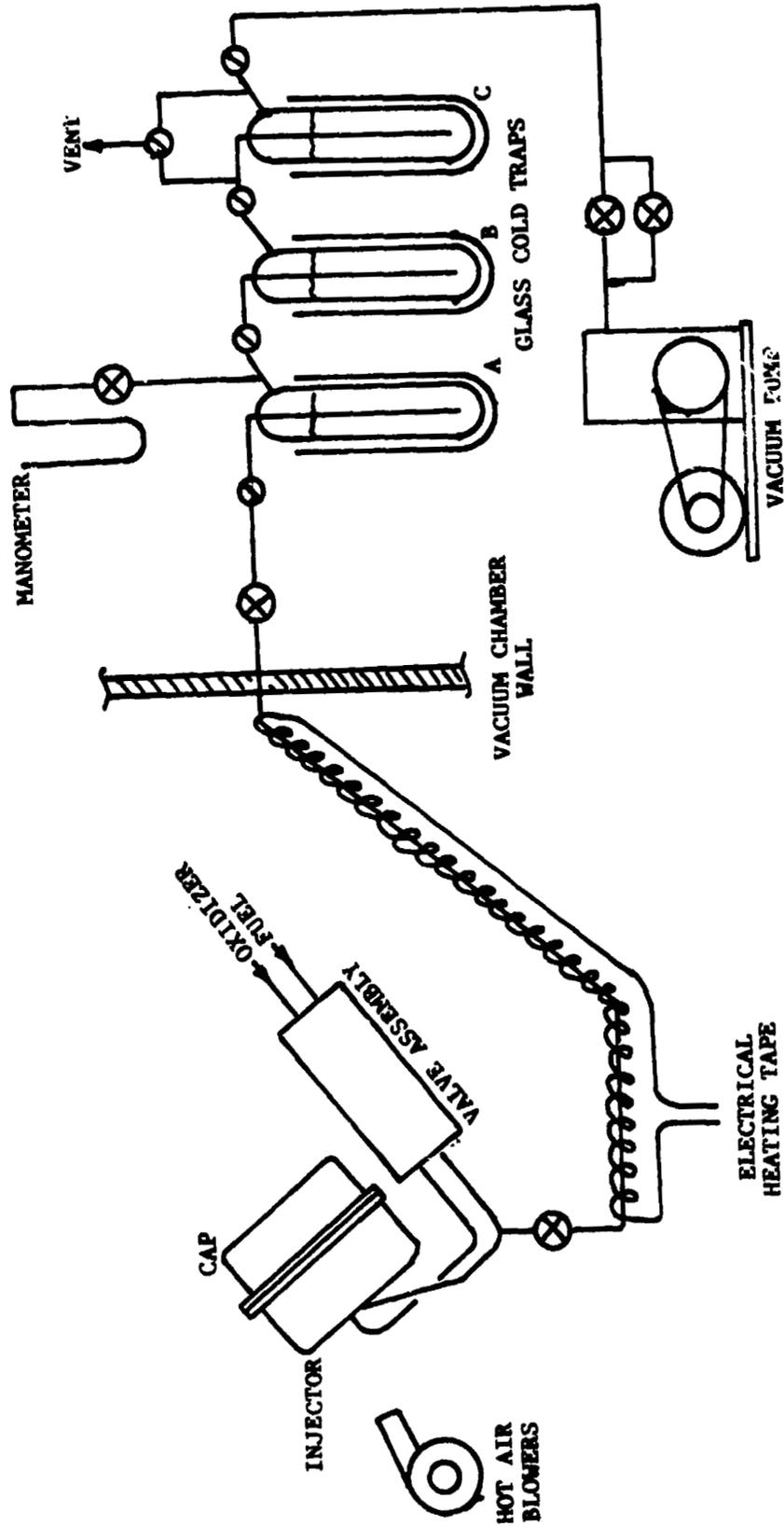


FIGURE A-3 FUEL RESIDUAL DISTILLATION APPARATUS

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TABLE A-1  
DISTILLATION APPARATUS CALIBRATION DATA

BELL ASCENT INJECTOR TESTS

| TEST NUMBER | TIME FOR DISTILLATION (MIN.) | SAMPLE AMOUNT (ML) | AMOUNT RECOVERED (ML) (PER CENT) |    |
|-------------|------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|----|
| 1           | 5                            | 9.8                | 7                                | 71 |
| 2           | 5                            | 50                 | 23.0                             | 46 |
| 3           | 10                           | 50                 | 40.0                             | 80 |
| 4           | 30                           | 50                 | 47.4                             | 95 |
| 5           | 30                           | 50                 | 48.8                             | 98 |
| 6           | 30                           | 212                | 196                              | 92 |
| 7           | 30                           | 100                | 99                               | 99 |
| 8           | 30                           | 50                 | 42.4                             | 85 |
| 9           | 30                           | 50                 | 40.4                             | 81 |
| 10          | 30                           | 10                 | 9.8                              | 98 |

TRW DESCENT INJECTOR TESTS

| TEST NUMBER | TIME FOR DISTILLATION (MIN.) | SAMPLE AMOUNT (ML) | AMOUNT RECOVERED (ML) (PER CENT) |    |
|-------------|------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|----|
| 1           | -                            | 100                | 95                               | 95 |
| 2           | -                            | 100                | 95                               | 95 |
| 3           | -                            | 10                 | 8                                | 80 |
| 4           | -                            | 10                 | 8                                | 80 |

A.1.2 Distillation Apparatus (Continued)

distillation process was made for the Rocketdyne injector. The reported mass residual data are not corrected for the accuracy of the distillation procedure.

A.1.3 Instrumentation

Thermocouples were installed at several positions on the injector and valve assemblies to obtain temperature histories. Detailed thermocouple locations are given in the test article description section for each injector. Some of the thermocouples were installed directly on the exterior of the injectors and others were installed so that they protruded into the propellant passages. Pressure transducers were installed to provide pressure histories of the injector manifolds, the feed lines and altitude chamber. All pressure and temperature transducer data were recorded on a 24 channel Honeywell Model 1508 oscillograph. Movie cameras were mounted in positions to obtain photographic coverage of the injector face for each of the injectors tested. For the beaker tests, the movie cameras were installed to obtain a side view of the beaker.

## A.2 BELL ASCENT ENGINE INJECTOR TESTS, PHASE I

### A.2.1 Test Objectives

The objectives of the Phase I cold-flow tests conducted with a Bell ascent injector were:

1. Determine extent of injector orifice obstruction from frozen propellant to support LM-1 mission.
2. Determine quantity of residual propellants.
3. Obtain photographic records of the phenomena occurring during propellant flow and coast periods.

### A.2.2 Test Article Configuration and Instrumentation

The test article consisted of an instrumented Bell ascent engine injector, propellant ducts and quad-redundant propellant shut-off valve assembly. The injector valves were actuated by a solenoid-controlled nitrogen gas system, and were protected from the injector propellant spray by a splash plate. The injector and valve assembly was fastened to structural supports which were attached to the side walls of the ARC High Altitude Test Facility. The test assembly was oriented so that the injector faced upward at 30° from the horizontal, as shown on Figure A-4. Propellant supply system characteristics are described in Section A.1 and Figure A-1 of this appendix.

The location of temperature and pressure transducers is shown in Figure A-5. Copper-constantan thermocouples were used for all temperature measurements. Fuel manifold pressures were measured with a 0-250 psia transducer. Because the accuracy of the manifold pressure measurements in the low pressure range (less than 10 psia) was questionable, no fuel manifold pressure data were reported for the Phase I tests. High speed (1000 frames per second) and low speed (24 fps) color movies were taken of all Phase I tests.

### A.2.3 Test Series Description

A total of 27 injector and 4 beaker cold flow tests were conducted during the period from October 17, 1967 through December 8, 1967. The basic characteristics of these tests are summarized in Table A-2. Qualitative data to support the LM-1 mission was obtained from the series of two-pulse tests having an 85 minute coast period between pulses. An additional test series, consisting of five fuel flow pulses, separated by 5 minute coast periods, was run to determine the thermal conditions and duty cycle required to produce injector orifice blockage by frozen fuel.

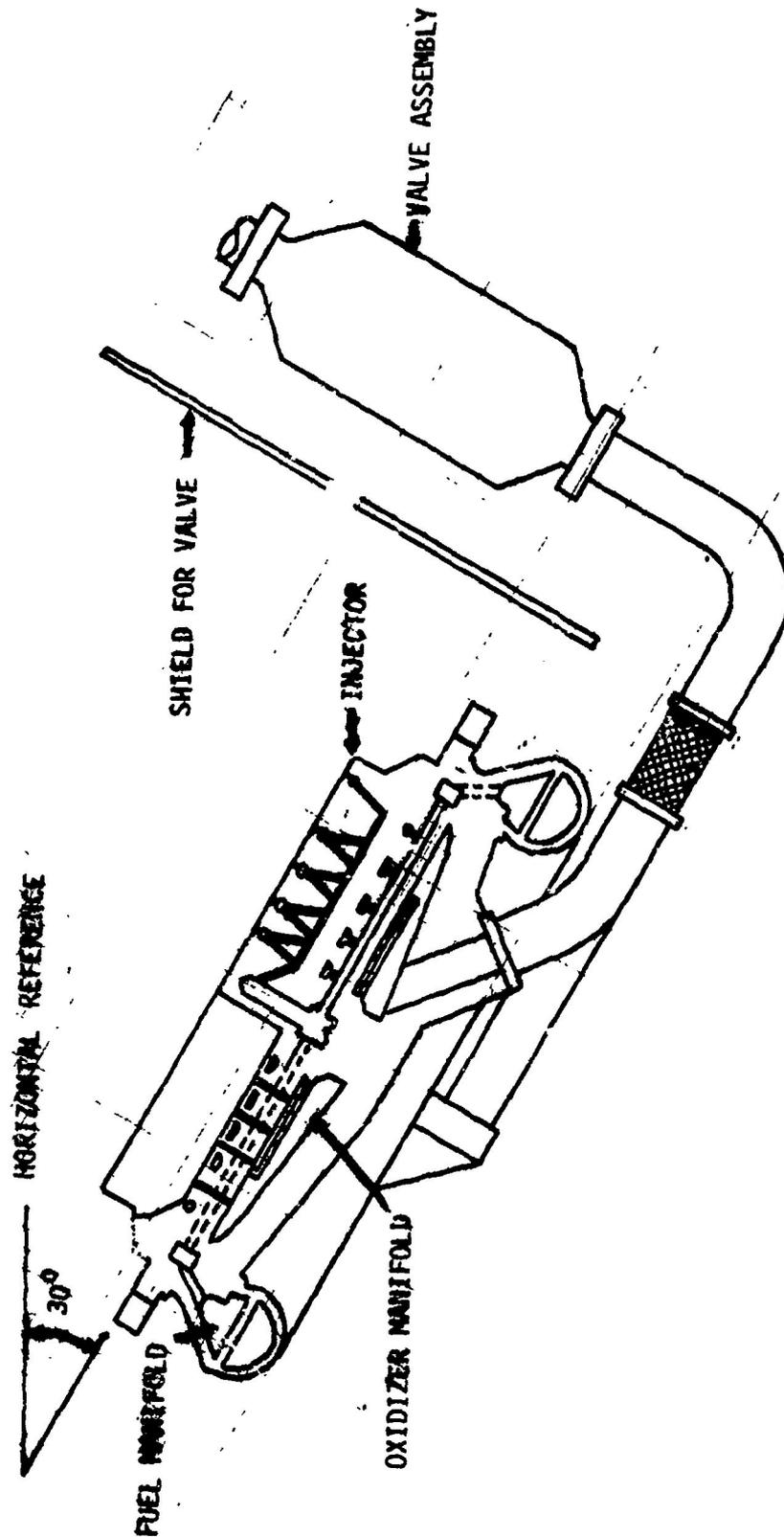


FIGURE A-4 TEST ORIENTATION FOR BELL INJECTOR

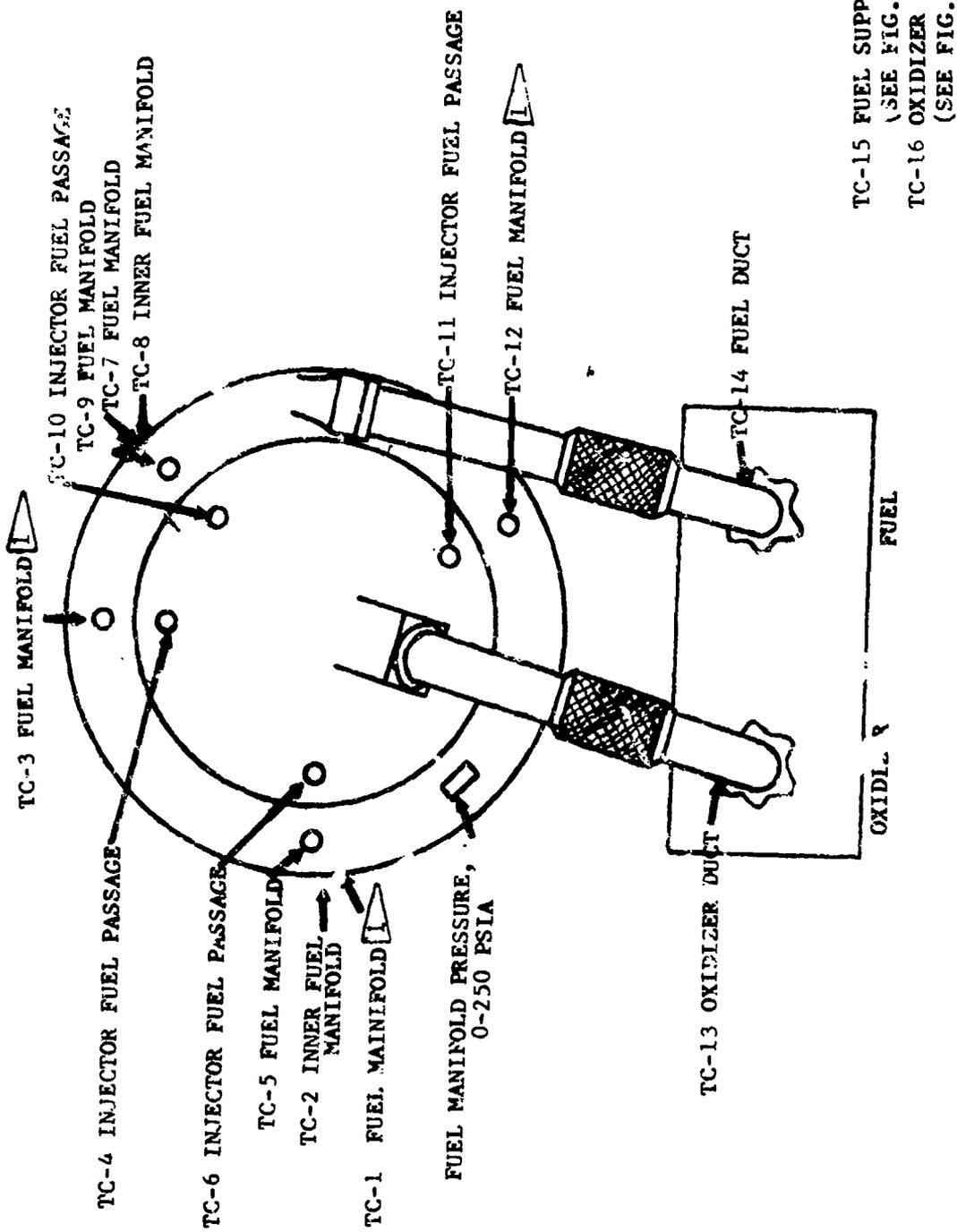


FIGURE A-5 INSTRUMENTATION LOCATIONS ON BELL INJECTOR

| TEST NUMBER | FLUIDS         | NOMINAL INITIAL TEMPERATURE (°F) | PROPELLANT PULSE DURATION (SECONDS) | FIRST COAST PERIOD | SECOND COAST PERIOD | DATA AVAILABLE | REMARKS   |
|-------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|---|
| 1           | A-50           | NA/65                            | 0.6                                 | 85 min.            | none                | M              | No attenuation of fuel flow   |
| 2           | A-50           | NA/64                            | 0.6                                 | 85 min.            | none                | M              | No attenuation of fuel flow   |
| 3           | A-50, Freon MF | NA/64                            | 0.6                                 | 85 min.            | none                | M              | 785 cc Freon trickle flow<br>No attenuation of fuel flow  |
| 4           | A-50           | 75/65                            | 0.6                                 | 85 min.            | none                | T, M           | No attenuation of fuel flow   |
| 5           | A-50, Freon MF | 70/65                            | 0.6                                 | 85 min.            | none                | M              | 1130 cc Freon trickle flow<br>No attenuation of fuel flow   |
| 6           | A-50, Freon MF | 55/65                            | 0.6                                 | 85 min.            | none                | T, M           | 1130 cc Freon trickle flow<br>No attenuation of fuel flow   |
| 7           | A-50           | 30/67                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, M           | No attenuation of fuel flow   |
| 8           | A-50           | NA/NA                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | M              | Test aborted after 2 pulses,<br>facility vacuum lost  |
| 9           | A-50           | 60/45                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, M           | No attenuation of fuel flow   |
| 10          | A-50           | 103/30                           | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, M           | No attenuation of fuel flow   |
| 11          | A-50, Freon MF | NA/NA                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | none           | Ran out of fuel on 4th pulse<br>Data not reduced  |
| 12          | A-50, Freon MF | 35/46                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, M           | 1070 ml Freon trickle during<br>each pulse. Reduced fuel flow<br>on 3rd pulse, no flow on 4th<br>and 5th pulses |
| 13          | A-50, Freon MF | 50/62                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, M           | 1070 ml Freon trickle during<br>each pulse. Reduced fuel flow<br>during 4th and 5th pulses                      |
| 14          | A-50           | 62/65                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | none                | T, R, M        | 5 cc residual   |
| 15          | A-50           | 65/42                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | none                | T, R, M        | Trace residual  |
| 16          | A-50           | 63/42                            | 0.6                                 | 4 min.             | none                | T, R, M        | 22 cc residual  |

TABLE A-2  
BELL INJECTOR PHASE I TEST SUMMARY

| TEST NUMBER | FLUIDS                        | NOMINAL INITIAL TEMPERATURE (°F) | PROPELLANT PULSE DURATION (SECONDS) | FIRST COAST PERIOD | SECOND COAST PERIOD | DATA AVAILABLE | REMARKS  |
|-------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|--|
| 17          | A-50                          | 20/62                            | 0.6                                 | 4 min.             | none                | T, R, M        | 7 cc residual  |
| 18          | A-50, Freon MF                | 60/46                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, R, M        | 535 ml Freon trickle during first 4 pulses. Reduced fuel flow during 3rd and 4th pulses, essentially no flow on 5th pulse  |
| 19          | A-50, Freon MF                | 60/46                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, R, M        | 535 ml Freon trickle during first 4 pulses. Same results as test 18  |
| 20          | A-50, Freon MF                | NA/NA                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | none           | Inadvertent Freon flow into fuel manifold - data not reduced   |
| 21          | A-50, Freon MF                | 22/46                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, R, M        | 535 ml Freon trickle during first 4 pulses. Reduced fuel flow during 3rd and 4th pulses, essentially no flow on 5th pulse. |
| 22          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | NA/NA                            | 0.6                                 | 85 min.            | none                | none           | Test terminated after one pulse  |
| 23          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | 50/40                            | 0.6                                 | 85 min.            | 4-1/2 min.          | T, R, M        | No oxidizer flow attenuation   |
| 24          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | 70/40                            | 0.6                                 | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, M, R        | No attenuation of oxidizer flow  |
| 25          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | NA/50                            | -                                   | -                  | none                | M              | Beaker test<br>Insufficient lighting - movies do not show details  |
| 26          | A-50                          | -                                | none                                | -                  | none                | M              | Beaker test  |
| 27          | A-50                          | -                                | none                                | -                  | none                | M              | Beaker test  |
| 28          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | 75/45                            | 0.48                                | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, M           | No attenuation of oxidizer flow  |
| 29          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | 57/42                            | 0.48                                | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, M           | No attenuation of oxidizer flow  |
| 30          | A-50                          | -                                | none                                | -                  | none                | M              | Beaker test  |

TABLE A-2  
BELL INJECTOR PHASE I TEST SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

| TEST NUMBER | FLUIDS                        | NOMINAL INITIAL TEMPERATURE (°F) | PROPELLANT PULSE DURATION (SECONDS) | FIRST COAST PERIOD | SECOND COAST PERIOD | DATA AVAILABLE | REMARKS                         |
|-------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| 31          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | 70/42                            | 0.48                                | 5 min.             | 5 min.              | T, M, R        | No attenuation of oxidizer flow |

Measured average values of injector/fuel initial temperatures. "N.A." indicates that data has not been reported by ARC.

Data available: T = temperature, M = movies, R = mass residuals.

A total of 5 flow pulses were made, each separated by a 5 minute coast period

A total of 11 flow pulses were made, each separated by a 5 minute coast period

TABLE A-2  
BELL INJECTOR PHASE I TEST SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

A.2.3 Test Series Description (Continued)

Thermal conditioning of the injector was accomplished by spraying the injector with CO<sub>2</sub> after the altitude chamber had been evacuated. Additional thermal conditioning was accomplished, if required, by using trickle flows of Freon MF and methyl alcohol in the oxidizer and fuel ducts respectively.

Simulation of oxidizer cooling effects was attempted during 10 of the Phase I injector tests. The amount of Freon MF required to simulate N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> cooling effects was initially determined by comparing the heats of vaporization on a volumetric basis. The Freon MF heat of vaporization (63.5 cal/ml) is 45% of the nitrogen tetroxide heat of vaporization (142 cal/ml). Since the injector oxidizer manifold capacity is 475 ml (29 in<sup>3</sup>), the volume of Freon required to simulate 475 ml of oxidizer is 1070 ml. The Freon was flowed into the injector over a period of 30 seconds to 2 minutes. This trickle flow of simulant resulted in significantly higher refrigeration effects on the fuel side of the injector than did actual pulse flows of nitrogen tetroxide. The last 3 of the tests using an oxidizer simulant were run with a reduced amount of simulant (535 ml) in order to reduce the refrigeration effect. A complete evaluation of the oxidizer simulants is presented in Section A.6 of this appendix.

### A.3 BELL ASCENT ENGINE INJECTOR TESTS, PHASE II

#### A.3.1 Test Objectives

The objectives of the Phase II cold flow tests conducted with a Bell ascent injector were:

1. Determine pressure and temperature histories of the injector assembly and the retained propellants.
2. Determine fuel residuals as a function of coast time for single and dual pulse tests.
3. Evaluate the propellant residual distillation procedure for the Bell injector.

#### A.3.2 Test Article Configuration and Instrumentation

The test article consisted of an instrumented Bell ascent engine injector, propellant ducts and a quad-redundant propellant shut-off valve assembly. The injector valves were actuated by a solenoid-controlled nitrogen gas system, and were protected from the injector propellant spray by a splash plate. The injector and valve assembly was fastened to structural supports which were attached to the side walls of the ARC High Altitude Test Facility as in Phase I.

The orientation and instrumentation for the Phase II tests was identical, with one exception, to the Phase I orientation and instrumentation shown on Figures A-4 and A-5. The single exception was the substitution of a 0-5 psia transducer and gage protector for the 0-250 psia transducer used during the Phase I tests. Photographic coverage consisted of 1000 fps (frames per second) and 24 fps color films.

#### A.3.3 Test Series Description

A total of 64 injector cold flow tests were conducted during the period from April 15, 1968 through July 12, 1968. The basic characteristics of these tests are summarized in Table A-3. All tests used simultaneous pulsed flows of Aerozine-50 and an oxidizer simulant, Freon MF. Propellant supply system characteristics are described in Section A.2 and Figure A-1 of this appendix.

The principle difference between the Phase II and Phase I tests was the method of flowing the oxidizer simulant. During all Phase II tests, the oxidizer simulant (Freon MF) flowed through the injector valves, producing the same flow duration for both simulant and fuel. The typical flow pulse duration was 0.6 seconds. In contrast, the Phase I tests employed a trickle flow of simulant lasting for 30 to 120 seconds.

A.3.3 Test Series Description (Continued)

The effectiveness of using pulsed simulant flows was not evaluated by testing. However, an evaluation of simulant properties (Section A.6) indicates that pulsed flows of Freon MF provides a valid oxidizer simulation.

A significant number of the Phase II tests were unsuccessful at a nominal initial temperature of 40°F. The principle reason was failure to attain a uniform injector temperature of 40 + 5°F prior to starting a test. These test failures resulted from difficulty in using trickle flows of Freon MF and isopropyl alcohol to attain uniform injector temperatures.

| TEST NUMBER | FLUIDS         | NOMINAL INITIAL TEMPERATURE (°F) | PROPELLANT PULSE DURATION (SECONDS) | FIRST COAST PERIOD (SEC) | SECOND COAST PERIOD (SEC) | DATA AVAILABLE | REMARKS        |
|-------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1           | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 2           | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 3           | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 4           | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 5           | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 6           | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 7           | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 8           | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.55                                | 46                       | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 89 cc residual |
| 9           | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.55                                | 125                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 72 cc residual |
| 10          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.55                                | 624                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 36 cc residual |
| 11          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.55                                | 49                       | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 87 cc residual |
| 12          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 13          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.55                                | 635                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 32 cc residual |
| 14          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 15          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 16          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 17          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.55                                | 38.5                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 59 cc residual |
| 18          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 19          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 20          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.55                                | 616                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 43 cc residual |
| 21          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 22          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 23          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |
| 24          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -              |

TABLE A-3  
BELL INJECTOR PHASE II TEST SUMMARY

| TEST NUMBER | FLUIDS         | NOMINAL INITIAL TEMPERATURE (°F) | PROPELLANT PULSE DURATION (SECONDS) | FIRST COAST PERIOD (SEC) | SECOND COAST PERIOD (SEC) | DATA AVAILABLE | REMARKS         |
|-------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 25          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.55                                | 15.4                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 106 cc residual |
| 26          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -               |
| 27          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.55                                | 120                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 18 cc residual  |
| 28          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.55                                | 120                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 14 cc residual  |
| 29          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.55                                | 28.7                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 27 cc residual  |
| 30          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.55                                | 33.9                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 33 cc residual  |
| 31          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.55                                | 14.5                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 42 cc residual  |
| 32          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.55                                | 16.7                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 40 cc residual  |
| 33          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.55                                | 600                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 8 cc residual   |
| 34          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.55                                | 600                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 8 cc residual   |
| 35          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.55                                | 15                       | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 74 cc residual  |
| 36          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.55                                | 1860                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 30 cc residual  |
| 37          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -               |
| 38          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -               |
| 39          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.5                                 | 299.4                    | 294                       | P, T, R, M     | -               |
| 40          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.5                                 | 300                      | 241                       | P, T, R, M     | 71 cc residual  |

TABLE A-3  
BELL INJECTOR PHASE II TEST SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

| TEST NUMBER | FLUIDS         | NOMINAL INITIAL TEMPERATURE (°F) | PROPELLANT PULSE DURATION (SECONDS) | FIRST COAST PERIOD (SEC) | SECOND COAST PERIOD (SEC) | DATA AVAILABLE | REMARKS           |
|-------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 41          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -                 |
| 42          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.5                                 | 300                      | 1790                      | P, T, R, M     | 16 cc residual    |
| 43          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.5                                 | 340.7                    | 1830                      | P, T, R, M     | 47 cc residual    |
| 44          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.5                                 | 300                      | 300                       | P, T, R, M     | 66 cc residual    |
| 45          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.5                                 | 7200                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 7 cc residual     |
| 46          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.5                                 | 309.4                    | 7146                      | P, T, R, M     | 19 cc residual    |
| 47          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -                 |
| 48          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -                 |
| 49          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -                 |
| 50          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -                 |
| 51          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.5                                 | 301                      | 130                       | P, T, R, M     | 80.1 cc residual  |
| 52          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.5                                 | 305                      | 7200                      | P, T, R, M     | 14.9 cc residual  |
| 53          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -                 |
| 54          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -                 |
| 55          | A-50, Freon MF | 40                               | 0.5                                 | 307                      | 303                       | P, T, R, M     | 73.75 cc residual |
| 56          | -              | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | -                 |
| 57          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.5                                 | 304                      | 300                       | P, T, R, M     | 24.9 cc residual  |
| 58          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.5                                 | 303                      | 305                       | P, T, R, M     | 2.4 cc residual   |

TABLE A-3  
BELL INJECTOR PHASE II TEST SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

| TEST NUMBER | FLUIDS         | NOMINAL INITIAL TEMPERATURE (°F) | PROPELLANT PULSE DURATION (SECONDS) | FIRST COAST PERIOD (SEC) | SECOND COAST PERIOD (SEC) | DATA AVAILABLE | REMARKS          |
|-------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 59          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.5                                 | 302                      | 2394                      | P, T, R, M     | 17.9 cc residual |
| 60          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.5                                 | 306                      | 529                       | P, T, R, M     | 29.5 cc residual |
| 61          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.5                                 | 302                      | 4048                      | P, T, R, M     | 14.6 cc residual |
| 62          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.5                                 | 306                      | 7080                      | P, T, R, M     | 4.2 cc residual  |
| 63          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.5                                 | 302                      | 41                        | P, T, R, M     | 42.5 cc residual |
| 64          | A-50, Freon MF | 70                               | 0.5                                 | 303                      | 36                        | P, T, R, M     | 41.6 cc residual |

△ Data Available: P = Pressure, T = Temperature, R = Mass residuals, M = Movies

TABLE A-3  
BELL INJECTOR PHASE II TEST SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

#### A.4 TRW DESCENT ENGINE INJECTOR TESTS

##### A.4.1 Test Objectives

The objectives of the cold flow tests conducted with a TRW injector were:

1. Determine pressure and temperature histories of the injector assembly and the retained propellants.
2. Determine fuel residuals as a function of coast time for single and dual pulse tests.
3. Evaluate the distillation procedure for the TRW injector.
4. Evaluate the oxidizer simulant (Freon TF) used during fuel side tests.
5. Obtain photographic records of the phenomena occurring during propellant flow and coast periods.

##### A.4.2 Test Article Configuration and Instrumentation

The test article consisted of an instrumented descent engine injector, injector manifolds and quad-redundant propellant shut-off valve assembly. The variable-area cavitating venturis were replaced with straight segments of tubing. Significant modifications incorporated into the ARC test article are listed below:

1. A fixed thrust assembly to provide accurate adjustment of the injector gap for 10% thrust setting.
2. Fixed-area cavitating venturis (changeable inserts) to provide proper propellant flow rates.
3. An injector mounting ring to serve as a base for the fixed thrust assembly, a support for the injector dome cover, and as a mount for the assembly in Atlantic Research Corporation's test setup.
4. An injector dome cover to be used in vacuum distilling residual propellant from the manifolds.
5. Provision for extensive instrumentation to acquire the necessary test data.

The test injector was mounted in the ARC High Altitude Test Facility by fastening the injector mounting ring to a specially designed support structure. The injector face was tipped down so that the thrust vector axis (+X) was oriented 8° above the horizontal. The thrust

#### A.4.2 Test Article Configuration and Instrumentation (Continued)

assembly and fixed-area cavitating venturis were adjusted to provide a 10% thrust setting. Propellant supply system characteristics are described in Section A.2 and are shown in Figure A-2 of this appendix.

The location of pressure and temperature transducers is shown on Figure A-6. Copper-constantan thermocouples were used for all temperature measurements. Temperature measurements identified as TC-113, -114, -115, and -116 were immersion thermocouples supplied by ARC. Thermocouples TC-1 through TC-12 were supplied and mounted by TRW. TC-1, -2, -6, -8 were cemented; all others were spot welded. Available information on pressure transducers is given in the table below.

##### TRANSDUCER CHARACTERISTICS

| TEST NUMBERS | P <sub>1</sub><br>FUEL<br>DUCT | P <sub>2</sub><br>FUEL<br>MANIFOLD | P <sub>3</sub><br>FUEL<br>MANIFOLD | P <sub>4</sub><br>OXID<br>DUCT | P <sub>5</sub><br>OXID<br>INJECTOR |
|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1-3          | 0-350<br>psia                  | none                               | 0-5 psia                           | none                           | none                               |
| 3-22         | 0-15<br>psia                   | 0-5 psia                           | none                               | none                           | none                               |
| 23-26        | none                           | none                               | none                               | 0-15<br>psia                   | 0-5<br>psia                        |

The low range pressure transducers (0-5 psia and 0-15 psia) were equipped with a protective device which prevented them from being damaged by exposure to the normal manifold pressures experienced during propellant flow pulses.

#### A.4.3 Test Series Description

A total of 26 injector cold flow tests were conducted during the period from August 26 through September 27, 1968 and December 8, 1968 through March 8, 1969. The descent injector tests were temporarily suspended in October in order to accomplish higher priority tests on the Rocketdyne ascent injector. The basic characteristics of these tests are summarized in Table A-4. No beaker tests were conducted during the TRW injector test series.

The TRW descent injector was cooled to 40°F, when required, by spraying isopropyl alcohol from two circular manifolds onto the valve side of the injector. Two heat lamps were aimed at the lower area of the injector manifolds to compensate for the overcooling which occurred when alcohol drained down and collected near the bottom of the

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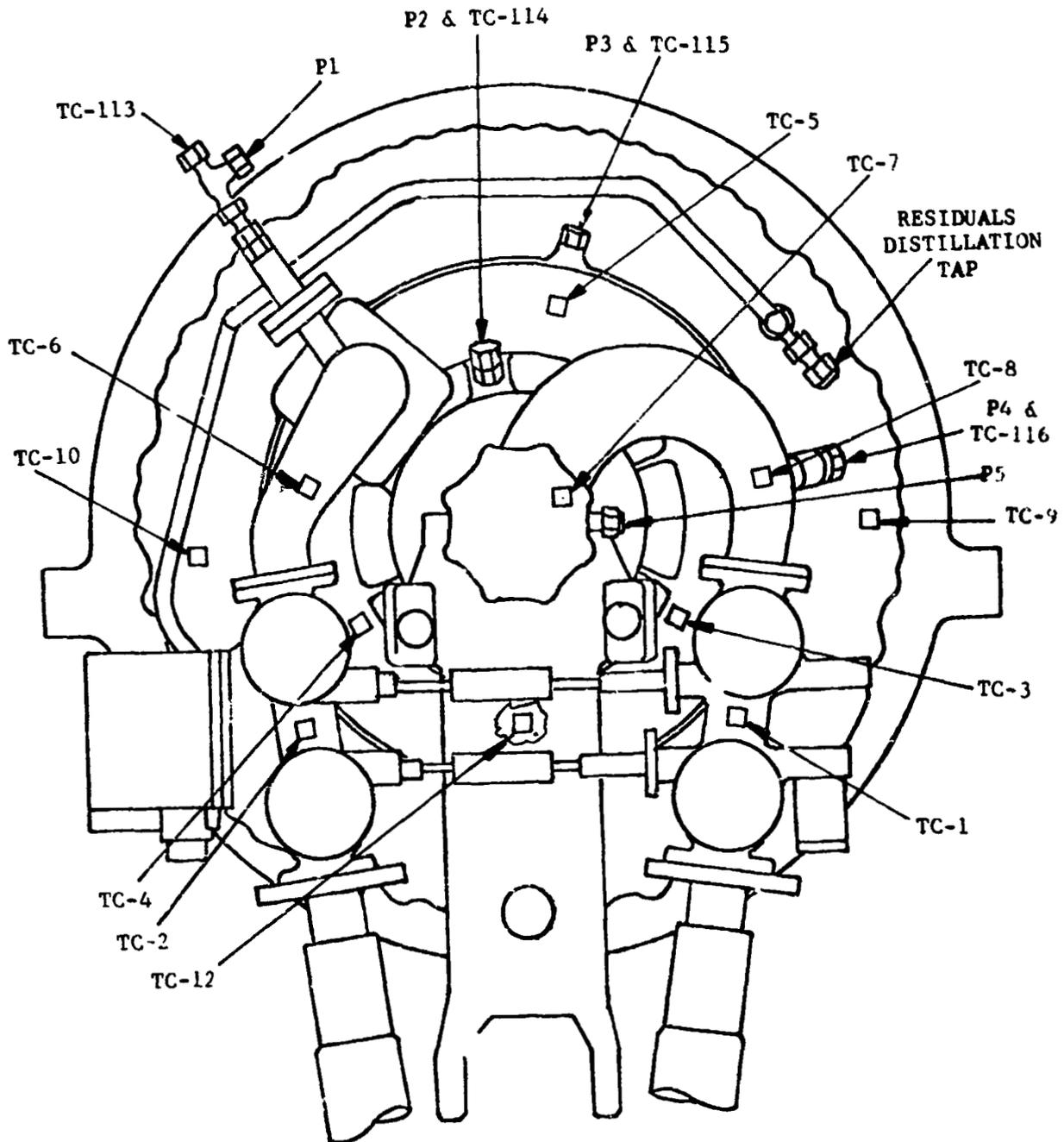


FIGURE A-6 INSTRUMENTATION LOCATIONS ON TRW INJECTOR

| TEST NUMBER | FLUIDS         | NOMINAL INITIAL TEMPERATURE (°F) | PROPELLANT PULSE DURATION (SECONDS) | FIRST COAST PERIOD (SEC) | SECOND COAST PERIOD (SEC) | DATA AVAILABLE | REMARKS            |
|-------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1           | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.0                                 | 1800                     | none                      | None           | Test unsuccessful  |
| 2           | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.0                                 | 1799                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 7 cc residual      |
| 3           | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.0                                 | 1799                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 9 cc residual      |
| 4           | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.5                                 | 1800                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 10 cc residual     |
| 5           | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.5                                 | 297                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 21 cc residual     |
| 6           | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.5                                 | 297                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 21 cc residual     |
| 7           | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.5                                 | 137                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 34 cc residual     |
| 8           | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.5                                 | 135                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 37 cc residual     |
| 9           | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.5                                 | 137                      | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 37 cc residual     |
| 10          | A-50, Freon TF | 40                               | 3.5                                 | 1800                     | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 45 cc residual     |
| 11          | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.5                                 | 297                      | 288                       | P, T, M        | -                  |
| 12          | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.5                                 | 288                      | 1800                      | P, T, R, M     | 36 cc residual     |
| 13          | A-50, Freon TF | 70                               | 3.5                                 | 292                      | 125                       | P, T, R, M     | 85 cc residual     |
| 14          | A-50, Freon TF | 40                               | 3.7                                 | 300.3                    | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 114.35 cc residual |
| 15          | A-50, Freon TF | 40                               | 3.6                                 | 604.6                    | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 89-1/4 cc residual |

TABLE A-4  
YRW INJECTOR TEST SUMMARY

| TEST NUMBER | FLUIDS                        | NOMINAL INITIAL TEMPERATURE (°F) | PROPELLANT FULSE DURATION (SECONDS) | FIRST COAST PERIOD (SEC) | SECOND COAST PERIOD (SEC) | DATA AVAILABLE | REMARKS              |
|-------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| 16          | A-50, Freon TF                | 40                               | 3.6                                 | 1220.8                   | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 98.3 cc residual     |
| 17          | A-50, Freon TF                | 40                               | 3.6                                 | 1824.4                   | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 66.4 cc residual     |
| 18          | A-50, Freon TF                | 40                               | 3.6                                 | 3596.4                   | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 54.1 cc residual     |
| 19          | A-50, Freon TF                | 40                               | 3.6                                 | 7196.4                   | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 34.9 cc residual     |
| 20          | A-50, Freon TF                | 40                               | 3.6                                 | 1218.2                   | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 86.7 cc residual     |
| 21          | A-50, Freon TF                | 40                               | 3.6                                 | 212.4                    | none                      | P, T, R, M     | 143.5 cc residual    |
| 22          | -                             | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | none           | No data on this test |
| 23          | Freon TF                      | 40                               | 3.6                                 | 3605                     | none                      | P, T           | Simulant evaluation  |
| 24          | Freon TF                      | 40                               | 3.6                                 | 3600                     | none                      | P, T           | Simulant evaluation  |
| 25          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | 40                               | 3.6                                 | 3602                     | none                      | P, T           | Simulant evaluation  |
| 26          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | 40                               | 3.6                                 | 3602                     | none                      | P, T           | Simulant evaluation  |

⚠ Data Available: P = Pressure, T = Temperature, R = Mass Residuals, M = Movies

TABLE A-4  
TRM INJECTOR TEST SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

A.4.3 Test Series Description (Continued)

injector plate.

An oxidizer simulant, Freon TF, was used during all fuel flow tests. The simulant was flowed through the injector oxidizer valves, producing the same flow duration for both the simulant and the A-50 fuel. Two simulant flows and two oxidizer flows were conducted to determine the injector thermal response to oxidizer flows and to evaluate the effectiveness of the oxidizer simulant. These tests are evaluated in Section A.6 of this appendix.

## A.5 ROCKETDYNE ASCENT ENGINE INJECTOR TESTS

### A.5.1 Test Objectives

The objectives of the cold flow tests conducted with a Rocketdyne ascent injector were:

1. Determine pressure and temperature histories of the injector assembly and the retained propellants.
2. Determine fuel residuals as a function of coast time for single pulse tests.
3. Obtain photographic records of the phenomena occurring during propellant flow and coast periods.

The objectives of the cold flow tests conducted with a beaker simulating the Rocketdyne ascent injector were:

1. Evaluate the effects of orientation on propellant expulsion and freezing phenomena.
2. Evaluate the effects of injector filters on propellant expulsion and freezing phenomena.
3. Obtain photographic records of the propellant expulsion and freezing phenomena.

### A.5.2 Test Article Configuration and Instrumentation

The test article consisted of an instrumented Rocketdyne ascent engine injector, injector manifolds, and quad-redundant propellant ball valve assembly. The injector contained LM-3 configuration ("old") injector filters. The test article was modified to provide the required instrumentation ports and tap for the propellant distillation apparatus. The injector ball valves were actuated by gaseous nitrogen, and were protected from the injector propellant spray by a splash plate.

The test injector was mounted in the ARC High Altitude Test Facility by fastening the injector flange to a specially designed support structure. The injector face was tipped down so that the thrust vector axis (+X) was oriented 8° above the horizontal.

The location of pressure and temperature transducers is shown on Figure A-7. Copper-constantan thermocouples were used for all temperature measurements. A low range (0-5 psia) transducer was erroneously mounted on a chamber pressure tap instead of an injector fuel manifold tap. A high range (0-250 psia) transducer was mounted on the injector fuel manifold tap labelled P-2 on Figure A-7. Since the high range transducer did not produce accurate pressure data in the range of

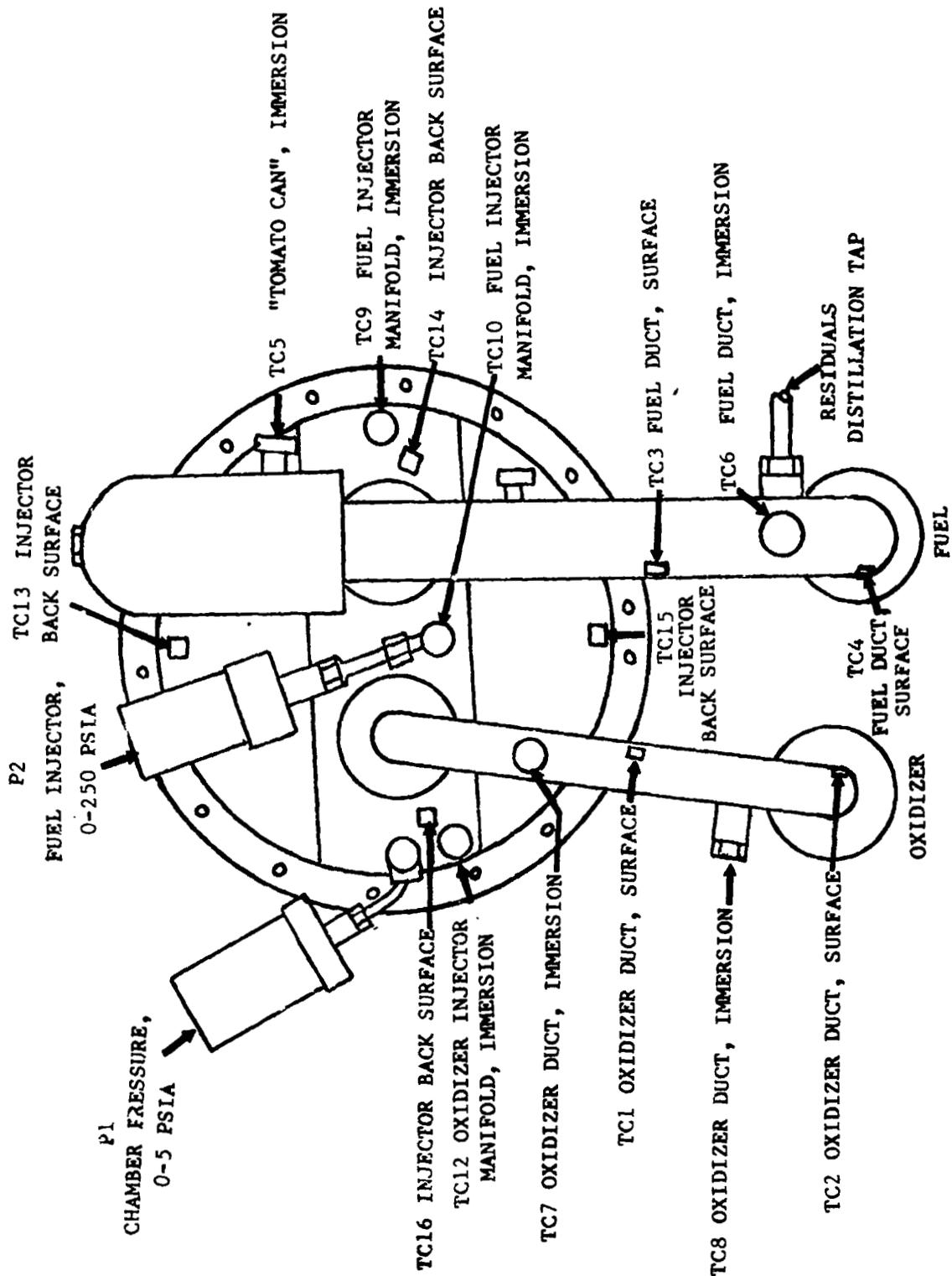


FIGURE A-7 INSTRUMENTATION LOCATIONS ON ROCKETDYNE INJECTOR

### A.5.2 Test Article Configuration and Instrumentation (Continued)

interest (less than 10 psia), the high range transducer data were not reported. Therefore, there was no usable fuel manifold pressure data from the ARC Rocketdyne injector tests.

The beaker used during the Rocketdyne injector test series was a modification of the beaker used during the Phase I Bell injector test series. The modification consisted of machining a hole in the middle aluminum spacer so that a Rocketdyne injector filter could be installed. The beaker had an internal volume of approximately 35 in<sup>3</sup> and an orifice area of approximately 0.24 in<sup>2</sup>. In comparison, the Rocketdyne injector had a fuel side volume of 62.7 in<sup>3</sup> and a fuel orifice area of 0.203 in<sup>2</sup>.

The beaker configuration is shown in Figure A-8. The beaker was constructed from 4 inch diameter pyrex glass sections with aluminum end caps and filter holder. Holes were drilled in the top end cap to simulate the area of the ascent injector fuel orifices. Beaker instrumentation was limited to four copper-constantan thermocouples. Locations for these thermocouples are shown on the schematic drawing of the beaker, Figure A-8.

### A.5.3 Test Series Description

A total of 17 ascent injector cold flow tests were conducted during the period from October 14, 1968 through October 22, 1968. The basic characteristics of these tests are summarized in Table A-5.

A total of 20 beaker tests were conducted during the period from September 30 through October 12, 1968 and November 10-23, 1968. The characteristics of these tests are summarized in Table A-6. High-speed (1000 fps) and normal speed (24 fps) motion pictures were made for each test. The high speed films covered the first 4 seconds of each test, while the normal speed films covered the entire test period. The beaker tests were run according to the following general outline:

1. Condition the beaker and test fluid to the desired temperature.
2. Fill the evacuated beaker with test fluid.
3. Evacuate the test chamber, and remove the beaker cap by actuating a pneumatic cylinder.
4. Allow the beaker to remain uncapped until all residual fuel is frozen.
5. Recap the beaker, allow the residuals to melt, and measure the height of liquid in the beaker.

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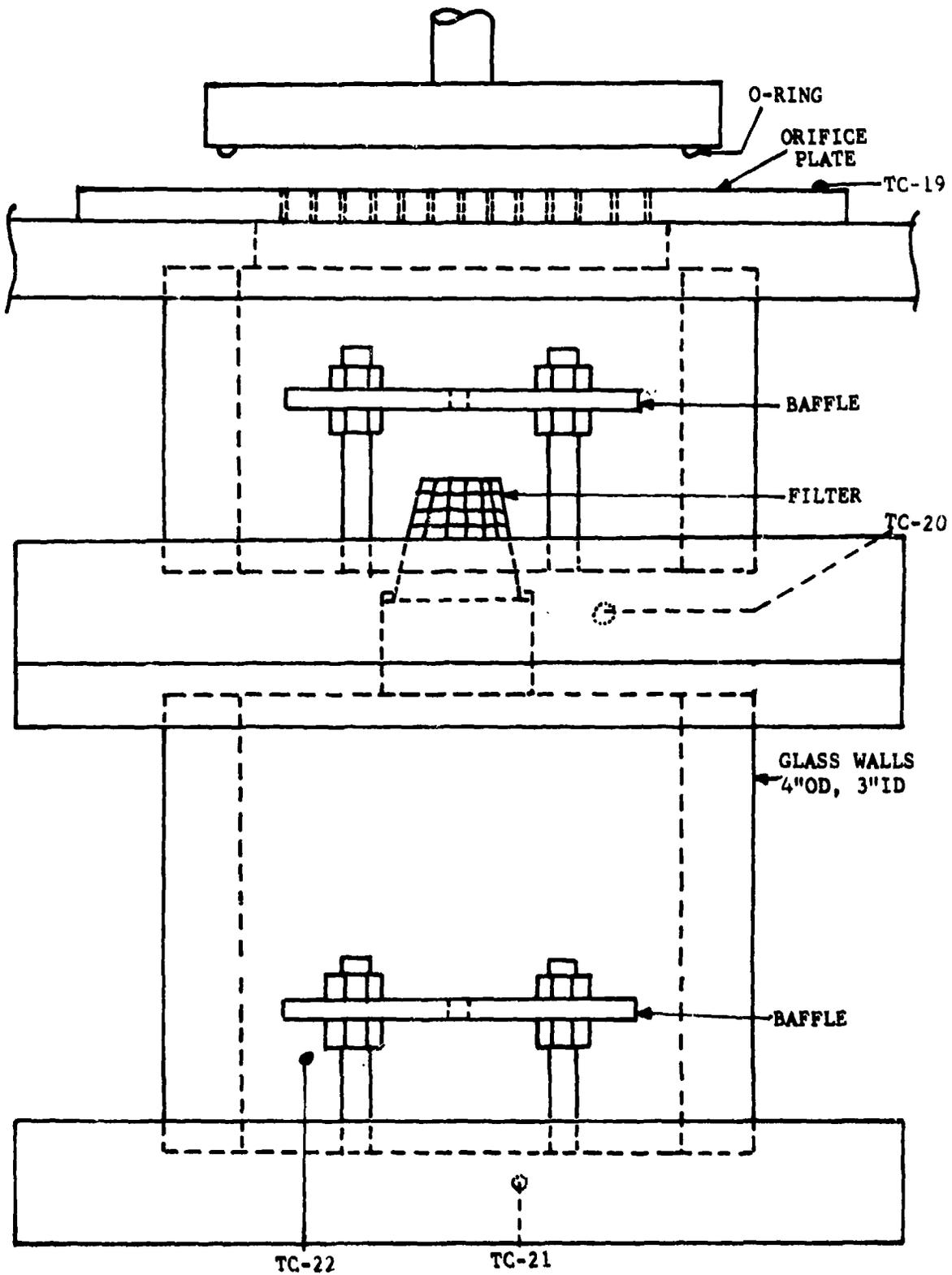


FIGURE A-8 BEAKER CONFIGURATION AND INSTRUMENTATION

| TEST NUMBER | FLUIDS            | NOMINAL INITIAL TEMPERATURE (°F) | PROPELLANT PULSE DURATION (SECONDS) | FIRST COAST PERIOD (SEC) | SECOND COAST PERIOD (SEC) | DATA AVAILABLE | REMARKS              |
|-------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| 1           | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 40                               | 0.7                                 | 7197                     | none                      | T,R,M          | 0 cc residual        |
| 2           | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 40                               | 0.7                                 | 3600                     | none                      | T,R,M          | 13 cc residual       |
| 3           | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 40                               | 0.7                                 | 1797                     | none                      | T,R,M          | 15 cc residual       |
| 4           | -                 | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | No data on this test |
| 5           | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 40                               | 0.56                                | 1200                     | none                      | T,R,M          | 20 cc residual       |
| 6           | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 40                               | 0.56                                | 601                      | none                      | T,R,M          | 31 cc residual       |
| 7           | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 40                               | 0.56                                | 120                      | none                      | T,R,M          | 33 cc residual       |
| 8           | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 40                               | 0.55                                | 61                       | none                      | T,R,M          | 35 cc residual       |
| 9           | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 40                               | 0.55                                | 60                       | none                      | T,R,M          | 29 cc residual       |
| 10          | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 40                               | 0.56                                | 1800                     | none                      | T,R,M          | 16 cc residual       |
| 11          | -                 | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | No data on this test |
| 12          | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 70                               | 0.55                                | 60                       | none                      | T,R,M          | 20 cc residual       |
| 13          | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 70                               | 0.55                                | 123                      | none                      | T,R,M          | 12 cc residual       |
| 14          | -                 | -                                | -                                   | -                        | -                         | -              | No data on this test |
| 15          | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 70                               | 0.56                                | 603                      | none                      | T,R,M          | 3 cc residual        |
| 16          | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 70                               | 0.56                                | 64                       | none                      | T,R,M          | 16 cc residual       |
| 17          | A-50, MF<br>Freon | 70                               | 0.56                                | 120                      | none                      | T,R,M          | 11 cc residual       |

△ Data Available: P = Pressure, R = Mass Residuals, M = Movies

TABLE A-5  
ROCKETDYNE INJECTOR TEST SUMMARY

| TEST NUMBER | FLUID                         | NOMINAL INITIAL TEMPERATURE (°F) | FILTER | BEAKER ORIENTATION | DATA AVAILABLE | REMARKS                       |
|-------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| 1           | A-50                          | 70                               | -      | -                  | T, M           | 40 cc residual @ 10 min.      |
| 2           | A-50                          | 70                               | old    | up                 | T, R, M        |                               |
| 3           | A-50                          | 70                               | -      | -                  | T, M           |                               |
| 4           | A-50                          | 70                               | new    | up                 | T, R, M        | 20 cc residual @ 10 min.      |
| 5           | A-50                          | 70                               | new    | horizontal         | T, R, M        | 12 cc residual @ 10 min.      |
| 6           | A-50                          | 70                               | old    | horizontal         | T, R, M        | 12 cc residual                |
| 7           | A-50                          | 70                               | none   | horizontal         | T, R, M        | 2 cc residual @ 840 sec.      |
| 8           | A-50                          | 40                               | none   | up                 | T, R, M        | 172 cc residual @ 900 sec.    |
| 9           | A-50                          | 40                               | old    | up                 | T, R, M        | 186 cc residual @ 660 sec.    |
| 10          | A-50                          | 40                               | new    | up                 | T, R, M        | 424 cc residual @ 660 sec.    |
| 11          | A-50                          | 30                               | new    | up                 | T, M           | Beaker inadvertently recapped |
| 12          | A-50                          | 30                               | new    | up                 | T, R, M        | 424 cc residual @ 2400 sec.   |
| 13          | A-50                          | 30                               | none   | up                 | T, R, M        | 411 cc residual @ 1400 sec.   |
| 14          | A-50                          | 30                               | none   | down               | T, R, M        | No residual @ 300 sec.        |
| 15          | A-50                          | 30                               | new    | down               | T, R, M        | No residual @ 400 sec.        |
| 16          | A-50                          | 30                               | new    | horizontal         | T, R, M        | 79 cc residual @ 800 sec.     |
| 17          | A-50                          | 30                               | none   | horizontal         | T, R, M        | 12 cc residual @ 370 sec.     |
| 18          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | 30                               | new    | horizontal         | T, R, M        | 48 cc residual @ 220 sec.     |
| 19          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | 30                               | new    | down               | T, R, M        | No residual @ 83 sec.         |
| 20          | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | 30                               | new    | up                 | T, R, M        | 188 cc residual @ 980 sec.    |

 "Old" Filter - LM-3 configuration; "New" Filter - LM-5 configuration  
 Data Available: T = Temperature, R = Mass residuals, M = Movies

TABLE A-6  
ROCKETDYNE INJECTOR, BEAKER SIMULATION TEST SUMMARY

A.6 EVALUATION OF INJECTOR COLD FLOW TESTING

A.6.1 Limitations of Cold Flow Testing

This section evaluates specific cold flow test factors which can limit the application of cold flow test results to the prediction and evaluation of hot firing test results. The specific test factors are listed below. One significant factor, the absence of combustion heat input, is omitted from this section, but is discussed in Appendix E.

1. Cold flow tests were run without a thrust chamber.
2. Cold flow tests used oxidizer simulants (Freon MF or TF) in place of the oxidizer during all fuel flows.
3. Injector valves were actuated by a  $\text{GN}_2$  system during cold flow tests. Hot-firing tests used a fuel actuation system. Total actuation times approximated those of the fuel actuated system.

The cold flow test data can be significantly affected by the level of the "chamber pressure" existing at the injector face during, and after, each propellant flow pulse. The "chamber pressure" measured during cold flow tests was actually the altitude chamber pressure, which was significantly lower than the chamber pressure that would result from propellant combustion in a thrust chamber. During the propellant flow pulse, and immediately after termination of the flow pulse, the liquid flow rate out of the injector will be increased by any reduction in the "chamber pressure" existing at the injector face. When the flow through the injector orifices becomes two phase (liquid plus gas) or single phase (gas only), the chamber pressure level may affect the flow rate out of the injector. At the present time, the effect of chamber pressure on the gas and two phase flow rates through the injector "orifices" is not known. Analysis of the flow phenomena is complicated by the fact that the injector "orifices" are actually cylindrical holes having an L/D of approximately 2.7 to 3.8. As a result, the injector orifice flow may not "choke" in the same way that flow through the thrust chamber throat becomes "choked". If the injector orifices do not choke, the injector flow rate will always be a function of the "chamber pressure", and the comparison of cold flow tests to hot firing tests will become difficult and complex. Because of the importance of injector flow characteristics in the cold flow to hot firing correlation, the injector flow characteristics require further investigation.

## A.6.1 Limitations of Cold Flow Testing (Continued)

The engine ball valves were actuated by a GN<sub>2</sub> system during the ARC cold flow tests, instead of the normal fuel actuation system used during hot firing tests. This difference had no significant effect on the cold flow tests because a cold flow test is valid if the injector and manifolds are filled with propellants during the flow pulse. Although valve actuation times were not reported by ARC, it is concluded that the actuation times were adequate to fill the injector and manifolds during the commanded pulse durations. This conclusion is based on approximate actuation times reported during facility checkout prior to the TRW tests, and examination of test data which show that the temperatures of both the top and bottom of the injectors responded to propellant flow pulses.

An oxidizer simulant, Freon TF or Freon MF, was used during all fuel flow tests on the Rocketdyne injector, the TRW injector and the Phase II Bell injector test series, and on some of the Phase I Bell injector test series. The purpose of using the oxidizer simulants was to produce an accurate thermal simulation of the oxidizer cooling effects without producing combustion. The effectiveness of the oxidizer simulants was evaluated by comparing the injector thermal response to simulant flows and to oxidizer (nitrogen tetroxide) flows.

Simulant evaluation tests were conducted at the end of the Phase I Bell injector tests and at the end of the TRW injector tests. The effect of the simulant pulse flows used during the Rocketdyne injector tests and Phase II Bell injector tests was not evaluated by testing. As a result, the evaluation of simulant effectiveness for these tests must be based on a comparison between simulant and oxidizer properties.

The simulant used during Bell and Rocketdyne ascent injector tests was Freon MF. Because of material compatibility problems in the TRW descent injector, the oxidizer simulant was changed to Freon TF for the descent injector tests. The tables below list the vapor pressure, density, boiling and freezing points and heat of vaporization for N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, Freon TF (CCl<sub>2</sub>F - CCl<sub>4</sub>F<sub>2</sub>) and Freon MF (CCl<sub>3</sub>F).

| <u>Property</u>               | <u>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub></u> | <u>Freon TF</u> | <u>Freon MF</u> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Boiling Point                 | 70°F @ 1 atm.                     | 118°F @ 1 atm.  | 75°F @ 1 atm.   |
| Freezing Point                | 12°F @ 1 atm.                     | -31°F @ 1 atm.  | -168°F @ 1 atm. |
| Heat of Vap. at Boiling Point | 178 BTU/lb                        | 63.1 BTU/lb     | 78.3 BTU/lb     |

## A.6.1 Limitations of Cold Flow Testing (Continued)

| Temp.<br>°F | N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> |                           | Freon TF                      |                           | Freon MF                      |                           |
|-------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
|             | Density<br>lb/ft <sup>3</sup> | Vapor<br>Pressure<br>psia | Density<br>lb/ft <sup>3</sup> | Vapor<br>Pressure<br>psia | Density<br>lb/ft <sup>3</sup> | Vapor<br>Pressure<br>psia |
| 10          | 94.5                          | 2.5                       | 102                           | 1.2                       | 97                            | 3.2                       |
| 20          | 93.9                          | 3.5                       | 102                           | 1.6                       | 96.5                          | 4.2                       |
| 30          | 93.2                          | 4.8                       | 101                           | 2.0                       | 96                            | 5.5                       |
| 40          | 92.5                          | 6.5                       | 100                           | 2.7                       | 95                            | 7.2                       |
| 50          | 91.7                          | 8.6                       | 99.5                          | 3.3                       | 94                            | 8.9                       |
| 60          | 90.9                          | 12.2                      | 99                            | 4.3                       | 93.5                          | 11                        |
| 70          | 90.2                          | 14.5                      | 98.5                          | 5.4                       | 92.5                          | 13                        |

The tables above show that, except for the lower freezing point and lower heat of vaporization, Freon MF is a good N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> simulant. Freon TF, used during the descent injection tests, is a poorer simulant than Freon MF because the vapor pressure and heat of vaporization are significantly lower than either Freon MF or N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>.

The evaluation of oxidizer simulation during Phase I Bell injector tests was conducted by comparing test results from trickle flows of simulant (Freon MF) to test results from pulsed flows of oxidizer (N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>). The volumes of Freon used (535 ml and 1070 ml) during the evaluation tests are representative of the amounts used during the Phase I fuel flow tests. The time required to flow these amounts of Freon, at a supply pressure of 15 psia, was approximately 50 seconds and 120 seconds respectively. The duration of the N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> flow pulse was 0.6 seconds at a supply pressure of 160 psia.

The thermal response of the Bell injector to a trickle flow of 535 ml of Freon MF and a 0.6 second flow pulse of N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> is shown on Figure A-9. Following the N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> flow, the immersion thermocouple in the injector oxidizer flow passage (TC 11) responded rapidly, dropping to 7°F in 7.5 seconds. The injector (TC 8) responded slowly, with the injector temperature still decreasing slowly at the termination of the test (300 seconds). Although the minimum oxidizer flow passage temperature was 7°F, the injector was cooled to a minimum of 32°F, a 10°F decrease in temperature. In contrast, the trickle flow of Freon MF caused a slow temperature decrease to 20°F in the oxidizer injector flow passage. The injector was cooled significantly during the Freon flow, reaching 28°F at 60 seconds. The minimum oxidizer flow passage temperature (19°F) and the minimum injector temperature (24°F) were reached at approximately 120 seconds. Comparing the temperature data show that the simulant produced a significantly greater temperature decrease (19-22°F) than did the oxidizer (9-10°F).

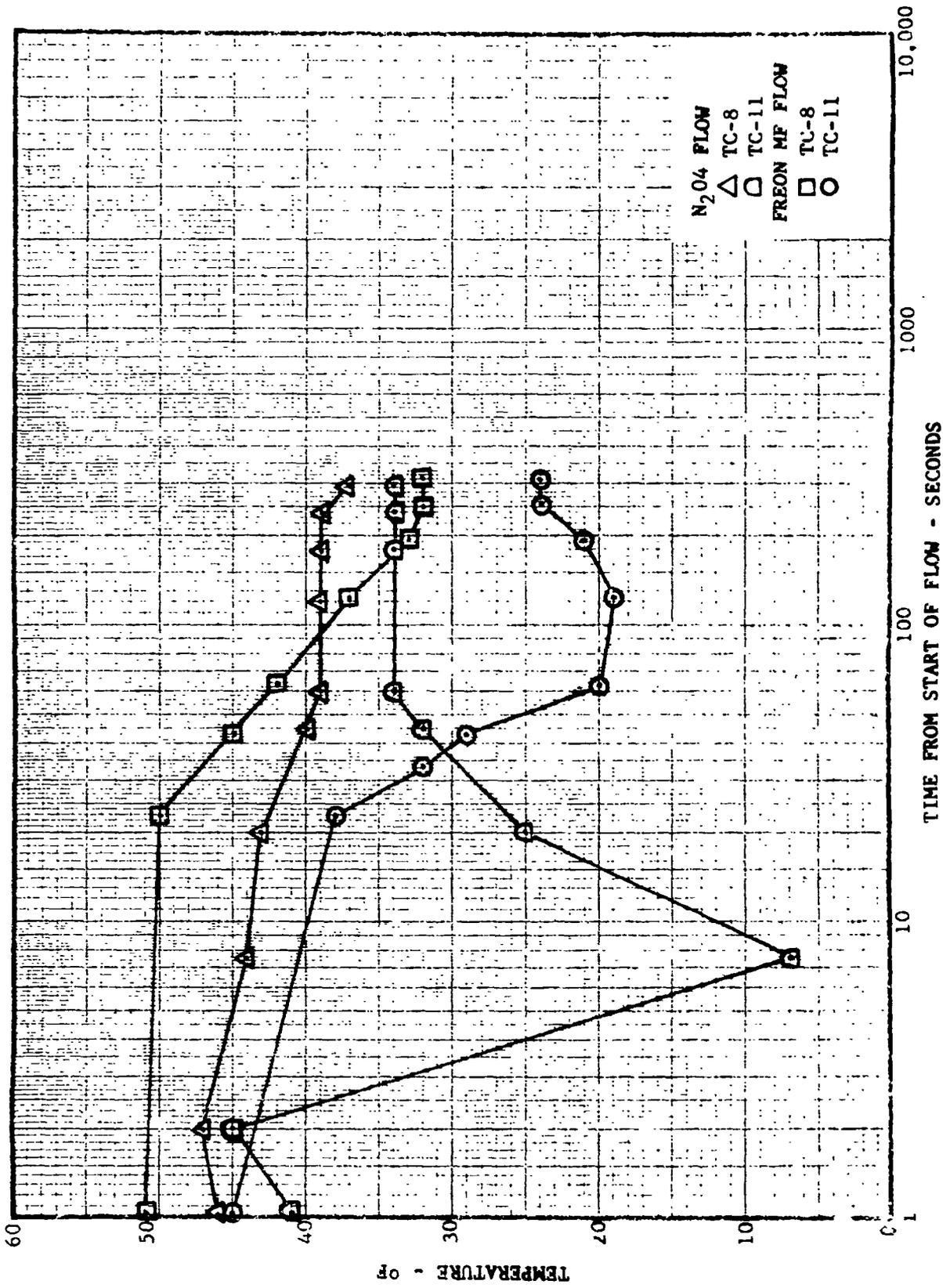


FIGURE A-9 TEMPERATURE HISTORIES FOR BELL INJECTOR OXIDIZER MANIFOLD

## A.6.1 Limitations of Cold Flow Testing (Continued)

Additional data on the effect of the Phase I oxidizer simulation is shown on Figure A-10. This figure presents temperature data from Test #9, run without simulant flow, and Test #18, run with a trickle flow of 535 ml of Freon MF during each of the first four fuel pulses. The thermocouple, TC 12, was located on the external surface of the injector fuel manifold, at the bottom of the injector. The data show that the trickle flow of simulant had a significant effect on injector temperature. The injector temperature for Test #18, run with simulant, was from 5° to 20°F colder than the injector temperature measured during Test #9. The refrigerating effect of the simulant trickle flow could have significantly increased the amount of frozen fuel residuals, and caused premature injector blockage.

An evaluation of the oxidizer simulant (Freon TF) used during the descent injector tests was conducted during the last 4 tests of the test series. Descent injector tests 23 and 24 were run with 3.6 second pulses of Freon TF, and tests 25 and 26 were run with 3.6 second pulses of N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>.

The thermal response of the TRW descent injector to pulsed simulant and oxidizer flows is shown on Figures A-11 and A-12. Figure A-11 shows the response of a thermocouple (TC 8) located on the oxidizer duct in a region which retains fluid after the flow pulse is completed. These data show that the Freon TF did not cool the oxidizer manifold as rapidly nor to as low a temperature as the N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>. From 6 to about 60 seconds, the Freon was approximately 10°F warmer than the N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> and from 60 to 1000 seconds, the temperature difference increased to about 20°F. From 1000 to 3600 seconds, the Freon and N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> temperatures converge, until at 3600 seconds, they are again nearly the same. Figure A-12 shows the response of a thermocouple (TC 12) located on the bottom of the injector fuel manifold. The temperature response to simulant and oxidizer flows differed by a maximum of 7°F.

The similarity of the LMDE fuel manifold thermal responses is a result of the LMDE oxidizer flow path. Oxidizer and simulant flow in the LMDE injector is confined to the center of the injector. This limits the heat transfer between the oxidizer flow path and the large injector fuel manifold located on the periphery of the injector. As a result, the effectiveness of an oxidizer simulant has a relatively small effect on the fuel-side characteristics of the LMDE injector.

The effect of the simulant pulse flows used during the Phase II Bell injector tests and the Rocketdyne injector tests was not evaluated by testing. A comparison between the properties of Freon MF and N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> shows that the densities and vapor pressures are comparable, but the Freon MF heat of vaporization is only 44% of the N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> heat of vaporization. The low Freon heat of vaporization did not significantly

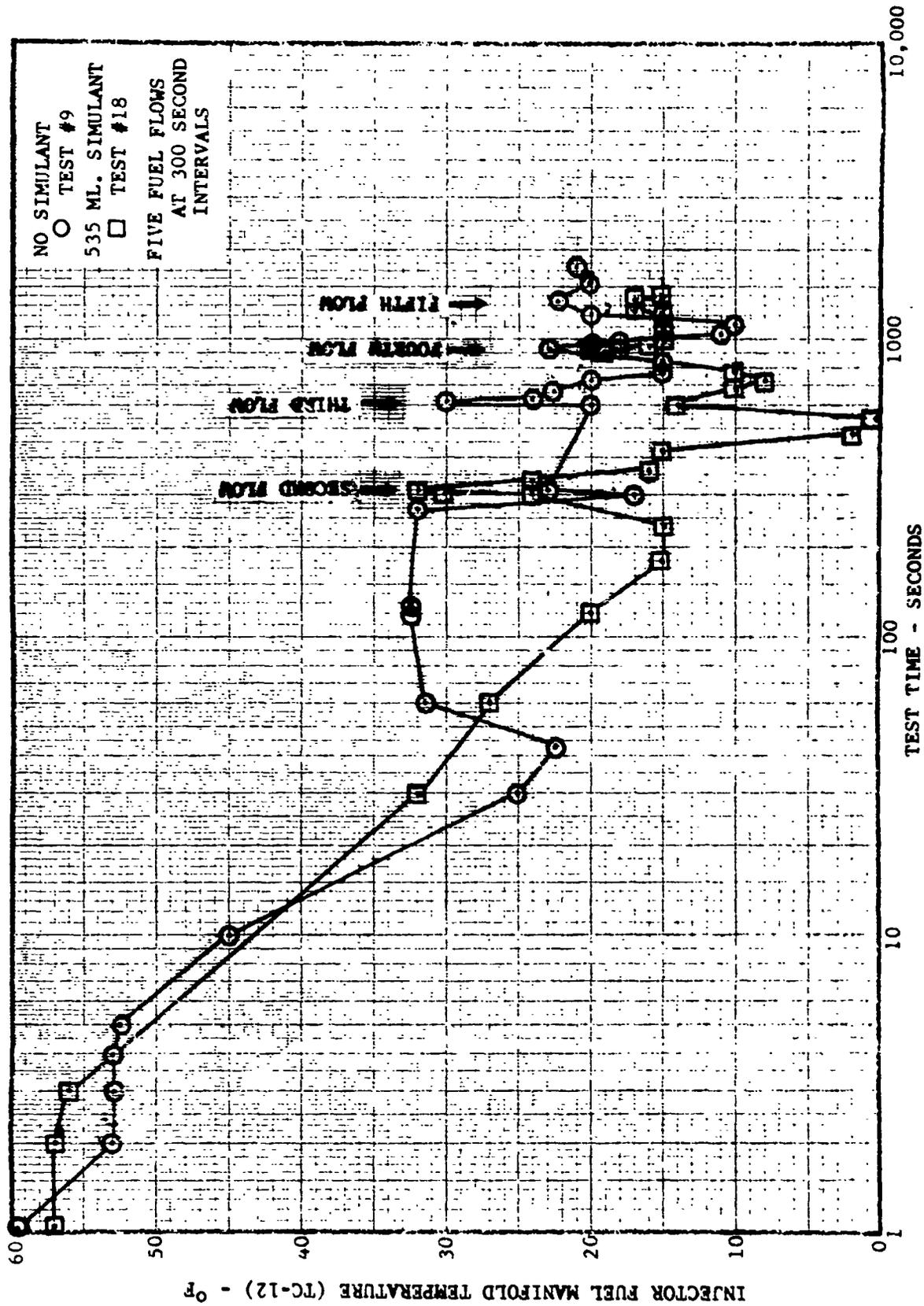


FIGURE A-10 TEMPERATURE HISTORY OF BELL INJECTOR FUEL MANIFOLD

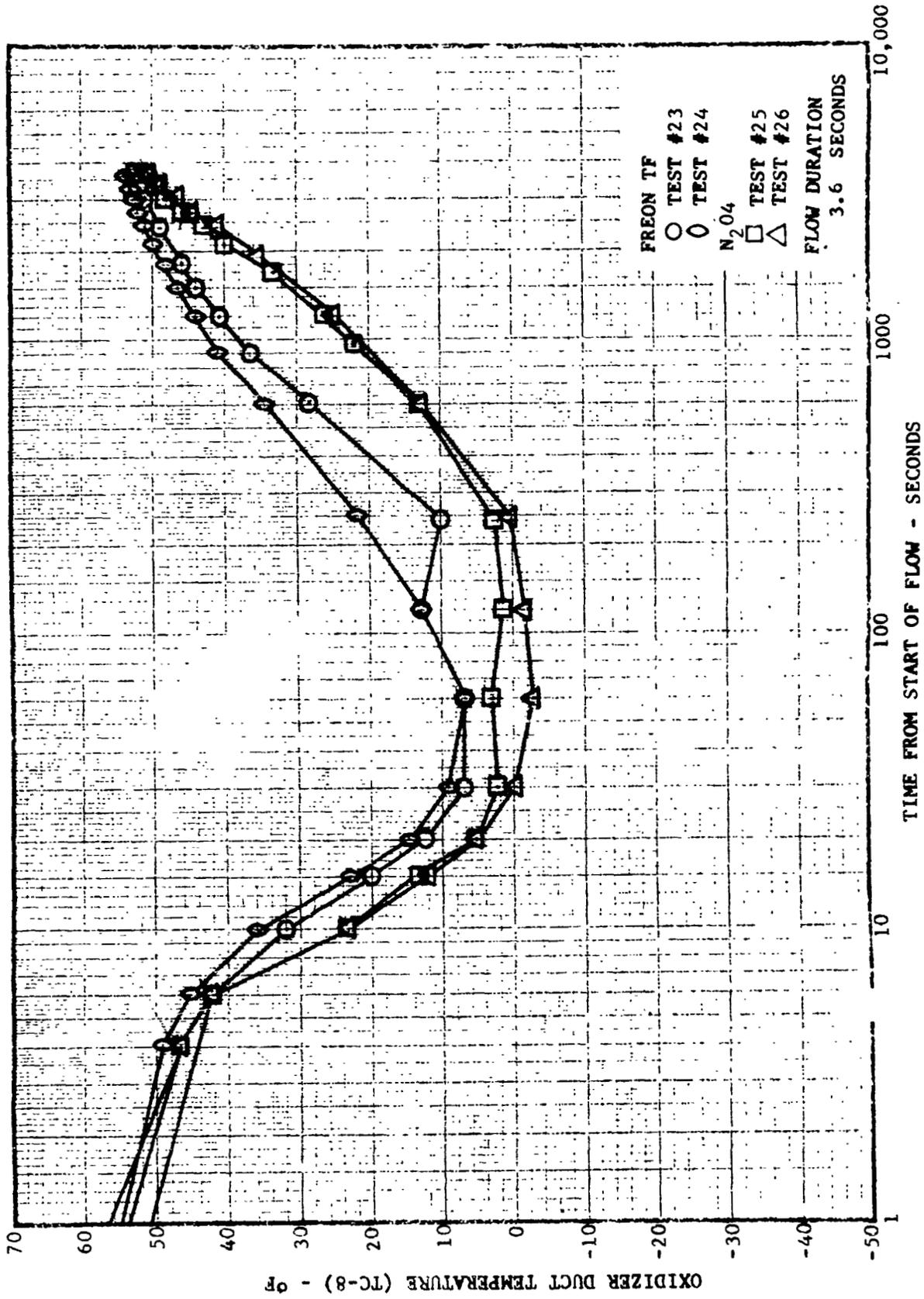
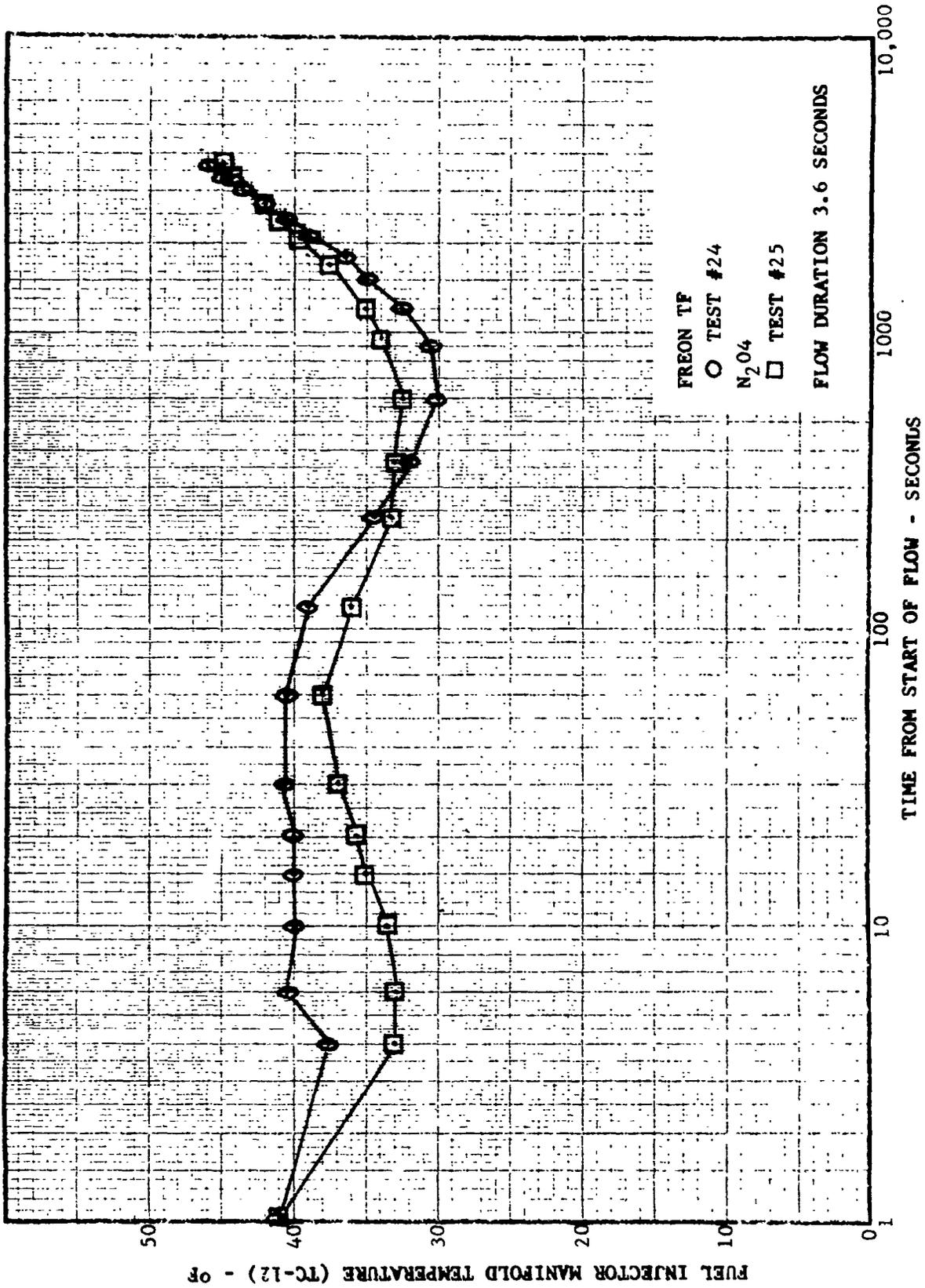


FIGURE A-11 TEMPERATURE HISTORY OF TRW INJECTOR OXIDIZER DUCT



TEMPERATURE HISTORY OF TRW INJECTOR FUEL MANIFOLD

## A.6.1 Limitations of Cold Flow Testing (Continued)

affect the temperature of the injector because a major part of the oxidizer residuals were trapped in the duct between the injector valves and the injector. Within a few seconds after flow termination, the injector was essentially free from oxidizer or simulant, and the injector passages were primarily cooled by vapor produced in the propellant ducts. As a result, the reduced cooling capacity of the simulant primarily affected the temperature of the oxidizer duct. The relatively large mass of the injector valve assembly (27 lbs) decreased the effect of oxidizer/simulant temperature differences on fuel residuals adjacent to the valve assembly, and the relatively thin duct walls (0.035 inches) thermally isolated the oxidizer/simulant liquid residuals from the injector. It should be noted that the descent injector oxidizer ducts were 10-20°F warmer when simulant (Freon TF) was used, but the injector fuel manifolds were a maximum of only 7°F warmer. As a result of these considerations, it is concluded that Freon MF produced a valid simulation of the oxidizer cooling effects on the injector and fuel ducts.

## A.6.2 Adequacy of Cold Flow Testing

The ARC testing was evaluated to determine if the tests were adequate to identify potential problem areas and to permit a thorough engineering evaluation. This evaluation was based on the test matrices, test instrumentation and test facilities. The test matrices and test instrumentation were specified by GAC and the test facility was operated by ARC to meet the required test conditions.

The summary test matrix below shows the basic types of tests conducted on each injector.

| Test         | Injector Test Series |                  |     |            |
|--------------|----------------------|------------------|-----|------------|
|              | Bell<br>Phase I      | Bell<br>Phase II | TRW | Rocketdyne |
| Fuel Flow    | Yes                  | Yes              | Yes | Yes        |
| Oxid. flow   | Yes                  | No               | Yes | No         |
| Distillation | No                   | Yes              | Yes | No         |
| Evaluation   |                      |                  |     |            |
| Simulant     | Yes                  | No               | Yes | No         |
| Evaluation   |                      |                  |     |            |

The Phase I tests conducted on the Bell ascent injector were adequate to determine the basic phenomena which occur after engine shutdown in a vacuum. The omission of oxidizer flow tests and simulant evaluation tests from the Bell Phase II test series reduced the effectiveness of the engineering analysis. The effectiveness of the Rocketdyne tests was significantly reduced by the omission of oxidizer, distillation

## A.6.2 Adequacy of Cold Flow Testing (Continued)

evaluation, and simulant evaluation tests. The TRW descent injector test series provided an adequate basis for engineering analysis.

The summary instrumentation matrix below shows the basic types of instrumentation for which data were reported during each test series.

| Instrumentation   | Injector Test Series   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
|   | Bell<br>Phase I  | Bell<br>Phase II   | TRW  | Rocketdyne   |
| Pressures (0-15 psia)   |  |  |  |  |
| Test Chamber  | No   | Yes  | Yes  | Yes  |
| Fuel Injector   | No   | Yes  | Yes  | No   |
| Fuel Duct (Inj.)  | No   | No   | Yes  | No   |
| Oxid. Injector  | No   | No   | Yes  | No   |
| Oxid. Duct (Inj.)   | No   | No   | Yes  | No   |
| Temperatures  |  |  |  |  |
| Injector Surface  | No  | No  | Yes  | Yes  |
| Injector Fuel Passages  | Yes  | Yes  | Yes  | Yes  |
| Injector Oxid Passages  | No  | No  | Yes  | Yes  |
| Fuel Duct Surface   | No  | No  | Yes  | Yes  |
| Fuel Duct Immersion   | Yes  | Yes  | Yes  | Yes  |
| Oxid Duct Surface   | No  | No  | Yes  | Yes  |
| Oxid Duct Immersion   | No  | No  | Yes  | Yes  |
| Flow Rates  | No  | No  | No  | No  |
|  | Instrumentation installed, data not reported   |  |  |  |

Pressure data were adequate during the TRW and Bell Phase II tests. However, an instrumentation error resulted in the loss of usable pressure data for all Rocketdyne injector tests. Temperature data for the TRW and Rocketdyne injector tests were excellent because data on both the duct immersion and duct surface thermocouples were reported. Comparison of the data from these two types of thermocouples was used to establish the accuracy and response of the duct surface thermocouples used during the Seattle hot firing tests. (No immersion thermocouples were installed in the injector during the Seattle tests). Reported temperature data were limited to four immersion thermocouples during the Phase I and Phase II Bell injector tests, although a total of 14 thermocouples were installed. No flow rate data were reported, although flow rate instrumentation was installed for all tests except the Phase I oxidizer tests.

## A.6.2 Adequacy of Cold Flow Testing (Continued)

The following test facility summary shows the factors considered during the evaluation of test facility performance for each test series.

| Facility Factor                            | Injector Test Series |                  |        |            |
|--|----------------------|------------------|--------|------------|
|  | Bell<br>Phase I      | Bell<br>Phase II | TRW    | Rocketdyne |
| Injector Orifices Choked                   | Yes ◀1               | Yes              | ◀2     | Yes ◀1     |
| Initial Injector<br>Temperature Variations |                      |                  |        |            |
| Maximum @ 40°F Nom.                        | 14                   | 16               | 15°F   | 4°F        |
| Average @ 40°F Nom.                        | 7                    | 10               | 10.5°F | 2.6°F      |
| Maximum @ 70°F Nom.                        | 7                    | 11               | 7°F    | 4°F        |
| Average @ 70°F Nom.                        | 2.4                  | 7.5              | 3.5°F  | 3.4°F      |
| Propellant Helium<br>Saturation Level      | ◀3                   | ◀3               | ◀3     | ◀3         |

- ◀1 Based on similarity to Bell Phase II tests. Pressure data not available for these tests.
- ◀2 Injector unchoked between approximately 5 seconds and 200 seconds. See Figure 3-16 for typical test results.
- ◀3 Not measured and not controlled.

The test facility pressure was sufficiently high during all TRW descent injector tests to indicate probable injector orifice unchoking during a significant period of each test. Typical duct, injector, and altitude chamber pressure data from Test #18 are shown on Figure A-13. These data show that the ratio of altitude chamber pressure to injector pressure was greater than 0.5 for the time period from 5 to 200 seconds. The significant increase in altitude chamber pressure is attributed to the relatively long propellant flow duration (3.0 to 3.7 seconds) which caused the total propellant flow to be approximately twice as large as the total ascent injector propellant flow. The facility steam ejectors could not remove the ejected propellant fast enough to maintain the required test chamber pressure. The effect of injector orifice unchoking cannot be rigorously evaluated because all descent injector tests exhibited high injector pressure ratios. However, it is apparent that the fuel-side temperature data show a significant time delay (up to 60 seconds) before evaporative cooling began. The low pressure difference across the injector orifices reduced the mass flow rate through the injector, which slowed the evaporative cooling process and increased the fuel residuals present at any time up

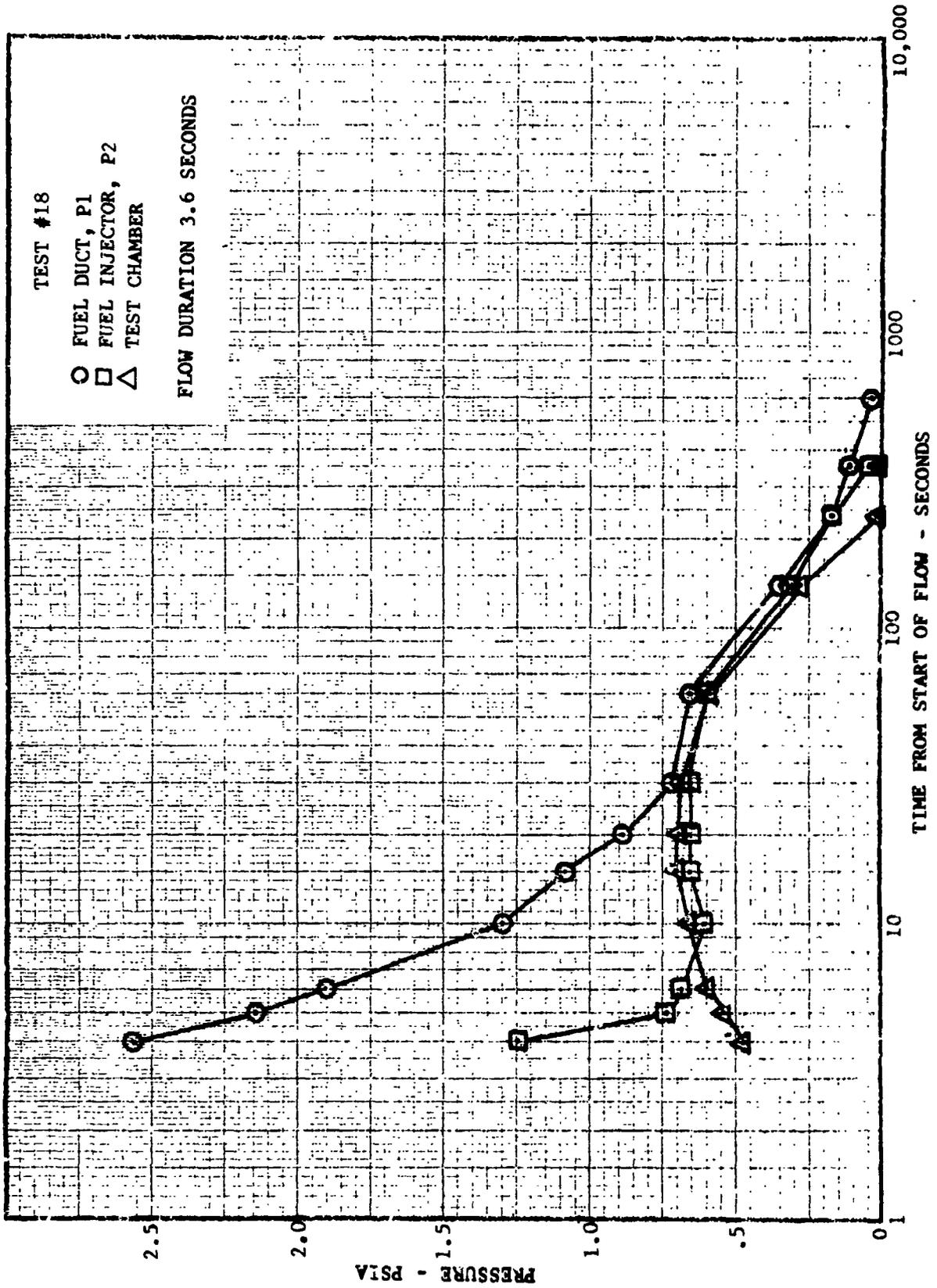


FIGURE A-13 PRESSURE HISTORY FOR TRW INJECTOR AND ARC TEST FACILITY

A.6 <sup>^</sup> Adequacy of Cold Flow Testing (Continued)

to residual depletion.

The nominal allowable variation in initial injector temperature was + 5°F. This requirement was met during all of the Rocketdyne injector tests and during most of the TRW and Phase II Bell injector tests. Data were not reported for a large number of the Phase II Bell injector tests which were considered to be unsuccessful because of excessive initial temperature variations. The temperature variations may have caused some scatter in the mass residual data, but did not appear to significantly affect the phase history or temperature history data.

The test requirements for the ARC cold flow tests did not specify either control or measurement of the gas saturation level of the propellants. As a result, the effect on test data of variations in this parameter cannot be isolated. The effervescence of dissolved gases, principally helium and nitrogen, may have a significant effect on the amount of residual propellants ejected immediately after flow termination. When the propellant pressure decays below the gas saturation pressure, gas bubbles come out of solution and can force liquid out of the injector. The effect of helium and nitrogen effervescence cannot be established because the gas saturation levels are not known.

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## APPENDIX B - ASCENT ENGINE TESTING AT SEATTLE

### B.0 GENERAL

This appendix describes the Seattle test facility and test article used in testing the ascent engine. The test series and engine instrumentation are described, and a review is made of test validity for ascent engine restarts. Detailed information on the test facility, test article, instrumentation and test series conduct is presented in References 3, 4, and 5.

## B.1 TEST FACILITY AND TEST APPARATUS

### B.1.1 Test Facility

The basic test facility used for the LM Ascent and Descent Engine Restart Capabilities Test Program is the high altitude - high temperature environmental test facility located at Area 34 at the Boeing Company's Tulalip Test Site. This facility has two environmental chambers, two steam ejector systems, a steam generating plant, a cooling tower, a control building, a high bay assembly building, an air lock and air bubble structure plus other ancillary buildings and services.

Altitude pumping capability is provided by separate two stage and five stage steam ejector systems custom made for this installation by the Elliott Company. Both ejectors operate on 500 psig steam. The two stage system has a relatively high pumping capacity of 1225 pounds per hour of 70°F air at a relatively low design altitude of 96,000 feet (9.91 mm Hg). The five stage system is complementary in that its pumping capacity is 140 pounds per hour at its design altitude of 200,000 feet (0.169 mm Hg). Both systems can be run together on either or both chambers to increase the pumping capacity. The limiting conditions are the design altitude of the two stage system, or the mass flow desired. The pumping capacity is the combined mass flow of the systems at the particular altitude. The five stage system is connected to the test chambers by 48 inch diameter ducts. A remotely operated butterfly valve in the duct serves to isolate the chambers from the ejectors. The two stage system is connected to the chambers by 18 inch diameter ducts, also with a remotely operated butterfly valve installed. For control of altitude and gas flows both chambers and ducts are equipped with atmospheric and nitrogen gas bleed valves.

The basic facility was modified to meet the test requirements which specified a firing chamber volume of 600 cubic feet. It was necessary to design and build a new firing chamber and close couple it to the five stage ejector system. Schedule requirements made it mandatory to use existing hardware wherever possible to reduce the duration of the design and buildup phases. The facility layout used for the test program is shown in Figure B-1. The firing chamber is a truncated mild steel cone, 80 inches long with an 80 inch diameter at the engine end and a 69 inch diameter at the exhaust duct end. The firing chamber exhaust duct and diffuser duct were inclined 8° below the horizontal.

A liquid nitrogen cooled diffuser duct was installed inside the facility exhaust duct to increase firing chamber altitude during engine operation. The cooled duct was installed after the Phase I test series was completed. The duct assembly was 38 inches in diameter and 26 feet long, giving a length to diameter ratio of 8.2. It was

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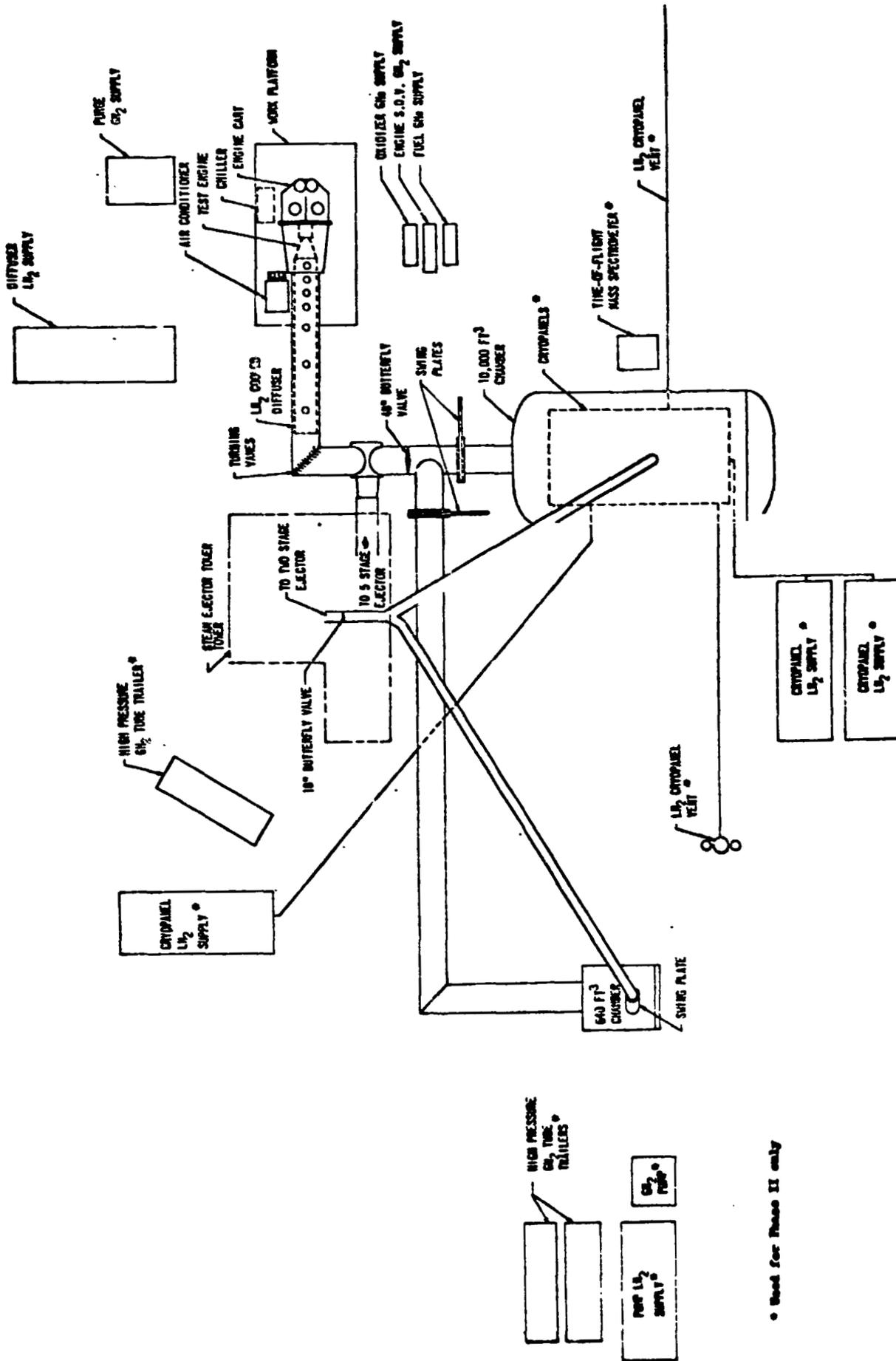


FIGURE B-1 - SEATTLE TEST FACILITY

\* Used for Phase II only

B.1.1 Test Facility (Continued)

positioned so the engine nozzle exit plane was "buried" inside the diffuser inlet approximately one inch. Circumferential clearance was about one inch around the Descent engine nozzle and 2 inches around the Ascent engine nozzle.

The test engine and firing chamber closure door were bolted to an engine cart. The cart was equipped with vee-grooved wheels that matched the rails in the clean assembly air bubble and shop assembly building as well as rails on the firing chamber support stand. Installed on the cart were propellant run tanks, recirculation pumps, heat exchangers, purge and pressurant gas control systems, filters, valves, plumbing and instrumentation necessary for propellant conditioning and engine operation.

B.1.2 Test Article

The Ascent Engine used in the Phase I testing was S/N 0003, Model RS 1801A. This engine had gone through an acceptance test series (five reactive tests for mixture ratio calibration and two reactive altitude performance tests) and then was shipped to the White Sands Test Facility (WSTF). There, it underwent a checkout firing and a Mission Duty Cycle test series. A new thrust chamber was installed while the engine was at WSTF and then approximately 18 abort start tests were run. Subsequently, the engine was returned to Rocketdyne where 4 more mixture ratio tests were run. The engine was rebuilt in preparation for returning the engine to WSTF. However, before shipment to WSTF, the engine was chosen for the subject test program. A used thrust chamber was then installed, and the engine shipped to Boeing. A total of approximately 31 reactive tests had been performed on the engine prior to the 5 tests of Phase I. Test facility solenoid valves were used to control fuel flow to the engine ball valves during the Phase I tests. Prior to the Phase II tests, the facility solenoid valves were removed, and flight-type fuel prevalues were installed.

The ascent engine used in Phase II testing was the same unit tested during Phase I, except that the thrust chamber was replaced with a modified chamber containing three quartz windows. The thrust chamber windows allowed photographic observation of ignition, combustion, shutdown, coast, and restart phenomena. The test article was designated "Part Number XEOR 919740, Serial Number 003(A)" by the manufacturer, Rocketdyne Division of North American Rockwell Corporation.

### B.1.3 Ascent Engine Instrumentation

The same basic instrumentation was used in both Phase I and Phase II of the Seattle restart tests. Instrumentation was provided to measure engine chamber pressure, propellant pressure and temperatures, test cell pressures and temperatures, and engine accelerations. Instrumentation locations are shown in Figure B-2 for the Phase II engine pressure measurements, and Figure B-3 for the Phase II engine temperature measurements.

Pressures in the combustion chamber, propellant feed system, test cell, and valve actuator vent lines were measured by strain gage type transducers. An Alphatron pressure transducer was installed in the large test chamber. Transducer calibration was carried out by the supplier and/or the Tulalip Calibration Facility, with recording equipment set to the calibrations. Temperatures were measured by surface bonded thermocouples which were calibrated at the Tulalip test facility. During the LMAE tests, all accelerometers were provided and calibrated by Rocketdyne. Tables B-1 and B-2 give the pertinent instrumentation information for Phase I and Phase II, respectively.

Primary data were recorded on oscillographs, strip charts, and on an FM tape. The tape record was used to replay selected critical chamber pressure and accelerometer data onto an oscillograph at the speed necessary to resolve and separate traces. Data selected by GAC were hand reduced and plotted, and compiled to form a "data pack" for each test series. Additional data recording equipment was added for Phase II.

Photographic coverage of the Phase I tests was limited to a 16 mm Milliken camera viewing the vent lines of the engine ball valve actuators. Photographs were taken at 24 frames per second. Photographic coverage of the Phase II tests was expanded to provide high speed (1000 frames/second) and low speed (24 frames/second) photographs of the injector face. The injector face was photographed through two quartz windows installed in a modified thrust chamber. Lighting was provided by a photoflood lamp aimed through a third quartz window. The camera views, and locations of the windows, cameras, and floodlight are shown in Figures 4-1 and 4-2 (Volume 1) of this report.

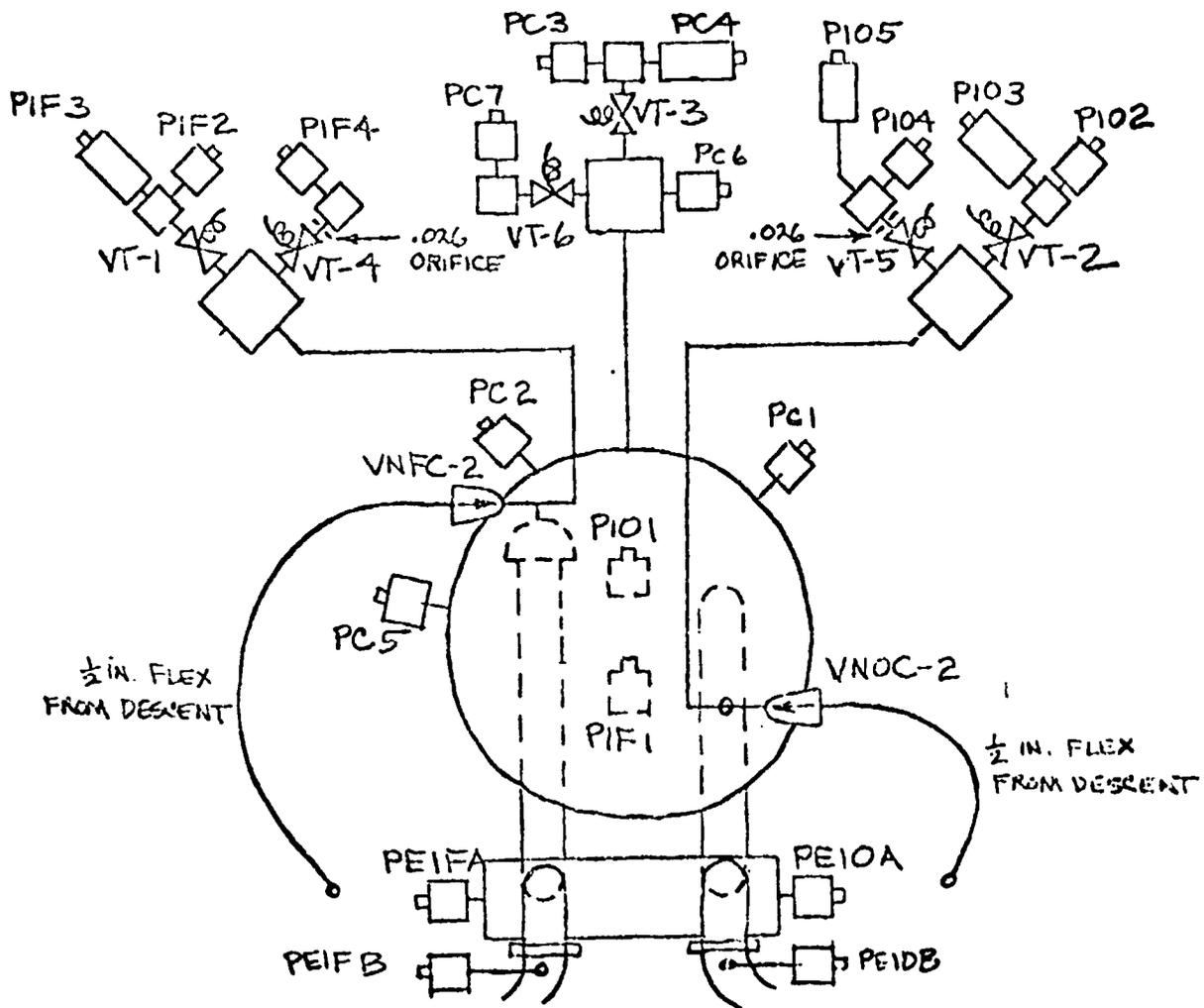
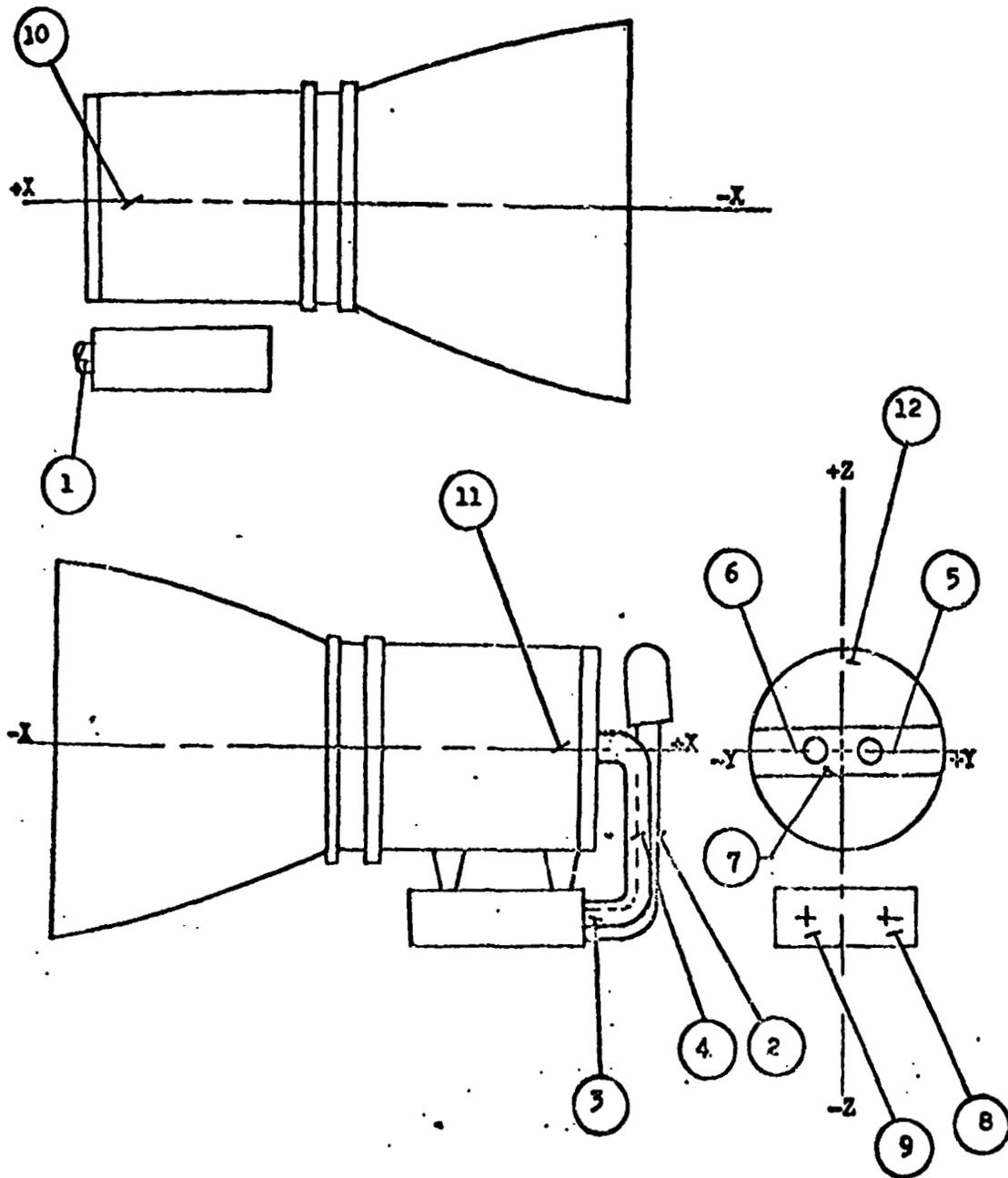


FIGURE B-2 SEATTLE APS ENGINE PRESSURE MEASUREMENTS

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NUMBERS 1-12 REFER TO THERMOCOUPLES TE-1 THROUGH TE-12, RESPECTIVELY

FIGURE B-3 SEATTLE AFS ENGINE TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS

| MEASUREMENT               | SYM  | INSTRUMENT    | RANGE         | SERIAL NO. | FREQ. RESP. | ACC. |
|---------------------------|------|---------------|---------------|------------|-------------|------|
| Accelerometer             | AX2  | ESI6412A      | 1000 G        | 2186       | 2000 cps    | 10%  |
| Accelerometer             | AY2  | ESI6011       | 1000 G        | 2847       | 1 cps       | 5%   |
| Accelerometer             | AZ2  | ESI6011       | 1000 G        | 2850       | 1 cps       |      |
| Ox. Manifold Press. No. 2 | PI02 | Data Sen. 943 | 0-15 psia     |            | 100 cps     |      |
| Fuel Manifold Press No. 2 | PIF2 | Data Sen 1032 | 0-15 psia     |            | 1 cps       |      |
| Fuel Manifold Press No. 3 | PIF3 | PACE 26896    | 0-0.3 psia    |            | 100 cps     |      |
| Fuel Manifold Press No. 4 | PIF4 | Data Sen 1000 | 0-200 psig    |            | 1 cps       |      |
| Chamb. Press. 3           | PC3  | Data Sen 854  | 0-15 psia     |            | 1 cps       |      |
| Chamb. Press. 4           | PC4  | PACE 26899    | 0-0.3 psia    |            | 100 cps     |      |
| Chamb. Press.             | PC5  | Data Sen      | 0-200 psig    |            |             |      |
| Chamb. Press.             | PC6  | Data Sen 1211 | 0-200 psia    |            |             |      |
| Chamb. Press.             | PC7  | Data Sen 1297 | 0-100 psig    |            |             |      |
| Ox. Supply                | PE10 | Data Sen 229  | 0-350 psig    |            |             |      |
| Fuel Supply               | PE1F | Data Sen 862  | 0-350 psig    |            |             |      |
| Ox. Manifold Press. No. 3 | PI03 | PACE 26720    | 0-0.3 psia    |            | 1 cps       |      |
| Fuel Duct U/S             | TE1  | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            | N.A.        |      |
| Fuel Duct Mid Point       | TE2  | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Oxid Duct U/S             | TE3  | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Oxid Duct Mid Point       | TE4  | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Injector Flange 9 o'clock | TE5  | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Injector Flange 3 o'clock | TE6  | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Injector Center           | TE7  | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Fuel Valve Outlet         | TE8  | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Oxid Valve Outlet         | TE9  | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Combustion Zone +Y        | TE10 | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Combustion Zone -Y        | TE11 | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Injector Flange 6 o'clock | TE12 | CU/CON TRW    | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Ox Tank Ullage            | P0TA | Taber 624962  | 0-300 psig    |            |             |      |
| Ox Tank Ullage            | P0TB | Taber 624964  | 0-300 psig    |            |             |      |
| Fuel Tk Ullage            | PFTA | Taber 652103  | 0-300 psig    |            |             |      |
| Fuel Tk Ullage            | PFTB | Taber 652102  | 0-300 psig    |            |             |      |
| Test Chamber Altitude     | PA1A | Datametrix    | 1-0MM MMHg    |            |             |      |
| Test Chamber Altitude     | PA1B | Datametrix    | 10 MMHg       |            |             |      |

TABLE B-1 LMAE PHASE I INSTRUMENTATION

| MEASUREMENT              | SYM  | INSTRUMENT           | RANGE       | SERIAL NO. | FREQ. RESP. | ACC. |
|--------------------------|------|----------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------|
| Test Chamber Altitude    | PA1C | Datametrix           | 760 MMHg    |            | N.A.        | N.A. |
| 10,000 Cu.Ft. Altitude   | PA2  | Alphatron            | N.A.        |            | N.A.        | N.A. |
| Test Chamber Altitude    | PA3  | Alphatron            | N.A.        |            | N.A.        | N.A. |
| Ox. Manifold             | PI01 | Data Sen 2380        | 0-1000 psig |            | 2000 cps    | 5%   |
| Fuel Manifold            | PIF1 | Data Sen 2359        | 0-1000 psig |            | 2000 cps    | 5%   |
| Ox. Side Chamber Press.  | PC1  | Photocon Ser 6924    | 0-500 psia  |            | 10,000cps   | 10%  |
| Fuel Side Chamber Press. | PC2  | Photocon Ser 7098    | 0-500 psia  |            | 10,000cps   | 10%  |
| Accelerometer            | AX1  | Flight Co. 321H-HT-1 | 25G RMS     | 1737       | 2000 cps    |      |
| Accelerometer            | AY1  | Flight Co. 321H-HT-1 | 25G RMS     | 1733       | 2000 cps    |      |
| Accelerometer            | AZ1  | Flight Co. 321H-HT-1 | 25G RMS     | 1735       | 2000 cps    |      |

TABLE B-1 LMAE PHASE I INSTRUMENTATION (Continued)

| MEASUREMENT                 | SYM   | INSTRUMENT                           | RANGE       | SERIAL NO. | FREQ. RESP. | ACC. |
|-----------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------|
| Oxidizer Manifold           | PI02  | Data Sensor PB519A-4                 | 0-15 psia   | 943        | 1 cps       | 5%   |
| Oxidizer Manifold           | PI03  | Pace Wiancko PIA-0.3 psia            | 0-.3 psia   | 26720      |             |      |
| Fuel Manifold               | PIF2  | Data Sensor PB519A-4                 | 0-15 psia   | 11032      |             |      |
| Fuel Manifold               | PIF3  | Pace Wiancko PIA-0.3 psia            | 0-.3 psia   | 26721      |             |      |
| Chamber Pressure            | PC3   | Data Sensor PB519A-4                 | 0-15 psia   | 854        |             |      |
| Chamber Pressure            | PC4   | Pace Wiancko PIA-0.3 psia            | 0-.3 psia   | 26719      |             |      |
| Oxidizer Supply Press.      | PEIOB | Taber 206-SA                         | 0-300 psig  | 624962     |             |      |
| Fuel Supply Press.          | PEIFB | Taber 206-SA                         | 0-300 psig  | 652103     |             |      |
| Oxidizer Tank Press.        | POT   | Taber 206-SA                         | 0-300 psig  | 624964     |             |      |
| Fuel Tank Press.            | PFT   | Taber 206-SA                         | 0-300 psig  | 652102     |             |      |
| Oxidizer Supply Press.      | PEIOA | Data Sensor PB5198-4                 | 0-350 psia  | 229        | 100 cps     |      |
| Fuel Supply Press.          | PEIFA | Data Sensor PB5195-4                 | 0-350 psia  | 862        |             |      |
| Oxidizer Manifold Press.    | PI05  | Taber 226-SA                         | 0-300 psia  | 624951     |             |      |
| Diffuser Exit Press.        | PDE   | Taber 254-SA                         | 0-15 psia   | 651070     |             |      |
| Oxidizer Manifold Press.    | PI04  | Data Sensor PB519S-4                 | 0-200 psia  | 901        |             |      |
| Fuel Manifold Pressure      | PIF4  | Data Sensor PB519S-4                 | 0-200 psia  | 612        |             |      |
| Chamber Pressure            | PC5   | Data Sensor PB519S-4                 | 0-200 psia  | 1207       |             |      |
| Chamber Pressure            | PC6   | Data Sensor PB519S-4                 | 0-200 psia  | 1211       |             |      |
| Chamber Pressure            | PC7   | Data Sensor PB519S-4                 | 0-200 psia  | 1297       |             |      |
| Ox. Manifold Pressure       | PI01  | Photocn 307-2560                     | 0-200C psig | PRP8444    | 10,000 cps  |      |
| Fuel Manifold Pressure      | PIF1  | Photocn 307-2560                     | 0-2000 psig | 9704       |             |      |
| Chamber Pressure            | PC1   | Photocon 775-2170                    | 0-500 psig  | PRP6924    |             |      |
| Chamber Pressure            | PC2   | Photocon 775-2170                    | 0-500 psig  | PRP7098    |             |      |
| Test Chamber Pressure       | PA1A  | Datametrix 536                       | 0-10 mmHg   | 1012       | 100 cps     |      |
| Test Chamber Pressure       | PA1B  | Datametrix 536                       | 0-100 mmHg  | 1013       |             |      |
| Test Chamber Pressure       | PA1C  | Datametrix 536                       | 0-1000 mmHg | 1014       | 1 cps       | 10%  |
| Test Chamber Pressure       | PA3   | Alphatron                            | 0-1000 mmHg |            |             |      |
| 10,000 cu.ft. Chamber Press | PA2   | Alphatron                            | 0-1000 mmHg |            |             |      |
| X Plane Accel.              | AX1   | Columbia Research Lab.               | 25G RMS     | 1737       | 10,000 cps  | 5%   |
| Y Plane Accel.              | AY1   | 321-H-HT-1<br>Columbia Research Lab. | 25G RMS     | 1733       |             |      |
| Z Plane Accel.              | AZ1   | 321-H-HT-1<br>Columbia Research Lab. | 25G RMS     | 1733       |             |      |

TABLE B-2 LMAE PHASE II INSTRUMENTATION

| MEASUREMENT                     | SYM  | INSTRUMENT               | RANGE          | SERIAL NO. | FREQ. RESP. | ACC.  |
|---------------------------------|------|--------------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-------|
| X Plane Accel.                  | AX2  | Electra Scientific 6412A | 1000G P-P      | 2186       | 10,000 cps  | 5%    |
| Y Plane Accel.                  | AY2  | Electra Scientific 6011  | 1000G P-P      | 2847       | 1 cps       | ±5%F  |
| Z Plane Accel.                  | AZ2  | Electra Scientific 6011  | 1000G P-P      | 2850       | 1 cps       | ±5%F  |
| Fuel Duct Up Stream             | TE1  | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| Fuel Duct Mid Point             | TE2  | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| Oxidizer Duct Up Stream         | TE3  | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| Oxidizer Duct Mid Point         | TE4  | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| Injector Flange 9 o'clock       | TE5  | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| Injector Flange 3 o'clock       | TE6  | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| Injector Center                 | TE7  | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| Fuel Valve Outlet               | TE8  | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| Oxidizer Valve Outlet           | TE9  | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| Combustion Zone +Y              | TE10 | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| Combustion Zone -Y              | TE11 | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| Injector Flange 6 o'clock       | TE12 | CB/CON                   | -100 to +200°F |            |             |       |
| OX Tank                         | TOT  | CU/CON TTS               | 0 to 1000°F    |            | 1 cps       | ±5°F  |
| Temp Fuel Tank                  | TFT  | CU/CON TTS               | 0 to 1000°F    |            | 1 cps       | ±5°F  |
| Diffuser Cell End Gas Temp      | TDC  | CR/AL                    | 0 to 2000°F    |            | 1 cps       | ±20°F |
| Diffuser Exit Temp              | TDE  | CR/AL                    | 0 to 2000°F    |            | 1 cps       | ±5°F  |
| Oxidizer Supply Temp            | TE10 | CU/CON                   | 0 to 1000°F    |            | 1 cps       | ±5°F  |
| Fuel Supply Temp                | TE1F | CU/CON                   | 0 to 1000°F    |            | 1 cps       | ±5°F  |
| Diffuser Wall Cell End Temp     | TW1  | CR/AL                    | -300 to 2000°F |            | 1 cps       | ±20°F |
| Diffuser Wall Exhaust Duct Temp | TW2  | CR/AL                    | -320 to 2000°F |            | 1 cps       | ±5°F  |
| Thermometrics Manifold Temp     | TDM  | M/CON TTS                | 0 to 2000°F    |            | 1 cps       | ±5°F  |

TABLE B-2 LMAE PHASE II INSTRUMENTATION (Continued)

B.2 TEST SERIES DESCRIPTION

B.2.1 Phase I Ascent Engine Tests

Phase I of the LM Ascent Restart Capabilities tests was initiated on October 28, 1968 and was completed on October 31, 1968. A checkout firing and four dual pulse firings were accomplished on the Rocketdyne Ascent Engine, Serial Number 0003. The firings were initiated at simulated altitude above 200,000 ft. and the LMAE exhaust nozzle remained choked throughout the firings. Minimum test cell altitude experienced during the first program was 78,000 ft. Initial propellant and hardware temperatures were held constant at  $65 \pm 5^\circ\text{F}$ . A summary of initial conditions for each series is in Table 4-1, Volume I, of this report.

Engine Checkout Firing - October 28, 1968

The Phase I checkout firing was accomplished on October 28, 1968. The test cell altitude recovery was slow, requiring 150 seconds to regain 200,000 ft. This time on all other tests was 10 to 20 seconds. However, referring to Section B.3.3, it can be seen that the lesser altitude had no effect on test results.

Test Series A-1 - October 29, 1968

One restart was made following a 1500 second coast period, as scheduled.

Test Series A-2,- October 30, 1968

One restart was made following a 300 second coast period, as scheduled.

Test Series A-3 - October 30, 1968

One restart was conducted following a 90 second coast period. During the initial facility pumpdown for test series A-3, leaks were discovered in the test cell door. A new O-Ring was installed and the test proceeded. Test altitude (see Section B.3.3) was adequate for valid test results.

Test Series A-4 - October 31, 1968

One restart was conducted following a 30 second coast period. The engine experienced a chamber pressure spike in excess of 300% of steady state during the restart. The duration of this over pressure was very short, however, and no engine damage was noted during post-test inspection.

### B.2.2 Phase II Ascent Engine Tests

The LMAE Phase II tests were conducted between January 15, 1969 and February 8, 1969 at simulated altitudes initially above 200,000 ft. Following the checkout firing, each test series was scheduled to include two restarts. The individual test series conduct is discussed in the following paragraphs, and a summary of initial conditions for each test series is in Table 4-1.

#### First Engine Checkout Firing - January 15, 1969

The first Phase II checkout firing on the Ascent engine was accomplished on January 15, 1969. An unplanned second firing occurred about 69 seconds after the first firing due to a Tally tape programmer malfunction and an operator error. During the checkout firing, altitude conditions comparable with facility checkout levels were not obtained and two of the three cameras installed malfunctioned. Grumman requested a rerun of the checkout firing.

#### Second Ascent Engine Checkout Firing - January 20, 1969

The second checkout firing was successfully completed. Some facility difficulties with water lines were experienced due to freezing temperatures. The facility water flow control valve to the ejector intercondenser malfunctioned just at the time the firing occurred, however test results were not affected (see Section B.3.3).

Facility freezing problems prevented continuation of countdown for follow-on test runs. Winterizing was accomplished by installing heating cables and insulation on all facility plumbing subject to freezing. The winterizing program was completed prior to test A-7.

#### Test Series A-5 - January 24, 1969

Two restarts were made with the required 200 second coast time between starts. Due to the long coast periods, cryopanel was not required and not used. The high speed camera did not operate. No accelerometer data were obtained for the second restart, however, one chamber window cracked.

#### Test Series A-6 - January 28, 1969

Two restarts with 90 second coast time, as scheduled.

#### Test Series A-7 - January 30, 1969

Two restarts with 50 second coast time were scheduled. The first restart was successful, the second restart was not. Grumman directed that only one restart be made on future tests. The Ascent engine

B.2.2 Phase II LMAE Tests (Continued)

was removed from the test stand on January 30, 1969 after the third test run of Phase II testing. GAC requested an engine injector screen inspection because of propellant freezing affecting the second restart of the engine. No engine damage was noted, and the engine was reinstalled on the test stand and was ready for the next test by February 2.

Test Series A-8 - February 3

This firing was made on February 3, 1969 with 30 second coast. Restart was very rough. Two engine combustion chamber windows were cracked during the engine restart. One of the engine combustion chamber pressure transducers, a water cooled Photocon furnished with the engine, failed during the test and leaked 90 gallons of water into the engine combustion chamber. The water froze and an ice plug formed in the engine throat. The transducer had been leak-checked prior to testing.

Replacement units were procured from Rocketdyne. Rocketdyne and GAC requested that the injector be flushed with deionized water and dried with hot gas due to the possibility of water entering the injector head. The high speed Photosonics camera broke its film during the restart, which was also attributed to the hard start. The slow speed Milliken camera on the SOV vent lines broke its film at the start. Both low speed cameras were overhauled and checked in the Kent vacuum chamber.

Test Series A-9 - February 6

This firing was accomplished with a 15 second coast. One engine combustion chamber window was cracked and required replacement. The slow speed Milliken camera on the SOV vent lines again broke its film. No difficulty was experienced with this camera installation all through Phase I testing. Rubber pad shock mounts were installed on the camera mount to isolate the camera from engine shocks.

Test Series A-10 - February 6

This test was made with scheduled 10 second coast and one restart.

Test Series A-11 - February 7

This test was made with a single restart and a 2.5 second coast period.

B.2.2 Phase II LMAE Tests (Continued)

Test Series A-12 - February 8

This test was made with 1 second coast time and one restart. This completed the Ascent Engine testing. The engine was removed from the test stand and shipped to Rocketdyne.

Test Series A-5, A-6, and A-7 were made in the sub-freezing temperatures with varying problems.

1. The cameras were not functioning and this was found to be caused by film breaking and an apparent overload on the high speed camera drive motor. A heater was connected on the high speed camera and the 1200 ft. film magazine was replaced with a 400 ft. magazine. Mylar film was installed in the Milliken camera covering SOV vent lines.
2. The high altitude initial start requirement of 250,000 ft. was hard to reach because of:
  - a. Ice in the diffuser.
  - b. Frozen seals on the cryopanel chamber door with the possibility of ice there also.

B.3 TEST RESULTS

B.3.1 Validity of Test Results

Review of the test data showed that all of the Phase II LMAE tests are valid for restart investigations, with the exception of test AOII-1, which was considered an unsuccessful checkout. Valid comparisons with nominal engine data cannot be made for the Phase I tests, since the fuel prevalves were not of flight configuration.

Test Validity and Limitations

The validity of the Seattle LMAE tests, and the limitations on applicability of the test data are dependent on: compliance with test requirements; accurate setting of initial conditions such as propellant and hardware temperatures; helium saturation; altitude chamber pressure as it affects manifold venting characteristics. The following paragraphs discuss these criteria with respect to Seattle Phase I and Phase II LMAE tests.

The test requirements for Phase I and Phase II testing as outlined in Section 4.1.2 were met in all tests, with the following exceptions:

1. Photographic Coverage - Photographic coverage was not obtained in the following tests due to equipment malfunction or film breakage:

| <u>Photosenics</u> | <u>Milliken I</u> | <u>Milliken II</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| AOII-1             | A-5, a, b, c      | AOII-1             |
| AOII-2             |                   | AOII-2             |
| A-5 a, b, c        |                   | A-5 a, b, c        |
| A-8b               |                   | A-6 a, b, c        |
| A-12 a, b, c       |                   | A-7 a, b, c        |
|                    |                   | A-8 a, b           |
|                    |                   | A-9 a, b           |
|                    |                   | A-10 a, b          |
|                    |                   | A-12 a, b          |

2. Facility Requirements - The minimum Phase II initial altitude requirement of 250,000 feet was not met in any of the LMAE tests. In each case the lesser altitude attained was accepted and signed off by a GAC representative. The required altitude for restart of 200,000 feet was not met in tests A-9, 10, 11, and 12 because of the time required for facility altitude recovery following a firing, and because the cryopanels did not function as expected.

The initial propellant and hardware temperatures and propellant helium saturation requirements specified in the Phase I and Phase II test

### B.3.1 Validity of Test Results (Continued)

matrices were met in all LMAE tests, with the exception of AOII-2. In that test, the initial propellant temperature of 44°F fell outside the 40 +0 -10°F range called for. Since the test was a checkout, with no restarts, the initial propellant temperature had no impact on restart test results.

The effect of the altitude chamber pressure on restarts is zero unless it is high enough to unchoke the engine nozzle. Thus, if the nozzle remains choked during the critical manifold boiling and freezing processes, the "downstream" pressure will have no effect. Referring to Table B-3, it can be seen that, for Phase II, the nozzle unchoked only in tests A-6a, A-6b, and A-6c. However, manifold pressure data indicate that the delta pressure across the injector orifices was much in excess of that required for simple theoretical choking of the orifices. Sharp-edged orifice and two-phase flow considerations preclude this pressure differential from actually isolating the manifolds from the chamber, but it is safe to assume that there was sufficient decoupling to make test series A-6 valid.

The Phase I test pressure results were not as clear as those for Phase II. GAC data reduction requirements differed from test to test, resulting in somewhat spotty coverage of the relevant parameters. The Boeing Phase I report stated, however, that "the combustion chamber throat remained choked until in the range of 200 seconds". This indicates that the injector was in fact isolated from events in the altitude chamber.

The repeatability of starts for tests having similar initial conditions is applicable only for initial starts in the Seattle LMAE tests. This is because restarts were performed only once or twice at similar coast times, and if repeated at the same coast time were run at different temperatures and degrees of helium saturation. Also, since non-flight prevalves were used in Phase I, only the Phase II initial starts are acceptable for comparison.

The initial starts for Phase II can be compared to a nominal engine on the basis of time to ignition or first Pc rise and peak Pc. For the Phase II initial starts AOII-2 through A-7-all dry starts- the time to initial Pc rise varies from .250 to .279 seconds. The Spacecraft Operational Data Book (SODB) (Reference 12) Volume II, Part I shows a range of time to initial Pc rise of .360 to .370 seconds for dry starts. For the wet initial starts A-8 through A-12 the time to initial Pc rise varies from .231 to .248 seconds, compared with .190 to .330 seconds for the SODB nominal engine. The Phase II LMAE peak initial start Pc varies from 170 to 182 psia. The SODB nominal peak Pc is 180 psia.

It can be seen from the above that the initial start characteristics of the Seattle LMAE Phase II tests compare well with nominal engine

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| RUN NO. | FIRST FIRING       |                    |                         | SECOND FIRING      |                     |                         | THIRD FIRING       |                     |                         | COAST TIME (SEC) | POST RUN COAST (30 min) ALT. (FT.) |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|
|         | INITIAL ALT. (FT.) | UNCHOKE TIME (SEC) | TIME TO 200K FT. (SEC.) | INITIAL ALT. (FT.) | UNCHOKE TIME (SEC.) | TIME TO 200K FT. (SEC.) | INITIAL ALT. (FT.) | UNCHOKE TIME (SEC.) | TIME TO 200K FT. (SEC.) |                  |                                    |
| A0-II-1 | 222,000            | 7.5                | 170                     | -                  | -                   | -                       | -                  | -                   | -                       | -                | 220,000                            |
| A0-II-2 | 221,000            | (1)                | 67                      | -                  | -                   | -                       | -                  | -                   | -                       | -                | 220,000                            |
| A-5     | 212,000            | (1)                | 27                      | 210,000            | (1)                 | 20                      | 215,000            | (1)                 | 12                      | 200              | 219,000                            |
| A-6     | 228,000            | 18                 | 50                      | 205,000            | 16                  | 78                      | 203,000            | 13                  | 1100                    | 90               | 228,000                            |
| A-7     | 232,000            | (2)                | 11                      | 208,000            | (2)                 | 14                      | 206,000            | (1)                 | 11.5                    | 60               | 208,000                            |
| A-8     | 245,000            | (2)                | 23                      | 219,000            | (1)                 | 14                      | -                  | -                   | -                       | 30               | 228,000                            |
| A-9     | 212,000            | (2)                |                         | 187,000            | (1)                 | 48                      | -                  | -                   | -                       | 15               | 208,000                            |
| A-10    | 222,000            | (2)                |                         | 190,000            | (1)                 | 17                      | -                  | -                   | -                       | 10               | 245,000                            |
| A-11    | 224,000            | (2)                |                         | 190,000            | (1)                 | 16                      | -                  | -                   | -                       | 2.5              | 245,000                            |
| A-12    | 215,000            | (2)                |                         | 160,000            | (1)                 | 26                      | -                  | -                   | -                       | 1.0              | 219,000                            |

- (1) Did not unchoke prior to reaching 200,000 ft. altitude
- (2) Did not unchoke before the next firing
- (3) Remained choked thereafter until above 200,000 ft. altitude
- (4) Remained choked thereafter before the next firing.

TABLE B-3 ASCENT ENGINE NOZZLE CHOKING SUMMARY

B.3.1 Validity of Test Results (Continued)

performance, except for dry start Pc initial rise. However, the dry Pc rise time exhibits the correct behavior, that is, being slower than that of a wet start.

Thus, the Seattle Phase II LMAE initial starts appear consistent with those of "nominal" engines. The Phase I initial starts, using non-flight configuration prevalues, cannot be so compared with nominal flight configuration hardware results.

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APPENDIX C - DESCENT ENGINE TESTING AT SEATTLE

C.0 GENERAL

This appendix describes the Seattle test facility and test article used in testing the descent engine. The test series and engine instrumentation are described, and an assessment is made of test validity for descent engine restarts. Detailed information on the test facility, test article, instrumentation and test series conduct is presented in References 3, 4, and 5.

C.1 TEST FACILITY AND TEST APPARATUS

C.1.1 Test Facility

The basic facility used for the LM Ascent and Descent Engine Restart Capabilities Test Program is described in Appendix B.1.1.

C.1.2 Test Article

The engine used in the Phase I portion of the test program was S/N 1033 (P/N SK-403936-1). This engine had undergone extensive developmental testing in association with other programs both at the TRW Capistrano Test Site (CTS) and at the White Sands Test Facility (WSTF) prior to being used in the subject test program. Prior to being shipped to Boeing by TRW, several hardware and instrumentation changes were made to the 1033 engine. These changes are detailed in Reference 13.

The descent engine used in Phase II testing was the same as the unit tested during Phase I except that the thrust chamber was replaced with one containing three quartz windows. These windows allowed photographic observation of ignition, combustion, shutdown, coast, and restart phenomena. The Phase II test article was designated "Part Number SK403936-1-2, Serial Number 1033" by the manufacturer, TRW, Inc.

C.1.3 Descent Engine Instrumentation

The instrumentation used for the LMDE tests was the same as that used for the LMAE tests (See Section B.1.3) with the exceptions that the flight instrumentation was different and Boeing accelerometers were used on the LMDE along with the flight accelerometers. Instrument locations for Phase I and Phase II engine system measurements are shown in Figure C-1 and Tables C-1 and C-2 give the instrument characteristics pertinent to the LMDE tests.

Photographic coverage of the Phase I and Phase II LMDE tests was the same as that used for the LMAE tests (See Section B.1.3), with the exception that the longer duration LMDE firings (2 to 3.5 seconds) precluded high-speed coverage of an initial start plus two restarts. The Phase II high-speed (1000 fps) coverage was therefore restricted to the two restart firings for all restart tests except D-10. High speed coverage was provided during the Phase II checkout firing, D-0-II.

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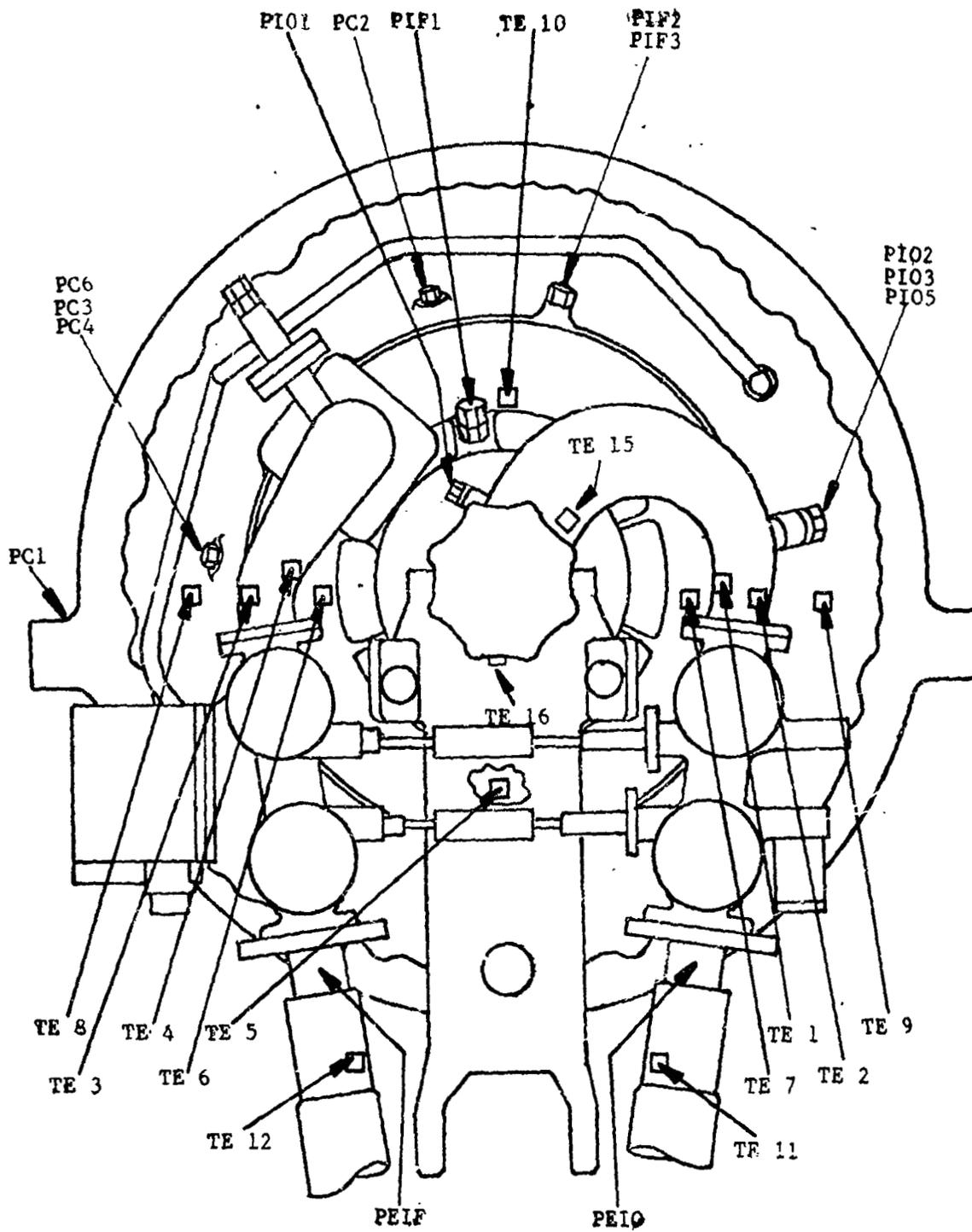


FIGURE C-1 SEATTLE DPS INSTRUMENTATION LOCATIONS

| MEASUREMENT                  | SYM  | INSTRUMENT      | RANGE         | SERIAL NO. | FREQ. RESP. | ACC. |
|------------------------------|------|-----------------|---------------|------------|-------------|------|
| Test chamber altitude        | PA1B | Datametrix      | 10 MMHg       |            | 100 cps     | 5%   |
| Test chamber altitude        | PA1C | Datametrix      | 760 MMHg      |            | 100 cps     | 5%   |
| 10,000 Cu.Ft. Altitude       | PA2  | Alphatron       |               |            | 5 cps       | 10%  |
| Test chamber altitude        | PA3  | Alphatron       |               |            | 5 cps       | 10%  |
| Ox. manifold press. No.1     | PI01 | Photocon 100033 | 0 - 200 psia  |            | 10,000 cps  | 5%   |
| Fuel manifold press No.2     | PIF1 | Photocon 100028 | 0 - 200 psia  |            | 10,000 cps  | 5%   |
| Chamb. press 1               | PCI  | Photocon 100055 | 0 - 500 psia  |            | 2,000 cps   | 5%   |
| Accelerometer injectory body | AX1  | Flight 0-5V     | 0 - 100 G     |            |             | 10%  |
| Accelerometer injector body  | AY1  | Flight 0-5V     | 0 - 100 G     |            |             |      |
| Accelerometer injector body  | AZ1  | Flight 0-5V     | 0 - 100 G     |            |             |      |
| Accelerometer injector body  | AX2  | Endevco 2242    | 0 - 1000 G    |            |             |      |
| Accelerometer injector body  | AY2  | Endevco 2242    | 0 - 1000 G    |            |             |      |
| Accelerometer injector body  | AZ2  | Endevco 2242    | 0 - 1000 G    |            |             |      |
| Ox. manifold press No.2      | PI02 | Pace 27036      | 0 - 10 psia   |            |             |      |
| Ox. manifold press No.3      | PI03 | Pace 26721      | 0 - .3 psia   |            | 200 cps     | 5%   |
| Fuel manifold press No.2     | PIF2 | Pace 27037      | 0 - 10 psia   |            |             |      |
| Fuel manifold press No.3     | PIF3 | Pace 26722      | 0 - .3 psia   |            |             |      |
| Chamb. press. 3              | PC3  | Page 27035      | 0 - 10 psia   |            |             |      |
| Chamb. press. 4              | PC4  | Page 26719      | 0 - .3 psia   |            |             |      |
| Chamb. press.                | PC2  | Micro systems   | 0 - 200 psia  |            |             |      |
| Oxidizer duct                | TE1  | CU/CON TRW      | -100 to 200°F |            | 400 cps     | +5°F |
| Oxidizer duct                | TE2  | CU/CON TRW      | -100 to 200°F |            | 1 cps       |      |
| Fuel duct                    | TE3  | CU/CON TRW      | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Fuel duct                    | TE4  | CU/CON TRW      | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Fuel manifold +Z side        | TE5  | CU/CON TRW      | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Fuel manifold +Y side        | TE6  | CU/CON TRW      | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Fuel manifold -Y side        | TE7  | CU/CON TRW      | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |
| Injector mtg. flange +Y side | TE8  | CU/CON TRW      | -100 to 200°F |            |             |      |

TABLE C-1 LMDE PHASE I INSTRUMENTATION

| MEASUREMENT                     | SYM  | INSTRUMENT   | RANGE          | SERIAL NO. | FREQ. RESP. | ACC. |
|---------------------------------|------|--------------|----------------|------------|-------------|------|
| Oxidizer elbow +Y side          | TE11 | CU/CON TRW   | 0 to 200°F     |            | 1 cps       | +5°F |
| Fuel elbow -Y side              | TE12 | CU/CON TRW   | -100 to 200°F  |            |             |      |
| Combustion chamb. +Y side       | TE13 | CU/CON TRW   | -100 to 200°F  |            |             |      |
| Combustion chamb. -Y side       | TE14 | CU/CON TRW   | -100 to 200°F  |            |             |      |
| Ox tank temp                    | TOT  | CU/CON TTS   | 0 - 100°F      |            |             |      |
| Fuel tank temp.                 | TFT  | CU/CON TTS   | 0 - 100°F      |            |             |      |
| Diffuser cell end gas temp      | TDC  | CR/AL TTS    | -100 to 2500°F |            |             |      |
| Diffuser ejector end gas temp   | TDE  | CR/AL TTS    | 0 to 2000°F    |            |             |      |
| Diffuser wall temp test chamb.  | TW1  | CR/AL TTS    | -320 to 2000°F |            |             |      |
| Diffuser wall temp exhaust duct | TW2  | CR/AL TTS    | -320 to 2000°F |            |             |      |
| 10,000 Cu.Ft.chamb. gas temp.   | TC   | CB, ON TTS   | 0 to 500°F     |            |             |      |
| Ox interface temp.              | TE10 | CU/CON TTS   | 0 to 100°F     |            |             |      |
| Fuel interface temp.            | TE1F | CU/CON TTS   | 0 to 100°F     |            | 100 cps     |      |
| Ox tank ullage                  | POTA | Taber 624962 | 0 - 300 psig   |            |             | 5%   |
| Ox tank ullage                  | POTB | Taber 624964 | 0 - 300 psig   |            |             |      |
| Fuel tk ullage                  | PFTA | Taber 652103 | 0 - 300 psig   |            |             |      |
| Fuel tk ullage                  | PFTB | Taber 652102 | 0 - 300 psig   |            |             |      |
| Ox interface                    | PE10 | Taber 652101 | 0 - 300 psia   |            |             |      |
| Fuel interface                  | PE1F | Taber 624961 | 0 - 300 psia   |            |             |      |
| Test chamber altitude           | PA1A | Datometrics  | 1.000 MMHg     |            |             |      |

TABLE C-1 LMDE PHASE I INSTRUMENTATION (CONTINUED)

| MEASUREMENT                     | SYM  | INSTRUMENT | RANGE           | SERIAL NO. | FREQ. RESP. | ACC.  |
|---------------------------------|------|------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|-------|
| Oxidizer duct                   | TE1  | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            | 1 cps       | 5°F   |
| Oxidizer duct                   | TE2  | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Fuel duct                       | TE3  | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Fuel duct                       | TE4  | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Fuel manifold +Z side           | TE5  | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Fuel manifold +Y side           | TE6  | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Fuel manifold -Y side           | TE7  | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Injector mntg flange +Y side    | TE8  | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Oxidizer elbow +Y side          | TE11 | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Fuel elbow -Y side              | TE12 | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Combustion chamber +Y side      | TE13 | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Combustion chamber -Y side      | TE14 | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Oxid. duct near injector        | TE15 | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Injector body                   | TE16 | CU/CON TRW | -100°F to 200°F |            |             |       |
| Ox tank                         | TE17 | CU/CON TTS | 0 - 100°F       |            |             | +5°F  |
| Temp fuel tank                  | TFT  | CU/CON TTS | 0 - 100°F       |            |             | "     |
| Diffuser cell end gas temp      | TDC  | CR/AL      | 0 to 2000°F     |            |             | +20°F |
| Diffuser exit temp              | TDE  | CR/AL      | 0 to 2000°F     |            |             | "     |
| Ejector gas temp                | TEG  | CR/AL      | 0 to 2000°F     |            |             | +5°F  |
| Oxidizer supply temp            | TE10 | CU/CON     | 18 to 150°F     |            |             |       |
| Fuel supply temp                | TE1F | CU/CON     | 18 to 150°F     |            |             |       |
| 10 KFTS chamber gas temp        | TC   | CU/CON     | 0 to 500°F      |            |             |       |
| Diffuser wall cell end temp     | TW1  | CR/AL      | -320 to 2000°F  |            |             | +20°F |
| Diffuser wall exhaust duct temp | TW2  | CR/AL      | -320 to 2000°F  |            |             | +20°F |

TABLE C-2 LMDE PHASE II INSTRUMENTATION (CONTINUED)

| MEASUREMENT                 | SYM   | INSTRUMENT                           | RANGE        | SERIAL NO. | FREQ. RESP. | ACC. |
|-----------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------|--------------|------------|-------------|------|
| Chamber Pressure            | PC6   | Data Sensor PB519A-28                | 0-25 psia    | 1175       | 100 cps     | 5%   |
| Oxidizer Manifold           | PI01  | Photocon 5307-5875                   | 0-200 psia   | 100033     | 10,000cps   | 5%   |
| Fuel Manifold               | PIF1  | Photocon 5307-5875                   | 0-200 psia   | 100028     |             |      |
| Chamber Pressure            | PC1   | Photocon 5307-5875                   | 0-500 psia   | 100055     |             |      |
| Chamber Pressure            | PC2   | Micro Systems 1025-0016G             | 0-200 psia   | Q423       | 100 cps     |      |
| Test Chamber Pressure       | PA1A  | Datametrix 536                       | 0-10 mmHg    | 1012       |             |      |
| Test Chamber Pressure       | PA1B  | Datametrix 536                       | 0-100 mmHg   | 1013       |             |      |
| Test Chamber Pressure       | PA1C  | Datametrix 536                       | 0-1000 mmHg  | 1014       |             |      |
| 10,000 Cu.Ft. Chamber Press | PA3   | Datametrix 536                       | 0-100 mmHg   | 1070       | 1 cps       | 10%  |
| 10,000 Cu.Ft. Chamber Press | PA2   | Alphatron 530                        | 0-1000 mmHg  | 1          |             | 5%   |
| Oxidizer Manifold           | PI02  | Data Sensor PB519A-4                 | 0-15 psia    | 943        |             |      |
| Oxidizer Manifold           | PI03  | Pace Wiancko P1A-0.3 psia            | 0-3 psia     | 26720      |             |      |
| Fuel Manifold               | PIF2  | Data Sensor PB519A-4                 | 0-15 psia    | 1032       |             |      |
| Fuel Manifold               | PIF3  | Pace Wiancko P1A-0.3 psia            | 0-.33 psia   | 26722      |             |      |
| Chamber Pressure            | PC3   | Data Sensor PB519A-4                 | 0-15 psia    | 854        |             |      |
| Chamber Pressure            | PC4   | Pace Wiancko P1A-0.3 psia            | 0-.3 psia    | 26719      |             |      |
| Oxidizer Supply Pressure    | PEI0B | Taber 206-SA                         | 0-300 psig   | 624962     |             |      |
| Fuel Supply Pressure        | PEIFB | Taber 206-SA                         | 0-300 psig   | 652103     |             |      |
| Oxidizer Tank Pressure      | POT   | Taber 206-SA                         | 0-300 psig   | 624964     |             |      |
| Fuel Tank Pressure          | PFT   | Taber 206-SA                         | 0-300 psig   | 652102     |             |      |
| Oxidizer Supply Pressure    | PEI0A | Data Sensor PB5198-4                 | 0-350 psis   | 289        | 100 cps     |      |
| Fuel Supply Pressure        | PEIFA | Data Sensor PB519S-4                 | 0-350 psis   | 862        |             |      |
| Oxidizer Manifold Press     | PI05  | Alinco 151-C2B                       | 0-50 psia    | 76207      |             |      |
| Diffuser Exit Pressure      | PDE   | Taber 254-SA                         | 0-15 psia    | 651070     |             |      |
| X Plane Accel.              | AX1   | Columbia Research Lab.<br>321-H-HT-I | 100 G RMS    |            | 10,000cps   | 5%   |
| Y Plane Accel.              | AY1   | Columbia Research Lab.<br>321-H-HT-I | 100 G RMS    |            |             |      |
| Z Plane Accel.              | AZ1   | Columbia Research Lab.<br>321-H-HT-I | 100 G RMS    |            |             |      |
| X Plane Accel.              | AX2   | Endevco 2242                         | 0-1000 G P-P | CB42       |             |      |
| Y Plane Accel.              | AY2   | Endevco 2242                         | 0-1000 G P-P | 7612       |             |      |
| Z Plane Accel.              | AZ2   | Endevco 2242                         | 0-1000 G P-P | 7805       |             |      |

TABLE C-2 LMDE PHASE II INSTRUMENTATION

## C.2 TEST SERIES DESCRIPTION

## C.2.1 Phase I Descent Engine Tests

Phase I of the LM Descent Restart Capabilities tests was initiated on October 19, 1968 in the Boeing Palmdale Test Site, Area 34 High Altitude Facility and completed on October 24, 1968. A checkout firing and four dual pulse firings were accomplished on the TRW Descent Engine, Serial Number 1033. The firings were initiated at simulated altitudes above 200,000 ft. and the LMDE exhaust nozzle remained choked throughout the firings. Minimum test cell altitude experienced during the first program was 78,000 ft. Initial propellant and hardware temperatures were held constant at  $65 \pm 5^\circ\text{F}$ . In all tests the LMDE was started and run in the 10% throttle position, since this is the normal starting mode, and also any higher throttle setting would exceed the pumping capabilities of the steam ejector system at the desired simulated altitudes. Minor problems were encountered in the facility operation. The initial system cleanliness verification procedure was prolonged by recirculating pump seal leakage problems. These pumps were replaced with units from the White Sands Test Facility. After several attempts, the system finally met the TRW cleanliness standards. A summary of initial test conditions is shown in Table 5-1, Volume I, of this report.

Descent Checkout Firing - October 19, 1968

The Descent engine checkout was satisfactorily completed on October 19, 1968.

Test Series D-1 - October 21, 1968

One restart was made following a 1819 second coast period. After the test series, a crack in the exhaust duct was discovered. The crack, caused by liquid nitrogen impingement, was repair-welded and the  $\text{LN}_2$  overflow from the diffuser cooling coils rerouted prior to the next firings. The crack (see Section C.3.3) did not compromise test results.

Test Series D-2 - October 22, 1968

One restart was made following a 316 second coast period. This was the hardest DPS start in Phase I tests.

Test Series D-3 - October 23, 1968

One restart was made following a 120 second coast period.

Test Series D-4 - October 24, 1968

One restart was made following a 43.5 second coast period.

### C.2.2 Phase II Descent Engine Tests

The Descent Engine Phase II tests were conducted between February 12, 1969 and February 21, 1969 at simulated altitudes initially above 200,000 ft. Following the checkout firing, each test included two restarts. The individual test series conduct is discussed in the following paragraphs, and a summary of initial conditions for each test series is shown in Table 5-1, Volume I, of this report.

#### Descent Engine Checkout Firing - February 12, 1969

The descent engine checkout firing was completed on February 13, 1969. The firing was satisfactory except that the Milliken camera on the engine vent lines broke its film. Mylar film had not been used in loading the camera due to a separation or cracking of the film emulsion noted on previous tests using this film. Cryopanel were not used on this test, since there were no restarts, and the butterfly-valve was cycled to obtain optimum altitude recovery for the post-firing coast.

#### Test Series D-5 - February 13, 1969

Two restarts were made with a 120 second coast period, and a firing time of 3.5 seconds. The cryopanel were used, and the 48" butterfly valve was cycled to optimize altitude recovery characteristics.

#### Test Series D-6 - February 15, 1969

Two restarts were made with a 90 second coast period. The 48" butterfly valve was cycled, and cryopanel were used. The cryopanel did not function as expected, but did not compromise test results (see Section C.3.3). Due to the problem, however, two modifications were incorporated in the cryopanel for D-6 and subsequent tests. First, 3/4" spacer blocks were installed along the longitudinal edges of the LN<sub>2</sub> shroud, providing 20% more flow to the LH<sub>2</sub> panels. Second, electric shaker motors were attached to the panel support in an effort to shake any frozen gases entrapped on the LN<sub>2</sub> panels off onto the LH<sub>2</sub> panels. Following test D-6, flat flow deflector extensions were added to further shield the cryopanel from direct impingement by exhaust gases.

#### Test Series D-7 - February 17, 1969

Two restarts were made with a 50 second coast period. The butterfly valve and cryopanel were used. The initial firing was "wet", the first such initial start in Phase II DPS tests. The second restart was made at an altitude of only 195,000 feet. Following the test, a crack was found in the diffuser duct, explaining the altitude problem. The cause of the cracking was thought to be the LN<sub>2</sub> cooling for the diffuser duct, and it was decided to use no more LN<sub>2</sub> diffuser

## C.2.2 Phase II Descent Engine Tests (Continued)

duct cooling. This would lead to a zero shift in the heat sensitive Datametric pressure transducers in the altitude chamber following the second restart, but this problem was not considered serious. The altitude problem did not affect test results (see Section C.3.3).

Test Series D-8 - February 18, 1969

Two restarts were made with a 15 second coast period. The firing time was changed by GAC to 3.0 seconds. Cryopanelts were used, but LN<sub>2</sub> diffuser duct cooling was not. The butterfly valve was cycled as before, but apparently did not open for the second restart due to a broken pilot opening line on the butterfly valve actuator. This failure resulted in a post-firing maximum altitude chamber pressure of 42 mmHg for the second restart. This problem did not affect test results (see Section C.3.3).

Test Series D-9 - February 19, 1969

Two restarts were made with a coast period of 5 seconds. Cryopanelts were used and the butterfly valve cycled as before. Due to lack of communication between Test Conductors, the LN<sub>2</sub> cooling was again used for the diffuser duct, which cracked again. Poor altitude recovery times resulted. The LN<sub>2</sub> cooling was not to be used again. It was also discovered that the fuel was depressurized by accident to about 10 psi for about 1 to 2 minutes, just prior to the test. Thus, there was probably not 100% helium saturation for the test. However, (see Section C.3.3) test results were not compromised.

Test Series D-10 - February 19, 1969

Two restarts were made with a coast period of 2 seconds. Cryopanelts were used, and the butterfly valve was closed at T + 15.

Test Series D-11 - February 20, 1969

Two restarts were made with a coast period of 375 seconds. The firing times were changed by GAC to 3.0 seconds for the initial start and 2.0 seconds for the restarts. Cryopanelts were not used, and the two stage steam ejector was used to pump the 10,000 ft<sup>3</sup> chamber while the butterfly valve was closed during coast. An engine low voltage condition existed during the second restart, with low voltages noted to the propellant valves and flight accelerometers. The accelerometers acted very erratically. A reduction in mass flow and peak chamber pressure for the third firing indicated that perhaps the propellant valves did not open fully.

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C.2.2 Phase II Descent Engine Tests (Continued)

Test Series D-12 - February 21, 1969

Two restarts were made with a coast period of 170 seconds. Cryopanel's were not used, and the two stage steam ejector was used as in Test D-11. The test was to have been conducted on February 20, 1969, but an unknown facility problem prevented the attainment of sufficient altitude to run the test. No reasons for the problem could be found following facility shutdown. With the dawn of February 21, 1969 another attempt to reach altitude was made successfully, with no reoccurrence of the previous night's problems. This test completed Descent Engine testing.

C.3 TEST RESULTS

C.3.1 Validity of Test Results

Review of the Phase I and Phase II descent test data indicates that all of the descent test results are valid for restart investigations.

Test Validity and Limitations

The validity of the Seattle LMDE tests, and the limitations on applicability of the test data are dependent on: compliance with test requirements; accurate setting of initial conditions such as propellant and hardware temperatures; helium saturation; altitude chamber pressure as it affects manifold venting characteristics. The following paragraphs discuss these criteria with respect to Seattle Phase I and Phase II LMDE tests.

The test requirements for Phase I and Phase II testing as outlined in Section 5.1.2 were met in all tests, with the following exceptions:

1. Photographic Coverage - Photographic coverage was not obtained in the following tests due to equipment malfunction or film breakage:

| <u>Photosonics</u> | <u>Milliken I</u> | <u>Milliken II</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|                    |                   | D0-II              |

2. Facility Requirements - The minimum Phase I initial altitude requirement of 200,000 feet was not met in LMDE test D-1. The minimum Phase II initial altitude requirement of 250,000 feet was not met in tests D0-II, D-6, D-7, D-10, D-11, and D-12. In each case the lesser altitude attained was accepted and signed off by a GAC representative. The required altitude for restart of 200,000 feet was not met in tests D-16, D-7C, D-8C, D-9b, c, and D-10b, c because of the time required for facility altitude recovery, and because the cryopanel did not work as expected.
3. Electrical Requirements - The voltage supplied to the LMDE valves was below limits during the third firing of test series D-11 due to a GSE power supply malfunction.
4. Propellant Helium Saturation - The fuel was depressurized to 10 psi for 1 to 2 minutes during test series D-9, resulting in less than 100% helium saturation.

Initial Test Conditions

The initial propellant and hardware temperature requirements specified in the Phase I and Phase II test matrices were met in all LMDE tests.

C.3.1 Validity of Test Results (Continued)

Altitude Chamber Pressure Effects

As explained in Section B.3.3, the altitude chamber pressure will have no effect on restart events so long as the engine nozzle is choked. Referring to Table C-3, it can be seen that the nozzle remained choked for the duration of the coast, except in tests D0-II, D-5b, D-7b, c, D-8b, c, D-9c, and D-10c. However, in these tests, manifold pressure data indicate that there was sufficient delta pressure across the injector to reasonably isolate the manifolds from the chamber. Again, Phase I data are sketchy, but follow the same pattern as Phase II.

Initial Start Repeatability

The repeatability of starts for tests having similar initial conditions is applicable only for initial starts in the Seattle descent tests. This is because restarts were performed only once or twice at similar coast times, and if repeated at the same coast time were run at different temperatures and degrees of helium saturation.

The initial starts for Phase II can be compared to a nominal engine on the basis of time to ignition or first Pc rise only, since that is the only parameter listed in the SODB, Volume II, Part I (Reference 12). That document indicates that the time to first Pc rise can vary from 0.375 to 3.0 seconds for a "nominal" engine. In Phase II tests, the initial start time to first Pc rise varied from 1.3 to 1.6 seconds, well within the "nominal" limits.

| RUN NO. | FIRST FIRING       |                    |                         | SECOND FIRING      |                     |                         | THIRD FIRING       |                     |                         | COAST TIME (SEC) | POST RUN COAST (30 min) ALT. (FT.) |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|
|         | INITIAL ALT. (FT.) | UNCHOKE TIME (SEC) | TIME TO 200K FT. (SEC.) | INITIAL ALT. (FT.) | UNCHOKE TIME (SEC.) | TIME TO 200K FT. (SEC.) | INITIAL ALT. (FT.) | UNCHOKE TIME (SEC.) | TIME TO 200K FT. (SEC.) |                  |                                    |
| DO-II   | 212,000            | 9-15, (3)          | 20                      | -                  | -                   | -                       | -                  | -                   | -                       | -                | 212,000                            |
| D-5     | 266,000            | (2)                | 11.5                    | 239,000            | 9-10, (4)           | 13.5                    | 233,000            | (1)                 | 14.5                    | 120              | 232,000                            |
| D-6     | 208,000            | (2)                | 12                      | 232,000            | (2)                 | 15                      | 216,000            | (1)                 | 17                      | 90               | 217,000                            |
| D-7     | 214,000            | (2)                | 13                      | 210,000            | 8-15, (4)           |                         | 196,000            | 9-15, (3)           | 28                      | 50               | 210,000                            |
| D-8     | 256,000            | (2)                | 16.5                    | 205,000            | 9-13, (4)           |                         | 181,000            | 6-30                | 30                      | 15               | 222,000                            |
| D-9     | 222,000            | (2)                |                         | 132,000            | (2)                 |                         | 116,000            | 8.5-11(3)           | 42                      | 5                | 208,000                            |
| D-10    | 255,000            | (2)                |                         | 121,000            | (2)                 |                         | 92,000             | 7-22, (3)           | 42                      | 2                | 245,000                            |
| D-11    | 228,000            | (1)                | 17                      | 232,000            | (1)                 | 14                      | 239,000            | (1)                 | 10                      | 375              | 227,000                            |
| D-12    | 222,000            | (1)                | 17                      | 231,000            | (1)                 | 16                      | 232,000            | (1)                 | 14                      | 170              | 232,000                            |

- (1) Did not unchoke prior to reaching 200,000 ft. altitude
- (2) Did not unchoke before the next firing
- (3) Remained choked thereafter until above 200,000 ft. altitude
- (4) Remained choked thereafter before the next firing.

TABLE C-3 DESCENT ENGINE NOZZLE CHOKING SUMMARY

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APPENDIX D - SPS ENGINE TESTING AT AEDC

D.0 GENERAL

This appendix describes the AEDC test facilities and test articles used during the SPS engine restart tests and the SPS injector cold flow tests. The test series and engine instrumentation are described, and an assessment is made of test validity for the SPS engine restarts.

D.1 TEST FACILITY AND TEST APPARATUS (ENGINE RESTART)

D.1.1 AEDC Test Facility

The SPS engine restart tests were conducted at the Rocket Test Facility, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Air Force Systems Command, Arnold Air Force Station, Tennessee. This testing was conducted at a simulated pressure altitude in test cell J-2A.

Test Cell

The J-2A Propulsion Engine Test Cell is a rocket engine test chamber capable of a simulated pressure altitude in excess of 350,000 feet. The test chamber consists of an 18-1/3 foot diameter by 30 feet long, cryogenically cooled liner within a 20 foot diameter basic test chamber. The interior of the liner and all major test chamber components are painted black to increase the absorptivity for thermal radiation.

Hardware Temperature Conditioning

The exteriors of the test hardware were maintained at desired temperatures while radiating to the test chamber walls, by 12 rows of infrared lamps equally spaced around the test chamber liner.

Exhaust Canister

An exhaust canister was attached to the test engine at the nozzle extension mounting flange and extended to the 1.5 area ratio station in the nozzle. The canister consisted of three pneumatically operated doors which isolated the test engine from the 80,000 feet pressure altitude of the exhaust duct and maintained it in excess of 200,000 feet pressure altitude during ignition, shutdown transients, and coast periods.

Exhaust Gas Diffuser System

The exhaust canister is connected to the J-2A test cell diffuser inlet bulkhead. The diffuser section consists of a 90-in.-diam, LN<sub>2</sub>-cooled section 20.5 ft long; a 72-in.-diam, water-cooled section 18<sup>2</sup>ft long; a hydraulically operated, 72-in.-diam, multiple frangible disc changer; and a hydraulically actuated mechanism containing up to 26 frangible discs 20 mils thick. These discs are used to isolate the test chamber, which can be pumped down to a pressure altitude in excess of 300,000 ft by the cell pumping system, from the Rocket Test Facility (RTF) exhaust system. The exhaust ducting system is maintained at a pressure altitude of 80,000 ft by the RTF plant. The disc is pyrotechnically ruptured on a signal from the engine as the combustion chamber pressure increases to a predetermined level during the ignition transient. After the firing, the exhaust door of the canister is again closed, isolating the engine from the plant exhaust system.

## D.1.1 AEDC Test Facility (Continued)

Propellant System

The propellant system (Fig. D-1) consisted of a gaseous-nitrogen ( $\text{GN}_2$ ) pressurizing system, 1000-gal supply tanks, 40- $\mu$  filter systems, temperature conditioning and recirculation circuits, bellows-type accumulators and accumulator charging system, and associated valves, pumps, and piping.

The propellants were conditioned by circulating through heat exchangers. Two recirculation circuits were used in each propellant system. The primary circuit allowed propellant recirculation from the supply tanks to near the engine Thrust Chamber Valve (TCV). The secondary circuits allowed recirculation from the supply tanks to near the propellant prevalues. Temperature conditioning of the propellant lines was accomplished using heater tape and radiation lamps.

The oxidizer and fuel supply systems were designed to produce dynamic effects similar to those expected in the Apollo system.

A small parallel propellant system was used to introduce propellants downstream of the TCV during the inbleed portion of the test program as shown in Figure D-1.

## D.1.2 Test Article

The test article was a full-scale, flight type Apollo SPS Block I engine (AJ10-137) without a nozzle extension. The engine was mounted horizontally in the test chamber and was attached to a thrust abutment at the engine gimbal mounts. The gimbal linkages were replaced with rigid counterparts. The engine was attached to and exhausted into the canister system used to obtain the required altitude conditions. The SPS engine, supplied by NASA-MSC, was modified to obtain optical coverage of the injector and to permit both high response pressure and temperature probe installations.

Engine

The Apollo SPS engine is a pressure-fed, liquid-propellant rocket engine consisting of a bipropellant thrust chamber valve assembly, an injector, a combustion chamber, a nozzle extension, and a gimbal actuator-ring mount assembly. (The nozzle extension and gimbal actuators were not used during this test program).

The design vacuum performance of the engine is 21,500  $\text{lb}_f$  of thrust at a propellant mixture ratio of  $\text{O/F} = 2.0$  and a combustion chamber pressure of 100 psia. The engine is designed to be capable of 50 restarts over the design operating life of 750 secs. using hypergolic, storable propellants. Nitrogen tetroxide ( $\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ ) is the oxidizer; AZ-50, a 50-50 weight blend of hydrazine ( $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4$ ) and unsymmetrical dimethylhydrazine ( $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{N}_2\text{H}_2$ ), is the fuel.

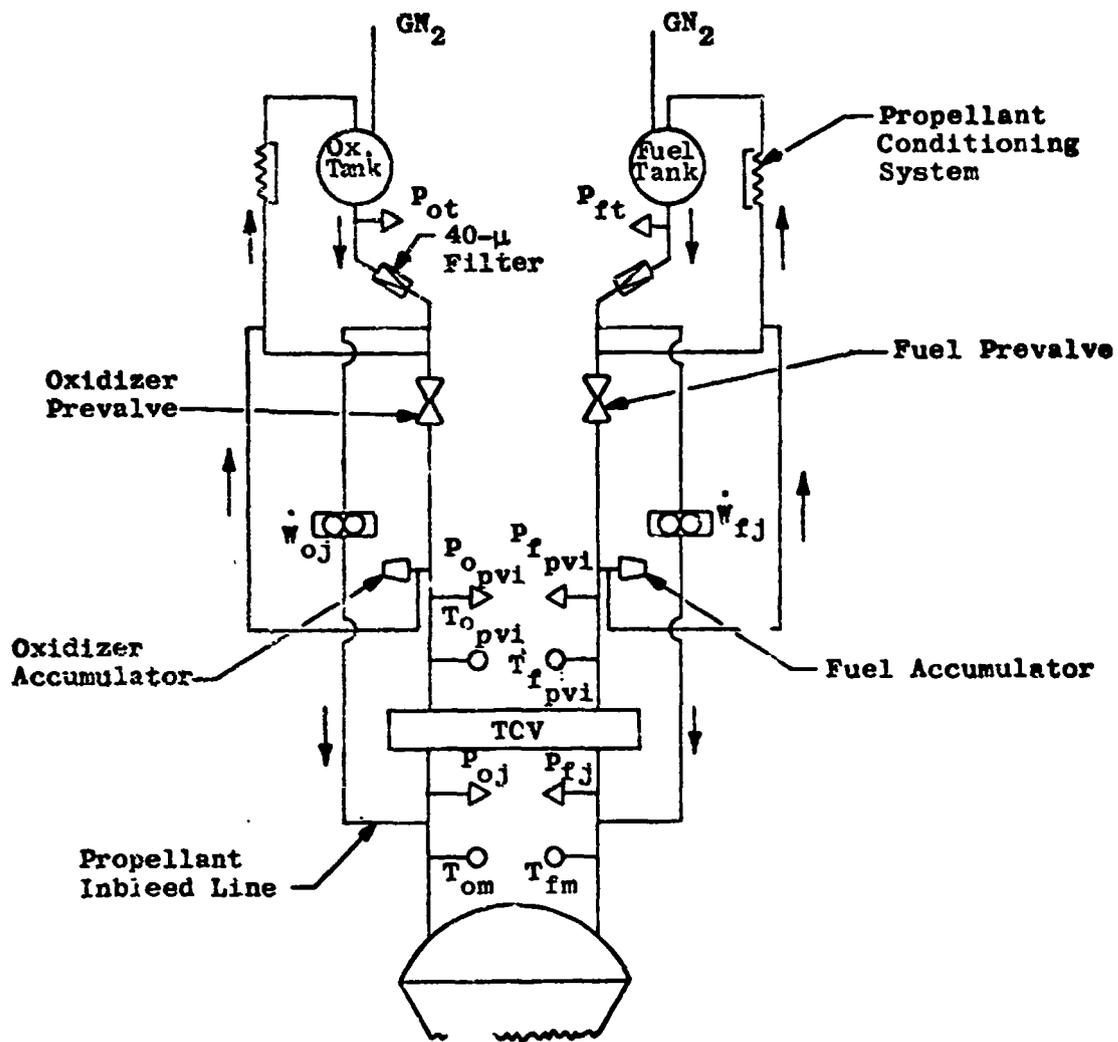


FIGURE D-1

PROPELLANT SYSTEM SCHEMATIC AND INSTRUMENTATION LOCATIONS

### D.1.2 Test Article (Continued)

A list of all components used during this test program is presented in Table D-1.

#### Thrust Chamber Valve

The thrust chamber valve (TCV) consists of a pneumatically operated system of eight ball valves: two in each of two parallel fuel passages and two in each of the two parallel oxidizer passages. One fuel passage and one oxidizer passage constitute an independent valve bank; thus, the TCV has two valve banks, designated valve Banks A and B. Two independent pressure sources operate a pair of actuators in each bank, therefore, the engine can be fired using either Bank A, Bank B, or both. All firings during this test program were conducted using valve Banks A and B together.

#### Injector

The injector (Block I) used for this test program was a doublet orifice configuration arranged in a concentric ring pattern and was baffled (Fig. D-2) for improved combustion stability. The injector baffles were regeneratively cooled with fuel, which routed through the baffles and back to the injection ring passages. A small portion of the fuel was discharged from each baffle extremity. Film cooling of the combustion chamber was provided by fuel flow from orifices in the extreme outer ring of the injector, adjacent to the injector mounting flange. Approximately 5 percent of the engine fuel flow was injected for film cooling. The injector was modified in order to provide instrumentation taps for high response pressure measurements in the manifold and temperature measurements in the manifold and on the injector face.

#### Combustion Chamber

The combustion chamber was constructed with an ablative liner, an asbestos insulating liner, and an external wrap. The ablative liner consists of a silica glass fabric tape impregnated with a phenolic resin compound. The chamber was constructed so that the maximum ablative thickness was obtained at the throat section. Several layers of resin-impregnated fiber glass wrap (glass fabric and glass filament) were bonded over the asbestos insulation. The mounting flanges for the injector and nozzle extension were attached to the chamber by bonding the flange lips to the ablative material and overwrapping with fiber glass.

The chamber was modified at the RTF to provide motion-picture coverage of the interior of the chamber during engine operation. This coverage was obtained through two special ports in the chamber wall fitted with quartz windows. The ports were contoured in a manner to minimize any local flow variations within the combustion chamber zone. One port was used to allow chamber interior lighting (1000 watts) by a quartz iodide light, and the other port was used for mounting a fiber optics. The quartz windows were

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TABLE D-1  
TEST ARTICLE COMPONENTS

| <u>Component</u>   | <u>Serial Number</u>    |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Engine Assembly    | 0000030                 |
| Combustion Chamber | 0000259                 |
| Injector           | 0000111                 |
| Propellant Valve   | 0000113 (AA through AE) |
|                    | 0000115 (AG only)       |



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D.1.2 Test Article (Continued)

replaced with stainless steel plates for the last test series. Instrumentation ports were drilled to measure temperature and pressure at different axial stations in the chamber.

### D.1.3 Instrumentation

Instrumentation systems were provided to obtain measurements of pressures, temperatures, inbleed flow rates, and accelerations of the Apollo SPS engine (Fig. D-3) and its propellant system (Fig. D-1), as well as temperatures and pressures of its environment. The outputs of all of the sensing devices were recorded either on magnetic tape (using the commutating digital or the analog-to-frequency conversion system), light beam oscillograph recorders, or null-balance potentiometers (strip charts). The means of data acquisition are shown in Table D-2 for the various parameters. Visual coverage was also provided by motion picture and television cameras.

#### Pressure

Pressure measurements were obtained from the test engine and associated systems with both strain-gage and piezoelectric transducers. The strain-gage-type transducers were used to measure low response and quasi-steady-state pressure. The transducers, mounted on brackets, were connected to the pressure ports with standard 0.25-in. A/N tubing. A close-coupled combustion chamber pressure measurement, through the ablative wall, was made during the AG test series. The ablative chamber was modified for obtaining pressure measurements at both the injector baffle and throat locations. All strain-gage-type transducers were laboratory calibrated before and after the completion of testing, and the calibrations were traceable to the National Bureau of Standards (NBS). The piezoelectric transducers were used to measure high response phenomena. The injector and ablative chamber wall were modified such that the transducers were flush mounted to reduce the response time in the measurement. These transducers and recording devices, in addition to electrical step calibrations, were calibrated in the test cell using a transient step function pressure source with a precision transducer traceable to NBS.

Test chamber pressures were measured with capacitance-type and ionization-type vacuum gages. These transducers and gages were laboratory calibrated with traceability to NBS.

#### Temperature

Temperatures were measured using both Chromel -Alumel (CA) thermocouples and resistance temperature transducers (RTT). The RTT's were used to measure propellant and injector manifold temperatures, and the CA thermocouples were used to measure the surface temperatures. Special mountings of thermocouples were made in the injector, on the baffle walls, and on the chamber interior surface to provide high response temperature data during engine operation.

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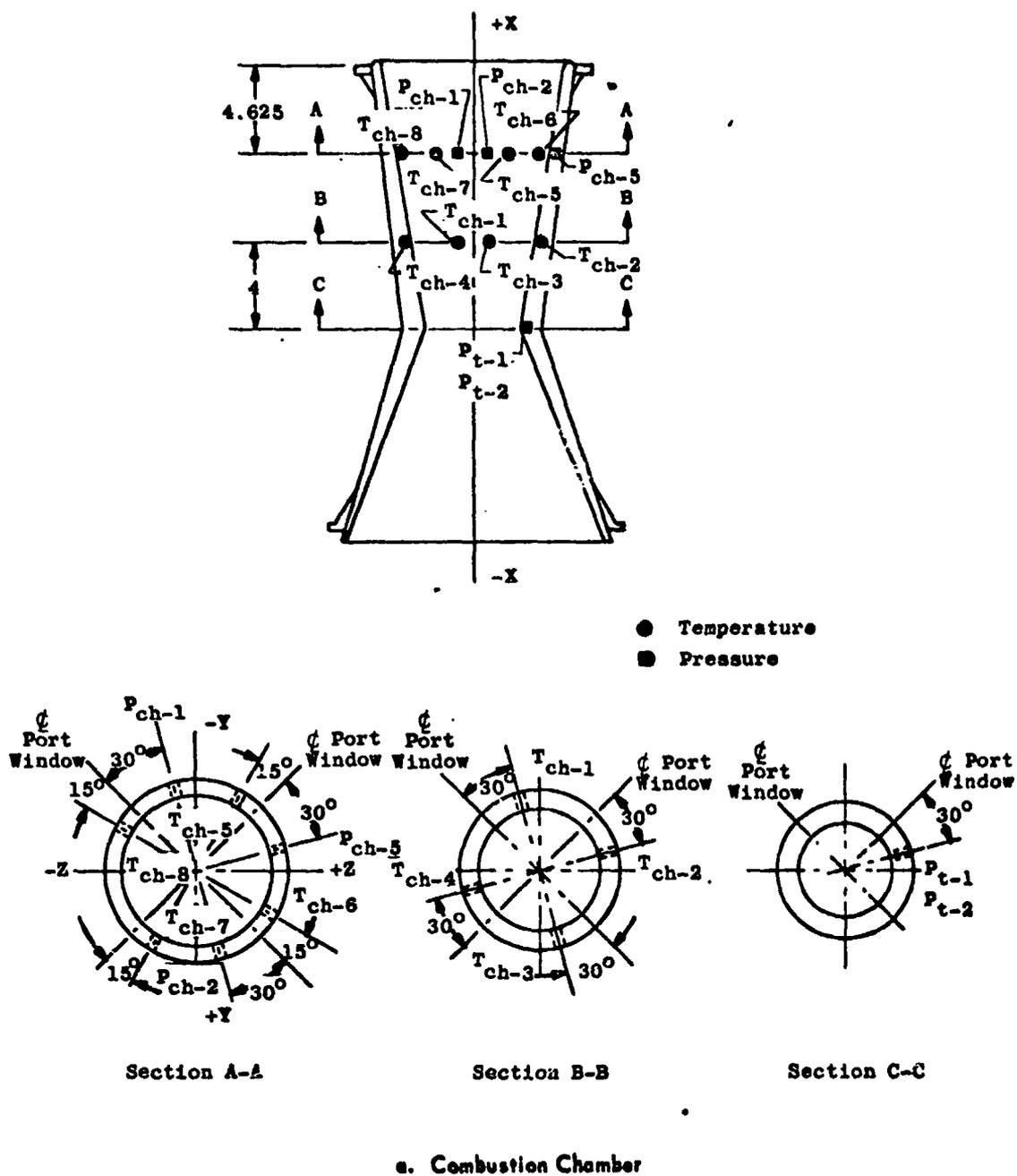
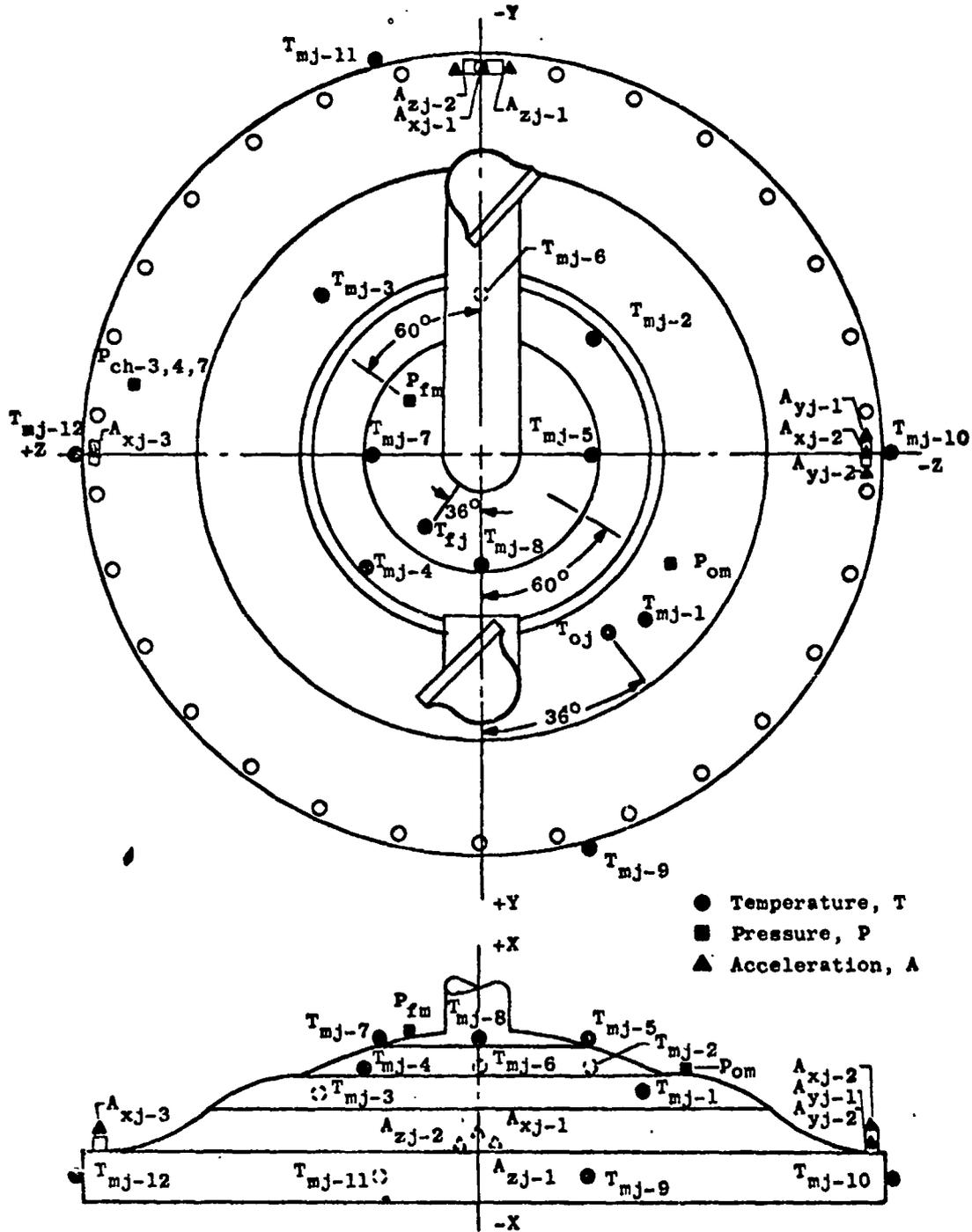


FIGURE D-3

**ENGINE INSTRUMENTATION LOCATIONS**



b. Injector

FIGURE D-3 (CONTINUED)



TABLE D-2  
INSTRUMENTATION LIST

| Parameter                               | Type              | Range          | Data Acquisition System |                     |             |              |
|---|-------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------|
|   |                   |                | Magnetic Tape           |                     | Strip Chart | Oscillograph |
|   |                   |                | Analog-to-Digital       | Analog-to-Frequency |             |              |
| Oxidizer Tank Pressure                  | Strain Gage       | 0 to 300 psia  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Oxidizer Valve Inlet Pressure           | Strain Gage       | 0 to 300 psia  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Oxidizer Manifold Pressure              | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 1000 psia |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Oxidizer Manifold Pressure, Low         | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 200 psia  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Oxidizer Injector Header Pressure No. 1 | Strain Gage       | 0 to 300 psia  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Oxidizer Injector Header Pressure No. 2 | Strain Gage       | 0 to 5 psia    | X                       | X                   |             | X            |
| Fuel Tank Pressure                      | Strain Gage       | 0 to 300 psia  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Fuel Valve Inlet Pressure               | Strain Gage       | 0 to 300 psia  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Fuel Manifold Pressure                  | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 1000 psia |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Fuel Manifold Pressure, Low             | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 200 psia  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Fuel Injector Header Pressure No. 1     | Strain Gage       | 0 to 300 psia  | X                       | X                   |             | X            |
| Fuel Injector Header Pressure No. 2     | Strain Gage       | 0 to 5 psia    | X                       | X                   | X           | X            |
| Chamber Throat Pressure No. 1           | Strain Gage       | 0 to 5 psia    | X                       | X                   |             | X            |
| Chamber Throat Pressure No. 2           | Strain Gage       | 0 to 50 psia   |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Chamber Pressure No. 1, High            | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 1000 psia |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Chamber Pressure No. 1, Low             | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 100 psia  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Chamber Pressure No. 2, High            | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 1000 psia |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Chamber Pressure No. 2, Low             | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 100 psia  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Chamber Pressure No. 3                  | Strain Gage       | 0 to 100 psia  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Chamber Pressure No. 4                  | Strain Gage       | 0 to 100 psia  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Chamber Pressure No. 5                  | Strain Gage       | 0 to 100 psia  | X                       | X                   | X           | X            |
| Chamber Pressure No. 7                  | Strain Gage       | 0 to 5 psia    | X                       | X                   | X           | X            |
| Diffuser Cannister Pressure No. 1       | Strain Gage       | 0 to 1 psia    | X                       | X                   | X           | X            |
| Diffuser Cannister Pressure No. 2       | Strain Gage       | 0 to 50 psia   | X                       | X                   | X           | X            |
| Cell Pressure No. 1                     | Ionization        | 0 to 760 mm Hg |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Cell Pressure No. 2                     | Ionization        | 0 to 10 mm Hg  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Cell Pressure No. 7                     | Capacitance       | 0 to 30 mm Hg  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Cell Pressure No. 8                     | Capacitance       | 0 to 17 mm Hg  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Cell Pressure No. 9                     | Capacitance       | 0 to 180°F     |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Oxidizer Valve Inlet Temperature        | Resistance        | -100 to +100°F |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Oxidizer Manifold Temperature           | CA Thermocouple   | 80 to 370°F    |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Oxidizer Injector Header Temperature    | Resistance        | 0 to 180°F     |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Fuel Valve Inlet Temperature            | Resistance        | -50 to +150°F  |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Fuel Manifold Temperature               | CA Thermocouple   | -80 to 370°F   |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Fuel Injector Header Temperature        | CA Thermocouple   | -80 to 370°F   |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Propellant Valve Temperature            | CA Thermocouple   | -100 to 1000°F |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Combustion Chamber Temperature (Eight)  | CA Thermocouple   | -100 to 1000°F |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Injector Face, Baffle Temperature (Six) | CA Thermocouple   | -150 to +370°F |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Injector Exterior Temperature (12)      | CA Thermocouple   | 0 to 2000 °E   |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Accelerometer XX, Injector No. 1        | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 4000 g    |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Accelerometer XX, Injector No. 2        | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 500 g     |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Accelerometer XX, Injector No. 3        | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 2000 g    |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Accelerometer YY, Injector No. 1 and 2  | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 2000 g    |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Accelerometer ZZ, Injector No. 1 and 2  | Piezoelectric     | 0 to 2000 g    |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Oxidizer Flow Rate Injection            | Turbine Flowmeter | 0 to 5 gpm     |                         | X                   |             | X            |
| Fuel Flow Rate Injection                | Turbine Flowmeter | 0 to 0.1 gpm   |                         | X                   | X           | X            |

D.1.3 Instrumentation (Continued)

Flow

The flow rates of the propellants inbled into the injector were measured with one flowmeter in each inbleed line. The flowmeters were rotating, permanent magnet, turbine-type, axial flow, volumetric flow sensors with induction coil signal generators. The flowmeters were laboratory calibrated in water with traceability to NBS.

Acceleration

Engine acceleration data were provided using several piezoelectric-type accelerometers in three orthogonal planes. The accelerometers were mounted on the injector with insulated studs inserted into aluminum blocks that had been welded to the injector flange.

Visual

Three motion picture cameras and two closed-circuit television cameras were used to provide visual coverage of the test program (test series AG used only two motion picture cameras). Two of the motion picture cameras and the two television cameras were used to provide exterior coverage of the test hardware. The third motion picture camera was used in conjunction with a fiber optics system to obtain visual coverage of the interior of the chamber during engine operation.

## D.2 TEST SERIES DESCRIPTION (ENGINE RESTART)

## D.2.1 General

The SPS engine restart tests were conducted over seven "air periods" which included test series AA through AG. These tests were conducted between May and September 1968. All firings were made in the dual (AB) bore valve mode. The test series are broadly categorized in Table D-3.

- Series AA - this test series was facility and test specimen checkout. During these tests propellant feed line pressure drops were unacceptable. This series was terminated due to a malfunction of the canister vent doors. Test data were not analyzed.
- Series AB - this test series was facility and test specimen checkout and consisted of three firings. Accumulators were installed in the propellant feed lines to eliminate the high line pressure drops. Test data were not analyzed.
- Series AC - this test series consisted of five hot firings to evaluate engine restarts. Test duration was 0.37 seconds, and test hardware and propellant were temperature conditioned at 35 and 55°F respectively. Coast periods between engine starts was approximately 22 minutes. Test films showed ice visible on the combustion chamber and injector face during start and shutdown. Testing was terminated when the canister doors malfunctioned.
- Series AD - this series consisted of five hot firings to evaluate engine restarts. During the second firing the canister doors malfunctioned, and it was decided to continue the "air period" by conducting three oxidizer inbleed tests. Volumes of  $N_2O_4$  equivalent to 25, 50, and 100 percent of the oxidizer manifold volume were inbled into the injector at a rate to promote propellant freezing. Test durations were 0.37 seconds, and test hardware and propellant were temperature conditioned to 35 and 35 - 42°F respectively. Coast periods were 188 - 1242 minutes.
- Series AE - this test series consisted of seventeen hot firings to evaluate engine restarts. One start was conducted at a low (80,000 ft.) pressure altitude. Test duration was 0.37 seconds and test hardware and propellant were temperature conditioned at 35 + 50°F. Coast periods between engine starts were 20 seconds to 462 minutes. During this test series the quartz window in the combustion chamber in which the fiber optics was located was completely blown out, and the window in which the camera light was located was cracked. No other hardware damage was found.

D.2.1 General (Continued)

Series AF - this test series was terminated when the SPS engine bi-propellant ball valve failed to function. Data do not exist for this series.

Series AG - this test series consists of thirty-six hot firings to evaluate engine restarts. Three tests were fuel inbleed tests and two starts were conducted at low (80,000 ft.) pressure altitudes. Test durations were 0.37 - 0.52 seconds and test hardware and propellant were temperature conditioned at 35-40 and 35-65°F respectively. Coast periods between engine starts varied from 7 seconds to 412 minutes.

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TABLE D-3

AEDC TEST SUMMARY  
SPS RESTART

| <u>TEST SERIES</u> | <u>TYPE OF TEST</u>   | <u>NO. OF TESTS</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| AA                 | Facility Checkout     | 2                   |
| AB                 | Facility Checkout     | 3                   |
| AC                 | Restart               | 5                   |
| AD                 | Oxidizer Inbleed      | 5                   |
| AE                 | Restart               | 17                  |
| AF                 | Malfunction - No Data | ---                 |
| AG                 | Restart               | 33                  |
|                    | Fuel Inbleed          | 3                   |
|                    | TOTAL                 | 68                  |

### D.3 TEST RESULTS (ENGINE RESTART)

Review of the test data showed that all of the test data are valid for restart investigations within the limitations of data acquisition during specific test sequences.

#### D.3.1 Test Validity and Limitations

The validity of the AEDC SPS engine tests, and the limitations on the applicability of the test data are based on compliance with test requirements, use of Block I hardware, and use of  $\text{GN}_2$  as the propellant pressurant.

Although the test data is valid for engine restart investigations there is an apparent lack of data acquired during specific tests. It was not possible to establish an oxidizer lead/lag relationship, based on injector manifold priming times, during any "air period" because either the oxidizer or fuel injector manifold pressure transducers did not function properly. Steady state chamber pressure was not available until the AG test series when a low response strain gage (Taber) transducer was installed.

Although the absolute data appears to be somewhat random for all tests there is a definite correlation of trends for tests having similar initial conditions. Because of the firing duration (0.37 seconds), it is difficult to compare these restart tests to other SPS engine data or to a nominal engine. The data base is also limited when trying to evaluate repeatability for tests having similar initial conditions, since restarts were performed only once or twice at identical coast times.

The test requirements as outlined in Section 6.1.2 were met in all tests, with the following exceptions:

#### 1. Facility Requirements

The minimum pressure altitude of 180,000 feet was not met in tests JC-03, AD-02, AD-03, AD-04, AD-05, AE-06C, and AG-16.

D.4 TEST FACILITY AND TEST APPARATUS (COLD FLOW)

D.4.1 AEDC Test Facility

The SPS injector cold flow tests conducted at the Aerospace Environment Facility, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Air Force Systems Command, Arnold Air Force Station, Tennessee. This testing was conducted at a simulated pressure altitude in Aerospace Research Chambers ARC (8V) and ARC (7V).

The basic requirement of this test program, rapid evacuation of the SPS injector, was accomplished by installing the injector in a relatively small antechamber (A/C) and attaching it by means of a large duct and valve to either of several large-volume cryogenic pumping chambers available in the Aerospace Environment Facility. As shown in Figure D-4, the injector was mounted inside the A/C adjacent to the pumping or test support chamber. A 10 inch duct with an air operated 10 inch valve connected the A/C to the pumping chamber.

ARC (8V)

The ARC (8V) is a stainless steel vacuum chamber 10 feet in diameter and 20 feet in length containing 600 ft<sup>2</sup> of liquid-nitrogen (LN<sub>2</sub>)-cooled cryo-surface and 120 ft<sup>2</sup> of gaseous-helium (GHe)-cooled cryoarray. This chamber is capable of holding a vacuum of 10<sup>-2</sup> torr through the test.

This chamber provided vacuum pumping through the 10 inch diameter connecting valve. During the oxidizer tests, the liquid oxidizer supply tank was confined within the test support chamber to provide maximum safety conditions in the test area. The complete test support system is diagrammed in Figure D-4.

A toxic vent system was provided for use during chamber repressurization cycles so that the vapors of N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> could be safely exhausted outside the chamber laboratory building.

ARC (7V)

Phases II and III of the Apollo SPS injector cold flow test, using Aerozine-50 (in Phase II), and Aerozine-50 plus Freon MF, a "simulated" oxidizer (in Phase III), were conducted in the Aerospace Research Chamber (7V).

The ARC (7V) is a stainless steel vacuum chamber 7 feet in diameter and 12 feet in length. In Phase II, 64 ft<sup>2</sup> of the tube-in-sheet paneling served as the LN<sub>2</sub> cryosystem but later, in Phase III, the 480 ft<sup>2</sup> LN<sub>2</sub> chamber liner was required to carry the additional load imposed by the Freon MF in addition to the Aerozine-50.

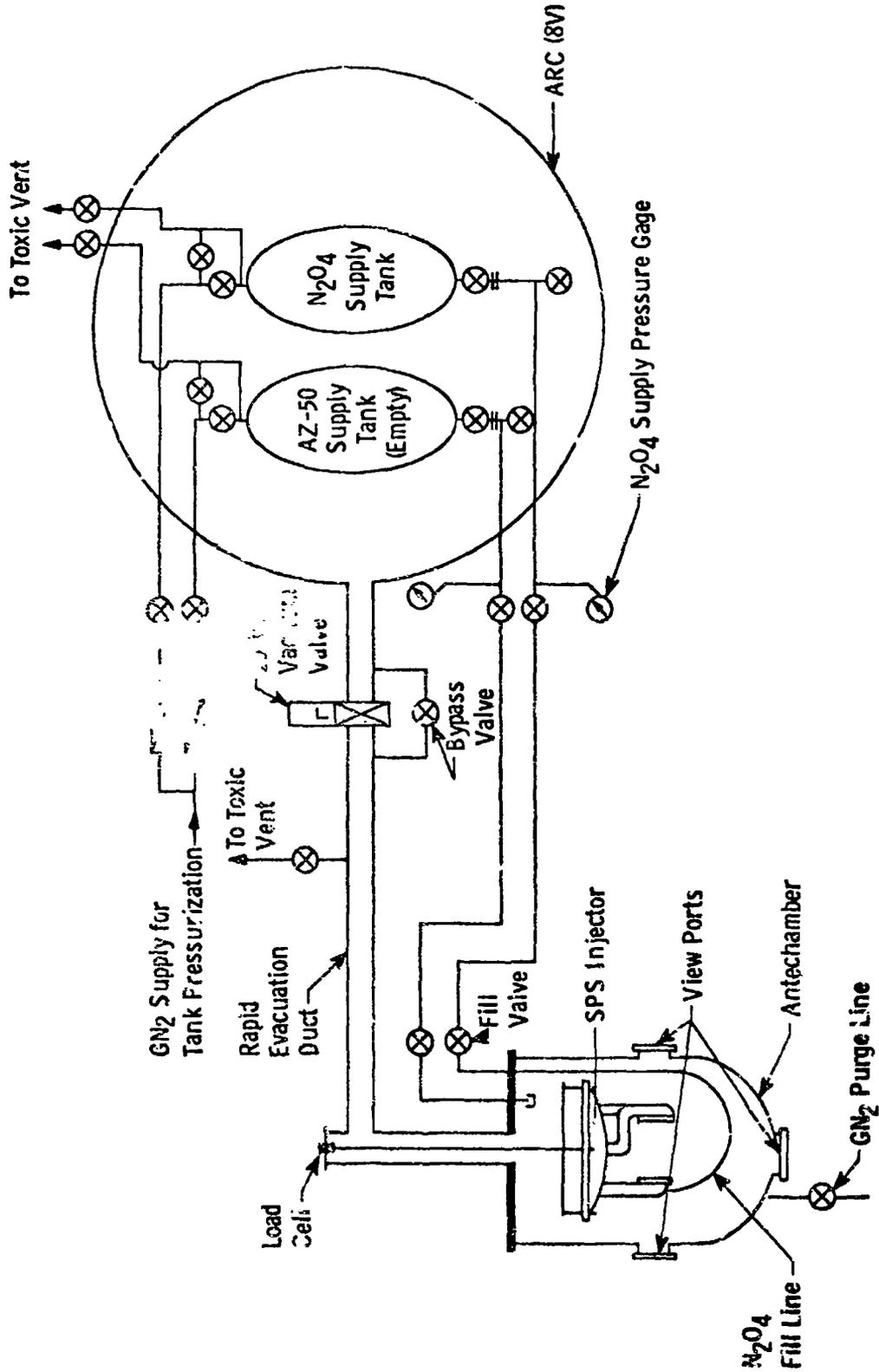


FIGURE D-4  
 APOLLO SPS INJECTOR COLD FLOW TEST SYSTEM SCHEMATIC

#### D.4.2 Test Article

##### General Description

The test article used for these tests was a modified full-scale Block I SPS injector. The modifications were for instrumentation and photographic coverage during the tests.

This aluminum alloy injector was designed and built by the Aerojet-General Corporation. The injector receives propellants through individual manifolds to separate orifice arrays. After passing through these orifice arrays, the propellants are mixed producing hypergolic ignition. In these tests, the injector was oriented with the orifice arrays pointing up.

##### Modifications

Modifications for temperature and pressure measurement devices and for view ports and light ports consisted of aluminum extensions and attachment flanges welded to the injector and penetrations cut to provide access to the inside of the injector.

#### D.4.3 Instrumentation

Instrumentation systems were provided to obtain pressure, temperatures, and change in injector weight. The outputs of all of the sensing devices were recorded on magnetic tape. The means of data acquisition, ranges, and channel numbers are shown in Table D-4. Visual coverage was provided by high-and-low-speed motion picture cameras.

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| Temperature Measurements                   | Position Number | Type Sensor       | Readout Channel Numbers             |  |
|--|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Injector Skin</b>                       |                 |                   |                                     |  |
| Fuel Duct                                  | 1, 2, 3         | CATC <sup>①</sup> | UDS <sup>②</sup> 1, 20, 21          |  |
| Fuel Cover                                 | 4, 5, 6, 7      |                   | M-1 <sup>③</sup> UDS 22, 23, 24, 25 |  |
| Oxidizer Manifold (Inboard)                | 8, 9, 10, 11    |                   | UDS 26, 27, 30, 31                  |  |
| Oxidizer Manifold (Outboard)               | 12, 13, 14, 15  |                   | UDS 32, 47, 50, 51                  |  |
| Oxidizer Duct                              | 17, 18, 19      |                   | UDS 53, 54, 55                      |  |
| Flange Edge                                | 16              |                   | UDS 52                              |  |
| <b>Liquid Temperature Probes</b>           |                 |                   |                                     |  |
| Fuel Duct                                  | 20              | PRTP <sup>④</sup> | 12, 43, 74, 125                     |  |
| Fuel Manifold                              | 21              |                   | 13, 44, 75, 126                     |  |
| Oxidizer Duct                              | 22              |                   | 14, 45, 76, 127                     |  |
| Oxidizer Manifold                          | 23              |                   | 15, 46, 77, 130                     |  |
| <b>Front Side of Injector</b>              |                 |                   |                                     |  |
| Injector Face (Center Fuel Hole)           | 24              | CATC              | UDS 56                              |  |
| Injector Face (Center Oxidizer Hole)       | 25              |                   | 57                                  |  |
| Injector Face (Center Baffle Edge)         | 26              |                   | 60                                  |  |
| Injector Face (Radial Baffle Side)         | 27              |                   | 61                                  |  |
| Fuel Baffle (Feed into Transducer Fitting) | 28              | CATC Ceramo Probe | 62                                  |  |
| Fuel Channel (Most Inboard)                | 29              | CATC              | 63                                  |  |
| Fuel Channel                               | 30              |                   | 100                                 |  |
| Fuel Channel                               | 31              |                   | 101                                 |  |
| Fuel Channel (Most Outboard)               | 32              |                   | 102                                 |  |
| Oxidizer Channel (Inboard)                 | 33              |                   | 103                                 |  |
| Oxidizer Channel (Outboard)                | 34              |                   | 104                                 |  |
| Antechamber, Inside Skin                   | 35              | CATC              | M-2/UDS 105                         |  |
| Antechamber, Inside Skin                   | 36              |                   | UDS 106                             |  |
| Antechamber, Inside Skin                   | 37              |                   | UDS 107                             |  |
| Antechamber, Inside Skin                   | 38              |                   | UDS 110                             |  |
| Antechamber, Inside Gas                    | 39              |                   | M-3                                 |  |
| Antechamber, Inside Gas                    | 40              |                   | 111                                 |  |

| Pressure Measurements             | Position Number | Type Sensor     | Pressure Range, psia | Readout Channel Numbers               |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Fuel Injector Cavity</b>       |                 |                 |                      |                                       |
| Fuel Inlet (High Pressure)        | 41              | Statham 15 psia | 0-10                 | Oscillograph - 1                      |
| Fuel Manifold (High Pressure)     | 42              |                 | 0-10                 | Oscillograph - 3/UDS 2, 33, 64, 115   |
| Fuel Inlet (Low Pressure)         | 43              | CEC 1 psia      | 0-0.5                | UDS 4, 35, 66, 117                    |
| Fuel Manifold (Low Pressure)      | 44              |                 | 0-0.5                | UDS 5, 36, 67, 120                    |
| <b>Oxidizer Injector Cavity</b>   |                 |                 |                      |                                       |
| Oxidizer Inlet (High Pressure)    | 45              | Taber 50 psia   | 0-30                 | Oscillograph - 5                      |
| Oxidizer Manifold (High Pressure) | 46              |                 | 0-30                 | Oscillograph - 7/UDS 3, 34, 65, 116   |
| Oxidizer Inlet (Low Pressure)     | 47              | CEC 1 psia      | 0-0.5                | UDS 6, 37, 70, 121                    |
| Oxidizer Manifold (Low Pressure)  | 48              |                 | 0-0.5                | UDS 7, 40, 71, 122                    |
| Antechamber, Top Flange           | 49              | Taber 100 psia  | 0-30                 | Oscillograph - 11/UDS 11, 42, 73, 124 |
| Antechamber, Top Duct             | 50              | CEC 1 psia      | 0-0.5                | UDS 10, 41, 72, 123                   |
| Antechamber, Side                 | 51              | CEC 1 psia      | 0-0.5                | Oscillograph - 9                      |
| Antechamber, Top Duct             | 52              | CEC 0.5 psia    | 0-0.1                | UDS 17                                |

| Force Measurements | Position Number | Type Sensor             | Range   | Readout Channel Numbers |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| Injector Weight    | 55              | BLH/load cell<br>100 lb | 0-70 lb | UDS 16                  |

- NOTES. ① Chromel®/Alumel® Thermocouple  
 ② Universal Data System Readout Number  
 Multipoint Readout Number (Redundant Readout in Chamber Control Area)  
 ④ Platinum Resistance Thermometer Probes

TABLE D-4  
 APOLLO SPS INJECTOR COLD FLOW INSTRUMENTATION SUMMARY

## D.5 TEST SERIES DESCRIPTION (COLD FLOW)

## D.5.1 General

The SPS injector cold flow tests were conducted in three phases; phase I - oxidizer, phase II - fuel, and phase III - fuel and simulated oxidizer. These tests were conducted from December 15, 1967 to February 2, 1968. The AEDC cold flow tests are broadly categorized as follows:

| <u>FLUID</u>                  | <u>NO. OF TESTS</u> | <u>INITIAL PROPELLANT TEMPERATURE</u> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | 11                  | 15-65°F                               |
| A-50                          | 10                  | 34-79°F                               |
| A-50<br>and<br>Freon MF       | 6                   | 40-85°F Fuel<br>23-80°F Freon MF      |

Phase I Tests - this phase consisted of eleven oxidizer injector cold flow tests using N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>. A data recording malfunction voided the data for the first test. The remaining tests were conducted with initial propellant temperatures of 16 to 65°F.

Phase II Tests - this phase consisted of ten fuel injector cold flow tests using A-50. A data recording malfunction voided two, three, and four. The remaining tests were conducted with initial propellant temperatures of 35 to 80°F.

Phase III Tests - this phase consisted of six injector cold flow tests using A-50 and Freon MF as an oxidizer simulant. These tests were conducted with initial propellant temperatures of 35 to 80°F for the Freon MF and 35-85°F for the A-50.

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D.6 TEST RESULTS (COLD FLOW)

Review of the test data showed that the cold flow test data were valid for determining propellant phenomena in the injector and inlet ducts when exposed to a vacuum. .

The test requirements as outlined in Section 6.3.2 were met in all tests.

APPENDIX E RESTART COLD-FLOW RECOMMENDATIONS

E.0 GENERAL

This appendix provides a recommended approach for future cold-flow test programs which may be conducted to support restart hot-firing tests. The recommendations in this Appendix are based on an evaluation of cold-flow and hot-firing test programs conducted to define the restart characteristics of the Apollo SPS, APS, and DPS engines. Cold-flow test programs were conducted at AEDC on the SPS injector and at ARC on the APS and DPS injectors. Hot-firing tests were conducted at AEDC on the SPS engine and at Boeing/Seattle on the APS and DPS engines. Although the recommendations are based on an evaluation of tests which used  $N_2O_4/A-50$  propellants, the basic test philosophy can be applied to other propellant combinations.

The overall engine restart problem can be separated into three phases, the engine shutdown phase, the coast phase, and the restart phase. The shutdown phase begins when the engine propellant valves begin to close, and ends when combustion ceases. The coast phase begins when the injector manifold pressures decay to the fuel and oxidizer vapor pressures, and ends when the next engine start signal is given. The restart phase begins when the engine start signal is given, and ends when steady-state engine operation has been reached. The boundary between the shutdown and coast phases is not precise, because combustion may continue after one, or both, of the propellants reach their respective vapor pressures. However, these definitions are conceptually straight-forward since the shutdown phase emphasizes combustion tailoff, which the cold flow tests cannot accurately simulate, while the coast phase emphasizes nonreactive propellant behavior, which the cold flow tests can simulate.

The table below defines the major propellant phenomena occurring during the engine shutdown, coast and restart phases.

|           | SHUTDOWN                         | TEST PHASE<br>COAST    | RESTART                   |
|-----------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Phenomena | Effervescence of dissolved gases | Propellant boiling     | Injector manifold priming |
|           | Propellant drainage              | Propellant freezing    |                           |
|           | Beginning of propellant boiling  | Propellant sublimation |                           |

The definitions assume that the duration of the first engine firing is short enough to minimize engine heat effects. During engine firings, the thrust chamber and injector are heated by the combustion process.

## E.0 GENERAL (Continued)

Heat transfer from the thrust chamber and injector can affect the amount of propellant residuals present as a function of time. Current Apollo engines experience peak heat soak back effects approximately 1/2 to 1 hour after a long duration (mission duty cycle) engine firing. By this time, the residual  $N_2O_4/A-50$  propellants would be largely depleted even if there were no heat soak back. Hence, the definition of a "short duration" engine firing is not precise, and must be determined from temperature histories obtained for varying engine firing durations. The Apollo engine restart tests were conducted with firing durations of .37 to 3.5 seconds. These firing durations were "short" because no significant engine heating effects were observed. For example, frozen oxidizer was observed on the DPS thrust chamber wall within a few seconds after 3.5 second test firings.

## E.1 REQUIRED COLD FLOW TEST RESULTS

A cold flow test program can provide basic engineering data so that the effect of operational variables, such as propellant gas content, propellant temperatures, time interval between firing, etc. on engine start characteristics can be predicted. Cold flow tests are also much less expensive than hot firing tests, and therefore can be used to explore a wide range of test variables in the search for potential engine operating problems. Fuel and oxidizer side characteristics can be evaluated separately, and the results can be combined to predict and correlate engine hot firing results. A limited number of hot firing tests can then be conducted at carefully selected test conditions to confirm the presence or absence of undesirable engine operating characteristics.

A specific set of desired test results is provided in the table E-1. Current Apollo engines (APS, DPS, SPS) use the  $N_2O_4/A-50$  propellant combination. Smooth ignition of this combination typically requires an oxidizer lead or a long fuel lead. Nearly simultaneous injection of propellants usually results in large pressure spikes at ignition. Therefore, the desired results emphasize the determination of the fuel and oxidizer lead/lag relationship. Other factors, such as propellant temperature and propellant gas content, are also included because they can affect ignition characteristics. If the cold flow tests are conducted with a new injector or engine design, or a different propellant combination, the required test results can be established only after the injector and/or propellant ignition characteristics have been analyzed.

## E.2 EVALUATION OF APS, DPS, AND SPS COLD FLOW TEST PROGRAMS

The APS, DPS, and SPS cold flow programs were evaluated to determine how well they predicted operational problems, or provided additional data to explain the problems observed during subsequent hot firing tests. The advantages and disadvantages of the cold flow tests, with respect to the

TABLE E-1  
REQUIRED COLD-FLOW TEST RESULTS

| SIGNIFICANT VARIABLES            | MANIFOLD PRIMING TIME (FUEL & OXID) | INJECTOR PRIME TIME (FUEL & OXID) | RESIDUAL VOLUMES (FUEL & OXID) | PROP. HISTORIES PRESS. VS. TEMP. (FUEL & OXID) | INJECTOR PRESSURE DECAY (FUEL & OXID) |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| COAST TIME                       | X                                   | X                                 | X                              |  |                                       |
| PROPELLANT TEMPERATURE           | X                                   | X                                 | X                              | X  | X                                     |
| PROPELLANT DISSOLVED GAS CONTENT | X                                   | X                                 | X                              | X  | X                                     |
| NUMBER OF PROPELLANT FLOW PULSES | X                                   | X                                 | X                              | X  |                                       |
| INJECTOR ORIENTATION             | X                                   | X                                 | X                              | X  | X                                     |

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## E.2 EVALUATION OF APS, DPS, AND SPS COLD FLOW TEST PROGRAMS (Continued)

hot firing tests, were determined and the results used to prepare a recommended test program which will retain the advantages and eliminate the disadvantages of the previous cold flow programs. Table E-2 summarizes the significant advantages and disadvantages of the cold flow test programs. This summary is based on the evaluation of the ARC cold flow test program in Appendix A, and on the evaluation of hot firing tests in Section 7 (Volume 1).

At the time the Apollo cold flow tests were conducted, the basic restart phenomena were not completely understood, and could not be analyzed. As a result, the cold flow tests should have been broad enough in scope and provided a realistic enough simulation to isolate potential problem areas. It is apparent from the summary in Table E-2 and from the evaluation in Appendix A, that these cold flow tests emphasized the coast period between engine starts. The cold flow tests were generally adequate to characterize the coast period, but were not adequate to define the effect of coast phase phenomena on the engine restart characteristics. In the specific case of the LM ascent engine, the cold flow tests were not adequate to predict the oxidizer side problems experienced during the subsequent hot firing tests. In addition, no data on the shutdown phase was available from any of the test programs. The result is that the effect of the cold flow shutdown characteristics on the coast phase phenomena cannot be established.

Cold flow tests can provide a good simulation of the coast phase following short duration engine firings. During the coast phase, chamber pressure effects on boiling, freezing and sublimation are negligible. Short duration firings result in minimum heat soakback with the result that the coast phase phenomena are not significantly affected by the heat soakback. Simulation of the shutdown and restart phases is not as accurate because the combustion chamber pressure history cannot be simulated. During the shutdown phase of an engine hot firing, chamber pressure delays the onset of boiling, and tends to reduce the rate of boiling. During the restart phase of an engine hot firing test, the increase in chamber pressure following ignition results in significant changes in propellant flow rates and pressures in the injector. Important engineering data on the shutdown and restart phases can be obtained even though the cold flow simulation will not be exact. The cold flow data can be used to determine the relative importance of the phenomena even though the magnitude of the effects may not be correct.

## E.3 RECOMMEND TEST PROGRAM

Data from a cold flow test program, when combined with basic data on engine operation and propellant ignition characteristics (i.e. the effect of propellant temperature, oxidizer lead/lag, etc.) should provide the basis for a hot firing verification test program. This can

TABLE E-2  
COLD FLOW TEST EVALUATION

| INJECTOR               | ADVANTAGES   | DISADVANTAGES  |
|------------------------|--|--|
| Ascent<br>(Rocketdyne) | Mass residuals measured at several coast times (fuel side)<br>Flight configuration ball valves used to control propellant flow | No oxidizer side tests<br>No oxidizer simulant evaluation tests<br>No high response instrumentation                        |
| Descent<br>(TRW)       | Mass residuals measured at several coast times (fuel side)<br>Flight configuration ball valves used to control propellant flow | No measurement of oxidizer residuals<br>No high response instrumentation<br>Altitude chamber pumping capacity not adequate |
| SPS<br>(Aerojet)       | High speed photographic coverage of internal injector and duct flow paths  | Static-type test, no engine propellant valves used.  |

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E.3 RECOMMENDED TEST PROGRAM (Continued)

be accomplished if the test article, test facility, instrumentation, and test matrix are designed and selected to provide the required data. The following is a presentation of the essential requirements for a restart cold flow test program.

## TEST SEQUENCE

| TEST PHASE      | REQUIREMENT   | EXPECTED RESULTS OR RATIONALE  |
|-----------------|---|--|
| COAST           | LONG DURATION COAST (1 HOUR MINIMUM)<br>FUEL AND OXIDIZER TESTS<br>NOMINAL, COLD AND WARM PROPELLANT<br>TEMPERATURES  | DETERMINE ONSET OF BOILING AND FREEZING<br>CALCULATE MASS RESIDUALS<br>DETERMINE RECOMMENDED COAST PERIODS FOR<br>REMAINING TESTS  |
| COAST           | EVALUATION OF OXIDIZER SIMULANT<br>OXIDIZER FLOW<br>SIMULANT FLOW<br>FUEL (ONLY) FLOW<br>FUEL AND OXIDIZER SIMULANT FLOW  | DETERMINE EFFECTIVENESS OF OXIDIZER<br>SIMULANT<br>DETERMINE EFFECT OF OXIDIZER COOLING ON<br>FUEL SIDE, AND FUEL COOLING ON OXIDIZER<br>SIDE OF INJECTOR  |
| COAST           | CALIBRATION OF PROPELLANT RESIDUAL<br>MEASUREMENT APPARATUS AND TECHNIQUES<br>(FUEL AND OXIDIZER)   | DETERMINE ACCURACY AND REPEATABILITY OF<br>RESIDUAL DISTILLATION APPARATUS AND<br>TECHNIQUES   |
| SHUTDOWN, COAST | SINGLE-PULSE TESTS, MEASURE RESIDUALS<br>NOMINAL, COLD, AND WARM PROPELLANT<br>TEMPERATURES<br>0% AND 100% GAS SATURATION (HE. N <sub>2</sub> )<br>VARY ORIENTATION (UP, DOWN,<br>HORIZONTAL) | DETERMINE EFFECT OF TEST VARIABLES ON<br>VOLUME AND THERMODYNAMIC STATE OF PROPEL-<br>LANT RESIDUALS<br>EVALUATE RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF GRAVITY<br>EFFECTS AND PROPELLANT PHENOMENA (BOILING<br>ETC.) FOR ENGINEERING PREDICTION OF "0-g"<br>FLIGHT CONDITIONS |
| RESTART         | DUAL-PULSE TESTS (FUEL AND OXIDIZER)<br>NOMINAL, COLD, AND WARM PROPELLANT<br>TEMPERATURES  | DETERMINE MANIFOLD AND INJECTOR PRIMING<br>TIMES AND PRIMING CHARACTERISTICS AS<br>AFFECTED BY VOLUME AND THERMODYNAMIC<br>STATE OF PROPELLANT RESIDUALS   |

TEST SEQUENCE (Continued)

| TEST PHASE             | REQUIREMENT  | EXPECTED RESULTS OF RATIONALE            |
|------------------------|--|--|
| RESTART<br>(Continued) | 0% AND 100% GAS SATURATION (HE, N <sub>2</sub> )<br>VARY INJECTOR ORIENTATION (UP, DOWN,<br>HORIZONTAL)  |  |
| RESTART                | MULTIPLE-PULSE TESTS (3-5 FLOW PULSES,<br>FUEL AND OXIDIZER)<br>RUN AT TEST CONDITIONS WHICH MAXIMIZE<br>AMOUNT OF FROZEN PROPELLANT RESIDUALS | EVALUATE "WORST-CASE" RESTART CONDITIONS |

TEST ARTICLE CONFIGURATION

| TEST PHASE        | REQUIREMENT   | EXPECTED RESULTS OR RATIONALE  |
|-------------------|---|--|
| ALL               | INJECTOR CONFIGURATION IDENTICAL TO CONFIGURATION PLANNED FOR HOT FIRING TESTS        | ELIMINATE, WHEREVER POSSIBLE, THE REQUIREMENT TO PREDICT THE EFFECT OF CONFIGURATION CHANGES ON ENGINE OPERATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS.  |
| SHUTDOWN, RESTART | UTILIZE FLIGHT TYPE PROPELLANT VALVES AND ACTUATION SYSTEM TO CONTROL PROPELLANT FLOW | PROVIDE ACCURATE SIMULATION OF PROPELLANT TRANSIENT FLOW CHARACTERISTICS.  |
| ALL               | PROVIDE SIMULATED COMBUSTION CHAMBER AND THROAT                                       | PROVIDE BACK PRESSURE AT INJECTOR FACE. SIMULATION WILL NOT BE ACCURATE DURING SHUTDOWN, BUT WILL BE REASONABLE DURING COAST AND DURING THE MANIFOLD PRIMING IN THE RESTART PHASE. |

TEST FACILITY

| TEST PHASE               | REQUIREMENT   | EXPECTED RESULTS OR RATIONALE   |
|--------------------------|---|---|
| COAST                    | DISTILL RESIDUALS (FUEL AND OXIDIZER)   | MEASURED MASS RESIDUALS AS FUNCTION OF TEST CONDITIONS (COAST TIME, PROPELLANT TEMPERATURE, PROPELLANT GAS CONTENT, ETC.)   |
| SHUTDOWN, COAST          | CONTROL AND MEASURE PROPELLANT GAS CONTENT (He, N <sub>2</sub> , ETC.)  | DETERMINE EFFECT OF GAS CONTENT ON VOLUME AND THERMODYNAMIC STATE OF RESIDUAL FUEL AND OXIDIZER   |
| SHUTDOWN, COAST, RESTART | PROVIDE CAPABILITY FOR CHANGING INJECTOR ORIENTATION (UP, DOWN, HORIZONTAL)   | DETERMINE RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF GRAVITY FORCES (PROPELLANT DRAINAGE, RETENTION OF RESIDUALS) AND PROPELLANT PHENOMENA (BOILING, GAS EFFERVESCENCE, SUBLIMATION) ON VOLUME AND THERMODYNAMIC STATE OF RESIDUAL FUEL AND OXIDIZER      |
| SHUTDOWN, COAST, RESTART | ALTITUDE CHAMBER PUMPING CAPACITY ADEQUATE TO MAINTAIN CHOKED FLOW IN THRUST CHAMBER NOZZLE UNTIL PRESSURE IN ALTITUDE CHAMBER DECREASES BELOW FUEL (HYDRAZINE) AND OXIDIZER TRIPLE POINT PRESSURES | CHOKED NOZZLE FLOW WILL ISOLATE INJECTOR FROM THE ALTITUDE CHAMBER, ALLOWING VALID SIMULATION OF SPACE CONDITIONS. ULTIMATE TEST CHAMBER PRESSURE MUST BE BELOW TRIPLE POINT PRESSURES TO PRODUCE PROPELLANT FREEZING AND SUBLIMATION |

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| TEST PHASE  | REQUIREMENT  | EXPECTED RESULTS OR RATIONALE  |
|-------------|--|--|
| RESTART     | HIGH FREQUENCY RESPONSE (1000 CPS) CLOSE-COUPLED PRESSURE TRANSDUCERS: ENGINE INTERFACE, FUEL AND OXIDIZER INJECTOR MANIFOLDS, FUEL AND OXIDIZER | DETERMINE MANIFOLD PRIMING TESTS<br>DETERMINE IF FROZEN FUEL OR OXIDIZER HAS BLOCKED INJECTOR AND/OR DUCT FLOW PASSAGES  |
| SHUTDOWN    | HIGH FREQUENCY RESPONSE (1000 CPS) CLOSE-COUPLED PRESSURE TRANSDUCERS ON FUEL AND OXIDIZER INJECTOR MANIFOLDS                                    | DETERMINE INJECTOR SHUTDOWN CHARACTERISTICS WITH NO COMBUSTION (COMPARE TO ENGINE HOT FIRING CHARACTERISTICS)  |
| COAST PHASE | LOW RANGE INJECTOR MANIFOLD PRESSURE TRANSDUCERS, WITH A RANGE OF ZERO PSIA TO PROPELLANT VAPOR PRESSURE (0-5 PSIA, FUEL; 0-15 PSIA OXIDIZER)    | DETERMINE THERMODYNAMIC STATE OF PROPELLANT RESIDUALS, WHEN CORRELATED WITH TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS<br><br>CALCULATE MASS RESIDUALS AS A FUNCTION OF COAST TIME. (COMPARE TO MEASURED MASS RESIDUAL DATA)   |
|             | THERMOCOUPLES, SURFACE AND IMMERSION, LOCATED WHERE PROPELLANT RESIDUALS CAN BE TRAPPED IN THE INJECTOR, DUCTS, AND BETWEEN VALVES               | DETERMINE THERMODYNAMIC STATE OF PROPELLANT RESIDUALS, WHEN CORRELATED WITH PRESSURE MEASUREMENTS<br><br>DETERMINE CORRELATION BETWEEN SURFACE AND IMMERSION THERMOCOUPLES FOR APPLICATION TO HOT FIRING TEMPERATURE DATA. (IMMERSION THERMOCOUPLES MAY NOT BE USED DURING HOT FIRING TESTS) |

## INSTRUMENTATION (Continued)

| TEST PHASE        | REQUIREMENT   | EXPECTED RESULTS OR RATIONALE  |
|-------------------|---|--|
| RESTART, SHUTDOWN | <p>THERMOCOUPLES ON THE INJECTOR AND VALVES</p> <p>HIGH SPEED (1000 FRAMES/SECOND) MOVIES OF THE INJECTOR FACE, WITH EVENT LIGHTS MARKING "FIRE SIGNAL" AND "SHUTDOWN SIGNAL"</p> | <p>DETERMINE MAGNITUDE OF EVAPORATIVE COOLING EFFECTS</p> <p>DETERMINE FUEL AND OXIDIZER PRIMING TIMES AT THE INJECTOR FACE, AND DETERMINE IF INJECTOR FLOW PATHS ARE BLOCKED BY FROZEN PROPELLANT RESIDUALS</p>   |
| SHUTDOWN, COAST   | <p>MOVIES OF INTERNAL FLOW PATHS (DUCTS, INJECTOR MANIFOLDS)</p>  | <p>DETERMINE INJECTOR SHUTDOWN CHARACTERISTICS WHEN CORRELATED WITH HIGH RESPONSE PRESSURE MEASUREMENTS</p> <p>DETERMINE IF INJECTOR ORIFICES ARE BLOCKED BY FROZEN PROPELLANT RESIDUALS DURING ENGINE SHUTDOWN</p> <p>DETERMINE ONSET OF BOILING AND FREEZING, CORRELATE WITH PRESSURE-TEMPERATURE DATA</p> |