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16. ABSTRACT  A system of equations which models the motion of the Solid Rocket Booster Nose Cap upon separation is described. The computer program which utilizes these equations to generate nose cap trajectories is described in detail. Application of the program to simulate a rocket sled test of the nose cap separation is discussed and the results of the applications are presented. With the information given a user should be able to exercise the computer program with a minimum of effort.  <p style="text-align: center;">ORIGINAL PAGE IS OF POOR QUALITY</p>					
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## TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

### DESCRIPTION OF A MATHEMATICAL MODEL AND COMPUTER SIMULATION OF SEPARATION OF THE NOSE CAP FROM THE SOLID ROCKET BOOSTER

#### I. INTRODUCTION

The design of the decelerator subsystem for the Space Shuttle Solid Rocket Boosters includes a nose cap mounted at the forward end of the booster over the Drogue and Pilot parachute packs. The decelerator subsystem sequence of events begins with the ejection of the nose cap. In designing the system, it was necessary to determine what velocity increment had to be imparted to the nose cap so that it would separate without contacting the chute packs. Several different approaches were taken. A series of wind tunnel tests was conducted and a full scale test, using a rocket sled to propel a nose cap to high speed conditions, were run. In order to apply an analytic approach, a mathematical model was formulated. The equations of motion of the nose cap were derived by Steve Winder and Hughlen Murphree, both of the Systems Dynamics Laboratory, in 1974. The original computer program to implement the generation of nose cap trajectories was done by Hughlen Murphree. This report documents the model and computer program giving the system of equations, coordinate systems, and details of input and output data required to simulate a nose cap trajectory.

The aerodynamic characteristics of the nose cap depend on whether or not it is in close proximity to the booster. When the cap is close to the booster the aerodynamic characteristics are functions of both angle of attack and displacement from the booster. When the cap moves without a large afterbody, as it did in the rocket sled tests, the aerodynamic characteristics are functions of only angle of attack. (Mach number is essentially constant during the separation movement.) The program provides an option for simulation of either case.

Because of design features of the SRB and the nose cap, the internal pressure in the cap could be very low at the time of separation. Thus, the external pressure would act to retard the separation. Provisions are made to include this effect by incorporating the internal pressure during separation as a function of separation velocity and displacement.

The model incorporates two dimensions of translation and one of rotation. The British system of units is used throughout.

#### II. THE MATHEMATICAL MODEL

##### A. Coordinate Systems

The basic coordinate system used is an inertial system with origin fixed at the center of gravity of the nose cap at time zero. The  $X_{1I}$  axis is horizontal and the  $Z_{1I}$  axis is vertical with positive direction downward. Flight path angle,  $\gamma$ , is measured positive upward from the  $X_{1I}$  axis to the velocity vector. Attitude angle,  $\theta$ , is measured positive upward from the  $X_{1I}$  axis to the long axis of the nose cap, and angle of attack,  $\alpha$ , is measured from the velocity vector to the long axis of the nose cap. The velocity

components of the cap in this system,  $\dot{X}_{1I}$  and  $\dot{Z}_{1I}$  are called  $U_{1I}$  and  $W_{1I}$ , respectively. The velocity components of the booster are also given in this system and are called  $U_{1B}$  and  $W_{1B}$ .

A body fixed coordinate system, with the origin fixed at the center of gravity of the nose cap, the  $X_1$  axis fixed on the long axis of the cap with positive direction toward the nose, and  $Z_1$  axis perpendicular to  $X_1$ , is used as the system in which the cap motion is described. The velocity in this system is denoted by  $U_1$  and  $W_1$ . These systems are illustrated in Figure 1.

Finally, a coordinate system whose origin moves with the booster and whose axes are fixed parallel to  $X_{1I}$  and  $Z_{1I}$  is used to record the motion of points on the nose cap relative to the booster. These coordinates are denoted by  $X$  and  $Z$  with subscripts to identify the point being tracked. The velocity components of the cap in this system are called  $U$  and  $W$ .

### B. Equations of Motion and Integration

A flat earth with constant gravity magnitude and direction is assumed. The booster motion during the time of interest is assumed to be of constant velocity magnitude and direction and the atmospheric density is assumed constant. These assumptions are warranted by the fact that the nose cap separates from the booster and clears the drogue pack in less than 0.1 sec.

The velocity and attitude of the mated booster and nose cap are given as  $U_{1I}$ ,  $W_{1I}$ , and  $\theta$ . The  $\Delta V$  of nose cap separation is given as  $DV$ . The first step is to express the velocity of the cap in the body fixed system. This is done by the equations:

$$U_1 = U_{1I} \cos \theta - W_{1I} \sin \theta + DV$$

$$W_1 = U_{1I} \sin \theta + W_{1I} \cos \theta$$

Next using  $X_m$  to represent nose cap mass and  $X_I$  for moment of inertia, the time derivatives of  $U_1$ ,  $W_1$ , and  $\theta$  are given as:

$$\dot{U}_1 = -W_1 \dot{\theta} - G \sin \theta + \frac{F_A + F_P}{X_m}$$

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$$\dot{W}_1 = U_1 \dot{\theta} + G \cos \theta + \frac{F_N}{X_m}$$

$$\ddot{\theta} = \frac{-F_N(CG - CP) + X_{m1}}{X_I}$$

where

$G$  = acceleration due to gravity

$F_A$  = aerodynamic axial force

$F_N$  = aerodynamic normal force

$F_P$  = force due to difference between ambient pressure and nose cap internal pressure.

$CG$  = cap center of gravity location

$CP$  = cap center of aerodynamic pressure location

$X_{m1}$  = pitch moment coefficient times reference diameter times  $\rho V^2 A/2$  .

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These equations are numerically integrated by the Runge-Kutta method yielding  $U_1$ ,  $W_1$ , and  $\dot{\theta}$ .  $U_1$  and  $W_1$  are transformed to  $U$  and  $W$  as follows:

$$U_{1I} = U_1 \cos \theta + W_1 \sin \theta$$

$$W_{1I} = -U_1 \sin \theta + W_1 \cos \theta$$

$$U = U_{1I} - U_{1B}$$

$$W = W_{1I} - W_{1B}$$

Finally,  $U$ ,  $W$ , and  $\dot{\theta}$  are integrated to produce  $X$ ,  $Z$ , and  $\theta$ .

### C. Aerodynamics

The aerodynamics of the nose cap are given in Reference 1 as functions of angle of attack,  $\alpha$ , with separation distance from the booster as a parameter. If motion of the cap from the vicinity of the booster is to be simulated, the aerodynamic coefficients are determined by linear interpolation among points in tables with both  $\alpha$  and separation distance as independent variables. If motion of the cap without an afterbody present, as with the rocket sled tests, is to be simulated, the coefficients are determined as functions of  $\alpha$  alone using the data for separation distance equal to one diameter or greater.

The differences between internal and external pressure are given as functions of separation distance for various cap separation velocities in Reference 2. This pressure difference applied over the base area of the cap is introduced in the equations of motion of the cap as a retarding force along the  $X_1$  axis.

## D. Data Form

Most applications of the nose cap trajectory model are done in terms of the angle of attack, dynamic pressure, altitude, and flight path angle of the mated booster and nose cap at the instant of separation. These parameters do not appear explicitly in the model and were not used in the original computer program. The latest version of the program, however, has these parameters for input and incorporates the simple transformations that were originally done by hand each time a simulation was set up. One exception to this is altitude. The atmospheric density,  $\rho$ , which appears in the aerodynamic force and moment, and the gravitational acceleration,  $G$ , are functions of the altitude at which separation takes place. These must be calculated or determined from tabular data beforehand and must be input to the program.

## III. USING THE COMPUTER PROGRAM

### A. General Information

The source program is written in Fortran IV and is stored and functions on the Honeywell Sigma V computer. It is called NOSECAP. The data file is called DCAP. DCAP and NOSECAP are listed in Tables 1 and 2.

### B. Input

The computer program is set up specifically for the aerodynamic data as it is given in Reference 3. This reference gives axial force coefficient, normal force coefficient, and pitching moment coefficient as functions of angle of attack,  $\alpha$ , with the parameter, separation distance divided by length,  $\Delta X/D$ . Thirteen values of  $\alpha$  are chosen and listed as AL(I). Axial force coefficients are specified as CAT1(I) through CAT4(I) where the 1 signifies the value at separation distance,  $\Delta X/D$ , equals 1 and 4 signifies separation distance equals 0. XCMT1(I) through XCMT4(I) similarly represents pitch moment coefficient for separation distance 1 through 0. CNT1(I) through CNT6(I) represents the normal force coefficient since the reference gives six curves for normal force coefficient instead of four. If the number of entries in these tables is changed, the dimension statements must be changed accordingly.

If the data are to be used to represent separation from the booster, the statement in line 146 of the program is used as part of the comment started in line 145, that is the letter C remains in the first column. If the sled test is to be simulated, the letter C is removed from the beginning of line 146 and the program proceeds with the quantity XCHK = 1.

The above data are part of the program and can only be changed by modification of the program. The following data are located in the data file and are read by the program.

The difference between internal and ambient pressure is given in Reference 2 as a function of separation distance with nose cap velocity as a parameter. If the pressure difference is to be taken into account, the appropriate curve should be chosen and the data loaded as separation distance equals A01 and pressure differential equals DPR. This table is dimensioned for twelve points. If more or fewer points are to be loaded, the dimension statement should be changed accordingly. If pressure difference is to be neglected, DPR should be loaded as zero.

The next data loaded are G, the gravitational acceleration in  $\text{ft}/\text{sec}^2$ ; RHO, the atmospheric density in  $\text{slugs}/\text{ft}^3$ ; and XLENG, the length of the nose cap in inches.

The next line of data is CPP, the location of aerodynamic center of pressure in percent of body length, and REFD, the reference diameter in inches.

The next line of data is XI, the moment of inertia in  $\text{slug ft}^2$ ; ALPH, the angle of attack of the booster and cap before separation in degrees; DYNPR, the dynamic pressure before separation in  $\text{lb}/\text{ft}^2$ ; GAMMA, the flight path angle before separation in degrees; THID, the initial rate of change of attitude in degrees/sec; and DV, the separation velocity increment in  $\text{ft}/\text{sec}$ .

The next line of data is WT, the weight of the cap in lb; CGP, the location of the center of gravity of the cap in percent of body length; XCG, the X coordinate of the center of gravity of the cap, in body fixed coordinates (usually zero); ZCG, the Z coordinate of center of gravity of the cap in body fixed coordinates (usually zero); and AREA, the reference area of the cap in  $\text{ft}^2$ .

The last line of input is XCONE, the distance from the cap CG to the base of the cap in feet; and ZCONE, the distance in feet from the center line of the nose cap to a point on the base of the cap. XCONE and ZCONE establish the points P and Q which are tracked in the trajectory printout (Fig. 1). This completes the data file.

Besides printing the trajectory of nose cap CG, and points P and Q as functions of time, the computer program has a subroutine called DIST which tracks an extreme point on the nose cap (usually the corner of the thruster post) and determines the distance up the side of the drogue pack where this point intersects the drogue pack envelope (Fig. 2). This distance is printed between time steps where the crossing of the pack envelope occurs. This subroutine contains constants that could be changed if a different cap configuration is studied. These constants are illustrated in Figure 2. Note that the angle PP is used in the subroutine in radians.

The integration time step may be adjusted if a different cap configuration is studied (for instance if wind tunnel tests are simulated). The time step DELTA is specified on line 130 of the main routine. Also, the value of DELTA is used in line 289. These values should always be equal. The value,  $2^{-8}$ , has been found appropriate for simulating motion of the full scale SRB nose cap. For simulation of wind tunnel tests where the scale factor is  $1/8$ , for example, the integration time step should be scaled by a factor  $\sqrt{1/8}$ .

The time point at which to stop the computation is given at line 87 as TSTOP. At present, the value TSTOP = 0.16 is used.

### C. Output

The input data file is printed out in the first block of output. The printout then proceeds with trajectory parameters at regular time intervals. A list of the mnemonics and the parameters they represent is given in Table 3.

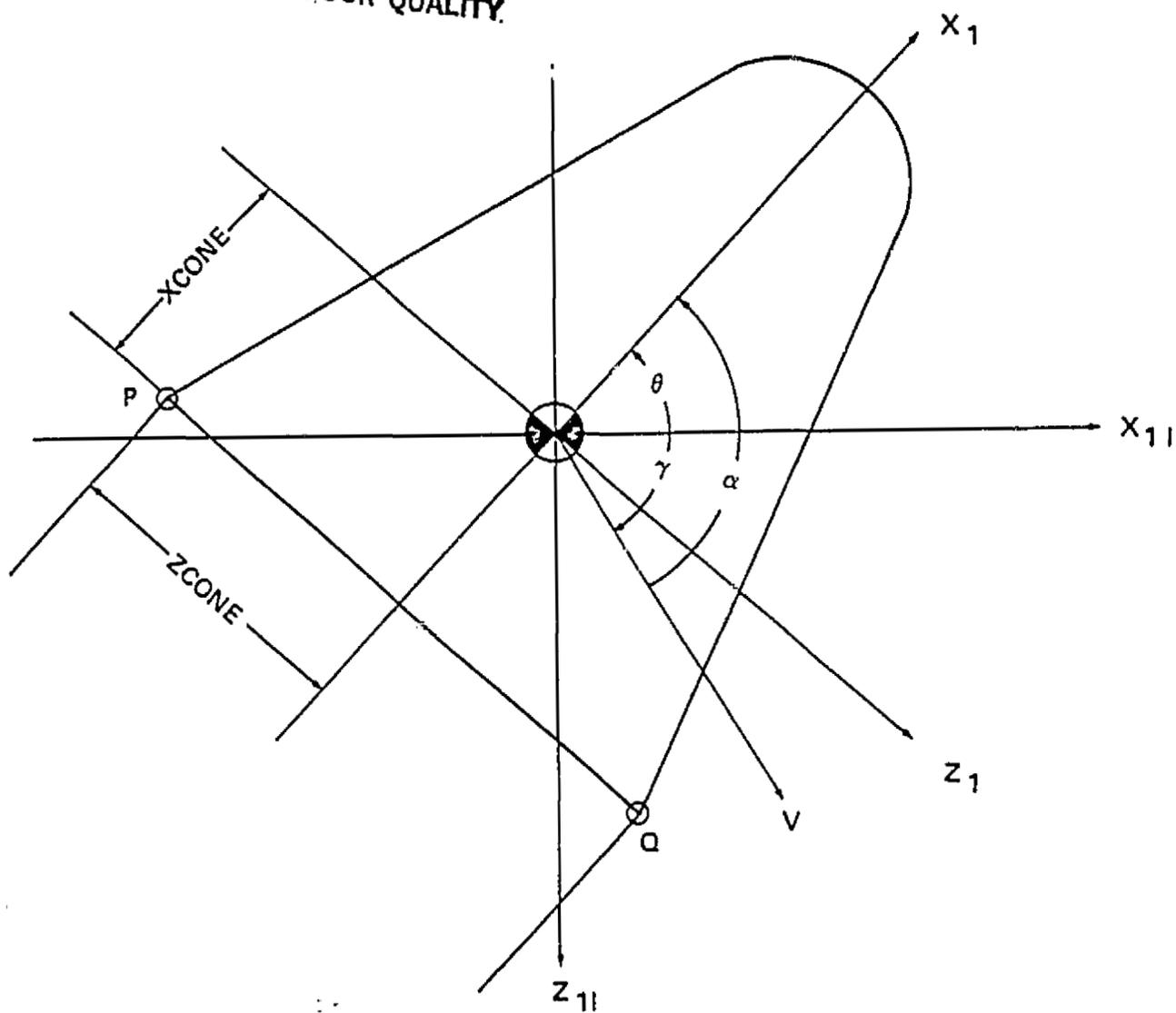
#### IV. CONCLUSION

Completion of the sled test presented an opportunity to compare the nose cap separation simulation with test results. Motion picture film of the test was analyzed and a graphic representation of the nose cap motion was drawn. A simulation was then made using the test conditions and a similar graph was overlaid on the test results. This is shown in Figure 3. The coordinates used are those of the film analysis. The abscissa is along the base of the nose cap before separation. The origin is at the leading edge of the nose cap before separation. Positions of the nose cap are shown for both test results (solid line) and simulation (broken line) at various times. The times do not coincide exactly, in general, because the simulation time step was  $2^{-8}$  sec and the film speed was 0.0125 sec per frame. Nevertheless, the simulated motion is very similar to the observed motion.

The test condition was the design limit condition of 80 deg angle of attack and dynamic pressure 200 lb/ft<sup>2</sup>. The data file shown in Table 1 is the one used for this simulation and all of the test conditions are included there. This particular simulation serves as a sample of the program function. It is identified as run 0464 and is kept in the files of the Dynamics and Trajectory Analysis Branch.

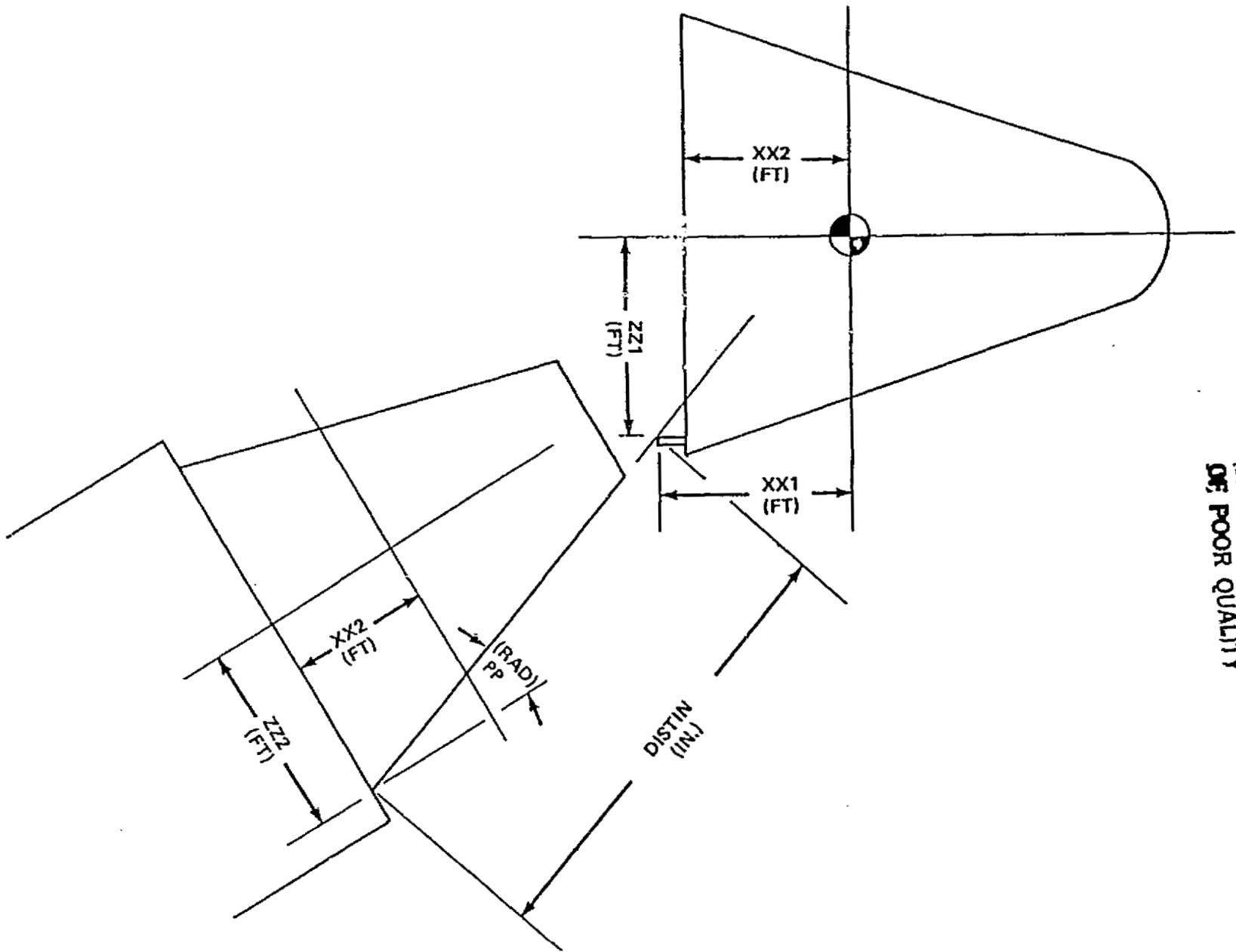
The good agreement between the test and simulated data has established the validity of use of the simulation to analyze the separation motion.

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ANGLES MEASURED COUNTERCLOCKWISE ARE POSITIVE  
FLIGHT PATH ANGLE,  $\gamma$ , IS NEGATIVE AS SHOWN

Figure 1. Coordinate systems and preload parameters.



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Figure 2. Parameters used in DIST subroutine.

- - - t (SEC) - - - SIMULATION  
 \_\_\_\_\_ t (SEC) \_\_\_\_\_ SLED TEST

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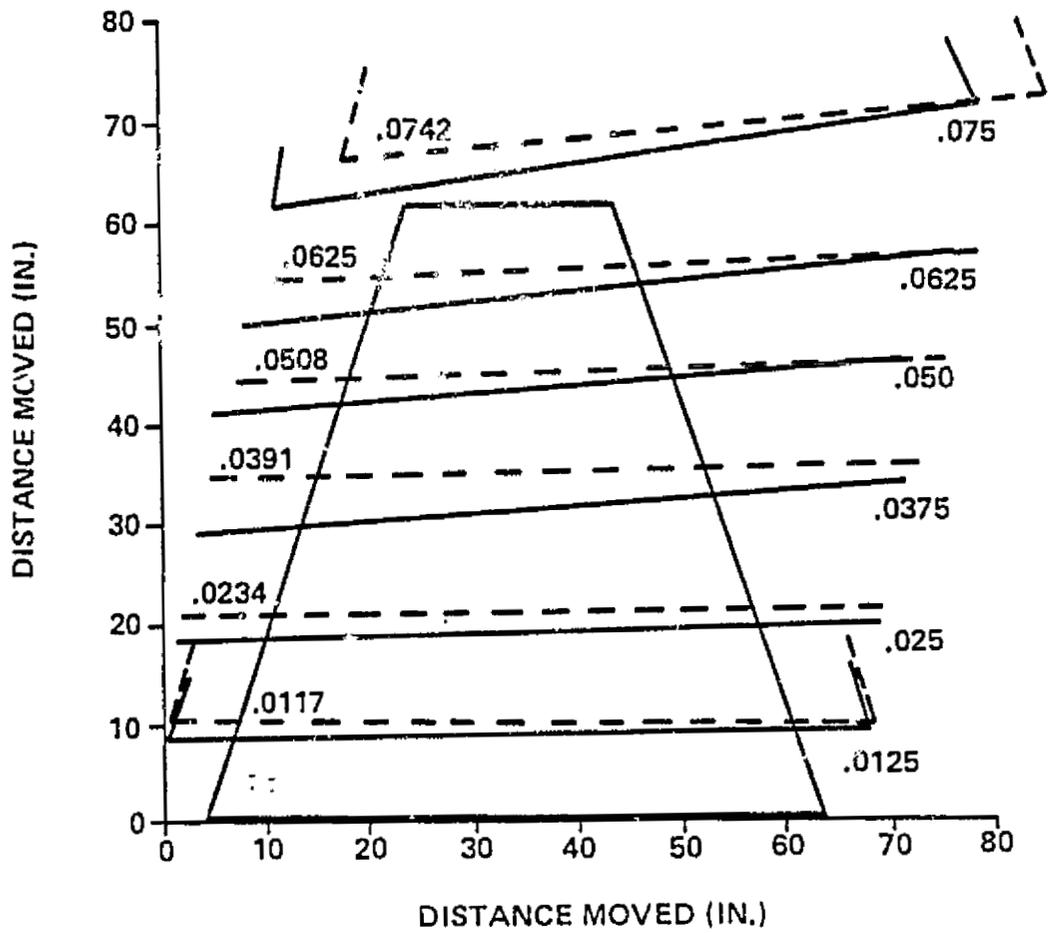


Figure 3. Comparison of motion of base of nose cap as simulated and observed in sled test.

TABLE 1. LISTING OF DCAP

1.000	0.0, 5.0, 10.0, 15.0, 20.0, 25.0,
2.000	30.0, 35.0, 40.0, 45.0, 50.0, 300.0,
3.000	0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.,
4.000	0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.,
5.000	32.2, .002, 75.,
6.000	.667, 68.03
7.000	52., 80., 200., 0., 0., 76.,
8.000	300., .66, 0., 0., 25.24,
9.000	2.125, 2.83333,

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TABLE 2. LISTING OF NOSECAP

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1.000 C      NOSE CAP SEPARATION STUDIES
2.000      REAL M,M1
3.000      DIMENSION CNT1(13),XCMT1(13),CAT1(13),CNT5(13),CNT6(13),A
L(13)
4.000      DIMENSION CNT2(13),XCMT2(13),CAT2(13)
5.000      DIMENSION CNT3(13),XCMT3(13),CAT3(13)
6.000      DIMENSION CNT4(13),XCMT4(13),CAT4(13)
7.000      DIMENSION A01(12),DPR(12)
8.000      COMMON/SECD/TH1DD,DUM0(59)
9.000      COMMON/FUNT/Y(3),DUM1(57)
10.000     COMMON/FIRT/F(3),DUM2(57)
11.000     COMMON/LAB/U1P,TH1P,REFD
12.000     COMMON XCONE,ZCONE
13.000     EQUIVALENCE (TH1D,F(1)),(W1D,F(2)),(U1D,F(3))
14.000     EQUIVALENCE (TH1,Y(1)),(W1,Y(2)),(U1,Y(3))
15.000     DATA (CAT1(I),I=1,13)/.4,.42,.38,.25,.1,.02,.22,-.18,-.8,
-1.3,
16.000     *-1.38,-1.38,-1.4/
17.000     DATA (CAT2(I),I=1,13)/.4,.42,.3,.18,0.,-.06,.16,-.19,-.9,
-1.3,
18.000     *-1.38,-1.38,-1.4/
19.000     DATA (CAT3(I),I=1,13)/.4,.42,.28,.1,-.02,-.16,.04,-.2,-1.
,-1.3,
20.000     *-1.38,-1.38,-1.4/
21.000     DATA (CAT4(I),I=1,13)/.4,.42,.21,.06,-.1,-.18,0.,-.21,-1.
1,-1.3,
22.000     *-1.38,-1.38,-1.4/
23.000     DATA (XCMT1(I),I=1,13)/0.,.02,.03,.02,-.02,-.05,-.1,-.1,0
.,.04,
24.000     *.05,.04,0./
25.000     DATA (XCMT2(I),I=1,13)/0.,.02,.03,0.,-.03,-.07,-.13,-.12,
-.02,
26.000     *.04,.05,.04,0./
27.000     DATA (XCMT3(I),I=1,13)/0.,.01,.02,-.02,-.04,-.09,-.15,-.1
3,
28.000     *-.03,.03,.04,.04,0./

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29.000      DATA (XCMT4(I),I=1,13)/0.,.01,.01,-.04,-.08,-.12,-.18,-.
14,-.06,
30.000      *.01,.03,.04,0./
31.000      DATA (AL(I),I=1,13)/0.,15.,30.,45.,60.,75.,90.,105.,120.,
135.,
32.000      *150.,165.,180./
33.000      DATA (CNT1(I),I=1,13)/0.,.38,.8,.82,.8,.7,.55,.44,.33,.12
'
34.000      *-.02,-.1,0./
35.000      DATA (CNT2(I),I=1,13)/0.,.39,.82,.9,.86,.76,.57,.45,.34,.
13,
36.000      *-.02,-.1,0./
37.000      DATA (CNT3(I),I=1,13)/0.,.4,.84,.98,.96,.81,.61,.46,.35,.
14,
38.000      *-.02,-.1,0./
39.000      DATA (CNT4(I),I=1,13)/0.,.41,.9,1.01,1.02,.9,.65,.49,.36,
.15,
40.000      *-.02,-.1,0./
41.000      DATA (CNT5(I),I=1,13)/0.,.42,.97,1.13,1.16,1.05,.72,.51,.
37,.16,
42.000      *-.02,-.1,0./
43.000      DATA (CNT6(I),I=1,13)/0.,.43,1.12,1.35,1.46,1.4,.87,.53,.
39,.17,
44.000      *-.02,-.1,0./
45.000      25 READ (5,92),(A01)
46.000      READ (5,92),(DPR)
47.000      WRITE (6,92),(A01)
48.000      WRITE (6,92),(DPR)
49.000      READ (5,2),(G,RHO,XLENG)
50.000      READ (5,2),(CPP,REFD)
51.000      READ (5,92),(XI,ALPH,DYNPR,GAMMA,TH1D,DU)
52.000      READ (5,2),(WT,CGP,X1,Z1,AREA)
53.000      READ (5,2),(XCONE,ZCONE)
54.000      XLEN=XLENG
55.000      ANGLEA = ATAN(XLENG/(REFD*.5))
56.000      SIDEL = XLENG/ N(ANGLEA)

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57.000 SIDEL=SIDEL/12.
58.000 U1P = DU
59.000 TH1P = ALPH+GAMMA
60.000 WRITE(6,92),(G,RHO,XLENG)
61.000 WRITE(6,92),(CPP,REFD)
62.000 WRITE(6,92),(XI,ALPH,DYNPR,GAMMA,TH1D,DU)
63.000 WRITE(6,92),(WT,CGP,X1,Z1,AREA)
64.000 WRITE(6,92),(XCONE,ZCONE)
65.000 92 FORMAT('6E15.6)
66.000 C=57.29578
67.000 ALPH=ALPH/C
68.000 GAMMA=GAMMA/C
69.000 TH1=ALPH+GAMMA
70.000 UUU=SQRT(2.0*DYNPR/RHO)
71.000 U1I=UUU*COS(GAMMA)
72.000 W1I=-UUU*SIN(GAMMA)
73.000 U1B=U1I
74.000 W1B=W1I
75.000 TH1DD=0.
76.000 PSI=ATAN2(ZCONE,XCONE)
77.000 TH1D = TH1D/C
78.000 TH11=TH1
79.000 THETA = TH1
80.000 U1 = U1I*COS(TH1) - W1I*SIN(TH1) + DU
81.000 W1 = U1I*SIN(TH1) + W1I*COS(TH1)
82.000 C THE ABOVE EQUATIONS PUT U1 AND W1 IN THE BODY AXIS SYSTEM
83.000 III=0
84.000 K=0
85.000 L=12
86.000 N=13
87.000 TSTOP=0.16
88.000 XM=WT/G
89.000 THA=PSI-TH1
90.000 R=8.*0.46/12.

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TABLE 2. (Continued)

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91.000      TLEN=(2.56*8.)/12.
92.000      FLEN=(8.1*8)/12.
93.000      THI=-TH1
94.000      XA=X1-XCONE*COS(THI)-ZCONE*SIN(THI)+R*SIN(THI)
95.000      ZA=Z1-XCONE*SIN(THI)+ZCONE*COS(THI)-R*COS(THI)
96.000      G1=108./57.3-THI
97.000      G2=(72./57.3)+TH1-(90./57.3)
98.000      M=TAN(G2)
99.000      B=ZA-M*XA
100.000     XB=X1-XCONE*COS(THI)+ZCONE*SIN(THI)-R*SIN(THI)
101.000     ZB=Z1-XCONE*SIN(THI)-ZCONE*COS(THI)+R*COS(THI)
102.000     AC1=M*M+1.
103.000     BC1=-2.*XA-2.*M*ZA+2.*B*M
104.000     CC1=XA*XA+ZA*ZA-2.*B*ZA+B*B-FLEN*FLEN
105.000     XA1=(-BC1+SQRT(BC1*BC1-4.*AC1*CC1))/(2.*AC1)
106.000     ZA1=(M*XA1+B)
107.000     M1=(ZB-ZA)/(XB-XA)
108.000     B2=ZA1-M1*XA1
109.000     AC2=M1*M1+1.
110.000     BC2=-2.*XA1+2.*M1*B2-2.*M1*ZA1
111.000     CC2=XA1*XA1+B2*B2-2.*ZA1*B2+ZA1*ZA1-TLEN*TLEN
112.000     XB1=(-BC2+SQRT(BC2*BC2-4.*AC2*CC2))/(2.*AC2)
113.000     ZB1=(M1*XB1+B2)
114.000     M=TAN(G1)
115.000     XTP=XA
116.000     ZTP=ZA
117.000     WRITE(3),XTP,ZTP
118.000     XTP=XB
119.000     ZTP=ZB
120.000     WRITE(3),XTP,ZTP
121.000     XTP=XB1
122.000     ZTP=ZB1
123.000     WRITE(3),XTP,ZTP
124.000     XTP=XA1

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125.000      ZTP=ZA1
126.000      WRITE(3),XTP,ZTP
127.000      XTP=XA
128.000      ZTP=ZA
129.000      WRITE(3),XTP,ZTP
130.000      DELT=.00390625
131.000      TIME=0.0
132.000      PRTIM = 0.
133.000      PLTSAU = 0.
134.000      I = 1
135.000      2  FORMAT (5E15.6)
136.000      200 IND=1
137.000      500 CONTINUE
138.000      ALPHA=XTAN2(W1,U1)
139.000      IF(ALPHA)501,502,502
140.000      501 ALPHA=360.0+ALPHA
141.000      502 CONTINUE
142.000      XCHK=X1/(REFD/12.)
143.000 C
144.000 C
145.000 C      THIS IS ONLY USED FOR THE SLED TEST EVALUATIONS
146.000 C      XCHK=1.0
147.000 C
148.000 C
149.000      IF(XCHK.GE.1.) GO TO 900
150.000 C      THIS IS FOR XCHK=0.3
151.000      901 CALL TBL(AL,CNT2,ALPHA,N,CN2)
152.000      XCHK1=0.3
153.000      CNC1=CN2
154.000      IF(XCHK.GE.0.3) GO TO 900
155.000 C      THIS IS FOR XCHK=0.2
156.000      902 CALL TBL(AL,CNT3,ALPHA,N,CN3)
157.000      IF(XCHK.GE.0.2) GO TO 802
158.000      XCHK1=0.2

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TABLE 2. (Continued)

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159.000      CNC1=CN3
160.000      GO TO 903
161.000      802 XCHK2=0.2
162.000      CNC2=CN3
163.000      GO TO 909
164.000      C  THIS IS FOR XCHK=0.1
165.000      903 CALL TBL(AL,CNT4,ALPHA,N,CN4)
166.000      IF(XCHK.GE.0.1) GO TO 803
167.000      XCHK1=0.1
168.000      CNC1=CN4
169.000      GO TO 904
170.000      803 XCHK2=0.1
171.000      CNC2=CN4
172.000      GO TO 909
173.000      C  THIS IS FOR XCHK=0.05
174.000      904 CALL TBL(AL,CNT5,ALPHA,N,CN5)
175.000      IF(XCHK.GE.0.05) GO TO 804
176.000      XCHK1=0.05
177.000      CNC1=CN5
178.000      GO TO 905
179.000      804 XCHK2=0.05
180.000      CNC2=CN5
181.000      GO TO 909
182.000      C  THIS IS FOR XCHK=0.0
183.000      905 CALL TBL(AL,CNT6,ALPHA,N,CN6)
184.000      IF(XCHK.GE.0.0) GO TO 805
185.000      CN=CN6
186.000      GO TO 911
187.000      805 XCHK2=0.0
188.000      CNC2=CN6
189.000      GO TO 909
190.000      C  THIS IS FOR XCHK=1.0
191.000      900 CALL TBL(AL,CNT1,ALPHA,N,CN1)
192.000      XCHK2=1.0

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TABLE 2. (Continued)

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193.000      CNC2=CN1
194.000      IF(XCHK.GE.1.0) GO TO 910
195.000      909 CN=((XCHK-XCHK1)/(XCHK1-XCHK2))*(CNC1-CNC2)+CNC1
196.000      GO TO 911
197.000      910 CN=CN1
198.000      911 CONTINUE
199.000      IF(XCHK.GE.1.) GO TO 700
200.000 C     THIS IS FOR XCHK=0.2
201.000      701 CALL TBL(AL,XCMT2,ALPHA,N,XCM2)
202.000      CALL TBL(AL,CAT2,ALPHA,N,CA2)
203.000      XCHK1=0.2
204.000      XCM1=XCM2
205.000      CA1=CA2
206.000      IF(XCHK.GE.0.2) GO TO 700
207.000 C     THIS IS FOR XCHK=0.05
208.000      702 CALL TBL(AL,XCMT3,ALPHA,N,XCM3)
209.000      CALL TBL(AL,CAT2,ALPHA,N,CA3)
210.000      IF(XCHK.GE.0.05) GO TO 601
211.000      XCHK1=0.05
212.000      XCM1=XCM3
213.000      CA1=CA3
214.000      GO TO 703
215.000      601 XCHK2=0.05
216.000      XCM2=XCM3
217.000      CA2=CA3
218.000      GO TO 709
219.000 C     THIS IS FOR XCHK=0.0
220.000      703 CALL TBL(AL,XCMT4,ALPHA,N,XCM4)
221.000      CALL TBL(AL,CAT4,ALPHA,N,CA4)
222.000      IF(XCHK.GE.0.0) GO TO 605
223.000      XCM=XCM4
224.000      CA=CA4
225.000      GO TO 711
226.000      605 XCHK2=0.0

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TABLE 2. (Continued)

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227.000      XCM2=XCM4
228.000      CA2=CA4
229.000      GO TO 709
230.000  C    THIS IS FOR XCHK=1.0
231.000  700  CALL TBL(AL,XCMT1,ALPHA,N,XCM6)
232.000      CALL TBL(AL,CAT1,ALPHA,N,CA6)
233.000      XCHK2=1.0
234.000      XCM2=XCM6
235.000      CA2=CA6
236.000      IF(XCHK.GE.1.) GO TO 710
237.000  709  XCM=((XCHK-XCHK1)/(XCHK1-XCHK2))*(XCM1-XCM2)+XCM1
238.000      CA=((XCHK-XCHK1)/(XCHK1-XCHK2))*(CA1-CA2)+CA1
239.000      GO TO 711
240.000  710  XCM=XCM6
241.000      CA=CA6
242.000  711  CONTINUE
243.000      AA= 0.5XRHO*(U1*U1+W1*W1)*AREA
244.000      XM1=AA*XCM*(REFD/12.0)
245.000      C1P=-(XLEN/12.0)*(CGP-CPP)
246.000      FA = -AA*CA
247.000      FN = -AA*CN
248.000      XMOMEN=TH1DD*XI
249.000      TH1DD=((C1P*FN)+XM1)/XI
250.000      W1D=(1.0/XM)*(XM*U1*TH1D+XM*G*COS(TH1)+FN)
251.000      U1D=(1.0/XM)*(-XM*U1*TH1D-XM*G*SIN(TH1)+FA+FP)
252.000      IF(TIME-0.0)600,600,41
253.000  41  CONTINUE
254.000      CALL RUNGE(IND,TIME,DELT,3,1)
255.000      IND=IND+1
256.000      IF(IND-4)500,500,600
257.000  600  CONTINUE
258.000      U1I = U1*COS(TH1) +W1*SIN(TH1)
259.000      W1I = -U1*SIN(TH1) + W1*COS(TH1)
260.000      FPA = ATAN2(W1I,U1I)*C

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TABLE 2. (Continued)

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261.000      W1I = W1I - W1B
262.000      U1I = U1I - U1B
263.000      VEL=SQRT(U1I*U1I+W1I*W1I)
264.000      WRITE(6,39),TIME
              :
265.000      WRITE(6,3),(ALPHA)
              :
266.000      WRITE(6,1001),(FN,FA)
267.000      WRITE(6,4),(XMOMEN)
              :
268.000      WRITE(6,1002),(U1I,W1I,F(1)),FPA
              :
269.000      WRITE(6,2222),(VEL)
              :
270.000      WRITE(6,8),XCM
              :
271.000      8  FORMAT (1X,4HXCM=,E15.6)
              :
272.000      WRITE(6,7),      AA,XM1,C1P,U1,W1,CN
              :
273.000      7  FORMAT (1X,4H AA=, E15.6,4HXM1=,E15.6,4HC1P=,E15.6,4H U1=
E15.6,
274.000      *4H W1=,E15.6,4H CN=,E15.6)
              :
275.000      TH1DS=F(1)
276.000      TH1S=Y(1)
277.000      TH1S1=TH1S*XC
278.000      W1S=Y(2)
279.000      U1S=Y(3)
280.000      F(1)=0.0
281.000      F(2)=W1I
282.000      F(3)=U1I
283.000      Y(1)=0.0
284.000      Y(2)=Z1
285.000      Y(3)=X1

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TABLE 2. (Continued)

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286.000      IND=1
287.000      IF(TIME-0.0)800,800,300
288.000    300 CONTINUE
289.000      TIME=TIME-.00390625
290.000    400 CONTINUE
291.000      CALL RUNGE(IND,TIME,DELT,3,0)
292.000      IND=IND+1
293.000      IF(IND-4)400,400,800
294.000    800 TH1=TH1S
295.000      Z1=Y(2)
296.000      X1=Y(3)
297.000      X11=(X1*COS(TH11)-Z1*SIN(TH11))*12.
298.000      CALL TBL(A01,DPR,X11,L,DPRE)
299.000      FP=-DPRE*AREA*144.
300.000      WRITE(6,1003),(Y(3),Y(2),TH1S1,FP)
301.000      THA=PSI-TH1
302.000      TH3=TH1
303.000      XP = X1 - XCONE*COS(-TH3) + ZCONE*SIN(-TH3)
304.000      ZP = Z1 - XCONE*SIN(-TH3) - ZCONE*COS(-TH3)
305.000      XQ = X1 - XCONE*COS(-TH3) - ZCONE*SIN(-TH3)
306.000      ZQ = Z1 - XCONE*SIN(-TH3) + ZCONE*COS(-TH3)
307.000      IF(TIME-.08)401,402,402
308.000    401 CONTINUE
309.000      XTP=XQ
310.000      ZTP=ZQ
311.000      WRITE(1),XTP,ZTP
312.000      XTP=XP
313.000      ZTP=ZP
314.000      WRITE(1),XTP,ZTP
315.000    402 CONTINUE
316.000      WRITE(6,6),(XQ,ZQ)
           C
317.000      WRITE(6,5),(XP,ZP)
318.000      WRITE(6,1013),U1B,DELT
319.000      F(1)=TH1DS

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TABLE 2. (Continued)

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320.000      Y(1)=TH1S
321.000      Y(2)=U1S
322.000      Y(3)=U1S
323.000      I = I + 1
324.000  490  CONTINUE
325.000      IF(TIME .LE. 0.0195313) GO TO 201
326.000      CALL DIST(TH11,TH1S,X1,Z1,K)
327.000  201  CONTINUE
328.000      XS1=X1
329.000      ZS1=Z1
330.000      THS=TH1
331.000      IF(TIME-0.0)41,41,49
332.000  49  CONTINUE
333.000      IF(TIME-TSTOP)24,251,251
334.000  24  CONTINUE
335.000      GO TO 200
336.000  251  CONTINUE
337.000      GO TO 25
338.000  1001 FORMAT (1H,2HFN,3X,E15.6,2X,2HFA,3X,E15.6)
339.000  1002 FORMAT (1H,2HU ,3X,E15.6,2X,2HU ,3X,E15.6,2X,3HTHD,3X,E15
.6,10X,
340.000      *20HFLIGHT PATH ANGLE = ,E15.6)
341.000  1003 FORMAT (1H,3HXCG,2X,E15.6,2X,3HZCG,2X,E15.6,2X,3HTH1,3X,E
15.6,
342.000      *2X,2HFP,3X,E15.6)
343.000  3  FORMAT (1H,5HALPHA,3X,E15.6)
344.000  4  FORMAT (1H,6HMOMENT,3X,E15.6)
345.000  5  FORMAT (1H,2HXP,3X,E15.6,2X,2HZP,3X,E15.6)
346.000  6  FORMAT (1H,2HXQ,3X,E15.6,2X,2HZQ,3X,E15.6)
347.000  2222 FORMAT (1H,3HVEL,3X,E15.6)
348.000  39  FORMAT (1H, //1X,4HTIME,3X,E15.6)
349.000  1013 FORMAT(1X,5HW1B= ,E15.8,10X,5HDELT=,E15.8)
350.000      END

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TABLE 2. (Continued)

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351.000      SUBROUTINE RUNGE (KUTTA,TIME,DT,NUAR,NDUAR)
352.000 C     KUTTA IS A CONTROL INTEGER
353.000 C     TIME IS TIME OF INTEGRATION
354.000 C     DT IS THE TIME INCREMENT
355.000 C     NUAR = NUMBER OF VARIABLES TO BE INTEGRATED ONCE
356.000 C     NDUAR= NUMBER OF VARIABLES TO BE INTEGRATED TWICE
357.000      DIMENSION C1( 60),C2( 60),C3( 60),C4( 60),CD1( 60),CD2( 6
0),
358.000      1 CD3( 60),CD4( 60),SX( 60),SXD( 60)
359.000      COMMON/FUNT/ X( 60)
360.000      COMMON/FIRT/ XD( 60)
361.000      COMMON/SECD/XDD(30)
362.000      GO TO (1,2,3,4),KUTTA
363.000      1 DO 10 I=1,NUAR
364.000      SX(I) = X(I)
365.000      C1(I) = XD(I)*DT
366.000      10 X(I) = SX(I)+0.5*C1(I)
367.000      IF(NDUAR.EQ.0)GO TO 50
368.000      DO 100 I=1,NDUAR
369.000      SXD(I) = XD(I)
370.000      CD1(I) = XDD(I)*DT
371.000      100 XD(I) = SXD(I)+0.5*CD1(I)
372.000      50 CONTINUE
373.000      TIME = TIME + 0.5*DT
374.000      RETURN
375.000      2 DO 20 I=1,NUAR
376.000      C2(I) = XD(I)*DT
377.000      20 X(I) = SX(I)+0.5*C2(I)
378.000      IF(NDUAR.EQ.0)GO TO 51
379.000      DO 200 I=1,NDUAR
380.000      CD2(I) = XDD(I)*DT
381.000      200 XD(I) = SXD(I)+0.5*CD2(I)
382.000      51 CONTINUE
383.000      RETURN
384.000      3 DO 30 I=1,NUAR

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TABLE 2. (Continued)

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385.000      C3(I) = XD(I)*DT
386.000      30 X(I) = SX(I)+C3(I)
387.000      IF(NDVAR.EQ.0)GO TO 52
388.000      DO 300 I=1,NDVAR
389.000      CD3(I) = XDD(I)*DT
390.000      300 XD(I) = SXD(I)+CD3(I)
391.000      52 CONTINUE
392.000      TIME = TIME+.5*DT
393.000      RETURN
394.000      4 DO 40 I=1,NVAR
395.000      C4(I) = XD(I)*DT
396.000      40 X(I) = SX(I)+(C1(I)+C4(I)+2.*(C2(I)+C3(I)))/6.0
397.000      IF(NDVAR.EQ.0)GO TO 53
398.000      DO 400 I=1,NDVAR
399.000      CD4(I) = XDD(I)*DT
400.000      400 XD(I) = SXD(I)+(CD1(I)+CD4(I)+2.0*(CD2(I)+CD3(I)))/6.0
401.000      53 CONTINUE
402.000      RETURN
403.000      END

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TABLE 2. (Continued)

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404.000      SUBROUTINE TBL(X,Y,X1,N,Y1)
405.000 C      THE DATA MUST BE IN ASCENDING ORDER
406.000      DIMENSION X(1),Y(1)
407.000      DO 93 I=1,N
408.000      IF(X(I)-X1)93,95,91
409.000 91 DX=X1-X(I-1)
410.000      DX1=X(I)-X(I-1)
411.000      DY=Y(I)-Y(I-1)
412.000      Y1=Y(I-1)+D.*(DX/DX1)
413.000      GO TO 94
414.000 95 Y1=Y(I)
415.000      GO TO 94
416.000 93 CONTINUE
417.000 94 CONTINUE
418.000      RETURN
419.000      END
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TABLE 2. (Continued)

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420.000    FUNCTION XTAN2(A,B)
421.000    IF(B .EQ. 0.0) GO TO 100
422.000    XTAN2=ATAN2(A,B)*57.3
423.000    RETURN
424.000    100 IF(A)10,16,15
425.000    10 XTAN2=-90.0
426.000    RETURN
427.000    16 XTAN2=0.0
428.000    RETURN
429.000    15 XTAN2=90.0
430.000    RETURN
431.000    END
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TABLE 2. (Concluded)

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432.000  SUBROUTINE DIST(TH11,TH1S,X1,Z1,K)
433.000  IF(K .EQ. 1) GO TO 330
434.000  K=0
435.000  XX1=-2.552083
436.000  ZZ1=2.538367
437.000  XX2=-2.125
438.000  ZZ2=2.516667
439.000  PP=.3131086
440.000  S0=SIN(TH11)
441.000  C0=COS(TH11)
442.000  XX3=XX2*C0+ZZ2*S0
443.000  ZZ3=ZZ2*C0-XX2*S0
444.000  S=SIN(TH1S)
445.000  C=COS(TH1S)
446.000  XX5=X1+XX1*C+ZZ1*S
447.000  ZZ5=Z1+ZZ1*C-XX1*S
448.000  XX6=XX5-XX3
449.000  ZZ6=ZZ5-ZZ3
450.000  PP0=-TH11-PP
451.000  S1=SIN(PP0)
452.000  C1=COS(PP0)
453.000  XX7=XX6*C1+ZZ6*S1
454.000  ZZ7=ZZ6*C1-XX6*S1
455.000  IF(ZZ7 .LT. 0.) GO TO 340
456.000  XX8=XX7
457.000  ZZ8=ZZ7
458.000  330 RETURN
459.000  340 XXX=(XX7-((ZZ7*(XX8-XX7))/(ZZ8-ZZ7)))*12.
460.000  WRITE(6,360),(XXX)
461.000  360 FORMAT(///,7H DISTIN,3X,E15.6,///)
462.000  K=1
463.000  RETURN
464.000  END

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TABLE 3. OUTPUT PARAMETERS

Mnemonic	Definition and Units
TIME	Time (sec)
ALPHA	Angle of attack (deg)
FN	Normal force (lb)
FA	Axial force (lb)
MOMENT	Product of angular acceleration and moment of inertia (lb/ft)
U	Velocity relative to booster component in X direction (ft/sec)
W	Velocity relative to booster component in Z direction (ft/sec)
THD	Angular rate, $\dot{\theta}$ , (deg/sec)
FLIGHT PATH ANGLE	Flight path angle, $\gamma$ , (deg)
VEL	Velocity of nose cap relative to booster (ft/sec)
XCM	Aerodynamic moment coefficient
AA	Product of reference area times dynamic pressure (lb)
XM1	Aerodynamic moment (lb/ft)
C1P	Difference between location of CG and center of pressure (ft)
U1	Body fixed velocity component in X1 direction (ft/sec)
W1	Body fixed velocity component in Z1 direction (ft/sec)
CN	Normal force coefficient
XCG	X coordinate of CG (ft)
ZCG	Z coordinate of CG (ft)
TH1	Attitude angle (deg)
FP	Force due to pressure difference (lb)
XQ	X coordinate of point Q
ZQ	Z coordinate of point Q
XP	X coordinate of point P
ZP	Z coordinate of point P
W1B	Velocity component of booster in Z1I direction (ft/sec)
DELT	Integration time step (sec)

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