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SECTION I

PUBLICATIONS
sections of aircraft flow and research on the aerodynamic forces on wing and wing sections of aircraft and on airship hulls. For individual titles, see N80-15034 through N80-15047.

A collection of papers on modern theoretical aerodynamics is presented. Included are theories of incompressible potential flow and research on the aerodynamic forces on wing and wing sections of aircraft and on airship hulls. For individual titles, see N80-15034 through N80-15047.

NASA CONTRACTOR REPORTS


The analysis of the benefits and costs of aeronautical research and technology (ABC-ART) models are documented. These models were developed by NASA for use in analyzing the economic feasibility of applying advanced aeronautical technology to future civil aircraft. The methodology is composed of three major modules: fleet accounting module, airframe manufacturing module, and air carrier module. The fleet accounting module is used to estimate the number of new aircraft required as a function of time to meet demand. This estimation is based primarily upon the expected retirement age of existing aircraft and the expected change in revenue passenger miles demanded. Fuel consumption estimates are also generated by this module. The airframe manufacturer module is used to analyze the feasibility of the manufacturing the new aircraft demanded. The module includes logic for production scheduling and estimating manufacturing costs. For a series of aircraft selling prices, a cash flow analysis is performed and a rate of return on investment is calculated. The air carrier module provides a tool for analyzing the financial feasibility of an airline purchasing and operating the new aircraft. This module includes a methodology for computing the air carrier direct and indirect operating costs, performing a cash flow analysis, and estimating the internal rate of return on investment for a set of aircraft purchase prices.

R.C.T.

CONFERENCE PAPERS


The paper examines the evolution of manned aircraft simulators with large-motion systems and provides a brief description of important design details along with physical descriptions of a number of systems. Attention is given to the use of large translational motions in providing the simulator pilot with a close approximation of the cues of aircraft flight; examples are cited comparing pilot reactions to simulators with and without motion. How these simulators have been used in programs that effectively influenced aircraft design and operating problems is discussed.

B.J.


In this paper, Goddard's problem of maximizing the final altitude of a sounding rocket (a singular problem of optimal control) is analyzed using singular perturbation methods. The problem is first cast in singular perturbation form and then solved to zero order by adding boundary-layer corrections to the reduced solution. For a quadratic drag law, a closed-form solution is obtained, although consideration of a numerical example indicates that this solution is not useful for practical sounding rockets. However, use of state variable transformations allows a very accurate numerical approximation to be constructed. It is concluded that application of singular perturbation methods to the well-known sounding rocket problem indicates that these methods may have utility in dealing with singular problems of optimal control.

A80-31009*# Some observations on supersonic wing design. R. T. Jones (NASA, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.), In: The evolution of aircraft wing design; Proceedings of: the Symposium, Dayton, Ohio, March 18, 19, 1980, p. 91-93, 10 refs. (AIAA 80-3040)
The paper presents a brief review on the development of supersonic wing design. Attention is given to linearized aerodynamic theory, emphasizing equations for drag and ratios of slopes and Mach lines. Diagrams that depict conditions for minimum drag as well as the effects of fore-and-aft dimension of wings and Mach numbers on areas of lateral entrainment are presented. C.F.W.
This bibliography lists formal NASA publications, journal articles, books, chapters of books, patents and contractor reports issued by Ames Research Center which were indexed by Scientific and Technical Aerospace Abstracts, Limited Scientific and Technical Aerospace Abstracts, and International Aerospace Abstracts in 1978. Citations are arranged by directorate, type of publication and NASA accession numbers. Subject, personal author, corporate source, contract number, and report/accession number indexes are provided.
AERONAUTICS AND FLIGHT SYSTEMS

NASA FORMAL REPORTS

N80-10107# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
WORKSHOP ON THRUST AUGMENTING EJECTORS

The state of the art of ejector technology is assessed and the desired direction of future studies in all aspects of ejector thrust augmenting systems is delineated. For individual titles, see N80-10108 through N80-10133.

N80-11068# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
WIND-TUNNEL/FLIGHT CORRELATION STUDY OF AERODYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS OF A LARGE FLEXIBLE SUPERSONIC CRUISE AIRPLANE CXB-70-1), 1: WIND-TUNNEL TESTS OF A 0.03-SCALE MODEL AT MACH NUMBERS FROM 0.6 TO 2.63
James Daugherty, C. Nov. 1979 222 p refs (NASA-TP-1514; A-77112) Avail. NTIS HC A10/MF A01 CSCL 01C

The longitudinal and lateral forces and moments for a 0.03 scale deformed rigid, static force model of the X-70-1 airplane were determined. Control effectiveness was determined for the elevator in pitch and roll, for the canard, and for the rudder. Component effects of the canard, deflected with tips, variable position canopy, bypass doors, and bleed dump fairing were measured. The effects of small variations in inlet mass flow ratio and small amounts of asymmetric deflection of the wing tips were assessed. A.W.H.

N80-11889# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
A CLOSED-FORM SOLUTION FOR NOISE CONTOURS
Elwood C. Stewart and Thomas M. Carson Nov. 1979 40 p refs (NASA-TP-1432; A-76600) Avail. NTIS HC A03/MF A01 CSCL 20A

An analytical approach for generating noise contours that overcome the difficulties of existing programs is described. This approach is valid for arbitrarily complex paths and reveals the importance of various factors that influence contour shape and size. The calculations are simple enough to be implemented on a small, hand-held programmable calculator, and a program for the HP-67 calculator is illustrated. The method is fast, simple, and gives the area, the contour, and its extremities for arbitrary flight paths for both takeoffs and landings. R.C.T.

N80-15069# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
THE EFFECTS OF MOTION AND g-SEAT CUES ON PILOT SIMULATOR PERFORMANCE OF THREE PILOTING TASKS
Thomas W. Showalter and Benton L. Parrish Jan. 1980 45 p refs (NASA-TP-1601; A-7875) Avail. NTIS HC A03/MF A01 CSCL 01C

Data are presented that show the effects of motion system cues, g-seat cues, and pilot experience on pilot performance during takeoffs with engine failures, during in-flight precision turns, and during landings with wind shear. Eight groups of USAF pilots flew a simulated KC-135 using four different cueing systems. The basic cueing system was a fixed-base type (no-motion cueing) with visual cueing. The other three systems were produced by the presence of either a motion system or a g-seat, or both. Extensive statistical analysis of the data was performed and representative performance means were examined. These data show that the addition of motion system cueing results in significant improvement in pilot performance for all three tasks; however, the use of g-seat cueing, either alone or in conjunction with the motion system, provides little if any performance improvement for these tasks and for this aircraft type. Author

N80-15129# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
EVALUATION OF APPROXIMATE METHODS FOR THE PREDICTION OF NOISE SHIELDING BY AIRFRAME COMPONENTS

An evaluation of some approximate methods for the prediction of shielding of monochromatic sound and broadband noise by aircraft components is reported. Anechoic-chamber measurements of the shielding of a point source by various simple geometric shapes were made and the measured values compared with those calculated by the superposition of asymptotic closed-form solutions for the shielding by a semi-infinite plane barrier. The shields used in the measurements consisted of rectangular plates, a circular cylinder, and a rectangular plate attached to the cylinder to simulate a wing-body combination. The normalized frequency, defined as a product of the acoustic wave number and either the plate width or cylinder diameter, ranged from 4.8 to 114. Microphone traverses in front of the rectangular plates and cylinders generally showed a series of diffraction bands that matched those predicted by the approximate methods, except for differences in the magnitudes of the attenuation minima which can be attributed to experimental inaccuracies. The shielding of wing-body combinations was predicted by modifications of the approximations used for rectangular and cylindrical shielding. Although the approximations failed to predict diffraction patterns in certain regions, they did predict the average level of wing-body shielding with an average deviation of less than 3 dB. M.M.M.

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EFFECTS OF PRIMARY ROTOR PARAMETERS ON FLAPPING DYNAMICS

Robert T. N. Chen Jan. 1980 63 p refs

N80-16138# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

The effects of flapping dynamics of four main rotor design features that influence the agility, stability, and operational safety of helicopters are studied. The parameters include flapping hinge offset, flapping hinge restraint, pitch-flap coupling, and blade lock number. First, the flapping equations of motion are derived that explicitly contain the design parameters. The dynamic equations are then developed for the tip-path plane, and the influence of individual and combined variations in the design parameters determined. The steady state flapping response is examined with respect to control input and aircraft angular rate that leads to a feedforward control law for control decoupling through cross feed, and a feedback control law to decouple the steady state flapping response. The condition for achieving perfect decoupling of the flapping response due to aircraft pitch and roll rates without using feedback control is also found for the hover case. It is indicated that the frequency of the regressing flapping mode of the rotor system can become low enough to require consideration in the assessment of handling characteristics.

J.M.S.

FLIGHT TESTS OF THE TOTAL AUTOMATIC FLIGHT CONTROL SYSTEM (TAFCONS) CONCEPT ON A DHC-6 TWIN OTTER AIRCRAFT

William W. Wehrend, Jr. and George Meyer Feb. 1980 73 p refs

N80-17061# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

Flight control systems capable of handling the complex operational requirements of the STOL and VTOL aircraft designs as well as designs using active control concepts are considered. Emphasis is placed on the total automatic flight control system (TACOS) (TAFCONS). Flight test results which verified the performance of the system concept are presented.

J.M.S.

AN EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATION OF TWO LARGE ANNULAR DIFFUSERS WITH SWIRLING AND DISTORTED INFLOW


N80-17904# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

Two annular diffusers downstream of a nacelle-mounted fan were tested for aerodynamic performance, measured in terms of two static pressure recovery parameters (one near the diffuser exit plane and one about three diameters downstream in the flaps on a low aspect ratio wing that was fully immersed in the slipstream. Evaluation of the flap effectiveness is aided by comparisons with the results of tests of other flap systems on the same twin propeller, twin tail boom STOL utility aircraft mode. No extreme or abrupt force or moment increments were encountered when the flaps were deflected through a wide range, corresponding to the complete retraction/extension spectrum. The lift and descent capability of the inverting flaps compared very favorably with that of the other flap. Authors refer to the retracted state as 'flaps' on the text. In their opinion, those obtained from the more complicated flap systems. It is believed that these flaps may have promising potential application to the design of relatively simple STOL utility aircraft with improved performance capabilities. In addition, they may merit consideration as retrofits to existing aircraft with less effective flap systems.

J.M.S.

ANALYSIS OF FUEL-CONSERVATIVE CURVED DECELERATING APPROACH TRAJECTORIES FOR POWERED-LIFT AND CTOL JET AIRCRAFT

Frank Neuman Apr. 1980 38 p refs

N80-19022# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

A method for determining fuel conservative terminal approaches that include changes in altitude, speed, and heading is described. Three different guidance system concepts for STOL aircraft were evaluated in flight: (1) a fixed trajectory system; (2) a system that included a fixed path and a real time synthesized capture flight path; and (3) a trajectory synthesizing system. Simulation results for the augmentor wing STOL research aircraft and for the Boeing 727 aircraft are discussed. The results indicate that for minimum fuel consumption, two guidance deceleration segments are required.

A.W.H.

APPLICATION OF THE CONCEPT OF DYNAMIC TRIM CONTROL TO AUTOMATIC LANDING OF CARRIER AIRCRAFT

G. Allan Smith and George Meyer Apr. 1980 87 p refs

N80-19128# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

The results of a simulation study of an alternative design concept for an automatic landing control system are presented. The alternative design concept for an automatic landing control system is described. The design concept is the total aircraft flight control system (TACOS). TAFCONS is an open loop, feed forward system that commands the proper instantaneous thrust angle of attack, and roll angle to achieve the forces required to follow the desired trajectory. These dynamic trim conditions are determined by an inversion of the aircraft nonlinear force characteristics. The concept was applied to an A-7E aircraft approaching an aircraft carrier. The implementation details with an airborne digital computer are discussed. The automatic carrier landing situation is described. The simulation results are presented for a carrier approach with atmospheric disturbances, an approach with no disturbances, and for tailwind and headwind gusts.

A.W.H.

LARGE-SCALE WIND-TUNNEL TESTS OF INVERTING FLAPS ON A STOL UTILITY AIRCRAFT MODEL

Terrell W. Feistel and Joseph P. Morelli Jun. 1980 56 p refs

N80-25318# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

A unique inverting flap system was investigated on a large scale deflected slipstream model in the Ames 40 by 80 foot wind tunnel. The subject tests utilized 33% chord double-slotted flaps on a low aspect ratio wing that was fully immersed in the slipstream. Evaluation of the flap effectiveness is aided by comparisons with the results of tests of other flap systems on the same twin propeller, twin tail boom STOL utility aircraft model. No extreme or abrupt force or moment increments were encountered when the flaps were deflected through a wide range, corresponding to the complete retraction/extension spectrum. The lift and descent capability of the inverting flag compared very favorably with that of the other flap systems that have been tested on this model, including some with much greater mechanical complexity. As expected, the flaps caused large nose down, pitching moment increments at the high lift settings; however, the trimmed characteristics are still competitive with those obtained from the more complicated flap systems. It is believed that these flaps may have promising potential application to the design of relatively simple STOL utility aircraft with improved performance capabilities. In addition, they may merit consideration as retrofits to existing aircraft with less effective flap systems.
AERODYNAMIC INTERACTIONS FROM REACTION PRODUCTS OF THE AERO-OPTICS SYMPOSIUM ON ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVE PROPAGATION FROM AIRCRAFT

Wind-tunnel and flight experiments concerning natural and induced turbulence around an airplane and the effects on propagation characteristics of an emitter mounted in the airplane are described. Some of the papers discuss a variety of ways to extend the capability of the optical elements when exposed to unstable turbulence. The results include both aerodynamic and optical measurements and a consideration of the relationship between the two. A primary emphasis is on the dynamic disturbances, but theoretical and experimental evaluations of steady-state distortions are also presented. For individual titles, see N80-25589 through N80-25612.

ALGORITHM FOR FIXED-RANGE OPTIMAL TRAJECTORIES

An algorithm for synthesizing optimal aircraft trajectories for specified range was developed and implemented in a computer program written in FORTRAN IV. The algorithm, its computer implementation, and a set of example optimum trajectories for the Boeing 727-100 aircraft are described. The algorithm optimizes trajectories with respect to a cost function that is the weighted sum of fuel cost and time cost. The optimum trajectory consists of at most three segments: climb, cruise, and descent. The climb and descent profiles are generated by integrating a simplified set of kinematic and dynamic equations wherein the total energy of the aircraft is the independent or time-like variable. At each energy level the optimum airspeeds and thrust settings are obtained as the values that minimize the variational Hamiltonian. Although the emphasis is on an off-line, open-loop computation, eventually the most important application will be in an on-board flight management system. E.D.K.

NASA TECHNICAL MEMORANDA

COUPLED ROTOR AND FUSELAGE EQUATIONS OF MOTION

The governing equations of motion of a helicopter rotor coupled to a rigid body fuselage are derived. A consistent formulation is used to derive nonlinear periodic coefficient equations of motion which are used to study coupled rotor/fuselage dynamics in forward flight. Rotor/fuselage coupling is documented and the importance of an ordering scheme in deriving nonlinear equations of motion is reviewed. The nature of the final equations and the use of multiblade coordinates are discussed. A.W.H.

AERODYNAMIC INTERACTIONS FROM REACTION PRODUCTS

CONTROLS FOR LATERAL CONTROL OF THE M2-F2 LIFTING-BODY ENTRY CONFIGURATION AT TRANSONIC AND SUPERSONIC MACH NUMBERS

Tests were conducted in the Ames 6 by 6 foot wind tunnel to determine the interaction of reaction jets for roll control on the M2-F2 lifting-body entry vehicle. Moment interactions are presented for a Mach number range of 0.6 to 1.7, a Reynolds number range of 1.2 x 10 to the 6th power to 1.6 x 10 to the 6th power (based on model reference length), an angle-of-attack range of -9 deg to 20 deg, and an angle-of-sideslip range of 6 deg to 8 deg at an angle of attack of 6 deg. The reaction jets produce roll control with small adverse yawing moment, which can be offset by horizontal thrust component of canted jets. A.R.H.

FLIGHT SIMULATION

The requirements for a new research aircraft to provide in-flight V/STOL simulation were reviewed. The needed capabilities were based on known limitations of ground based simulation and past/current experience with V/STOL inflight simulation. Results indicate that V/STOL inflight simulation capability is needed to aid in the design and development of high performance V/STOL aircraft. Although a new research V/STOL aircraft is preferred, an interim solution can be provided by use of the X-22A, the CH-47B, or the 4MV-BB aircraft modified for control/display flight research. R.C.T.

IN DEPTH REVIEW OF THE 1979 AIAA LIGHTER-TAN-AIR SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE

The lighter than air (LTA) systems technology conference is reviewed. Highlights of the conference were: (1) the interest shown in patrol and surveillance airships, particularly for coastal patrol missions; (2) the session devoted to overviews of foreign activity; and (3) heavy lift and long range transport aircraft design considerations. A.W.H.
N80-13041\# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.  
FLIGHT TESTS OF NAVIGATION AND GUIDANCE SENSOR ERRORS MEASURED ON STOL APPROACHES  
David N. Warner and F. J. Moran Dec. 1979 42 p  
Navigation and guidance sensor error characteristics were measured during STOL approach-flight investigations. Data from some of the state sensors of a digital avionics system were compared to corresponding outputs from an inertial navigation system. These sensors include the vertical gyro, compass, and accelerometers. Barometric altimeter data were compared to altitude measured by a tracking radar. Data were recorded with the Augmentor Wing Jet STOL Research Aircraft parked and in flight.  
Author

N80-14049\# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.  
EFFECT OF TIP PLANE CONFIGURATION ON BLADE LOADING CHARACTERISTICS FOR A TWO-BLADED ROTOR IN HOVER  
John D. Ballard, Kenneth L. Orloff, and Allan B. Luebs (Gates Lear Corp., Wichita, Kan.) Nov. 1979 89 p refs  
(NASA-TM-79815; A-7939) Avail: NTIS HC A05/MF A01 CSL 01A  
A laser velocimeter was used to study the flow surrounding a 2.13 m diam. two-bladed, testing model-scale helicopter rotor operating in the hover condition. The rotor system employed interchangeable blade tips over the outer 25% radius. A conventional rectangular planform and an experimental ogee tip shape were studied. The radial distribution of the blade circulation was obtained by measuring the velocity tangent to a closed rectangular contour around the airfoil section at a number of radial locations. A relationship between local circulation and bound vorticity was invoked to obtain the radial variations in the sectional lifting properties of the blade. The tip vortex-induced velocity was also measured immediately behind the generating blade and immediately before the encounter with the following blade. The mutual influence between blade loading, shed vorticity, and the structure of the encountered vortex are quantified by the results presented and are discussed comparatively for the rectangular and ogee planforms. The experimental loading for the rectangular tip is also compared with predictions of existing rotor analysis.  
Author

N80-14108\# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.  
QUIET SHORT-HAUL RESEARCH AIRCRAFT FAMILIARIZATION DOCUMENT  
Robert C. McCracken Nov. 1979 96 p  
(NASA-TM-81148; A-7975) Avail: NASA. Ames Res. Center, Moffett Field, Calif. 94035 CSL 01C  
The design features and general characteristics of the NASA Quiet Short-Haul Research Aircraft are described. Aerodynamic characteristics and performance are discussed based on predictions and early flight-test data. Principle airplane systems, including the airborne data-acquisition system, are also described. The aircraft was designed and built to fulfill the need for a national research facility to explore the use of upper-surface-blowing propulsive-lift technology in providing short takeoff and landing capability, and perform advanced experiments in various technical disciplines such as aerodynamics, propulsion, stability and control, handling qualities, avionics and flight-control systems, trailing-vortex phenomena, acoustics, structure and loads, operating systems, human factors, and airworthiness/certification criteria. An unusually austere approach using experimental shop practices resulted in a low cost and high research capability.  
Author

N80-14138\# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.  
PILOT CONTROL THROUGH THE TAFCONS AUTOMATIC FLIGHT CONTROL SYSTEM  
William R. Wehrend, Jr. Dec. 1979 42 p refs  
(NASA-TM-81152; A-7998) Avail: NTIS HC A05/MF A01 CSL 01C  
The set of flight control logic used in a recently completed flight test program to evaluate the total automatic flight control system (TAFCONS) with the controller operating in a fully automatic mode, was used to perform an unmanned simulation on an IBM 360 computer in which the TAFCONS concept was extended to provide a multi-level pilot interface. A pilot TAFCONS interface for direct pilot control by use of a velocity-control-wheel-steering mode was defined as well as a means for calling up conventional autopilot modes. It is concluded that the TAFCONS structure is easily adaptable to the addition of a pilot control through a stick-wheel-throttle control similar to conventional airplane controls. Conventional autopilot modes, such as airspeed-hold, altitude-hold, heading-hold, and flight-path angle-hold, can also be included.  
Author

N80-15067\# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.  
NASSA/AMWV XV-15 TILT ROTOR RESEARCH AIRCRAFT WIND-TUNNEL TEST PROGRAM PLAN  
James A. Weberg and Martin D. Maisel (AVRADCOM Res. and Technol. Labs.) Mar. 1979 73 p refs  
(NASA-TM-78562; A-7740; AVRADCOM-TR-79-71AM) Avail: NASA. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif. 94035 CSL 01C  
To ensure that the XV-15 tilt rotor research aircraft will meet the requirements of the program plan and the contract model specification and statement of work, one of the two aircraft will be tested in the Ames 40 x 80 ft wind tunnel to provide an initial assessment of the aerodynamic characteristics, structural loads, and rotor/pylon/wing dynamics in a simulated flight environment for correlation with estimated values. The tests will also serve to verify the functional operation of the aircraft systems and on-board instrumentation in a flight environment. The management structure, operational plan, support requirements and responsibilities, safety provisions and reporting requirements for conduct of the wind tunnel tests are defined and related to other phases of the program.  
A R H.

N80-16024\# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.  
NASSA QUIET SHORT-HAUL RESEARCH AIRCRAFT EXPERIMENTERS' HANDBOOK  
Robert C. McCracken Jan. 1980 28 p  
(NASA-TM-81162; A-8053) Avail: NASA. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif. 94035 CSL 02A  
A summary of guidelines and particulars concerning the use of the NASA Ames Research Center Quiet Short-Haul Research Aircraft for applicable flight experiments is presented. Procedures for submitting experiment proposals are included along with guidelines for experimenter packages. An outline of experiment selection processes, a brief aircraft description, and additional information regarding support at Ames.  
J M S.

N80-16038\# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.  
A COMPARISON OF CALCULATED AND EXPERIMENTAL
LIFT AND PRESSURE DISTRIBUTIONS FOR SEVERAL HELICOPTER ROTOR SECTIONS
John Conlon Jan. 1980 33 p refs
(NASA-TM-81160; A-8029) Avail: NTIS HC A03/MF A01 CSCL 01A
The use of computational techniques in predicting lift coefficients and pressure distributions of two dimensional airfoil sections was studied. The computer code FLO6/I81 was used to solve the compressible, two dimensional flow about four different airfoil sections. The lift coefficients of the airfoils were calculated at various angles of attack at subsonic Mach numbers and compared with experimental data. A.W.H.

N80-16300# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif. TURBULENCE MEASUREMENTS IN THE BOUNDARY LAYER OF A LOW-SPEED WIND TUNNEL USING LASER VELOCIMETRY Edward T. Schairer Feb. 1980 25 p refs (NASA-TM-81165; A-8058) Avail: NTIS HC A02/MF A01 CSCL 20C Laser velocimeter measurements in an incompressible, turbulent boundary layer along the wall of a low-speed wind tunnel are presented. The laser data are compared with existing hot-wire anemometer measurements of a flat plate, incompressible, turbulent, boundary layer with zero pressure gradient. An argument is presented to explain why previous laser velocimeter measurements in zero pressure gradient, turbulent boundary layers have shown an unexpected decrease in turbulent shear stresses near the wall. M.M.M.

N80-17717# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif. AN ASSESSMENT OF FUTURE COMPUTER SYSTEM NEEDS FOR LARGE-SCALE COMPUTATION Peter Lykos and John White Feb. 1980 57 p Prepared in cooperation with Illinois Inst. of Tech., Chicago (NASA-TM-78613; A-7929) Avail: NTIS HC A04/MF A01 CSCL 098 Data ranging from specific computer capability requirements to opinions about the desirability of a national computer facility are summarized. It is concluded that considerable attention should be given to improving the user-machine interface. Otherwise, increased computer power may not improve the overall effectiveness of the machine user. Significant improvement in throughput requires highly concurrent systems plus the willingness of the user community to develop problem solutions for that kind of architecture. An unanticipated result was the expression of need for an ongoing cross-disciplinary users group/forum in order to share experiences and to more effectively communicate needs to the manufacturers. K.L.

N80-18047# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif. V/STOL AVIONICS SYSTEM FLIGHT-TEST DATA ON A UH-1H HELICOPTER Fredric A. Baker, Dean N. Jaynes, Lloyd D. Corliss, Sam Liden (Sperry Rand Corp., Phoenix, Ariz.), Robert B. Merrick, and Daniel C. Dugan Feb. 1980 68 p refs (NASA-TM-78591; A-7831) Avail: NTIS HC A04/MF A01 CSCL 01C The flight-acceptance test results obtained during the acceptance tests of the V/STOLAN (versatile simplex digital avionics system) digital avionics system on a Bell UH-1H helicopter in 1977 at Ames Research Center are presented. The system provides navigation, guidance, control, and display functions for NASA terminal area VTOL research programs and for the Army handling qualities research programs at Ames Research Center. The acceptance test verified system performance and contractual acceptability. The V/STOLAND hardware navigation, guidance, and control laws resident in the digital computers are described. Typical flight-test data are shown and discussed as documentation of the system performance at acceptance from the contractor. M.M.M.


N80-19127# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif. FLIGHT EVALUATION OF CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM CONCEPTS DURING TRANSITION TO THE LANDING APPROACH FOR A POWERED-LIFT STOL AIRCRAFT James A. Franklin and Robert C. Innis Mar. 1980 32 p refs (NASA-TM-78146; A-79577) Avail: NTIS HC A03/MF A01 CSCL 01C Flight experiments were conducted to evaluate two control concepts for configuration management during the transition to landing approach for a powered-lift STOL aircraft. NASA Ames' augmentor wing research aircraft was used in the program. Transitions from nominal level-flight configurations at terminal area pattern speeds were conducted along straight and curved descending flightpaths. Stabilization and command augmentation for attitude and airspeed control were used in conjunction with a three-cue flight director that presented commands for pitch, roll, and throttle controls. A prototype microwave system provided landing guidance. Results of these flight experiments indicate that these configuration management concepts permit the successful performance of transitions and approaches along curved paths by powered-lift STOL aircraft. Flight director guidance was essential to accomplish the task. Author

N80-21286# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif. THREE-DIMENSIONAL INTERACTIONS AND VORTICAL FLOWS WITH EMPHASIS ON HIGH SPEEDS David J. Peake and Murray Tobak Mar. 1980 225 p refs (NASA-TM-81169; A-8035) Avail: NTIS HC A10/MF A01 CSCL 01A Diverse kinds of three-dimensional regions of separation in laminar and turbulent boundary layers are discussed that exist on lifting aerodynamic configurations immersed in flows from subsonic to hypersonic speeds. In all cases of three dimensional flow separation, the assumption of continuous vector fields of skin-friction lines and external-flow streamlines, coupled with simple topology laws, provides a flow grammar whose elemental constituents are the singular points: nodes, foci, and saddles. Adopting these notions enables one to create sequences of plausible flow structures, to deduce mean flow characteristics, to expose flow mechanisms, and to aid theory and experiment where lack of resolution in numerical calculations or wind tunnel observation causes imprecision in diagnosing the three dimensional flow features. R.E.S.
AN EXPERIMENTAL EVALUATION OF A HELICOPTER STATIC CALIBRATION OF A TWO-DIMENSIONAL WEDGE Simulator

J. M. S. AIRCRAFT communication with the NASA operations group during initial WIND-TUNNEL TESTS. This information is given in a form that should facilitate Ames Research Center data requirements.

A. David Jones May 1980 70 p

OPERATIONS MANUAL: VERTICAL MOTION SIMULATOR (VMS) 8.08 A. David Jones May 1980 70 p

The Ames Research Center Vertical Motion Simulator (VMS) is described in terms useful to the researcher who intends to use it. A description of the VMS and its performance are presented together with the administrative policies governing its operation. The management controls over its use are detailed, including data requirements, user responsibilities, and scheduling procedures. This information is given in a form that should facilitate communication with the NASA operations group during initial simulator use.

A NEW ALGORITHM FOR HORIZONTAL CAPTURE TRAJECTORIES John D. McLean Mar. 1980 21 p refs

An algorithm which transfers an aircraft from an initial position and heading to a final position and heading was developed for onboard synthesis of horizontal flight paths. The algorithm finds all solutions possible, and selects the one with minimum path length. Degenerate conditions in which one or more of the basic segments is missing are handled without difficulty. The solution to this problem is derived, and a FORTRAN listing of the algorithm is provided.

CONCEPTUAL STUDIES OF A LONG-RANGE TRANSPORT WITH AN UPPER SURFACE BLOWING PROPELLIVE LIFT SYSTEM John A. Cochrane May 1980 24 p refs

The application of propulsive lift technology to the long range, heavy lift transport mission was studied. The level of propulsive lift technology studied was that which is representative of the Quiet Short-Haul Research Aircraft (QSRA). This technology uses the upper surface blowing technique (USB) to develop high lift coefficients. Results indicate that field lengths of less than 3000 ft are feasible at landing gross weights and that even at maximum takeoff gross weight, a reduction in field length is available as compared to a conventional aircraft. Further study of the concept is recommended.

A CANDIDATE V/STOL RESEARCH AIRCRAFT DESIGN CONCEPT USING AN S-3A AIRCRAFT AND 2 PEGASUS 11 ENGINES Bedford A. Lampkin May 1980 24 p refs

A candidate V/STOL research aircraft concept which uses an S-3A airframe and two Pegasus 11 engines was studied to identify a feasible V/STOL national flight facility that could be obtained at the lowest possible cost for the demonstration of V/STOL technology, inflight simulation, and flight research. The rationale for choosing the configuration, a description of the configuration, and the capability of a fully developed aircraft are discussed.

WIND-TUNNEL TESTS OF THE XV-15 TILT ROTOR AIRCRAFT
Structural, inertia, and aerodynamic models were combined to form a comprehensive model of rotor aerodynamics and dynamics that is applicable to a wide range of problems and a wide class of vehicles. A digital computer program is used to calculate rotor performance, loads, and noise; helicopter vibration and gust response; flight dynamics and handling qualities; and system aeroelastic stability. The analysis is intended for use in the design, testing, and evaluation of rotors and rotorcraft, and to be a basis for further development of rotary wing theories.

Author
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A PILOTED SIMULATOR ANALYSIS OF THE CARRIER LANDING CAPABILITY OF THE QUIET SHORT-HAUL RESEARCH AIRCRAFT


A moving-base carrier landing simulation was conducted to evaluate the carrier landing capability of the Quiet Short-Haul Research Aircraft. Statistical results show that for an optimized approach configuration utilizing direct lift control, landings to a full stop can be safely executed (without use of arresting gear) with 40% of the landing deck remaining and without exceeding 50% of the design touchdown sink rate. Even under adverse sea state and wind conditions, the maximum allowable touchdown sink rate and minimum touchdown pitch attitude limits were never exceeded. Using the optimized approach configuration, successful go-arounds can be executed at any time during the approach, even when into the landing flare maneuver.

L.F.M.

N80-28340\# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

PARAMETRIC STUDY OF MODERN AIRSHIP PRODUCTIVITY


A method for estimating the specific productivity of both hybrid and fully buoyant airships is developed. Various methods of estimating structural weight of dettoid hybrids are discussed and a derived weight estimating relationship is presented. Specific productivity is used as a figure of merit in a parametric study of fully buoyant ellipsoidal and dettoid hybrid semi-buoyant vehicles. The sensitivity of results as a function of assumptions is also determined. No airship configurations were found to have superior specific productivity to transport airplanes.

L.F.M.

N80-28341\# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

A PILOT'S ASSESSMENT OF HELICOPTER HANDLING QUALITY FACTORS COMMON TO BOTH AGILITY AND INSTRUMENT FLYING TASKS


A series of simulation and flight investigations were undertaken to evaluate helicopter flying qualities and the effects of control system augmentation for nap-of-the-Earth (NOE) agility and instrument flying tasks. Handling quality factors common to both tasks were identified. Precise attitude control was determined to be a key requirement for successful accomplishment of both tasks. Factors that degraded attitude controllability were improper levels of control sensitivity and damping, and rotor system cross coupling due to helicopter angular rate and collective pitch input. Application of rate command, attitude command, and control input decoupling augmentation schemes enhanced attitude control and significantly improved handling qualities for both tasks. The NOE agility and instrument flying handling quality considerations, pilot rating philosophy, and supplemental flight evaluations are also discussed.

L.F.M.

N80-28371\# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

A MATHEMATICAL REPRESENTATION OF AN ADVANCED HELICOPTER FOR PILOTED SIMULATOR INVESTIGATIONS OF CONTROL SYSTEM AND DISPLAY VARIATIONS


A mathematical model of an advanced helicopter is described. The model is suitable for use in control/display research involving a piloted simulation. The general design approach for the six degree of freedom equations of motion is to use the full set of nonlinear gravitational and inertial terms of the equations and to express the aerodynamic forces and moments as the reference values and first order terms of a Taylor series expansion about a reference trajectory defined as a function of longitudinal airspeed. Provisions for several different specific and generic flight control systems are included in the model. The logic required to drive various flight control and weapon delivery symbols on a pilot's electronic display is also provided. Finally, the model includes a simplified representation of low altitude wind and turbulence effects. This model was used in a piloted simulator investigation of the effects of control system and display variations for an attack helicopter mission.

L.F.M.

N80-28373\# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.


Several different flight research programs carried out by NASA and the Canadian Government using the Augmentor Wing Jet STOL Research Aircraft to investigate the design, operational, and systems requirements for powered-lift STOL aircraft are summarized. Some of these programs considered handling qualities and certification criteria for this class of aircraft, and addressed pilot control techniques, control system design, and improved cockpit displays for the powered-lift STOL approach configuration. Other programs involved exploiting the potential of STOL aircraft for constrained terminal area approaches within the context of present or future air traffic control environments. Both manual and automatic flight control investigations are discussed, and an extensive bibliography of the flight programs is included.

Author

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ANALYSIS OF TRANSSONIC SWEPT WINGS USING ASYMPTOTIC AND OTHER NUMERICAL METHODS


Asymptotic theories for high-aspect-ratio wings in transonic flow developed recently show that the three dimensional (3-D) mixed-flow calculations may be reduced to solving a set of 2-D problems at each span station. For wings with surfaces generated from a single airfoil shape, local similarity exists in the 3-D flow structure, permitting the problems to be solved once for all span stations. This paper reviews this theoretical development. The essential elements in the theory will be identified. Their relationship to the lifting-line theory and related classical methods are discussed. Examples of similarity solutions are
demonstrated for high subcritical and slightly super-critical component flows; comparisons with relaxation solutions to a full potential equation are made. The study also examines the adequacy of the existing full-potential computer code. Outstanding problems remaining for subsequent development are discussed.

N80-28295* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
A HEAD-UP DISPLAY FORMAT FOR APPLICATION TO TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT APPROACH AND LANDING
A head up display (HUD) format used in simulator studies of the application of HUD to the landing of civil transport aircraft is described in detail. The display features an indication of the aircraft's instantaneous flightpath that constitutes the primary controlled element. Discrete ILS error and altitude signals are scaled and positioned to provide precise guidance modes when tracked with the flightpath symbol. Consideration is given to both the availability and nonavailability of inertial and GPS information in the aircraft. Author

N80-31398* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
COMPARISON OF CALCULATED AND MEASURED BLADE LOADS ON A FULL-SCALE TILTING PROPRORTOR IN A WIND TUNNEL
The loads measured in a wind tunnel on a full-scale tilting proprotor are compared with calculated results. The data consists primarily of oscillatory beamwise bending moments at 35% radial station, oscillatory spindle chord bending moments, and oscillatory pitch link loads. The measured and calculated results as a function or thrust are compared over a range of nacelle angles from 0 to 75 deg, and a range of speeds from 80 to 185 knots. T.M.

N80-31407* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
EFFECTS OF ROTATION PARAMETER VARIATIONS ON HANDLING QUALITIES OF UNAUGMENTED HELICOPTERS IN SIMULATED TERRAIN FLIGHT
A coordinated analysis and ground simulator experiment was performed to investigate the effects on single rotor helicopter handling qualities of systematic variations in the main rotor hinge restraint, hub hinge offset, pitch-flap coupling, and blade lock number. Tescering rotor, articulated rotor, and hingeless rotor helicopters were evaluated by research pilots in special low level flying tasks involving obstacle avoidance at 60 to 100 knots airspeed. The results of the experiment are in the form of pilot ratings, pilot commentary, and some objective performance measures. Criteria for damping and sensitivity are reexamined when combined with the additional factors of cross coupling due to pitch and roll rates, pitch coupling with collective pitch, and longitudinal static stability. Ratings obtained with and without motion are compared. Acceptable flying qualities were obtained within each rotor type by suitable adjustment of the hub parameters, however, pure tescering rotors were found to lack control power for the tasks. A limit for the coupling parameter L sub q/L sub p of 0.35 is suggested. Author

N80-33345* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
EXPERIMENTAL UNSTEADY AERODYNAMICS OF CONVENTIONAL AND SUPERCritical AIRFOILS
Experimental data on the unsteady aerodynamics of oscillating airfoils in transonic flow are presented. Two 0.5 m-chord airfoil models - an NACA 64A010 and an NLR 7301 - were tested in the NASA-Ames 11 by 11 foot Transonic Wind Tunnel at Mach numbers to 0.65, at chord Reynolds numbers to 12 million, and at mean angles of attack to 4 deg. The airfoils were subjected to both pitching and plunging motions at reduced frequencies to 0.3 (physical frequencies to 53 Hz). The new hardware and the extensive use of computer-experiment integration developed for this test are described. The geometri-}

N80-33349* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
COMPARISON OF CALCULATED AND MEASURED HELICOPTER ROTOR LATERAL FLAPPING ANGLES
Calculated and measured values of helicopter rotor flapping angles in forward flight are compared for a model rotor in a wind tunnel and an autogiro in gliding flight. The lateral flapping angles can be accurately predicted when a calculation of the nonuniform wake-induced velocity is used. At low advance ratios, it is also necessary to use a free wake geometry calculation. For the cases considered, the tip vortices in the rotor wake remain very close to the tip-path plane, so the calculated values of the flapping motion are sensitive to the fine details of the wake structure, specifically the viscous core radius of the tip vortices. Author

N80-33777* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
STABILITY OF NONUNIFORM ROTOR BLADES IN Hover USING A MIXED FORMULATION
A mixed formulation for calculating static equilibrium and stability eigenvalues of nonuniform rotor blades in hover is presented. The static equilibrium equations are linear and are solved by an accurate and efficient collocation method. The linearized perturbation equations are solved by a one step, second order integration scheme. The numerical results correlate very well with published results from a fully nonlinear stability analysis based on a displacement formulation. Slight differences in the results are traced to terms in the equations that relate moments to derivatives of rotations. With the present ordering scheme, in which in transonic flow, are presented. Two 0.5 m-chord airfoil models - an NACA 64A010 and an NLR 7301 - were tested in the NASA-Ames 11 by 11 foot Transonic Wind Tunnel at Mach numbers to 0.65, at chord Reynolds numbers to 12 million, and at mean angles of attack to 4 deg. The airfoils were subjected to both pitching and plunging motions at reduced frequencies to 0.3 (physical frequencies to 53 Hz). The new hardware and the extensive use of computer-experiment integration developed for this test are described. The geometri-}

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blades. Numerical results for a hypothetical nonuniform blade, including the nonlinear static equilibrium solution, were obtained with no expressed emphasis or computer time than that required for a uniform blade.

**NASA CONTRACTOR REPORTS**

**N80-10130#** National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

**TEST RESULTS FROM A JET-EFFECTS V/STOL FIGHTER MODEL WITH VECTORED NON-AXISYMMETRIC NOZZLES** Final Report

D. B. Smeltzer and A. D. Levin. Jun. 1980 792 p refs

(NASA-TM-81210; A-8224) Unclassified report

**NOTICE:** Available to U.S. Government Agencies and NASA Contractors.

A 1/8-scale jet effects model of a twin-engined V/STOL fighter was tested in the 11 foot transonic wind tunnel at Ames Research Center. The effect of various nozzle configurations on the model forces, moments and surface pressures was measured. Various exhaust nozzle configurations representing both vectored and nonvectored thrust were investigated. Lift, drag, pitching moment were obtained for the entire metric portion of the model (the vertical tails were not metric) and for one exhaust nozzle. Approximately 200 surface static pressures were also measured. Nozzles with two-dimensional geometries representing flight at cruise, combat, and dash were tested with vectored and nonvectored thrust. A reference circular nozzle and an elliptical nozzle were also tested with nonvectored thrust. The test matrix included Mach numbers from 0.4 to 1.4; angles of attack from 0 deg to 12 deg; nozzle pressure ratios from 1 to 10; and nozzle deflections from 0 deg to 20 deg. The Reynolds number was held constant at 8.200,000 per meter for all testing.

Author


**MATH MODELING AND COMPUTER MECHANIZATION FOR REAL TIME SIMULATION OF ROTARY-WING AIRCRAFT** Final Report, 1 Jun. 1977 - 31 Mar. 1979

Robert M. Howe. Mar. 1979 21 p refs (Grant NsG-2245)

(NASA-CR-162400) Avail: NTIS HC A02/MF A01 CSDL 01A

Mathematical modeling and computer mechanization for real time simulation of rotary wing aircraft is discussed. Error analysis in the digital simulation of dynamic systems, such as rotary wing aircraft, is described. The method for digital simulation of nonlinearities with discontinuities, such as exist in typical flight control systems and rotor blade hinges, is discussed. A.W.H.

**N80-10148#** Northwestern Univ., Evanston, III. Transportation Center.

**FACTORS AFFECTING THE RETIREMENT OF COMMERCIAL TRANSPORT JET AIRCRAFT**

Frank A. Spencer. Aug. 1979 296 p refs (Grant NSG-2149)

(NASA-CR-152308) Avail: NTIS HC A13/MF A01 CSDL 01C

The historical background of the technology and economics of aircraft replacement and retirement in the present era is reviewed in order to determine whether useful insights can be obtained applicable to the jet era. Significant differences between the two periods are noted. New factors are identified and examined. Topics discussed include concern over current policies regarding deregulation, regulatory reform, and retroactive noise regulations; financing and compliance legislation; aging; economic environment and inflation; technological progress; fuel efficiency and cost; and a financial perspective of replacement decisions. A.R.H.

**N80-11097#** Systems Technology, Inc., Mountain View, Calif.


A collection of basic descriptive data, stability derivatives and transfer functions for six degrees of freedom, quasi-static model is introduced. The data are arranged in a compact format for each of the five helicopters represented. The vehicles studied include the BO-105, AH-1H, and the CH53D. R.C.T.

**N80-12059#** General Dynamics/Convair, San Diego, Calif.

**WIND TUNNEL INVESTIGATION OF AN OBLIQUE WING TRANSPORT MODEL AT MACH NUMBERS BETWEEN 0.8 AND 1.4**


Models of three practical oblique-wing transport configurations were tested in the NASA Ames 11 foot wind tunnel. The three configurations used a common forward fuselage, wing, and support system but employed different aft fuselage sections simulating alternate propulsion system installations. These included an integrated propulsion system, pylon-mounted nacelles, and clean (no propulsion system) configuration. The tests were conducted over a Mach number range from 0.8 to 1.4 and at sweep angles from 0 to 60 degrees. The nominal unit Reynolds number was 1.83 million per meter and the angle of attack range was -3 to +6 degrees. The models were mounted in the tunnel by means of a lower blade support system. The interference effects of this lower blade and the flow inclination were determined by using an image blade system and testing the configuration in both the upright and inverted positions. M.M.M.

**N80-12776#** American Mathematical Society, Providence, R.I.

**SYSTEM THEORY AS APPLIED DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY**


The invariants of input-output systems under the action of the feedback group was examined. The approach used the theory of Lie groups and concepts of modern differential geometry, and illustrated how the latter provides a basis for the discussion of the analytic structure of systems. Finite dimensional linear systems in a single independent variable are considered. Lessons of more general situations (e.g., distributed parameter and multidimensional systems) which are increasingly encountered as technology advances are presented. R.C.T.

**N80-12782#** Notre Dame Univ., Ind. Dept. of Electrical Engineering.

**MODULAR THEORY OF INVERSE SYSTEMS** Final Report, 1 Jun. - 31 Dec. 1979
The relationship between multiviable zeros and inverse systems was explored. A definition of zero module is given in such a way that it is basis independent. The existence of essential right and left inverses were established. The way in which the abstract zero module captured previous definitions of multiviable zeros is explained and examples are presented. R.C.T.

N80-12996* Stanford Univ., Calif. Dept. of Aeronautics and Astronautics.
AN EXPLORATORY INVESTIGATION OF THE STOL LANDING MANEUVER Final Report
Patrick H. Whyte Washington NASA Dec. 1979 74 p refs
HC A04/MF A01 CSCL 01A

The parameters influencing the STOL landing are identified and their effects on compromise and quality of the flare maneuver are discussed. Data from actual landings, supported by pilot commentary and pilot opinion rating, are analyzed. Hypotheses concerning the prediction of STOL handling qualities in the flare are proposed and suggestions for future research are presented.

A.W.H.

N80-14048* TRW Defense and Space Systems Group, Redondo Beach, Calif.
A THREE-DIMENSIONAL VORTEX WAKE MODEL FOR MISSILES AT HIGH ANGLES ON ATTACK Final Report
J. Steven Sheffield and F. D. Deffenbaugh Jan. 1980 59 p refs
(Contract NAS2-9579) (NASA-CR-3208; TRW-30584-6003-RU-00) Avail: NTIS
HC A04/MF A01 CSCL 01A

A three-dimensional model for the steady flow past missile and aerofoil nose shaped bodies is presented based on augmenting a potential solution with a wake composed of vortex filaments. The vortex positions are determined by the requirement that they, in some sense, align with the flow. The aerodynamic loads on the body are compared with experimental values and used to evaluate the model. The vortex positions compare well with flow visualization results for slender bodies at high angles of attack. The approximations in the wake near the body cause peaks in the force distributions more severe than in the measured values. For given vortex strengths and body attachment points, multiple steady vortex positions were not found. Author

N80-15872* Stanford Univ., Calif. Joint Inst. for Aeronautics and Acoustics
ON THE OUTPUT OF ACOUSTICAL SOURCES
H. Levine May 1979 35 p refs
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HC A03/MF A01 CSCL 20A

Contents: (1) a theoretical basis for local power calculation; (2) source radiation in the presence of a half-plane; (3) radiation from a line source near an edge at which a Kutta condition holds; (4) radiation by a point source above a plane independence boundary; and (5) power output of a point source in a uniform flow. A.R.H.

ACOUSTIC RESONANCES AND SOUND SCATTERING BY A SHEAR LAYER
S. P. Koutsouyanmis, K. Karamch and D. C. Galant (NASA, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.) Sep. 1979 46 p refs
(Grants NS4-2233; NS4-2308) (NASA-CR-162575; SU-JIAA-TR-20) Avail: NTIS
HC A03/MF A01 CSCL 20A

The energy reflection coefficient is evaluated numerically for plane waves incident on a plane shear layer having a linear velocity profile. The shear layer is found to exhibit no resonances and no Brewster angles. The behavior of the reflection coefficient depends crucially on the parameter tau, a nondimensional measure of the disturbance Strouhal number with respect to the disturbance Mach number in the mean flow direction. For moderate values of tau, the amplified reflection regime degenerates into the total reflection one, whereas in the ordinary reflection regime the variation of the reflection coefficient with tau depends on whether or not the corresponding vortex sheet has a Brewster
angle. The results indicate that caution should be exercised in uncritically modeling a finite thickness shear layer by a corresponding vortex sheet.

K.L.

N80-16030\# McDonnell Aircraft Co., St. Louis, Mo.
INVESTIGATION OF GROUND EFFECTS ON LARGE AND SMALL SCALE MODELS OF A THREE FAN V/STOL AIRCRAFT CONFIGURATION
(Contract NAS2-9690)

N80-16031\# Vought Corp., Dallas, Tex.
APPLICATION OF NUMERICAL OPTIMIZATION TO THE DESIGN OF WINGS WITH SPECIFIED PRESSURE DISTRIBUTIONS
Final Report
(Contract NAS2-9653)

N80-16837\# California Inst. of Tech., Pasadena.
SECOND SOUND SHOCK WAVES AND CRITICAL VELOCITIES IN LIQUID HELIUM 2 Ph.D. Thesis
Timothy List Turner 1979 231 p ref
(Grant Ng-7508)

M.G.

THE ANALYSIS OF DELAYS IN SIMULATOR DIGITAL COMPUTING SYSTEMS. VOLUME 1: FORMULATION OF AN ANALYSIS APPROACH USING A CENTRAL EXAMPLE SIMULATOR MODEL
Final Report
(Contract NAS2-10108)

SYNTHESIS OF ROTOR TEST DATA FOR REAL-TIME SIMULATION
M. A. McVeigh Mar. 1979 232 p refs
(Contract NAS2-9015)

A HINGELESS ROTOR XV-15 DESIGN INTEGRATION FEASIBILITY STUDY. VOLUME 1: ENGINEERING DESIGN STUDIES
Final Report
(Contract NAS2-9015)

THE ANALYSIS OF DELAYS IN SIMULATOR DIGITAL COMPUTING SYSTEMS. VOLUME 2: FORMULATION OF DISCRETE STATE TRANSITION MATRICES, AN ALTERNATIVE PROCEDURE FOR MULTIRATE DIGITAL COMPUTATIONS
Final Report
Warren F. Clement and Wayne F. Jewell Feb. 1980 44 p refs
(Contract NAS2-10108)
The effects of spurious delays in real time digital computing systems are examined for the two-computer, multirate problem. A transition matrix which combines the computational algorithms and multirate effects is formulated. Some examples are provided which demonstrate the analysis approach and suggest applications.

K.L.

NAVIGATION SYSTEMS FOR APPROACH AND LANDING OF VTOL AIRCRAFT

The formulation and implementation of navigation systems used for research investigations in the V/STOL AIRCRAFT system are described. The navigation systems prove position and velocity in a cartesian reference frame aligned with the runway. They use filtering techniques to combine the raw position data from navads (e.g., TACAN, MLS) with data from onboard inertial sensors. The filtering techniques which use both complementary and Kalman filters, are described. The software for the navigation systems is also described.

R.E.S.

VORTICITY ASSOCIATED WITH MULTIPLE JETS IN A CROSSFLOW

Vortex patterns from multiple subsonic jets exiting perpendicularly through a flat plate into a subsonic crossflow were investigated. Tandem and transverse jet configurations were examined using a paddle wheel sensor to indicate the presence and relative magnitude of streamwise vorticity in the flow. Results are presented in the form of contour plots of rotational speed of the paddle wheel as measured in planes downstream from the jets and perpendicularly to the crossflow. Well developed diffuse counterrotating vortices were observed for the configurations studied. The location and strength of these vortices depended on the multiple jet configuration and the distance downstream from the jets.

K.L.

INTRODUCTORY STUDY OF THE CHEMICAL BEHAVIOR OF JET EMISSIONS IN PHOTOCHEMICAL SMOG Final Report

Jet aircraft emissions data from the literature were used as initial conditions for a series of computer simulations of photochemical smog formation in static air. The chemical kinetics mechanism used in these simulations was an updated version which contains certain parameters designed to account for hydrocarbon reactivity. These parameters were varied to simulate the reaction rate constants and average carbon numbers associated with the jet emissions. The roles of surface effects, variable light sources, NO/NO2 ratio, continuous emissions, and untested mechanistic parameters were also assessed. The results of these calculations indicate that the present jet emissions are capable of producing oxidant by themselves. The hydrocarbon/nitrous oxides ratio of jet aircraft emissions is much higher than that of automobiles. These two ratios appear to bracket the hydrocarbon/nitrous oxides ratio that maximizes ozone production. Hence an enhanced effect is seen in the simulation when jet exhaust emissions are mixed with automobile emissions.

A.R.H.

PARAMETRIC STUDY OF HELICOPTER AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS COSTS AND WEIGHTS

Weight estimating relationships (WERs) and recurring production cost estimating relationships (CERTs) were developed for helicopters at the system level. The WERs estimate system level weight based on performance or design characteristics which are available during concept formulation or the preliminary design phase. The CERTs were developed for each system utilizing the appropriate WERs. Recurring production cost is derived using the appropriate CERTs for each model. Hence an enhanced effect is seen in the simulation when jet exhaust emissions are mixed with automobile emissions.

A.R.H.


A type of active control for helicopters was designed and tested on a four foot diameter model rotor. A single blade was individually controlled in pitch in the rotating frame over a wide range of frequencies by electromechanical means. By utilizing a tip mounted accelerometer as a sensor in the feedback path, significant reductions in blade flapping response to gust were achieved at the gust excitation frequency as well as at super and subharmonics of rotor speed.

E.D.K.

N80-23099* General Electric Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.
ANALYTICAL STUDY OF THE EFFECTS OF WIND TUNNEL TURBULENCE ON TURBOFAN ROTOR NOISE Final Report

The influence of turbulence on turbofan rotor noise was carried out to evaluate the effectiveness of the NASA Ames 40 by 80 foot tunnel in simulating flight levels of fan noise. A previously developed theory for predicting rotor/turbulence interaction noise was refined and extended to include first-order effects of inlet turbulence anisotropy. This theory was then verified by carrying out extensive data/theory comparisons. The resulting model computer program was then employed to carry out a parametric study of the effects of fan size, blade number, and operating line on rotor/turbulence noise for outdoor test stand. NASA Ames wind tunnel, and flight inlet turbulence conditions. A major result of this study is that although wind tunnel rotor/turbulence noise levels are not as low as flight levels they are substantially lower than the outdoor test stand levels and do not mask other sources of fan noise.

A.R.H.

An advanced method is presented for solving the linear integral equations for subsonic unsteady flow in three dimensions. The method is applicable to flows around arbitrary, nonplanar boundary surfaces undergoing small amplitude harmonic oscillations about their steady mean locations. The problem is formulated with a wake model wherein unsteady vorticity can be convected by the steady mean component of flow. The geometric location of the unsteady source and doublet distributions can be located on the actual surfaces of thick bodies in their steady mean locations. The method is an outgrowth of a recently developed steady flow panel method and employs the linear source and quadratic doublet splines of that method. Author


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A method by which modern and classical theory techniques length tu...
An analytical study was conducted to define the basic configuration of an active control system for helicopter vibration and gust response alleviation. The study culminated in a control system design which has two separate systems: narrow band loop for vibration reduction and wider band loop for gust response alleviation. The narrow band loop utilizes the standard swashplate control configuration to input controller for the vibration loop is based on adaptive optimal control theory and is designed to adapt to any flight condition including maneuvers and transients. The prime characteristics of the vibration control system is its real time capability. The gust alleviation control system studied consists of optimal sampled data feedback gains together with an optimal one-step-ahead prediction. The prediction permits the estimation of the gust disturbance which can then be used to minimize the gust effects on the helicopter. E.D.K.

A SIMULATOR STUDY OF CONTROL AND DISPLAY AUGMENTATIONS FOR HELICOPTERS Final Report


A fixed-based simulator study of a decelerating approach to hover on instruments was performed with five different control augmentation systems ranging from damping feedbacks to attitude command with heading-hold. On a CRT display the environment was simulated by the view of landing pad and the horizon. Superimposed on this image was all flight information needed, together with special symbology for self-contained landing aid based on airborne measurements only: there were a total of four display augmentation levels. Among other findings, the statistically significant differences in data obtained with six test pilots suggest that a relatively inexpensive addition to the display (i.e., quickening of an error rate vector with short term attitude information) makes up for the difference between rate command and attitude command control systems. A quantitative objective measure of improvements was found to suggest the major findings of the report.

AN EXPERIMENTAL STUDY OF MULTIPLE JET MIXING

D. Krotthapalli, D. Baghanoff, and K. Karamcheti Jun. 1979 162 p refs

Measurements of an incompressible jet issuing from an array of rectangular lobes, equally spaced with their small dimensions in a line, both as a free jet, and as a confined jet, are carried out in three parts: (1) on a single rectangular free jet, (2) on the same jet in a multiple free jet configuration, and (3) on the same jet in a multiple jet configuration with conforming surfaces (two parallel plates are symmetrically placed perpendicular to the long dimension of each lobe covering the entire flow field under consideration). In the case of a single rectangular free jet, the flow field of the jet is characterized by the presence of three distinct regions in the axial mean velocity decay and are referred to as: potential core region, two-dimensional type region, and axisymmetric type region. In the case of a multiple free jet, the flow field for downstream distance X greater than 60D (D = width of a lobe) resembles that of a jet exiting from a two dimensional nozzle with its short dimension being the long dimension of the lobe.

A CORRELATION METHOD TO PREDICT THE SURFACE PRESSURE DISTRIBUTION OF AN INFINITE PLATE OR A BODY OF REVOLUTION FROM WHICH A JET IS ISSUING Final Report, 1 Dec. 1978 - 1 May 1980

Stanley C. Perkins, Jr. and Michael R. Mendenhall Jan. 1980 200 p refs

A correlation method to predict pressures induced on an infinite plate by a jet exhausting normal to the plate into a subsonic free stream was extended to jets exhausting at angles to the plate and to jets exhausting normal to the surface of a body of revolution. The complete method consisted of an analytical method which models the blockage and entrainment properties of the jet and an empirical correlation which accounts for viscous effects. For the flat plate case, the method was applicable to jet velocity ratios up to ten, jet inclination angles up to 45 deg from the normal, and radial distances up to five diameters from the jet. For the body of revolution case, the method was applicable to a body at zero degrees angle of attack, jet velocity ratios 1.96 and 3.43, circumferential angles around the body up to 25 deg from the jet, axial distances up to seven diameters from the jet, and jet-to-body diameter ratios less than 0.1.


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LARGE SCALE WIND TUNNEL INVESTIGATION FOR FUTURE MODIFICATIONS TO THE QUIET SHORT-HAUL RESEARCH AIRCRAFT

Donald N. Hultman Sep. 1980 35 p refs

A SIMULATOR STUDY OF CONTROL AND DISPLAY AUGMENTATIONS FOR HELICOPTERS Final Report


Automotive flare and decrab control laws for conventional takeoff and landing aircraft were adapted to the unique requirements of the powered lift short takeoff and landing airplane. Three longitudinal autoland control laws were developed. Direct lift and direct drag control were used in the longitudinal axis. A fast time simulation was used for the control law synthesis, with emphasis on stochastic performance prediction and evaluation. Good correlation with flight test results was obtained.

A COMPARISON OF FLIGHT AND SIMULATION DATA FOR THREE AUTOMATIC LANDING SYSTEM CONTROL LAWS FOR THE AUGMENTOR WING JET STOL RESEARCH AIRPLANE

S. F.

Nielsen Engineering and Research, Inc., Mountain View, Calif.

A CORRELATION METHOD TO PREDICT THE SURFACE PRESSURE DISTRIBUTION OF AN INFINITE PLATE OR A BODY OF REVOLUTION FROM WHICH A JET IS ISSUING Final Report, 1 Dec. 1978 - 1 May 1980

R.C.T.
The performance and economic benefits available by incorporation of advanced technologies into the small, short haul transport were assessed. Low cost structure and advanced engine technologies (acquisition cost and direct operating cost) are available by incorporating selected advanced technologies into the small, short haul aircraft.


The measurement modal pressure spectra were converted to modal pressure levels. The measured modal pressure spectra were converted to modal power spectra and integrated over the frequency range 200-6000 Hz. The acoustic efficiency levels (acoustic power normalized by jet kinetic energy flow), when plotted vs jet Mach number, showed a strong dependence on the ratio of restriction diameter to pipe diameter. The acoustic energy flow analyses based on the thermodynamic energy equation and on the results of Mohring both resulted in orthogonality properties for the eigenfunctions of the radial mode shape equation. These orthogonality relationships involve the eigenvalues and derivatives of the radial mode shape functions. F.O.S.


DYNAMIC MODAL ESTIMATION USING INSTRUMENTAL VARIABLES


A method to determine the modes of dynamical systems is described. The inputs and outputs of a system are Fourier transformed and averaged to reduce the error level. An instrumental variable method that estimates modal parameters from multiple correlations between responses of single input, multiple output systems is applied. Aircraft, spacecraft, and off-shore platform modal parameters. E.D.K.

N80-32815# California Univ., Berkeley. Space Sciences Lab.

IRRIGATED LANDS ASSESSMENT FOR WATER MANAGEMENT APPLICATIONS PILOT TEST (APT) Final Report


There are no author-identified significant results in this report.


MODAL CONTENT OF NOISE GENERATED BY A COAXIAL JET IN A PIPE


Noise generated by air flow through a coaxial obstruction in a long, straight pipe was investigated with concentration on the modal characteristics of the noise field inside the pipe and downstream of the restriction. Two measurement techniques were developed for separation of the noise into the acoustic duct modes. The instantaneous mode separation technique uses four microphones, equally spaced in the circumferential direction, at the same axial location. The time-averaged mode separation technique uses three microphones mounted at the same axial location. A matrix operation on time-averaged data produces the modal pressure levels. This technique requires the restrictive assumption that the acoustic modes are uncorrelated with each other. The measured modal pressure spectra were converted to modal power spectra and integrated over the frequency range 30-1000 Hz. The performance and economic benefits available by incorporation of advanced technologies into the small, short haul transport were assessed. Low cost structure and advanced engine technologies (acquisition cost and direct operating cost) are available by incorporating selected advanced technologies into the small, short haul aircraft.

T.M.

N80-33381# Sikorsky Aircraft, Stratford, Conn.

ANALYSIS AND CORRELATION OF TEST DATA FROM AN ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY ROTOR SYSTEM Final Report


The performance and blade vibratory loads characteristics for an advanced rotor system as predicted by analysis and as measured in a 1/5 scale model wind tunnel test, a full scale model wind tunnel test and flight test were compared. The 1/5 scale model rotor predicted conservative full scale rotor performance as expected due to Reynolds number effects. Although blade vibratory moment trends with advance ratio were predicted by the 1/5 scale model, the absolute values of the blade vibratory moments were underpredicted. The full scale model predicted forward flight performance within + or - 5% blade vibratory loads, however, were underpredicted. The result of rotor inflow distortions imparted by the flow over the fuselage. The coupled normal modes (Y201) elastic rotor blade analysis incorporating variable inflow was able to predict most of the trends of the test data at the higher advance ratios, but was unable to predict the absolute magnitude of the blade 1/2 peak to peak moments at all cruise speed and rotor lift conditions.

A.R.H.

N80-33381# Human Resources Research Organization, Alexandria, Va.

CIVIL HELICOPTER WIRE STRIKE ASSESSMENT STUDY. VOLUME 1: FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS Final Report


Approximately 208 civil helicopter wire strike accidents for a ten year period 1970 to 1979 are analyzed. It is found that 83% of the wire strikes occurred during bright clear weather. Analysis of the accidents is organized under pilot, environment, and machine factors. Methods to reduce the wire strike accident rate are discussed, including detection/warning devices, identification of wire locations prior to flight, wire cutting devices, and implementation of training programs. The benefits to be gained by implementing accident avoidance methods are estimated to be fully justified by reduction in injury and death and reduction of aircraft damage and loss.

J.M.S.

N80-33396# General Dynamics/Convair, San Diego, Calif.

APPLICATION OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES TO SMALL, SHORT-HAUL AIR TRANSPORTS Final Report


A study was conducted of the application of advanced technologies to small, short-haul transport aircraft. A three abreast, 30 passenger design for flights of approximately 100 nautical...
miles was evaluated. Higher wing loading, active flight control, and a gust alleviation system results in improved ride quality. Substantial savings in fuel and direct operating cost are forecast. An aircraft of this configuration also has significant benefits in forms of reliability and operability which should enable it to sell a total of 450 units through 1990, of which 80% are for airline use.

NAVIER-STOKES EQUATIONS Final Report
NASA-CR-3330. Avail: NTIS HC A02/MF A01 CSCL 20D

A second-order time-accurate and spatially factored algorithm was used in a finite difference scheme for the numerical solution of the time-dependent, incompressible, two dimensional Navier-Stokes equations in conservation-law form using vorticity and stream function variables. The systems of equations are solved at each time step by an iterative technique. Numerical results were obtained for a circular cylinder at a Reynolds number of 15. and an NACA 0012 airfoil at zero angle of attack at Reynolds numbers of 10 to the third and 10 to the fourth powers. The results are in agreement with another numerical technique, and the computing time required to obtain the steady state solution at the Reynolds number of 10 to the fourth power was 49.7 sec on CDC 7600 computer using a 85 x 84 computational grid.

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N80-33397#/ General Dynamics Corp., Groton, Conn.
STUDY FOR CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OF VEO, VTOL EXHAUST NOZZLE
W. C. Bittick, Jul. 1980 91 p
(Contract NAS2-10127)
(NASA-CR-152388) Avail: NTIS HC A05/MF A01 CSCL 01C

Design requirements for a VEO Wing V/STOL exhaust nozzle with a two dimensional shape and having the capability for upper surface blowing, spanwise blowing, and 90 deg turning of the exhaust flow for VTOL were established. A preliminary design of the nozzle that identified the actuation scheme, dimensions, the flowpath, and the recommended materials were prepared. The airplane characteristics resulting from integrating the study nozzle were established.

PILOT/VEHICLE MODEL ANALYSIS OF VISUAL AND MOTION CUE REQUIREMENTS IN FLIGHT SIMULATION
Final Report
(NASA-CR-3312; Rept-4300) Avail: NTIS HC A08/MF A01 CSCL 05E

The optimal control model (OCM) of the human operator is used to predict the effect of simulator characteristics on pilot performance and workload. The piloting task studied is helicopter hover. Among the simulator characteristics considered were (computer generated) visual display resolution, field of view and time delay.

Pilot/Vehicle Model Analysis of Visual and Motion Cue Requirements in Flight Simulation Final Report
(NASA-CR-3312; Rept-4300) Avail: NTIS HC A08/MF A01 CSCL 05E

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Allen H. Schoen, Harold Rosenstein, Kaydon Stanzione, and John S. Wisniewski May 1980 827 p refs Revision (Contracts NAS2-6107; N62269 79-C-0706)
(NASA-CR-163639: AD-A088383; DS-0375-6-Rev-3) Avail: NTIS HC A99/MF A01 CSCL 09/2

This report describes the use of the V/STOL Aircraft Sizing and Performance Computer Program (VASCMP II). The program is useful in performing aircraft parametric studies in a quick and cost efficient manner. Problem formulation and data development were performed by the Boeing Vertol Company and reflects the present preliminary design technology. The computer program, written in FORTRAN IV, has a broad range of input parameters, to enable investigation of a wide variety of aircraft. User oriented features of the program include minimized input requirements, diagnostic capabilities, and various options for program flexibility.

N80-33718#/ National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
A RAPID IMPLICIT-EXPLICIT SOLUTION TO THE TWO-
DIMENSIONAL TIME DEPENDENT INCOMPRESSIBLE

QUIET SHORT-HAUL RESEARCH AIRCRAFT PREDICTED FLIGHT CHARACTERISTICS
Clarence C. Flora, Robin Middleton, and Donald K. Schafer Oct. 1979 168 p refs (Contract NAS2-9081)
(NASA-CR-152203) Unclassified report

The aircraft design, including systems and flight controls, is described along with its typical performance characteristics. Flying qualities for the normal airplane and characteristics after significant failures are covered. The aircraft is predicted to have satisfactory flying qualities for aircraft normal states and acceptable, safe flying qualities for failure states.


The mathematical model which was developed for the quiet short-haul research aircraft (QSRRA), was changed from a multi-faceted model to a final format that reflects the delivered airplane configurations. The highlights and limitations of each module of the QSRRA simulation mathematical model are presented.

R.E.S.


The design and certification criteria for practical quiet propulsive lift short haul aircraft are discussed. Takeoff and landing and other near terminal operations associated with the propulsive lift mode of flight are emphasized.

R.C.T.

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The governing equations of motion of a helicopter rotor coupled to a rigid body fuselage are derived. A consistent formulation is used to derive nonlinear periodic coefficient equations of motion which can be used to study coupled rotor/fuselage dynamics in forward flight. The methodology of rotor/fuselage coupling is clearly described and the importance of an ordering scheme in deriving consistent nonlinear equations of motion is reviewed. The final equations which are presented in partial differential form can be used to model coupled rotor/fuselage aeroelastic response or stability problems. (Author)


The characteristics of optimum fixed-range trajectories whose structure is constrained to climb, steady cruise, and descent segments are determined by application of optimal control theory. The performance function consists of the sum of fuel and time costs, referred to as direct operating costs (DOC). The state variable is range-to-go and the independent variable is energy. In this formulation a cruise segment always occurs at the optimum cruise energy for sufficiently large range. At short ranges (500 m. ni. and less) a cruise segment may also occur below the optimum cruise energy. The existence of such a cruise segment depends primarily on the fuel flow vs thrust characteristics and on thrust constraints. If thrust is a free control variable along with airspeed, it is shown that such cruise segments will not generally occur. If thrust is constrained to some maximum value in climb and to some minimum in descent, such cruise segments generally will occur. The performance difference between free thrust and constrained thrust trajectories has been determined in computer calculations for an example transport aircraft. (Author)


Results of Pioneer Saturn vector helium magnetometer measurements of the magnetic field and magnetosphere of Saturn are reported. The detection of a bow shock at 23.7 Saturn radii and the magnetosphere crossing at 17.4 Saturn radii suggest an equatorial surface field of 0.3 gauss, which is similar to that of the earth, and the polarity of the field is observed to be similar to that of Jupiter and opposite to that of the earth. An increase of magnetic field strength with decreasing radius indicates the dipole nature of the magnetic field, which modified by the compression of the magnetosphere by the solar wind and the presence of a ring current in the middle magnetosphere. Inversions of the field measurements to obtain equivalent dipole source vectors reveal that the tilt angle between the magnetic dipole and the rotation axis is less than 1 deg, and spherical harmonic analysis of the data indicates that the magnetic field is more uniform than those of the earth and Jupiter, consistent with a small Saturn core. An apparent hemisymmetric wake associated with Titan was also observed. A.L.W.


A wind tunnel investigation of the acoustic and aerodynamic characteristics of two hybrid inlets installed on a JT15D-1 turbofan engine was performed. The hybrid inlets combined moderate throat Mach number and wall acoustic treatment to suppress the fan inlet noise. Acoustic and aerodynamic data were recorded over a range of flight and engine operating conditions. In a simulated flight environment, the hybrid inlets provided significant levels of suppression at both design and off-design throat Mach numbers with good aerodynamic performance. A comparison of inlet noise at quasi-static and forward-speed conditions in the wind tunnel showed a reduction in the fan tones, demonstrating the flight cleanup effect. High angles of attack produced slight increases in fan noise at the high acoustic directivity angles. (Author)


The article discusses the results of a survey of commuter airline operators and large and small airframe manufacturers conducted by the Small Transport Aircraft Technology Office of the NASA Ames Research Center. Attention is given to economic concerns of the operator and manufacturer, as well as social concerns of the passenger, community, and system. Discussion also covers research and technology opportunities for improving commuter aircraft, and provides a background of information on the commuter and short-haul local-service air carriers, regulations pertaining to their aircraft, and operations, overall airline interfaces, and facility requirements. M.E.P.


The article surveys the results of the NASA-instituted Small Transport Aircraft Technology (STAT) research effort aimed at generating advanced technologies for application to new small, short haul transports having significantly better performance, efficiency, and environmental compatibility. Discussion covers fuselage designs and bonded aluminum honeycomb wing construction which reduces the number of parts and fasteners, and gives a smoother outer contour. Topics discussed include: advanced aluminum alloys, composite primary structures, propellers, engine components, icing protection, avionics, flight controls, aerodynamics, and gust load alleviation. M.E.P.


The Quiet Short-Haul Research Aircraft (OSRA), designed to expand the technology base of the upper-surface blowing propulsion lift principle in order to establish criteria for the U.S. aircraft industry and for advanced STOL aircraft, is considered. The aircraft, which includes a three-axis, single channel, limited authority series type stability augmentation system, and a high-speed data system is described. Also discussed are STOL and acoustic performance, and handling qualities, particularly thrust effects. The OSRA has demon-
strated its ability, even with the critical engine inoperative, to approach at 68 knots (wing loading of 83 lb/sq ft) and on a 9 degree glidepath; to maneuver in a 700-ft radius turn, and to land in an FAA field length of 1450 ft (over a 35-ft obstacle).

J.P.B.


A transformation in the s-plane is described which has utility in implicit model-following optimal control design application and in estimation or parameter identification problems. The objective of the transformation is, for the control problem, to achieve an unstable closed-loop system, and, for the estimation problem, to alleviate algorithm convergence problems that may arise in identifying unstable systems. For the control problem, the transformation is a shift along the real (sigma) axis of the plant and model poles and zeros. This transformation is shown to be equivalent to a modified performance index but offers the advantage of compatibility with existing optimal control solution algorithms. For the estimation problem, the data are multiplied by an exponential function and the assumed measurement and process noise covariances are appropriately modified. Examples of both control and estimation applications are presented.

(Author)


The paper reports a complementary extension of previous work to include the high-frequency features reflected in the discussion of the higher Strouhal number influence on flight effects. It is found that, in addition to the usual features of flight effects on noise from ordinary flows, the high Strouhal number flows exhibit some more interesting features which are uniquely characteristic to them. The additional features are as follows: (1) Flight effects are more favorable to hot jets than to cold jets; (2) the higher the Strouhal number of the jet flow, the lesser the forward arc amplification due to flight; (3) as the Strouhal number increases, the peak amplification angle in the forward quadrant and the peak suppression angle in the aft quadrant move toward 90 deg and get closer, thus reducing the amplification exposure to a constricted angular region; (4) the silence zone is disturbed and displaced from its normal position parallel to the jet flow to give rise to multiple crossings of flight curves with the static line; and (5) the occurrence of multiple crossings is a strong phenomenon solely characteristic of high Strouhal number with high subcritical jet flows in flight.

S.D.


The rough ride a helicopter endures is known to be self-generated. This roughness results in fatigueing blade loads and vibration which can be eliminated or greatly reduced by multicyclic control. Rotor performance may also be improved. Several types of rotors which have employed multicyclic control are reviewed and compared. Their differences are highlighted and their potential advantages and disadvantages are discussed. The flow fields these rotors must operate in is discussed, and it is shown that simultaneous elimination of vibration and oscillatory blade loads is not an inherent solution to the roughness problem. The use of rotor blades and energy absorbers is proposed. Input-output relations are considered and a gain control for ROMULAN, a multicyclic controlling computer program, is introduced. Implications of the introduction of multicyclic systems into helicopters are also discussed.

(Author)


A group-velocity criterion for vortex breakdown implied by wave trapping theory is applied to vortex flows in a slightly divergent duct that exhibits breakdown. The group velocities for both symmetric (n = 0) and nonsymmetric (n = plus or - 1) modes of wave propagation are calculated for the experimental data. It is found that the flow ahead of the breakdown region is always supercritical and stable to these modes of disturbances. However, the flow field behind the breakdown region may be either supercritical or subcritical to the modes n = 0 and n = 1, and always supercritical to mode n = -1. The flow field behind this breakdown region is unstable to the asymmetric mode disturbance (n = 1) for a finite range of wavenumbers. The calculated frequencies of the unstable disturbances are in good agreement with the frequencies obtained from the experimental measurements.

(Author)

CONFERENCES PAPERS

NBO-10109# National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

NASA OVERVIEW

David G. Koening. In its Workshop on Thrust Augmenting Injectors, Sep. 1979 p 23-40 refs (For primary document see NBO-10107 01-02)

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The history of NASA efforts at Ames Research Center in researching the performance and application of thrusting augmentors is reviewed. Current objectives include: (1) parametric description of thrust augmentor application to STOL and V/STOL; (2) the use of theoretical and empirical data; (3) aircraft augmentor integration; and (4) key design considerations for STOL transport and V/STOL fighter aircraft. Test facilities are described and ejector development and performance are assessed. A.R.H.

NBO-15164# National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

CONTROL OF FOREBODY THREE-DIMENSIONAL FLOW SEPARATIONS

David J. Peake and F. Kevin Owen (Owen Intern., Inc. Palo Alto, Calif.) in AGARD Aerody. Characteristics of Controls Spp. 1979 49 p refs (For primary document see NBO-15149 06-08)

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The development of the turbulent symmetric and asymmetric vortex flow about the lee side of a 5 deg semispan conical body at high relative incidence was investigated. The cone was immersed in a Mach 0.6 airstream at a Reynolds number of 13.5 x 10 to the 6th power based on the 1.4 m axial length of the cone. Small amounts of air injected normally or tangentially to the cone surface, but on one side of the leeward meridian and beneath the vortex farthest from the wall, were effective in biasing the asymmetry. With this reorientation of the forebody vortices, the amplitude of the side force could be reduced to the point where its direction was reversed. This phenomenon was obtained either by changing the blowing rate at constant incidence or by changing incidence at constant blowing rate. Normal injection appeared more effective than tangential injection. The contrarotating vortices in the penetrating jet flow of
opposite hand to the rotational directions of the forebody vortices. A distinctly organized and stable flow structure emerged with the jet vortices positioned above the forebody vortices. K.L.

N80-21249*# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
AN ACCEPTABLE ROLE FOR COMPUTERS IN THE AIRCRAFT DESIGN PROCESS
Thomson J. Gregory and Leonard Roberts In AGARD The Use of Computers as a Design Tool Jan. 1980 7 p refs (For primary document see N80-21243 12-01)
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Some of the reasons why the computerization trend is not wholly accepted are explored for two typical cases: computer use in the technical specialties and computer use in aircraft synthesis. The factors that limit acceptance are traced in part, to the large resources needed to understand the details of computer programs, the inability to include measured data as input to many of the theoretical programs, and the presentation of final results without supporting intermediate answers. Other factors are due solely to technical issues such as limited detail in aircraft synthesis and major simplifying assumptions in the technical specialties. These factors and others can be influenced by the technical specialist and aircraft designer. Some of these factors may become less significant as the computerization process evolves, but some issues, such as understanding large integrated systems, may remain issues in the future. Suggestions for improved acceptance include publishing computer programs so that they may be reviewed, edited, and read. Other mechanisms include extensive modularization of programs and ways to include technical information as part of the input to theoretical approaches. J.M.S.

N80-25590*# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
OVERVIEW OF 6 X 6-FOOT WIND TUNNEL AERO-OPTICS TESTS
Donald A. Buell In its Proc. of the Aero-Optics Symp. on Electromagnetic Wave Propagation from Aircraft Apr. 1980 p 35-90 refs (For primary document see N80-25588 16-34)
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The splitter-plate arrangement used in tests in the 6 x 6 foot wind tunnel and how it was configured to study boundary layers, both heated and unheated, shear layers over a cavity, separated flows behind spoilers, accelerated flows around a turret, and a turret wake are described. The flows are characterized by examples of the steady-state pressure and of velocity profiles through the various types of flow layers. R.E.S.

N80-25594*# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
UNSTEADY DENSITY AND VELOCITY MEASUREMENTS IN THE 6 FOOT X 6 FOOT WIND TUNNEL
William C. Rose (Rose Eng. and Res., Inc.) and Dennis A. Johnson In its Proc. of the Aero-Optics Symp. on Electromagnetic Wave Propagation from Aircraft Apr. 1980 p 153-181 refs (For primary document see N80-25588 16-34)
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The methods used and the results obtained in four aero-optic tests are summarized. It is concluded that the rather large values of density fluctuation appear to be the result of much Mach number than freestream and the violent turbulence in the flow as it separates from the turret. A representative comparison of fairing-on-fairing off rms density fluctuation indicates essentially no effect at M = 0.62 and a small effect at M = 0.95. These data indicate that some slight improvement in optical quality can be expected with the addition of a fairing, although at M = 0.62 its effect would be nil. Fairings are very useful in controlling pressure loads on turrets, but will not have first order effects on optical quality. Scale sizes increase dramatically with increasing azimuth angle for a representative condition. Since both scale sizes and fluctuation levels increase (total turbulence path length also increases) with azimuth angle, substantial optical degradation might be expected. For shorter wave lengths, large degradations occur. R.E.S.

N80-25600*# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
OPTIMIZED LASER TURRETS FOR MINIMUM PHASE DISTORTION
G. N. Vanderplas, Allen E. Fuhs (Naval Postgraduate School), and Gregory A. Blaisdell (Calif. Inst. of Tech., Pasadena) In its Proc. of the Aero-Optics Symp. on Electromagnetic Wave Propagation from Aircraft Apr. 1980 p 339-362 refs Sponsored by AFWL (For primary document see N80-25588 16-34)
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An analysis and comparison which optimizes laser turret geometry to obtain minimum phase distortion is described. Phase distortion due to compressible, inviscid flow over small perturbation laser turrets in subsonic or supersonic flow is calculated. The turret shape is determined by a two dimensional Fourier series; in a similar manner, the flow properties are given by a Fourier series. Phase distortion is calculated for propagation at several combinations of elevation and azimuth angles. A sum is formed from the set of values, and this sum becomes the objective function for an optimization computer program. The shape of the turret is varied to provide minimum phase distortion. M.G.

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EFFECTIVENESS OF ADVANCED FUEL-CONSERVATIVE PROCEDURES IN THE TRANSITIONAL ATC ENVIRONMENT
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The real time simulation (including both the pilot and the air traffic controller) of fuel conservative approaches, profile descents, and four dimensional area navigation to assess the effectiveness of the procedures is discussed. Generally, results indicate some difficulties with the procedures tested in a mixed traffic environment and point to the need for computer assistance for effective implementation of candidate procedures. M.G.

An ejector design concept for V/STOL aircraft, featuring a double-delta configuration with two large chordwise ejector slots adjacent to the fuselage side and a tailplane or canard for longitudinal control is examined. Large scale model tests of the concept have shown that ejector systems are capable of significant thrust augmentation at realistic supply pressures and temperatures, so that power plant size and weight can be reduced accordingly. A thrust augmentation of at least 1.75 can be achieved for the isolated ejector, not making allowance for duct and nozzle losses. Substantial reductions in velocity, temperature and noise of the lifting jet are
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A model comprised of system level weight and cost estimating relationships for transport aircraft is presented. In order to determine the production cost of future aircraft its weight is first estimated based on performance parameters, and then the cost is estimated as a function of weight. For initial evaluation CEs were applied to actual system weights of six aircraft (3 military and 3 commercial) with mean empty weights ranging from 30,000 to 300,000 lb. The resulting cost estimates were compared with actual costs. The average absolute error was only 4.3%. Then the model was applied to five aircraft still in the design phase (Boeing 757, 767 and 777, and BAC HS146-100 and HS146-200). While the estimates for the 757 and 767 are within 2 to 3 percent of their assumed break-even costs, it is recognized that these are very sensitive to the validity of the estimated weights, inflation factor, the amount assumed for non-recurring costs, etc., and it is suggested that the model may be used in conjunction with other information such as RDT&E cost estimates and market forecasts. The model will help NASA evaluate new technologies and production costs of future aircraft.

L.M.

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The paper deals with the salient phenomena of three-dimensional symmetric and asymmetric separated flows about typical forebodies at high angles of attack. Particular consideration is given to pressure, forces, and laser vapor screen measurements carried out on a 5-deg semicircle cone in a Mach 0.6 flow under turbulent conditions and supportive tests using a 16-deg semicircle tangent ogive.

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Automated design using numerical optimization. G. N. Vanderplaats (NASA, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.), Society of Automotive Engineers, Aerospace Meeting, Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 3-6, 1979, Paper 79061. 12 p. 56 refs. Numerical optimization concepts are described with limited technical detail. The purpose is to provide the nonspecialist with sufficient information to judge the applicability of these methods to his particular design problem. The concepts are first described in physical terms to give a basic understanding of the iterative procedure employed by these methods. Next, the typical engineering task is presented and converted to a form amenable to solution by numerical optimization. Basic algorithms for solving this problem are identified. Numerous applications are referenced, emphasizing the structural design discipline. The state of the art allows for the routine solution of nonlinear design problems of approximately 20 independent variables subject to 100 or more constraints. In many applications, much larger design problems may be solved. Selected references are provided which describe the methods and applications in more detail. (Author)

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Recent state-of-the-art techniques in rotor systems include the use of active feedback to augment the dynamic control characteristics of an aircraft system. A recent test of a stoppage rotor with blade circulation blowing was conducted in the Ames Research Center's 40- by 80-ft wind tunnel. A major part of the test schedule was dedicated to the acquisition of data to determine the stability of
a closed-loop hub-moment feedback control system. Therefore, the open-loop control response was measured at several flight conditions to ascertain the stability of the system prior to the final closed-loop feedback control test. Measurements were made during both the stopped and rotating rotor modes, and open-loop Bode plots were obtained for the control loops associated with the moments about the longitudinal and lateral axis. (Author)


The turbulent character of the boundary layer and wake associated with an airfoil has been studied at a Reynolds number of 1,000,000 and a Mach number of 0.1. To accomplish these measurements, a unique laser Doppler anemometer (LDA) has been developed that is capable of sensing two velocity components from a remote distance of 2.13 m. Using special simultaneity logic and counter-type signal processors, the geometrical features of the LDA have been exploited to provide variable spatial resolution as low as 0.2 mm. By combining the LDA with an on-line computerized data acquisition and display system, it has been possible to measure mean velocity and Reynolds stress tensor distribution at several locations along the upper surface of a 0.9-m-chord, flapped airfoil installed in the Ames 7- by 10-Foot Wind Tunnel. (Author)


The development and application of methods for reconstructing, from a limited set of recorded data, a comprehensive scenario of aircraft motions before and during an accident are described. The accuracy of these analytical methods is investigated using data recorded onboard the Ames CV-990 research aircraft. In these experiments, the expanded set of data, derived from either foil or ATC records, is compared with corresponding values measured by the research instrumentation system onboard the aircraft. The results indicate that many of the derived quantities are in good agreement with the corresponding onboard measurements. A recent application of this procedure using actual accident records is presented and potential applications are briefly reviewed. (Author)


A novel technique utilizing an infrared-sensitive imaging camera has been used to determine the location of three-dimensional (3-D) separated flow regions on an inclined 5 deg semiangle fiberglass cone. The results illustrate that there is a change in the contrast of the infrared (IR) signature on the cone surface corresponding with the location where the skin-friction lines merge toward lines of 3-D separation. This technique should offer a convenient means for locating separated flow regions on wind-tunnel models while obtaining simultaneous force, skin-friction, and pressure data. (Author)


The use of a minicomputer for the acquisition and analysis of unsteady aerodynamic data is described. Some of the novel features of the system include: on-line digitization, a signal-averaging algorithm, Fourier decomposition, graphical display, and on-line theoretical computations to compare with the ongoing experiment. The system’s capabilities are described using some data from a recently completed oscillating airfoil experiment. (Author)


The availability of the airborne digital computer has made possible a Total Aircraft Flight Control System (TACOS) that uses virtually the complete nonlinear propulsive and aerodynamic data for the aircraft to construct dynamic trim maps that represent an inversion of the aircraft model. The trim maps, in series with the aircraft, provide essentially a linear feed-forward path. Basically, open-loop trajectory control is employed with only a small perturbation feedback signal required to compensate for inaccuracy in the aircraft model and for external disturbances. Simulation results for application to an automatic carrier-landing system are presented. Flight-test results for a STOL aircraft operating automatically over a major portion of its flight regime are presented. The concept promises a more rapid and straightforward design from aerodynamic principles, particularly for highly nonlinear configurations, and requires substantially less digital computer capacity than conventional automatic flight-control system designs. (Author)


The term multicyclic control describes a blade pitch control technique used by helicopter designers to alleviate vibration in rotorcraft. Because rotor-induced vibrations are periodic, a multicyclic system, synchronized to the main rotor’s azimuth position, is suitable. Many types of rotors - ranging from the jet-flap and circulation-control rotors to the conventional full-blade feathering rotors - have utilized multicyclic control. Multicyclic control systems may be designed to reduce blade-bending stresses, to reduce rotor-induced vibration, and to improve rotor performance. Rotor types are reviewed, primarily to highlight their differences. The increased use of composites in blade construction is seen to enhance the efficacy of multicyclic control. Adaptive feedback control systems, which also incorporate gust alleviation, are considered to be the ultimate application of multicyclic control. (Author)

A80-34998 * # Multicyclic control of a helicopter rotor considering the influence of vibration, loads, and control motion. T. J. Brown and J. L. McCloud, III (NASA, Ames Research Center,

Weighted multiple linear regression is used to establish a transfer function matrix relationship between higher harmonic control inputs and transducer vibration outputs for a controllable twist rotor. Data used in the regression were taken from the test of a KAMAN controllable twist rotor conducted in the Ames Research Center's 40-by-80 Foot Wind Tunnel in June 1979. Optimal controls to minimize fixed system vibrational levels are calculated using linear quadratic regulatory theory with a control deflection penalty included in the performance criteria. Control sensitivity to changes in control travel, forward speed, and lift and propulsive forces is examined. It is found that the linear transfer matrix is a strong function of forward speed and a weak function of lift and propulsive force. An open-loop strategy is proposed for systems with limited control travel. (Author)


The unsteady aerodynamics of a conventional and a supercritical airfoil are compared by examining measured chordwise unsteady pressure time-histories from four selected flow conditions. Although an oscillating supercritical airfoil excites more harmonics, the strength of the airfoil's shock wave is the more important parameter governing the complexity of the unsteady flow. Whether they are conventional or supercritical, airfoils that support weak shock waves induce unsteady loads that are qualitatively predictable with classical theories; flows with strong shock waves are sensitive to details of the shock-wave and boundary-layer interaction and cannot be adequately predicted. (Author)


An experimental study of the propulsive-lift noise of the NASA-Ames quiet short-haul research aircraft (QSPA) is described. Comparisons are made of measured QSPA flyover noise and model propulsive-lift noise data available in references. Developmental tests of trailing-edge treatments were conducted using sawtooth-shaped and porous USB flap trailing-edge extensions. Small scale parametric tests were conducted to determine noise reduction/design relationships. Full-scale static tests were conducted with the QSPA preparatory to the selection of edge treatment designs for flight testing. QSPA flight and published model propulsive-lift noise data have similar characteristics. Noise reductions of 2 to 3 dB were achieved over a wide range of frequency and directivity angles in static tests of the QSPA. These noise reductions are expected to be achieved or surpassed in flight tests planned by NASA in 1980. (Author)


It is noted that several NASA-sponsored studies have identified a substantial potential fuel savings for high subsonic speed aircraft utilizing the propfan concept compared to the equivalent technology turbofan aircraft. Attention is given to a feasibility study for propfan-powered short- to medium-haul commercial transport aircraft conducted to evaluate potential fuel savings and identify critical technology requirements using the latest propfan performance data. An analysis is made of the design and performance characteristics of a wing-mounted and two- aft-mounted derivative propfan aircraft configurations, based on a DC-9 Super 80 airframe, which are compared to the baseline turbofan design. Finally, recommendations for further research efforts are also made. M.E.P.

A semispan wing and nacelle of a typical general aviation twin-engine aircraft was tested to evaluate the cooling capability and drag of several nacelle shapes. The nacelle shapes included cooling air inlets and exit variations. The tests were conducted in the Ames Research Center's 40- by 80-Foot Wind Tunnel. It was found that the cooling air inlet geometry of opposed piston engine installations has a major effect on inlet pressure recovery, but only a minor effect on drag. Exit location showed a large effect on drag, especially for those locations on the sides of the nacelle where the suction characteristics were based on interaction with the wing surface pressures.

(Author)


The pressure recovery of incoming cooling air and the drag associated with engine cooling of a typical general aviation twin-engine aircraft was investigated experimentally. The semispan model was mounted vertically in the 40- by 80-Foot Wind Tunnel at Ames Research Center. The propeller was driven by an electric motor to provide thrust with low vibration levels for the cold-flow configuration. It was found that the propeller slipstream reduces the frontal air spillage around the blunt nacelle shape. Consequently, this slipstream effect promotes flow reattachment at the rear section of the engine nacelle and improves inlet pressure recovery. These effects are most pronounced at high angles of attack, that is, climb condition. For the cruise condition those improvements were more moderate.

(Author)


Attempts to predict surface pressure distributions on lifting surfaces have been relatively unsuccessful in the transonic regime when the shock wave is of sufficient strength to produce an extensive region of turbulent separated flow. For these conditions, the viscous flow behavior must be accurately described even to obtain reasonable predictions of surface pressure. The present paper addresses this problem. Detailed comparisons between prediction and experiment are made for a transonic, turbulent boundary-layer separation (freestream Mach number = 0.875) for which the turbulent flow properties (including the turbulent Reynolds stress) had been measured by the laser velocimeter technique from upstream of the separated region through reattachment. The flow was generated on an axisymmetric 'bump' model designed to simulate the flow on an airfoil at transonic conditions. The numerical methods used in the comparisons include the solution of the time-dependent, mass-averaged Navier-Stokes equations, and the solution of the compressible boundary-layer equations by the inverse method. Solutions were obtained for the well established Cebeci-Smith algebraic turbulence model and the more recently developed Wilcox-Rubesin two-equation turbulence model.

(Author)


Potential sources of error in the use of heated surface gages for separated skin-friction measurement are studied. Emphasis is placed on the interpretation of local skin-friction measurements in two- and three-dimensional separated turbulent shear flows before they are used to test the validity of current and proposed computer codes.

V.T.


A combined experimental and numerical study was performed to include wind-tunnel wall interference effects in calculations for airfoil flows at transonic speeds. Pressure-survey-tube and laser-Doppler velocimeter measurements were made in the flow field about an airfoil in the 2- by 2-Foot Transonic Wind Tunnel at Ames Research Center. The results were then used as boundary data in a Navier-Stokes code modified by incorporating a pressure condition on the upper and lower computational boundaries. Comparison of calculated results and experimental data obtained from the surface of the airfoil indicates that the pressure-boundary condition is particularly effective in moving the shock to a position near that observed experimentally when the flow remains attached. For flows with large separation, shock position and viscous-layer properties are not well predicted, principally because of the inadequacies of the algebraic turbulence models employed with the method.

(Author)

A state-variable feedback approach is utilized for active control of rotorcraft vibration. Fuselage accelerations are passed through undamped second-order filters with resonant frequencies at N/rev. The resulting outputs contain predominantly the N/rev vibration components, phase shifted by 180 deg, and are used to drive the blade pitch to cancel this component of fuselage vibration. The linear-quadratic-gaussian (LQG) method is used to design a feedback control system utilizing these filtered accelerations. The design is based on a nine-degree-of-freedom linear model of the Rotor System Research Aircraft (RSRA) in hover and is evaluated on a nonlinear blade-element simulation of the RSRA for this flight condition. The system is shown to essentially eliminate vibrations at N/rev in all axes. The required blade-pitch amplitude is within the capability of conventional actuators at the N/rev frequency.

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A brief survey of the more dominant analysis techniques used in closed-loop handling-qualities research is presented. These techniques are shown to rely on so-called classical and modern analytical models of the human pilot which have their foundation in the analysis and design principles of feedback control. The optimal control of the human pilot is discussed in some detail and a novel approach to the a priori selection of pertinent model parameters is discussed. Frequency domain and tracking performance data from 10 pilot-in-the-loop simulation experiments involving 3 different tasks are used to demonstrate the parameter selection technique. Finally, the utility of this modeling approach in handling-qualities research is discussed.


A moving-base simulator experiment conducted at Ames Research Center demonstrated that a wings-level-turn control mode improved flying qualities for air-to-ground weapons delivery compared with those of a conventional aircraft. Evaluations of criteria for dynamic response for this system have shown that pilot ratings correlate well on the basis of equivalent time constant of the initial response. Ranges of this time constant, as well as digital-system transport delays and lateral-lead acceleration control authorities that encompassed Level I through Level III handling qualities, were determined.


Owing to recent economic and regulatory changes and escalating fuel costs, major airlines have begun to shift their short-haul service to longer, more profitable routes, leaving short-haul operations to rapidly growing commuter airlines. The short-haul routes are currently serviced by small turboprop-powered aircraft. The results of some recent design studies aimed at replacing the turboprops with specialized propeller- and rotor-driven aircraft are discussed. Some potential future designs are illustrated and discussed. V.P.


Piloted flight simulations are used throughout the aircraft development process to evaluate design concepts, handling qualities and operational procedures. Simulation project managers are often inundated with data but without a convenient and efficient way to make the correlations and analyses necessary to evaluate system performance. A computer-based Simulation Management System (SIMS) is under development. SIMS will permit simulation project engineers to quickly acquire, access, display, edit, analyze, and document the information necessary to more efficiently manage the research program. SIMS features interactive, associative access to simulation data. This paper describes SIMDEM, a prototype system designed to demonstrate these concepts and procedures in order to obtain feedback from simulator users to guide system design.

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A real-time imaging system for displaying the solar coronal soft X-ray emission, focussed by a grazing incidence telescope, is described. The design parameters of the system, which is to be used primarily as part of a real-time control system for a sounding rocket experiment, are identified. Their achievement with a system consisting of a microchannel plate, for the conversion of X-rays into visible light, and a slow-scan vidicon, for recording and transmission of the integrated images, is described in detail. The system has a quantum efficiency better than 8 deg above 8 A, a dynamic range of 1000 coupled with a sensitivity to single photoelectrons, and provides a spatial resolution of 16 arc seconds over a field of view of 40 x 40 square arc minutes. The incident radiation is filtered to eliminate wavelengths longer than 100 A. Each image contains 3.93 x 10 to the 5th bits of information and is transmitted to the ground where it is processed by a mini-computer and displayed in real-time on a standard TV monitor.


This paper surveys recent work on the use of integral equations for the calculation of wind tunnel interference. Due to the large number of possible physical situations, the discussion is limited to two-dimensional subsonic and transonic flows. In the subsonic case, the governing boundary value problems are shown to reduce to a class of Cauchy singular equations generalizing the classical airfoil equation. The theory and numerical solution are developed in some detail. For transonic flows nonlinear singular equations result, and a brief discussion of the work of Kraft and Kraft and Lo on their numerical solution is given. Some typical numerical results are presented and directions for future research are indicated.


A new approach to panel methods is explored for two-dimensional steady incompressible flows. The method uses linear distributions of sources and vortices on straight-line panels, but satisfies boundary conditions on the actual body surface, at nodes that are also end points of the panels. The result is continuity in body-surface velocity distribution, without recourse to numerical quadrature for the velocity influence coefficients. The method is unusually sensitive to the distribution of the nodes. For example, it almost always fails to give acceptable results when the nodes are
A linear aerodynamic-acoustic theory is developed for the prediction of the surface pressure distribution and three-dimensional acoustic far-field for a flat plate rectangular wing encountering a stationary short-wavelength oblique gust. It is suggested that for an infinite-span wing, leading- and trailing-edge responses to a short-wavelength gust are essentially independent. This idea is used to solve for the two-dimensional pressure field due to the passage of an infinite-span wing through an oblique gust. By allowing the field point to come down to the wing's surface, one finds an expression for the surface pressure distribution which agrees with that given in the two-dimensional aerodynamic theories of Amiet and Adamczyk. Spanswise Fourier superposition of two-dimensional solutions to the infinite-span wing problem is used to approximate the three-dimensional acoustic field due to the interaction of a stationary oblique gust with a flat-plate rectangular wing traveling at a subsonic speed.

(Author)


Acoustic radiation from a source, here viewed as an immobile point singularity with periodic strength and a given multipolar nature, is affected by the presence of nearby structural elements (e.g., rigid or impedance surfaces) as well as that of a background flow in the medium. An alternative to the conventional manner of calculating the net source output by integrating the energy flux over a distant control surface is described; this involves a direct evaluation of the secondary wavefunction at the position of the primary source and obviates the need for a (prospectively difficult) flux integration. Various full and half-planar surface configurations with an adjacent source are analyzed in detail, and the explicit results obtained, in particular, for the power factor of a dipole brings out a substantial rise in its output as the source nears the sharp edge of a half-plane.

(Author)


Two cases are considered: (1) rigid body motion of an airfoil-flap combination consisting of vertical translation of given amplitude, rotation of given amplitude about a specified axis, and rotation of given amplitude of the control surface alone about its hinge; the upwash for this problem is defined mathematically; and (2) sinusoidal gust of given amplitude and wave number, for which the upwash is defined mathematically. Simple universal formulas are presented for the most important aerodynamic coefficients in unsteady thin airfoil theory. The lift and moment induced by a generalized gust are evaluated explicitly in terms of the gust wavelength. Similarly, in the control surface problem, the lift, moment, and hinge moments are given as explicit algebraic functions of hinge location. These results can be used together with any of the standard numerical inversion routines for the elementary loads (pitch and heave).

S.D.


An efficient method for computing the Possio kernel has remained elusive up to the present time. In this paper the Possio is reformulated so that it can be computed accurately using existing high precision numerical quadrature techniques. Convergence to the correct values is demonstrated and optimization of the integration procedures is discussed. Since more general kernels such as those associated with unsteady flows in ventilated wind tunnels are analytically perturbations of the Possio free air kernel, a more accurate evaluation of their collocation matrices results with an exponential improvement in convergence. An application to predicting frequency response of an airfoil-trailing edge control system in a wind tunnel compared with that in free air is given showing strong interference effects.

(Author)


The influence of a uniform cross flow on the power output from an idealized mechanical source, namely a vibrating strip set in a co-planar rigid wall, is studied within the framework of linear acoustic theory, and the time-average power output is characterized by appropriate expansions (of exact integral representations), for both small and large wave length/strip width ratios, in the subsonic flow regime. Since boundary layers are ignored, the model source envisaged furnishes only a limited account of fluid-acoustical coupling effects.

(Author)


Consideration is given to the asymptotic behavior of the Mie scattering and extinction efficiencies for large absorbing spheres as sphere size approaches infinity. It is shown that the method used by Chylek (1975) for evaluating the infinite sums over the Mie partial wave coefficients representing these efficiencies and proving that the extinction efficiency approaches 2 is invalid, despite the correctness of the result, and that the limiting expression for the scattering efficiency obtained by this method is also incorrect. An analytical expression is then derived from geometrical optics considerations for the scattering efficiency limit which is valid when the imaginary component of the refractive index is much less than 1.

A.L.W.


A potential cause of helicopter impulsive noise, commonly called blade slap, is the unsteady lift fluctuation on a rotor blade due to interaction with the vortex trailing from another blade. The relationship between vortex structure and the intensity of the acoustic signal is investigated. Unsteady lift on the blades due to blade-vortex interaction is calculated using linear unsteady aero-

dynamic theory, and expressions are derived for the directivity, frequency spectrum, and transient signal of the radiated noise. The inviscid rollup model of Betz is used to calculate the velocity profile in the trailing vortex from the spanwise distribution of blade tip loading. A few cases of tip loading are investigated, and numerical results are presented for the unsteady lift and acoustic signal due to blade-vortex interaction. The intensity of the acoustic signal is shown to be quite sensitive to changes in tip vortex structures.

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PRESSURE AND TEMPERATURE FIELDS ASSOCIATED WITH AEROOPTICS TESTS

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The experimental investigation carried out in a 6 x 6 ft wind tunnel on four model configurations in the aer-o-optics series of tests are described. The data obtained on the random pressures (static and total pressures) and total temperatures are presented. In addition, the data for static pressure fluctuations on the Coolstat ture model are presented. The measurements indicate that the random pressures and temperature are negligible compared to their own mean (or steady state) values for the four models considered, thus allowing considerable simplification in the calculations to obtain the statistical properties of the density field. In the case of the Coolstat model tests these simplifications cannot be assumed a priori and require further investigation.

R.E.S


The effect of nonlinear feedback on nonlinear systems is discussed for problems where the controls are entered linearly. The invariance of certain quantities under feedback is established, and it is shown that these quantities contain enough information to determine if the system can be linearized using feedback and change of coordinates. Attention is given to scalar input systems emphasizing a new F-invariant property.

C.F.W.


A general form of an optimal washout filter is derived using state-space linear optimal control theory, and this is applied to the design of washout filters of various types of moving base motion simulators, including the NASA's vertical motion simulator. Attention is given to the linear elements of a washout filter. One of the nonlinearities considered is braking which may be required near the end of the simulator excursion, to prevent a crash. Although the

A solar program in X-ray astronomy using grazing incidence optics has culminated in X-ray images of the corona having one arc second spatial resolution. These images have demonstrated that, in general, X-ray optics can be fabricated to their specifications and can provide the level of resolution for which they are designed. Several aspects of these programs relating to the performance of X-ray optics in regard to resolution, including the point response function, the variation of resolution with off-axis position and the recognition that nearly all solar X-ray images have been limited, are discussed. By extending the experience gained on this and other programs it is clearly possible to design and fabricate X-ray optics with sub arc sec resolution. The performance required to meet the scientific objectives for the remainder of the century are discussed in relation to AXIO, an Advanced X-Ray Imaging Observatory for solar observations which is proposed for flight on the Space Shuttle. Several configurations of AXIO are described, each of which would be a major step in the quest for ultrahigh-resolution observations.  (Author)


A new method for calculating the coefficients of the numerator polynomial of the direct Routh approximation method (DRAM) using the least square error criterion is formulated. The necessary conditions have been obtained in terms of algebraic equations. The method is useful for low frequency as well as high frequency reduced-order models.  (Author)


An inviscid model for the interaction between a thin wing and a nearly uniform propeller slipstream is presented. The model allows the perturbation velocities due to the interaction to be potential although the undisturbed slipstream velocity is rotational. A finite difference scheme is used to solve the governing equation. Numerical examples indicate that the slipstream has a strong effect on the aerodynamic properties of the wing section within the slipstream and lesser effects elsewhere. The slipstream swirling motion strongly affects the wing load distribution, however, its effect on the wing’s total lift and wave drag is small. The axial velocity increment in the slipstream has a small effect on the wing lift, however, it causes a large increase in wave drag.  (Author)


An experimental investigation of the asymmetric body vortex wake of a circular cylinder in high subsonic flow is presented. Laser velocimeter, force and moment, and surface hot wire measurements were obtained for a freestream Mach number of 0.6 and Reynolds number (based on body diameter) of 0.62 x 10 to the 6th. Two component laser velocimeter measurements were made at three body cross-flow planes, x/d = 4, 8, and 12, and angles of attack of 25, 35, and 45 deg. Laser vapor screen photographs were also obtained at these body stations and angles of attack. Surface hot wire measurements were used to determine if any vortex switching occurred at various angles of attack of the body. The laser velocimeter measurements are related to the vapor screen photographs and force measurements. These results show that more than one asymmetric body vortex wake configuration can exist for the same angle of attack and body roll angle.  (Author)


The paper compares computer architectures for the NASA demonstration advanced avionics system. Two computer architectures are described with an unusual approach to fault tolerance: a single sparse processor can correct for faults in any of the distributed processors by taking on the role of a failed module. It was shown the system must be used from a functional point of view to properly apply redundancy and achieve fault tolerance and ultra reliability. Data are presented on complexity and mission failure probability which show that the revised version offers equivalent mission reliability at lower cost as measured by hardware and software complexity.  (Author)


An analytical model of fan noise caused by inflow turbulence, a generalization of earlier work by Mani, is presented. Axisymmetric turbulence theory is used to develop a statistical representation of the inflow turbulence valid for a wide range of turbulence properties. Both the dipole source due to rotor blade unsteady forces and the quadrupole source resulting from the interaction of the turbulence with the rotor potential field are considered. The effects of variations in turbulence properties and fan operating conditions are evaluated. For turbulence axial integral length scales much larger than the blade spacing, the spectrum is shown to consist of sharp peaks at the blade passing frequency and its harmonics, with negligible broadband content. The analysis can then be simplified considerably and the total sound power contained within each spectrum peak becomes independent of axial length scale, while the width of the peak is inversely proportional to this parameter. Large axial length scales are characteristic of static fan test facilities, where the transverse contraction of the inlet flow produces highly anisotropic turbulence. In this situation, the rotor/turbulence interaction noise is mainly caused by the transverse component of turbulent velocity.  (Author)

An analytical study of the effects of wind tunnel turbulence on turbofan rotor noise was carried out to evaluate the effectiveness of the NASA Ames 40x80-foot wind tunnel in simulating flight levels of fan noise. A previously developed theory for predicting rotor/turbulence interaction noise, refined and extended to include first-order effects of inlet turbulence anisotropy, was employed to carry out a parametric study of the effects of fan size, blade number, and operating line for outdoor test stand, NASA Ames wind tunnel, and flight inlet turbulence conditions. A major result of this study is that although wind tunnel rotor/turbulence noise levels are not as low as flight levels, they are substantially lower than the outdoor test stand levels and do not mask other sources of fan noise. (Author)


The 'drooped' inlet used on most wing mounted engines produces a wall static pressure distortion at the fan face of about plus or minus 2%. The interaction of the fan rotor with this fixed distortion pattern produces blade passing frequency and harmonic tone levels in flight which contribute to forward radiated engine noise spectra. Data from a wind tunnel test, using both a drooped inlet and an inlet with no droop, show large changes in forward radiated noise levels over a limited fan speed range. An analytical model of this fan noise mechanism is developed and is used to account for the major features of the measured results. (Author)


Top inlet flow field and inlet performance data are presented which provide preliminary insight into the feasibility of upper-fuselage mounted inlet systems for transonic-supersonic fighter aircraft. Presented data span the Mach 0.2 to 2.0 envelope and enable evaluation of the influence of key aircraft configuration variables, inlet location, wing position, wing leading-edge extension (LEX) planform area, and variable incidence canards - on top inlet performance. The viability of this concept relative to more conventional inlet/airframe integrations is assessed via comparative evaluation of top and conventional inlet flow field parameters at transonic and supersonic speeds. It is shown that the action of the wing LEX vortex system produces a significant improvement in top inlet performance. Currently available transonic-supersonic data indicate that top inlet systems pose a viable configuration option for fighter aircraft requiring moderate angle of attack capability. However, recently acquired data indicate that increased angle of attack capability may be obtained by increasing wing leading-edge sweep angle. (Author)


The interaction of two vertically impinging incompressible jets is studied through the invention of physical flow models that approximate the behavior of colliding wall jets as the incident jets are brought closer together. The mechanism for impingement force in the absence of secondary induced flow effects is also presented and reasonably good agreement is achieved with experimental data for cylindrical fuselage shapes of circular and rectangular cross section. (Author)

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STRATOSPHERIC AEROSOL MODIFICATION BY SUPERSONIC TRANSPORT OPERATIONS WITH CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

The potential effects on stratospheric aerosols of supersonic transport emissions of sulfur dioxide gas and submicron size soot granules are estimated. An interactive particle-gas model of the stratospheric aerosol is used to compute particle changes due to exhaust emissions, and an accurate radiation transport model is used to compute the attendant surface temperature changes. It is shown that a fleet of several hundred supersonic aircraft, operating daily at 20 km, could produce about a 20% increase in the concentration of large particles in the stratosphere. Aerosol increases of this magnitude would reduce the global surface temperature by less than 0.01 K. Author

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AN ASSESSMENT OF GROUND-BASED TECHNIQUES FOR DETECTING OTHER PLANETARY SYSTEMS. VOLUME 1: AN OVERVIEW

The feasibility and limitations of ground-based techniques for detecting other planetary systems are discussed as well as the level of accuracy at which these limitations would occur and the extent to which they can be overcome by new technology and instrumentation. Workshop conclusions and recommendations are summarized and a proposed high priority program is considered. A.R.H.

N80-20003* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

CONFERENCE OF REMOTE SENSING EDUCATORS (CORSE-78)

Ways of improving the teaching of remote sensing students at colleges and universities are discussed. Formal papers and workshops on various Earth resources disciplines, image interpretation, and data processing concepts are presented. An inventory of existing remote sensing and related subject courses being given in western regional universities is included. For individual titles, see N80-20004 through N80-20017.

N80-20527* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

PROGRESS IN TURBULENCE MODELING FOR COMPLEX FLOW FIELDS INCLUDING EFFECTS OF COMPRESSIBILITY

Two second-order-closure turbulence models were devised that are suitable for predicting properties of complex turbulent flow fields in both incompressible and compressible fluids. One model is of the ‘two-equation’ variety in which closure is accomplished by introducing an eddy viscosity which depends on both a turbulent mixing energy and a dissipation rate per unit energy, that is, a specific dissipation rate. The other model is a ‘Reynolds stress equation’ (RSE) formulation in which all components of the Reynolds stress tensor and turbulent heat-flux vector are computed directly and are scaled by the specific dissipation rate. Computations based on these models are compared with measurements for the following flow fields: (a) low speed, high Reynolds number channel flows with plane strain or uniform shear; (b) equilibrium turbulent boundary layers with and without pressure gradients or effects of compressibility; and (c) flow over a convex surface with and without a pressure gradient. A.R.H.

N80-23912* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

VOLCANIC FEATURES OF HAWAII. A BASIS FOR COMPARISON WITH MARS

Despite the difference in size Martian and Hawaiian volcanoes have numerous characteristics in common. Specific features such as lava channels, collapsed lava tubes, levees and flow fronts, all very common in Hawaii, are also abundant on the flanks of some of the Martian volcanoes. Striking differences also exist, such as the apparent lack of radial rift zones on some Martian volcanoes and the paucity of cinder and spatter cones. Some of the best photographs of Martian and Hawaiian volcanic features are presented. Descriptive legends are provided for each picture. An overview of the geological processes and structures depicted is included. A.R.H.

N80-25224* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

AN ASSESSMENT OF GROUND-BASED TECHNIQUES FOR DETECTING OTHER PLANETARY SYSTEMS. VOLUME 2: POSITION PAPERS

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The capabilities of several astronomical interferometer system concepts are assessed and the effects of the Earth's atmosphere on astrometric precision are examined in detail. Included is an examination of the use of small aperture interferometry to detect planets in binary star systems. It is estimated that, for differential astrometric observation, an amplitude interferometer having two separate telescopes should permit observations of stars as faint as 14th magnitude and a positional accuracy of 0.00005 arc-sec. Instrumental, atmospheric, and photon noise errors that apply to interferometric observation are examined. It is suggested that the effects of atmospheric turbulence may be eliminated with the use of two color refractometer systems. Several sites for future telescopes dedicated to the search for planetary systems are identified.

M.G.

N80-12720/1 National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

ANALYSIS OF COASTAL UPWELLING AND THE PRODUCTION OF A BIOMASS
John T. Howe Nov. 1979 28 p refs
(NASA-TM-78614; A-7531) Avail: NTIS HC A03/MF A01 CSCL 08A
The coastal upwelling index derived from weather data is input to a set of coupled differential equations that describe the production of a biomass. The curl of the wind stress vector is discussed in the context of the physical extent of the upwelling structure. An analogy between temperature and biomass concentration in the upwelled coastal water is derived and the relationship is quantified. The use of remote satellite or airborne sensing to obtain biomass rate production coefficients is considered.

K.L.

N80-13265/1 National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

FIRE-RESISTANT MATERIALS FOR AIRCRAFT PASSENGER SEAT CONSTRUCTION
L. L. Fewell, G. C. Tesoro (MIT, Boston), A. Moussa (MIT, Boston), and D. A. Kourtides Nov. 1979 20 p refs
(NASA-TM-78617; A-7946) Avail: NTIS HC A02/MF A01 CSCL 11G
The thermal response characteristics of fabric and fabric-foam assemblies are described. The various aspects of the ignition behavior of contemporary aircraft passenger seat upholstery fabric materials relative to fabric materials made from thermally stable polymers are evaluated. The role of the polymeric foam backing on the thermal response of the fabric-foam assembly is also ascertained. The optimum utilization of improved fire-resistant fabric and foam materials in the construction of aircraft passenger seats is suggested.

M.M.M.

N80-13333/1 National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR GROUND STATION OPERATION: ATS-3 HAWAII-AMES SATELLITE LINK EXPERIMENT
Kenji Nishikawa and Emanuel H. Gross Dec. 1979 31 p
(NASA-TM-81155; A-8011) Avail: NASA Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif. 94035 CSCL 17B
Hardware description and operational procedures for the ATS-3 Hawaii-Ames satellite computer link are presented in basic step-by-step instructions. Transmit and receive channels and frequencies are given. Details such as switch settings for activating the station to the sequence of turning switches on are provided. Methods and procedures for troubleshooting common problems encountered with communication stations are also provided.

R.E.S.

N80-14941/1 National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

AN EXTENDED SOFT-CUBE MODEL FOR THE THERMAL ACCOMMODATION OF GAS ATOMS ON SOLID SURFACES
A numerical soft cube model was developed for calculating thermal accommodation coefficients alpha and trapping fractions f sub t for the interaction of gases incident upon solid surfaces. A semiempirical correction factor c which allows the calculation of alpha and f sub t when the collision times are long compared to the surface oscillator period were introduced. The processes of trapping, evaporation, and detailed balancing were discussed. The numerical method was designed to treat economically and with moderate (+ or - 20 percent) accuracy the dependence of alpha and f sub t on finite and different surface and gas temperatures for a large number of gas/surface combinations. Comparison was made with experiments of rare gases on tungsten and on alkalis, as well as one astrophysical case of H2 on graphite. The dependence of alpha on the soft cube dimensionless parameters is presented graphically.

R.C.T.

N80-18869#### National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

CONTROL SYSTEM DESIGNS FOR THE SHUTTLE INFRARED TELESCOPE FACILITY


(NASA-TM-81189; A-8018) Avail: NTIS HC A03/MF A01 CSCL 128

The Shuttle Infrared Telescope Facility (SIRTF) image motion compensation system is described in detail and performance is analyzed with respect to system noise inputs, environmental disturbances, and error sources such as bending and feedforward scale factor. It is concluded that SIRTF accuracy and stability requirements can be met with this design. K.L.

N80-223250#### National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

LEEWARD FLOW OVER DELTA WINGS AT SUPersonic SPEEDS

Joachim G. Szodorush Apr. 1980 49 p refs

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A survey was made of the parameters affecting the development of the leeward symmetric separated flow over slender delta wings immersed in a supersonic stream. The parameters included Mach number, Reynolds number, angle of attack, leading-edge sweep angle, and body cross-sectional shape, such that subsonic and supersonic leading-edge flows are encountered. It was seen that the boundaries between the various flow regimes existing about the leeward surface may conveniently be represented on a diagram with the components of angle of attack and Mach number normal to the leading edge as governing parameters.

R.E.S.

N80-0314#### National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.

A COMPUTER PROGRAM TO GENERATE TWO-DIMENSIONAL GRIDS ABOUT AIRFOILS AND OTHER SHAPES BY THE USE OF POISSON'S EQUATION

Reese L. Sorenson May 1980 62 p refs

(NASA-TM-81198; A-8178) Avail: NTIS HC A03/MF A01 CSCL 01A

A method for generating two dimensional finite difference grids about airfoils and other shapes by the use of the Poisson differential equation is developed. The inhomogeneous terms are automatically chosen such that two important effects are imposed on the grid at both the inner and outer boundaries. The first effect is control of the spacing between mesh points along mesh...
lines intersecting the boundaries. The second effect is control of the angles with which mesh lines intersect the boundaries. A FORTRAN computer program has been written to use this method. A description of the program, a discussion of the control parameters, and a set of sample cases are included. E.D.K.

N80-27418* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
SHAPE CHANGE OF GALILEO PROBE MODELS IN FREE-FLIGHT TESTS
Scale models of the Galileo Probe made of polycarbonate, AXFSG graphite, carbon-carbon composite, and carbon-phenolic were flown in a free flight range in an ambient gas of air, krypton, or xenon. Mach numbers varied between 14 and 24. Reynolds numbers between 300,000 and 1,000,000, stagnation pressures between 31 and 200 atm. and stagnation point heat transfer rates between 10 and 1,000 kW/sq cm. Shadowgraphs indicate gougling ablation of the aft portion of the frustum; the gouging was moderate in air and severe in the noble gases. The graphite models break in the same region. An explanation of the phenomena is offered in terms of the strong compression and shear caused by the reattachment of a turbulent separated flow. Conditions are calculated for similar tests appropriate for Von Karman Facility of the Arnold Engineering Development Center in which a larger model can be flown in argon. Author

N80-29622* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
TURBULENT STRUCTURES IN WALL-BOUNDED SHEAR FLOWS OBSERVED VIA THREE-DIMENSIONAL NUMERICAL SIMULATORS
Three recent simulations of turbulent shear flow bounded by a wall using the Illiac computer are reported. These are: (1) vibrating-ribbon experiments; (2) study of the evolution of a spot-like disturbance in a laminar boundary layer; and (3) investigation of turbulent channel flow. A number of persistent flow structures were observed, including streamwise and vertical vorticity distributions near the wall, low-speed and high-speed streaks, and local regions of intense vertical velocity. The role of these structures in, for example, the growth or maintenance of turbulence is discussed. The problem of representing the large range of turbulent scales in a computer simulation is also discussed. R.K.G.

N80-31473* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
CHEMICAL RESEARCH PROJECTS OFFICE: AN OVERVIEW AND BIBLIOGRAPHY, 1975-1980
The activities of the Chemical Research Projects Office at Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, California are reported. The office conducts basic and applied research in the fields of polymer chemistry, computational chemistry, polymer physics, and physical and organic chemistry. It works to identify the chemical research and technology required for solutions to problems of national urgency, synchronous with the aeronautical and space effort. It conducts interdisciplinary research on chemical problems, mainly in areas of macromolecular science and fire research. The office also acts as liaison with the engineering community and assures that relevant technology is made available to other NASA centers, agencies, and industry. Recent accomplishments are listed in this report. Activities of the three research groups, Polymer Research, Aircraft Operating and Safety, and Engineering Testing, are summarized. A complete bibliography which lists all Chemical Research Projects Office publications, contracts, grants, patents, and presentations from 1975 to 1980 is included. L.F.M.

N80-31775* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
DATA ACQUISITION TECHNIQUES FOR EXPLOITING THE UNIQUENESS OF THE TIME-OF-FLIGHT MASS SPECTROMETER: APPLICATION TO SAMPLING PULSED GAS SYSTEMS
Mass spectra are produced in most mass spectrometers by sweeping some parameter within the instrument as the sampled gases flow into the ion source. It is evident that any fluctuation in the gas during the sweep (mass scan) of the instrument causes the output spectrum to be skewed in its mass peak intensities. The time of flight mass spectrometer (TOFMS) with its fast, repetitive mode of operation produces spectra without skewing or varying instrument parameters and because all ion species are ejected from the ion source simultaneously, the spectra are inherently not skewed despite rapidly changing gas pressure or composition in the source. Methods of exploiting this feature by utilizing fast digital data acquisition systems, such as transient recorders and signal averagers which are commercially available are described. Applications of this technique are presented including TOFMS sampling of vapors produced by both pulsed and continuous laser heating of materials. E.D.K.

N80-32436* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
RADIANT PANEL TESTS ON AN EPOXY/CARBON FIBER COMPOSITE
The toxicity of epoxy/carbon fiber composites in fire environments is addressed. A radiant panel test chamber was developed to study the effects of pyrolysis of polymeric materials. The thermal response of the sample and the composition of gas and aerosol produced are determined. Toxicological effects of the gas and aerosol in the chamber are determined by studying changes in cardiac action, respiration, blood enzymes, and delayed escape responses in test animals. Data are presented for pyrolysis of an epoxy/carbon fiber composite at 2.5 W/sq cm. Nonflame and flame modes produced different gas and aerosol compositions and had different toxic effects. Nonflame modes produced large quantities of organic aerosols and carbon monoxide. These were not lethal but could hinder escape and may pose a long term toxic effect. The flame condition produced hydrogen cyanide in addition to other toxic products. M.G.
A laser induced fluorescence technique, suitable for measuring fluctuating temperatures in cold turbulent flows containing very low concentrations of nitric oxide is described. Temperatures below 300 K may be resolved with signal to noise ratios greater than 50 to 1 using high peak power, tunable dye lasers. The method relies on the two photon excitation of selected ro-vibrionic transitions. The analysis includes the effects of fluorescence quenching and shows the technique to be effective at all densities below ambient. Signal to noise ratio estimations are based on a preliminary measurement of the two photon absorptivity for a selected rotational transition in the NO gamma (0,0) band. S.F.

N80-32022*# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif. INFRARED-TEMPERATURE VARIABILITY IN A LARGE AGRICULTURAL FIELD

The combined effect of water carved gullies, varying soil color, moisture state of the soil and crop, nonuniform phenology, and bare spots was measured for commercially grown barley planted on varying terrain. For all but the most rugged terrain, over 80% of the area within 4, 16, 65, and 259 ha cells was at temperatures within 3 C of the mean cell temperature. The result of using relatively small, 4 ha instantaneous field of views for remote sensing applications is that either the worst or the best of conditions is often observed. There appears to be no great advantage in utilizing a small instantaneous field of view instead of a large one for remote sensing of crop canopy temperatures. The two alternatives for design purposes are then either a very high spatial resolution, of the order of a meter or so, where the field is very accurately temperature mapped, or a low resolution, where the actual size seems to make little difference.

N80-13170*# Lockheed Missiles and Space Co., Palo Alto, Calif. HYDROTHERMAL DAMAGE MECHANISMS IN GRAPHITE/EPOXY COMPOSITES

The power reactor storage assembly (PRSA) hydrogen tank test data were reviewed. Two hundred and nineteen data points illustrating the effect of flow rate, temperature ratio and configuration were identified. The test data were reduced to produce the thermal acoustic oscillation parameters. Frequency and amplitude were determined for model correlation. A comparison of PRSA hydrogen tank test data with the analytical models indicated satisfactory agreement for the supply and poor agreement for the full line.

R.C.T.

N80-1418*# Acrex Corp., Mountain View, Calif. GALILEO PROBE THERMAL PROTECTION: ENTRY HEATING ENVIRONMENTS AND SPALLATION EXPERIMENTS DESIGN Final Report

A valid procedure was developed for predicting wall heating and ablation rates about the probe forebody. Entropy layer effects on convective heating rate were analyzed and the computed results are given. A feasibility study to perform an experiment, the selection of a candidate test facility, and the definition of a test matrix are described. The material selection, fabrication, and evaluation of the metal containing carbon-carbon composites for use on the Galileo probe are summarized. The effect of various jovian atmospheric models on entry heating environment is considered as well as the effect of the nonspherical shape of the planet on entry trajectory.

A.R.H.
N80-18185* Idaho Univ., Moscow. Dept. of Chemical Engineering
PERFLUOROTHER TRIAZINE ELASTOMERS Final Report
1 Mar. 1979 - 29 Feb. 1980
Roger A. Korus 1980 25 p refs
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(NASA-CR-152748) Avail: NTIS HC A02/MF A01 CSCL 06C

In order to obtain high performance elastomers with the high thermal stability and chemical inertness of perfluoroalkylene triazine and a low glass transition temperature, perfluorotheter triazine elastomers were synthesized. The procedure for elastomer synthesis is described as well as general experimental methods. Results are presented and discussed. The screening of catalysts for the dehydration of perfluorotheter diamide is also considered.

A.R.H.

N80-19448* DCC Industries, Studio City, Calif.
RECENT IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SPINNING BODY VERSION OF THE EDDYBL COMPUTER PROGRAM Interim Report
David C. Wilcox Nov. 1979 32 p refs
(Contract NAS2-10343)
(NASA-CR-152347; DCW-R-24-01) Avail: NTIS HC A03/MF A01 CSCL 20D

A conventional mixing length model specialized for thick boundary layers and a general model for pressure-strain correlation terms were added to the spinning version of EDDYBL. The models are discussed and modifications to the code input and output are presented.

K.L.

N80-21926* Beam Engineering, Inc., Sunnyvale, Calif.
HIGH RESOLUTION VERTICAL PROFILES OF WIND, TEMPERATURE AND HUMIDITY OBTAINED BY COMPUTER PROCESSING AND DIGITAL FILTERING OF RADIOSONDE AND RADAR TRACKING DATA FROM THE ITCZ EXPERIMENT OF 1977
Edwin F. Danielson, R. Stephen Hipskind (Oregon State Univ.), and Steven E. Gaines (San Jose State Univ., Calif.) Apr. 1980 117 p refs
(Contract NAS2-10023)
(NASA-CR-3269) Avail: NTIS HC A06/MF A01 CSCL 04B

Results are presented from computer processing and digital filtering of radiosonde and radar tracking data obtained during the ITZC experiment when coordinated measurements were taken daily over a 16 day period across the Panama Canal Zone. The temperature relative humidity and wind velocity profiles are discussed.

A.W.H.

N80-22484* Ultrasystems, Inc., Irvine, Calif.
STUDY OF CROSSLINKING AND DEGRADATION MECHANISMS IN SEALANT POLYMER CANDIDATES Final Report
(Contract NAS2-10023)

Practical cross-linking and/or chain extension processes for perfluoroalkyl ether based sealants were studied. The two linking groups investigated were 1, 2, 4-oxazolones and s-triazines. The synthesis of difunctional, fully characterized, prepolymers and the evaluation of the curing reactions utilizing these materials are discussed.

E.D.K.

N80-22635* B & K Engineering, Inc., Towson, Md.
LONG TERM TESTS OF THE HEPP LIQUID TRAP DIODE HEAT PIPE PROTOTYPE Final Report
Apr. 1980 11 p refs
(Contract NAS2-10203)
(NASA-CR-152358; 8K067-1004) Avail: NTIS HC A02/MF A01 CSCL 20D

The test results which were obtained with the HEPP liquid trap diode heat pipe prototype after it had been in storage for almost 27 months are presented. Transport data were obtained over the range of 150 to 220 K and reverse mode shutdown was measured with nominal operation at 180 K.

J.M.S.

THE VISCOELASTIC BEHAVIOR OF A COMPOSITE IN A THERMAL ENVIRONMENT
(Grant NsG-2038)
(NASA-CR-163187; VPI-E-79-40) Avail: NTIS HC A03/MF A01 CSCL 110

A proposed method for the accelerated predictions of modulus and life times for time dependent polymer matrix composite laminates is presented. The method, based on the time temperature superposition principle and lamination theory, is described in detail. Unidirectional reciprocal of compliance master curves and the shift functions needed are presented and discussed. Master curves for arbitrarily oriented unidirectional laminates are predicted and compared with experimental results obtained from master curves generated from 15 minute tests and with 25 hour tests. Good agreement is shown. Predicted 30 deg and 60 deg unidirectional strength master curves are presented and compared to results of creep rupture tests. Reasonable agreement is demonstrated. In addition, creep rupture results for a 190 deg and or - 60 deg/90 deg sub 2s laminate are presented.

Author

THE ACCELERATED CHARACTERIZATION OF VISCOELASTIC COMPOSITE MATERIALS Ph.D. Thesis
(Grant NsG-2038)
(NASA-CR-163188; VPI-E-80-15) Avail: NTIS HC A08/MF A01 CSCL 11D

Necessary fundamentals relative to composite materials and viscoelasticity are reviewed. The accelerated characterization techniques of time temperature superposition and time temperature stress superposition are described. An experimental procedure for applying the latter to composites is given along with results obtained on a particular T300/934 graphite/epoxy. The accelerated characterization predictions are found in good agreement with actual long term tests. A posturing phenomenon is discussed that necessitates thermal conditioning of the specimen prior to testing. A closely related phenomenon of physical aging is described as well as the effect of each on the glass transition temperature and strength. Creep rupture results are provided for a variety of geometries and temperatures for T300/934 graphite/epoxy. The results are found to compare reasonably with a modified kinetic rate theory.

A.R.H.
An approach for measuring the non-Markovian component in the relaxation mechanism of a Brownian particle is proposed which combines desirable features of both the shock wave experiment and conventional light scattering experiments. It is suggested that the radiation pressure generated by a C.W. laser be used to guide an individual spherical particle to terminal velocity. At an appropriate time, the beam intensity is suddenly lowered to a value at which the radiation pressure is negligible, and the ensuing velocity relaxation is measured directly. A.R.H.

A top level listing of the comet nucleus impact probe (CNIP) feasibility experiments requirements are presented. A conceptual configuration which shows that the feasibility of engineering the experiment is possible and describes the candidate hardware is discussed. The design studies required in order to design the operating experiment are outlined. An overview of a program plan used to estimate a rough order of magnitude cost for the CNIP experiment is given.

A systematic analytical approach to the determination of helicopter IFR precision approach requirements is formulated. The approach is based upon the hypothesis that pilot acceptance level or opinion rating of a given system is inversely related to the degree of pilot involvement in the control task. A nonlinear simulation of the helicopter approach to landing task incorporating appropriate models for UH-1H aircraft, the environmental disturbances and the human pilot was developed as a tool for evaluating the pilot acceptance hypothesis. The simulated pilot model is generic in nature and includes analytical representation of the human information acquisition, processing, and control strategies. Simulation analyses in the flight director mode indicate that the pilot model used is reasonable. Results of the simulation are used to identify candidate pilot workload metrics and to test the well known performance-work-load relationship. A pilot acceptance analytical methodology is formulated as a basis for further investigation, development and validation.

The feasibility and costs were determined for a 1 m to 30 m diameter ambient temperature, infrared to submillimeter orbiting astronomical telescope which is to be shuttle-deployed, free-flying, and have a 10 year orbital life. Baseline concepts, constraints on delivery and deployment, and the sunshield required are examined. Reflector concepts, the optical configuration, alignment and pointing, and materials are also discussed. Technology studies show that a 10 m to 30 m diameter system which is background and diffraction limited at 30 micron is feasible within the stated time frame. A 10 m system is feasible with current mirror technology, while a 30 m system requires technology still in development.

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The feasibility of making remote measurements of the chemical composition of atmospheric aerosols by means of the differential scatter (DISC) lidar technique was investigated. This technique uses characteristic differences in the infrared backscatter spectra of aerosols to identify their chemical composition. It is concluded that the DISC system can, under some conditions, measure the chemical composition of atmospheric aerosols.

E. D. K.

JOURNAL ARTICLES


Viking observations suggest abundant silt and clay particles on Mars. It is proposed that some of these particles agglomerate to form sand size aggregates that are redeposited as sandlike features such as drifts and dunes. Although the binding for the aggregates could include salt cementation or other mechanisms, electrostatic bonding is considered to be a primary force holding the aggregates together. Various laboratory experiments conducted since the 19th century, and as reported here for simulated Martian conditions, show that both the magnitude and sign of electrical charges on windblown particles are functions of particle velocity, shape and composition, atmospheric pressure, atmospheric composition and other factors. Electrical charges have been measured for saltating particles in the wind tunnel and in the field, on the surfaces of sand dunes, and within dust clouds on earth. Similar, and perhaps even greater, charges are proposed to occur on Mars, which could form aggregates of silt and clay size particles.


Steady-state gasdynamical studies, previously limited to tightly wound normal spiral galaxies, are extended to models of barred spirals with a 5% to 10% perturbing potential. The models show that a strong wave manifestation is an important constituent of the bar structure in many barred spirals and that a density-wave shock wave can form a bar structure as pronounced as the narrow bars often evident in optical photographs of barred spirals. The dark narrow dust lanes often observed along the leading edges of bar structures are identified as tracers of shocks, and it is found that strong shocks along a bar structure during even a small part of a galaxy's lifetime might easily deplete a large enough proportion of the gas to cause a lack of gas in the inner annuli encompassing the bar by the time of the present epoch. It is emphasized that even moderate-amplitude barlike perturbations in the disk can drive large noncircular gas motions, typically 50 to 150 km/s.

F. G. M.

Observations concerning the statistical evaluation of creep data are presented. Methods currently employed in the determination of stress rupture regression lines can result in conflicting and necessarily invalid results. Anomalous behavior is principally associated with the selection of the dependent variable. However, it is the least squares method of curve fitting which introduces regression bias. Methods to improve the validity of least squares regressions are suggested.

(Author)


A new atlas of CH4 lines in the 1120-1800-per cm range has been generated, based on laboratory spectra taken with a Nicolet interferometer at 0.06-per cm resolution with 635 cm path length at pressures of 0.98 torr, 4.86 torr, and 19.97 torr. A compilation of line positions and line intensities includes 1339 CH4 lines, several hundred of which have not been previously observed. (Author)


A combination of numerical and analytical techniques has been used to investigate the dynamics and stability of optically thin, plane-parallel radiatively driven slabs of gas confined by the thermal gas pressure of a high-temperature low-density medium. Scaling laws allow the individual model 'clouds' to be characterized by a single free parameter, \( \chi \), a normalized column density which measures the strength of the acceleration due to radiation pressure relative to that due to thermal gas pressure. It is found that these clouds are unstable and coherently accelerated only when \( \chi \) is small. In this regime a simple slab model is constructed which accurately reproduces the more complex gasdynamic results. The low-\( \chi \) clouds are marginally able to reach the high velocities seen in the atmospheres of quasi-stellar objects, but only if their motion is subsonic with respect to the external confining medium. This implies either that the medium is extremely hot and tenuous or that it is moving outward with the clouds. (Author)


In the present paper, long-period and secular variations of the longitude of ascending node are derived for a particle orbiting an oblate precessing planet subjected to perturbation by an exterior satellite moving along a low-inclination orbit. It is shown that precession of Saturn under the solar torque, which causes the Laplace plane to be noninertial, is also effective in producing a forced inclination. The height above the Laplace plane associated with this variation is several meters for a particle located in the middle of the ring. V.P.


Twenty-six improved fire resistant materials were tested for flash-fire propensity and heat-release rate properties. The tests were conducted to obtain a descriptive index based on the production of ignitable gases during the thermal degradation process and on the response of the materials under a specific fire load. (Author)


The effects of UV variations on atmospheric ozone content and climate for time scales encompassing the 27-day solar rotation period, the sunspot period, twice the solar magnetic, and also longer time periods are examined. The studies of the relationship between solar UV variations, atmospheric ozone content and atmospheric temperatures were conducted by estimating the impact of such variations on tropospheric temperature. The total luminosity constant is then held and the dependence of the ozone variations on the forcing period is calculated. It is concluded that solar UV variations on time scales of weeks to months occasionally perturb total ozone and stratospheric temperatures by noticeable amounts but result in only minor changes in the troposphere.

C.F.W.


An atlas of 1339 methane absorption lines in the range 1120 to 1800 reciprocal centimeters, including the \( \nu(4) \) and \( \nu(2) \) bands, is presented. Laboratory spectra were obtained with a Nicolet Fourier transform Michelson interferometer with a resolution of approximately 0.16 reciprocal cm and a path length of 6.35 m of 0.38, 4.86 and 19.97 torr. Observed spectra are also compared with spectral intensities calculated line-by-line on the basis of tabulated intensities of the observed spectral lines.

A.L.W.


Measurements of the isothermal desorption rate of H2 chemisorbed onto polycrystalline nickel films made for temperatures spanning the Curie temperature of the nickel film are presented. Desorption kinetics were followed by measuring the decay of the change in resistance of the nickel film brought about by hydrogen chemisorption after gas-phase H2 had been rapidly evacuated. The desorption rate is found to undergo an anomalous decrease in the vicinity of the Curie temperature, accompanied by an increase in the desorption activation energy and the equilibrium constant for the chemisorbed hydrogen. The results are interpreted in terms of anomalous variations in rate constants for the formation of the precursor molecular adsorbed state and the chemisorbed atomic state due to the phase transition in the nickel. The changes in rate

Airborne infrared spectrophotometry (1.2-5.5 microns, 1.5% resolution) is presented for 13 stars which have been extensively used as infrared calibration objects: alpha Lyn, alpha CMa, alpha UMi, beta Dra, and mu Her; the K giants beta Gem, alpha UMa, alpha Boo, gamma 1 And, and alpha Tau; and the M giants beta And, beta Peg, and alpha Cet. These spectra, obtained using NASA’s Kuiper Airborne Observatory and Lear Jet Observatory, are virtually free of the interfering effects of terrestrial absorptions. Absolute calibration of the spectrophotometry was based on the theoretical model of alpha Lyn by Shields, Peterson, and Oke (1971), which fits photometric measurements at shorter wavelengths. The resulting flux densities are compared with previous ground-based photometry. (Author)


The paper analyzes the structure of fast shocks incident upon interstellar gas of ambient density from 10 to the 7th per cu cm, while focusing on the problems of formation and destruction of molecules and infrared emission in the cooling, neutral post shock gas. It is noted that such fast shocks initially dissociate almost all preexisting molecules. Discussion covers the physical processes which determine the post shock structure between 10 and 10 to the 2 K. It is shown that the chemistry of important molecular coolants H2, CO, OH, and H2O, as well as HD and CH, is reduced to a relatively small set of gas phase and grain surface reactions. Also, the chemistry follows the slow conversion of atomic hydrogen into H2, which primarily occurs on grain surfaces. The dependence of this H2 formation rate on grain and gas temperatures is examined and the survival of grains behind fast shocks is discussed. Post shock heating and cooling rates are calculated and an appropriate, analytic, universal cooling function is developed for molecules other than hydrogen which includes opacities from both the dust and the lines. (Author)


The constant and linear terms in a Taylor series expansion of the dipole moment function of the ground state of ozone are calculated with Cartesian Gaussian basis sets ranging in quality from minimal to double zeta plus polarization. Results are presented at both the self-consistent field and configuration-interaction levels. Although the algebraic signs of the linear dipole moment derivatives are all established to be positive, the absolute magnitudes of these quantities, as well as the infrared intensities calculated from them, vary considerably with the level of theory. (Author)


Substantial increases in atmospheric N2O resulting from the increased use of nitrogen fertilizers might cause large (to 10%) decreases in the stratospheric ozone content. Such ozone decreases would be caused by catalytic reaction cycles involving odd-nitrogen that is formed by N2O decomposition in the upper stratosphere. Turco et al. (1978), using a background chlorine level of 2 ppbv, have shown that if the measured values of specified reactions are used a 50% increase in N2O would lead to a 2.7% increase in the stratospheric column density, although the ozone content above 30 km would be reduced by more than 5%; they also estimated (unpublished data) that the change in the ozone column density caused by doubling the N2O abundance would be very close to zero (within about 0.1%). The present paper extends these calculations of N2O/ozone effects to two dimensions, thereby identifying the latitude dependence expected for such ozone perturbations. The effects of changes in stratospheric chlorine levels on predicted ozone changes are also discussed. (B.J.)


The Pioneer Saturn spacecraft, designated Pioneer 11 until its encounter with Jupiter, is presented, and its trajectory is reported. The 550-pound spin-stabilized spacecraft carries 12 scientific instruments, 11 of which were operational during its encounters with Jupiter and Saturn. After the successful completion of the Pioneer 10 Jupiter fly-by, for which Pioneer 11 was intended as a back-up, the Pioneer 11 spacecraft was committed to a Saturn-bound trajectory, and was sent on a spiral trajectory around Jupiter to approach Saturn. After mid-course maneuvers, the spacecraft arrived at Saturn on September 1, 1979, where it penetrated the ring plane outside of the visible rings, descending from above the ecliptic plane late in the morning quadrant, and making measurements of the planetary magnetosphere and its interaction with the solar wind, infrared radiation and gravitational and atmospheric effects on the radio signal. Pioneer Saturn departed from Saturn slightly above the ring plane, crossing the orbit of Titan 25 hr after Saturn flyby, and became the second spacecraft to escape the solar system. (A.W.)


The Ames Research Center Pioneer 11 plasma analyzer experiment provided measurements of the solar wind interaction with Saturn and the character of the plasma environment within Saturn’s magnetosphere. It is shown that Saturn has a detached bow shock wave and magnetopause quite similar to those at earth and Jupiter. The scale size of the interaction region for Saturn is roughly one-third that at Jupiter, but Saturn’s magnetosphere is equally sensitive to changes in the solar wind dynamic pressure. Saturn’s outer magnetosphere is inflated, as evidenced by the observation of large fluxes of corotating plasma. It is postulated that Saturn’s magnetosphere may undergo a large expansion when the solar wind pressure is greatly diminished by the presence of Jupiter’s extended magnetospheric tail when the two planets are approximately aligned along the same solar radial vector. (Author)
A80-19391 Core cooling by subsolidus mantle convection.  

Although vigorous mantle convection early in the thermal history of the earth is shown to be capable of removing several times the latent heat content of the core, a thermal evolution model of the earth in which the core does not solidify can be constructed. The large amount of energy removed from the model earth's core by mantle convection is supplied by the internal energy of the core which is assumed to cool from an initial high temperature given by the silicate melting temperature at the core-mantle boundary. The smaller terrestrial planets, the iron and silicate melting temperatures at the core-mantle boundaries are more comparable than for the earth; the models incorporate temperature-dependent mantle viscosity and radiogenic heat sources in the mantle. The earth models are constrained by the present surface heat flux and mantle viscosity and internal heat sources produce only about 55% of the earth model's present surface heat flow. (Author)

A80-19397 Theories for the origin of lunar magnetism.  

This paper reviews the major theories which have been proposed to explain the remanent magnetism found in the lunar crust. A total of nine different mechanisms for magnetism are discussed and evaluated in light of the theoretical and experimental constraints pertinent to lunar magnetism. It is concluded that none of these theories in their present state of development satisfy all the known constraints. However, the theories which agree best with the present understanding of the moon are: (1) astro-meteorite impact magnetization, (2) theremolectric dynamo field generation, and (3) early solar wind field. (Author)

A80-19741 OCS, stratospheric aerosols and climate.  

The carbonyl sulfide budget in the atmosphere is examined, and the effects of stratospheric sulfate aerosol particles, formed in part from atmospheric carbonyl sulfane, on global climate are considered. From tropospheric measurements of carbon disulfide and the rate constant for the conversion of carbon disulfide to carbonyl sulfane, it is estimated that five Tg of carbonyl sulfide/year could be generated from carbon disulfide in the atmosphere. Direct sources of OCS include the refining and combustion of fossil fuels (1 Tg/year), natural and agricultural fires (0.2 to 0.3 Tg/year), and soils (0.5 Tg/year), yielding a total influx of from 1 to 10 Tg/year, up to 50% of which may be anthropogenic. Considerations of carbonyl sulfide sinks and concentrations indicate an atmospheric lifetime of one year, with OCS the major atmospheric sulfur compound. It is estimated that a ten-fold increase in atmospheric carbonyl sulfide would cause an optical depth perturbation comparable to that of a modest volcanic eruption, leading to an average global surface temperature decrease of 0.1 K, in addition to a possible greenhouse effect.  

A80-20126 Space applications of superconductivity.  

Some potential applications of superconductivity in space are summarized, e.g., the use of high field magnets for cosmic ray analysis or energy storage and generation, space applications of digital superconducting devices, such as the Josephson switch and, in the future, a superconducting computer. Other superconducting instrumentation which could be used in space includes: low frequency superconducting sensors, microwave and infrared detectors, instruments for gravitational studies, and high-Q cavities for use as stabilizing elements in clocks and oscillators.  

A80-20275 Photoexcitation and ionization in molecular oxygen - Theoretical studies of electronic transitions in the discrete and continuous spectral intervals.  
C. Arnor, C. Asoar, B. V. McCoy (California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, Calif.), and P. W. Langhoff (NASA, Ames Research Center, Computational Chemistry Group, Moffett Field; Stanford University, Stanford, Calif.; Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind.). Journal of Chemical Physics, vol. 72, Jan. 1, 1980, p. 713-727. 60 refs. Research supported by the Petroleum Research Fund, National Research Council, and NSF.

A80-20593 Automatic mesh-point clustering near a boundary in grid generation with elliptic partial differential equations.  

Elliptic partial differential equations are used to generate a smooth grid that permits a one-to-one mapping in such a way that mesh lines of the same family do not cross. Problems that arise due to lack of clustering at crucial points or intersections of mesh lines at highly acute angles, are examined and various forcing or source terms are used to correct the problems that are either compatible with the maximum principle or are so locally controlled that mesh lines do not intersect. Attention is given to various schematics of unclustered grids and grid detail about (highly cambered) airfoils.  

A80-20662 Red and nebulous objects in dark clouds - A survey.  

A search on the NGS-PO Sky Survey photographs has revealed 150 interesting nebulous and/or red objects, mostly lying in dark clouds and not previously catalogued. Spectral classifications are presented for 55 objects. These indicate a small number of new members of the class of Herbig-Haro objects, a significant number of new T Tauri stars, and a few young massive hot stars. It is argued that hot, high-mass stars form preferentially in the dense cores of dark clouds. The possible symbiosis of high and low mass stars is considered. A new morphology class is defined for cometary nebulae, in which a star lies on the periphery of a nebulous ring. (Author)

A80-21448 Oxygen index tests of thermosetting resins.  
The flammability characteristics of nine thermostetting resins under evaluation for use in aircraft interiors are described. These resins were evaluated using the Oxygen Index (ASTM 2863) testing procedure. The test specimens consisted of both neat resin and glass reinforced resin. When testing glass-reinforced samples it was observed that Oxygen Index values varied inversely with resin content. Oxygen values were also obtained on specimens exposed to temperatures up to 300 C. All specimens experienced a decline in Oxygen Index when tested at an elevated temperature. (Author)


The absolute intensities of the 8-12 micron bands from Freon 11 (CFC3) were measured at temperatures of 294 and 216 K. Intensities of the bands centered at 796, 847, 934, and 1082 per cm are all observed to depend on temperature. The temperature dependence for the 847 and 1082 per cm fundamental regions is attributed to underlying hot bands; for the nu2 + nu5 combination band (934 per cm), the observed temperature dependence is in close agreement with theoretical prediction. The implication of these results on atmospheric infrared remote-sensing is briefly discussed. (Author)


A Goody random band model with a Voigt line profile is used to calculate the band absorption of CFC3 at various pressures at room and stratospheric (216 K) temperatures. Absorption coefficients and line spacings are computed. (Author)


A new spectrum of Pluto in the region 1.4 to 1.9 microns provides confirmation of the presence of solid methane on the planet's surface. Considerations of the vapor pressure of methane gas above the solid indicate the presence of a tenuous atmosphere of this gas, the surface partial pressure of which is variable from perihelion to aphelion. The implication of a high surface albedo, the newly derived mass of Pluto, and inferences as to the range of plausible bulk mean densities indicate that the radius of Pluto should lie in the range 1200 to 1800 km. (Author)


Three-millimeter Saturn observations, obtained from 1986 through 1977 and with Jupiter as a reference, have been used to derive a ring brightness temperature of 18 + or - 8 K. The brightness temperature of the disk of Saturn is 156 + or - 9 K. Part of the ring brightness (approximately 6 K) may be accounted for as disk emission which is scattered from the rings; the remainder (12 + or - 8K) is attributed to ring particle thermal emission. Because this thermal component brightness temperature is so much less than the particle physical temperature, limits are placed on the mean size and composition of the ring particles. In particular, as found by others, the particles cannot be rocky, but must be either metallic or composed of extremely low-loss dielectric material such as water ice. If the particles are pure water ice, for example, then a simple slab model and a multiple-scattering model both give upper limits to the particle sizes of approximately 1 m, a value three times smaller than previously available. The multiple-scattering model gives a particle single-scattering albedo at 3 mm of 0.83 + or - 0.13. (Author)


An analysis of Titan's solar phase variation as a function of wavelength together with the continuum geometric albedo makes it possible to set limits on the real part of the refractive index and on the average particle size of the aerosol component of Titan's atmosphere of between about 1.5 and 2.0 and between 0.20 microns and 0.35 microns, respectively. If the real part of the refractive index is known the average particle size can be determined to within a few percent, and varies inversely with the real part of the refractive index. Using this information in a two-layer model of a methane-aerosol atmosphere and comparing the result with Titan's visible and near-infrared methane spectrum leads to the conclusion that the top layer of Titan's atmosphere contains 0.01 km atm of methane and 2.5 extinction optical depths of aerosol, while the data are consistent with a bottom layer containing 2.2 km atm of methane and about 7.5 aerosol optical depths for a real part of the refractive index equal to 1.7 and an average particle size of 0.25 microns. (Author)

A80-21991 * Singlet oxygenation of 1,2-poly(1,4-hexadiene)s. M. A. Golub (NASA, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.), M. L. Rosenberg (NASA, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field; San Jose State University, San Jose, Calif.), and R. V. Gemmer (American Cyanamid Co., Stamford, Conn.). Journal of Polymer Science, Part A - Polymer Chemistry, vol. 17, 1979, p. 3751-3757. 13 refs.

The microstructural changes that occur in cis and trans forms of 1,2-poly(1,4-hexadiene) during methylene blue photosensitized oxidation were examined by infrared and (C-13)-NMR spectroscopy. The singlet oxygenation of these polymers yielded the expected aliphatic hydroperoxides accompanied by double bond shifts to new vinyl and trans-vinylene double bonds. The photosensitized oxidation exhibited zero-order kinetics; the relative rates for the cis- and trans-1,2-poly(1,4-hexadiene)s were approximately 3.8:1.0. (Author)


A method for the simultaneous chain extension and crosslinking of perfluoroalkylethers which yields a thermally stable perfluoroalkylether oxadiazole elastomer crosslinked by trifunctional perfluoroalkylether-1,3,5-triazine is reported. In the preparation, hydroxylamine crystals prepared from hydroxylamine hydrochloride to which sodium butoxide had been added is mixed with perfluoro-
alkyl ether dinitrile to obtain the monomer, as the nitrile is converted to amidoxime. Monomers are heated at 140 to 200 °C to form poly(perfluoroalkylethoxadiazole) with a 1,2,4-oxadiazole structure by a step-growth polymerization reaction. Simultaneous chain extension and crosslinking are observed to occur when the purified monomer is heated directly and when the remaining nitrile in the monomer is allowed to react with excess ammonia to form the corresponding amidine, which is then heated. Weight loss studies show the thermal stability of the perfluoroalkylether elastomer to be generally better than fluorosilicone or polyester elastomers, especially in air, indicating its potential usefulness for high-performance elastomeric applications.


Numerous recent developments have led to an increasing awareness of and interest in the detection of other planetary systems. A brief review of the modern history of this subject is presented with emphasis on the status of data concerning Barnard's star. A discussion is given of plausible observable effects of other planetary systems with numerical examples to indicate the nature of the detection problem. Possible types of information (in addition to discovery) that observations of these effects might yield (e.g., planetary mass and temperature) are outlined. Also discussed are various candidate detection techniques (e.g., astrometric observations) which might be employed to conduct a search, the current state-of-the art of these techniques in terms of measurement accuracy, and the capability of existing or planned facilities (e.g., space telescope) to perform a search. Finally, consideration is given to possible search strategies and the scope of a comprehensive search program. (Author)


Thermodynamic quantities for the gas-phase clustering equilibria of NO2(-) and NO3(-) were determined with high pressure mass spectrometry. A comparison of values of the free energy of hydration derived from the data shows good agreement with formerly reported values at 298 K. New data for larger NO2(-) and NO3(-) hydrates as well as NO2(-)(HNO2)2(-) were obtained in this study. To aid in understanding the bonding and stability of the hydrates of nitrite and nitrate ions, CNO2/2 calculations were performed, and the results are discussed. A correlation between the aqueous-phase total hydration enthalpy of a single ion and its gas-phase hydration enthalpy was obtained. Atmospheric implications of the data are also briefly discussed. (Author)


Collisions of spherical galaxies were studied in a series of numerical experiments to see what happens when galaxies collide. Each experiment starts with two model galaxies, each consisting of
50,000 stars, moving toward each other along a specified orbit. The
series of experiments provides a systematic sampling of the
parameter space spanned by the initial orbital energy and the initial
angular momentum. Deeply penetrating collisions are emphasized.
The collisions reported here scale to relative velocities as great as 500
km/s, well into the range for collisions within clusters of galaxies. It
is found that: (1) the galaxies contract momentarily to about half
their original sizes shortly after close passage; and (2) the initial
galaxies blend into a single dynamical system while they are near
each other. (Author)

A80-25365 * High-frequency continuum observations of youn
galaxies. M. Cohen (NASA, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field,
Calif.; California, University, Berkeley, Calif.). Royal Astronomical
NSF Grants No. AST-75-13811; No. AST-77-10896.
31-GHz and/or 90-GHz radio continuum observations have been
made towards 48 young stars. Only three signals are definitely
detected and are shown to represent late O or early B stars. None of
the 'continuum T Tauri stars' were detected, suggesting that these are
unlikely to be hot stars. Some early B stars should have be
detectable if they have normal Stromgren zones. Their undetect-
ability may well signify that circumstellar dust modifies the
ionization of surrounding gas.

A80-25660 * Integrated band intensities of gaseous
N2O/5/5. R. W. Lovejoy (Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa.).
C. Chackerian, Jr., and R. W. Boebe (NASA, Ames Research Center,
744-745. 16 refs. Grant No. NCA-083-801.
Values for mid-IR integrated band intensities of gaseous N205
were determined at room temperature. The absorptions studied were
at 1720, 1245, 743, and 557 cm. The integrated intensities were
2204, 581, 685, and 699 atm cm, respectively. Implications of these
results for the stratospheric detection of N2(1216) are discussed.

A80-26088 * Stratospheric aerosol modification by super-
sonic transport and space shuttle operations. - Climate impli-
cations. R. P. Turco (R & D Associates, Marina del Rey, Calif.),
Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.), and P. Hamill (Systems and
The potential effects on stratospheric aerosols of supersonic
transport emissions of sulfur dioxide gas and submicron salt
granes, and space shuttle rocket emissions of aluminum oxide
particles are estimated. An interactive particle-gas model of the
stratospheric aerosol layer is used to calculate changes due to exhaust
emissions, and an accurate radiation transport model is employed to
calculate the effect of aerosol changes on the earth's average surface
temperature. It is concluded that the release of large numbers of
small particles (soot or aluminum oxide) into the stratosphere should
not lead to a corresponding significant increase in the concentration
of large, optically active aerosols, but that the increase in large
particles is severely limited by the total mass of sulfuric acid available
to make large particles in situ, and by the rapid loss of small seed
particles via coagulation. We find that a fleet of several hundred
advanced supersonic aircraft operating daily at 20 km, or the launch
of one space shuttle rocket per week, could produce roughly a 20%+
increase in the large-particle concentration of the stratosphere. We
find, in addition, that aerosol increases of this magnitude would
reduce the global surface temperature by less than 0.01 K. (Author)

A80-26101 * On the three-dimensional shapes of elliptic
galaxies. R. H. Miller (Chicago, University, Chicago, Ill.) and B. F.
Smith (NASA, Ames Research Center, Theoretical and Planetary
Studies Branch, Moffett Field, Calif.). Astrophysical Journal, Part 1,
The paper considers the hypothesis that elliptical galaxies are
oblate axisymmetric objects flattened by rotation. It was found that
(1) rotation does not flatten axisymmetric elliptical galaxies appre-
ciable and elliptical galaxy models can rotate rapidly and yet show
little flattening, (2) several systems remained axisymmetric when the
quantity t used as a measure of rotation was greater than 0.14, and
(3) models with similar shapes can have quite different internal
dynamics.

A80-26107 * Fragmentation of rotating protostellar clouds.
J. E. Tohline (NASA, Ames Research Center, Space Science Div.,
Moffett Field; Lick Observatory, Santa Cruz, Calif.). Astrophysical
No. NCA-081-801.
With a three-dimensional hydrodynamics computer code, the
behavior of rotating, isothermal gas clouds as they collapse from
Jeans unstable configurations is examined in order to determine
whether they are susceptible to fragmentation during the initial
dynamic collapse phase of evolution. It is found that a gas cloud will
not fragment unless (1) it begins collapsing from a radius much
smaller than the Jeans radius (i.e., the cloud initially encloses many
Jeans masses) and (2) irregularities in the cloud's initial structure
(specifically, density inhomogeneities) enclose more than one Jeans
mass of material. Instead of fragmenting, most of the models collapse
to a ring configuration. The rings appear to be less susceptible to
fragmentation from arbitrary perturbations in their structure than
has previously been indicated in other work. Because the models,
which include the effects of gas pressure, do not readily fragment
during a phase of dynamic collapse, it is suggested that gas clouds in
the galactic disk undergo fragmentation only during quasi-
equilibrium phases of their evolution.

A80-26358 * Plains and channels in the Lunae Planum-
Chryse Planitia region of Mars. E. Theilig (Arizona State University,
Tempe, Ariz.) and R. Greeley (NASA, Ames Research Center, Space
Science Div., Moffett Field, Calif.; Arizona State University, Tempe,
The Lunae Planum-Chryse Planitia region provides the oppor-
tunity to study a sequence of channeling events and to determine
their temporal and genetic relationships to plains units in the
northern hemisphere of Mars. Two sets of small channels and four
major channel systems can be divided into four periods of channeling
by superposition and contact relationships to the plains. All of the
channels are considered to have formed by water erosion. The first
two channeling events occurred early in the history of this area and
formed small, narrow channels within the old rugged terrain. These
channel events were separated by deposition of a mantle unit. The
small channels probably formed by runoff of surface water or by a
sapping process. These channels preceded the emplacement of vast
volcanic plains in both Lunae Planum and Chryse Planitia. Channels
postdating the plains are Vesta, Maumee, Bahram, and Maja
valleys; the first three of these deposited a sedimentary unit on the western
slope of Chryse Planitia that was eroded by Maja Vallis. These
large-scale channels were probably formed predominantly by cata-
strophic floods and may represent two periods of water release from
Juventae Chasma. The origin of Bahram Vallis remains uncertain.

A80-26370 * Mars - The north polar sand sea and related
wind patterns. H. Tsao (Arizona State University, Tempe, Ariz.;

The formation of a ring during the dynamic collapse of a rotating gas cloud is shown to be an understandable physical phenomenon. By analytically integrating the equation of motion for particles in the equatorial plane of a rotating cloud which collapses in a gravitational potential well defined by a 1/r-squared mass density distribution, the mechanism which initiates the growth of the toroidal structure is demonstrated. An analysis of the ring formation process indicates that the ring should develop in rotating, self-gravitating gas clouds which collapse from a wide range of axisymmetric initial conditions; the degree of central condensation and the initial distribution of angular momentum in a cloud should affect only the position and size of the developing ring. Ring formation, being a dynamic process in collapsing gas clouds, cannot be explained in terms of the classical ring instability that arises in rapidly rotating, equilibrium spheroids. Conditions in a cloud which should inhibit ring formation are also discussed.

(Author)


The dynamic collapse of rotating gas clouds is calculated for a wide range of initial conditions. Properties of cloud models are compared with observed radio and optical properties of Bok globules, to test the hypothesis that globules undergo collapse and to determine parameters which are not easily observed. Five of the six globules studied are consistent with collapse models. It is inferred that these objects have masses of about 100 solar masses and ages smaller than their free-fall times. Inferred initial densities are much larger than minimum densities for gravitational collapse, suggesting that collapse is initiated by strong external compression or that globules are fragments of larger condensed clouds. Values inferred for the (C-13)/H2 ratio are smaller than previous estimates and depend strongly on cloud density.

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Wind friction threshold speeds for particle movement were determined in a wind tunnel operating at martian surface pressure with a 95 percent CO2 and 5 percent air atmosphere. The relationship between friction speed and free-stream velocity is extended to the critical case for Mars of momentum thickness Reynolds numbers between 425 and 2000. It is determined that the dynamic pressure required to initiate saltation is nearly constant for pressures between 1 bar and 4 mb for atmospheres of both air and CO2.

(Author)


Three examples of advances in computational aerodynamics: (1) three-dimensional inviscid transonic analysis, (2) design calculations for wings, and (3) the computation of viscous-induced aileron buzz, are reviewed. Attention is given to wing surface pressures, design optimization, computer memory, speed and advanced solution methods on parallel computer architecture. It is determined that many implicit approximate-factorization schemes, that have been developed for Navier-Stokes equations, can be coded to run efficiently on microprocessors.

C.F.W.


This paper presents a unified treatment of the effect of lift on peak acceleration during atmospheric entry. Earlier studies were restricted to different regimes because of approximations invoked to solve the same transcendental equation. This paper shows the connection between the earlier studies by employing a general expression for the peak acceleration and obtains solutions to the transcendental equation without invoking the earlier approximations. Results are presented and compared with earlier studies where appropriate.

(Author)

A80-28080 * On the comparative evolution of Ganymede and Callisto. P. Cassen, R. T. Youngs (NASA, Ames Research Center, Theoretical and Planetary Studies Branch, Moffett Field,
The paper examines the differences in the apparent ages of the surfaces of Ganymede and Callisto revealed by Voyager images. The differences could be due to the persistence of tectonic activity on Ganymede beyond the time of early, heavy bombardment. The slightly greater radioactive content expected in Ganymede could prolong such activity by 0.5 million years beyond the cessation of endogenic surface activity on Callisto. It is concluded that if the different ages of the surfaces of Ganymede and Callisto are due to differences in internal evolution, the slightly higher radioactive content of Ganymede is the most likely cause; tidal dissipation could not have been important for Ganymede for more than 10 to the 8th power years, and it was never important for Callisto.

A.T.


Evolutionary calculations are presented for spherically symmetric protoplanetary configurations with a homogeneous solar composition and with masses of 1000, 1500, 2000, 2500, and 3000 solar masses. Recent improvements in equation-of-state and opacity calculations are incorporated. Sequences start as subcondensations in the solar nebula with densities of 10 to the 10th to 10 to the 11th g/cm^3, evolve through a hydrostatic phase lasting 100 thousand to 10 million years, undergo dynamic collapse due to dissociation of molecular hydrogen, and regain hydrostatic equilibrium with densities of about 1 g/cm^3. The nature of the objects at the onset of the final phase of cooling and contraction is discussed and compared with previous calculations.

A.T.


New Hyades polarimetry and field star photometry were obtained to check the Hyades reddening, which was found to be nonzero in a previous study (Taylor, 1978). The new Hyades polarimetry implies essentially zero reddening. Four photometric techniques which are assumed to be insensitive to blanketing are used to compare the Hyades to nearby field stars and are found to yield essentially zero reddening. A simultaneous solution for the Hyades, Coma, and M67 reddening is made, and the results are E(B-V) = 3 plus or minus 2(sigma) mmag, -1 plus or minus 3(sigma) mmag, and 46 plus or minus 6(sigma) mmag, respectively.

B.J.


Self-consistent Dirac-Slater multiple scattering calculations are presented for UF6. The results are compared critically to other relativistic calculations, showing that the results of all molecular orbital calculations are in qualitative agreement, as measured by energy levels, population analyses, and spin-orbit splittings. A detailed comparison is made to the relativistic X alpha(RX alpha) method of Wood and Boring, which also uses multiple scattering theory, but incorporates relativistic effects in a more approximate fashion. For the most part, the RX alpha results are in agreement with the present results.

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H2, and N2 column densities and pressures at the bottom of the upper layer are derived. These indicate that if the atmosphere gas is CH4, an H2:CH4 mix, or N2, the inversion layer must be at pressures less than 30 millibars.

(Author)
The Pioneer Venus spacecraft design and operation enabled both remote and in-situ measurements of the Venusian environment from the outermost fringes of the atmosphere all the way to the surface. Both spacecraft were spin-stabilized and solar-cell powered from launch to Venus. Since orbit insertion, the orbiter has been transmitting measurements from a highly elliptical 24-hr orbit with periapsis altitudes down to about 150 km. Data rates up to 2048 bits/s have been utilized through a deep-space high-gain antenna transmitting at S-band frequency. Spacecraft attitudes, orbit periods, and periapsis altitudes are being maintained as required with a hydrazine propulsion system. The Multiprobe spacecraft (with all four Probes attached) performed the necessary Probe checkouts and deployed the Probes to achieve the desired Probe and Bus targeting. Silver-zinc batteries provided the necessary power on each of the four Probes from separation from the Bus through the entry/descent sequence. Data rates of 250 and 128 bits/s on the Large Probes were maintained with 40-W radiated power, and 64 and 16 bits/s on the Small Probes were maintained with 10-W radiated power, through omnidirectional antennas to Earth-based stations. Each Probe's entry/descent sequence was controlled with a hardwired entry sequence program to achieve the desired scientific and spacecraft operations.

(Author)


The paper deals with the Pioneer Venus Orbiter (signal) occultation experiment. During Pioneer Venus Orbiter radio science operations, an open-loop receiver baseband frequency output bandwidth was substantially reduced. This was made possible by programming an open-loop receiver first local oscillator with the predicted Doppler frequency profile so as to maintain the baseband signal within a narrow receiver output bandwidth. V.T.


The Entry Phase of the Pioneer Venus Multiprobe Mission involved data transmission over only a two-hour span. The criticality of recovery of those two hours of data, coupled with the fact that there were no radio signals from the Probes until their arrival at Venus, dictated unique telemetry recovery approaches on the ground. The result was double redundancy, use of spectrum analyzers to aid in rapid acquisition of the signals, and development of a technique for recovery of telemetry data without the use of real-time coherent detection which is normally employed by all other NASA planetary missions. (Author)


Development of the Pioneer Venus (PV) Unified Abstract Data System (UADS) and Quick Look Data System (QLDS) was prompted by the need to provide PV investigators rapid and easy access to PV mission data. The UADS is intended to maximize the scientific benefits of the mission by facilitating the exchange of reduced scientific data. QLDS provides a method by which sampled daily mission data is rapidly transmitted to principal investigators providing them a quick look at that orbit's data. (Author)


The Radar Mapper Experiment, carried aboard the Pioneer Venus Orbiter spacecraft, is designed to obtain a near-global picture of the topography, meter-scale surface slopes and reflectivity of Venus. Constraints imposed by the choice of orbit limit radar coverage to a latitude band lying between 74 deg N and 61 deg S completely around the planet. In addition to the altimetry objectives, the experiment seeks an image of the radar scattering properties of the surface at oblique incidence. Sensitivity limits the imaged region to a band around the planet lying between 45 deg N and 10 deg S. Altimetric error is less than 200 m; altimetric surface "footprint" size varies from about 10 km in diameter at a spacecraft altitude of 200 km, to 50 km at a maximum altitude of 4700 km. Imaging varies from 20 to 40 km, depending on spacecraft altitude. (Author)


The plasma analyzer experiment on the Pioneer Venus Orbiter was designed to determine the basic characteristics of the plasma environment of Venus and the nature of the solar wind interaction at Venus. The plasma analyzer experiment is an electrostatic energy-charge spectrometer which measures ions and electrons. There is a curved plate electrostatic analyzer system with multiple collectors. The experiment obtains the three dimensional plasma distribution function. Some of the scientific objectives of the instrument are briefly discussed, the general characteristics of the experiment are summarized, and some of the analyses based on the data are presented. (Author)


The functional aspects of the Large Probe Infrared Radiometer Instrument are presented taking into account the experiment's objective to measure the net thermal flux as the Venus Probe descended into the planet's atmosphere, as well as to detect water vapor, cloud layers, and their infrared opacity. The optical elements, including the detectors are described and a brief review of the instrument's calibration is given. C.F.W.

Measurements of temperature, pressure, and deceleration during descent, and of deceleration during high speed entry of the four Pioneer Venus entry probes were used to define the structure, and differences in structure of the atmosphere of Venus at the four widely separated entry sites. This paper describes the sensors and steps taken to realize highly accurate measurements in the design and selection of the sensors and analog electronics.  (Author)


The Pioneer Venus Differential Long Baseline Interferometry experiment was designed to measure the motion in three dimensions of the Pioneer probes during their fall to the surface of Venus, using a combination of Doppler and long baseline ratio interferometric methods. The altitudes profiles of wind speed and direction that may be deduced from these data are expected to contribute significantly to the understanding of the dynamics of the Venus atmosphere. The design of the experiment and the equipment and software techniques that were developed specially for this experiment are described.  (Author)


The Auger parameter of the Ols peaks at 527.5- and 531.5-eV binding energies for cesium and oxygen exposures giving the optimum photolytic proves that two oxides of cesium exist in high-photolytic surfaces, and not Cs20 alone as previously thought. From the shape and position of the cesium peaks and the Auger parameter, the assignment of the Ols peaks at 527.5- and 531.5-eV binding energies to oxygen in C2O and Cs1103, respectively, can be made. Hence the total cesium-oxygen layer is a mixed phase consisting of Cs20 + Cs1103, approximately 2040 A thick.  (Author)


Multilayered samples of contemporary and improved fire-resistant aircraft seat materials were evaluated for their rates of heat release and smoke generation. Top layers with glass-fiber block cushion were evaluated to determine which materials, based on their minimum contributions to the total heat release of the multilayered assembly, may be added or deleted. The smoke and heat release rates of multilayered seat materials were measured at heat fluxes of 1.5 and 3.5 W/cm2. Abrasion tests were conducted on the decorative fabric covering and slip sheet to ascertian service life and compatibility of layers.  (Author)


After briefly reviewing the observational data on the stratospheric sulfate aerosol layer, the chemical and physical processes that are likely to fix the properties of the layer are discussed. We present appropriate continuity equations for aerosol particles, and show how to solve the equations on a digital computer. Simulations of the unperturbed aerosol layer by various published models are discussed and the sensitivity of layer characteristics to variations in several aerosol model parameters is studied. We discuss model applications to anthropogenic pollution problems and demonstrate that modest levels of aerospace activity (supersonic transport and Space Shuttle operations) will probably have only a negligible effect on global climate. Finally, we evaluate the possible climatic effect of a ten-fold increase in the atmospheric abundance of carbonyl sulfide.  (Author)

It is noted that so far most systematic investigations on the lee side flow over delta wings at supersonic speeds are concerned with flat upper surfaces. On the basis of these results, the paper makes an attempt to characterize the different types of flow over a wing with a delta-shaped upper surface by varying a number of parameters. It is concluded that the work should be considered a first step toward systematizing the flow over delta shaped lee sides as well. M.E.P.


An inherent numerical problem associated with the fully explicit pseudospectral numerical simulation of the incompressible Navier-Stokes equation for viscous flows with no-slip walls is described. A semi-implicit scheme which circumvents this numerical difficulty is presented. In this algorithm the equation of continuity rather than the Poisson equation for pressure is solved directly. Pseudospectral formulation of the channel flow problem using Fourier series and Chebychev polynomials expansions is given for this scheme. An example demonstrating the applicability of the method is given.

Author


The young infrared cluster in Mon R2 has been observed at wavelengths from 30 microns to 1 mm and at angular resolutions from 16 arcsec to 1 arcmin. The brightest sources R 1 and IRS 3 have luminosities equivalent to those of early B-type stars. It is not possible to estimate reliably the evolutionary stage of IRS 3, but IRS 1 appears to be powered by a star close to B0 V. The star probably dominates the energetics of the cluster. The gas density estimated from the infrared and radio molecular data is much larger than that of the associated, extended H II region. This appears consistent with the idea that the ionized zone is expanding out from the back of the molecular cloud.

Author


Model low-mass globular-cluster stars were evolved with their helium allowed to diffuse under the influence of gravity, thermal diffusion, and concentration gradient. The evolution tended to speed up. Also, the turnover point moved toward lower luminosity and slightly lower surface temperature. If the luminosity at turnover is used as the sole criterion for determining the age of a globular cluster, the inferred ages of such clusters are reduced by about 22% from starting values in the vicinity of 15 billion years. (Author)


The contribution of the resin matrix to the performance of the composite is studied with particular emphasis on the flammability, and thermal and mechanical properties. Of the several thermoset and thermostropic matrices examined, the least fire-resistant properties of the composite have been observed with epoxy matrices. Bismaleimide A composites exhibit high fire-resistant properties, low moisture absorption, and good mechanical properties at 23 °C. Bismaleimide B and phenolic retain their mechanical properties at elevated temperatures but have lower mechanical properties than the epoxy composites at ambient temperatures. Phenol/Novolac, polyethersulfone, and polyphenylsulfone composites exhibit high oxygen index and low smoke evolution.

V.L.


A semiempirical theory is developed which is based on simple physical principles and comparisons with laboratory measurements. The ultimate utility of this approach rests on its ability to successfully reproduce the observed single-scattering phase function for a wide variety of particle shapes, sizes and refractive indices. This approximate theory is developed for evaluating the interaction of randomly oriented, nonspherical particles with the total intensity component of electromagnetic radiation. Mie theory is used when the particle size parameter x (ratio of particle circumference to wavelength) is less than some upper bound x sub zero (about 5). For x greater than x sub zero, the interaction is divided into three components: diffraction, external reflection and transmission. The application of the theory is illustrated by considering the influence of the shape of tropospheric aerosols on their contribution to the earth's global albedo.

S.D.


The permittivity and attenuation of prepared samples of wet snow are measured and curves presented showing the dependence of these quantities on snow wetness and frequency. Equations are given that express the experimentally determined relation between attenuation per unit length and volume-percent wetness at any frequency between 4 and 12 GHz. Additional equations are given for the calculation of permittivity from the snow density, attenuation per unit length, and frequency. Water retention characteristics of snow are described. Some applications of the techniques, such as runoff forecasting from mountain snowpacks, are proposed. (Author)


The impact of terrestrial aerosols on the earth's climate and solar and infrared radiation budget are considered. Attention is given to the optical properties of aerosols, that is, optical depth, the single scattering albedo, and the asymmetry parameter, and to the relation between the optical depth and surface temperature for tropospheric and stratospheric aerosols. Also considered are experimental projects.
to determine the single scattering albedo, as well as the optical properties of natural aerosols such as sea salt, soil, and sulfates, and their variability. In addition, the impact of volcanic activity and the question of whether aerosols cause climatic warming or cooling are discussed, and the available observational evidence linking aerosols and climate is reviewed.

J.P.B.


Thermal evolution models based on subsolidus whole mantle convection which indicate that the surface heat flows of the earth and the moon do not necessarily provide good measures of the total amounts of radioactive in these bodies have been constructed. These models assume an initially hot state, but with a wide variety of choices for the parameters characterizing the rheology and convective vigor. All models are constrained to be consistent with present-day surface heat fluxes, and many of the terrestrial models are consistent with the mantle viscosities indicated by postglacial rebound. In the lunar models, heat generation is typically only 70-80% of the surface heat flow, even with allowance for the strong near-surface enhancement of radioactivity. Despite the simplicity of these models, the persistence of a significant difference between heat generation and heat output indicates that this difference is real and should be incorporated in geochemical modeling of planets. A.T.


The Nepholometer instrument flown on all four of the probes of the Pioneer Venus mission is described. The instruments functioned well, returning data on the backscattering properties of the Venusian clouds and ambient solar radiation in several wavelength intervals as a function of altitude at four widely separated planetary locations. The design considerations, instrument construction, calibration and performance are discussed.


The catalytic oxidation of amorphous carbon substrates by Pd particles is observed by in situ transmission electron microscopy. Various modes of selective attack of the carbon substrate in the immediate neighborhood of Pd particles are observed, which can be correlated with different degrees of particle mobility. Using amorphous substrates we have been able to demonstrate that the particle-substrate interaction is influenced by the structure of the particle. This has not previously been noted.


The adsorption and condensation of Cu and Ag, up to several monolayers in thickness, onto Mo(100) has been observed at pressures below 2 times 10 to the -10th torr in a study that used combined LEED, Auger, TDS (Thermal Desorption Spectroscopy), and work function measurements in a single experimental setup. The results show that Cu behaves similarly on Mo(100) and W(100) substrates, while some differences are found for Ag adsorption.


The current understanding of the origin and evolution of the atmospheres of solar system objects is reviewed. Physical processes that control this evolution are described in an attempt to develop a set of general principles that can help guide studies of specific objects. Particular emphasis is placed on the planetary and satellite atmospheres of the inner solar system objects; current hypotheses on the origin and evolution of these objects are critically considered.


The paper discusses a full three spatial-dimension gravitational hydrodynamic code used to follow the collapse of isothermal rotating clouds subjected to various nonaxially symmetric perturbations (NAP). An initially axially symmetric cloud collapsed to form a ring which then fragmented into a binary protostellar system; a low thermal energy cloud with a large bar-shaped NAP collapsed and fragmented into a binary, and higher thermal energy clouds damped out such NAPs while higher rotational energy clouds produce binaries with wider separations. The three-dimensional calculations indicate that isothermal interstellar clouds may fragment into protostellar objects while still in the isothermal regime. Interstellar clouds and their fragments may pass through collapse phases with fragmentation and reduction of spin angular momentum terminating in the formation of pre-main-sequence stars with the observed pre-main-sequence rotation rates.


The analytic solutions for radiatively driven winds are given for the case in which the winds are driven by absorption of line and continuum radiation. The wind solutions are analytically estimated for different parameters of the central source and for different power law spectra. For flat spectra, three sonic points can exist; it is shown, however, that only one of these sonic points is physically realistic. Parameters of the central source are given which generate winds of further interest for explaining the narrow and broad absorption lines in quasars. For the quasar model presented here, winds which could give rise to the narrow absorption lines are generated by central sources with parameters which are not realistic for quasars.


Infrared and radio observations of various objects are analyzed to put observational constraints on the mechanism which gives rise to the unidentified emission features at 3.3, 3.4, 6.2, 7.7, 8.6, and 11.3 microns. The results show that gas-grain collisions or fluorescence is not likely to be the excitation mechanism responsible for the observed features. Thermal emission by dust is reanalyzed and it is concluded that this mechanism can explain the emission features. A simple model in which the emission features arise in a population of small, hot, interstellar grains is constructed. These grains are very efficient radiators, and the emitting materials only need be a minor grain constituent to provide the power that is emitted in the features. The model offers, therefore, a simple explanation for the absence of these features in absorption.


The paper presents results of experiments in which the thermal expansion and swelling behavior of an epoxy resin system and two graphite/epoxy composite systems exposed to water were measured. It was found that the cured epoxy resin swells by an amount slightly less than the volume of the absorbed water and that the swelling efficiency of the water varies with the moisture content of the polymer. Additionally, the thermal expansion of cured epoxy resin that is saturated with water is observed to be more than twice that of dry resin. Results also indicate that the cured resin that is saturated with 7.1% water at 95°C will rapidly increase in moisture content to 8.5% when placed in 1°C water. The mechanism for this phenomenon, termed reverse thermal effect, is described in terms of a slightly modified free-volume theory in conjunction with the theory of polar molecule interaction. Nearly identical behavior was observed in two graphite/epoxy composite systems, thus establishing that this behavior may be common to all cured epoxy resins.


Rotational constants for the vibrational ground state of [C(13)H3D], which has been detected in the atmospheres of Jupiter and Saturn, are reported. High-resolution spectra of monodeuteromethane were obtained in the region 1800 to 2500 cm⁻¹ by a vacuum Fourier interferometer, and the values of the rotational
constants B0, D0J, D0JK, H0JJK, and H0JKK were calculated by an analysis of ground-state combination differences in the n=2(A1) band. The calculated frequency and intensity of this transition are found to be in agreement with the observed values.  

A.L.W.


Results are presented of numerical experiments modeling meteorology, multiple pollutant sources, and nonlinear photochemical reactions for the case of an airport in a large urban area with complex terrain. A boundary-layer model predicts the mixing depth and generates wind, moisture, and temperature fields was used; it utilizes only surface and synoptic boundary conditions as input data. A version of the Hocht-Seinfeld-Dodge chemical kinetics model is integrated with a new, rapid numerical technique; both the San Francisco Bay Area Air Quality Management District source inventory and the San Jose Airports' aircraft inventory are utilized. The air quality model results are presented in contour plots; the combined results illustrate that the highly nonlinear systems which are present require that the chemistry and meteorology be considered simultaneously to make a valid assessment of the effects of individual sources on regional air quality.


A height profile of ablated mass from meteors is calculated, assuming an incoming mass of 10 to the -18th g/cm s (44 metric tons per day) and the velocity distribution of Southworth and Sekanina, which has a mean of 14.5 km/s. The profile peaks at 84 km. The fluxes of micrometeorites and residual meteors are also calculated. The coagulation of the evaporated silicates into 'smoke' particles is then followed by means of a model adapted from a previous study of the stratospheric sulfate layer. Numerous sensitivity tests are made. Features of the results are a sharp cutoff of the particle distribution above 90 km, and a surface area close to 10 to the 9th cm^2/cm^2 am all the way from 30 to 85 km. Some confirmation is obtained from balloon studies of condensation nuclei, although the various measurements differ greatly. The optical scattering and extinction are shown to be undetectable. Several potential applications are suggested: nucleation of sulfate particles and noctilucent clouds, scavenging of metallic ions and atoms, and perhaps other aeronomical effects. The latter are limited to processes that can be influenced by a collision time of the order of a day.

(Author)


It is noted that the use of cryogenic components on spacecraft, already quite common, will likely increase in the future. Attention is given to a number of applications including earth observation, atmospheric measurements, infrared astronomy and magnetic field measurements. These applications are discussed with regard to their cryogenic requirements. Further, four cryogenic instruments provided by the United States to be launched on spacecraft in the near future are described. Finally, other missions being planned that will use cryogenic instrumentation are also considered.


A semi-implicit method is applied to solve the Navier-Stokes equations numerically and to evaluate the features of the free-interaction phenomenon that occurs when a shock wave impinges on a Blasius boundary layer. Comparisons are made with predictions of the triple-deck theory and experiment. Results include pressure and skin-friction distribution in the free-interaction region for various values of Reynolds number.

V.T.


Local measurements of stratospheric NO and O3 mixing ratios and air temperature were made during the total solar eclipse of 26 February 1979. The instrumentation was carried aboard a U-2 aircraft flown at an altitude of 19.8 km in the region near 47 deg N, 112 deg W. Eclipse maximum occurred approximately in the middle of the 2-3/4 hr measurement period. The NO mixing ratio was reduced at least a factor of 25 at the maximum of the eclipse. The decrease and recovery of NO during the passage of the Moon's shadow over the measurement region follows approximately the predictions of two independent models. No change was observed in either the O3 mixing ratio or the air temperature that could be attributed to the eclipse.  

(Author)


A series of two-dimensional numerical experiments is performed in order to test the response of an isothermal, self-gravitating gas disk to a uniformly rotating, barlike gravitational potential. The barlike potential is an equilibrium stellar model from the n-body calculations of Miller and Smith (1979). In the bar-dominated, central regions of the disk, a gas bar whose phase depends primarily on the location of principal resonances in the disk is formed. This response can be understood in terms of orbit-crowding effects. In the gas-dominated outer regions of the disk, two-armed trailing spiral waves are formed. The local pitch angle of these waves increases with increasing fractional gas mass. These self-gravitating gas waves are not self-sustaining. They are driven from the ends of equilibrium stellar bars,
and their phase does not depend on the location of resonances in the disk. The relevance of these self-gravitating waves to observations and models of barred spiral galaxies is discussed. It is concluded that these waves and their associated ringlike structures may be consistent with the morphological distribution of gas features in barred spiral galaxies. (Author)


Low-resolution spectra of IRC + 10216 have been obtained from 2 to 8.5 microns from NASA’s Kuiper Airborne Observatory at an altitude of 12.5 km (41,000 feet). Observations were made during 1976 January and 1977 February. In both sets of data, the spectral flux reaches its maximum between 6.0 and 6.6 microns and the previously reported 3.1-micron feature is observed; no obvious new absorption features have been found. The new data together with other spectral data and measurements of the spatial extent of IRC + 10216 impose conditions that must be met by models of the continuum. Several simple models for 2.85 micron radiation are examined. The new continuum data impose a constraint on the size of the grains in the cooler, optically thin part of the object. Earlier photometry has been combined with the present data to yield an improved value of the average age of 144 + or - 17 days. It appears that the variability is irregular and that the minima have been deeper in recent years than they were in 1965-1969. (Author)


Measurements of the far-infrared spectra of the powerful H II regions W51-1RS 2 and W49 NW from 65 to 345 per cm with about 9 per cm resolution were obtained by using an airborne Michelson interferometer. The most remarkable feature of the far-infrared spectra of the two regions is the smoothness of the continuum; no evidence is found in the spectra for features of H2O ice at 45 and 62 microns. The spectrum of W51 is well fitted by a 70 K blackbody with a diameter of 14 arc sec, but the spectrum of W49 NW is narrower than a blackbody. The implications of the apparently high peak optical depths of these sources are discussed. J.P.B.


Optical spectroscopic monitoring of the extreme carbon star IRC +30219 has revealed striking changes between 1977 and 1980. The stellar photosphere was barely visible in early 1979. There was an emission line spectrum consisting of H, forbidden O I, forbidden O II, forbidden N I, forbidden N II, forbidden S II, and He I. It is likely that the region of the star where the recent mass loss occurred contained the extensive circumstellar envelope. By late 1979, this emission-line spectrum had vanished, and the photosphere had reappeared. The weakening of the photospheric features in early 1979 was caused by increased attenuation of starlight and overlying thermal emission, both due to recently condensed hot dust grains. (Author)


The spin dipole-dipole and spin-orbit contributions to the zero-field splitting of the 3A-double prime state of formaldehyde have been evaluated at the excited state geometry. Ab initio CI wave functions were generated from a Dunning double zeta plus polarization bases set using 3A-double prime rhf orbitals. Twelve states of each symmetry were used to evaluate the second-order spin-orbit effect. The resulting values of D and E were 0.19 and 0.03 kasyer with the principal magnetic axes rotated 36 deg from the CO bond. The values of alpha and beta relative to the inertial axes were calculated to be 0.03 and 0.01 kasyer compared to the experimental values of 0.05 plus or minus 0.01 and 0.02 plus or minus 0.02 kasyer. (Author)


The amount of nitric oxide likely to be produced in the shock layer around a Space Shuttle orbiter vehicle during its reentry is calculated at one point on the trajectory. An equivalent-cone is defined as one that produces the same amount of nitric oxide as the orbiter. The amounts of nitric oxide produced by the cone are calculated at points along the trajectory to determine their total and altitudinal distribution. The results show that about 14 tonne nitric oxide is produced at each entry, the peak occurring at 68 km altitude. (Author)


The evolutionary and static models of Jupiter and Saturn were calculated with homogeneous solar composition mantles and dense cores of material consisting of solar abundances of Si,O2, MgO, Fe, and Ni. Evolutionary sequences for Jupiter were calculated with cores of mass ranging from 2 to 8% of the Jovian mass; the Saturn sequences ranged from cores of mass of 18 to 22% of total mass. Two envelope mixtures representative of the solar abundances were used: they contained mass fraction of 0.74 and 0.77 of hydrogen, respectively, and 0.24 and 0.21 mass fractions of helium. For Jupiter, the observations of the temperature at 1 bar pressure, of radius and of internal luminosity were best fit by evolutionary models with a core mass of about 6.5% and chemical composition of 0.77 mass fraction of hydrogen and 0.23 mass fraction of helium. The cooling time calculated for Saturn was 2.6 x 10 to the 9th yr, almost a factor of 2 less than the percentage of the solar system. A.T.


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The collision of Na with Xe in the presence of both the rhodamine-110 dye laser and the Nd-glass laser is investigated within a quantum-mechanical close-coupled formalism, utilizing ab initio potential curves and transition dipole matrix elements. Both one- and two-photon processes are investigated; the Na + Xe system is not asymptotically resonant with the radiation fields, so that these processes can only occur in the molecular collision region. The one-photon processes are found to have measurable cross sections at relatively low intensities; even the two-photon process has a significant section for field intensities as low as 10 MW/sq cm.

(Author)


Results of the first self-consistent numerical calculations of the dynamic collapse of a magnetized protostellar gas cloud are presented. Symmetry about an axis parallel to the initial magnetic field direction has been assumed, so that the calculations could be performed on a two-dimensional grid. Also, the cloud was taken to be nonrotating and isothermal, and the magnetic field was assumed to remain frozen in to the gas. As starting models for the calculations, gas spheres with uniform density and magnetic field were used. The time evolution of the clouds has been calculated for roughly two initial free-fall times, at which point the central density has increased by a factor of approximately 10,000 to 1,000,000. Several such calculations have been performed for different values of the cloud's initial thermal, magnetic, and gravitational energies. In virtually all cases it is found that, once a flattened core forms in the cloud, the central magnetic field strength, B, varies with gas density, rho, according to (d log B/d log rho) = 1/2. This behavior is independent of the initial energy ratios mentioned above. It is also found that the magnetic field is able to prevent completely the collapse of part of the outer envelope of the cloud.

(Author)


Minimum energy configurations of microclusters (up to six atoms) have been calculated using two- and three-body interactions. Structural changes were parametrically analyzed as a function of the intensity of three-body forces. The results are qualitative in nature; they indicate, however, that three-body interactions play an important role in the equilibrium structure of microclusters. The effect of the intensity of the three-body interactions on the structure of small clusters is not manifested in a continuous manner. Rather, changes in the energetically most stable structure occur abruptly. The results are in qualitative agreement with experimental observations as well as other calculations.

(Author)


Ion-molecules association reactions of the form A(-)(B)n-1 + B = A(-)(B)n were studied over a range of temperatures in the gas phase using high pressure mass spectrometry. Enthalpy and entropy changes were determined for the stepwise clustering reactions of (1) sulfur dioxide onto Cl(-), I(-), and NO2(-) with n ranging from one to three or four, and onto SO2(-) and SO3(-) with n equal to one; and (2) carbon dioxide onto Cl(-), I(-), NO2(-), CO3(-), and SO3(-) with n equal to one. From these data and earlier hydration results, the order of the magnitude of the enthalpy changes on the association of the first neutral for a series of negative ions was found to parallel the gas-phase basicity of those anions.

(Author)


Off-diagonal spin-orbit matrix elements are calculated as a function of internuclear distance for the rare gas oxides NeO, ArO, and XeO using the full microscopic spin-orbit Hamiltonian, including all one- and two-electron integrals, and POL-CI wave functions comparable to those of Dunnig and Hay (1977). A good agreement was found when comparing these results in detail with the calculations of Cohen, Wadt and Hay (1979) that utilize an effective one-electron one center spin-orbit operator. For the rare gas oxide molecules, it is suggested that the numerical results are a more sensitive test of the wave functions (particularly to the extent of charge transfer) than the exact evaluation of all terms in the full spin-orbit operator.

A.C.W.


Alternating direction implicit (ADI) schemes for two-dimensional parabolic equations with a mixed derivative are constructed by using the class of all A(0)-stable linear two-step methods in conjunction with the method of approximate factorization. The mixed derivative is treated with an explicit two-step method which is compatible with an implicit A(0)-stable method. The parameter space for which the resulting ADI schemes are second-order accurate and unconditionally stable is determined. Some numerical examples are given.

(Author)


Curves of growth are evaluated for a spectral line broadened by the van der Waals interactions during collisions. The growth of the equivalent widths of such lines is shown to be dependent on the product of the perturber density and the 8/10 power of the van der Waals potential coefficient. When the parameter is small, the widths grow as the 1/2 power of the optical depth as they do for the Voigt profile; but when the parameter is large, they grow as 2/3 power and, hence, faster than the Voigt profile. An approximate analytical expression for the computed growth characteristics is given.

(Author)
A80-51965 * Vibration-rotation line shifts for 1 sigma g + H2/V/J-15/0. He computed via close wide · Temperature dependence. G. E. Hahn and C. Chackerman, Jr. (NASA, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.), Journal of Chemical Physics, vol. 73, Oct. 1, 1980, p. 3223-3231. 47 refs. The density shifting of vibration-rotation transitions of H2 perturbed by He was computed (as a function of temperature) with no adjustable parameters. The calculation was carried out using the framework of the impact theory of Baranger with S-matrix elements obtained via close wide calculations which incorporated the ab initio H2-H2 potential system of Tsapline et al. (1977). Vibrational and rotational inelasticity were neglected in the calculations; nevertheless good agreement with experimental data was obtained, up to moderate temperatures, for the density shift. A much poorer comparison was obtained for the density broadening. (Author)

A80-52399 * Discovery of optical molecular emission from the bipolar nebula surrounding HD 44179. G. D. Schmidt (Lick Observatory, Santa Cruz, Calif.), M. Cohen (NASA, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.), and B. Margon. Astrophysical Journal, Part 2 - Letters to the Editor, vol. 239, Aug. 1, 1980, p. L133-L138. 21 refs. NSF Grants No. AST-76-19753; No. AST-77-27745. Spectrophotometry and spectro polarimetry with HD 44179 are presented. These measurements reveal that the very broad bump evident in previous low-resolution spectra possesses a large amount of structure, including groups of narrow emission lines and several diffuse features. A reduction in polarization, but constant position angle, through the bump indicates that this emission originates within the nebula itself and merely dilutes the polarized scattered starlight. A few very weak atomic emission lines are detected, but the overall feature, which strongly resembles the emission spectra of some molecules, remains unidentified. Constraints on the excitation mechanism are discussed. (Author)

A80-53235 * Tidal dissipation, orbital evolution, and the nature of Saturn's inner satellites. S. J. Peale (Joint Institute for Laboratory Astrophysics, Boulder, Colo.; California, University, Santa Barbara, Calif.), P. Cassen, and R. T. Reynolds (NASA, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.). Icarus, vol. 43, July 1980, p. 65-72. 35 refs. Grants No. NGR-05-010-062; No. NCA2-OR-680-85. Estimates of tidal damping times of the orbital eccentricities of Saturn's inner satellites place constraints on some satellite rigidities and dissipation functions Q. These constraints favor rock-like rather than ice-like properties for Mimas and probably Dione. Photometric and other observational data are consistent with relatively higher densities for these two satellites, but require lower densities for Tethys, Enceladus, and Rhea. This leads to a nonmonotonic density distribution for Saturn's inner satellites, apparently determined by different mass fractions of rocky materials. In spite of the consequences of tidal dissipation for the orbital eccentricity decay and implications for satellite compositions, tidal heating is not an important contributor to the thermal history of any Saturnian satellite. (Author)

Direct involvement of educational institutions in the transfer of remote sensing technology must be increased so that the training component of the Western Regional Applications Program can be expanded within the various states. The implications of essential goals in remote sensing education and training are considered in relation to the functions of the NASA University Affairs program. A.R.H.

N80-20016* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif. DATA REDUCTION BY COMPUTER PROCESSING Dale R. Lumb In Its Conf. of Remote Sensing Educators (CORSE-78) Mar. 1980 p 391-452 refs (For primary document see N80-20003 10-99) Avail. NTIS HC A99/MF A01 CSCL 09B. The automated analysis of remote sensing data, specifically digital processing of LANDSAT or other image data in numerical form was considered in a technical workshop which covered the teaching of digital image processing, including both theoretical and applied subjects and laboratory experience, and also reviewed NASA developed image processing software, and hardware/software systems employed at NASA-Ames Research Center in support of the Western Regional Applications Program (WRAP). A course titled Image Processing Lab, one of two courses required for a graduate minor in remote sensing at Arizona is examined as well as the rationale, content, and hardware/software support for this course. A.R.H.

N80-21257* National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif. USE OF ADVANCED COMPUTERS FOR AERODYNAMIC FLOW SIMULATION F. R. Bailey and W. F. Ballhaus In AGARD The Use of Computers as a Design Tool Jan. 1980 p 42 refs Prepared in cooperation with Army Research and Technology Labs., Moffett Field, Calif. (For primary document see N80-21243 12-01) Avail. NTIS HC A19/MF A01 CSCL 01A. The current and projected use of advanced computers for large-scale aerodynamic flow simulation applied to engineering design and research is discussed. The design use of mature codes run on conventional, serial computers is compared with the fluid research use of new codes run on parallel and vector computers. The role of flow simulations in design is illustrated by the application of a three dimensional, inviscid, transonic code to the Sabreliner 60 wing redesign. Research computations that include a more complete description of the fluid physics by use of Reynolds averaged Navier-Stokes and large-eddy simulation formulations are also presented. Results of studies for a numerical aerodynamic simulation facility are used to project the feasibility of design applications employing these more advanced three dimensional viscous flow simulations. M.G.

J. R. Smith and R. Ramos (NASA, Ames Res. Center) In its The Telecomm. and Data Acquisition Rept. 15 Jun. 1980 p 140-149 refs (For primary document see NBO-25941 17-121)
Avail: NTIS HC A09/MF A01 CS1 O38
The data acquisition and processing techniques used in the Pioneer Venus differential long baseline interferometry experiment are described. The experiment was designed to measure the motion in three dimensions of the Pioneer probes during their fall to the surface of Venus, using a combination of Doppler and long baseline ratio interferometric methods. The design of the experiment and the equipment and software techniques that were developed specially for this experiment are also described. M.G.

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE COMPUTATION OF TURBULENT BOUNDARY LAYERS
Morris W. Rubins In AGARD Turbulent Boundary Layers Jan. 1980 23 p refs (For primary document see NBO-27647 18-34)
Avail: NTIS HC A17/MF A01 CSCL 20D
Two methods of turbulence computation are discussed in terms of their basic similarities. It is shown that the two methods are interconnected and that each can gain from advances in the other. The degree of success of a pair of increasingly complex Reynolds stress models to broaden their range of applicability is examined through comparison with experimental data for a variety of flow conditions. An example of a large eddy simulation is presented, compared with experimental results, and used to evaluate the models for pressure rate of strain correlation and dissipation in the Reynolds averaged equations. R.C.T.

A NAVIER-STOKES FAST SOLVER FOR TURBULENCE MODELING APPLICATIONS
J. D. Murphy and M. W. Rubins In AGARD Turbulent Boundary Layers Jan. 1980 16 p refs (For primary document see NBO-27647 18-34)
Avail: NTIS HC A17/MF A01
A computer code for the evaluation and/or optimization of the predicative potential of second order turbulent closure models in simple two dimensional flow configurations is discussed. A procedure is presented for the numerical solution for the steady constant property Navier-Stokes equations are described together with algebraic, one dimensional and two dimensional equations of turbulence closure models. Four turbulence models are compared with several sets of experimental data. The effects of initial conditions and boundary conditions are also described. The effects of purely numerical parameters, such as mesh size, boundary locations, and convergence criteria are presented. R.C.T.

LARGE EDDY SIMULATION OF TURBULENT CHANNEL FLOW: ILLIAC 5 CALCULATION
John Kim and Parviz Moin In AGARD Turbulent Boundary Layers Jan. 1980 18 p refs (For primary document see NBO-27649 18-34)
Avail: NTIS HC A17/MF A01 CSCL 20D
The capabilities of large eddy simulation in the prediction and analyses of wall-bounded turbulent shear flows are demonstrated. The dynamical equations for large scale field motions are derived. The computational grid network is described and its relation to the observed physical length scales in the flow are discussed. Some aspects of the mechanics and structure of the flow are examined both in the vicinity of the wall and in regions away from the wall. An attempt is made to correlate numerical results with laboratory observations. Other significant observations and conclusions are presented. R.C.T.

NUMERICAL SOLUTION TECHNIQUES FOR UNSTEADY TRANSONIC AERODYNAMICS PROBLEMS
William F. Ballhaus and John O. Bridgeman In AGARD Spec. Course on Unsteady Aerodyn. Jun. 1980 24 p refs (For primary document see NBO-33363 24-02)
Avail: NTIS HC A11/MF A01 CSCL O1A
Basic concepts of finite difference solution techniques for unsteady transonic flows are presented. The hierarchy of mathematical formulations that approximate the Navier-Stokes equations are reviewed. The basic concepts involved in constructing numerical algorithms to solve these formulations are given. Semi-implicit and implicit schemes are constructed and analyzed. The discussion focuses primarily on techniques for solving the low frequency transonic small disturbance equation. This is the simplest formulation that contains the essence of inviscid unsteady transonic flow physics. The low frequency formulation is emphasized here because codes based on this theory can be run in minutes of processor time on currently available computers. Furthermore, numerical techniques involved in solving this simple formulation also apply to the more complicated formulations. Extensions to these formulations are briefly described. An indication of the present capability for solving unsteady transonic flows is provided. Important areas of future research for the advancement of computational unsteady transonic aerodynamics are described. E.D.K.

An arc-heated wind-tunnel system described in the present paper will simulate aerodynamic heating in large-scale tests of the thermal protection system of the Shuttle Orbiter Vehicle during entry. The system provides for large-scale subsystem tests in high enthalphy streams with boundary layer flows at high Reynolds numbers and for large test-body sizes in stagnation flows. The discussion covers the design concept of the arc-jet systems, the extensive hardware developments of the arc heater to provide reliable operation, and verification and performance measurements of the system's operating envelopes. V.P.

The paper presents a three-dimensional analysis of the nonlinear light matter interaction in a hydrodynamic context. It is reported that the resulting equations are a generalization of the Navier-Stokes equations subjected to an internal potential which depends solely upon the fluid density. In addition, three numerical approaches are presented to solve the governing equations using an extension of McCormack predict-corrector scheme. These are a uniform grid, a dynamic rezoned grid, and a splitting technique. It is concluded that the use of adaptive mapping and splitting techniques with McCormack two-level predictor-corrector scheme results in an efficient and reliable code whose storage requirements are modest compared with other second order methods of equal accuracy. M.E.P.

A fatigue failure criterion applicable to composite materials is developed and applied to predict the fatigue behavior of graphite/epoxy laminates with particular emphasis on the influence of temperature. Tensile stress-strain curves and tension-tension fatigue curves for various unidirectional, angle-ply and symmetrically balanced laminates were developed at test temperatures of 26 C, 74 C and 114 C. In general for most laminates a reduction in both static strength and fatigue strength is observed with increasing temperature. This reduction appeared more severe in fatigue loading than in static tensile loading and most severe where the shear stress in the lamina is the dominant failure mode. Through an analytical formulation of shifting functions for the influences of temperature, all fatigue data are shown to be capable of being reduced to a single reference curve at some temperature. Additionally, examples are given which demonstrate the capability of the fatigue failure criterion to predict failure of complex symmetrically balanced laminates from relevant parameters obtained from the observed behavior of unidirectional and angle-ply laminates. (Author)


The paper discusses the Shuttle Infrared Telescope Facility (SIRTF), a versatile astronomical telescope that can accommodate photometric, spectroscopic, and polarimetric measurements. It is expected to be 100 to 1000 times more sensitive than any existing infrared telescope; detailed designs of cooled IR telescopes were made for the Infrared Astronomical Satellite and the Small Helium Cooled Infrared Telescope for Spacelab 2. Rocket tests verified the capability of using superfluid helium as a cryogen in zero gravity. Constraints on funds for Shuttle payloads require an evolutionary approach to the development of the full potential of SIRTF; necessitating consideration of design alternatives involving the optical configuration, the cryogen, the mechanical structure, and size of SIRTF. A.T.


An experimental investigation of NASA 0010 and 10% circular arc wing models, swept at 45 deg, spanning a channel, and at zero angle of attack is described. Measurements include chordwise and spanwise surface pressure distributions and oil-flow patterns for a range of transonic Mach numbers and Reynolds numbers. Calculations using a new three-dimensional Navier-Stokes code and a two-equation turbulence model are included for the circular-arc wing flow. Reasonable agreement between measurements and computations is obtained. (Author)


Results of a recent study of entry and landing probes for the exploration of Titan are presented. The probes considered were based on a wide range of exploration mission possibilities. They included: an atmospheric science probe; an intermediate, atmospheric and limited surface science probe; and a larger atmospheric and expanded surface science probe. Because of lower gravity on Titan and its atmosphere characteristics, the entry environment is less severe than that of Mars. However, the large uncertainties in the current definition of the atmosphere and uncertainties in Titan's surface characteristics have required trade-offs of various combinations of entry and descent shapes and hard lander configurations. Results show that all probe classes are feasible without major developments. (Author)


The three-dimensional supersonic flow over passive, that is, nonablating inted nosetips of reentry vehicles is determined using an unsteady implicit numerical algorithm which solves either the inviscid Euler equations or the 'thin-layer' Navier-Stokes equations. A nonorthogonal independent variable transformation is used to map the distorted physical domain, containing multiple zones of embedded subsonic flow and separated flow regions into a rectangular computational volume at whose boundaries the required permeable or impermeable boundary conditions are simulated. Use of the implicit algorithm results in faster convergence to the steady state because of a larger allowable time step over conventional explicit schemes. The numerical results obtained compare favorably with existing numerical solutions and experimental data for simple spheres which validates the program. Results are also presented for analytically defined indented bodies for both laminar and turbulent flow conditions that demonstrate the program's capability for computing such flows. (Author)


A recently reported parabolized Navier-Stokes code has been employed to compute the supersonic flow field surrounding an ogive-cylinder-boattail body at incidence. The computations were performed for flow conditions where an extensive series of experimental surface pressure and turbulent boundary-layer profile measurements had been obtained. Comparison between the computational results and experimental measurements for angles of attack up to 6 deg show excellent agreement. At angles greater than 6 deg discrepancies are observed which are tentatively attributed to three-dimensional turbulence modeling errors. (Author)

A modification of an implicit approximate-factorization finite-difference algorithm applied to the two dimensional Euler and Navier-Stokes equations in general curvilinear coordinates is presented for supersonic free stream flow about and through inlets. The modification transforms the coupled system of equations into an uncoupled diagonal form which requires less computation work. For steady-state applications the resulting diagonal algorithm retains the stability and accuracy characteristics of the original algorithm. Solutions are given for inviscid and laminar flow about a two dimensional wedge inlet configuration. Comparisons are made between computed results and exact theory. (Author)


A detailed investigation of a flow in which a three-dimensional shock wave separates a two-dimensional turbulent boundary layer is presented. The resulting flow field is highly three-dimensional with a significant portion of flow separation on the surface at the 0 deg azimuthal coordinate (windward) plane as well as a large zone of secondary surface flow off this plane. Mean and fluctuating experimental measurements were obtained throughout the entire flow field. These measurements included mean pressures, flow angles and shear on the surface, as well as yaw angles, static pressures, turbulent shear stresses, and turbulent kinetic energies on selected planes throughout the flow field. In addition, numerical predictions of this flow, obtained by solving the Navier-Stokes equations with an algebraic eddy viscosity turbulence model, are presented. These computations can reasonably predict both the surface and flow field quantities, despite the extremely complicated nature of the experimental flow. (Author)


A new code for the simulation of full (forebody and base region) flowfields about bluff bodies in the hypersonic regime of severe planetary entry is described. The present 'maximally conservative, maximally differenced' formulation of the unsteady compressible Navier-Stokes equations for 2-D axisymmetric 3-D flow is contrasted with previous formulations of Viviant, Kutler, et al, and Thomas and Lombard. Discrete metric relations peculiar to the axisymmetric finite volume formulation are presented along with a general discussion of their relations to and consequences of failure to close computational cells. A computational mesh of curvilinear coordinate topology singular in the flow regime is presented that permits aligned capturing of the major physical features of the complex flowfield. (Author)


A strong anisotropy is observed in magnetic field fluctuations measured by the Lunokhod 2 magnetometer located on the eastern edge of Mare Serenitatis. This anisotropy can be explained by a regional anomaly in the subsurface electrical conductivity distribution associated with the mare similar to the proposed conductivity anomaly associated with Mare Imbrium. The Serenitatis magnetic field anisotropy is compared to the field fluctuation measured by the Apollo 16 magnetometer 1100 km to the south, and this comparison indicates that the subsurface conductivity distribution can be modeled by a nonconducting layer in the lunar lithosphere which is 150 km thick beneath the highlands and 300 km thick beneath Serenitatis. The decrease in electrical conductivity of the upper mantle beneath the mare may result from lower temperatures due to transport of thermal energy and radioactive heat sources to the surface during mare flooding. This proposed anomaly, along with that proposed for Mare Imbrium, strengthens the possibility of regional anomalies in electrical conductivity associated with large circular lunar maria. (Author)


A realistic Monte Carlo model closely simulating the evolution of the lunar megaregolith over a large area of 67 million sq. km of the front surface of the moon is presented. Craters larger than 100 km in diameter observed over the entire surface of the moon and those less than 100 km lying in the referenced area are included in the simulation. A total of 21,664 craters are processed. The model predicts the average thickness of the megaregolith to be about 1.9-2.0 km. Curves for the variation of the regolith thickness across the simulated area are given and show that about 50% of the area is covered with regolith less than 1 km thick. The model produces crater structures similar to the ones observed in the lunar highlands; it partially supports the layering theory for crater structures that the variations in strength and density of target materials may be responsible for the observed differences in the morphologies of lunar craters, and rules out the possibility that all craters when formed are bowl-shaped with a fixed depth/diameter ratio characteristic of small craters. (Author)


Circular crater forms, termed collapse depressions, which occur on many basalt flows on the earth have also been detected on the moon and Mars and possibly on Mercury and Io. The admixture of collapse craters with impact craters would affect age determinations of planar surface units based on impact crater statistics by making them appear anomalously old. In the work described in the present paper, the techniques conventionally used in planetary crater counting were applied to the determination of the size range and size frequency distribution of collapse craters on lava flows in Idaho, California, and New Mexico. Collapse depressions range in size from 3 to 80 m in diameter; their cumulative size distributions are similar to those of small impact craters on the moon. (Author)
Electrical induction as a heat source can be scaled to a broad range of solar system conditions, but corroborative evidence for these conditions is inconclusive. The accretion mechanism is probably not viable for the asteroidal and meteorite parent bodies, because the high kinetic energy requirement is inconsistent with the formation of the objects and their regoliths in the presence of a weak gravitational field.


An alternating-direction implicit algorithm is presented for solving the conservative, full-potential equation for unsteady, transonic flow. A new development is the time-linearization of the density function. This linearization reduces the solution process from one of solving a system of two equations at each mesh point to one of solving a single equation. Two sample cases are computed. First, a one-dimensional traveling shock wave is computed and compared with the analytic solution. Second, a two-dimensional case is computed of a flow field that results from a thickening and subsequently thinning airflow. The resulting flow field, which includes a traveling shock wave, is compared to the flow field obtained from the low-frequency, small-disturbance, transonic equation. (Author)


Numerical solution of the three-dimensional incompressible Navier-Stokes equations is used to study the instability of a flat-plate boundary layer in a manner analogous to the vibrating-ribbon experiments. Flow-field structures are observed which are very similar to those found in the vibrating-ribbon experiment to which computational initial conditions have been matched. Streamwise periodicity is assumed in the simulation so that the evolution occurs in time, but the events which constitute the instability are so similar to the spatially occurring ones of the laboratory that it seems clear the physical processes involved are the same. A spectral and finite difference numerical algorithm is employed in the simulation. (Author)


Carbonaceous chondrites of groups CI and CM were formed by impact brecciation and aqueous alteration of earlier generations of mineral phases within the surface regions of two or more parent bodies. Those parent bodies were probably asteroids, rather than comets, although a problem still exists in delivering such material safely to earth. Aqueous activity may have been widespread on asteroids. (Author)


Most meteorites show evidence of thermal processing either because of metamorphic changes or as a result of melting and differentiation. Proposed mechanisms for supplying this energy generally rely upon short-lived radioisotopes or electrical induction, though accretion is sometimes mentioned, and more exotic models have been discussed. Interest in isotopic heating has been heightened by the discovery of Al-26 in Allende inclusions and also by the proposal that a lunar core and dynamo resulted from the radioactive decay of superheavy elements during the early solar system.


A burn/impact test apparatus is used to determine the amount of fiber release from carbon fiber composites after burn and impact. The calculation of the theoretical char binder content of the composite is based on the temperature of the test specimen and the char yield of the resin as determined by thermogravimetric analysis. The test results indicate that carbon fiber release depends on the type of reinforcement used. There was more fiber release with the quasi-isotropic composite made with unidirectional tape than with the woven fabric reinforcement. The amount of fiber release in the impact chamber after burning is coincident with the calculated char binder. V.L.


Efficient, noniterative, implicit finite difference algorithms are systematically developed for nonlinear conservation laws including purely hyperbolic systems and mixed hyperbolic parabolic systems. Utilization of a rational fraction or Padé time differencing formulas, yields a direct and natural derivation of an implicit scheme in a delta form. Attention is given to advantages of the delta formation and to various properties of one- and two-dimensional algorithms. C.F.W.


Explicit, implicit, and characteristic finite-difference methods are applied to solve model equations representative of the compressible Navier-Stokes equations. An approach is then formulated for solving the Navier-Stokes equations at high Reynolds numbers. The approach has drastically reduced the computation time required to obtain viscous flow solutions. Computational results for shock wave separated flows are presented. (Author)

The effects of moisture and temperature on unidirectional and multi-ply laminates of T300/834 and AS/3501 graphite-epoxy systems were investigated. Properties studied were static flexure strength and fatigue strength at room temperature and at 74 C with increased moisture content showed a reduced static flexure strength; water as the test environment had only a negligible influence. In flexure fatigue and torsion fatigue, the water environment caused somewhat reduced fatigue strength at room temperature and significantly greater degradation in 74 C water. The failure mode in all cases was interlaminar delamination. (Author)


The paper presents a technique for evaluating the Jovian entry probe heat shield material with a gasdynamic laser. This entry probe of Project Galileo will incorporate a forebody heat shield of carbon phenolic ablative; at the expected peak radiant density of 42 kW/cm² this material can be evaluated by a CO2 gasdynamic laser. The typically quasigaussian spatial distribution of the laser output beam is converted to a spatially uniform beam by a new optical integrator; the calibration results can be related to the imposed intensity and then to the flight situation with a uniform beam. The tests show that the carbon phenolic tends to spark under intense radiation, and this process is quantified by a particle capture technique. (Author)


Measurements of mean velocity, turbulent kinetic energy, and turbulent shear stress have been obtained in an unsteady but periodic flow. Polyurethane spheres, 0.35-0.55 microns in diameter, were injected into the tunnel settling chamber to seed the flow for a laser velocimeter. Synchronized counters together with an encoding interface and digital-to-analog converters were used to record the data on an analog tape recorder. Profiles of velocity and turbulence quantities are presented for several times during the periodic flow. (Author)


The paper presents the results of a numerical calculation of the collapse of an idealized protostellar gas cloud including the effects of a 'frozen-in' magnetic field. The 'traditional' picture of magnetic effects on gas clouds and recent observational and theoretical work on the subject are summarized. Attention is given to the method of calculation and the results are interpreted. It is found that the central magnetic field in the collapsing cloud model follows a rho to the 1/2 power relation, and the discussion implies that this is a general result which should hold true for some range of initial conditions around those chosen. In addition, it is found that the outer envelope of the cloud will be held up by tension in the field lines. (Author)

The effect of processing variables on the flammability and mechanical properties for state-of-the-art and advanced resin matrices for graphite composites were studied. Resin matrices which were evaluated included state-of-the-art epoxy, phenolic-novolac, phenolic-xylool, two types of bismaleimid, benzyl polyether- sulfone, and poly(p-phenylene sulfone). Comparable flammability and thermochemical data on graphite-reinforced laminates prepared with these resin matrices are presented, and the relationship of some of these properties to the anaerobic char yield of the resins is described. (Author)


The Shuttle Infrared Telescope Facility (SIRTF) is being designed as a 1-m, cryogenically cooled telescope capable of a thirty-fold improvement over currently available infrared instruments. The SIRTF, mounted in the Orbiter bay on the Instrument Pointing System (IPS), requires that the image at the focal plane be stabilized to better than 0.1 arcsec with an absolute accuracy of 1 arcsec in order to attain this goal. Current estimates of IPS performance for both stability and accuracy indicate that additional stabilization will be necessary to meet the SIRTF requirements. An Image Motion Compensation (IMC) system, utilizing a Charge Coupled Device (CCD) star tracker located at the focal plane and a steerable mirror in the SIRTF optical path, has been designed to work in conjunction with the IPS. (Author)


Multilayered samples of contemporary and improved fire-resistant aircraft seat materials (foam cushion, decorative fabric, slip sheet, fire-blocking layer, and cushion-reinforcement layer) were evaluated for their rates of heat release and smoke generation. Top layers (decorative fabric, slip sheet, fire blocking, and cushion reinforcement) with glassfiber block cushion were evaluated to determine which materials, based on their minimum contributions to the total heat release of the multilayered assembly, may be added or deleted. Top layers exhibiting desirable burning profiles were combined with foam cushion materials. The smoke and heat-release rate of multilayered seat materials were then measured at heat fluxes of 1.5 and 3.5 W/cm². Choices of contact and silicon adhesives for bonding multilayered assemblies were based on flammability, burn and smoke generation, animal toxicity tests, and thermal gravimetric analysis. (Author)


A 6.4-cm-diameter scale model of the Jovian entry vehicle is tested in an electric-arc-driven shock tube and a 5-cm-diameter sphere model is tested in a combustion-driven shock tube and in an electric-arc-driven shock tunnel. The radiative heat-transfer rate and pressure on the front and the base regions are measured in the absence of ablation with sensors imbedded in the models in a stream consisting of 10% hydrogen in a bath of either neon or argon. The measured radiative heat-transfer rates and pressures range to about 22 kW/cm² and 12 atm, respectively, at the front stagnation point. The ratio of the radiative heat-transfer rate at the base stagnation point to that at the front stagnation point is found to be about 1/4 for the sphere at Mach 1.8, about 1/30 for the sphere at Mach 4.8, and about 1/8 for the scale model at Mach 1.7. The present experimental results agree well with the theoretical predictions of Park, thus indicating that Park's theory is valid. (Author)


A conceptual view for a GAIM energy/driver system to maximize shock-tube performance through efficient interfacing of the energy source with the gas dynamics of the arc driver is presented. Electrical and arc-chamber requirements are evaluated utilizing two new computer codes. One code calculates the shock wave generated for a selected time rate and magnitude of arc energy input; the other computes the values of external circuit elements


The feasibility of development of an ambient curing foam is described. The thermal stability and flame spread index of the foams were found to be comparable to those of the high-temperature cured polyimide foams by Monsanto two-foot tunnel test and NASA T-3 Fire test. Adaptation of the material to spray in place applications is described. (Author)
required to produce the selected energy input, with the driver represented as the load element of the electrical discharge circuit. Results indicate that the energy-storage capability and the driver arrangement needed to produce the highest shock Mach number can be achieved by means of driver gas addition and by impedance matching (GAIM). Design criteria are presented for arc energy requirements necessary to produce given shock-wave speeds. Shock velocities as high as the 70 km/sec required for simulating Jovian entry now seem possible in shock-tube operation. Practical implement- 

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A supersonic turbulent flow over an ogive-cylinder-flare has been solved numerically. Initially, the parabolized Navier-Stokes equations are solved for the ogive cylinder back to a location upstream of the shock-wave and boundary-layer interaction. Then, the time-dependent Navier-Stokes equations with a thin-layer approximation are solved for the remaining cylinder-flare portion. Results for a Mach number of 2.9 and a unit Reynolds number of 11.42 x 10^5 to 6 x 10^6 for angles of attack alpha = 0, 4, and 8 deg. Good agreement has been found between computed and experimental results of the surface pressure on the ogive-cylinder portion, and for the interaction region at alpha = 0 and 4 deg. The role of circumferent boundary and a threedimensional shock wave and boundary-layer interaction flow field is discussed. (Author)


Solutions are presented for the aerothermal environments and the material thermal response for the forebody heatshield on the candidate 242 kg Galileo probe entering the modeled nominal and cold-dense Jovian atmospheres. In the flowfield analysis, a finite difference procedure was employed to obtain benchmark predictions of pressure, radiation and convective heating rates (both laminar and turbulent) and the corresponding wall blowing obtained under the steady state approximation. The fluxes over the probe flank were found to be in a range where spillation is an important mass loss mechanism. The predicted heating rates were also used as boundary conditions for a charring materials ablation which was used to predict thermochemical based surface recession, mass loss and bondline temperatures. The contingency factor of 30% currently employed by NASA was found to be insufficient for entry into the cold-dense atmosphere. (Author)


An implicit finite-difference code is developed to solve either inviscid or viscous flow about two-dimensional cascade blade elements. General coordinate transformations are used so that boundaries can coincide with coordinate lines, and an automatic grid generation routine based on elliptic partial differential equations is employed to mesh arbitrary cascade elements. Characteristic combinations of the differential equations are used at inflow and outflow boundaries. Computed results for both inviscid and viscous flow are compared with other existing cascade solutions and experimental data. (Author)


The thin shear layer approximations of the three-dimensional, compressible Navier-Stokes equations are solved for subsonic, transonic, and supersonic flow over axisymmetric boattail bodies at moderate angles of attack. The plume is modeled by a solid body configuration identical to those used in experimental tests. An implicit algorithm of second-order accuracy is used to solve the equations on the ILLIAC IV computer. The turbulence is expressed by an algebraic model applicable to three-dimensional flow fields with moderate separation. The computed results compare favorably with three different sets of experimental data reported by Reubush, Shrewsbury, and Benek, respectively. (Author)


Results from an experimental investigation of asymmetric trailing-edge flows at high Reynolds numbers and subsonic Mach numbers are presented. Measurements include skin friction; surface and flow-field pressures; and mean-velocity, turbulent shear-stress, and turbulent kinetic-energy profiles in the trailing-edge region. Comparisons are made with computed solutions using Reynolds averaged Navier-Stokes and boundary-layer equations; two different turbulence models are used. Two attached flow are considered, one having a moderate adverse pressure gradient and the other a more severe gradient. From the comparisons, an evaluation is made of the predictions for these two pressure-gradient cases. Although the comparisons demonstrate reasonable agreement for the moderate pressure-gradient case, some differences are noted for the severe pressure-gradient case. (Author)


Existing integrated infrared detector array technology is being evaluated under low-background conditions to determine its applicability in orbiting astronomical applications where extended integration times and photometric accuracy are of interest. Preliminary performance results of a 1 x 20 elements InSb CCD array under simulated astronomical conditions are presented. Using the findings of these tests, improved linear- and area-array technology will be developed for use in NASA programs such as the Shuttle Infrared Telescope Facility. For wavelengths less than 30 microns, extrinsic silicon and intrinsic arrays with CCD readout will be evaluated and improved as required, while multiplexed arrays of Ge:Ga for wavelengths in the range 30 to 120 microns will be developed as fundamental understanding of this material improves. Future efforts will include development of improved drive and readout circuitry, and consideration of alternate multiplexing schemes. (Author)

Some of the thermophysical and flammability properties of a phosphorylated epoxy adhesive, which has potential applications in aircraft interior panels, are described. The adhesive consists of stoichiometric ratios of bis(3-glycidyloxphenyl) methylphosphine oxide and bis(3-aminophenyl)methylphosphine oxide containing approximately 7.5% phosphorus. Preliminary data are presented from adhesive bonding studies conducted utilizing this adhesive with polyvinyl fluoride (PVF) film and phenolic-glass laminates. Limiting oxygen index and smoke density data are presented and compared with those of the tetracylicdyl methylene dianiline epoxy resin-adhesive system currently used in aircraft interiors. Initial results indicate that the phosphorylated epoxy compound has excellent adhesive properties when used with PVF film and that desirable fire-resistant properties are maintained. (Author)


The growth of a turbulent spot in a laminar boundary layer, as the spot evolves from a localized disturbance in the layer, is simulated numerically using a three-dimensional vortex filament description of the vorticity field. The filaments are marked with a sequence of mode points which are tracked in a Lagrangian reference frame. Velocity computation is done by Biot-Savart integration. Although some discrepancies with experiment appear to exist in the near wall region, the gross properties of the spot, including the velocities of the leading and trailing edges and the velocity perturbations away from the wall, are in good agreement with experiment. (Author)


We present numerical simulations of the evolution of a mixing layer from an initial state of uniform vorticity with simple two- and three-dimensional small perturbations. A new method for tracing a large number of three-dimensional vortex filaments is used in the simulations. Vortex tracing by Biott-Savart interaction originally implied local (non-viscous) flow, but we use a 3-d mesh, Fourier transforms and filtering for vortex tracing, which implies 'modeling' of subgrid scale motion and hence some viscosity. Streamwise perturbations lead to the usual roll-up of vortex patterns with spanwise uniformity maintained. Remarkably, spanwise perturbations generate streamwise distortions of the vortex filaments and the combination of both perturbations leads to patterns with interesting features discernible in the movies and in the records of enstrophy and energy for the three components of the flow. (Author)


The Infrared Astronomical Satellite (IRAS), a joint Dutch-British-U.S. project scheduled for launch in February 1981, will conduct the first all-sky infrared survey between 8 and 120 microns using a 60-cm aperture, cryogenically-cooled telescope. A computer simulation program has been developed at Ames Research Center to aid in the design of this complex telescope. The development and implementation of the IRAS Telescope Simulator (IRTS), its input data sources, and its output data products are described. (Author)
disk-like, clock-like, and rotating anomaly models of the magnetosphere. Each model fits some of the data, but no model explains all of the data convincingly. It is concluded that there is still no understanding of the configuration of the outer Jovian magnetosphere.


Far-infrared, near-infrared, and radio molecular-line observations of the regions of HFE 2, HFE 3, and FJM 6 are described. At positions of high molecular column density nearest to the reported positions of these sources, their infrared emission cannot be confirmed at upper bounds below those of the original detection. Near-infrared observations of the FJM 6 region (which includes the Bok globule Barnard 361) reveal a number of stellar sources, most of which are behind the molecular cloud and are reddened by it. Visual extinction through B 361 estimated by star counts yields A sub V(N/C-13/0) = 3.7 + or - 1.6 x 10 to the 16th mag cm sq. The gas temperature and the upper bound on the dust temperature in the FJM 6 region are consistent with cosmic-ray heating of the cloud, while the values of these parameters for the clouds in the HFE 2 and HFE 3 regions do not appear consistent with either cosmic-ray or radiative heating.

A80-12012 * F + H2 collisions on two electronic potential energy surfaces - Quantum-mechanical study of the collisional reaction. I. H. Zimmerman (Clarkson College of Technology, Potsdam, N.Y.), M. Baer (Atomic Energy Commission, Saroq Nuclear Research Centre, Yavne; Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel), and T. F. George. Journal of Chemical Physics, vol. 71, Nov. 15, 1979, p. 4132-4138. 26 refs. Research supported by the U.S.-Israel Binational Science Foundation, Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation, and Alfred P. Sloan Foundation; NSF Grant No. CHE-77-27826; Contract No. F49620-78-C-0006; Grant No. NsG-2198.

Collisional quantum calculations are carried out for reactive F + H2 collisions on two electronic potential energy surfaces. The resulting transmission and reflection probabilities exhibit much greater variation with energy than single-surface studies would lead us to anticipate. Transmission to low-lying product channels is increased by orders of magnitude by the presence of the second surface; however, branching ratios among product states are found to be independent of the initial electronic state of the reactants. These apparently contradictory aspects of the calculation are discussed and a tentative explanation put forward to resolve them.


The activation energies for diffusion were determined for gold, platinum and iridium adatoms on plane and plane PT surfaces and were found to be in good agreement with the measurements reported by Bassett and Webber. The Lennard-Jones pair potentials were used to model the interatomic forces, and relaxation of the substrate atoms in near proximity to the adatom was considered in detail. The present calculations clarify the mechanism of the observed two-dimensional diffusion of platinum and iridium atoms on a plane PT surface. The results are compared with those obtained using Morse potential functions and different relaxation techniques. (Author)

A80-13969 * Eolian sedimentation on earth and Mars - Some comparisons. I. J. Smalley (Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Soil Bureau, Lower Hutt, New Zealand) and D. H. Kinsley (Arizona State University, Tempe, Ariz.). J. Geol., vol. 40, Nov. 1979, p. 218-228. 51 refs. Grants No. NCA2-0R035-901; No. NCA2-0R035-901.

Eolian sediments on earth are mostly formed from quartz. The quartz particles originally came from a granitic source. With respect to eolian sediments on Mars, it appears that an entirely different set of criteria must apply, but some critical parameters can be usefully compared. Impact experiments with basalt in eolian abrasion devices suggest that basalt sand-sized particles fragment rapidly to produce silt and clay-sized detritus. Cohesive forces must be more effective on Mars since the gravitational contribution to the bond/weight ratio is lower. Compared to the terrestrial situation, both larger and smaller particles can be expected to make significant contributions to eolian sediments on Mars. The low gravity and the high speed of moving particles and the relative weak rock material of which they are composed will allow large-scale fine particle production.


The reactivity of NO with BrO radicals over a wide range of pressure (100-700 torr) and temperature (224-398 K) is investigated using the flash photolysis-ultraviolet absorption technique. The flash photolysis system consists of a high-pressure xenon arc light source, a reaction cell/gas filter/laser lamp combination, and a 216.5 half-meter monochromator/polychromator/spectrograph for wavelength selectivity. The details of the reaction and its corresponding Arhenius expression are identified. The results are compared with previous measurements, and atmospheric implications of the reaction are discussed. The NO + BrO yielding NO2 + Br reaction is shown to be important in controlling the concentration ratios of BrO/Br and BrO/HBr in the stratosphere, but this reaction does not affect the catalytic efficiency of BrOx in ozone destruction.


A formalism is presented for describing the collision of fluorine with the hydrogen molecule in the presence of intense radiation. For a laser frequency on the order of the spin-orbit splitting of fluorine, the interaction of the molecular system with the radiation occurs at relatively long range where, for this system, the electric dipole is vanishingly small. Hence the interaction occurs due to the magnetic dipole coupling. Even so, at low collision energies a substantial enhancement of the quenching cross section is found for a radiation intensity of 10 to the 11th W/sq cm. (Author)

The paper demonstrates that information about Saturn's Ring E particle size is potentially obtainable from observations of Saturnian trapped radiation. It is shown that observations of the radial dependence of the intensities, energy spectra, electron-to-proton intensity ratio, and pitch angle distributions of energetic charged particles trapped outside of Ring A can potentially provide information (1) on the existence of Ring E, (2) on the effective size of the particulate matter therein, and (3) on the magnitude of the radial diffusion coefficient for energetic particles. A parametric study of these possibilities is specialized to the characteristics of the University of Iowa detectors on Pioneer 11 which was scheduled to make a close encounter with Saturn in 1979.


Observations by the Venera 9 and 10 orbiters in 1975-76 have been used in previous studies to determine the mean location and shape of the Cytherean bow shock. In addition it has also been reported that the shock is found to be more distant from the planet above regions of the ionosphere where draped IMF field lines are oriented perpendicular to the flow as opposed to parallel. An examination of the dependence of shock altitude in the terminator plane on upstream IMF direction using 86 Pioneer Venus orbiter bow shock crossings in 1978-79 sets an upper limit on this asymmetry of 12% or approximately half that derived earlier from the Venera data. More significantly, the mean distance to the bow shock observed by Pioneer Venus Orbiter is 38% greater than was the case in 1975-76 near solar minimum. As the growth in effective obstacle radius is an order of magnitude larger than can be accounted for in terms of varying ionopause altitude due to all causes, these results strongly suggest that Venus can absorb significantly more of the incident solar wind plasma during solar minimum when EUV flux is low than during the current epoch in which maximum is approaching.


The paper examines mechanisms of nucleation and growth by condensation and coagulation in the light of recent research on properties of small clusters. Homogeneous, hetero-molecular, and heterogeneous nucleation is analyzed, and expressions for the rate of formation of a stable condensed phase and evaluation of the free energy of formation of charged droplets are given. Application of high-pressure mass spectrometry which makes possible a direct determination of intensity spectra for cluster distributions, measurement of the thermodynamic properties of individual ion clusters and determination of cluster entropy and bond energy is discussed. Finally, coagulation of the condensed phase is considered, noting that this process may vary during coagulation, but the shape distribution is time independent, leading to the concept of a self-preserving aerosol size distribution.


An approximation to a previously presented rigorous description of molecular (atom-atom) collisions occurring in the presence of intense radiation is investigated. This rigorous description explicitly considers the angular momentum transferred between the molecule and the radiation field in the absorption or emission of a photon, but involves a complicated system of close-coupled equations which must be solved independently for each projection M of the initial, total molecular angular momentum. (This is a direct consequence of the lack of rotational invariance in the molecule-field problem). These equations are solved for a model system which mimics the collision of a halogen with a rare gas atom. Empirical observations made in the course of performing these calculations lead to the development of an approximation which avoids the repeated calculations for each initial M. This orientational average approximation greatly reduces the effort required to describe the system, and for the model calculation, yields accurate results for field intensities as high as 10 GW/sq cm.


A new method for propagating the solution of the radial Schrödinger equation is derived from a Taylor series expansion of the wavefunction and partial re-summation of the infinite series. Truncation of the series yields an approximation to the exact propagator which is applied to a model calculation and found to be highly convergent.


A narrow-band correlation interferometer using directive (large) antennas is equivalent to a wideband correlation interferometer employing isotropic (small) antennas. This concept of space frequency equivalence, due to Kock and Stone, is reexamined and is shown to hold exactly only for the mean or expected values of the correlation interferometer outputs. If their variances are considered, the equivalence disappears, with the variance of the wideband system always equal to or greater than that of the narrow-band system.


Spectrophotometric observations from 2 to 4 and 8 to 13 microns of NGC 6572 and from 4 to 13 microns of IC 418 are reported. Also reported are observations of the size of IC 418 in the optical and at 1.65 and 2.2 microns. Both planetary nebulae emit more radiation than expected from recombination at wavelengths longer than 4 microns; this radiation is attributed to heated dust.
The spectra show a plateau from 10.5 to 13 microns, and this peak is tentatively attributed to emission from large silicon carbide particles. Fine-structure emission lines are also discussed; the presence of (forbidden Ar II) but not (forbidden Ne II) in NGC 6572 suggests that ions having the same ionization potential can nevertheless have different fractional abundances. (Author)


Lyman-alpha measurements of the hydrogen corona of Venus by Mariners 5 and 10 have been shown to be consistent with a two-temperature component model. Bertaux et al. (1978) have successfully fitted the Venera 9 exospheric Lyman-alpha data to an elevated (500 K) single temperature. Various source mechanisms have been proposed to explain the 'hot' (1000 K) energetic component of the hydrogen corona. In the present paper recent results from the Pioneer Venus Orbiter are used to establish the major sources of this hot hydrogen population. B.J.


Preliminary results from Pioneer 11 concerning the acceleration and trapping of charged particles in the magnetic field of Saturn are reported. The identification and measurement of the intensities and spectra of charged particle species was performed by an experiment including four charged particle sensor systems, within 20 Saturn radii of the planet. Increases in the intensity of 0.5 to 1.8MeV protons within 15 Saturn radii indicate the trapping and acceleration of particles in the dipole field region, while a decrease in proton intensity between seven and four Saturn radii is attributed to absorption by Dione and Enceladus and possibly ring material as well. Proton and electron intensity distributions are found to be axially symmetric within four Saturn radii, indicating a centered dipole aligned with the planetary rotation axis. Trapped radiation absorption at the orbit of Mimas is analyzed to obtain an upper limit of 4 x 10 to the 8th Saturn radii squared/sec to the inward diffusion coefficient; an absorption-like feature observed at L = 2.5 is attributed to (1.4 MHz); an unidentified satellite of diameter less than 200 km and semimajor axis 2.51 Saturn radii. Radiation absorption by the newly discovered F ring was also observed, however beneath the A, B and C rings a low flux of high-energy electrons was detected. A.L.W.


The discovery of the Saturn magnetosphere and its characterization by Pioneer 11 are reported, and findings on the planet's rings and satellites obtained by energetic charged particle measurements within the inner magnetosphere are presented. Bow shock crossings identified by the Pioneer plasma analyzer and magnetometer at distances of 24.1, 23.1 and 20.0 Saturn radii indicate the presence of a magnetosphere with physical dimensions and charged particle populations intermediate between those of the earth and Jupiter, with a scale more similar to that of the earth. Particle angular distributions on the inbound leg of the trajectory are consistent with a dipole magnetic field approximately perpendicular to the planet's equator, while on the outbound leg the distributions indicate the presence of an equatorial current sheet. Charged particle absorption features are detected at the orbits of Dione and Mimas, encompassing the orbits of Tethys and Enceladus, and at 2.543 and 2.343 Saturn radii indicating the presence of satellites of diameters greater than 170 km. Charged particle measurements also confirm the Pioneer division in the rings between 2.292 and 2.336 Saturn radii, a suspected satellite at 2.62 Saturn radii, the presence of the F ring between 2.336 and 2.371 Saturn radii and the outer radius of the A ring at 2.292 Saturn radii. A.L.W.

A80-19121 * Trapped radiation belts of Saturn - First look. W. Fillius (California, University, La Jolla, Calif.), W. H. Ip (Max-Planck-Institut für Aeronomie, Katlenburg, West Germany), and C. E. McLain (California, University, San Diego, Calif.). Science, vol. 207, Jan. 25, 1980, p. 425-431, 25 refs. Contract No. NAS2-6552; Grant No. NGL-06-005-007.

Data on the magnetosphere of Saturn obtained with the trapped radiation detector package on board the Pioneer 11 spacecraft is reported. Radiation belt profiles determined by the trapped radiation detectors on Pioneer 10 and 11 indicate that Saturn's magnetosphere is intermediate in size between those of the earth and Jupiter, with particle intensities similar to those of the earth. The outer region of the Saturn magnetosphere is found to contain particles of lower energy than the outer region, being strongly influenced by the time-varying solar wind. The moons and rings of Saturn are observed to be effective absorbers of trapped particles, confirming the discoveries of the F ring, the Pioneer ring division and the moon 1979 in 2.2 Particle diffusion rates are used to estimate a cross-sectional area of greater than 7 x 10 to the 13th sq cm and an opacity greater than 0.00001 for the F ring. It is suggested that cosmic-ray albedo neutron decay be studied as a possible source of energetic particles in the inner magnetosphere of Saturn. A.L.W.


Several interesting cloud and atmospheric features of the Saturn system have been observed by the long-wavelength channel of the two-channel ultraviolet photometer aboard the Pioneer Saturn spacecraft. Reported are observations of the most obvious features, including a Titan-associated cloud, a ring cloud, and the variation of atmospheric emission across Saturn's disk. The long-wavelength data for Titan suggest that a cloud of atomic hydrogen extends at least 5 Saturn radii along its orbit and about 1.5 Saturn radii vertically. A ring cloud, thought to be atomic hydrogen, has also been observed by the long-wavelength channel of the photometer; it shows significant enhancement in the vicinity of the B ring. Finally, spatially resolved observations of Saturn's disk show significant latitudinal variation. Possible explanations of the variation include aurora or limb brightening. (Author)

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Low-pass (long-wave transmitting) interference filters, suitable for broadband photometric observations, previously have been constructed from series of capacitive grids stretched on thin Mylar. These filters have the desired optical properties of high transmission, sharp cut-ons, and good blocking at short wavelengths. Their designs, however, do not scale from one wavelength to another and their performance can deteriorate at low temperatures due to differential contraction of the dielectric backing and the supporting structure. The deviation of these early filters from the predicted scaling was due primarily to the difference in refractive index between the backing material and the medium between the grids. In the present paper, filters are described in which dielectric spacer materials are used, instead of air, as the medium between the grids. This technique has improved the scaling and has reduced the distortion from differential contraction.

V.P.


The far field of a lifting three-dimensional wing in transonic flow is analysed. The boundary-value problem governing the flow far from the wing is derived by the method of matched asymptotic expansions. The main result is to show that corrections which are second order in the near field make a first-order contribution to the far field. The present study corrects and simplifies the work of Cheng and Hafetz (1975) and Barnwell (1975).

(Author)


The University of Iowa instrument aboard Pioneer 11 detected 69 energetic proton events (EPE) in the 0.6-3.4 MeV energy range during 1973-1974 in the heliocentric radial range 1.5 AU. Sixty percent of the EPE peak within plus or minus 5 hours of a corotating interaction region (CIR) boundary, while 19% peak inside and 21% peak outside the interaction regions. Of the CIR boundaries at which an EPE peaks with plus or minus 5 hours, 80% have associated shocks. The observed intensities and pitch angle distributions of protons near shock fronts are consistent with a theoretical simulation of the acceleration of protons by a drift in the electric field at the shock front.

(Author)


A multilayer radiative transfer, high-spectral-resolution infrared model of the lower atmosphere of Mars has been constructed to assess the effect of scattering on line profiles. The model takes into account aerosol scattering and absorption, and includes a line-by-line treatment of scattering and absorption by CO2 and H2O. The aerosol complex indices of refraction used were those measured on montmorillonite and basalt chosen on the basis of Mars ir data from the

NASA Lear Airborne Observatory. The particle sizes and distribution were estimated using Viking data. The molecular line treatment employs the AFGL line parameters and Voigt profiles. The modeling results indicate that the line profiles are only slightly affected by normal aerosol scattering and absorption, but the effect could be appreciable for heavy loading. The technique described permits a quantitative approach to determining and correcting for the effect of aerosols on lineshapes in planetary atmospheres.

(Author)


The number-density, pressure, and temperature profiles of the Uranian atmosphere in the pressure interval from 0.3 to 30 dynes/sq cm are derived from observations of the occultation of SAQ 156887 by Uranus on 1977 March 10, observations made from the Kuiper Airborne Observatory and the Cape Town station of the South African Astronomical Observatory. The mean temperature is found to be about 95 K, but peak-to-peak variations from 10K to 20K or more exist on a scale of 150 km or 3 scale heights. The existence of a thermal inversion is established, but the inversion is much weaker than the analogous inversion on Neptune. The mean temperature can be explained by solar heating in the 3.3 micron methane band with a methane mixing ratio of 4 x 10 to the -6th combined with the cooling effect of ethane with a mixing ratio of not greater than 4 x 10 to the -9th. The temperature variations are probably due to a photochemical process that has formed a Chapman layer.

(Author)


Fine structure in the body-wide resonant curve for radio-frequency energy deposition in man can be attributed to part-body resonances. As for head resonance, which occurs near 350 MHz in man, the absorptive cross section is nearly three times the physical cross section of the head. The arm has a prominent resonance at 150 MHz. Numerical solutions, antenna theory, and experimental results on animals have shown that whole-body energy deposition may be increased by 50 percent or more because of multiple bodies that are strategically located in the field. Empirical equations for SARs are also presented along with test data for several species of laboratory animals. Barbiturate anesthesia is sufficiently disruptive of thermoregulation that delta Ts of colonic temperature yield energy dose values in several mammals that compare quite favorably with those based on whole-body calorimetry.

(Author)


Twenty-three samples of flexible foams and twelve samples of rigid foams were evaluated for toxicity of pyrolysis gases, using the USF toxicity screening test method. Polychloroprene among the flexible foams, and polystyrene among the rigid foams, appeared to exhibit the least toxicity under these particular test conditions.

(Author)

Multicolor mapping of the reflection nebula NGC 2023 from 40 to 160 microns is presented. These data show the shorter wavelength emission to peak on or close to the exciting star HD 37903. The longest wavelength emission, however, peaks about 1 arcmin south of HD 37903, at a position coincident with the C II recombination line peak. The dust temperature appears to peak close to HD 37903 suggesting that it is probably the most luminous heating source for the cloud. The far-infrared data together with 10 microns photometry of HD 37903 imply a roughly uniform dust mass density within 0.1 pc of the star with no significant density increase toward the star. The results imply that the gas and dust columns density increase slightly to the south of HD 37903 and that the bulk of the molecular cloud lies behind the star and the reflection nebula. (Author)


A Fourier spectrometer was used to obtain IR spectra of asteroids 349 Dembowska and 4 Vesta. The spectrum of Dembowska shows olivine and pyroxene with an olivine/pyroxene abundance ratio greater than 2, and possibly as high as 10. This is probably an unsampled achondritic composition, similar to the unique achondrite ALHA 77005. Dembowska's mineralogy therefore appears related to the achondrites; pyroxene and plagioclase feldspar are seen, with a pyroxene/feldspar abundance ratio between 1.5 and 2.0. Time-resolved observations over one-half of the rotation period indicate compositional homogeneity; both 349 Dembowska and 4 Vesta can be considered as candidates for the parent bodies of igneous meteorites. (Author)


The paper reviews the dynamics of wave propagation and wave transport for vertically propagating, planetary scale waves in the middle atmosphere. Such waves are divided into two major classes: extratropical planetary waves and equatorial waves. The most significant extratropical modes are the quasi-stationary Rossby waves, while the most significant equatorial modes are the Kelvin wave and the mixed Rossby-gravity wave. Both types of waves are capable of generating mean flow changes through wave-mean flow interaction. B.J.


The results of multilevel, depth-dependent, fully interlocked radiative transfer calculations for hydrogen emission line strengths in a single O(II) emission line cloud (ECL) are summarized. The hydrogen-line forming region of the ECL is found to be quite thick (t < sub s > between 1,000 and 103,000), which is consistent with heating of a pure hydrogen cloud by photoionization. Results indicate that the volume-averaged escape probability approach introduces large errors by assuming, in effect, that a single point in the ECL is representative of the emergent radiation; that the influence of frequency redistribution on the photon escape probability in resonance and subordinate lines must be explicitly recognized, and that full consistency between excitation and ionization processes must be maintained. J.P.B.


A study of cosmic ray intensity variations using data registered by Detector C on Pioneer 10 and the Sulphur Mountain neutron monitor is presented. The spacecraft data were corrected for temperature, Radiosotope Thermoelectric Generator background, and contamination by energetic solar particle events. A consistent long-term solar cycle variation intensity is observed, but additional contribution is observed in the neighborhood of 5.1 A.U which is attributed to energetic electrons of Jovian origin. The spectral variation in long-term changes of the cosmic ray intensity is studied by comparing the low-energy and high-energy data, and an average value of their ratio during 1972-1977 was found to agree with the value for the 1965-1972 interval. A.T.


The decrease in ultimate tensile strength, shear strength, tensile modulus, and shear modulus of fiber reinforced composites exposed to fire or high temperature was investigated. A simple model was developed for calculating the mass loss of the material and the thickness of the char layer. The mass loss as well as the degradation in tensile and shear properties of Fibertex T300/1034 and Hercules AS/3501-6 graphite epoxy composites exposed to fire were measured. A correlation between the degradation in properties and the calculated mass loss and the char layer thickness was developed. A technique was proposed for predicting material damage through the use of such correlations. (Author)


The Pioneer Venus plasma wave instrument has a self-contained balanced electric dipole (effective length = 0.75 m) and a 4-channel spectrum analyzer (30% bandwidth filters with center frequencies at 100 Hz, 730 Hz, and 30 kHz). The channels are continuously active and the highest Orbiter telemetry rate (2048 bits/sec) yields 4 spectral scans/sec. The total mass of 0.55 kg includes the electronics, the antenna, and the antenna deployment mechanism. This report contains a brief description of the instrument design and a discussion of the in-flight performance. (Author)

The retarding potential analyzer (RPA) on the Pioneer Venus Orbiter Mission measures most of the thermal plasma parameters within and near the Venusian ionosphere. Parameters include total ion concentration, concentrations of the more abundant ions, ion temperatures, ion drift velocity, electron temperature, and low-energy (0-50 eV) electron distribution function. Several functions not previously used in RPA’s were developed and incorporated into this instrument to accomplish these measurements on a spinning spacecraft with a small bit rate. The more significant functions include automatic electrometer ranging with background current compensation; digital, quadratic retarding potential step generation for the ion and low-energy electron scans; a current sampling interval of 2 ms throughout all scans; digital logic inflection point detection and data selection; and automatic ram direction detection. (Author)


The University of Colorado’s ultraviolet spectrometer instrument carried on the Pioneer Venus Orbiter spacecraft is a 125-mm f/6 Ebert-Fastie design with a 250-mm Cassegrain telescope. The instrument has extensive logic to control the grating motor drive and to adapt the basic spectrometer to the constraints and opportunities of the mission. Success has been achieved in reconciling the conflicting requirements of spectroscopic, limb profile, and imaging observations. A description of the instrument operating techniques is given together with representative results of all three types. (Author)


A neutral gas mass spectrometer was flown to Venus as part of the Pioneer Venus Multiprobe to measure the composition of its lower atmosphere. The instrument, mounted in the Sounder Probe, was activated after the probe entered the top of the atmosphere, and it obtained data during the descent from 62 km to the surface. Atmospheric gases were sampled through a pair of microleaks, the effluent from which was pumped by a combination of ion and getter pumping. A pneumatically operated valve, controlled by the ambient molecular weight \( m \approx 2.20 \), was used to change material. The detector output currents were processed with a peak-tip stepping routine and data compression algorithm that effectively scanned the mass spectrum from 1 to 208 amu in 64 sec while requiring an information rate of only 40 bits/sec to return the data to earth. A subscale height altitude resolution was thus obtained. Weight, size, and power requirements were minimized to be consistent with interplanetary flight constraints. (Author)


The Solar Flux Radiometer aboard the Pioneer Venus Sounder Probe operated successfully during its descent through the atmosphere of Venus. The instrument measured atmospheric radiance over the spectral range from 400 to 1800 nm as a function of altitude. Elevation and azimuthal measurements on the radiation field were made with five optical channels. Twelve filtered Si and Ge photovoltaic detectors were maintained near 30 C with a phase-shine material. The detector output currents were processed with logarithmic transimpedance converters and digitized with a 11-bit A/D converter. Atmospheric sampling in both elevation and azimuth was done according to a Gaussian flux plate distribution. The serial output data averaged 20 bits/sec, including housekeeping (sync, spin period, sample timing and mode). The data were used to determine the deposition of solar energy in the atmosphere of Venus between 67 km and the surface along with upward and downward fluxes and radiances with an altitude resolution of several hundred meters. The results allow for more accurate modeling of the radiation balance of the atmosphere than previously possible. (Author)


The University of Wisconsin net flux experiment on the Pioneer Venus mission investigated the distribution of radiative energy deposition and loss which drives atmospheric circulation on Venus. The instrument used an external sensor and a novel method of chopping to measure the net flux of solar and planetary radiation during descent through the thick Venus atmosphere. The sensor, consisting of a high detector efficiency and protective diamond windows, was designed to make accurate flux measurements while exposed to the severe Venus environment. (Author)


From occultation timings obtained from the Kuiper Airborne Observatory and from Cape Town for Mar. 10, 1977 occultation of SAO 158887 by Uranus, the equatorial radius, \( Re \), of the planet has been determined to be 26,228 ± 30 km and its ellipticity epsilon \( = 1 - \frac{Re}{Re} = 0.033 + 0.007 \). These values refer to the 1.0 x 10 to the 14th/cm2 number-density level, under the assumption that the upper atmosphere is composed of H2 and He with a mean molecular weight \( m \approx 2.20 \). The dominant source of uncertainty is the position of the center of the ring system, which was used to define the center of Uranus in our analysis. A rotation rate of 12.8 or - 1.7 hours for the planet is implied by our value for the ellipticity, under the assumption that Uranus is in hydrostatic equilibrium below the 1.0 x 10 to the 14th/cm2 number density level. (Author)

**A80-34443** *A numerical model of the zonal mean circulation of the middle atmosphere. J. R. Holton and W. M. Wehrbein (Washington, University, Seattle, Wash.). Pure and Applied Geo-
The paper presents a simulation of the zonally averaged circulation in the middle atmosphere using a numerical model based on the primitive equations in log pressure coordinates. The circulation is driven radiatively by heating due to solar ultraviolet absorption by ozone and infrared cooling due to carbon dioxide and ozone. Rayleigh friction with a small time constant above 70 km is included to simulate the strong mechanical dissipation which is hypothesized to exist in the vicinity of the mesopause due to turbulence associated with gravity waves and tides near the mesopause.

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Ozone data obtained from wind observation and surface temperature data were used to provide a direct determination of horizontal, meridional, and vertical ozone flux by transient eddies. The data were from 27 stations in 4 regions: eastern and western North America, western Europe, and Japan. Results confirm the existence of significant northward flux near 40 deg N, 10-18 km, in winter and spring, as shown by previous investigators. However, areas of significant equatorward flow are found at high mid-latitudes, 10-16 km, over North America in winter and spring, and at all 3 Japanese stations, 10-18 km, in spring. Trisent eddy fluxes are typically small in summer, and are also small throughout the troposphere and most of the middle stratosphere.


To meet the need for a reliable, fast imaging system capable of being rapidly on and off the telescope, a simple, inexpensive, and compact Cassegrain reimaging system for scanning IR images was constructed. Using commercially available components without requiring close mechanical tolerances, the design solves the problem of beam stability pointed out by Koornneef and van Overbeke (1978). For the moving-iron galvanometer scanner, it is noted that at the imaging frequency of 0.5 Hz, hysteresis in image plane motion was found to be less than 0.2 arc sec for a 0.4 arc sec scan, and the deviation from linearity with a triangular wave input was found to be less than 0.3 arc sec. This system and a scanning secondary were used to image Venus at 11.5 microns, and compared with the scanning secondary, the reimaging system did not appear to contribute any additional noise, considerably improved mechanical reliability, and eliminated cross-scan motion. A.T.


Spectroscopy of V645 Cyg from 1.5 to 2.5 microns and CO line observations at 2.7 mm are presented. A kinetic distance of 6 kpc is derived from the CO line velocity. The strengths of the observed members of the hydrogen Brackett recombination line series are consistent with a spectral type of O8 and an extinction of 4-5 mag to both the line-emitting region and to the exciting star. The infrared continuum is probably produced by thermal emission from hot (about 1000 K) dust. The star is embedded in a 10 pc diameter molecular cloud with a mass not less than 2500 solar masses. The cloud shows CO line broadening in the vicinity of the star and a velocity gradient perpendicular to the plane of polarization of the stellar optical emission. The system has many similarities to R Mon. (Author)


The emission spectrum of Callisto was measured between 16 and 38 microns with a spectral resolution of 1/30 of a wavelength, using the NASA Kuiper Airborne Observatory on the night of October 30-31, 1979. Within the errors, the observed spectrum is consistent with heating of the disk of Callisto due to heating of the surface by absorbed sunlight. (Author)


An analysis of the Jovian electron flux increases observed by the earth-orbiting satellite Imp 8 throughout five 13 month Jovian synodic years during the period from launch of the satellite in 1972 to 1979 is presented. The analysis defines the characteristics of Jovian propagation to earth. Corotating interaction regions (CIR) that form at the leading edges of fast solar wind streams continue to modulate the propagation of MeV electrons from Jupiter to the orbit of the earth to produce approximately 27 day recurrent variations in the Jovian electron density. The new and significant result of this study is that these time-intensity profiles are more accurately described not by assumption that Jupiter is a constant source of electrons, but rather by assuming that electron emission is initiated with each passage of CIR by Jupiter with the emission continuing for only several days. A.T.

A review is given of new Lagrangian mean theory of wave transport. Attention is focused on the so-called 'nonacceleration' theorem, and it is shown that such a theorem arises naturally in the Lagrangian mean framework. Also discussed is a simple example of the Stokes drift, a concept which is central to nonacceleration. The Lagrangian mean theory substantially simplifies and unifies the understanding of wave driving in cases where nonacceleration is violated because of wave transience and dissipation. Moreover, the theorem has given new insights in one particular case, that of Rostby gravity wave, mean-flow interaction. These insights have successfully explained some hitherto unresolved paradoxes in the theory of the quasi-biennial oscillation of zonal wind in the equatorial stratosphere. Some brief remarks are also made concerning some of the outstanding difficulties of the theory in need of future investigation. (Author)


The results of an experiment, conducted jointly by the Lockheed Palo Alto Research Laboratory and the Laboratoire de Physique Stellaire et Planetaire du CNRS, which investigated the transition-region plasma and the geometry of coronal active regions, in relation to models of the high-temperature layers, are presented. A Black Brant rocket was used to obtain 1-arc sec resolution L-alpha pictures of the sun, which revealed small scale features not seen previously at this wavelength, that delineate the geometry of the magnetic field in the chromosphere and in the corona. It is concluded that these observations might provide a new way of observing the upper chromosphere and corona, and that they provide direct evidence of the inhomogeneous character of the chromosphere and of the dominant role of the magnetic field. M.E.P.


Recent experimental laboratory observations, with high-resolution mass spectrometry, have revealed the existence of previously unreported species involving water clustered to sodium dimer ions, and alkali metal hydroxides clustered to alkali metal ions. The important implications of these results concern the existence of such species are here discussed, as well as how from a practical aspect they confirm the stability of certain cluster species proposed by Ferguson (1978) to explain masses recently detected at upper altitudes using mass spectrometric techniques. (Author)


The 'variation-iteration' method using Green's functions to find the eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenfunctions of a homogeneous Fredholm integral equation is improved for the stability analysis of fluid hydromechanics problems with a seminfinite (infinite) domain of application. The objective of the study is to develop a suitable numerical approach to the solution of such equations in order to better understand the full set of equations for 'real-world' flow models. The study involves a search for a suitable value of the length of the domain which is a far finite approximation to infinity, which makes the eigen solution an approximation dependent on the length of the interval chosen. In the examples investigated y = 1 seems to be the best approximation of infinity; for y greater than unity this method fails due to the polynomial nature of Green's functions. V.L.


The mechanisms of the relaminarization of turbulent flows are investigated with a view to establishing any general principles that might govern them. Three basic archetypes of reversing flows are considered: the dissipative type, the absorptive type, and the Richardson type exemplified by a turbulent boundary layer subjected to severe acceleration. A number of other different reversing flows are then considered in the light of the analysis of these archetypes, including radial Poiseuille flow, convex boundary layers, flows reversing by rotation, injection, and suction, as well as heated horizontal and vertical gas flows. Magnetohydrodynamic duct flows are also examined. Applications of flow reversion for turbulence control are discussed. V.L.


A model of the magnetic field of the jovian current disc is presented. The model uses Euler functions and the Biot-Savart law applied to a series of concentric, but not necessarily coplanar current rings. It was found that the best fit to the Pioneer 10 outbound perturbation magnetic field data is obtained if the current disc is twisted, and also bent to tend toward parallelism with the Jovigraphic equator. The inner and outer radii of the disk appear to be about 7 and 180 Jovian radii, respectively: because of the observed current disk penetrations, the bent disc also requires a deformation in the form of a bump or wrinkle whose axis tends to exhibit spiraling. Modeling of the azimuthal field shows that it is due to a thin radial


High-speed photometric observations of the dwarf nova AH Her on nine consecutive days during an outburst have been made, and rapid coherent oscillations on every day except two near maximum light have been detected. The period, amplitude, and luminosity for
each day is presented and the progression of the periods is discussed.

(Author)


The results of numerical models or of new observational programs are checked by comparing them with past observations. In view of the differing analysis techniques or differing data samples, the eddy diffusivities presented here agree remarkably well with past estimates. However, in the application of K-values to two-dimensional models, the actual magnitude of the diffusivities is no more important than their spatial patterns, i.e., their gradients with height and latitude. It should, thus be noted that the present patterns are often much different from those of past results.

T.M.


The location of the dayside Venus ionopause, as observed by the Pioneer Venus Orbiter, is shown to depend on the magnetic pressure in the shocked, highly compressed solar wind plasma just outside the ionopause. Assuming a balance exclusively between this external magnetic pressure and internal ionospheric thermal pressure, invariance of ionospheric conditions, and an isothermal ionosphere, it is possible to determine pressure scale heights for various solar zenith angle intervals. These scale heights yield ionospheric temperatures which agree with direct measurements obtained independently. Not surprisingly, the average ionopause altitude is higher near the terminator, where the average external magnetic pressure is lower. The near-terminator ionopause has much greater positional variability than that at lower solar zenith angles; this appears to be due principally to concomitant variations in the external magnetic pressure, presumably related to solar wind pressure changes. (Author)


Two-dimensional maps of the radio emission from Jupiter were made in December 1977 at a frequency of 1,412 MHz using the Westerbork telescope. Pictures in all four Stokes parameters have been obtained every 15 deg in longitude, each smeared over 15 deg of the planet's rotation. The maps have an E.W. resolution of about 1/3 of the diameter of the disk and a N-S resolution 3 times less. The total intensity and linear polarization maps are accurate to 0.5% and the circularly polarized maps to 0.1% of the maximum intensities in I. The whole set of maps clearly shows the existence of higher order terms in the magnetic field of Jupiter. (Author)


A numerical study of flow and heat transfer in the separated flow region produced by an abrupt pipe expansion is reported, with emphasis on the region in the immediate vicinity of the wall where turbulent transport gives way to molecular conduction and diffusion. The analysis is based on a modified TEACH-2E program with the standard k-epsilon model of turbulence. Predictions of the experimental data of Zemanick and Dougal (1970) for a diameter ratio of 0.54 show generally encouraging agreement with experiment. At a diameter ratio of 0.43 different trends are discernible between measurement and calculation, though this appears to be due to effects unconnected with the wall region studied here. B.J.


The azimuthal component of the magnetic field at Jupiter is modeled. A current distribution which is the sum of two currents, one flowing along the magnetic field lines and another injected into the current sheet at r(0) (about 10 Jupiter radii). Two cases are examined, one in which current flows along the field lines into the equatorial plane and then radially outward and a second case in which the only current is that injected into the current sheet at r(0). Each of these two cases results in an azimuthal magnetic field which fits the magnetic field data. (Author)


The expressions for 'survival' probabilities are presented for an atomic hydrogen particle moving on a trajectory from far regions of the heliosphere to the vicinity of the sun. Three 'destroying' processes have been considered: photoionization, charge transfer, and electron ionization. The solar wind has been assumed to be a two-flux steady stream radially expanding with constant flow velocity. Recent profiles of solar-wind electron temperature have been used. The results can be useful for theoretical analyses as well as for analysis of spaceflight observations. (Author)


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N80-13581* California Univ. Los Angeles.
THE SOLAR WIND INTERACTION WITH VENUS c92 C. T. Russell, R. C. Elphic, and J. A. Slavin In ESA Magnetospheric Boundary Layers Aug. 1979 p 231-239 refs (For primary document see N80-13529 04-42) (Contract NAS2-9491). Also see NTIS HC A15/MF A01: ESA, Paris FF 120 CSLC 038. The Pioneer Venus orbiter reveals that Venus has a well developed bow shock like the Earth's but on that is significantly

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X-Ray Bright Points and the Solar Cycle Dependence of Emerging Magnetic Flux

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resolution of 18 milliangstroms and modifications planned for future flights will improve the resolution to 5 milliangstroms, permitting line widths to be measured.

(Author)


The telescope mirror for the X-ray Spetromograph Spectrometer Telescope System is a sixty degree sector of an extreme off-paraboloid of revolution. It was designed to focus a coronal region 1 by 10 arc seconds in size on the entrance slit of the spectrometer after reflection from the gold surface. This paper discusses the design, manufacture, and metrology of the mirror; the methods of precision mechanical metrology used to focus the system, and the mounting system which locates the mirror and has proven itself through vibration tests. In addition, the results of reflection efficiency measurements, alignment tolerances, and ray trace analysis of the effects of misalignment are considered.

(Author)


The time dependent surface shear stress has been evaluated using surface heat transfer measurements. For fully developed turbulent pipe and open channel water flows, and incompressible and compressible turbulent boundary layer air flows the measurements indicate the absolute magnitude of the surface shear stress fluctuation will be greater than two times the mean values. The root-mean-square shear stress fluctuations were of the order of 0.2 to 0.4 times the mean surface shear values. Due to these large surface shear stress fluctuations and the nonlinear relation between heat transfer and shear stress, a special technique has been developed to evaluate the measurements. It was found that the nonlinear averaging errors for a hot film-surface shear stress gauge in a fully developed pipe flow was of the order of 10 percent at low velocities. A hot wire-surface shear stress gauge was employed for measurements of turbulent boundary layers in air.

(Author)


A testing program to determine the time-temperature response of unidirectional T600/834 graphite-epoxy materials is presented. The short-term creep test results of tension specimens with the load at various angles to the fiber direction and at various temperatures are reported, showing that the material is elastic at all temperatures when the load is in the load direction. However, when the load is transverse to the fibers, the viscoelastic response varies from small amounts at room temperature to large amounts at temperatures above the 180 C transition temperature. The time-temperature superposition principle or the method of reduced variables was used to determine compliance master curves for each fiber angle, and a viscoelastic analog to the elastic orthotropic transformation equation was used incrementally to predict the master curves for the tensile compliance of the off-axis specimen.

A.T.


Initial Pioneer Venus magnetometer observations reveal a highly dynamic interaction between the solar wind and the ionosphere and a very weak and possibly absent intrinsic magnetic field. The bow shock position and the altitude of the ionopause vary markedly from day to day. The magnetic pressure in the magnetosheath just outside the ionopause is in near balance with the thermal ionospheric pressure inside. Although the ionospheric magnetic field strength is generally low, occasional enhancements are observed with field strengths exceeding that in the magnetosheath. These bundles of magnetic flux, or flux ropes, may be connected to the night side ionosphere in which large field strengths (compared to the dayside) are common. The magnetic field magnitude and direction in this region are quite variable, suggesting that the field is not due to an intrinsic planetary source, but rather due to induced ionospheric currents. The magnetic moment is probably much less than 10 to the 22nd Gauss-cu cm.

(Author)


A mixed method using both the method of integral relations and the finite difference technique is developed for the solution of unsteady flow problems. The integral relations method is based upon a chosen interpolating function dependent only on the time domain. The resulting local semidiscrete finite element equations obtained are assembled into a global form. The spatial derivatives at the nodes are replaced by finite difference operators and the discretized nonlinear algebraic system is solved by an iterative scheme. Solutions are obtained for the one-dimensional gasdynamics equation, the one-dimensional wave equation and Burge's model of turbulence. Agreement with other numerical and analytical solutions is excellent for the gasdynamics problem and satisfactory for the Burger equation in cases of small viscous effects.

(Author)

Currently, inventory of California's irrigated lands is performed on a seven year cycle. Since 1975, the University of California in cooperation with NASA and the California Department of Water Resources has been developing and testing techniques to utilize a Landsat based remote sensing system to produce statewide estimates in a single year. The proposed system utilizes multiphase sampling, stratification and multitemporal Landsat imagery to produce the estimate. Early research concentrated on regional estimates to develop the techniques. This year, an inventory of the entire state is being performed. In addition, research on the utilization of digital analysis for estimating irrigated acreage and the determination of specific crop types (manual and digital analysis) is also underway. (Author)


Improvement of the current Class 2 Space Shuttle Orbiter RCG coating was experimentally investigated. Coatings, which are applied to Ll-900 or Ll-2200 tiles, were prepared to provide increased performance in thermal expansion, impact, residual strain and increased viscosity. Turbulent duct arc-plasma tests at NASA/Ames Research Center are continuing on two candidates that show improved low residual strain and increased high temperature viscosity. A coating system with lower fusion-temperature (1950 F) was identified which has the potential of improving tile yield through reduced Ll-900 shrinkage and distortion since it can be fused at 250 F lower than the present Class 2 coating. (Author)


Laboratory studies for increasing the thermal resistance of high viscosity coatings for silica reusable surface insulation are presented. The coatings are intended for the reentry temperature associated with advanced Space Shuttle applications which will involve aerodynamic shear forces during entry from earth orbits. Coating viscosity was increased by (1) reduction in the concentration of the low viscosity additive B203; (2) reduction in the particle size of the constituent powders in coatings; and (3) addition of a high viscosity glass former (GeO2). A coating system was produced by combining the three methods which showed apparent higher viscosity than the current coating while satisfying all the current Shuttle Orbiter coating requirements. A.T.


If a radiometer having a narrow field of view is used to measure the radiance of a source such as a quasi-isotropic atmosphere, a knowledge of the out-of-field responsivity is critical. For example, if a radiometer with a field of view of 5 deg (full-angle) has a relative responsivity of 0.0001 for the out-of-field radiation, the contribution of the out-of-field radiation (assuming an isotropic source subtending 2 steradians) is 10.5% of the total signal. Either the stray light suppression of the radiometer must be extremely high or methods of determining the out-of-field response must be developed. A description of one method of determining the effect of out-of-field response and its application to a planetary atmospheric radiometer is presented. (Author)


A thermal design concept has been developed for a cryogenically-cooled infrared telescope facility which will be carried aboard the Space Shuttle for missions of 14 to 30 days. Supercritical helium at 6 K is the principal coolant. Auxiliary tanks of superfluid helium at 2 K are utilized to provide additional low-temperature cooling requirements of specific instruments. The preliminary thermal design described enables SIRTF to provide the low-temperature environment for the telescope and instruments, while maintaining thermally-induced optical degradations within acceptable limits with a cryogen utilization rate compatible with weight and volumetric constraints. (Author)


An experimental study of heat transfer in a vertical annulus and a three-dimensional model used to establish the influence of compressive heating on the convective process in enclosures is presented. Test runs were made using helium gas with compressive rates of 6, 15, and 30 psi/min. Temperature and pressure histories were reduced to film coefficients based on nodal modeling of the test geometries. The data are correlated in terms of free convection parameters. The heat transfer correlations show virtually no influence of compression rate and only a slight dependence on geometry. The correlations will be applied to the design of a vented Galileo mission descent module parachuting into the Jupiter atmosphere. M.E.P.

A combined photocell heat engine concept is proposed for high efficiency solar energy conversion in space. In this concept the short wavelength portion of the solar spectrum is split by a dichroic filter and sent to a bank of photocells. The long wavelength remainder of the spectrum is used by the heat engine. This technique allows the photocells to operate with the minimum amount of waste heat, increasing their efficiency and reducing the amount of cooling energy required.


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B.J.


A80-49277* # Multiple-time-scale concepts in turbulent transport modeling. K. Hanjalic, B. E. Launder, and R. Schiestel (California, University, Davis, Calif.). In: Symposium on Turbulent Shear Flows, 2nd, London, England, July 2-4, 1979, Proceedings. (A80-49226 21-34) London, Imperial College of Science and Technology, 1979, p 10.31-10.36. 15 refs. Grant No. N0G-2286. The paper reports progress in developing a closure employing two or more independently calculated time scales with which to characterize the rates of progress of different turbulent interactions. The approach contrasts with that used by earlier single-point models which adopt just a single time scale, proportional to the turbulence energy turnover time. The present treatment divides the energy containing part of the spectrum into two regions which respond at different rates and in different ways to changes in the environment. Computational results are reported for several thin shear flows which show striking improvement in the level of agreement with experiment over that obtained with models employing only one time scale.

(Author)
After combustion of an initial portion of the fuel in a primary combustion zone, the combustion products of the primary zone are combined with the remaining portion of fuel and additional plenum air and burned in a secondary combustion zone under conditions that result in low nitric oxide emissions. Low nitric oxide emissions are achieved by a novel turbojet combustor arrangement which provides flame stability by allowing stable combustion to be accompanied by low nitric oxide emissions resulting from controlled fuel-lean combustion (ignited by the emission products from the primary zone) in a secondary combustion zone at a lower combustion temperature resulting in low emission of nitric oxide.
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A set of general guidelines for evaluating a newly developed cockpit alerting and warning system in terms of human factors issues are provided. Although the discussion centers around a general methodology, it is made specifically to the issues involved in alerting systems. An overall statement of the current operational problem is presented. Human factors problems with reference to existing alerting and warning systems are described. The methodology for proceeding through system development is based upon this problem set. The differences between traditional human factors laboratory evaluations and those required for evaluation of complex man-machine systems under development are emphasized. Performance evaluation in the alerting and warning subsystem using a hypothetical sample system is explained.

R.C.T.


Several approaches to the training and selection of aircrew are presented including both industry and nonindustry perspectives. Human factor aspects of the problem are also examined with specific emphasis on the psychology of the flight deck situation. For individual titles, see N80-22284 through N80-22282.


Each of 13 commercial pilots from four airlines flew a total of 108 manual flight director approaches in a moving base simulation of a medium-sized turbojet (95,000 lb gross weight) which had a day and night Redifon external scene. Three levels of runway visual range (RVR) (1,600; 2,400; and greater than 8,000 ft), three wind-shear profiles, nine ceiling heights, and continuous and intermittent visibility after initial breakpoint were tested. The results indicated that: (1) mean decision time ranged from 2 to 4.6 sec for ceilings under 380 ft across the three RVR conditions; (2) mean vertical distance traveled during the visual-cue assessment period was a relatively constant proportion below the existing ceiling; (3) a significant three way interaction in mean decision time between wind shear, day-night, and ceiling RVR variables occurred; (4) mean number of head-up transitions to VFR conditions after breakout ranged from 4.6 to 13.4 and increased as a function of ceiling and severity of wind shear; the typical duration of fixation out the window was 1.5 sec. and (5) subjective pilot ratings of controllability and precision of control as well as amount of skill, attention, or effort required to make the landing were influenced significantly by the wind shear, night conditions, and low breakout ceiling conditions.

R.E.S.


Three types of head-up display format are investigated. Type 1 is an unreferenced (conventional) flight director, type 2 is a ground referenced flight path display, and type 3 is a ground referenced director. Formats are generated by computer and presented by reflecting collimation against a simulated forward view in flight. Pilots, holding commercial licenses, fly approaches in the instrument flight mode and in a combined instrument and visual flight mode. The approaches are in wind shear with varied conditions of visibility, offset, and turbulence. The displays are equivalent in pure tracking but there is a slight advantage for the unreferenced director in poor conditions. Flight path displays are better for tracking in the combined flight mode, possibly because of poor director control laws and the division of attention between superimposed fields. Workloads is better for the type 2 displays. The flight path and referenced director displays are criticized for effects of symbol motion and field limiting. In the subjective judgment of pilots familiar with the director displays, they are rated clearly better than path displays, with a preference for the unreferenced director. There is a fair division of attention between superimposed fields.

Author


Twenty professional pilots observed a computer-generated airport scene during simulated autopilot-coupled night landing approaches and at two points (20 sec and 10 sec before touchdown) judged whether the airplane would undershoot or overshoot the airport. Visual accommodation was continuously measured using an automatic infrared optometer. Experimental variables included approach slope angle, display magnification, visual focus demand (using ophthalmic lenses), and presentation.
of the display as either a real (direct view) or a virtual (collimated) image. Aimpoint judgments shifted predictably with actual approach slope and display magnification. Both pilot judgments and measured accommodation interacted with focus indicators with real-image displays but not with virtual-image displays. With either type of display, measured accommodation lagged far behind focus demand and was reliably less responsive to the virtual images. Pilot judgments shifted dramatically from an overwhelming perceived-overshoot bias 20 sec before touchdown to a reliable undershoot bias 10 sec later.

Author

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N80-18010*# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
NASA AVIATION SAFETY REPORTING SYSTEM Quarterly Report, 1 Apr. - 30 Jun. 1978
Jun. 1979 54 p refs Prepared in cooperation with Battelle Columbus Labs., Mountain View, Calif.
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The human factors frequency considered a cause of or contributor to hazardous events onboard air carriers are examined with emphasis on distractions. Safety reports that have been analyzed, processed, and entered into the aviation safety reporting system data base are discussed. A sampling of alert bulletins and responses to them is also presented. J.M.S.

N80-18038*# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
THE EFFECT OF VIEWING TIME, TIME TO ENCOUNTER, AND PRACTICE ON PERCEPTION OF AIRCRAFT SEPARATION ON A COCKPIT DISPLAY OF TRAFFIC INFORMATION
Sharon O'Connor, Everett Palmer, Daniel Baty, and Sharon Jago
Feb. 1980 17 p refs Prepared in cooperation with San Jose State Univ., Calif. (Grant NsG-2259)
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The concept of a cockpit display of traffic information (CDTI) includes the integration of air traffic, navigation, and other pertinent information in a single electronic display in the cockpit. Two studies were conducted to develop a clear and concise display format for use in later full-motion simulator evaluations of the CDTI concept. Subjects were required to monitor a CDTI for specified periods of time and to make perceptual judgments concerning the future position of a single intruder aircraft in relationship to their own aircraft. Experimental variables included type of predictor information displayed on the two aircraft symbols; time to encounter point; length of time subjects viewed the display; amount of practice; and type of encounter (straight or turning). Results show that length of viewing time had little or no effect on performance; time to encounter influenced performance with the straight predictor but did not with the curved predictor; and that learning occurred under all conditions. R.E.S.

N80-18680*# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
THE CARBON ISOTOPE BIOGEOCHEMISTRY OF THE INDIVIDUAL HYDROCARBONS IN BAT GUANO AND THE ECOLOGY OF INSECTIVOROUS BATS IN THE REGION OF CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO
David J. DesMarais, J. M. Mitchell (Indiana Univ., Bloomington), W. G. Meinschein (Indiana Univ., Bloomington), and J. M. Hayes

The structures and C-13 contents of individual alkanes extracted from bat guano found in the Carlsbad region of New Mexico can be related to both the photosynthetic pathways of the local plants and the feeding habits of the insects that support the bats. Carbon isotopic analyses of the 82 most important plant species in the Pecos River Valley, the most significant feeding area for the Carlsbad bats, reveal the presence of 29 species with C3 photosynthesis and 33 species, mostly grasses, with C4 photosynthesis. Although the abundances of nonagricultural C3 and C4 plants are similar, alfalfa and cotton, both C3 plants, constitute over 95 per cent of the crop biomass. The molecular composition of the bat guano hydrocarbons is fully consistent with an insect origin. Two isotopically distinct groups of alkanes derived from two chemotaxonomically distinct populations of insects possessing distinctly different feeding habits. It is likely that one population grazes predominantly on crops whereas the other population prefers native vegetation. This and other isotopic evidence supports the notion that crop pests constitute a major percentage of the bats' diet. Author

N80-18710*# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
COSMOS 81 US/SSSR CARIOVASCULAR STUDY: EXPERIMENT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
John W. Hines

The experimental activities to be undertaken in the accomplishment of the Cosmos 81 Primat Study are discussed. A detailed description of the specific tasks to be performed, approaches, options, and tradeoffs to be considered, and personnel assigned is presented. The main project is to chronically instrument the carotid artery (flow, pressure) using Rhesus monkeys and interpret the results. R.E.S.

N80-19792*# National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Calif.
EFFECT OF FIELD OF VIEW AND MONOCULAR VIEWING ON ANGULAR SIZE JUDGEMENTS IN AN OUTDOOR SCENE
Edward A. Denz (San Jose State Univ., Calif.), Everett A. Palmer, and Stephen R. Ellis
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Observers typically overestimate the angular size of distant objects. Significant, overestimations are greater in outdoor settings than in aircraft visual-scene simulators. The effect of field of view and monocular and binocular viewing conditions on angular size estimation in an outdoor field was examined. Subjects adjusted the size of a variable triangle to match the angular size of a standard triangle set at three greater distances. Goggles were used to vary the field of view from 11.5 deg to 90 deg for both monocular and binocular viewing. In addition, an unrestricted monocular and binocular viewing condition was used. It is concluded that neither restricted fields of view similar to those present in visual simulators nor the restriction of monocular viewing causes a significant loss in depth perception in outdoor settings. Thus, neither factor should significantly affect the depth realism of visual simulators. Author

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MODIFIED ITERATIVE EXTENDED HUECKEL 1: THEORY
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Iterative Extended Hückel is modified by inclusion of explicit effective internuclear and electronic interactions. The one electron energies are shown to obey a variational principle because of the form of the effective electronic interactions. The modifications permit mimicking of aspects of valence bond theory with the additional feature that the energies associated with valence bond type structures are explicitly calculated. In turn, a hybrid molecular orbital valence bond scheme is introduced which incorporates variant total molecular electronic density distributions similar to the way that Iterative Extended Hückel incorporates atoms.

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**MODIFIED ITERATIVE EXTENDED HUECKEL 2: APPLICATION TO THE INTERACTION OF Na(+) and Mg(+) WITH ADENINE AND THYMINE**


Modified Iterative Extended Hückel, which includes explicit effective internuclear and electronic interactions, is applied to the study of the energetics of Na(+)Mg(+) and Mg(+) aquaeous, and Na(+) aquaeous ions approaching various possible binding sites on adenine and thymine. Results for the adenine + ion and thymine + ion are in good qualitative agreement with ab initio work on analogous systems. Energy differences between competing sites are in excellent agreement. Hydration appears to be a critical factor in determining favorable binding sites. That the adenine N1 and N3 sites cannot displace a water molecule from the hydrated cation indicates that they are not favorable binding sites in aqueous media. Of those sites investigated, O4 was the most favorable binding site on the thymine for the bare Na(+). However, the O2 site was the most favorable binding site for either hydrated cation.

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**QUANTUM THEORY AND CHEMISTRY: TWO PROPOSITIONS**


Two propositions concerning quantum chemistry are proposed. First, it is proposed that the nonrelativistic Schrödinger equation, where the Hamiltonian operator is associated with an assemblage of nuclei and electrons, can never be arranged to yield specific molecules in the chemists' sense. It is argued that this result is a necessary condition if the Schrödinger has relevance to chemistry. Second, once a system is in a particular state with regard to interactions among its components (the assemblage of nuclei and electrons), it cannot spontaneously eliminate any of those interactions. This leads to a subtle form of irreversibility.

Author

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**FLIGHT-DECK AUTOMATION: PROMISES AND PROBLEMS**


The state of the art in human factors in flight-deck automation is presented. A number of critical problem areas are identified and broad design guidelines are offered. Automation-related aircraft accidents and incidents are discussed as examples of human factors problems in automated flight.

Author

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**HEAD-UP DISPLAY IN THE NON-PRECISION APPROACH**


The problem of head-up guidance for an aircraft making an instrument approach with no glide slope information is discussed. Requirements for path control are considered for each section of the approach profile and a head-up display is developed to meet these needs. The display is an unreferenced flight director which is modified by adding a ground referenced symbol as an alternative guidance component. The director is used for holding altitude in the first segment and for descent at a controlled rate in the second segment. It is used in the third segment to maintain the minimum decision altitude while assessing the approach situation. This is done by means of occasional brief changes to the referenced symbol. In the final segment a visual approach is made with the referenced symbol used continuously for path control. The display is investigated experimentally in simulated approaches made by three pilots. The results show a fair agreement between objective and subjective estimates of the quality of landing decisions.

E.D.K.

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**DIFFERENTIATION OF OPTICAL ISOMERS THROUGH ENHANCED WEAK-FIELD INTERACTIONS**


The influence of weak field interaction terms due to the cooperative effects which arise from a macroscopic assemblage of interacting sites is studied. Differential adsorption of optical isomers onto an achiral surface is predicted to occur if the surface was continuous and sufficiently large. However, the quantity of discontinuous crystal surfaces did not enhance the percentage of differentiation and thus the procedure of using large quantities of small particles was not a viable technique for obtaining a detectable differentiation of optical isomers on an achiral surface.

B.D.

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**PERCEPTION OF AIRCRAFT SEPARATION WITH PILOT-PREFERRED SYMBOLS ON A COCKPIT DISPLAY OF TRAFFIC INFORMATION**

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The concept of a cockpit display of traffic information (CDTI) was developed for use in later full mission simulator evaluations of the CDTI concept. Pilots chose their preferred method of displaying air traffic information for several variables. Variables included: type of background, update rate, update type, predictor type, and history type. Each pilot designed a display he felt would be most useful in flight operations. After a series of test trials, each pilot was given the opportunity to modify the display for the experimental task. For a second day of testing, they repeated the experimental task using their display as well as displays chosen by other pilots. Results indicated a variety of individual preferences in symbology and differences in the accuracy of judgments. Pilots indicated concern for clutter of the display, relationship of the displayed symbology to physical reality, and a need to perceive the relative motion of the intruder aircraft. Analysis of data indicated that pilots were able to improve their performance with practice.

R.K.G.
GUIDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A CONTROLLED ECOLOGICAL LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEM

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The workshop is reported which was held to establish guidelines for future development of ecological support systems, and to develop a group of researchers who understand the interdisciplinary requirements of the overall program. For individual titles, see N80-12736 through N80-12738.


An eight-stage nitrogen generation module was developed. The design integrated a hydrazine catalytic dissociator, three ammonia dissociation stages and four palladium/silver hydrogen separator stages. Alternating ammonia dissociation and hydrogen separation stages are used to remove hydrogen and ammonia formed in the dissociation of hydrazine which results in negligible ammonia and hydrogen concentrations in the product nitrogen stream. An engineering breadboard nitrogen supply subsystem was also developed. It was developed as an integratable subsystem for a central spacecraft air revitalization system. The subsystem consists of the hydrazine storage and feed mechanism, the nitrogen generation module, the peripheral mechanical and electrical components required to control and monitor subsystem performance, and the instrumentation required to interface with other subsystems of an air revitalization system. The breadboard nitrogen supply subsystem was integrated and tested with a one-person capacity experimental air revitalization system. The integration, checkout and testing was successfully accomplished.

R.E.S.


The performance of Bosch hardware at the subsystem level (up to five person capacity) in terms of five operating parameters was investigated. The five parameters were (1) reactor temperature, (2) recycle loop mass flow rate, (3) recycle loop gas composition (percent hydrogen), (4) recycle loop dew point and (5) catalyst density. Experiments were designed and conducted in which the five operating parameters were varied and Bosch performance recorded. A total of 12 carbon collection cartridges provided over approximately 250 hours of operating time. Generally, one cartridge was used for each parameter that was varied. The Bosch hardware was found to perform reliably and reproducibly. No startup, reaction initiation or carbon containment problems were observed. Optimum performance points/ranges were identified for the five parameters investigated. The performance curves agreed with theoretical projections.

R.E.S.


Abstracts and annotations of the majority of scientific works that elucidate the mechanisms of short-term acclimation to heat in men and women are presented. The compendium includes material from 1968 through 1977. Subject and author indexes are provided and additional references of preliminary research findings or work of a peripheral nature are included in a bibliography.

T.M.


The pilot's perception and performance in flight simulators is examined. The areas investigated include: vestibular stimulation, flight management and man cockpit information interfacing, and visual perception in flight simulation. The effects of higher levels of rotary acceleration on response time to constant acceleration, tracking performance, and thresholds for angular acceleration are examined. Areas of flight management examined are cockpit display of traffic information, work load, synthetic speech call outs during the landing phase of flight, perceptual factors in the use of a microwave landing system, automatic speech recognition, automation of aircraft operation, and total simulation of flight training.

A.W.H.
A three-man capacity catalytic system for the recovery of water from urine was designed, constructed, and tested. It was designed to operate with feed streams containing high concentrations of urine vapor and only 5 to 7% of oxygen for the oxidation of ammonia and volatile organic vapor. It can operate either in a flow-through or a recycle mode and is capable of accepting the urine vapor produced by a vapor compression distillation evaporator. Testing consisted of short preliminary and optimization test, an endurance test of 74 hours continuous operation, and recycle tests using both air and oxygen. The system was designed for a urine processing rate of 0.86 liters/hr; however, it was tested at rates up to 1.2 liter/hr. Untreated urine evaporated by an electrically heated evaporator was used. The quality of the recovered water meets the U.S. Drinking Water Standards, with the exception of a low pH. Accumulation of solids in the urine sludge is reduced to approximately 65% of the anticipated value. L.F.M.

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THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN ELASTIC REVERSE GRADIENT GARMENT TO BE USED AS A COUNTERMEASURE FOR CARDIOVASCULAR DECONDITIONING

Using a new nonex lycra elastic fabric and individualized garment engineering techniques, reverse gradient garments (RGG's) were designed, constructed, and tested for effectiveness as a countermeasure against cardiovascular deconditioning. By combining torso compensated positive pressure breathing with a distally diminishing gradient of counterpressure supplied by the elastic fabric on the limbs, the RGG acts to pool blood in the extremities of recumbent persons much as though they were standing erect in 1 g. The RGG stresses the vasculature in a fashion similar to that experienced by the normally active man, hence preventing or limiting the development of post weightlessness orthostatic intolerance and related conditions. Four male, college age subjects received daily treatments with the RGG during a 15 day bedrest study. Four additional subjects also underwent the bedrest, but received no treatments; they served as controls. The preliminary indication was that the RGG was somewhat effective in limiting the deconditioning process. R.K.G.

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Experiments conducted by the Viking mission to search for life on Mars are examined and the results of direct chemical analyses are surveyed to determine the presence of any complex organic compound. Observations taken from lander imaging and experiments from biological investigation are analyzed for pyrolytic gas exchange (both humid and nutrient) and labeled release (LR). Attention is given to the results in an attempt to simulate LR initial reaction, and to the implications and extrapolations of the Viking mission.
C.F.W.

A80-11473 *

A80-12229 *

A comparative study of the effects of varying levels of oxygen on some of the metabolic functions of the primitive eukaryote, Saccharomyces cerevisiae, has shown that these cells are responsive to very low levels of oxygen. A cell oxygenation was greatly enhanced by only 0.03 vol% oxygen. Similarly, an acetyl-CoA synthetase associated predominantly with aerobic growth was stimulated by as little as 0.1% oxygen, while an isoenzyme correlated with aerobic growth was maximally active at much higher oxygen levels (greater than 1%). Closely following this latter pattern were three mitochondrial enzymes that attained maximal activity only under atmospheric levels of oxygen. (Author)

A80-13013 *

Mineralogical, chemical, textural, and isotopic studies of the abundant carbonaceous inclusions in the Jodice howardite which are consistent with carbonaceous chondrite (CM) characteristics are presented. These CM xenoliths show lithology alteration comparable to the Murray and Murchison meteorites but less than Nogoya, flow-oriented development of phyllosilicates and 'poorly characterized phases', and partial oxidation of sulfides. Temperature-programmed pyrolysis mass spectrometry indicates that gas release involves of volatiles and hydrocarbons, and a CI/CM content is typical of CM meteorites. The fact that the Ne content is typical for 'solar' values and the isotopic structure of Xe is 'planetary' indicates that these gases were entrapped by different mechanisms, and cosmic ray exposure ages for the xenoliths agree with the reported exposure age for the eucritic host. A.T.

A80-13018 *

The optically pure D- and L-enantiomers of isovaline, which cannot be racemized by ordinary chemical mechanisms involving alpha-hydrogen removal and which has been isolated in apparently racemic form from the Murchison meteorite, have been subjected to partial racemization by the ionizing radiation from a 3000Ci Co 60 gamma-ray source. Both in the anhydrous and hydrated solid states and as solid sodium or hydrochloride salts each enantiomer suffered significant radioracemization of the undestroyed residue during its partial racemization. The sodium salt of isovaline in 0.1M aqueous solution suffered extensive racemization with relatively small radiation doses, but showed no detectable radioracemization. The significance of these observations with respect to the primordial enantiomeric composition of the isovaline (and other amino acids) indigenous to meteorites is discussed. (Author)

The purpose was (1) to test the hypothesis that in man there is a range of plasma osmolality within which the red cell volume (RCV) and mean corpuscular volume (MCV) remain essentially constant and (2) to determine the upper limit of this range. During a variety of stresses - submaximal and maximal exercise, heat and altitude exposure, Gz acceleration, and tilting - changes in plasma osmolality between -1 and +13 mosmol/kg resulted in essentially no change in the regression of percent change in plasma volume (PV) calculated from a change in hematocrit (Hct) on that calculated from a change in Hct + hemoglobin (Hb), i.e., the RCV and MCV were constant. Factors that do not influence RCV are the level of metabolic heat exposure at rest, and short-term orthostasis (heat-to-foot acceleration). Factors that may influence RCV are exposure to high altitude and long-term orthostasis (head-up tilting). Factors that definitely influence RCV are prior dehydration and extended periods of stress. Thus, either the Hct or the Hct + Hb equations can be used to calculate percent changes in PV under short-term periods of stress when the change in plasma osmolality is less than 13 mosmol/kg. (Author)


The abundances of some of the straight- and branched-chain isomers of the monocarboxylic acids found in the Murchison carbonaceous chondrite are determined. Monocarboxylic acids extracted from a crushed sample of Murchison interior were quantified by means of gas chromatography and mass spectrometry after a spiking solution of deuterated analogues of 11 carboxylic acids had been added. Monocarboxylic acid abundances are found to range between 1.83 and 0.01 micromole/g, which is significantly higher than the Murchison amino acid concentrations, and to decrease with increasing carbon number for both branched and unbranched molecules. The results are interpreted to support the abiogenic extraterrestrial synthesis of monocarboxylic acids. Possible mechanisms leading to the equal synthesis of branched and unbranched monocarboxylic acid with the same carbon number are considered, noting that the Fischer-Tropsch Type mechanism by itself is incapable of accounting for the observed distributions. A.L.W.


Magnetometer data from the Pioneer Venus Orbiter is used to examine the position and shape of this planet's bow shock. Utilizing crossings identified on 66 occasions during the first 65 orbits a mean shock surface is defined for sun-Venus satellite angles of 60-110 deg. Both the shock shape and variance in location are found to be very similar to the terrestrial case for the range in SVS angle considered. However, while the spread in shock positions at the earth is due predominantly to the magnetopause location varying in response to solar wind dynamic pressure, ionopause altitude variations can have little effect on total obstacle radius. Thus, the Cytherean shock is sometimes observed much closer to or farther from the planet than previously predicted by gasdynamic theory applied to the deflection of flow about a blunt body which acts neither as source nor sink for any portion of the flow. (Author)

A80-17686 * Proton movements in response to a light-driven electrogenic pump for sodium ions in Halobacterium halobium membranes. R. V. Greene (Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.) and J. K. Lanyi (NASA, Ames Research Center, Biomedical Research Div., Moffett Field, Calif.). Journal of Biological Chemistry, vol. 264, Nov. 10, 1979, p. 10596-10594. 35 refs. NSF Grant No. 76-09718; Grant No. NIH-GM-23225A.


Features taken from various models of Titan's atmosphere are combined in a working composite model that provides environmental constraints within which different pathways for organic chemical synthesis are determined. Experimental results and theoretical modeling suggest that the organic chemistry of the satellite is dominated by two processes: photochemistry and energetic particle bombardment. Photochemical reactions of CH4 in the upper atmosphere can account for the presence of C2 hydrocarbons. Reactions initiated at various levels of the atmosphere by cosmic rays, Saturn 'wind', and solar wind particle bombardment of a CH4-N2 atmospheric mixture can account for the UV-visible absorbing stratospheric haze, the reddish appearance of the satellite, and some of the C2 hydrocarbons. In the lower atmosphere photochemical processes will be important if surface temperatures are sufficiently high for gaseous NH3 to exist. It is concluded that the surface of Titan may contain ancient or recent organic matter (or both) produced in the atmosphere. B.J.


The paper considers arguments on the existence or absence of extraterrestrial civilizations. It is suggested that arguments that even a single extraterrestrial civilization would have long ago colonized the Galaxy are not compelling. Attention is given to factors such as intranspecific competition, which could have prevented complete colonization, noting that an exception perhaps would be on time scales much greater than 10 to the 10 years. It is concluded that the fact that extraterrestrial civilizations do not appear to be represented on earth is irrelevant to the formulation of plans to search for them. M.E.P.

Electrical impedance measurements are used to investigate the rates of sulfate reduction by pure cultures of and sediments containing sulfur-reducing bacteria. Changes in the electrical impedance ratios of pure cultures of Desulfovibrio aestuarii and samples of reduced sediments from San Francisco Bay were measured by a Bactometer 32, and sulfate reduction was followed by measuring the incorporation of [35S] sulfate into metal sulfides. The growth of the bacteria in pure culture is found to result in a decrease of 0.2200 in the impedance ratio within 24 h, accompanied by increases in protein, ATP, sulfide and absorbance at 660 nm, all of which are influenced by the addition of molybdate. Similar responses were observed in the sediments, although impedance ratio responses were not completely inhibited upon the addition of molybdate, due to the presence of nonsulfate-respiring microorganisms. Experiments conducted with sterile media and autoclaved sediments indicate that the presence of H2S together with iron is responsible for the impedance effect, and sulfate reduction rates ranging between 0.05 and 1.84 mmol/l per day are estimated for the sediments by the impedance technique.

A.L.W.


The in vivo bending rigidity and bone mineral content of monkey ulnae and tibiae were measured. Bending rigidity in the anteroposterior plane was measured by an impedance probe technique. Forced vibrations of the bones were induced with an electromechanical shaker, and force and velocity at the driving point were determined. The responses over the range of 100-260 Hz were utilized to compute the bending rigidity. Bone mineral content in the cross section was determined by a photon absorption technique. Seventeen male monkeys (Macaca nemestrina) weighing 6-14 kg were evaluated. Bending rigidity was correlated with the mineral content of the cross section, with a correlation coefficient of 0.899. Two monkeys were evaluated during prolonged hypodynamic restraint. Restraint produced regional losses of bone most obviously in the proximal tibia. The local bone mineral content declines 17 to 24% and the average bending rigidity declines 12 to 22%. Changes in bones leading to a reduction in mineral content and stiffness are discussed.

A.L.W.


Rats suspended in a model designed to simulate several aspects of weightlessness were immunized with sheep red blood cells. Parameters measured on these and control rats included titers of anti-sheep red blood cell antibodies, serum immunoglobulin levels, spleen and thymus weights, hamatocrits, and leukocyte differential counts on peripheral blood. No significant differences were found between test and weight-bearing, harnessed controls; however, the thymuses of animals in both these groups were significantly smaller than untreated cage controls. The lack of an effect of simulated weightlessness on the immune system is an interesting result, and its significance is discussed.

A.L.W.


The effects of bed rest and exercise training during bed rest on body temperature and thermoregulatory responses at rest and during exercise are investigated. Seven male subjects underwent three two-week periods of bed rest during which isometric, isonomic, or no exercises were performed, separated by two ambulatory control periods and preceded by a two-week control period, during which they exercised regularly. Rectal and mean skin temperatures and sweating responses were determined during 70-min submaximal supine exercise during the bed rest and recovery periods. Measurements reveal a reduction in basal oral temperature during the control-recovery periods, with a relatively constant level during bed rest periods, and a significant increase in the rectal temperature elevation brought on by exercise following all three bed-rest regimes. It is concluded that the excessive increase in rectal temperature could be influenced by changes in skin heat conductance or the inhibition of sweating.

A.L.W.


The effects of external water pressure on intercompartmental fluid volume shifts and endocrine responses in man are investigated. Extracellular fluid volumes and plasma and urine electrolyte and endocrine responses of four male subjects were measured during eight hours of head-out water immersion and 16 hours of recovery bed rest and compared to responses obtained during eight hours of chair rest and 16 hours of bed rest without external hydrostatic pressure obtained in the same subjects five months later. Immersion is found to result in a substantial diuresis with respect to chair rest, accounted for by decreases in extracellular volume. A negative water balance during immersion and a positive water balance during chair rest were observed to be accompanied by a shift of extracellular volume to the intracellular compartment, as well as the suppression of plasma arginine vasopressin and renin activities in both regimes. The vasopressin and renin activity decreases are attributed to the increased central blood volume, and half of the plasma volume in immersed subjects is attributed to the effects of external water pressure.

A.L.W.


Until recently it was generally held that transport in bacteria was linked exclusively to proton circulation, in contrast to most eucaryotic systems, which depended on Na(+)-cycling. The present review is intended to trace recent developments which have led to the discarding of this idea. The discussion covers transport of Na(+) and other cations, effects of Na(+) and Na(+) gradients on metabolite transport, properties of Na(+)-dependent transport carriers, and evolutionary considerations of Na(+)-transport. It is now apparent that the transport of Na(+) is an important part of energy metabolism in bacteria, and that Na(+) gradients as well as H(+) gradients are used in these systems for the conservation and transmission of energy. Two hypotheses are proposed to explain the evolution of Na/K systems, and it is presently difficult to decide between them.


The design logic, construction, function, and data processing of the Pioneer Venus Sounder Probe gas chromatograph instrument are discussed. A gas chromatograph for the analysis of the chemical composition of the lower atmosphere of Venus was included in the Sounder Probe of the Pioneer Venus mission. This paper describes the design logic of the gas chromatograph as constrained by the mission; attention is given to instrument construction, function, and data reduction.

B.J.


Misidentification of two peaks from the Pioneer Venus sounder probe gas chromatograph (SPGC), also formerly known as the LGC, gave rise to quantitative errors in the abundances of oxygen, argon, and carbon monoxide. The argon abundance is estimated at 67 parts per million and that of carbon monoxide at 20 parts per million. At this time, no estimates for the oxygen abundance can be made.

(Author)


The present study was undertaken to determine whether the chronic increase in plasma volume, resulting from heat exposure and exercise training, was due only to elevated rectal temperature or whether there were additional nonthermal factors related to the exercise. The study was conducted on eight volunteer, healthy, moderately trained male college subjects (18-26 yr). Exercise-induced hypervolemia was associated with thermal factor(s) that contributed 40% and nonthermal factors that accounted for the remaining 60%. In addition, some nonthermal, exercise-induced factors were twofold increases in plasma osmotic and vasopressin levels during exercise, and a fivefold increase in resting plasma protein content.

S.D.


The purpose of the present study was twofold: (1) to determine the rate of induction and decay of exercise-training hypervolemia with a short-duration high-intensity training regimen; and (2) to assess the protein, osmotic, and endocrine responses that contribute to that mechanism. The test subjects were eight volunteer, healthy, trained college men (20-22 yr) engaged in isotonic exercise on a bicycle ergometer. Factors associated with plasma hypervolemia during training are identified. The results suggest that an efficient procedure for increasing plasma volume is the daily performance of high-intensity isotonic leg exercise for 2 h/day.

S.D.


Rats were exposed to 4.15 g for 1 yr and weight and age matched, and lean noncentrifuged rats were used as control groups. Rats exposed to chronic hypergravity (hypergravic rats) were found to show lower ambient insulin levels, greater food intake with smaller body weight gain, and decreased size of isolated adipocytes. The ability of adipocytes from the hypergravic rats to bind insulin was increased. With Scatchard analysis, both number and affinity of receptors were increased. In contrast to the increased binding, glucose transport was found to be decreased in adipocytes from these animals. However, when the data were expressed as a percentage of maximal effect, the half maximal insulin effect for both the hypergravic and lean control groups was produced at an insulin concentration of 0.23 + - 0.02 ng/ml, which was lower than the insulin concentration of 0.31 + - 0.02 ng/ml for the weight-matched control group (P less than 0.05). This increased insulin sensitivity in the hypergravic group was accounted for by an increased number of receptors.

(Author)


A facility was established for long-duration ultraviolet (UV) radiation exposure of natural and synthetic materials in order to test hypotheses concerning Martian soil chemistry observed by the Viking Mars landers. The system utilized a 2500 watt xenon lamp as the radiation source, with the beam passing through a heat-dissipating water filter before impinging upon an exposure chamber containing the samples to be irradiated. The chamber was designed to allow for continuous tumbling of the samples, maintenance of temperatures below 0 °C during exposure, and monitoring of beam intensity. The facility also provided for sample preparation under a variety of atmospheric conditions, in addition to the Mars nominal. As many as 33 sealed sample ampoules have been irradiated in a single exposure. Over 100 samples have been irradiated for approximately 100 to 700 h. The facility has performed well in providing continuous UV irradiation of multiple samples for long periods of time under simulated Mars atmospheric and thermal conditions. (Author)


The chemical reactivity of several minerals thought to be present in Martian fines is tested with regard to gases known in the Martian atmosphere. In these experiments, liquid water is excluded from the system, environmental temperatures are maintained below 0 °C, and the solar illumination spectrum is stimulated in the visible and UV using a xenon arc lamp. Reactions are detected by mass spectrometric analysis of the gas phase over solid samples. No reactions were detected for Mars nominal gas over sulfates, nitrates, chloride, nontronite clay, or magnetite. Oxidation was not observed for basaltic glass, nontronite, and magnetite. However, experiments incorporating SO2 gas - an expected product of volcanism and intrusive volatile release - gave positive results. Displacement of CO2 by SO2 occurred in all four carbonates tested. These reactions are catalyzed by irradiation with the solar simulator. A calcium nitrate hydrate released NO2 in the presence of SO2. These results have implications for the cycling of atmospheric CO2, H2O, and N2 through the regolith. (Author)


In the present paper, ground-based investigations of the Viking Martian biology data, which have resulted in reasonable simulations of these data, are reviewed. These simulations, which in strong oxidants, UV-treated materials, iron-containing clays, or iron salts were used as Martian analogs, are capable of explaining the ambiguity between the GCMS (gas-chromatography mass-spectrometry) experiments, in which no organic compounds were found on Mars, and the Labeled Release experiments, in which added organics were decomposed.

V.K.


Alkaline earth and alkali metal superoxides and peroxides, gamma-Fe2O3 and carbon suboxide polymer, are proposed to be constituents of the Martian surface material. These reactive substances explain the water modified reactions and thermal behaviors of the Martian samples demonstrated by all of the Viking Biology Experiments. It is also proposed that the syntheses of these substances result mainly from electrical discharges between wind-mobilized particles at Martian pressures; plastics are initiated and maintained by these discharges. Active species in the plasma either combine to form or react with organic surfaces to create the reactive constituents. (Author)


The effect of the exchangeable cation on the condensation of glycine and alanine was investigated using a series of homoinic bentonites. A cycling procedure of drying, warming and wetting was employed. Peptide bond formation was observed, and the effectiveness of metal ions to catalyze the condensation was Cu(2+) greater than Ni(2) approximately equals Zn(2+) greater than Na(+). Glycine showed 6% of the monomer incorporated into oligomers with the largest detected being the pentamer. Alanine showed less peptide bond formation (a maximum of 2%) and only the dimer was observed. (Author)


A targeted high-sensitivity search for narrow-band signals near a wavelength of 18 cm has been conducted using the 91-m radiotelescope of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory. The search included 201 nearby solar-type stars and achieved a frequency resolution of 5.5 Hz over a 1.4-MHz bandwidth. This high spectral resolution was obtained through a non-real-time reduction program using a Mark I VLBI recording terminal in conjunction with the CDC 7600 computational facility at the NASA-Ames Research Center. This is the first high-resolution search for narrow-band signals in this wavelength regime. To date it is the most sensitive search per unit observing time of any search strategy which does not postulate a unique magic frequency. Data show no evidence for narrow-band signals due to extraterrestrial intelligence at a 12-standard-deviation upper limit on signal strength of 1.1 x 10 to the -23rd W/sq m. (Author)


The cellular constituents of extremely halophilic bacteria not only tolerate high salt concentration, but in many cases require it for optical functioning. The characteristics affected by salt include enzyme activity, stability, allosteric regulation, conformation and subunit association. The salt effects are of two major kinds: electrostatic shielding of negative charges by cations at low salt concentration, and hydrophobic stabilization by salting-out type salts at high salt concentration. The composition of halobacterial proteins shows an excess of acidic amino acids and a deficiency of nonpolar amino acids, which accounts for these effects. Since the
cohesive forces are weaker and the repulsing forces are stronger in these proteins, preventing aggregation in salt. These structures are no longer suited for functioning in the absence of high salt concentrations. Unlike these nonspecific effects, ribosomes in halobacteria show marked preference for potassium over sodium ions. To ensure the proper intracellular ionic composition, powerful ion transport systems have evolved in the halobacteria, resulting in the extrusion of sodium ions and their replacement by potassium. It is likely that such membrane transport system for ionic movements is a necessary requisite for salt tolerance.

(Author)


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Ten rats, five centrifuged during flight to simulate gravity and five stationary in flight and experiencing hypogravity, orbited the Earth. No differences were noted between flight-stationary and flight-centrifuged animals, but changes were seen between these two groups and ground controls. Morphological alterations were observed comparable to those in the experiment flown on Cosmos 782 and to the retinal cells exposed to high-energy particles at Berkeley. Affected cells in the outer nuclear layer showed swelling, clearing of cytoplasm, and disruption of the membranes. Tissue channels were again found, similar to those seen on 782. After space flight, preliminary data indicated an increase in cell size in montages of the nuclear layer of both groups of flight animals. This experiment shows that weightlessness and environmental conditions other than cosmic radiation do not contribute to the observed damage of retinal cells.

(Author)

A80-42003 * Thresholds for detection of constant rotary acceleration during vibratory rotary acceleration. B. Clark, J. D. Stewart, and N. H. Phillips (NASA, Ames Research Center, Moffett Field; San Jose State University, San Jose, Calif.). Aviation, Space, and Environmental Medicine, vol. 51, June 1980, p. 603-606. 19 refs. Grant No. NCC2-35.

The effects of vibratory angular acceleration on detection thresholds for constant angular acceleration in a dynamic flight simulator are reported in three experiments. Detection thresholds were determined for 10 pilots and four nonpilots using a random, double-staircase procedure while the subjects sat erect in a device which rotated about an earth-vertical axis. Constant angular acceleration were presented for 0.5 and 1.0 s with concurrent, vibratory angular acceleration at 1 and 5 Hz, and thresholds with no vibratory angular acceleration were established. The thresholds were obtained while the subjects observed a visual reference in the enclosed cockpit in two experiments and in total darkness in a third. The results confirmed earlier experiments showing an inverse relationship between the duration of constant angular acceleration and detection threshold and showed that the detection thresholds in darkness were higher than with a visual reference present. Two analyses of variance revealed no significant differences in thresholds across the three vibration conditions. These results indicate that vibratory angular acceleration of fairly high levels can be present in a dynamic flight simulator without masking the pilot’s ability to detect either maneuver or disturbance motions.

(Author)


Rats were allowed a third of normal water intake for 20 days, and food consumption decreased. The reticulocyte count indicated a suppression of erythropoiesis. Urine osmolality increased from 2,000 mosmol/kg to 3,390 mosmol/kg. Random hemolysis and senescence of a cohort of red blood cell (RBC) previously labeled with (2-C-141) glycine was monitored via the production of (C-14)O. Neither hemolysis nor senescence was affected. Following water restriction, the polydipsic rats generated a hypertonic urine. Urine osmolality decreased to 1,300 mosmol/kg for at least 6 days; a include the different types of natural boundary conditions. Finite element equations corresponding to the various formulations are then presented and applied to a simple one-dimensional bore propagation problem to examine the consequences of the different weighted residual formulations, and to the computation of current velocity and water elevation in an idealized closed basin excited periodically at its entrance. Finally, a finite element analysis of the storm surge accompanying the attack of a moderate-scale typhoon on Surugaw Bay, on the Pacific coast of Japan, is presented and shown to be in reasonably good agreement with tide measurements.

(Author)

The effects of head cooling on thermoregulation and associated plasma fluid and electrolyte shifts during rest and submaximal exercise in the heat are investigated. Thermoregulatory responses and plasma volume were measured in four male subjects fitted with liquid-cooled neoprene headgear during 80 min of rest, 60 min of ergometer exercise at 45% maximal oxygen uptake and 30 min of recovery in the supine position at 40.1°C and 40% relative humidity. It is found that, compared to control responses, head cooling decreased thigh sweating and increased mean skin temperature at rest and attenuated increases in thigh sweating, heart rate, rectal temperature and ventilation during exercise. During recovery, cooling is observed to facilitate decreases in sweat rate, heart rate, rectal temperature and forearm blood flow and enhance the increase in average temperature. Cooling had no effect on plasma protein, osmotic or electrolyte shifts, and decreased plasma volume losses. The findings indicate the effectiveness of moderate head cooling for the improvement of human performance during exercise in heat.

A.L.W.


The purpose of this study was to test the hypothesis that thermoregulation during exercise can be affected by extracellular fluid hyperosmolality without changing the plasma Na+(+) concentration. The effects of preexercise venous infusions of hypertonic mannitol and NaCl solutions on rectal temperature responses were compared in dogs running at moderate intensity for 60 min on a treadmill. Plasma Na+(+) concentration was increased by 12 meq after NaCl infusion, and decreased by 9 meq after mannitol infusion. Both infusions increased plasma by 15 mosmol/kg. After both infusions, rectal temperature was essentially constant during 60 min rest. However, compared with the noninfusion exercise increase in osmolality of 1.3 C, rectal temperature increased by 1.9 C after both postinfusion exercise experiments. It was concluded that inducing extracellular hyperosmolality, without elevating plasma, can induce excessive increases in rectal temperature during exercise but not at rest. (Author)

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COMETS: COSMIC CONNECTIONS WITH CARBONACEOUS METEORITES, INTERSTELLAR MOLECULES AND THE ORIGIN OF LIFE
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The ions, radicals, and molecules observed in comets may be derived intact or by partial decomposition from parent compounds of the sort found either in the interstellar medium or in carbonaceous meteorites. The early loss of highly reducing primitive atmosphere and its replacement by a secondary atmosphere dominated by H2O, CO2, and N2, as depicted in current models of the earth's evolution, pose a dilemma for the origin of life: the synthesis of organic compounds necessary for life from components of the secondary atmosphere appears to be difficult, and plausible mechanisms have not been evaluated. Both comets and carbonaceous meteorites are implicated as sources for the earth's atmospheric and organogenic elements. A mass balance argument involving the estimated ratios of hydrogen to carbon in carbonaceous meteorites, comets, and the crust and upper mantle suggests that comets supplied the earth with a large fraction of its volatiles. The probability that comets contributed significantly to the earth's volatile inventory suggests a chemical evolutionary link between comets, prebiotic organic synthesis, and the origin of life. A.R.H.


Space suit assemblies developed in the past provide candidate concepts to meet future extravehicular-activity requirements. The paper is concerned with the development of the modular B-psi Ames AX-3 high-pressure suit assembly on the basis of a review of existing suit assemblies, component developments, and mobility exercises. The discussion covers description of the AX-3 suit, its performance, and technology developments. In conclusion, high-pressure space suit technology is demonstrated with the development of the Ames AX-3 suit assembly. Several photographs and diagrams supplement the text.

S.D.


The Bosch process is the most promising CO2 reduction concept for future prolonged space missions. The paper presents the design of a three-person capacity prototype B-CRS (Bosch-based CO2 Reduction Subsystem). It is sized to reduce 3.0 kg/d CO2 generated by the crew and to supply the product water to an O2 generation subsystem to obtain O2. The design supports future development of the B-CRS as an alternative CO2 reduction subsystem to the Sabatier-based process presently under test at NASA. The discussion covers the Bosch CO2 reduction concept, process and hardware description, performance parameters, design specifications, subsystem schematic and operation, mechanical subsystem summary, control/monitor instrumentation, and subsystem packaging. A B-CRS with a proven technological base is an attractive CO2 reduction subsystem that eliminates overboard venting.

S.D.


As the length of manned space missions increase, more ambitious extravehicular activities (EVAs) are required. For the projected longer mission the use of expendables in the portable life support system (PLSS) will become prohibited due to high launch and volume requirements. Therefore, the development of a regenerable CO2 absorber for the PLSS application is highly desirable. The paper discusses the concept, regeneration mechanism, performance, system design, and absorption/regeneration cycle
testing of a most promising concept known as ERCA (Electrochemically Regenerable CO2 Absorber). This concept is based on absorbing CO2 into an alkaline system similar to LIOH. The absorbent is an aqueous solution supported in a porous matrix which can be electrochemically regenerated on board the primary space vehicle. With the metabolic CO2 recovery the ERCA concept results in a totally regenerative CO2 scrubber. The ERCA test hardware has passed 200 absorption/regeneration cycles without performance degradation.


The design of an on-line postprocessor for a search for extraterrestrial intelligence (SETI) system is described. Signal processing tasks of the postprocessor include: (1) analysis of power level, phase coherence, and state of polarization of single-channel signals in a search for significant signals; (2) grouping or aggregation of adjacent channel data, time averaging of data; and (3) the detection of drifting and modulated signals. Control functions include multichannel analyzer frequency and clock control, system calibration and selfdiagnostic, control of data flow to and from short-term and long-term (archival) memories, and operation of detection subsystems, such as a visual display and a tunable receiver.


An investigation of noble gas entrainment during synthesis of carbonaceous, macromolecular, and kerogen-like substances is presented. High molecular weight organic matter synthesized in aqueous condensation reactions contained little gas, and the compositional was consistent with fractionation due to noble gas solubility in water; however, propane soot produced during a modified Miller-Urey experiment in an artificial gas mixture contained high concentrations of trapped noble gases that displayed strong elemental fractionation from their reservoirs. It is concluded that thesis experiments show that processes exist for synthesis of carbonaceous carriers that result in high noble gas concentrations and strong elemental fractionation at temperatures well above those required by absorption to achieve similar effects.


A model is being developed to predict pilot dynamic spatial orientation in response to multisensory stimuli. Motion stimuli are first processed by dynamic models of the visual, vestibular, tactile, and proprioceptive sensors. Central nervous system function is then modeled as a steady-state Kalman filter which blends information from the various sensors to form an estimate of spatial orientation. Where necessary, this linear central estimator has been augmented with nonlinear elements to reflect more accurately some highly nonlinear human response characteristics. Computer implementation of the model has shown agreement with several important qualitative characteristics of human spatial orientation, and it is felt that with further modification and additional experimental data the model can be improved and extended. Possible means are described for extending the model to better represent the active pilot with varying skill and work load levels.


A resource management approach to aircrew performance is defined and utilized in structuring an analysis of 84 exemplary incidents from the NASA Aviation Safety Reporting System. The distribution of enabling and associated (evolutionary) and recovery factors between and within five analytic categories suggests that resource management training be concentrated on: (1) interpersonal communications, with air traffic control information of major concern; (2) task management, mainly setting priorities and appropriately allocating tasks under varying workload levels; and (3) planning, coordination, and decisionmaking concerned with preventing and recovering from potentially unsafe situations in certain aircraft maneuvers.


The objective of this investigation was to demonstrate the feasibility of water recovery on a man-rated scale by the catalytic processing of untreated urine vapor. For this purpose, two catalytic systems, one capable of processing an air stream containing low urine vapor concentrations and another to process streams with high urine vapor concentrations, were designed, constructed, and tested to establish the quality of the recovered water.

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Superoxides can be used as sources of chemically stored oxygen in emergency breathing apparatus. The work reported here describes the use of a low-pressure nitrogen gas sweep through the reactant bed, for temperature control and water vapor removal. For a given set of gas temperature, bed thickness, and reaction time values, the highest purity calcium superoxide, Ca(O2), was obtained at the highest space velocity of the nitrogen gas sweep. The purity of the product was further increased by flow conditions that resulted in the fluidization of the reactant bed. However, scale-up of the low-pressure fluidized bed process was limited to the formation of agglomerates of reactant particles, which hindered thermal control by the flowing gas stream. A radiofrequency flow discharge inside the reaction chamber prevented agglomeration, presumably by dissipation of the static charges on the fluidized particles. (Author)


The paper deals with the ESA's Spacelab LSFE (Life Sciences Flight Experiments) program which, once operational, will provide new and unique opportunities to conduct research into the effects of spaceflight and weightlessness on living organisms under conditions approximating ground-based laboratories. Spacelab missions, launched at 18-month intervals, will enable scientists to test hypotheses from such disciplines as vestibular physiology, developmental biology, biochemistry, cell biology, plant physiology, and similar life sciences. V.P.


Biological models of hypogravity effects are described, including the cardiovascular-fluid shift, musculoskeletal, embryological and space sickness models. These models predict such effects as loss of extracellular fluid and electrolytes, decrease in red blood cell mass, and the loss of muscle and bone mass in weight-bearing portions of the body. Experimentation in SpaceLab by the use of implanted electromagnetic flow probes, by fertilizing frog eggs in hypogravity and fixing the eggs at various stages of early development and by assessing the role of the vestibulocerebral reflex arc in space sickness is suggested. It is concluded that the use of small animals eliminates the uncertainties caused by corrective or preventive measures employed with human subjects. J.P.B.


Recent studies of carbonaceous chondrites provide evidence that certain organic compounds are indigenous and the result of an abiotic, chemical synthesis. The results of several investigators have established the presence of amino acids and precursors, monom- and dicarboxylic acids, N-heterocycles, and hydrocarbons as well as other compounds. For example, studies of the Murchison and Murray meteorites have revealed the presence of at least 40 amino acids with nearly equal abundances of D and L isomers. The population consists of both protein and nonprotein amino acids including a wide variety of linear, cyclic, and polyfunctional types. Results show a trend of decreasing concentration with increasing carbon number, with the most abundant being glycine (41 n Moles/g). These and other results to be reviewed provide persuasive support for the theory of chemical evolution and provide the only natural evidence for the protobiological subset of molecules from which life on earth may have evolved. (Author)


Eight homoionic bentonites were prepared using alkali, alkaline earth, and transition metal ions as cationic. The interaction of the clays with 5'-AMP was studied and it was found that the alkali metal-substituted clays did not remove any nucleotide from dilute solution, and that zinc-bentonite adsorbed the most (38%). In addition, study of the interaction of seven other nucleotides with zinc-bentonite showed that the purine nucleotides were more strongly absorbed than the pyrimidine nucleotides. Langmuir isotherms were obtained for these systems and the adsorption data were explained by the adsorption coefficient and the accessibility of metal for binding. (Author)

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**A80-20447**  *Hypergravity and estrogen effects on avian anterior pituitary growth hormone and prolactin levels. R. P. Fiorindo and J. A. Negulesco (Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio). Aviation, Space, and Environmental Medicine, vol. 51, Jan. 1980, p. 35-40. 26 refs. Research supported by the Ohio State University; Contract No. NASA-6634.*

Developing female chicks with fractured right radii were maintained for 14 d at either earth gravity (1 g) or a hypergravity state (2 g). The birds at 1 g were divided into groups which received daily injections of (1) saline, (2) 200 micrograms estrone, and (3) 400 micrograms estrone for 14 d. The 2-g birds were divided into three similarly treated groups. All 2-g birds showed significantly lower body weights than did 1-g birds. Anterior pituitary (AP) glands were excised and analyzed for growth hormone and prolactin content by analytical electrophoresis. The 1-g chicks receiving either dose of daily estrone showed increased AP growth hormone levels, whereas hypergravity alone did not affect growth hormone content. Chicks exposed to daily estrogen and hypergravity displayed reduced growth hormone levels. AP glands were slightly increased by the lower daily estrogen dose in 1-g birds, but markedly reduced in birds exposed only to hypergravity. Doubly-treated chicks displayed normal prolactin levels. Reduced growth in 2-g birds might be due, in part, to reduced AP levels of prolactin and/or growth hormone. (Author)

As a prelude to a flight experiment, an attempt was made to separate energy requirements associated with gravity from all other metabolic needs. The biological effects of weightlessness were simulated by suspending animals in a harness so that antigravity muscles were not supporting the body. Twelve pairs of rats were allowed to adapt to wearing a harness for 5 d. Experimental animals were then suspended in harness for 7 d followed by recovery for 7 d. Control animals were harnessed but never suspended. Oxygen consumption, carbon dioxide production and rate of (C-14)2 expiration from radio-labeled glucose were monitored on selected days. Food intake and body mass were recorded daily. Metabolic rate decreased in experimental animals during 7 d of suspension and returned to normal during recovery. Although some of the metabolic changes may have related to variation in food intake, simulated weightlessness appears to directly affect bioenergetic balance. (Author)


Twenty-six healthy male subjects were flown in a Lear jet aircraft through rollercoaster and parabolic weightlessness flight. Eye movements, respiration, and blood volume pulse were recorded on magnetic tape. The same subjects underwent a battery of five vestibular tests in the laboratory on the ground. One subject in each flight was flown in an upright position, the other in a 90 deg forward tilted head position. The forward tilted subjects always reported motion sickness earlier and after fewer rollercoaster maneuvers than the upright-sitting subjects. It is concluded that the susceptibility to changes of X-axis acceleration is higher than changes of Z-axis acceleration. Correlation was found between the ability to estimate the subjective vertical (modified Miller-Aubert-test), optokinetic nystagmus asymmetries, and susceptibility to rollercoaster flight sickness. (Author)


In this study of susceptibility to motion sickness the specific aims were to examine the effects of combined vertical rotation and horizontal acceleration, genotype, sex, visual cues, morning and afternoon testing, and repeated test exposures on incidence, frequency, and latency of emetic responses. The highest emetic incidence of 89% with an emetic frequency of 2.0 during 60 min and a latency of 19 min from onset of testing occurred at 25 rpm and 0.5 Hz linear acceleration. Since the emetic responses were quite similar to man in eliciting motion stimuli it was concluded that the squirrel monkey represents a very similar primate model for studies of motion and space sickness.

B.J.


Hypokinesia in the hindlimbs of rats was induced by suspension; a newly developed harness system was used. The animal was able to use its forelimbs to maneuver, within a 140 deg arc, to obtain food and water and to permit limited grooming of the forequarters. The hindlimbs were nonload bearing for 7 days; following a 7-day period of hypodynamia, selected animals were placed in metabolic cages for 7 days to study recovery from hypokinesia. During the 7-day period of hypokinesia there was evidence of muscle atrophy. Gastronemius weight decreased, renal pilla urea content increased, and daily urinary losses of NH3 and 3-methylhistidine increased. During the 7-day recovery period muscle mass and excretion rate of urea, NH3 and 3-methylhistidine returned to control levels. Calcium balance was positive throughout the 7-day period of hypokinesia. Hypokinesia of the adrenals suggested the occurrence of some level of stress despite the apparent behavioral adjustment to the suspension harness. It was concluded that significant muscle atrophy and parallel changes in nitrogen metabolism occur in suspended rats and these changes are readily reversible. (Author)


A paradox is developed for the problem of allocating in time a single resource to multiple simultaneous task demands which appear randomly, last for various periods, and offer varying rewards for service. Based upon a dynamic optimizing algorithm plus an estimator, and including response time and future discounting constraints, a model of the human decisionmaker is compared to experimental results for human subjects performing such a task at a computer-graphics terminal. Results indicate a reasonable fit, under various model parameters and task conditions, and suggest interesting hypotheses about the nature of human 'planning ahead' and mental work load. (Author)


The influence of different types of predictor displays in a longitudinal vertical takeoff and landing (VTOL) hover task is analyzed in a theoretical study. Several cases with differing amounts of predictive and rate information are compared. The optimal control model of the human operator is used to estimate human and system performance in terms of root-mean-square (rms) values and to compute optimized attention allocation. The only part of the model which is varied to predict these data is the observation matrix. Typical cases are selected for a subsequent experimental validation. The rms values as well as eye-movement data are recorded. The results agree favorably with those of the theoretical study in terms of relative differences. Better matching is achieved by revised model input data. (Author)


Refined quasi-static and conductance methods, based on effect-
led a selective movement while wearing vision-reverberation glasses, and type-specific ultraviolet light constitutes an environment inferior to a hardcopy manual in terms of both task completion time and errors. However, an on-line manual without user assistance was inferior to a hardcopy manual in terms of error rates. (Author)


Three groups of 30-d old male and female rats were centrifuged for 2, 4, 8, and 16 weeks, after which their soleus and plantaris muscles were analyzed for changes in proportions of muscle fiber types. The groups were: earth control, maintained at earth gravity without rotation; rotation control, subjected to a gravitational force of 1.05 G and 28 rpm; and rotation experimental, subjected to a gravitational force of 2 G and 28 rpm. Muscle fibers were classified into four fiber types on the basis of actomyosin ATPase activity as slow oxidative, fast oxidative glycolytic and either fast glycolytic (plantaris) or intermediate (soleus). Hypergravity resulted in an increase in slow oxidative fibers in soleus relative to the earth control, but not of females treated similarly. The relationship of body weight to the changes in proportion of slow oxidative fibers is discussed. (Author)

A80-42013 The architecture of the avian retina following exposure to chronic 2 G. R. G. Orlando and J. A. Negulesco (Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio). Aviation, Space, and Environmental Medicine, vol. 51, July 1980, p. 704-708. 18 refs. Research supported by the Ohio State University; Contract No. NASA-68634.

Rhode Island Red female chicks at 2 weeks posthatch were subjected, for 7 d, to either earth gravity of 1 G or a 2-G hypergravity environment by chronic whole-body centrifugation. Animals were sacrificed at 3 weeks posthatch and the eyes were excised, fixed in 10% BNF, doubly embedded, sectioned at 7.5 microns and routinely processed with H & E for histological examination. Compared to normogravity controls, animal exposure for 1 week to the chronic effects of 2-G resulted in a significantly decreased mean width of the photoreceptor, inner nuclear, and inner plexiform retinal layers. The outer nuclear, outer plexiform, and ganglion cell layers of the retina appeared minimally affected by the hypergravity state since the mean width of these layers showed no noticeable differences from earth gravity control animals. The present anatomic findings suggest a reduction in the detection of motion or rapid changes in illumination by the avian retina when the animal is exposed at a 2-G environment. (Author)


The experimental demonstration of a reversal of the circular-vection (CV) phenomenon is reported. After one to three hours of active movement while wearing vision-reversing goggles, 9 of 12 stationary human subjects viewing a moving stripe display experienced a self-rotation illusion in the same direction as the seen stripe motion. In addition, the subjects showed a 17% reduction in vestibulo-ocular reflex slow phase gain over their brief exposure period. It is noted that whether a subject demonstrated reversed CV within the allowed exposure period appeared to be correlated with CV strength produced with a narrow field stimulus. (J.P.B.)


Display of procedural information as found in aircraft operating manuals is discussed. The problem of converting hardcopy manuals to a computer-based presentation is considered. The trade-off of faster retrieval and display integration possible with a cathode-ray-tube (CRT) versus the limited size of a CRT is emphasized. Nine subjects participated in an experimental study of the effectiveness of three alternative displays. Displays were evaluated for the task of retrieving and carrying out emergency procedures in an environment where task interruptions were prevalent. It was found that an on-line manual which provided comparable user assistance was superior to a hardcopy manual in terms of both task completion time and errors. However, an on-line manual without user assistance was inferior to a hardcopy manual in terms of error rates. (Author)

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Adsorption interference in binary and ternary mixtures of trace contaminants in a helium carrier gas flowing through activated carbon adsorber beds is studied. The isothermal transmission, which is the ratio of the output to the inlet concentration, of each component is measured. Interference between co-adsorbing gases occurs when the components are adsorbed strongly. Displacement of one component by another is manifested by a transmission greater than unity for the displaced component over some range of eluted volume. Interference is evidenced not only by a reduction of the adsorption capacity of each component in the mixture in comparison with the value obtained in a single-component experiment, but also by a change in the slope of the transmission curve of each component experiment. (Author)


The ability to maintain the well being of experiment animals is of primary importance to the successful attainment of life sciences flight experiment goals. To assist scientists in the conduct of life sciences flight experiments, a highly versatile Research Animal Holding Facility (RAHF) is being developed for use on Space Shuttle/Spacelab missions. This paper describes the design of the RAHF system, which in addition to providing general housing for various animal species, approximating the environment found in ground based facilities, is designed to minimize disturbances of the
specimens by vehicle and mission operations. Life-sustaining capabili-
ties such as metabolic support and environmental control are
provided. RAHF is reusable and is a modular concept to accommo-
date animals of different sizes. The basic RAHF system will
accommodate a combination of 24 500-g rats or 144 mice or a mixed
number of rats and mice. An alternative design accommodates four
squirrel monkeys. The entire RAHF system is housed in a single ESA
rack. The animal cages are in drawers which are removable for easy
access to the animals. Each cage contains a waste management
system, a feeding system and a watering system all of which will
operate in zero or one gravity.

PATENTS

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CHELATE-MODIFIED POLYMERS FOR ATMOSPHERIC GAS
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(San Jose State Univ.), and Fritz H. Woeller, inventors (to NASA)
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Chromatographic materials were developed to serve as the
stationary phase of columns used in the separation of atmospheric
gases. These materials consist of a crosslinked porous polymer
matrix, e.g., a divinylbenzene polymer, into which has been
embedded an inorganic complexed ion such as N,N'-ethylene-bis-
(acetylacetoniminato)-cobalt (2). Organic nitrogenous bases, such as
pyridine, may be incorporated into the chelate polymer
complexes to increase their chromatographic utility. With such
materials, the process of gas chromatography is greatly simplified,
especially in terms of time and quantity of material needed for
a gas separation.

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REVERSE OSMOSIS MEMBRANE OF HIGH UREA REJEC-
TION PROPERTIES Patent
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Polymeric membranes suitable for use in reverse osmosis
water purification because of their high urea and salt rejection
properties are prepared by generating a plasma of an unsaturated
hydrocarbon monomer and nitrogen gas from an electrical source.
A polymeric membrane is formed by depositing a polymer of
the unsaturated monomer from the plasma onto a substrate, so
that nitrogen from the nitrogen gas is incorporated within the
polymer in a chemically combined form.

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The efficacy of a new objective technique using a transcutaneous Doppler flowmeter to monitor superficial temporal artery blood flow velocity during acceleration was investigated. The results were correlated with current objective and subjective G tolerance end points. In over 1300 centrifuge runs, retrograde eye level blood flow leading to total flow cessation was consistently recorded and preceded visual field deterioration leading to blackout by 3 to 23 seconds. The new method was successfully applied as an objective indication of tolerance in a variety of test situations including evaluation of g-suits, straining maneuvers, and 13 deg, 45 deg and 65 deg set back angles. R. E. S.


IAC has developed texture extraction programs that run on the ILLIAC IV parallel processor. It has used these programs to extract two different texture measures from 32 archival images provided by ETL. These textures are based on the MAX-MIN technique on the computation of spatial dependence matrices. This report provides high-level descriptions of the texture algorithms, the software system created to implement these algorithms, the test and verification efforts and the results and conclusions. GRA

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The conceptual design for converting the vertical motion simulator (VMS) to a multi-purpose aircraft and helicopter simulator is presented. A unique, high performance four degrees of freedom (DOF) motion system was developed to permanently replace the present six DOF synergistic system. The new four DOF system has the following outstanding features: (1) will integrate with the two large VMS translational modes and their associated subsystems; (2) can be converted from helicopter to fixed-wing aircraft simulation through software changes only; (3) interfaces with an advanced cab/visual display system of large dimensions; (4) makes maximum use of proven techniques, convenient materials and off-the-shelf components; (5) will operate within the existing building envelope without modifications; (6) can be built within the specified weight limit and avoid compromising VMS performance; (7) provides maximum performance with a minimum of power consumption; (8) simple design minimizes coupling between motions and maximizes reliability; and (9) can be built within existing budgetary figures. R. E. S.

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The major architectural features of the ILLIAC IV large scale, array processor are summarized along with their applicability to image processing. Several image processing algorithms are considered, including multipixel classification, texture feature extraction, two-dimensional Fourier transform, and synthetic aperture radar processing. The basic parallelism of the ILLIAC IV (64 processing elements acting in lock-step) is usually fully utilized by the image processing applications. The major architectural aspect of the system with respect to image processing is the relatively small local scratch-pad memory and the long latency time to access the main storage device. The major precision used for the image processing applications is the 32-bit floating point, given a choice of 8-bit integers and 64-bit floating point. B. J.

Digital terrain models produced by computer correlation of stereo images are likely to contain occasional gross errors in terrain elevation. These errors typically result from having mismatched sub-areas of the two images, a problem which can occur for a variety of image- and terrain-related reasons. Such elevation errors produce undesirable effects when the models are further processed, and should be detected and corrected as early in the processing as possible. Algorithms have been developed to detect and correct errors in digital terrain models. These algorithms focus on the use of constraints on both the allowable slope and the allowable change in slope in local areas around each point. Relaxation-like techniques are employed in the iteration of the detection and correction phases to obtain best results.

(Author)


The paper describes expendable, slug-type calorimeter probes developed for measuring high heat-flux levels of 10-30 kW/sq cm in electric-arc jet facilities. The probes are constructed with thin tungsten caps mounted on Teflon bodies; the temperature of the back surface of the tungsten cap is measured, and its rate of change gives the steady-state, absorbed heat flux as the calorimeter probe heats to destruction when inserted into the arc jet. It is concluded that the simple construction of these probes allows them to be expendable and heated to destruction to obtain a measurable temperature slope at high heating rates.

A. T.

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INDUCTION POWERED BIOLOGICAL RADIOSONDE Patent


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An induction powered implanted monitor for epidurally measuring intracranial pressure and telemetering the pressure information to a remote readout is disclosed. The monitor utilizes an inductance-capacitance (L-C) oscillator in which the C comprises a variable capacitance transducer, one electrode of which is a small stiff pressure responsive diaphragm. The oscillator is isolated from a transmitting tank circuit by a buffer circuit and all electric components in the implanted unit except an input and an output coil are shielded by a metal housing.

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CALCULATION OF THREE-DIMENSIONAL UNSTEADY TRANSONIC FLOWS PAST HELICOPTER BLADES


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A finite difference code for predicting the high speed flow over the advancing helicopter rotor is presented. The code solves the low frequency, transonic small disturbance equation and is suitable for modeling the effects of advancing blade unsteadiness on blades of nearly arbitrary planform. The method employs a quasi-conservative mixed differencing scheme and solves the resulting difference equations by an alternating direction scheme. Computed results show good agreement with experimental blade pressure data and illustrate some of the effects of varying the rotor planform. The flow unsteadiness is shown to be an indispensable part of a transonic solution. Close to the tip at high advance ratio, cross flow effects can significantly affect the solution.

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The simultaneous performance of two single-dimensional compensatory tracking tasks, one with the left hand and one with the right hand, is discussed. The tracking performed with the left hand was considered the primary task and was performed with a visual display or a quickened kinesthetic-auditory (KT) display. The right-handed tracking was considered the secondary task and was carried out only with a visual display. Although the two primary task displays had afforded equivalent performance in a critical tracking task performed alone, in the dual-task situation the quickened KT primary display resulted in superior secondary visual task performance. Comparisons of various combinations of primary and secondary visual displays in integrated or separated formats indicate that the superiority of the quickened KT display is not simply due to the elimination of visual scanning. Additional testing indicated that quickening per se also is not the immediate cause of the observed KT superiority.

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ON THE NONLINEAR DEFORMATION GEOMETRY OF EULER-BERNOUILLI BEAMS

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A Nonlinear analysis of the deformation of the beam cross section is presented in which the forces and moments at the edge are known. The problem is formulated as a variational problem using the Hamilton principle and the equations of motion are derived. The solution is obtained by a finite difference method. The results are compared with experimental data and are found to be in good agreement.

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A unique comparison is made of the effects of section geometry in a simulated rotor environment. Important differences between the various airfoils were observed, particularly when the stall regimes were penetrated only slightly. Under these circumstances, the profiles that stall gradually from the trailing edge appear to offer an advantage. However, all of the airfoils tended increasingly toward leading-edge stall whereas both the severity of dynamic stall and the free-stream Mach number increased. In all cases, the parameters of the unsteady motion appear to be more important than airfoil geometry for configurations that are appropriate for helicopter rotors.

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SYSTEM DESCRIPTION AND ANALYSIS. PART 1: FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR HELICOPTER/VTOL WIDE-Angle SIMULATION IMAGE GENERATION DISPLAY SYSTEM Final Report


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A preliminary design for a helicopter/VTOL wide angle simulator image generation display system is studied. The system is to become part of a simulator capability to support Army aviation systems research and development within the near term. As required for the Army to simulate a wide range of aircraft characteristics, versatility and ease of changing cockpit configurations were primary considerations of the study. Due to the Army's interest in low altitude flight and descents into and landing in constrained areas, particular emphasis is given to wide field of view, resolution, brightness, contrast, and color. The visual display study includes a preliminary design, demonstrated feasibility of advanced concepts, and a plan for subsequent detail design and development. Analysis and tradeoff considerations for various visual system elements are outlined and discussed.

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DYNAMIC STALL ON ADVANCED AIRFOIL SECTIONS

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A pilot simulator experiment designed to assess the effects on overall system performance and pilot workload of variations in control system characteristics and display format and logic for a nighttime attack helicopter mission is described. The simulator facility provided a representation of a helmet-mounted display image consisting of flight-control and fire-control symbology superimposed on the background video from a
simulated forward-looking infrared sensor. Control systems ranging from the baseline stability and control augmentation system to various hover augmentation schemes were investigated together with variations in the format and logic of the superimposed symbology. Selected control system and display failures were also simulated. The results of the experiment indicate that the baseline control/display system is unsatisfactory without improvement for the evaluation task which included a hovering target search and acquisition. Significant improvements in pilot rating were achieved by both control system and display variations.

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ACOUSTICALLY SWEPT ROTOR Patent
Fredric H. Schmitz, Donald A. Boxwell, and Rande Vause, inventors
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Impulsive noise reduction is provided in a rotor blade by acoustically sweeping the chord line from root to tip so that the acoustic radiation resulting from the summation of potential singularities used to model the flow about the blade tend to cancel for all times at an observation point in the acoustic far field. Official Gazette of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

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A method which was developed to explain how a major decision problem may consist of subsets of decision-problem conditions or states. The resulting hierarchical model reflects the unique attributes of the decision-state and decision-problem. A basic model of a decision-problem condition was used as a base to evolve a more complex model that is more representative of the decision-problem state and may be used to initiate research on decision-problem states.

R.E.S.


An attempt was made to redress a critical fault of decision-making and problem solving research-a lack of a standard method to classify problem or decision states or conditions. A basic model was identified and expanded to indicate evidence that the initial desirability of conditions which may be used in reviewing previous research or for systematically pursuing new research designs. A generalization of the basic conditions was then made to indicate that the conditions are essentially the same for both concepts, problem solving and decision-making.

R.E.S.


A model of a general process which occurs in both decision-making and problem-solving is presented. It is called the clarification model and is highly dependent upon information flow. The model addresses the possible constraints of individual indifferences and experience in achieving success in resolving decision-problem conditions. As indicated, the application of the clarification process model is only necessary for certain classes of the basic decision-problem condition. With less complex decision problem conditions, certain phases of the model may be omitted. The model may be applied across a wide range of decision problem conditions. The model consists of two major components: (1) the five-phase prescriptive sequence (based on previous approaches to both concepts) and (2) the information manipulation function (which draws upon current ideas in the areas of information processing, computer programming, memory, and thinking). The two components are linked together to provide a structure that assists in understanding the process of resolving problems and making decisions.

R.E.S.


A methodology for analyzing a decision-problem state is presented. The methodology is based on the analysis of an incident in terms of the set of decision-problem conditions encountered. By decomposing the events that precede the event, it is possible to focus on an incident outcome, such as an accident, into the set of decision-problem conditions that were resolved, a more comprehensive understanding is possible. All human-error accidents are not caused by faulty decision-problem resolutions, but it appears to be one of the major areas of accidents cited in the literature. A three-phase methodology is presented which accommodates a wide spectrum of events. It allows for a systems content analysis of the available data to establish: (1) the resolutions made, (2) alternatives not considered, (3) resolutions missed, and (4) possible conditions not considered. The product is a map of the decision-problem conditions that were encountered as well as a projected, assumed set of conditions that should have been considered. The application of this methodology introduces a systematic approach to decomposing the events that transpired prior to the accident. The initial emphasis is on decision and problem resolution. This technique allows for a standardized method of accident into a scenario which may be used for review or the development of a training simulation.

R.E.S.


Current thought and research positions which may allow for an improved capability to understand the impact of introducing automation to an existing system are established. The orientation was toward the type of studies which may provide some general insight into automation; specifically, the impact of automation in human performance and the resulting system performance. While an extensive number of articles were reviewed, only those that addressed the issue of automation and human performance were selected to be discussed. The literature is organized along two dimensions: time, Pre-1970, Post-1970, and type of approach, Engineering or Behavioral Science. The conclusions reached are not definitive, but do provide the initial stepping stones in an attempt to begin to bridge the concept of automation in a systematic progression.

L.F.M.

The flow over a 5 deg semi-angle cone at incidence in supersonic flow is studied as a model problem for the flow over aircraft forebodies. A computational method utilizing the conically symmetric Navier-Stokes equations is used to obtain theoretical flow results which are compared with experimental data from the Ames Research Center 6- by 6-Foot Wind Tunnel and with results from a cone model sting mounted on an F-15 aircraft. The computed results agree well with the wind-tunnel data but less well with the flight data. Modification of the algebraic turbulence model was necessary to reflect an apparent lower turbulence level in flight than was present in the wind tunnel. (Author)
COMPUTER PROGRAMS

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OPTIMAL AIRCRAFT TRAJECTORIES FOR SPECIFIED RANGES

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For an aircraft operating over a fixed range, the operating costs are basically a sum of fuel cost and time cost. While minimum fuel and minimum time trajectories are relatively easy to calculate, the determination of a minimum cost trajectory can be a complex undertaking. This computer program was developed by optimal control techniques with respect to the cost function based on a weighted sum of fuel cost and time cost. As a research tool, the program could be used to study various characteristics of optimum trajectories and their comparison to standard trajectories. It might also be used to generate a model for the development of an airborne trajectory optimization system.

The program could be incorporated into an airborne flight planning system, with optimum flight plans determined at takeoff time for the prevailing flight conditions. The use of trajectory optimization could significantly reduce the cost for a given aircraft mission. The algorithm incorporated in the program assumes that a trajectory consists of climb, cruise, and descent segments. The optimization of each segment is not done independently, as in classical procedures, but is performed in a manner which accounts for interaction between the segments. This is accomplished by the application of optimal control theory. The climb and descent profiles are generated by integrating a set of kinematic and dynamic equations, where the total energy of the aircraft is the independent variable. At each energy level of the climb and descent profiles, the air speed and power setting necessary for an optimal trajectory are determined. The variational Hamiltonian of the problem consists of the rate of change of the cost with respect to total energy and a term dependent on the adjoint variable, which is identical to the optimum cruise cost at a specified altitude. This variable uniquely specifies the optimal cruise energy, cruise altitude, cruise Mach number, and, indirectly, the climb and descent profiles. If the optimum cruise cost is specified, an optimum trajectory can easily be generated; however, the range obtained for a particular optimum cruise cost is not known a priori. For short range flights, the program iteratively varies the optimum cruise cost until the computed range converges to the specified range. For long-range flights, iteration is unnecessary since the specified range can be divided into a cruise segment distance and full climb and descent distances. The user must supply the program with engine fuel flow rate coefficients and an aircraft aerodynamic model. The program computes fuel consumption coefficients for the Pratt-Whitney JT8D-7 engine and an aerodynamic model for the Boeing 727. Input to the program consists of the flight range to be covered and the prevailing flight conditions including pressure, temperature, and wind profiles. Information output by the program includes: optimum cruise tables at selected weights, optimum cruise quantities as a function of cruise weight and cruise distance, climb and descent profiles, and a summary of the complete synthesized optimal trajectory. This program is written in FORTRAN IV for batch execution and has been implemented on a CDC 6000 series computer with a central memory requirement of approximately 100K (local) of 60 bits words. This aircraft trajectory optimization program was developed in 1979.

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The testing of rotorcraft, either in flight or in a wind tunnel, requires a consideration of the coupled aeroelastic stability of the rotor and airframe, or the rotor and support system. Even if the primary purpose of a test is to measure rotor performance, ignoring the question of dynamic stability introduces the risk of catastrophic failure of the aircraft. This computer program was developed to incorporate an analytical model of the aeroelastic behavior of a wide range of rotorcraft. Such an analytical model is desirable for both pre-test predictions and post-test correlations. The program is also applicable in investigations of isolated rotor aeroelasticity and helicopter flight dynamics and could be employed as a basis for more extensive investigations of aeroelastic behavior, such as automatic control system design.

The program incorporates an analytical model which is applicable to a wide range of rotors, helicopters, and operating conditions. The equations of motion used in the model were derived using an integral Newtonian method, which provides considerable insight into the blade inertial and aerodynamic forces. The rotor model includes coupled flap-lag bending and blade torsion degrees of freedom, and is applicable to articulated, hingeless, gimballed, and teetering rotors with an arbitrary number of blades. The aerodynamic model is valid for both high and low inflow, and for both axial and nonaxial flow. Rotor rotational speed dynamics, including engine inertia and damping, and perturbation inflow dynamics are included in the aerodynamic model. For a rotor on a wind tunnel support, a normal mode representation of the test module, strut, and balance is used. The aeroelastic analysis for rotorcraft in flight is applicable to a general two-rotor configuration, including single main-rotor and tandem helicopter configurations, and side-by-side or tilting prop rotor aircraft configurations. The rotor model includes rotor-rotor aerodynamic interference and ground effect. The aircraft model includes rotor-fuselage tail aerodynamic interference, engine dynamics, and control dynamics. A constant-coefficient approximation is used for nonaxial flow and a quasistatic approximation is used for the low frequency dynamics. The coupled system dynamics results in a set of linear differential equations which are used to determine the stability and aeroelastic response of the system. This program is written in FORTRAN IV for batch execution and has been implemented on an IBM 360 series computer with a central memory requirement of approximately 624K of 8 bit bytes. This program was developed in 1977.

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AEROELASTIC ANALYSIS FOR ROTORCRAFT IN FLIGHT OR IN A WIND TUNNEL

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