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POWER MODULE  
DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (DMS) STUDY  
FINAL REPORT

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## FOREWORD

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS THE CHARTS WHICH SUMMARIZE AND DESCRIBE THE RESULTS OF THE POWER MODULE DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (DMS) STUDY PERFORMED BY IBM FOR THE GEORGE C. MARSHALL SPACE FLIGHT CENTER IN HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA. THIS STUDY EFFORT WAS PERFORMED UNDER NASA/MSFC CONTRACT NO. NAS8-31747.

## INTRODUCTION

This chart is self-explanatory

## INTRODUCTION

- o PURPOSE - Provide trades and analyses of selected Power Module Data Management Subsystem (DMS) issues to support concurrent inhouse MSFC Power Module Study
- o CONTRACT - MSFC Contract No. NAS8-31747
- o PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE - May 15, 1978 to December 1, 1978
- o SCOPE - Technical scope included the data management subsystem elements with emphasis on computer system trades and analyses and software requirements and definition
- o MSFC COR - Dr. J. B. White, Data Systems Lab, MSFC

## IBM POWER MODULE STUDY OVERVIEW

This chart summarizes the major tasks and efforts performed during this study and a brief description of each task is as follows:

- o The Skylab hardware (ATMDC, WCIU and Support Equipment), flight, preflight, and support software were reviewed for potential use on the initial power module.
- o The Skylab flight and preflight software requirements and DMS processing functional requirements were used to provide the baseline software requirements for the power module.
- o The baseline computer speed and memory requirements were established and the requirements were personalized to the NSSC-I and NSSC-II computers.
- o Alternate tradeable Data Management Configurations were defined, using NASA standard hardware, and tradeable items in the configurations were identified.
- o A trade was performed between the NSSC-I and NSSC-II computers and associated input/output equipment.
- o The DMS baseline interface requirements were defined.
- o An analysis was performed to define the Power Module DMS software development costs and to define a typical Software Development Facility configuration.
- o Potential DMS configurations using NASA non-standard hardware were evaluated.
- o An analysis was performed to define the functions in the centralized computer software which could potentially be allocated to subsystem microprocessors.

## IBM POWER MODULE STUDY OVERVIEW

- o REVIEWED POTENTIAL USE OF SKYLAB HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE FOR POWER MODULE APPLICATION.
- o PROVIDED DMS FUNCTIONAL PROCESSING, FLIGHT AND PREFLIGHT SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS.
- o DERIVED COMPUTER SPEED AND MEMORY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE NSSC-I and NSSC-II COMPUTERS.
- o DEFINED ALTERNATE TRADEABLE DMS CONFIGURATIONS USING NASA STANDARD HARDWARE.
- o PERFORMED TRADES BETWEEN THE NSSC-I AND NSSC-II COMPUTERS.
- o DEFINED A BASELINE DATA MANAGEMENT CONFIGURATION BASED ON COMPUTER TRADE RESULTS.
- o DEFINED BASELINE DMS INTERFACE REQUIREMENTS.
- o PROVIDED AN ANALYSIS OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT COSTS AND A SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY CONFIGURATION.
- o EVALUATED POTENTIAL ALTERNATE DMS CONFIGURATIONS FOR POWER MODULE APPLICATION.
- o ANALYZED CENTRALIZED COMPUTER PROCESSING FUNCTIONS FOR POTENTIAL DISTRIBUTION TO SUBSYSTEM MICROPROCESSORS.

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## STUDY CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This chart summarizes the major study conclusions and the recommendations for further study effort. The primary study conclusions and recommendations are as follows:

- o An analysis of the Skylab residual hardware and software revealed that significant restoration of support hardware and software would be required and the use of newer technology DMS hardware for Power Module is recommended.
- o The trade study results recommended the NSSC-II be baselined for the Power Module DMS since the NSSC-II has high speed and memory margins required for potential growth options and has significantly lower software development costs for the Power Module application than the NSSC-I computer.
- o An evaluation of several potential data bus and remote I/O hardware vendors showed that several feasible candidates exist and more detailed trades and evaluations would be required to select the optimum configuration.
- o A subsystem microprocessor could be used for limited, repetition functions which could be reallocated from the main computer. However, system analyses were not performed to the point to enable a recommendation for such usage.
- o The DMS redundancy management concepts and requirements and the requirements and design of a computer "Redundancy Management Unit" require further study.
- o The detailed interface requirements between the DMS and other Power Module subsystems require further definition.

## STUDY CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### o STUDY CONCLUSIONS

- USE UP-TO-DATE TECHNOLOGY DMS HARDWARE RATHER THAN SKYLAB HARDWARE
- USE NSSC-II AS BASELINE COMPUTER
  - 225% SPEED AND 250% MEMORY MARGINS
  - SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT COSTS FOR THIS APPLICATION THAN NSSC-I
- SEVERAL FEASIBLE CANDIDATES EXIST FOR DATA BUS AND REMOTE I/O HARDWARE
  - o FAIRCHILD STAAC
  - o SCI DACS
  - o SPERRY FMDM
- A MICROPROCESSOR SHOULD PERFORM ONLY LIMITED, REPETITIVE FUNCTIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE FLIGHT SOFTWARE
  - o DETAILED SYSTEM ANALYSIS WOULD BE REQUIRED TO DETERMINE THE AVAILABILITY OF MICROPROCESSOR TASK ASSIGNMENTS AND THEIR RELATED SYSTEM IMPACTS.

### o STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS

- o THE DMS REDUNDANCY MANAGEMENT AND THE COMPUTER "REDUNDANCY MANAGEMENT UNIT" REQUIRE FURTHER STUDY
- o MORE DETAILED TRADES ARE REQUIRED TO SELECT THE OPTIMUM DATA BUS AND REMOTE I/O HARDWARE
- o THE DETAILED DMS INTERFACE REQUIREMENTS REQUIRE FURTHER DEFINITION

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## SKYLAB DMS HARDWARE AVAILABLE FOR POWER MODULE

This chart summarizes the Skylab DMS hardware available to potentially support Power Module requirements and the minimum DMS hardware which would be required for Power Module. Seven Apollo Telescope Mount Digital Computer (ATMDC) and three Workshop Computer Interface Units (WCIU) are available, but this is considered marginal in supporting one flight vehicle and associated ground equipment. All equipment spares have been sold and the test equipment is either scrapped or in unusable condition.

## SKYLAB DMS HARDWARE AVAILABLE FOR POWER MODULE

- SKYLAB DMS HARDWARE AVAILABLE
  - 7 ATMDC'S IN STORAGE
  - 3 WCIU'S IN STORAGE
  - 2 WCIU'S SOLD TO PRIVATE CITIZEN
  - NO MEMORY LOAD UNITS FOUND
  - NO DMS SPARES - ALL HAVE BEEN SOLD OR SCRAPPED
  - TEST AND VIBRATION TEST EQUIPMENT SCRAPPED
  - ATMDC AND WCIU FIELD TEST EQUIPMENT IN UNUSABLE CONDITION
  
- MINIMUM POWER MODULE DMS HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS
  - 1 SET (2 ATMDC, 1 WCIU) FOR FLIGHT (MORE REQUIRED FOR GROWTH)
  - 1 SET FOR ENGINEERING UNIT
  - 1 SET FOR FLIGHT SPARES
  - POSSIBLY 1 SET FOR SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY
  - UNKNOWN QUANTITIES OF SPARE PIECE PARTS AND SUBASSEMBLIES REQUIRED
  - UNKNOWN QUANTITIES OF TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

## SKYLAB SOFTWARE AVAILABLE FOR POWER MODULE

This chart summarizes the availability of the Skylab software available to support Power Module requirements. In general, the hardware portion of the Software Development Facility has been disassembled and the various components either used for other applications or cannabilized. The basic software programs and definitions are available; however, some reconstruction and reorganization would be required to use the software with the Skylab ATMDC and WCIU.

## SKYLAB SOFTWARE AVAILABLE FOR POWER MODULE

- SOFTWARE DEFINITION DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE
- FLIGHT TAPES AND COMPUTER LISTINGS WERE AVAILABLE PRIOR TO SKYLAB REACTIVATION WORK
- SPECIAL SKYLAB SOFTWARE MODELING TOOLS ARE AVAILABLE
- SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT LAB HARDWARE IS SCATTERED
  - S360/44 IS AT MSFC; TO BE SOLD OR USED ON OTHER PROGRAMS
  - STATUS OF PERIPHERALS IS UNKNOWN
  - ATMDC TO 360/44 HARDWARE ADAPTER HAS BEEN CANNIBALIZED
- MISSION SUPPORT SOFTWARE IS AVAILABLE, BUT GENERALLY UNORGANIZED

## SKYLAB DMS HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE USAGE SUMMARY

This chart summarizes the conclusions and recommendations on the use of Skylab DMS hardware and software for the Power Module.

The basic conclusion is that use of the existing DMS hardware and software would be a technical risk and costly endeavor, with only enough flight hardware to support one flight vehicle.

Based on the conclusions shown, the recommendations are to use an up-to-date technology and design for the Power Module DMS rather than the Skylab ATMDC and WCIU. However, the Skylab concepts and functions should be used in a new Power Module Software Development Facility to develop flight software for the selected hardware.

## SKYLAB DMS HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE USAGE SUMMARY

### o CONCLUSIONS

- NOT ENOUGH SKYLAB DMS HARDWARE IS AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT POWER MODULE FLIGHT, SPARES AND GROWTH REQUIREMENTS
- THE DMS HARDWARE AND SUPPORT HARDWARE TECHNOLOGY IS OUTDATED AND EXTENSIVE COSTS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN AND REPAIR.
- THE SKYLAB SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY IS NON-EXISTENT AND REDESIGN IS REQUIRED
- MOST FLIGHT AND SUPPORT SOFTWARE IS AVAILABLE, BUT EXTENSIVE REDESIGN AND RECONSTRUCTION WOULD BE REQUIRED

### o RECOMMENDATIONS

- USE UP-TO-DATE TECHNOLOGY DMS HARDWARE WITH READILY AVAILABLE FLIGHT AND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT AND SUPPORT SOFTWARE
- DESIGN A NEW SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY AND SOFTWARE, UTILIZE EXISTING SKYLAB SOFTWARE CONCEPTS AND FUNCTIONS AS APPLICABLE.

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## POWER MODULE DMS FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

The DMS processing functional requirements were developed for each of the Power Module subsystems. The chart gives a summary of the subsystem for which requirements were developed. The charts detailing the requirements are included in appendix A. These functional requirements were used as a basis for the speed and memory requirements defined in this study.

## POWER MODULE DMS FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- COMMAND PROCESSING
- TELEMETRY PROCESSING
- ATTITUDE CONTROL COMPUTATIONS
- CREW DISPLAY AND CONTROL
- ELECTRICAL POWER SUBSYSTEM SUPPORT
- THERMAL CONTROL SUBSYSTEM SUPPORT
- CRITICAL FUNCTION MANAGEMENT
- SELF TEST

## SKYLAB/POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

The Skylab ATMDc software requirements were converted to Power Module requirements and used as a basis for Power Module software sizing.

The next three charts summarize the instructions, data, and speed requirements for the Skylab/Power Module software. The major functions of the Skylab/Power Module software are summarized and each routine or subroutine requirements are shown for each subfunction.

The instructions are 16 bits, and the data is generally 16 bits. The sample rate is given in samples per second and the speed is given in instructions per second. The speed is shown for reference since it assumes that all instructions in the routine are exercised once at a maximum sample rate. Actual usage rates in the computer will vary. The source of the software requirement is shown at the right. The Skylab Program is the source for most software estimates.

Approximately 13,220 instructions and 2,807 data words are required giving a total of 16,027 data words and instructions.

The breakdown of the storage requirements shows approximately 10.8% for program control and utilities, 20.7% for special purpose processing subroutines, 44.9% for application and control routines, and 23.6% for onboard redundancy management.

The flight software description pages included in appendix B give a brief description of each of the subroutines or functions sized in the Skylab/Power Module Flight software. The numbering of the subroutines on the presentation charts correspond to the subroutine descriptions included in appendix B.

# SKYLAB/POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS (SHEET 1 OF 3)

	<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>INSTR</u> <u>(16 BITS)</u>	<u>DATA</u> <u>(16 BITS)</u>	<u>SAMPLE</u> <u>RATE</u> <u>(SAMPLES/SEC)</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
1.0	PROGRAM CONTROL SOFTWARE	(807)	(356)		
	1.1 EXECUTIVE	641	0		SKYLAB
	1.1 EXECUTIVE DATA	0	254		SKYLAB
	1.2 INTERMEDIATE LOOP PROCESSOR	58	16	5/SEC	SKYLAB
	1.3 SLOW LOOP PROCESSOR	108	86	1/SEC	SKYLAB
2.0	GENERAL PURPOSE UTILITIES	(575)	( 0)		
	ALERT UPDATE	18	0		SKYLAB
	ARC - TANGENT	70	0		SKYLAB
	DOUBLE PRECISION MULTIPLY	24	0		SKYLAB
	LIMITING SUBROUTINE	16	0		SKYLAB
	MATRIX BY MATRIX MULTIPLY	42	0		SKYLAB
	MATRIX BY VECTOR MULTIPLY	32	0		SKYLAB
	QUATERNION MULTIPLY	70	0		SKYLAB
	SINE - COSINE ROUTINE	48	0		SKYLAB
	SQUARE ROOT ROUTINE	58	0		SKYLAB
	SET - RESET ROUTINE	22	0		SKYLAB
	VECTOR CROSS PRODUCT	34	0		SKYLAB
	VECTOR DOT PRODUCT	32	0		SKYLAB
	SCALED DIVIDE ROUTINE	109	0		SKYLAB

## SKYLAB/POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS (SHEET 2 OF 3)

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>INSTR (16 BITS)</u>	<u>DATA (16 BITS)</u>	<u>SAMPLE RATE (SAMPLES/SEC)</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
3.0 SPECIAL PURPOSE FUNCTIONS	(1945)	(1368)		
3.1 INITIALIZE	912	30	ONCE	SKYLAB
3.2 DISCRETE INPUT PROCESSOR	86	26	1/SEC	SKYLAB
3.3 TELEMETRY PROCESSOR	188	184	5/SEC	SKYLAB
3.4 BCD DISPLAY	434	36	1/SEC	SKYLAB
3.5 INPUT READ	118	16	5/SEC	SKYLAB
3.6 OUTPUT WRITER	87	10	35/SEC	SKYLAB
3.7 RADIATOR DEPLOYMENT CONTROL	120	10	1/SEC	EST
3.8 DCS MEMORY LOAD BUFFER	0	158		SKYLAB
3.9 COMMON DATA	0	416		SKYLAB
3.9 DATA	0	482		SKYLAB
4.0 APPLICATION MODULES	(6575)	(612)		
4.1 CMG CONTROL	1810	200	5/SEC	SKYLAB
4.2 CMG GIMAL ANGLE CALCULATION	51	4	1/10SEC	SKYLAB
4.3 GRAVITY GRADIENT DUMP	876	94	5/SEC	SKYLAB
4.4 NAVIGATION	660	68	1/SEC	SKYLAB
4.4 TIMING PROCESSOR	195	20	1/SEC	SKYLAB
4.5 ORBITAL PLANE ERROR	64	0	5/SEC	SKYLAB
4.6 STRAPDOWN REFERENCE	878	52	5/SEC	SKYLAB
4.7 COMMAND SYSTEM PROCESSOR	1006	126	QN/CMND	SKYLAB
4.8 MODE LOGIC PROCESSOR	585	28	1/SEC	SKYLAB
- ATTITUDE HOLD PROCESSOR	61	5	ON CMND	SKYLAB
- SOLAR INERTIAL PROCESSOR	147	5	ON CMND	SKYLAB
- RANDOM REACQUISITION	149	10	ON CMND	SKYLAB
- GG DUMP MANEUVER PROCESSOR	93	0	ON CMND	SKYLAB

## SKYLAB/POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS (SHEET 3 OF 3)

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>INSTR (16 BITS)</u>	<u>DATA (16 BITS)</u>	<u>SAMPLE RATE (SAMPLES/SEC)</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
5.0 REDUNDANCY MANAGEMENT	(3318)	(471)		SKYLAB
CMG RM	544	40	1/SEC	SKYLAB
RATE GYRO RM	630	78	1/SEC	SKYLAB
RM CONTROL SOFTWARE	561	72	1/SEC	SKYLAB
SUN SENSOR RM	200	6	1/SEC	SKYLAB
SELF TEST PROCESSOR	962	220	1/SEC	SKYLAB
SWITCHOVER PROCESSOR	196	0	2/SEC	EST
SUBSYSTEM HEALTH CHECK	<u>225</u>	<u>55</u>	1/SEC	SKYLAB
TOTALS	13220	2807		
TOTAL (INSTRUCTIONS + DATA)		16027		
6.0 POTENTIAL GROWTH FUNCTIONS (NOT INCLUDED IN TOTALS)				
6.1 SOLAR ARRAY POINTING	146	30	1/SEC	EST
6.2 THERMAL CONTROL	180	30	1/SEC	EST
6.3 POWER DISTRIBUTION CONTROL	175	20	1/SEC	EST

## NSSC-I AND II MEMORY REQUIREMENTS

The following chart is a comparison of memory and instruction requirements of the NSSC-I and NSSC-II computers. Typical mathematical; data conversion, manipulation and scheduling, and execution subroutines similar to those used in the Skylab software were selected and the specific routines were coded for both the NSSC-I and NSSC-II computers. The chart shows the results by indicating the number of instructions required for each subroutine function and the approximate instruction ratio as well as the number and ratio of the number of bytes (8 bits) of storage. As shown, the NSSC-I requires more storage than the NSSC-II for comparable subroutines.

## NSSC-I AND NSSC-II MEMORY REQUIREMENTS

<u>MATHEMATICAL SUBROUTINES</u>	<u>INSTR</u>	<u>RATIO</u>	<u>STORAGE (BYTES)</u>	<u>RATIO</u>
NSSC-I	84	2	168	1.5
NSSC-II	48	1	112	1
DATA CONVERSION AND MANIPULATION				
NSSC-I	26	3	75*	2
NSSC-II	9	1	38	1
SCHEDULING AND EXECUTION FUNCTIONS				
NSSC-I	40	2	90	1
NSSC-II	20	1	80	1

\* Includes 15-20 Bytes of constants not needed on the NSSC-II

## SAMPLE CODE - INDEXING SUBROUTINE

This chart gives the sample code for a typical indexing routine for the ATMDC, NSSC-I, and NSSC-II Computers. As shown, the ATMDC and NSSC-II take 7 instructions each while the NSSC-I requires 13 instructions for the same subroutine. Other comparable subroutines were coded and used as the basis for the instruction and storage comparisons previously shown.

SAMPLE CODE - INDEXING SUBROUTINE

<u>ATMDC</u>	<u>NSSC-I</u>	<u>NSSC-II</u>
LA '0'(1)	LDI TPTRV	L 4,0(9)
MU '2'(2)	MUL,1 '2'	M 4,4(10)
AD TMP1	ADD TMPANS1	ADR 4,6
STD TMP1	ADE TMPANS1+1	STD TMP1
LA '2'(1)	ADC --	L 4,4(9)
MU '4'(2)	STA TMPANS1	M 4,8(10)
STD TMP2	LDA TPTRV	LDR 6,4
	ADD BIT01	
	STA TPTRV	
	LDI TPTRV	
	MUL,1 '3'	
	STA TMPANS2	
	STE TMPANS2+1	

ATMDC - 7 INSTRUCTIONS  
 NSSC-II - 7 INSTRUCTIONS  
 NSSC-I - 13 INSTRUCTIONS

## SAMPLE CODE - DOUBLE PRECISION MULTIPLY

This chart gives the sample code for a typical double precision multiply (32 bits X 32 bits) for the ATMDC, NSSC-I, and NSSC-II computers. As shown, the NSSC-II requires 3 instructions, the ATMDC requires 13 instructions, and the NSSC-I requires 20 instructions.

SAMPLE CODE - DOUBLE PRECISION MULTIPLY

ATMDC

L A  
M C  
STD TMP  
L B  
M C  
SR 16  
AD TMP  
STD TMP  
L A  
M D  
SR 16  
AD TMP  
STD TMP

NSSC-I

LDA A  
M C  
STA TMP  
STE TMP+1  
LOA B  
M C  
SRD 17  
ADD TMP  
ADE TMP+1  
ADC --  
STA TMP  
STE TMP+1  
LDA A  
M D  
SDR 17  
ADD TMP  
ADE TMP+1  
ADC --  
STA TMP  
STE TMP+1

NSSC-II

L A  
M C  
ST TMP

NSSC-II - 3 INSTRUCTIONS  
ATMDC - 13 INSTRUCTIONS  
NSSC-I - 20 INSTRUCTIONS

## NSSC-II FEATURES NOT AVAILABLE ON THE NSSC-I

An analysis was performed to examine the reasons that the NSSC-I instruction requirements were higher than the NSSC-II for comparable subroutines. The individual characteristics of the NSSC-II that contributed to the differences are listed on the next chart. In general, the basic architecture and special instruction subsets of the NSSC-II are more powerful and extensive than the NSSC-I. Specifically, the availability of more registers to store data during intermediate operations and the higher capability instructions of the NSSC-II were the primary reasons for the difference.

## NSSC-II FEATURES NOT AVAILABLE ON THE NSSC-I

### o BASIC ARCHITECTURE

- 16 GENERAL PURPOSE REGISTERS
- 16, 32, AND 64 BIT REGISTER OPERATIONS
- MULTIPLE BASE REGISTERS
- BYTE ADDRESS CAPABILITY
- IMMEDIATE INSTRUCTIONS
- STORAGE TO STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS
- SUPPORTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR MULTIPLE ACCURACIES

### o SPECIAL INSTRUCTION SUBSETS

- BLOCK DATA OPERATIONS (MOVE, PACK, UNPACK)
- BINARY/DECIMAL CONVERSIONS (CVB, CVD)
- CHARACTER TRANSLATIONS (TR, TRT)
- MULTIPLE LOAD/STORE REGISTERS (LM, STM)
- MULTI-FUNCTION BRANCHES (BXLE, BXH)
- INSTRUCTION EXECUTION CONTROL (EX)

## MEMORY COMPARISONS - ATMDC, NSSC-I, NSSC-II

Memory comparisons between the ATMDC, NSSC-I and NSSC-II were made by coding the same application on each computer. The software was divided into three categories; mathematical, data conversion, and scheduling. The ratios for memory conversion in bytes are given on the following chart. Also, the ATMDC is divided into five functional areas with an approximation of the type of coding in each area. The ratios were applied to convert to a memory size on the NSSC-I and NSSC-II. The NSSC-I and NSSC-II requirements are obtained by multiplying the ATMDC requirements by the appropriate scale factor and percentage utilization for each of the mathematical, data conversion and scheduling functions for each software category. Note that the ATMDC requires less memory than the other computers. This is due to its 8 and 16 bit instructions that can deal with 32 bit operands.

# MEMORY COMPARISONS - ATMDC, NSSC-I, NSSC-II

Scale Factor to Convert from ATMDC to:

	<u>NSSC-I</u>	<u>NSSC-II</u>
M - Mathematical	2.5	1.8
D - Data Conversion	1.5	.5
S - Scheduling	1.0	1.0

	<u>M</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>ATMDC</u> <u>(16 BITS)</u>	<u>NSSC-I</u> <u>(16 BITS)</u>	<u>NSSC-II</u> <u>(16 BITS)</u>
1. Program Control	10%	20%	70%	807	1,009	790
2. General Purpose Utility	100%	-	-	575	1,438	1,035
3. Special Purpose Functions	20%	30%	50%	1,945	2,820	1,965
4. Application Modules	75%	5%	20%	6,575	14,136	10,336
5. Redundancy Management	60%	40%	-	<u>3,318</u>	<u>6,968</u>	<u>4,247</u>
INSTRUCTION STORAGE				13,220	26,371	18,373
DATA STORAGE				<u>2,807</u>	<u>2,807</u>	<u>4,210</u>
TOTAL STORAGE (INSTRUCTIONS & DATA)				16,027	29,178	22,583

## POWER MODULE COMPUTER STORAGE REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY

This chart converts the Program Instructions and Data Requirements to actual storage requirements for both the NSSC-I and NSSC-II computers. For the NSSC-I, the instructions are 18 bits (16 bits) long and each instruction conforms to one 18 bit (16 bit) location in memory. Coded examples for the NSSC-II indicated an 80% - 32 bit instruction and a 20% - 16 bit instruction mix. Therefore, the conversion factor of 180% is used for determining the NSSC-II instruction storage requirements. The data words were assumed to be 50% - 32 bit and 50% - 16 bit mixes and the conversion factor of 150% was used to determine the NSSC-II data storage requirement.

# POWER MODULE COMPUTER STORAGE REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY

## o FLIGHT PROGRAM STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- NSSC-I - 26,371 INSTRUCTIONS  
2,807 DATA
- NSSC-II - 10,207 INSTRUCTIONS  
2,807 DATA

## o NSSC-I REQUIREMENTS CONVERSION

- INSTRUCTION STORAGE = (26,371 INSTRUCTION) (1 WORD/INSTRUCTION) = 26,371 WORDS (16 BITS)
- DATA STORAGE = ( 2,807 DATA) (1 WORD/DATA) + 2,807 WORDS (16 BITS)
- TOTAL STORAGE = 29,178 WORDS (16 BITS)  
OR  
58,356 BYTES ( 8 BITS)

## o NSSC-II REQUIREMENTS CONVERSION

- INSTRUCTION STORAGE = (10,207 INSTRUCTIONS) (180%) (1 WORD/INSTR) = 18,373 WORDS (16 BITS)
- DATA STORAGE = ( 2,807 DATA (150%)) (1 WORD/DATA) = 4,210 WORDS (16 BITS)
- TOTAL STORAGE = 

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22,583 WORDS (16 BITS)  
OR  
45,166 BYTES ( 8 BITS)

## SKYLAB/POWER MODULE PREFLIGHT SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

To provide the Power Module preflight requirements, the Skylab requirements were converted to Power Module requirements. This chart gives an estimate of the preflight software requirements based on the type of preflight software functions required for the Skylab mission. As shown, approximately 11,450 instructions and data are required to support the preflight checkout functions. The functions to be performed by the preflight software are as follows:

- o Verify the internal operations of the flight computer and signal conditioning unit.
- o Verify the operation of the flight computer and its I/O interfaces.
- o Provide an aid in testing and evaluating the operation of the Power Module systems components during:
  - Laboratory Simulation
  - Post-Manufacturing Testing
  - Thermal-Vacuum Testing
  - Readiness test at the launch site

The operational modes of the preflight software are as follows:

- o Continuous monitor mode - provide continuous monitor of the flight computer and its interfaces and output the interface data via telemetry
- o Commanded test mode - provide the capability to perform special tests and exercises of the flight computer and its interfaces. These commanded test routines shall be initiated and controlled via the command system. Wherever possible, commanded test routines shall be interrupted to allow execution of the monitor programs.

# SKYLAB/POWER MODULE PREFLIGHT SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

	MEMORY (16 BITS)	<u>SOURCE</u>
ATMDC PREFLIGHT EXECUTIVE	800	SKYLAB
POWER UP AND INITIALIZE	400	SKYLAB
COMPUTER SWITCHOVER CONTROL PROCESSOR	50	SKYLAB
MAIN LOOP MONITOR		
MAIN LOOP MONITOR CONTROL	125	SKYLAB
INTERFACE READ SUBROUTINE	500	SKYLAB
SERIAL INPUT READ SUBROUTINE	300	EST
ACQUISITION SUN SENSORS PROCESSOR	200	SKYLAB
COMPUTER AND DMS TEMPERATURE PROCESSOR	75	SKYLAB/EST
CMG PROCESSOR	600	SKYLAB
DISCRETE INPUT PROCESSOR	225	SKYLAB
DISCRETE OUTPUT PROCESSOR	200	SKYLAB
RATE GYRO PROCESSOR	225	SKYLAB
SINGLE MEMORY LOCATION PROCESSOR	50	SKYLAB
ORBITAL INTERFACE PROCESSOR	100	EST
COMMAND SYSTEM	525	SKYLAB
COMMAND TEST ROUTINES		
SERIAL INPUTS READ TEST	125	EST
COMPUTER MEMORY DUMP	75	SKYLAB
COMPUTER MEMORY LOAD	100	SKYLAB
ORBITAL INTERFACE TEST	315	EST
CMG RATE TEST	250	SKYLAB
CMG GIMBAL POSITION TEST	375	SKYLAB
CMG CAGING TERMINATE	50	SKYLAB
COMMAND TEST TERMINATE	100	SKYLAB
COMPUTER SWITCHOVER AND RMU COMMON SECTION TEST	400	SKYLAB/EST
DISCRETE OUTPUT TEST	150	SKYLAB
SITE INTERFACE TEST	1250	SKYLAB
INTERVAL TIMER TEST	150	EST
MISSION ELAPSE TIMER TEST	200	SKYLAB/EST
RATE GYRO TEST	250	SKYLAB
RADIATOR DEPLOYMENT TEST	110	EST
TELEMETRY SYSTEM INITIALIZE AND INTERFACE TEST	350	SKYLAB
TELEMETRY PROCESSOR	350	SKYLAB
ERROR PROCESSOR	400	SKYLAB/EST
MISCELLANEOUS UTILITIES	375	SKYLAB
SELF-TEST	1200	SKYLAB
COMMON DATA	500	SKYLAB/EST

TOTAL STORAGE

11,450 (INSTRUCTIONS AND DATA)

## POWER MODULE PREFLIGHT STORAGE REQUIREMENTS - ATMDC, NSSC-I, NSSC-II

The conversion scalars developed on a previous chart were used to convert the estimated preflight Power Module storage requirements in the ATMDC to storage requirements in both the NSSC-I and NSSC-II. Since the preflight software storage requirements in all three computers are less than the flight software storage requirements, the required storage capability is determined by the flight software requirements.

PREFLIGHT MEMORY COMPARISONS - ATMDC, NSSC-I, NSSC-II

Scale Factor to Convert From ATMDC to:

	<u>NSSC-I</u>	<u>NSSC-II</u>
M - Mathematics	2.5	1.8
D - Data Conversion	1.5	.5
S - Scheduling	1.0	1.0

	<u>M</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>ATMDC</u> <u>(16 Bits)</u>	<u>NSSC-I</u> <u>(16 Bits)</u>	<u>NSSC-II</u> <u>(16 Bits)</u>
1. Program Control	10%	20%	70%	1140	1425	1117
2. General Purpose Utilities	100%			300	750	540
3. Special Purpose Functions	20%	30%	50%	3200	4640	3232
4. Application Modules	75%	5%	20%	3120	6708	4914
5. Redundancy Management	60%	40%		<u>1000</u>	<u>2100</u>	<u>1280</u>
TOTAL INSTRUCTION				8760	15623	11083
DATA				<u>2690</u>	<u>2690</u>	<u>4035</u>
TOTAL MEMORY				11450	18313	15118

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## SKYLAB INSTRUCTION MIX ANALYSIS

This chart shows the actual instruction mix for the Skylab computer and the instruction mix for a Gibson aerospace mix, which is a typical mix used to calculate computer speed. The Gibson aerospace mix was used as a basis for calculating speed capabilities and requirements for the ATMDC, NSSC-I, and NSSC-II computers.

# SKYLAB INSTRUCTION MIX ANALYSIS

	<u>SKYLAB (ACTUAL)</u>	<u>GIBSON AEROSPACE MIX*</u>
ADDS	74%	74%
BRANCHES	19%	20%
MULTIPLIES	6%	5%
DIVIDES	1%	1%

\*GIBSON AEROSPACE MIX USED FOR POWER MODULE REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS

## COMPUTER DUTY CYCLE ANALYSIS

This chart compares Skylab and Power Module computer usage. It was developed by assuming that the Power Module usage requirements were similar to Skylab except for the experiment's subroutines which were deleted from the Power Module computer usage calculations.

The duty cycles for the experiments were extracted from the various subroutines and added into the wait state component of time. Therefore, an average active cycle of 89.8% for the Skylab and 84.5% for the Power Module computer was derived.

## COMPUTER DUTY CYCLE ANALYSIS

	<u>SKYLAB ACTUAL</u>	<u>POWER MODULE ESTIMATE*</u>
WAIT STATE	10.2%	15.5%
SLOW LOOP	7.0%	5.9%
INTERMEDIATE LOOP	56.7%	56.7%
TELEMETRY	5.3%	1.1%
SELF TEST/SWITCHOVER	6.8%	6.8%
INPUT/OUTPUT	<u>14.0%</u>	<u>14.0%</u>
	100.0%	100.0%

\*BASED ON POWER MODULE TYPE SOFTWARE EXECUTED IN SKYLAB COMPUTER (ATMDC).

## COMPUTER SPEED REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS

This chart summarizes the calculations for deriving the average speed requirement for the Power Module computer.

The speed capability of the ATMDC, NSSC-I, and NSSC-II computers was calculated using the Gibson instruction mix. The active state of the ATMDC and Power Module computer was calculated using the duty cycle analysis shown on a previous chart. The Power Module computer average speed was then calculated by using the active state (84.5%) times the max. speed (66.7 KOPS) of the Skylab computer. This gives a value of 56.4 KOPS for average speed which was used as the basis for further speed requirement calculations.

## COMPUTER SPEED REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS

- o COMPUTER CAPABILITIES USING GIBSON INSTRUCTION MIX
  - ATMDC = 66.7 KOPS
  - NSSC-I = 133 KOPS
  - NSSC-II = 200 KOPS
- o COMPUTER ACTIVE STATE CALCULATION
  - SKYLAB ACTUAL (ACTIVE STATE) - (WAIT STATE) = 100%-10.2% = 89.8%
  - POWER MODULE PROJECTED (ACTIVE STATE) - (WAIT STATE) = 100%-15.5% = 84.5%
- o SKYLAB SPEED REQUIREMENT USING GIBSON MIX
  - AVERAGE SPEED = (AVERAGE ACTIVE DUTY CYCLE) X (MAX SPEED) = (89.8%) X (66.7 KOPS) = 59.9 KOPS
- o COMPARABLE POWER MODULE SPEED REQUIREMENT USING GIBSON MIX
  - AVERAGE SPEED = (AVERAGE ACTIVE DUTY CYCLE) X (MAX SPEED) = (84.5%) X (66.7 KOPS) = 56.4 KOPS

## COMPUTER SPEED REQUIREMENT COMPARISONS ATMDC, NSSC-I, NSSC-II

Computer speed comparisons between the ATMDC, NSSC-I and NSSC-II were made by coding the same application on each computer. The software was divided into three categories; mathematical, data conversion, and scheduling. The ratios for the conversion of instructions are given on the following chart. Also, the ATMDC is divided into five functional areas with an approximation of the type of coding in each area. The NSSC-I and NSSC-II requirements are obtained by multiplying the ATMDC requirements by the appropriate scale factor and percentage utilization for each of the mathematical data conversion and scheduling functions for each software category.

These were the basic, average speed requirements. The adjustments for the specific computers are shown on the next charts.

COMPUTER SPEED REQUIREMENT COMPARISONS - ATMDC, NSSC-I, NSSC-II

				Scale Factors from ATMDC to:			
				<u>NSSC-I</u>	<u>NSSC-II</u>		
				M - Mathematics	1.8	.9	
				D - Data Conversion	1.5	.5	
				S - Scheduling	2.0	1.0	
				<u>M</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>S</u>	
				<u>ATMDC</u>	<u>NSSC-I</u>	<u>NSSC-II</u>	
				<u>(OPS)</u>	<u>(OPS)</u>	<u>(OPS)</u>	
1.	Program Control	10%	20%	70%	4,770	8,968	4,245
2.	General Purpose Utilities	100%	-	-	23,053	41,495	20,748
3.	Special Purpose Functions	20%	30%	50%	3,715	6,724	3,083
4.	Application Modules	75%	5%	20%	21,462	39,168	19,316
5.	Redundancy Management	60%	40%	-	<u>3,400</u>	<u>5,712</u>	<u>2,516</u>
				INSTRUCTIONS/SEC	56,400	102,067	49,908

## NSSC-I and NSSC-II COMPUTER SPEED REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS

This chart adjusts the raw KOPS requirements of the two processors to compensate for features necessary for Power Module software development.

The NSSC-I speed was modified to provide worst case speed requirements and the impact of no interval timer. Approximate code was generated to estimate the impacts for double precision routines. The impact of the reduced registers was estimated based on experience.

For the NSSC-II two sample problems were coded and timed to estimate the memory and speed impact of floating point. (The time between fixed point and floating point add's is the significant difference).

For both computers a worst case situation was developed by assuming the minor loop varied by no more than 10% and that the major loop could vary by 100%. The minor loop value is small because the logic of a minor loop design tends to limit the amount of computation for the worst case. This is not true of the major loop, but the major loop variation is spread over all minor loop cycles. A 12% impact was added for each computer to account for this variation.

The above impacts give a total requirement of 114.4 KOPS for the NSSC-I with an 85% duty cycle and a 61.5 KOPS requirement for the NSSC-II with a 31% duty cycle.

# NSSC-I AND NSSC-II COMPUTER SPEED REQUIREMENTS ANALYSIS

## o NSSC-I COMPUTER

- |                                               |            |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------|
| - AVERAGE SPEED REQUIREMENT                   | 102.1 KOPS |
| - DELTA FOR VARIABLE PROGRAM FUNCTIONS (+12%) | +12.3 KOPS |
| - DELTA FOR NO INTERVAL TIMER                 | (SEE NOTE) |
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TOTAL NSSC-I SPEED REQUIREMENT	114.4 KOPS
DUTY CYCLE 114.4/133	85%

## o NSSC-II COMPUTER

- |                                               |            |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------|
| - AVERAGE SPEED REQUIREMENT                   | 49.9 KOPS  |
| - DELTA FOR VARIABLE PROGRAM FUNCTIONS (+12%) | + 6.0 KOPS |
| - DELTA FOR FLOATING POINT                    | + 5.6 KOPS |
- 

TOTAL NSSC-II SPEED REQUIREMENTS	61.5 KOPS
DUTY CYCLE 61.5/200	31%

NOTE: APPROXIMATELY 4 KOPS IMPACT IF INTERVAL TIMER NOT PROVIDED

## POWER MODULE COMPUTER SPEED REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY

This chart summarizes the computer-speed capability, speed requirement and performance margin for the NSSC-I and NSSC-II computers. The capability of the machine is derived using a Gibson Aerospace Mix and the requirements are derived from the Skylab speed requirements modified by the individual capabilities of each computer.

The NSCC-I has a margin of only 16% which is less than the 100% growth margin desired this early in the program. The NSSC-II, with 225% margin, has sufficient growth capabilities to accommodate program requirement changes.

# POWER MODULE COMPUTER SPEED REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY

<u>COMPUTER</u>	<u>CAPABILITY (KOPS)</u>	<u>REQUIREMENT (KOPS)</u>	<u>MARGIN (KOPS)</u>
NSSC-I	133	114.4	16%
NSSC-II	200	61.5	225%

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## BASIC GUIDELINES FOR DMS TRADES

After an initial analysis of the baseline requirements and potential tradeable configurations, basic guidelines and decisions were made to conduct the trades. These were:

- o The CD&H data bus system is the same to all potential configurations.
- o An Attitude Control System (ACS) Signal Conditioning Unit, having functions similar to the Skylab WCIU, is required to interface between the C&DH RIU/EU and the ACS components and is the same for all potential configurations.
- o After an analysis of the data bus traffic, it was apparent that the data bus could handle the traffic required by the ACS and a separate, dedicated ACS computer was not required.

Therefore, the basic DMS trade candidates were determined to be the NSSC-I and NSSC-II and their associated I/O components (STINT). It was also baselined that a computer redundancy management concept would be required with either configuration.

## BASIC GUIDELINES FOR DMS TRADES

- o C&DH IS SAME FOR BOTH CANDIDATE COMPUTER SYSTEMS
- o ACS/COMPUTER DATA FLOW REQUIREMENTS CAN BE HANDLED BY DATA BUS. THEREFORE, A SEPARATE ACS COMPUTER IS NOT REQUIRED
- o A COMPUTER REDUNDANCY MANAGEMENT CONCEPT IS REQUIRED WITH BOTH CANDIDATE COMPUTER SYSTEMS
- o BASIC TRADE CANDIDATES WERE THE NSSC-I AND NSSC-II AND ASSOCIATED I/O COMPONENTS

## DMS TRADE CONFIGURATION OPTIONS

This chart summarizes the DMS configuration options considered for trades. Options II and IV were selected as the two most feasible options for detailed trades, and these were essentially trades between the NSSC-I and NSSC-II computers and associated stints. The other options were deleted from the detailed trades for the following reasons:

- o OPTION I - This option was deleted after the Skylab DMS hardware and software was determined not to be a cost or technically effective solution to the problem. Newer technology equipment was baselined to replace the technology outdated Skylab DMS.
- o OPTION III - This option includes a dedicated computer for the ACS computations. The requirements analysis indicated that neither the data bus traffic requirements nor the speed and memory requirements dictated two high capability computers to operate the system, since one computer can easily handle all functions.
- o OPTION V - This option includes a dedicated loop between the NSSC-II/STINT-II and the ACS/SCU. This option is a backup to the baseline system since it allows a direct closed interface between the computer and ACS, and essentially combines the characteristics of options III and IV. This option would be used if the data bus traffic or closed loop performance on the data bus were a problem.

## DMS TRADE CONFIGURATION OPTIONS

### CONFIGURATION

### RATIONALE FOR DELETION

#### OPTION I

ATMDC/WCIU  
dedicated to ACS with a NSSC  
computer with STINT performing  
other onboard computation  
requirements.

Not enough Skylab hardware available to support one  
flight vehicle and associated ground equipment.

#### OPTION II

NSSC-I, STAAC System

NSSC-I speed performance is marginally acceptable for  
the baseline Power Module requirements. It does not  
have 100% reserve KOPS capability, and therefore does  
not provide for the anticipated growth requirements.

#### OPTION III

NSSC-I, STAAC system with  
NSSC-II as flight control computer

System requirements do not justify use of both computers  
when the NSSC-II can meet all speed and storage requirements

#### OPTION IV

NSSC-II, STAAC system

NSSC-II is heavier and consumes more power than NSSC-I, but  
provides more than 100% speed reserve capability and therefore  
option IV was considered to be more acceptable than option II.

#### OPTION V

NSSC-II, STINT II with dedicated  
port to ACS signal conditioning

This configuration provides better closed loop performance  
between the NSSC-II and the attitude control system. This  
option was not selected only because the present system  
closed loop requirements can be met using the STAAC data bus  
system. If system requirements increase, then this would be  
a good solution to improving the closed loop performance.

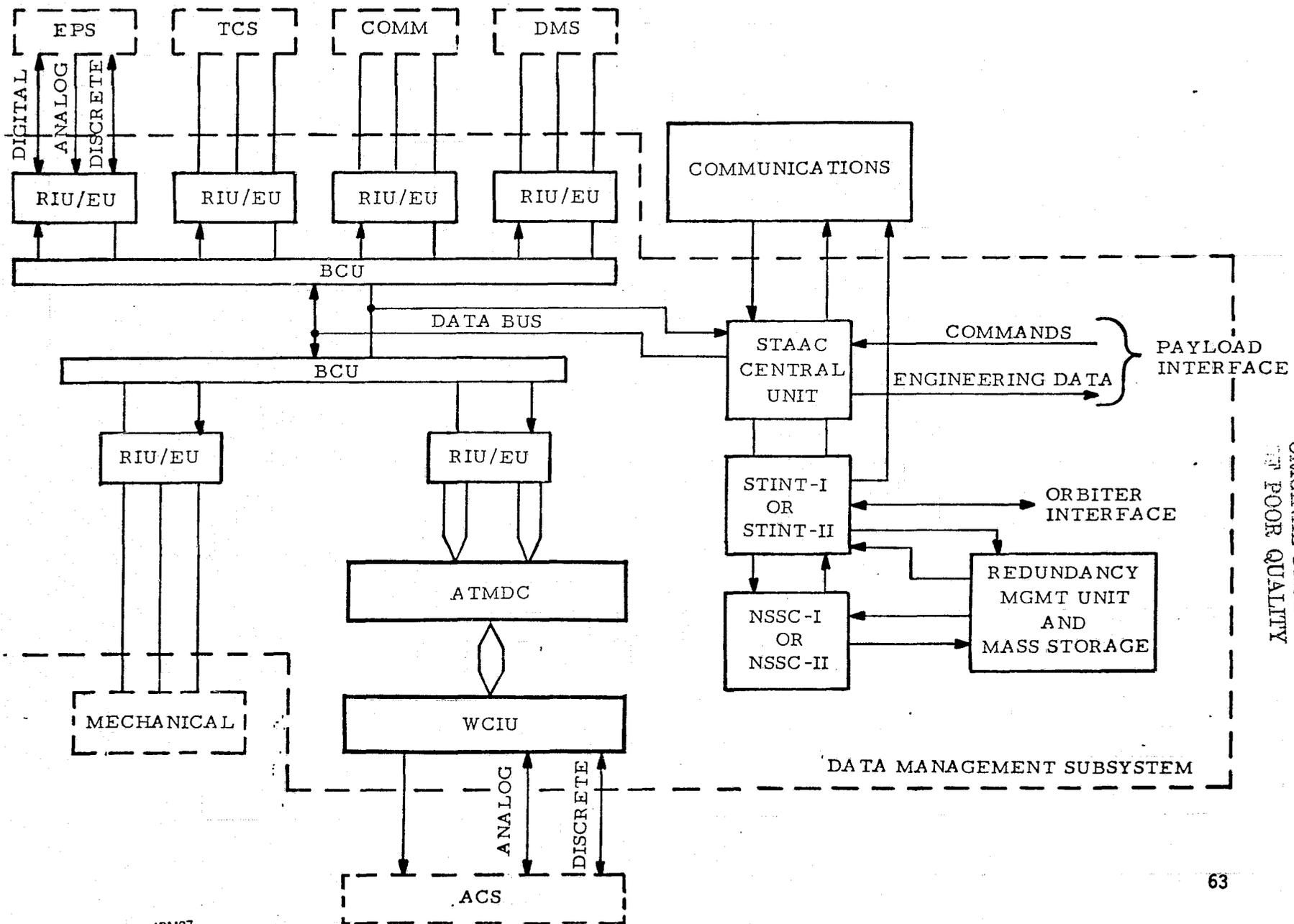
OPTION I - ATMDC, WCIU AND NSSC-I OR NSSC-II WITH C&DH

This configuration utilizes the ATMDC and WCIU to perform all measurements, calculations and issue commands to the attitude control system. The WCIU interfaces are designed to be compatible with the ACS equipment. Redundancy management for the attitude control system would be performed by the ATMDC software in conjunction with the hardware functions designed into the WCIU.

The NSSC computer and STINT would be used for controlling other on-board systems and data handling functions as required.

Insufficient quantities of the Skylab hardware and its associated test equipment were the main reason that this option was not acceptable.

OPTION I: ATMDC, WCIU AND NSSC-I OR NSSC-II WITH C & DH



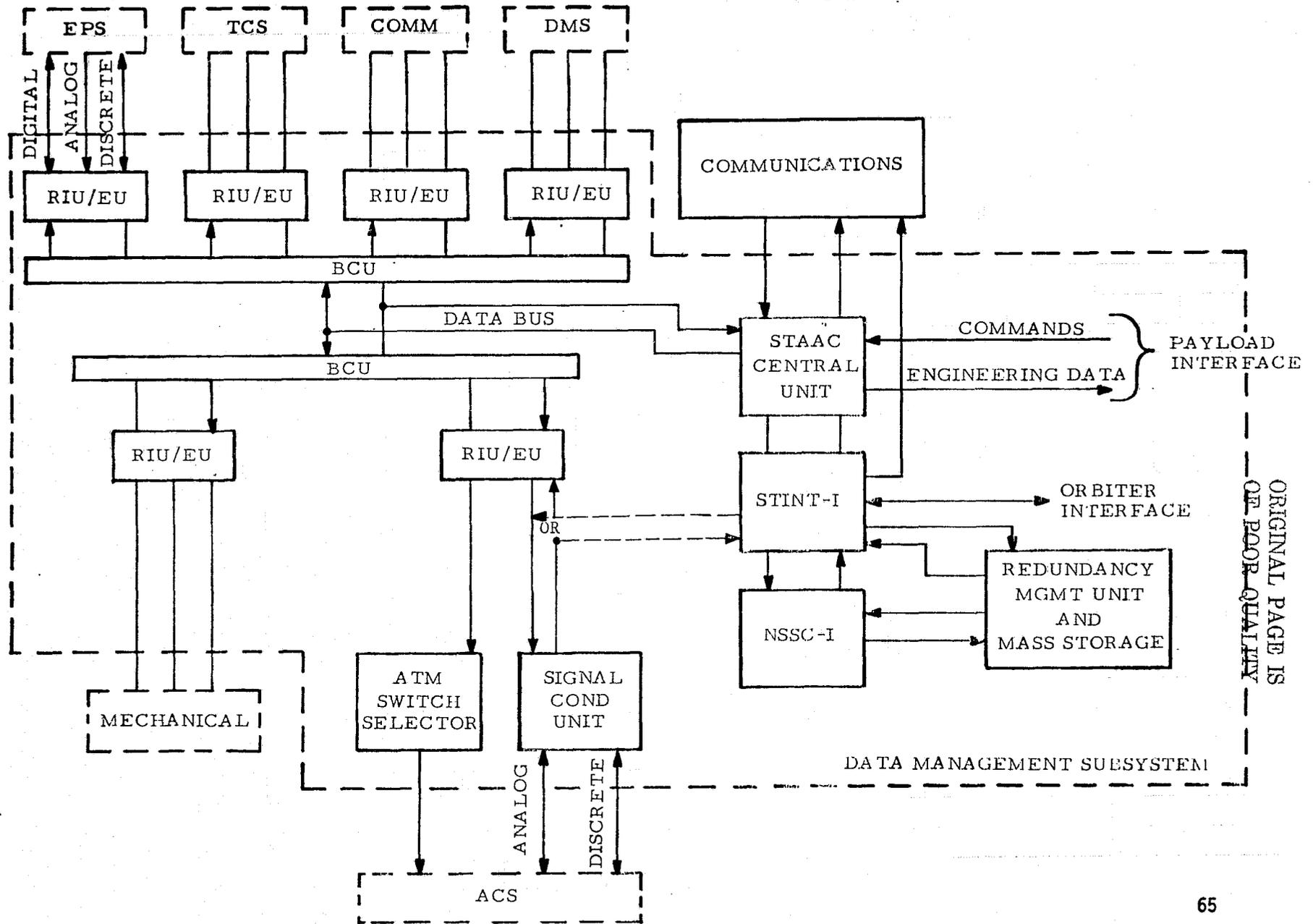
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## OPTION II - NSSC-I COMPUTER WITH C&DH

This configuration requires a signal conditioning unit (new design) to interface the attitude control system with the STAAC system. The NSSC-I/STINT I would be required to perform all measurements calculations and issue commands to the attitude control system via the signal conditioning unit. One of the serial command outputs from the RIU would be used to command the signal conditioning unit. A serial data input to the RIU would be used for transferring data from the signal conditioning unit to the RIU. A limited number of discrettes would be utilized to develop the interface protocol between these two boxes.

This option is identical to option IV with only the computer/STINT changed. Therefore, options II and IV become a trade between the NSSC-I and NSSC-II.

OPTION II: NSSC-I COMPUTER WITH C & DH



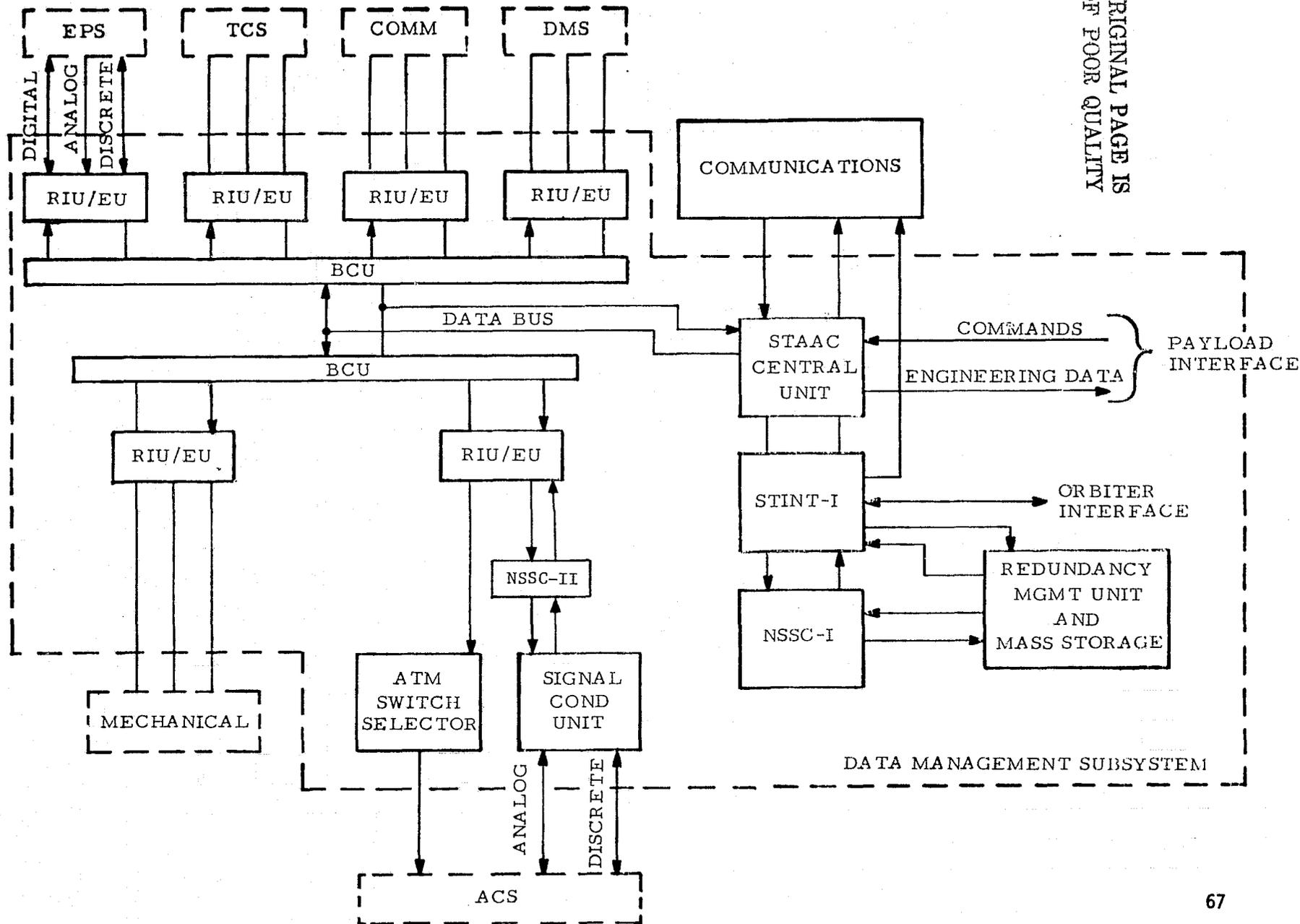
### OPTION III - DEDICATED NSSC-II COMPUTER FOR ACS FUNCTIONS

This option utilizes the NSSC-II for attitude control measurements calculations and commands. The NSSC-II would take the major burden off the NSSC-I and provide growth margins for the power module systems. The signal conditioning unit will provide the NSSC-II with interfaces to the STAAC system and the attitude control system.

This configuration was not accepted because system requirements did not show the need for both computers. The capabilities of the NSSC-II exceed the system requirements sufficiently that no justification can be made for two computers.

OPTION III: DEDICATED NSSC-II COMPUTER FOR ACS FUNCTIONS

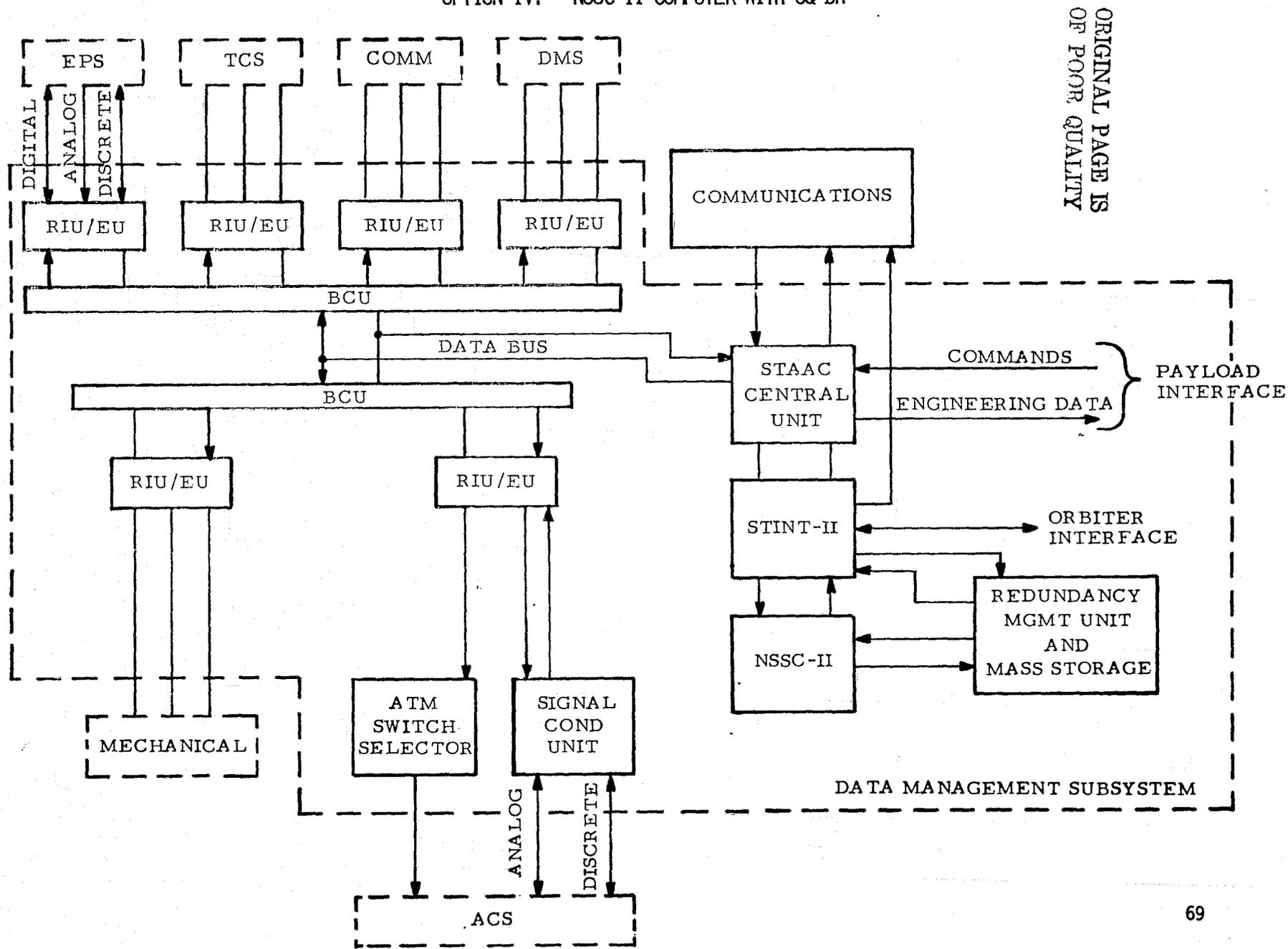
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#### OPTION IV - NSSC-II COMPUTER WITH C&DH

This configuration is identical to option II with a NSSC-II/STINT-II replacing the NSSC-I/STINT-I components. The advantages or disadvantages between option II and option IV can be determined from the trade charts on the two computers. Option IV has been favored only because of the higher speed and storage growth capability of the NSSC-II over the NSSC-I. The NSSC-II's instruction set gives the NSSC-II programming advantages. Certain other factors as can be seen on the trade charts favor the NSSC-I.

OPTION IV: NSSC-II COMPUTER WITH C&DH



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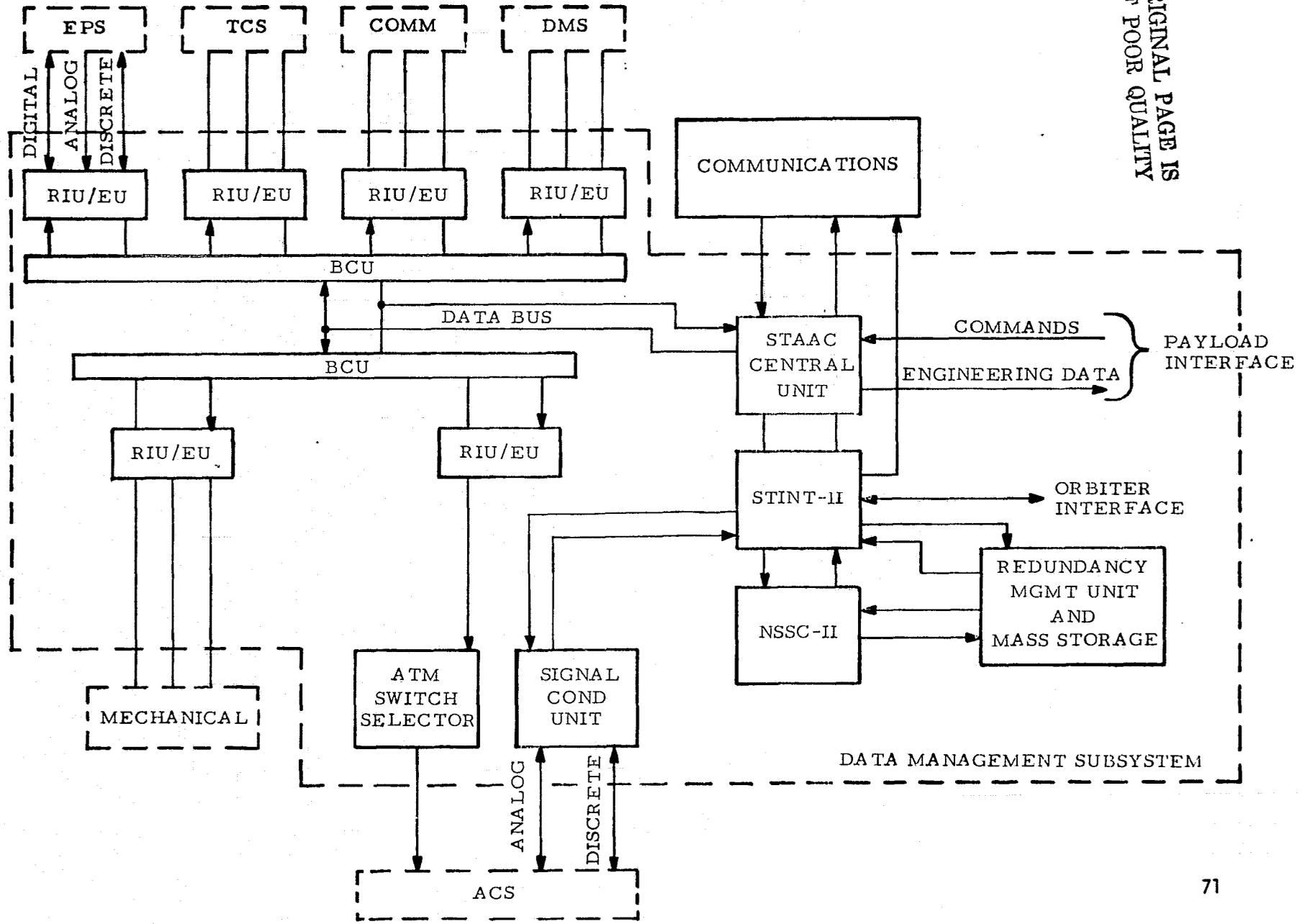
#### OPTION V - NSSC-II WITH DIRECT INTERFACE TO ACS

This configuration uses the same physical hardware as option IV except that a direct interface port between the NSSC-II and the signal conditioning unit has been provided in the STINT II. This option would not be constrained to the data bus limitations of the other options since the NSSC-II would be in direct control of the signal conditioning unit and therefore the attitude control system.

The current system data requirements are well within the capabilities of the data bus and therefore option V is presently considered as an alternate to option IV and may be selected if data and command requirements show that the system becomes limited by option IV.

OPTION V: NSSC-II WITH DIRECT INTERFACE TO ACS

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## DMS COMPUTER TRADE DRIVERS

This chart summarizes the major differences between the NSSC-I and NSSC-II computers. The preferred characteristic is indicated by the asterisk.

The major advantages of the NSSC-I computer are the low power required for the computer/memory combination and the non-volatile core memory which would not have to be reloaded after a power-down sequence.

The major advantages of the NSSC-II computer are the performance and speed (speed and memory margins) capabilities, the more powerful instruction set, internal registers, and the availability of floating point and double precision arithmetic. The added features of the System/360 compatible support software, internal timers and code trace capability aid software design and reduce software development cost.

# DMS COMPUTER TRADE DRIVERS

<u>CHARACTERISTIC</u>	<u>NSSC-I</u>	<u>NSSC-II</u>
POWER	*LOW POWER	
STORAGE	*NON VOLATILE CORE MEMORY	VOLATILE STORAGE
OPERATIONAL SPEED	APPROXIMATELY 133 KOPS	*APPROXIMATELY 200 KOPS
SPEED MARGIN	16%	*225%
INSTRUCTION SET		*FLOATING POINT AND DOUBLE PRECISION
SOFTWARE DEV COST RATIO	220%	*100%
MEMORY MARGIN	100%	*250% (850%)
SUPPORT SOFTWARE		*360 COMPATIBLE SUPPORT SOFTWARE *VERSATILE I/O AND INTERRUPT FEATURES *INTERVAL TIMER PLUS REAL-TIME CLOCK
	NO TRACE CAPABILITY	*TRACE CAPABILITY WITH CLOCK RUNNING
*PREFERRED CHARACTERISTIC		

COMPUTER CAPABILITY IMPACTS ON SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

THIS CHART IS SELF-EXPLANATORY.

# COMPUTER CAPABILITY IMPACTS ON SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

<u>CAPABILITY</u>	<u>NSSC-I</u>	<u>NSSC-II</u>	<u>POTENTIAL IMPACTS</u>
o FLOATING POINT	NO	YES	INCREASE IN SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT COST IF NO FLOATING POINT CAPABILITY
o DOUBLE PRECISION ARITHMETIC	NO	YES	SPEED PENALTY IF NO CAPABILITY FOR DOUBLE PRECISION ARITHMETIC
o INTERVAL TIMER	NO	YES	4 KOPS SPEED PENALTY AND POSSIBLE TIME ACCURACY IMPACT IF NO INTERVAL TIMER HARDWARE ADDITION TO ADD INTERVAL TIMER TO NSSC-I (STINT)
o TRACE CAPABILITY	NO	YES	INCREASE IN SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT COST IF TRACE CAPABILITY NOT AVAILABLE
o SYSTEM/360 COMPATIBLE SUPPORT SOFTWARE	NO	YES	USE OF SYSTEM/360 COMPATIBLE SOFTWARE DECREASES TRAINING COST AND COST OF SIMULATION DURING SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

## COMPUTER SYSTEM COMPARISONS

This chart shows the major items used in the computer system (computer, storage, and I/O) trade study and a summary of the assumed requirements or goals and the characteristics of each computer system to meet that requirement. In most cases, the assumed requirement is from the MSFC Pre-Phase A Study for the Power Module and is added to provide a yardstick in comparing the two computer systems with the ATMDC/WCIU system proposed in the MSFC Pre-Phase A study. The comparisons are made for two computers and two STINTS each, with a total 128K bytes (8 bits) of storage for the NSSC-I system and a total of 224K bytes (8 bits) of storage for the NSSC-II system.

The comparisons were used as the basis for the computer system trade study shown on another chart. The cost comparisons were based on the assumed one-time cost for software development, the Software Development Facility and one set of DMS flight hardware with the NSSC-I system costs 30% more than the NSSC-II system costs. The NSSC-II system is heavier and uses more power than the NSSC-I system; however, the NSSC-I computer does not meet the 100% speed contingency requirements. Some minor risk is assumed in the development of a STINT II to interface the NSSC-II with the central unit.

# COMPUTER SYSTEM COMPARISONS

	<u>NSSC-I/STINT-I</u>	<u>NSSC-II/STINT II</u>	<u>ASSUMED REQUIREMENT OR GOAL</u>
COST	130%	100%	DMS FLIGHT UNIT PLUS SOFTWARE COSTS
WEIGHT	42.1 LBS.	78.7 LBS.	200 LBS. (MSFC BASELINE)
POWER	50.7	237	165 W (MSFC BASELINE)
VOLUME	1627 IN <sup>3</sup>	1936 IN <sup>3</sup>	8812 IN <sup>3</sup> (MSFC BASELINE)
GROWTH MEMORY	128K BYTES (8 BITS)	1024K BYTES (8 BITS)	TBD
SPEED	133 KOPS	200 KOPS	229 KOPS NSSC-I 123 KOPS NSSC-II
PERFORMANCE MARGIN	MINUS 41%	PLUS 63%	COMPUTER SPEED REQUIREMENT VS. CAPABILITY
RISK	NONE	STINT II DEV	N/A

## POWER MODULE DEVELOPMENT COST DELTAS

This chart summarizes the cost deltas between the NSSC-I and NSSC-II computers. The scope of the elements included in the delta costs are one DMS flight hardware system, development of hardware for the DMS, test, and ground support equipment for the computers, the hardware for one engineering unit, one software development facility (SDF) and the flight and preflight software development.

As shown, the identical cost deltas are negligible compared to the total cost of the hardware and software required to support the first Power Module. The system hardware delta costs favor the NSSC-I computer, but a software delta cost penalty of approximately 118% is required to program the NSSC-I computer, basically because of the more powerful instruction set of the NSSC-II computer and the lack of floating point and trace capability in the NSSC-I computer. Recurring hardware cost will also be greater for the NSSC-I because more memory is required to store the required program.

# POWER MODULE DEVELOPMENT COST DELTAS

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>COST DELTA</u>	
	<u>NSSC-II</u>	<u>NSSC-I</u>
o COMPUTER FLIGHT HARDWARE (2)		+ 70K
o STINT FLIGHT HARDWARE (2)	+ 34K	
o STINT DEVELOPMENT (NON-RECURRING)	390K	
o COMPUTER GSE		+ 46K
o ENGINEER UNIT (1)		+6.5K
o SDF UNIT (1)		+6.5K
o FLIGHT SOFTWARE		+2.48M
o PREFLIGHT SOFTWARE		+419K
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	+424K	+3028K

TOTAL DELTA COST = -2.6M FOR NSSC-II COMPUTER SYSTEM AND SOFTWARE

## COMPUTER SYSTEM TRADE SUMMARY

This chart shows the result of the computer system trade study. The parameters traded are shown on the left with a relative weighting factor of from 1 to 10 given to each parameter. The cost and growth parameter were given the highest weighting for the study. Parameters used in the trade were summarized on the previous chart. A summary of the parameter evaluations is as follows:

- o Cost - The NSSC-I hardware and software systems costs were 30% higher than the NSSC-II systems cost; therefore, the NSSC-I received a low rating for cost.
- o Weight - The NSSC-II system is heavier than the NSSC-I system, but both are well within the MSFC Pre-Phase A study weight allocations.
- o Volume - The volumes for the two systems are comparable and within the MSFC study allocations.
- o Power - The NSSC-II system requires more power than the NSSC-I system and does not meet the study allocations, thus it was given the lowest rank. However, this will not be considered to be a major problem until Power Module power allocations are defined.
- o Growth - The speed and memory growth capability of the NSSC-I system is limited and the computer does not meet the basic plus 100% contingency basic requirement for speed. Therefore, the NSSC-I was given a low rank.
- o Performance - The NSSC-I does not meet the basic plus 100% contingency speed performance requirements and was given a zero rating.
- o Risk - No new development risk was seen for the NSSC-I system and only a minor risk for the STINT-II development. Therefore, the NSSC-II system was ranked slightly below the NSSC-I system.

The results show that the NSSC-II/STINT-II is the preferred configuration, based on the cost, growth, and performance factors derived from the software requirements analysis. The NSSC-II provides a lower cost with higher speed and memory growth margins; therefore, a NSSC-II computer system is recommended.

# COMPUTER SYSTEM TRADE SUMMARY

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>NSSC-I/STINT I</u>		<u>NSSC-II/STINT II</u>		<u>REQUIREMENT OR GOAL</u>
		<u>RANK</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	
COST	10	4	40	10	100	DMS UNIT PLUS SOFTWARE COSTS
WEIGHT	4	10	40	8	32	R = 200 LB (MSFC BASELINE)
VOLUME	3	10	30	10	30	R = 8812 IN. <sup>3</sup> (MSFC BASELINE)
POWER	5	10	50	0**	0	R = 165W (MSFC BASELINE)
GROWTH	9	1	9	10	90	TBD
PERFORMANCE (SPEED)	7	0*	0	10	70	R = 229 KOPS NSSC-I 123 KOPS NSSC-II
RISK	5	10	50	9	45	NEW DEVELOPMENT
TOTALS			219		367	

\* DOES NOT MEET 100% CONTINGENCY REQUIREMENT

\*\* DOES NOT MEET POWER ALLOCATED IN MSFC BASELINE STUDY

RECOMMENDATION: USE NSSC-II COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR BASELINE

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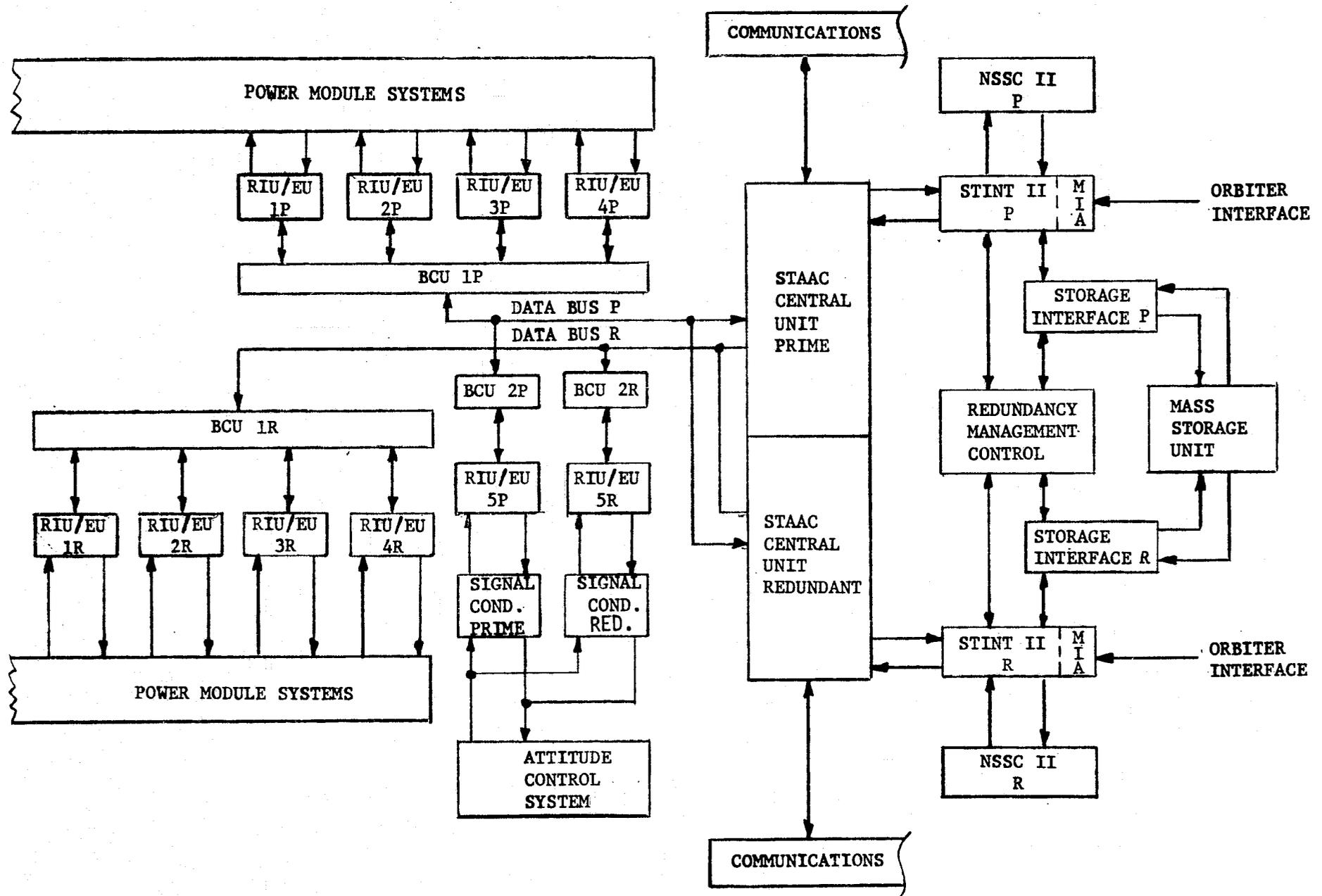
## BASELINE POWER MODULE DMS BLOCK DIAGRAM

This chart shows a block diagram of the baseline Power Module DMS design. The DMS is a dual redundant system with a single redundancy management unit and mass storage unit. The DMS consists of two NSCC-II computers, each with 112K bytes of storage, a single redundancy management and mass storage, two computer I/O units (STINT II), two central units, two data busses, 10 Remote Interface Units (RIU), and 16 Expander Units (EU), and two ACS Signal Conditioning Units.

The STAAC Central Unit controls the data bus traffic by allotting data bus time slots to both the telemetry system and the computer. The computer's prime responsibility is Attitude Control and redundancy management of the Attitude Control System (ACS). The Signal Conditioning Unit (SCU) provides an interface between the ACS and the Data Bus RIU. The SCU performs AC and DC analog to digital conversions, digital to DC analog conversion, samples high level momentary and continuous discretes and outputs high level momentary and continuous discretes.

Redundancy management of the computers is controlled by the Redundancy Management Unit (RMU). The RMU monitors a discrete from the active computer to ensure continued reliable performance of the computer. Mission critical data parameters are continually updated in the mass storage unit. When the RMU detects a computer failure, the active computer is powered off, the standby computer is powered on, and its memory loaded from the mass storage unit. The newly activated computer continues execution of the flight program.

# BASELINE POWER MODULE DMS BLOCK DIAGRAM



#### POWER MODULE BASELINE DMS EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS (PER VEHICLE)

This chart summarizes the DMS equipment or components required for each flight article. As shown, the DMS is a dual-redundant configuration with a prime and redundant component except for the Redundancy Management Unit and Mass Storage which have the required redundancy and fail-safe mechanisms designed into the unit.

The chart also summarizes the weight, power, and volume requirements of the components of the Power Module DMS. The weight and volume are given for the number of each component indicated while the power is given for the number of units assumed operating, which is typically a simplex configuration.

POWER MODULE BASELINE DMS EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS (PER VEHICLE)

<u>COMPONENT</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>WEIGHT (LBS.)</u>	<u>POWER (WATTS)</u>	<u>VOLUME (CU. IN.)</u>
NSSC-II COMPUTER	2	75	232	1760
STINT II	2	6	3.5	352
REDUNDNACY MANAGEMENT UNIT + MASS STORAGE	1	TBD	TBD	TBD
CENTRAL UNIT (CU)	2	12	14.4	425.3
BUS COUPLER UNIT	4	.6	--	12
DATA BUS	2	TBD	TBD	TBD
REMOTE INTERFACE UNIT (RIU)	10	43.5	21.9	1400
EXPANDER UNITS (EU)	16	32	3	125.4
ACS SIGNAL CONDITIONING UNIT	2	20	15	700

## COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY

This chart summarizes the capability of the NSSC-II computer with 56K words (16 bits) of storage to support the Power Module computer requirements. As shown the NSSC-II gives over 100% margin for the speed and approximately 100% margin on the storage requirements in the baseline configuration. An expanded capability of the storage allows a maximum of 512K words (16 bits) if required.

The reliability, weight, power and volume requirements for the Power Module computer have not been established. The NSSC-II capability is shown on the chart for a simplex computer with 56K words of storage.

# COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY

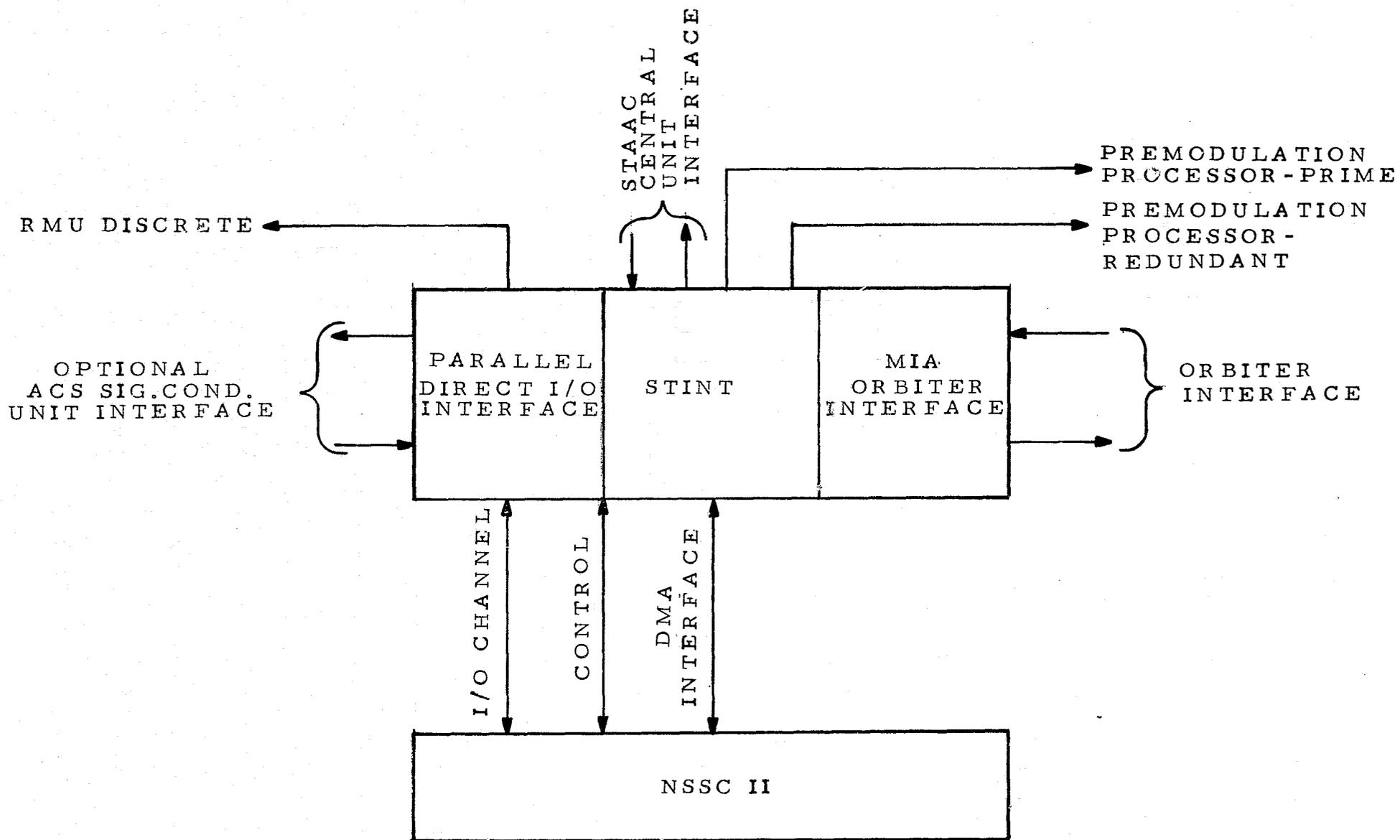
	<u>BASELINE REQUIREMENTS</u>	<u>NSSC-II CAPABILITY</u>
SPEED	62 KOPS + 100% CONTINGENCY	200 KOPS
STORAGE	23K WORDS + 100% CONTINGENCY	56K WORDS (512K WORDS-EXPANDED)
RELIABILITY	TBD	7,936 HRS. MTBF
WEIGHT	TBD	37.5 LBS
POWER	TBD	232 WATTS
VOLUME	TBD	880 CU. IN.

## STINT II FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM

This chart shows a functional block diagram of a proposed STINT II which would be used with the NSSC-II computer. The STINT II will provide the basic function for the NSSC-II computer that the STINT-I provides for the NSSC-I computer.

The STINT II is proposed to provide the capability of interfacing the NSSC-II computer to the STAAC central unit, provide a MIA interface to the orbiter data bus system and an optional parallel interface to other subsystems such as the ACS Signal Conditioning Unit. The STINT II shall also provide interfaces between the NSSC-II and the communications system plus a RMU discrete to the Redundancy Management Unit.

# STINT II FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM

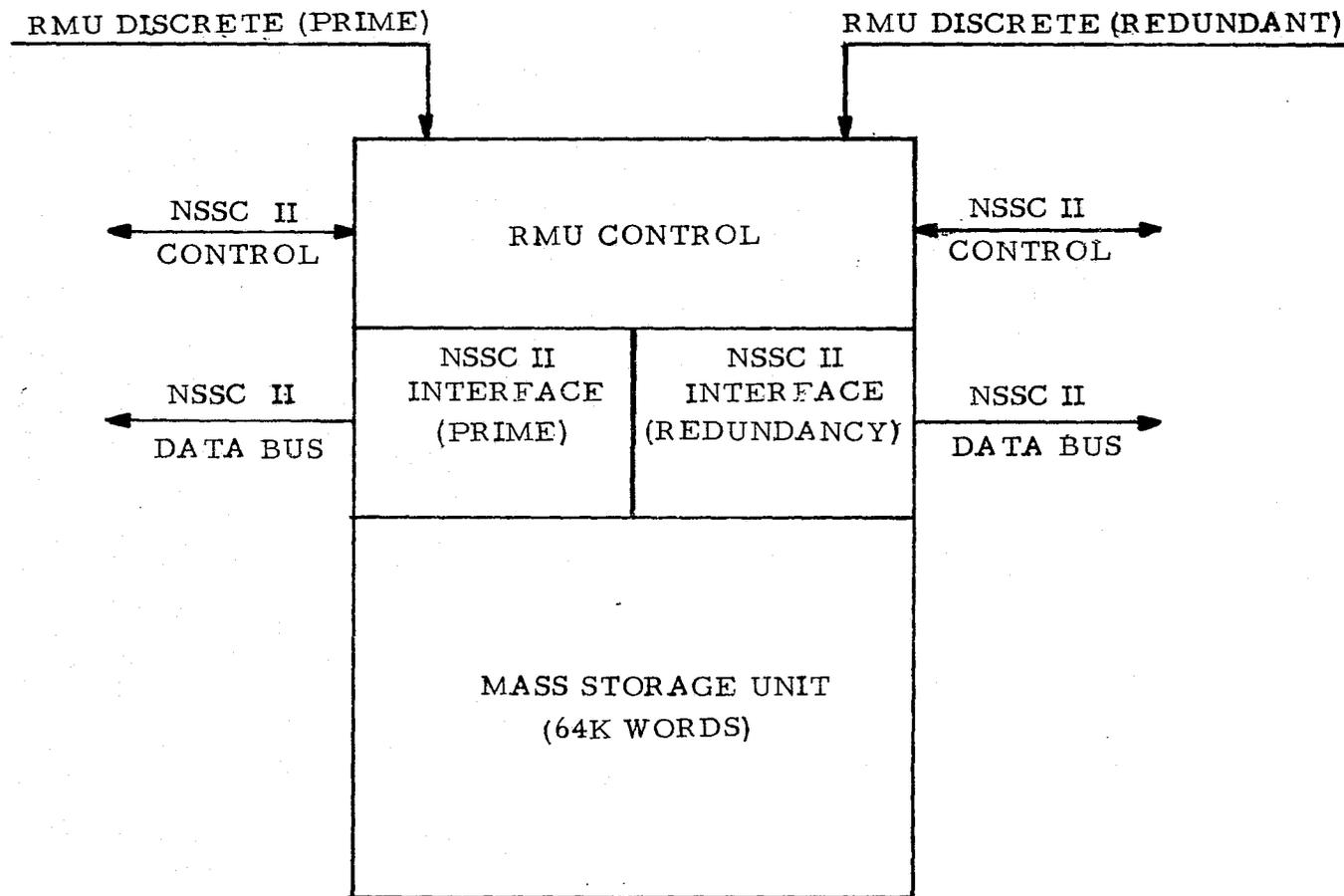


## REDUNDANCY MANAGEMENT UNIT FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM

This chart shows a functional block diagram for a proposed redundancy management unit and a mass storage unit for storage of the onboard software and critical onboard parameters.

The Redundancy Management Unit (RMU) is proposed to be a fault tolerant unit monitoring the RMU discretes to determine the condition of the active computer. If a computer failure occurs, the RMU will command power to be removed from the active computer and applied to the standby computer. The RMU shall then initiate a memory load to the newly active computer memory from the mass storage unit. Flight programs plus constantly updated critical flight parameters shall be stored in the mass storage unit.

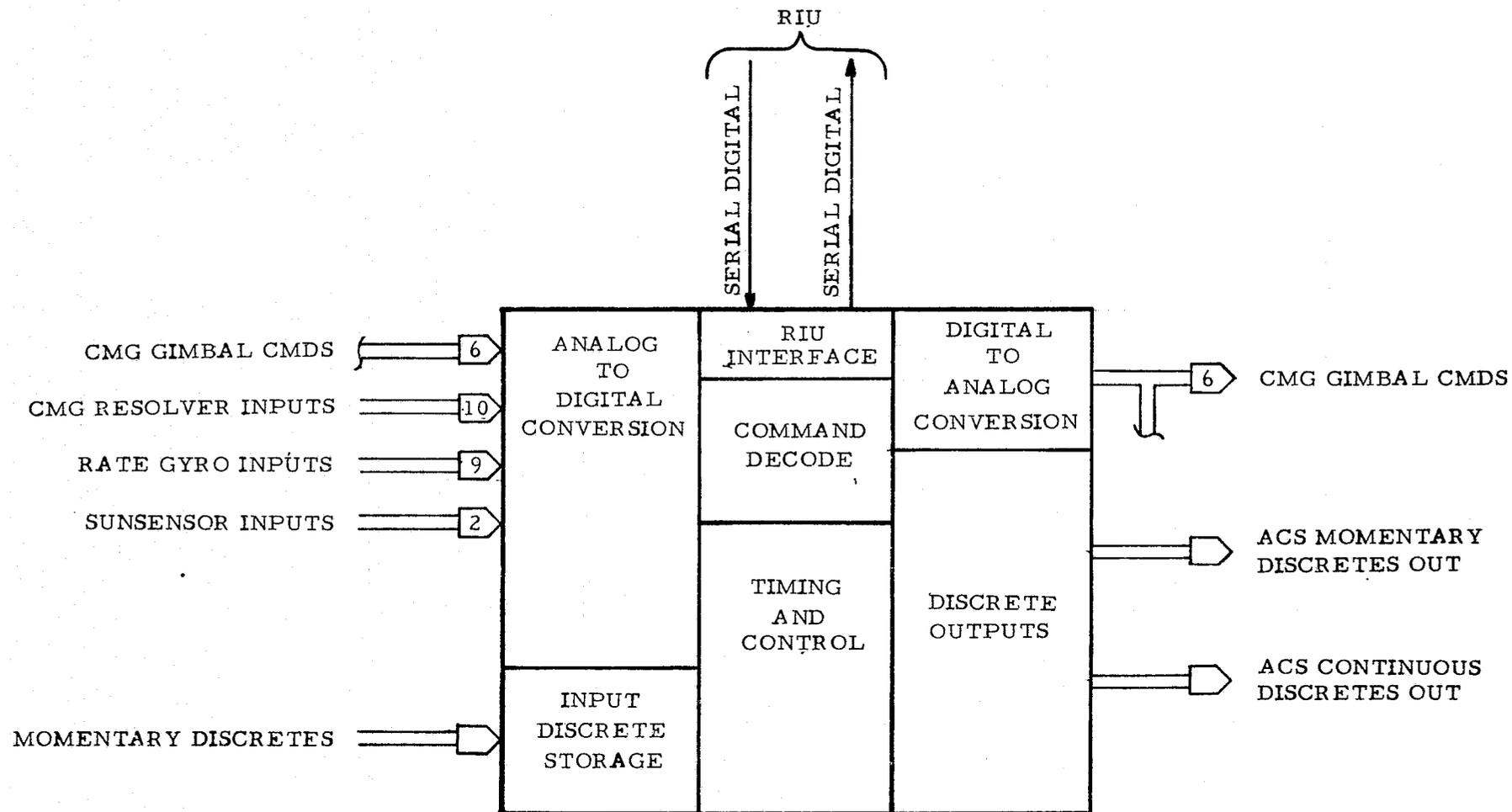
# REDUNDANCY MANAGEMENT UNIT FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



## ACS SIGNAL CONDITIONING UNIT FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM

This chart shows a functional block diagram of a proposed ACS Signal Conditioning Unit (SCU) which would be required to adapt the signals from the ACS CMG's, gyros and sun sensors to the RIU/EU's. The proposed ACS Signal Conditioning Unit (SCU) would accept commands from the computer via an RIU interface. The SCU would be capable of converting AC or DC Analogs to digital words, scaling high level discrettes, storing momentary discrettes and, on command, transmitting the converted data to the computer via the RIU/data bus. The SCU shall also provide Digital to Analog conversion, high level continuous discrete outputs and high level momentary discrete outputs.

# ACS SIGNAL CONDITIONING UNIT FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



## POWER MODULE DMS SIGNAL INTERFACE SUMMARY

This chart summarizes the measurement and command interface requirements with the DMS RIU's and EU's. It includes the analog discrete and digital word measurement input requirements and the discrete and serial digital command output requirements. It should be noted that the signal interfaces between the ACS and the ACS signal conditioning unit are shown on this chart, and that a serial digital interface between the RIU/EU and ACS SCU is assumed.

POWER MODULE DMS SIGNAL INTERFACE SUMMARY

	MEASUREMENT INPUTS			COMMAND OUTPUTS	
	<u>ANALOG</u>	<u>DISCRETE</u>	<u>DIGITAL WORDS</u>	<u>DISCRETE</u>	<u>SERIAL DIGITAL</u>
ELECTRICAL					
POWER PROC	160	68	12		
BATTERIES	36				24
NETWORKS	38	78			1
COMMUNICATIONS	8	27		20	1
MECHANICAL					
STRUCTURES					
MECHANISMS		12			
UMBILICALS					
ATTITUDE CONTROL		14	2*	53	1*
CMG	35				
RATE GYRO	18				
SUN, SENSORS	5				
SOLAR ARRAY					
ATRICATION SYS.	12	32		10	1
THERMAL CONTROL SYS.**	TBD	TBD		TBD	TBD
DATA MANAGEMENT	9	23		33	3
SPARES	42	45			
PAYLOAD	<u>110</u>	<u>48</u>	—	<u>60</u>	<u>3</u>
TOTAL	473	347	14	176	34

\*SERIAL DIGITAL INTERFACE BETWEEN RIU/EU AND ACS SIGNAL CONDITIONING UNIT.

\*\*INCLUDED IN SPARES

## POWER MODULE INTERFACE COMPONENT USE SUMMARY

This chart indicates the number of Remote Interface Units (RIU), Expander Units (EU) and ACS Signal Conditioning Unit (SCU) required to provide the measurement and command signal interfaces with the subsystems. This includes a serial digital interface between the ACS Signal Conditioning Unit and the RIU/EU.

The charts indicate the number and type of measurements and commands going to the units and the spare channel capability available for each type of measurement and command.

As shown, for a simplex system, 5 RIU's and 8 EU's are required. For a dual redundant system, each measurement and command would be redundant and 10 RIU's and 16 EU's would be required. Two ACS SCU's would be required for a dual redundant configuration.

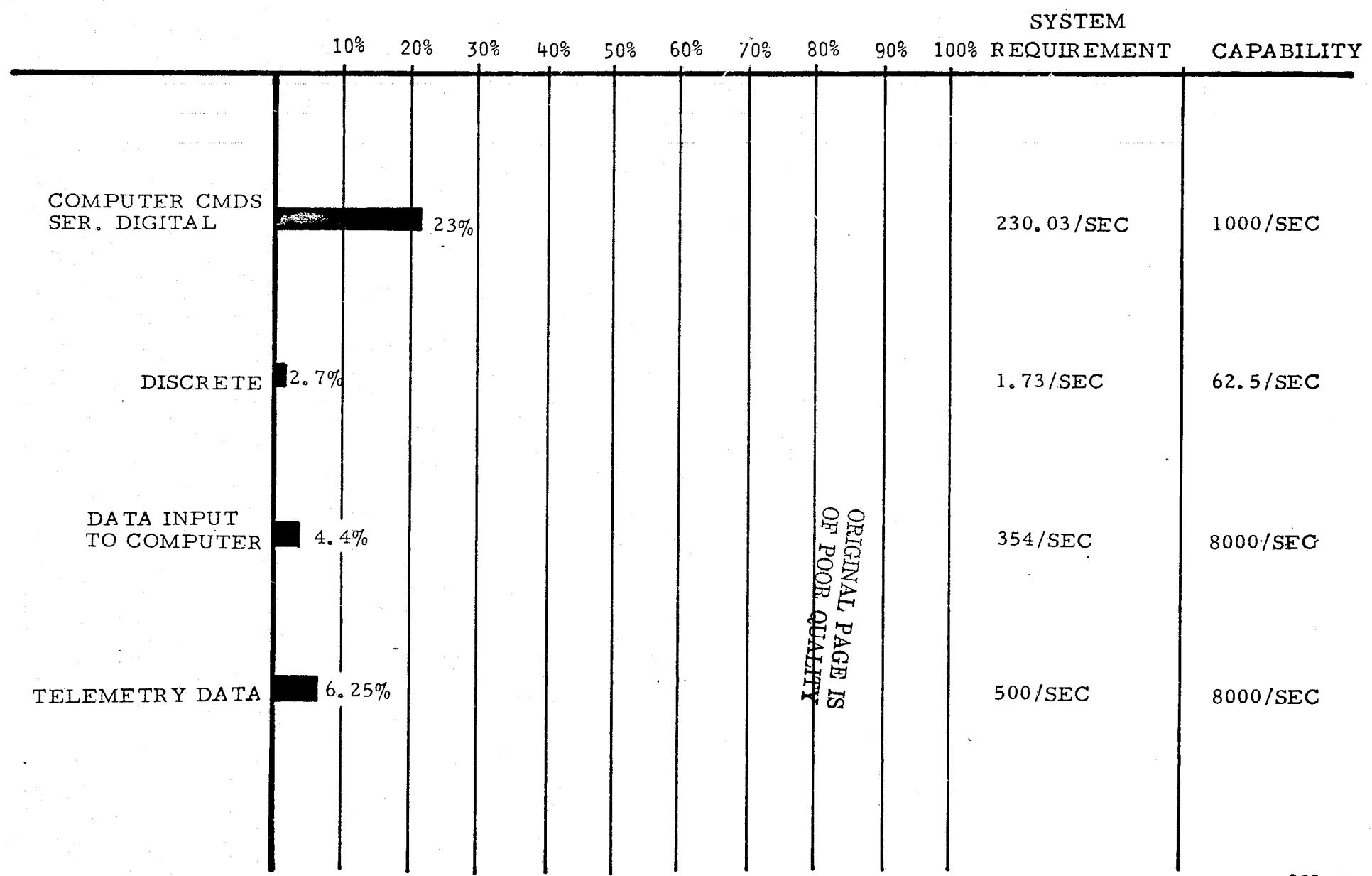
POWER MODULE INTERFACE COMPONENT USE SUMMARY

<u>INTERFACE COMPONENT</u>	<u>QTY REQUIRED</u>	<u>ANALOG MEASUREMENTS</u>		<u>DISCRETE MEASUREMENTS</u>		<u>SERIAL DIGITAL MEASUREMENTS</u>		<u>DISCRETE COMMANDS</u>		<u>SERIAL DIGITAL COMMANDS</u>		<u>ANALOG COMMANDS</u>
		<u>USED</u>	<u>SPARE</u>	<u>USED</u>	<u>SPARE</u>	<u>USED</u>	<u>SPARE</u>	<u>USED</u>	<u>SPARE</u>	<u>USED</u>	<u>SPARE</u>	<u>USED</u>
RIU	5	440	0	56	0	14	2	135	496	34	64	0
EU	8	0	16	277	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACS SCU	1	42	--	14	--	0	--	51	--	0	--	6

## PERCENT OF DATA BUS CAPABILITY UTILIZED

This chart shows the percent utilization of the allocated Data Bus slots in the STAAC System considered as baseline for this study.

# % OF DATA BUS CAPABILITY UTILIZED



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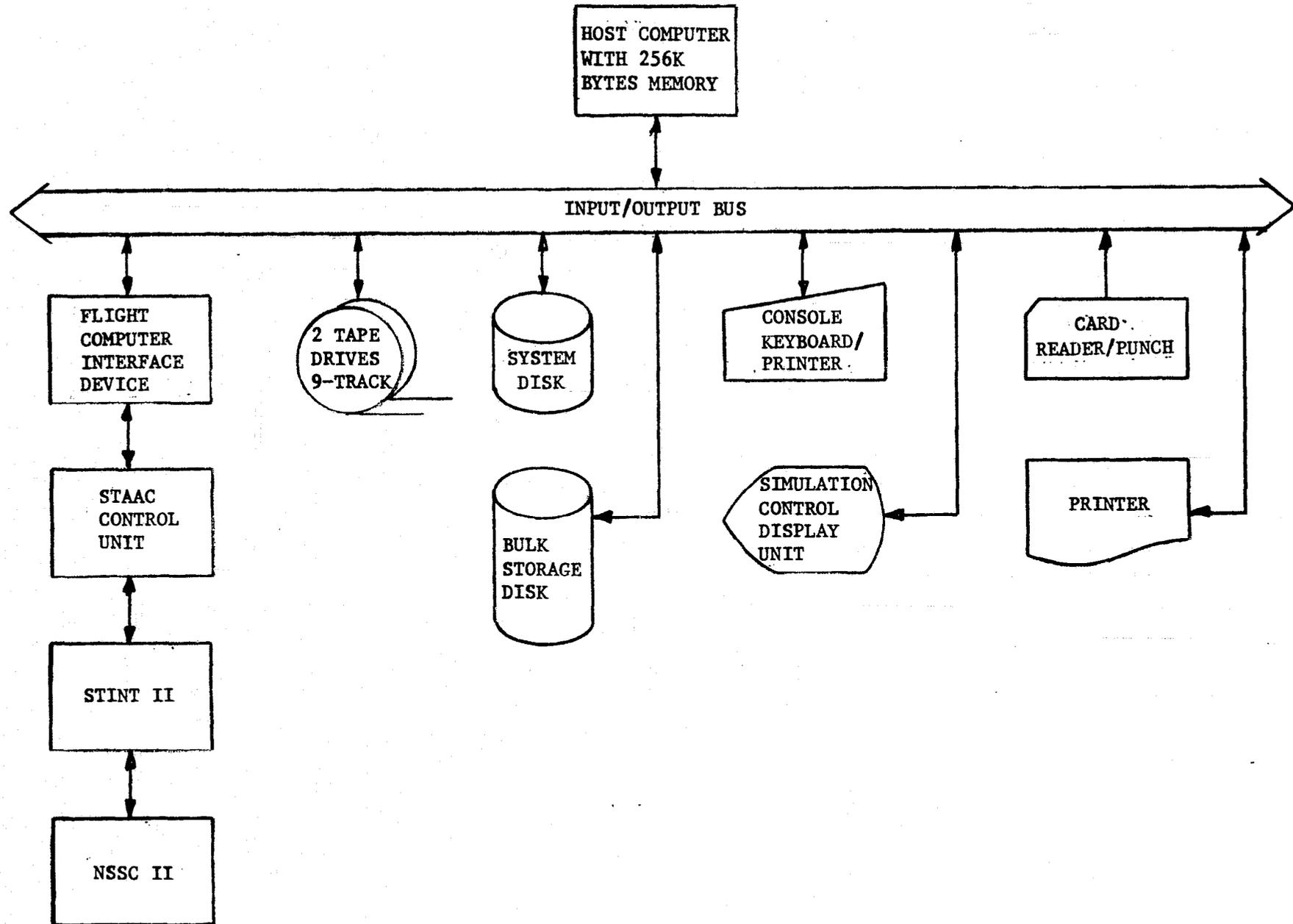
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## TYPICAL SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY

This chart depicts a block diagram of a typical Software Development Facility which would be used to develop Power Module flight and pre-flight software. The Software Development Facility provides the capability for flight program checkout in a realistic flight environment. An unmodified flight program resides in a flight computer and data management system. The facility equipment includes a unique designed Flight Computer Interface Device to provide an interface between the flight computer and the host computer. The hardware functions are as follows:

- o The host computer controls the simulation facility. In addition, it simulates the vehicle inputs to the flight computer and monitors the flight computer's outputs.
- o The magnetic tape units are primarily used for recording output data from the flight computer for post simulated-flight data reduction.
- o The system disk is used for storage of the host computer programs and off-line generated display images used during flight program checkout.
- o The bulk storage disk is used for recording flight data for the purpose of performing real-time data reduction.
- o The line printer is an output device used for hard copy requirements. One of its principal uses is to supply output listing from the language processors used in generating programs for the Facility.
- o The card reader is an input device used by the system to read assembly job and run ques.
- o The display unit provides the user of the system a dynamic view of the system according to his requirements. The keyboard, light pen, and function keys in the unit permit the user to provide inputs to the system and interface directly with the real-time operations.
- o The console keyboard/printer permits the operator to initiate and control computer operations.

# TYPICAL POWER MODULE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY



## POWER MODULE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT COST SUMMARY

This chart summarizes the costs for power module software development. The items included in each cost are as follows:

- o The flight software includes the design code and verification of 13K lines of code with a 115% rework of the code assumed during development.
- o The preflight software includes the design, code, and verification of 11K lines of code with 115% rework of the code. The verification of preflight software is less stringent than that for flight software.
- o The software development facility (SDF) costs include the host computer, flight computer to host computer I/O equipment, the power module simulator software in the host computer, the I/O equipment test software, the SDF requirements definition and SDF maintenance.
- o The SDF flight hardware includes the computer, stint, and central unit.
- o The computer time rental includes the rental of a high capability computer to perform off-line functions and calculations.
- o The support software includes the digital interpretive simulator and miscellaneous performance analysis software tools.

## POWER MODULE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT COST SUMMARY

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>COST</u>
o FLIGHT SOFTWARE (13K INSTRUCTIONS + DATA)	1.93M
o PREFLIGHT SOFTWARE (11K INSTRUCTIONS + DATA)	.52M
o SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY (SDF)	1.74M
o FLIGHT HARDWARE FOR SDF	.37M
o COMPUTER TIME RENTAL	.05M
o SUPPORT SOFTWARE	.19M

## POWER MODULE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT COST DETAILS

Flight Software - The software design and code process sized for this study includes the system design, program definition and program development. Emphasis was placed on analysis of system capabilities, development of control laws and redundancy management algorithms, and analysis and simulation of these control laws and algorithms in a realistic flight environment.

Verification test plans and operational procedures were sized to assure that the flight program performs in accordance with the established definition, meets mission requirements, and satisfies mathematical and logic constraints with no unusual timing interferences.

Preflight software - The preflight software is similar to that used for Skylab. It is a set of ground based modules used primarily to verify the internal options of the flight computer and signal conditioning unit including their I/O interfaces. It was sized as an aid in testing and evaluating the performance of the Power Module system components during (1) lab simulation, (2) post manufacturing testing, (3) vibration and thermal vacuum testing, and (4) readiness testing at the launch site.

Software Development Facility (SDF) - The SDF cost estimates include the engineering and programming support activities for interfacing the host computer and the required I/O Hardware. Applications and test software were sized to support both the host and I/O hardware under laboratory conditions. This software provides the capability for preflight and flight development and checkout in a realistic flight system environment. Maintenance of this software was also included in our cost estimates.

Support software - The cost estimates for the support software include the cost of building the Digital Interpretive Simulator and the Assembler/Linkage Editor to support it and the rest of the SDF. Also sized were miscellaneous performance analysis software, such as data reduction and analysis programs, and a Flight Computer Interpretive Simulator for checking out flight performance parameters.

POWER MODULE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT COST DETAILS

		<u>NSSC-II</u>
o	FLIGHT SOFTWARE	
-	DESIGN AND CODE	\$ .956M
-	VERIFICATION	.971M
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	TOTAL	\$1.93M
o	PREFLIGHT SOFTWARE	
-	DESIGN AND CODE	\$293K
-	VERIFICATION	223K
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	TOTAL	\$516K
o	SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY	
-	HOST COMPUTER AND I/O HARDWARE	620K
-	HOST COMPUTER SOFTWARE	752K
-	I/O TEST SOFTWARE	196K
-	SDF REQUIREMENTS DEFINITION	37K
-	SDF MAINTENANCE	130K
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	TOTAL	\$1,735K

# POWER MODULE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT COST DETAILS (CONTINUED)

- SUPPORT SOFTWARE

-	DIGITAL INTERPRETIVE SIMULATOR	169K
-	MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS SOFTWARE	17K
-	ASSEMBLER AND LINK-EDITOR LOADER	GFE
-	FLIGHT COMPUTER INTERPRETIVE SIMULATOR	<u>GFE</u>

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## FEATURES OF FMDM AND DACS HARDWARE

This chart compares some of the salient features of the DACS and FMDM hardware. Capabilities of developed modules are compared as well as identifying some of the development work to be done with either system. If either of these two systems are used there will be some development work to be done, but this will be a necessary requirement to tailor any off-the-shelf system to meet the Power Module requirements.

The outstanding difference in architecture of these two systems is in the internal data bus structure. The FMDM transfers all data from the I/O modules to the processing unit via a serial data bus where the DACS uses an 8 bit parallel bus. This difference results in a greatly reduced speed capability for the FMDM.

## FEATURES OF FMDM AND DACS HARDWARE

PARAMETER	DACS	FMDM
INTERNAL DATA BUS	8 BITS PARALLEL	SERIAL
SYSTEM DATA BUS INTERFACE	MIA	MIA
A/D CONVERTER MODULE	11 BITS PLUS SIGN	9 BITS PLUS SIGN
ANALOG MUX CARD	32 CHANNELS DIFFERENTIAL 64 CHANNELS SINGLE ENDED	32 CHANNELS DIFFERENTIAL 32 CHANNELS SINGLE ENDED
D/A CONVERTER		
RESOLUTION	12 BITS	10 BITS
NO. CHANNELS	8	16
OUTPUT VOLTAGE RANGES	6 PROGRAMMABLE RANGES 0 to +10V, 0 to +5V, 0 to 2.5V <u>±</u> 10V, <u>±</u> 5V, <u>±</u> 2.5V	+5.11V to -5.12V
DISCRETE INPUTS	72	48
DISCRETE OUTPUTS	72	48
SERIAL DIGITAL I/O	4 SERIAL I/O CHANNELS	4 SERIAL I/O CHANNELS
TRANSPONDER I/F	TO BE DEVELOPED	TO BE DEVELOPED
NSSC II I/F	(IN DEVELOPMENT) BOTH DMA AND DIRECT I/O	DIRECT I/O

## DMS OPTIONAL CONFIGURATION #1 USING DACS HARDWARE

This chart shows a redundant Power Module DMS configuration using DACS hardware. There are some distinct advantages to this DMS configuration as listed below.

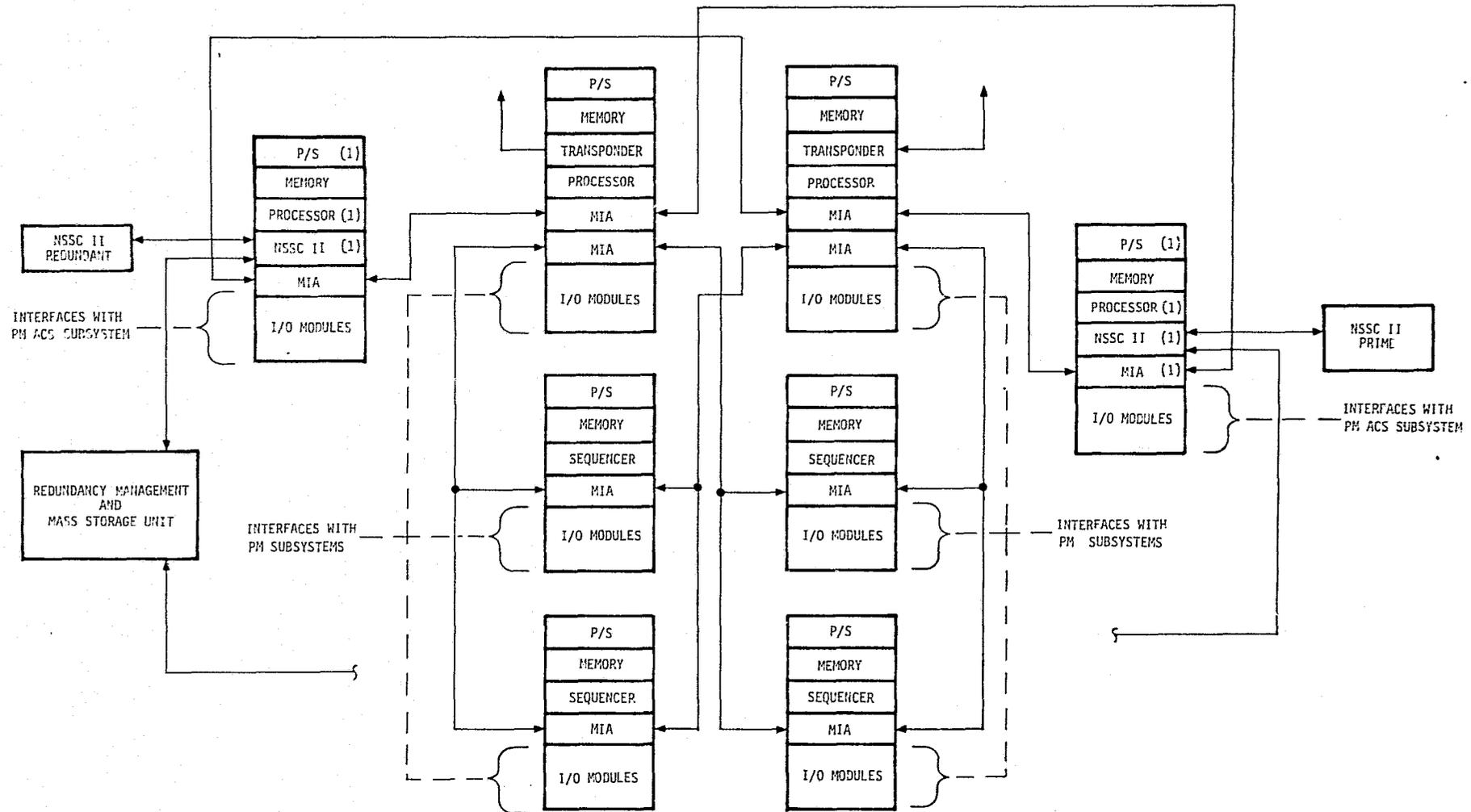
- o Backup spare for each DACS unit.
- o Multiple automatic (power switched) configurations.
- o Any DACS unit can be automatically powered off and its spare switched on.
- o One DACS unit dedicated to the ACS/NSSC II interface and also providing an interface to all telemetry data and the command system.
- o One DACS unit dedicated to telemetry formatting and command decoding. This unit interfaces with all other DACS units.
- o Self test capability resident within each DACS unit.

The configuration shown on this chart provides one microprocessor dedicated to the NSSC-II/ACS interface. A data bus link is also provided to the telemetry processor/controller for obtaining data from or inserting data in the telemetry data stream. This microprocessor will perform the functions of reading ACS signals and storing the data in the NSSC-II memory via the DMA Port. Commands to the ACS will be performed sequentially using DMA for the output command or Direct I/O for those commands which are required and are not part of the normal update sequence.

A second microprocessor will primarily be used to control the sequence of data collection and formatting of the data into the telemetry data stream. This microprocessor will also provide the required data to the NSSC-II from the telemetry data stream.

The MIA modules used for data bus interface contain two isolated I/O parts. The dual Port MIA make it possible for one MIA to communicate with either the prime or backup unit depending on which unit is powered on. This configuration provides the capability that any DACS unit may be powered off and replaced by its backup via power switching to the DACS units.

# POWER MODULE DMS USING DACS HARDWARE



## DMS OPTIONAL CONFIGURATION #2 USING FMDM HARDWARE

This chart shows a redundant Power Module DMS configuration using FMDM hardware. The salient features of this DMS configuration are listed below.

- o Backup spare for each FMDM module. (All modules continuously powered on).
- o Fail safe dual redundant design.
- o One simplex FMDM unit dedicated to NSSC II interface, telemetry formatting and command decoding. An identical unit is provided as a backup spare.
- o Three dual redundant FMDM units interface the powered on simplex FMDM unit to the Power Module subsystems.

The DMS configuration shown on this chart uses a Flex MDM to interface the NSSC-II Computer with the other components of the DMS. The Flex MDM contains a microprocessor which can be used to perform functions required for data collection, storing of data and transferring data blocks to the NSSC-II via the NSSC-II's direct I/O port. The microprocessor can also be used for issuing output commands to the onboard subsystems or other tasks as required by the Active NSSC-II Computer. Modules within the Flex MDM will perform other functions such as telemetry formatting, command decoding and interfacing with the orbiter. A MIA module provides a data bus interface to other MDMs configured as dual redundant units. The dual redundant MDM will use a sequencing memory for Controlling the I/O modules and transferring data to the Flex MDM via the data bus.

The main disadvantage to this system is the time delay from data acquisition to storage in the NSSC-II memory. The MDMs and Flex MDM uses an internal serial data bus to transfer data from the I/O modules to the microprocessor or sequencer. The data from an I/O module in an MDM must pass over the internal serial bus, the external serial bus to the Flex MDM, be stored in the Flex MDM and then block transferred to the NSSC-II. In some cases the data could be too old for reliable computations. A study should be made before assigning measurements to remote modules. The delay could be reduced for some measurements by using I/O modules within the Flex MDM and eliminate one serial data bus delay.



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## MICROPROCESSOR UTILIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Assuming that one or more microprocessors are resident within the Power Module DMS, a study was made to determine if the microprocessor(s) could be efficiently utilized to reduce the workload of the main processor. The following chart lists a set of goals to be used for determining the benefits of off loading work from the main processor to the microprocessor. The chart also lists guidelines for the selection of software functions to be transferred from the main processor to the microprocessor.

## MICROPROCESSOR UTILIZATION REQUIREMENTS

- o GOALS FOR TRANSFERRING WORKLOAD FROM THE MAIN PROCESSOR TO THE MICROPROCESSOR.
  - o MINIMIZE MAIN PROCESSOR WORKLOAD
  - o MUST PROVIDE COST REDUCTION OR IMPROVED SYSTEM PERFORMANCE
  - o MAXIMIZE EFFICIENT UTILIZATION OF MICROPROCESSOR
- o GUIDELINES FOR SELECTION OF MICROPROCESSOR SOFTWARE FUNCTIONS
  - o EXTRACT BLOCKS OF CODE THAT
    - REQUIRE FEW INPUTS
    - COMPUTE ON FAST CYCLE
    - EXECUTE ON A FIXED TIME
    - GENERATE FEW OUTPUTS

## MICROPROCESSOR SPEED ANALYSIS

The feasibility of using a microprocessor was investigated by considering two classes of tasks: data transfer and math computation.

A Z80A class microprocessor was assumed for the feasibility study. No attempt was made to recommend a microprocessor. A math chip was selected to address math computation. A direct memory access (DMA) port was assumed to eliminate instructions in the CPU required for data transfer.

Representative speeds are displayed for information.

A 3:1 speed ratio of NSSC-II/micro is a reasonable estimate considering instruction speeds on the math chip and extra handling required to move 32 bit words (4 bytes) in a microprocessor.

## MICROPROCESSOR SPEED ANALYSIS

### 0 FEATURES ASSUMED

- Z80A CLASS
- 4 MHZ
- AM9711 MATH CHIP
- DMA PORT TO CENTRAL CPU

### 0 SPEEDS (WITH AM9711 CHIP)

<u>FIXED POINT</u>	<u>MICROPROCESSOR (<math>\mu</math>SEC)</u>	<u>NSSC-II (<math>\mu</math>SEC)</u>
LOAD	3.25 (8 bits)	2.8
ADD (32 bit)	5.5	2.8
MULTIPLY (32 bit)	52.5	30.4
<u>FLOATING POINT</u>		
ADD	52.8	21.2
MULTIPLY	39.3	33.8
SIN	1,202.0	576.7
ARCTAN	1,471.5	556.5

0 USE 3:1 SPEED RATIO BETWEEN NSSC-II/MICROPROCESSOR FOR MATH ROUTINES

## MICROPROCESSOR COMPUTATIONAL CAPABILITY

The computational capability in any microprocessor would require that approximately 35% of its processing capability be used for overhead, leaving approximately 65% of its processing capability for application processing.

From the Microprocessor Analysis chart assume a speed ratio of 3:1 for NSSC-II/MICROPROCESSOR, then a maximum of 22% of the main processor processing could potentially be performed by a microprocessor, assuming that the microprocessor worked at its maximum capability.

The accompanying chart lists major concerns to be weighed when analyzing benefits of using a microprocessor for portions of the Power Module application subroutine functions. It is evident that a penalty will result in increased redundancy management complexity and processor synchronization that will reduce the actual growth potential gained by using the microprocessor. Careful analysis of the actual functions transferred should show the best way to optimize the microprocessor usage. Also the use of multiple computers would require multiple Software Development Facilities to develop and verify the software functions.

## MICROPROCESSOR COMPUTATIONAL CAPABILITY

### o MICROPROCESSOR OVERHEAD

-	PROCESSOR CONTROL	15%
-	DIAGNOSTICS	10%
-	RESERVE	<u>10%</u>
	TOTAL OVERHEAD	35%

o COMPUTING CAPABILITY =  $100\% - 35\% (\text{OVERHEAD}) = 65\% (\text{MICROPROCESSOR CAPABILITY})$

o SPEED RATIO (3:1) INDICATES A MICROPROCESSOR COULD PERFORM PORTIONS OF MAIN PROCESSOR COMPUTATION (MAXIMUM OF 22% OF MAIN PROCESSOR KOPS)

### o POTENTIAL CONCERNS WITH USING A MICROPROCESSOR FOR PREPROCESSING

- DATA TRANSFER BETWEEN PROCESSORS SHOULD BE MINIMIZED
- LOGIC BETWEEN CPU/MICROPROCESSOR MUST BE MINIMIZED
- TIMING BETWEEN CPU/MICROPROCESSOR MUST BE SYNCHRONIZED
- MULTIPLE SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES WOULD BE REQUIRED
- REDUNDANCY MANAGEMENT WOULD BE MORE COMPLEX

## ANALYSIS OF POWER MODULE SOFTWARE FUNCTIONS

The percentage of total KOPS required for Power Module were estimated for each Skylab/Power Module Flight Software major function. The software in each of these areas was examined to determine what operations could be moved from the main processor to be performed by a preprocessor (microprocessor) and thereby reduce the workload on the main processor for greater growth potential.

It was determined that redundancy management and Program Control could not be moved from the main processor. The special functions which are primarily I/O functions are excellent candidates to be moved to a microprocessor. The application modules are mainly mathematical computations (requiring approximately two thirds of the total KOPS) and contain functions that can be handled by a microprocessor.

## ANALYSIS OF POWER MODULE SOFTWARE FUNCTIONS

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>% OF KOPS</u>	<u>ANALYSIS/PREPROCESSOR OPTION</u>
PROGRAM CONTROL	14.3%	BASIC CPU CONTROL (NOT MOVABLE)
SPECIAL FUNCTIONS	11.1%	PRIMARILY I/O (EXCELLENT CANDIDATE)
APPLICATION MODULES	64.4%	HEAVY MATH (POSSIBLE CANDIDATE)
REDUNDANCY MANAGEMENT	10.2%	CPU DEPENDENT (NOT MOVABLE)

## CANDIDATE MICROPROCESSOR PROCESSING FUNCTIONS

Two groups of functions (Special Functions and Application Modules) have been identified as potential candidates for microprocessor functions. The Special Functions are primarily I/O operations while the application modules are primarily mathematical computations.

Special Functions - Two approaches are available for a microprocessor to reduce the main processor's workload. One approach is for the microprocessor to accumulate I/O data and perform block transfers on command from the main processor. The better approach requires a microprocessor with a DMA port to the main processor, whereby, the data is stored in the main processor's memory in a format requiring minimum manipulation of the data by the main processor.

This chart assumes that a DMA port is available for determining the possible workload reduction to the main processor in KOPS. The three main areas of the Special Functions are listed with their relative percentage of the total Power Module program. The net workload reduction to the main processor is approximately 8% for the Special Functions area.

Application Modules - From a previous chart it was shown that the processor could do a maximum of 22% of the workload. Assuming that 8% of this processing is utilized for the I/O functions, then 14% of the workload (main computer KOPS) could be utilized for the application Modules functions. However, additional studies are required to determine what functions can be transferred from the main processor to a microprocessor. A "quick look" indicates that most application subroutines cannot be easily moved to a microprocessor and that added software complexity and technical risk would be involved.

The structure of the software must be planned from initial concept to final design to use a microprocessor or microprocessors in the system.

## CANDIDATE MICROPROCESSOR PROCESSING FUNCTIONS

- o MAXIMUM PROCESSING CAPABILITY - 22% OF MAIN PROCESSOR PROCESSING
- o SPECIAL FUNCTION SUBROUTINE CANDIDATES (ASSUME 90% MOVEABLE)
  - TELEMETRY 2.8% OF KOPS
  - INPUT READ 1.8% OF KOPS
  - OUTPUT WRITER 4.6% OF KOPS
  - TOTAL 9.2% OF KOPS X 90% = 8.1% OF KOPS
- o APPLICATION MODULE SUBROUTINE CANDIDATES
  - A MAXIMUM OF 14% KOPS (22% - 8%) OF THE MAIN PROCESSOR'S 64% KOPS COULD BE PROCESSED
  - NO SPECIFIC CANDIDATES IDENTIFIED - ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS REQUIRED
  - POTENTIAL ADDED SOFTWARE COMPLEXITY AND RISK TO MOVE APPLICATION SUBROUTINES TO MICROPROCESSOR

### SUMMARY

- o MAXIMUM OF 22% OF THE FLIGHT PROGRAM COULD BE PERFORMED BY A MICROPROCESSOR
  - UP TO 8% OF TOTAL KOPS FOR SPECIAL FUNCTIONS SUBROUTINES
  - UP TO 14% OF TOTAL KOPS FOR APPLICATION MODULE SUBROUTINES

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PROCESSING REQUIREMENTS

## DMS COMMAND PROCESSING FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>INITIATED BY</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● GND COMMAND DECODE AND VERIFICATION</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● RECEIVE AND DECODE COMMANDS SENT FROM GROUND. VERIFY THAT COMMAND IS VALID (ADDRESS, FORMAT, PARITY, SYNC, ETC)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● PERFORMED "ON DEMAND". MAXIMUM RATE <math>\approx</math> 21 CMDS/SEC.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● ORBITER COMMAND DECODE AND VERIFICATION</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● RECEIVE AND DECODE COMMANDS SENT FROM ORBITER CREW VIA HARDWARE INTERFACE. VERIFY THAT COMMANDS ARE VALID (ADDRESS, FORMAT, PARITY, SYNC, ETC.)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● PERFORMED "ON DEMAND".</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● COMMAND DISTRIBUTION AND CONTROL</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● DISTRIBUTE VALID COMMANDS TO USERS IN REAL TIME. ARBITRATE CONTENTIONS BETWEEN GROUND, ORBITER AND ON-BOARD STORED/DERIVED COMMANDS.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● PERFORMED "ON DEMAND".</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● COMMAND EXECUTION</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● EXECUTE COMMANDS SENT TO ELEMENTS ON DMS.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● PERFORMED "ON DEMAND".</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● COMMAND STORAGE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● PROVIDE STORAGE FOR COMMANDS WHICH ARE TO BE DISTRIBUTED AT LATER TIME (DELAYED). PROVIDE CONTROL FOR ISSUING DELAYED COMMANDS AT CORRECT TIME.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● STORE "ON DEMAND."</li> <li>● ISSUE DELAYED COMMANDS BY TIME TAGS.</li> </ul>

## DMS TELEMETRY PROCESSING FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>INITIATED BY</u>
● TM FORMAT GENERATION	● PROVIDE CAPABILITY FOR TBD TELEMETRY FORMATS. FORMATS DEFINE DATA CONTAINED IN TM STREAM AS WELL AS POSITION OF EACH DATA WORD WITHIN THE STREAM. BOTH FIXED AND FLEXIBLE (CAPABLE OF BEING CHANGED IN ORBIT FROM GROUND) FORMAT REQUIREMENTS REQUIRED AS INPUTS.	● FORMAT SELECTED BY GROUND.  GROUND REPROGRAMS, FLEXIBLE FORMAT.
● TM ACQUISITION AND CONTROL	● ACQUIRE SYSTEM DATA FOR TM STREAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE FORMAT. PROVIDE SIGNAL CONDITIONING AS REQUIRED TO PLACE IN DIGITAL WORD FORM. INSERT DATA INTO TM STREAM IN CORRECT POSITION. CONTROL BIT RATE OF DATA OUT OF DMS. PROVIDE CAPABILITY FOR <u>TBD</u> BIT DATA RATES.	● GROUND OR INTERNAL SIGNAL (BASED ON FIXED TIMELINE AND/OR ORBITAL PARAMETERS) TELLS WHEN TO SEND TM TO GROUND AND/OR ORBITER.  GROUND SELECTS BIT DATA RATES.

## DMS ATTITUDE CONTROL FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>INITIATED BY</u>
o MODE CONTROL	o CONTROLS OPERATIONAL MODES FOR ATTITUDE CONTROL SYSTEM.	o GROUND OR CREW
o REDUNDANCY MANAGEMENT	o FAULT DETECTION WITHIN ATTITUDE CONTROL SYSTEM COMPONENTS. PROVIDES SWITCHING OF REDUNDANT COMPONENTS.	o CONTINUOUS COMPUTATION
o NAVIGATION AND TIMING	o POWER MODULE NAVIGATION FUNCTION. MAINTAIN ORBITAL TIME FOR EVENT INITIATION.	o CONTINUOUS COMPUTATION
o MOMENTUM MANAGEMENT	o PROVIDES MANAGEMENT OF CMG MOMENTUM VECTORS. PREVENTS ACCUMULATION OF MOMENTUM. SCHEDULES DESATURATION TIMES.	o CONTINUOUS COMPUTATION
o ATTITUDE REFERENCE	o PERFORM STRAPDOWN REFERENCE COMPUTATIONS.	o CONTINUOUS COMPUTATIONS
o ATTITUDE CONTROL	o COMPUTE CMG RATE COMMANDS TO CONTROL POWER MODULE ATTITUDE.	o CONTINUOUS COMPUTATIONS

## DMS CREW DISPLAY AND CONTROL FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>INITIATED BY</u>
● ORBITER CREW DISPLAY	● PROVIDE DATA FOR DISPLAY ON ORBITER CREW DISPLAY CONSOLE AND ON CAUTION AND WARNING PANEL. DATA FOR CREW DISPLAY CONSOLE IS A FLEXIBLE DATA SET, CONTROLLED BY <u>TBD</u> FORMATS. CREW REQUESTS DATA AND FORMAT. C + W DATA IS FIXED DATA SET.	● CREW DISPLAY CONSOLE DATA PROVIDED UPON REQUEST OF CREW. THIS CAPABILITY AVAILABLE ONLY WHEN PM DOCKED TO ORBITER.  C + W DATA ALWAYS PRESENT WHEN PM DOCKED TO ORBITER.
● CREW CONTROL FOR CRITICAL FUNCTIONS	● PROVIDE FOR CONTROL OF KEY/CRITICAL SYSTEM FUNCTIONS THROUGH HARDWARE/DIRECT INTERFACE WITH CREW CONTROL PANEL.	● PERFORM "ON DEMAND" AT CREW REQUEST.

## DMS ELECTRICAL POWER FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>INITIATED BY</u>
● POWER DISTRIBUTION CONTROL	● CONTROL THE TURN ON/OFF OF POWER BUSES AT INTERFACES TO ORBITER AND PAYLOAD, AND AT SYSTEM POWER DISTRIBUTORS	● GROUND COMMAND OR MONITOR CONNECTIONS AT UMBILICAL AND CONTROL ACCORDINGLY.
● SOLAR PANEL CONTROL	● CONTROL DEPLOYMENT, RETRACTION, STOWING AND ARTICULATION OF SOLAR PANELS.	● GROUND OR CREW COMMAND FOR DEPLOYMENT, RETRACTION, STOWING.  SOLAR VECTOR MONITORING AND VEHICLE ATTITUDE FOR ARTICULATION.

## DMS THERMAL CONTROL FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>INITIATED BY</u>
● THERMAL SWITCHING	● PROVIDE OPERATIONAL CONTROL AND SWITCHING OF COOLING LOOPS AS FUNCTION OF LOAD, POWER MODULE ATTITUDE, AND RADIATOR AVAILABILITY	● CONTINUOUS CONTROL
● RADIATOR DEPLOYMENT CONTROL	● PROVIDE DEPLOYMENT, RETRACTING, AND STOWING CONTROL FOR RADIATOR PANELS	● THERMAL SWITCHING FUNCTION (ABOVE) OR GROUND OR CREW COMMAND.

## DMS CRITICAL FUNCTION MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>INITIATED BY</u>
● CRITICAL FUNCTION MONITORING AND SWITCHING	● MONITOR HEALTH/STATUS OF CRITICAL SYSTEM FUNCTIONS. SWITCH POWER AND/OR REDUNDANT COMPONENTS ON/OFF IN RESPONSE TO "OUT OF TOLERANCE" CONDITIONS. ALERT GROUND/CREW TO ACTIONS AT NEXT COMMUNICATIONS TIME.	● CONTINUOUS MONITORING UNLESS SWITCHED OUT BY CREW OR GROUND.

## DMS SELF TEST FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>INITIATED BY</u>
• SELF TEST	• PERFORM SELF TEST AT COMPONENT LEVEL. SELF TEST MAY BE PERFORMED UNDER GROUND CONTROL OR AUTOMATICALLY AND CONTINUOUSLY. COMPILER STATUS DATA FOR GROUND INTERROGATION VIA TELEMETRY.	• GROUND OR CREW COMMAND. SOME COMPONENTS SUCH AS COMPUTER MAY PERFORM SELF TEST ROUTINELY.

APPENDIX B  
SKYLAB/POWER MODULE  
FLIGHT SOFTWARE SUBROUTINE DESCRIPTIONS

## POWER MODULE PRELIMINARY FLIGHT SOFTWARE GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The following charts present a brief description of each subroutine or function sized in the Power Module flight software. The numbering of the descriptions in this section relate to the comparably numbered subroutines on the charts on pages 23, 24, and 25 of this presentation.

## POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE SUBROUTINE DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

### 1.0 PROGRAM CONTROL SOFTWARE

#### 1.1 EXECUTIVE GENERAL DESCRIPTION AND EXECUTIVE DATA

The executive control function provides overall control of the onboard flight program and its functions, utilizing a set of program modules known as the Executive Control System. The Executive Control System consists of the executive program and a common communications area which allows for inter-module communications, common data, and mission dependent parameters. The executive program, composed of sub-programs and tables, controls the execution of applicable modules, services interrupts and routes control to the appropriate application module on a priority basis, and provides utility operations.

The executive program performs interrupt processing, multi-task processing on a priority level basis, processes time controlled events via task queuing, processes the power-on interrupt, and controls program initialization.

#### 1.2 INTERMEDIATE LOOP

The intermediate loop consists of those functional requirements which must be executed approximately 5 times per second. Included in this cycle are the following functions:

1. Intermediate loop processor
2. Strapdown reference (primary)
3. Strapdown reference (backup)
4. CMG control
5. Input read
6. Output writer

## POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE SUBROUTINE DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

### 1.3 SLOW LOOP

The slow loop execution cycle consists of those functional requirements which must be executed approximately once per second. These functional requirements and their execution sequence are:

1. Slow loop processor
2. Discrete input processor
3. Mission timer processor
4. Navigation
5. Mode logic processor
6. Orbital plane error
7. Redundancy management control
8. Strapdown (normalization)
9. Self test

The special processing associated with the docked/undocked configurations will also be performed on the slow loop priority level.

### 2.0 GENERAL PURPOSE UTILITIES

Utility functions are those functions which are utilized as subroutines by application modules. Specifically, utility functions are not application dependent but perform general functions for a variety of application modules. The following routines satisfy the utility function requirements:

- Square Root
- Sine/Cosine
- Arctangent
- Matrix by Matrix Multiply
- Vector Dot Product
- Vector Cross Product
- Double Precision Multiply
- Scaled Divide
- Quaternion Multiply
- Alert Update
- Limiting Subroutine
- Set-Reset Routine

## POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE SUBROUTINE DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

### 3.0 SPECIAL PURPOSE FUNCTIONS

#### 3.1 POWER UP PROCESSING AND PROGRAM INITIALIZATION

The power up and initialization routine of the executive control program will be performed whenever one of the PM computers is given control, at initial power up or computer switch-over. The initialization routine will perform both executive and application system initialization, schedule and initial interval timer interrupt, will initiate the flight program, and the executive program will maintain program control thereafter.

#### 3.2 DISCRETE INPUT PROCESSOR

The discrete input processor samples and discrete input registers once per second and specific responses are performed when the presence of a particular discrete is determined.

#### 3.3 TELEMETRY PROCESSOR

The telemetry processor will be executed as required and will transmit the TBD specified data during the TDRSS access period or via the Orbiter's telemetry system during docking periods.

3.4 BCD DISPLAY

This routine will be executed once per second when the power module is docked with the orbiter to provide the astronaut with such data as discrete information to indicate the status of various power module subsystems, attitude control data, timing information, and command system information.

3.5 INPUT READ

This routine will be executed five times per second to read attitude control data via the data bus. The data will be stored and made available to the telemetry processor and the attitude control processor.

3.6 OUTPUT WRITER

This routine's function is to issue the attitude control signals calculated during each intermediate loop. Assuming that the same hardware limitations exist on Power Module as they were on Skylab, the execution rate for this routine will be 35 times per second to effectively utilize the input/output converters.

3.7 RADIATOR DEPLOYMENT CONTROL

This routine will be executed once per second to monitor such indicators as docking mode, free flyer mode, and solar panel deployment. When a new radiator position is required this routine determines the number of commands (discrettes) required to deploy the radiator to the new position.

## POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE SUBROUTINE DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

### 3.8 DCS MEMORY LOAD BUFFER

Memory locations reserved for DCS data.

### 3.9 COMMON DATA AND DATA

Two data storage areas are accessible to the flight program. These areas are the common memory and those data blocks defined for application module use. Common memory is accessible without the use of a base register and consists of two subdivisions - low common and high common. Low common is accessible from any part of memory by specifying base 0 in the instruction operand. High common is accessible with store base register, load base register, and branch and store instructions. Other instructions must use base registers to address this storage area.

## POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE SUBROUTINE DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

### 4.0 APPLICATION MODULES

#### 4.1 CMG CONTROL

The CMG attitude control program function consists of sampling CMG momentum from CMG direction cosines, Power Module rates from the rate gyros, and attitude errors from the acquisition subsystem or strapdown reference and using these inputs to generate CMG gimbal rate commands. In addition to attitude control gimbal rate commands, the program generates CMG gimbal rate commands for optional CMG orientation through a steering and rotation law. The calculating performed by this program, when applied to the ACS hardware, insures that the Power Module has the proper orientation to satisfy mission objectives.

#### 4.2 CMG GIMBAL ANGLE CALCULATIONS

The function of the CMG gimbal angle calculation routine is to compute the inner and outer gimbal angles from the direction cosines.

#### 4.3 GRAVITY GRADIENT DUMP

This program uses the CMG momentum orientation sampled during solar inertial pointing to determine the nighttime maneuver profiles required for gravity momentum desaturation.

## POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE SUBROUTINE DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

### 4.4 NAVIGATION AND TIMING PROCESSORS

The navigation function is composed of maintaining an elapsed time reference for other functions, maintaining spacecraft positions and velocities, and maintaining relative position and attitude with respect to TBD reference.

### 4.5 ORBITAL PLANE ERROR

Orbital plane error computes an orbital plane error angle which provides an attitude reference about the Power Module TBD axis for display and telemetry. The angle is also utilized in computing the single axis rotation about the TBD to the solar inertial frame.

### 4.6 STRAPDOWN REFERENCE

The function of the strapdown platform is to maintain knowledge of the vehicle attitude with respect to an inertial reference. This function is accomplished by performing analytical platform calculations using sensed inertial angular rates (or position pulses) from reference gyros.

### 4.7 COMMAND SYSTEM PROCESSOR

The command system is made up of an RF digital command system(DCS). The digital command system provides a communication link between the TBD ground stations and flight program. The command system provides a limited real time means of controlling specific flight program timing, navigation, subsystem management, sequencing functions and obtaining specific information for display and telemetry.

## POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE SUBROUTINE DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

### 4.7 COMMAND SYSTEM PROCESSOR (CONTINUED)

The program performs a series of tests on each command received to insure the validity of the information. Appropriate data is telemetered to the ground and displayed to the crew (while docked) to indicate the status of these tests and to indicate the data actually received by the flight computer.

### 4.8 MODE LOGIC PROCESSOR

The ACS is required to operate in any one of TBD mutually exclusive primary modes. These modes, when supplemented by the mode options available, provide the capability to configure the ACS components and flight program to satisfy the mission requirements.

Request for changes in primary modes or mode options originate from the command system or the flight program. Typically, the flight program will request changes in the primary mode only as a precautionary measure resulting from detection of a failure.

- ATTITUDE HOLD: Performs maneuvers upon request.
- SOLAR INERTIAL UPDATES: Solar inertial offset biases upon request, maintains the sun sensor control indicator, and enables/inhibits Gravity Gradient dump maneuvers.
- RANDOM REACQUISITION: Processes random reacquisition enable/inhibit requests, and performs random reacquisition calculations.
- GRAVITY GRADIENT DUMP: Processes and initiates dump maneuvers and processes momentum samples and desaturation calculations.

## POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE SUBROUTINE DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

### 5.0 REDUNDANCY MANAGEMENT

The redundancy management (RM) tests shall be designed to ensure vehicle survival with any single component failure, and with as many non-simultaneous component failures as possible within software word allocations. Vehicle survival requires that solar power input be maintained, thermal control of sensitive components be maintained, and ground/vehicle communication links be maintained for a period of TBD days following a component failure. The key element in RM is the response time required following a failure for reconfiguration and re-establishment of solar reference. Loss of sun incidence on the solar panels to the extent that the electrical power system (EPS) is inoperative is the condition that redundancy management must prevent. During the survival period, onboard failure isolation under software control, and ground failure isolation operations (effected using the DCS command link), will be exercised to eliminate the failed component from the vehicle operation. Following failures for which no redundant component or operational mode exists aboard the PM, the survival mode must permit safe rendezvous and docking of the space shuttle for return to earth.

- CMG RM      TBD
- RATE GYRO RM    TBD
- RM CONTROL SW    TBD
- SUN SENSOR      TBD
- SELF TEST      TBD
- SWITCHOVER      TBD
- HEALTH CHECK    TBD

POWER MODULE FLIGHT SOFTWARE SUBROUTINE DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

6.0 POTENTIAL GROWTH FUNCTION

6.1 SOLAR ARRAY POINTING TBD

6.2 THERMAL CONTROL TBD

6.3 POWER DISTR CONTROL TBD