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FOREWORD

This technical report describes progress in the first reporting period of a test program to obtain environmental susceptibility and shock transmission data for a stage separation system.

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ABSTRACT

A flexible linear shaped charge (FLSC) for vehicle stage separation has been designed. The pyrotechnics have been acceptance tested for susceptibility to handling shock and electromagnetic radiation. A technique for verifying alignment of the installed FLSC by radiograph has been developed. Instrumentation techniques and test plans have been developed for measuring the shock effects on a spacecraft structure from firing the FLSC separation system.

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INTRODUCTION

Task 3 under contract AF04(695)-273 is the performance of linear shaped charge separation tests. This task is an orderly investigation of shock transmission from a flexible linear shaped charge (FLSC) stage separation device through a large space satellite. Of specific interest is the shock attenuation with distance from the separation plane and the shock pulse shape or shock response of resonators at various frequencies, (the shock spectrum).

Three identical shaped charge separation systems will be tested. Each one will be mounted within an interstage structure configured for the P706 program. Figure 1 shows the shaped charge general arrangement. Figures 2 and 3 show a cross section of the shaped charge separation system and the installation technique. Each interstage/separation system will be subjected to one of the following environments prior to the actuation of the separation system: (1) hard vacuum, (2) vibration (3) thermal pulse simulating aerodynamic heating. The test program will provide shock data from all three tests for correlation, and will provide basic data on the effects of these environments on the separation system.

The test program provides for x-ray examination of each installed separation system to assure it is positioned properly. The program also provides for inspection of the severed interstages to determine the ratio of the cut to the fractured depth of metal, and to observe if there is any appreciable variation in this ratio about the circumference of the interstage.

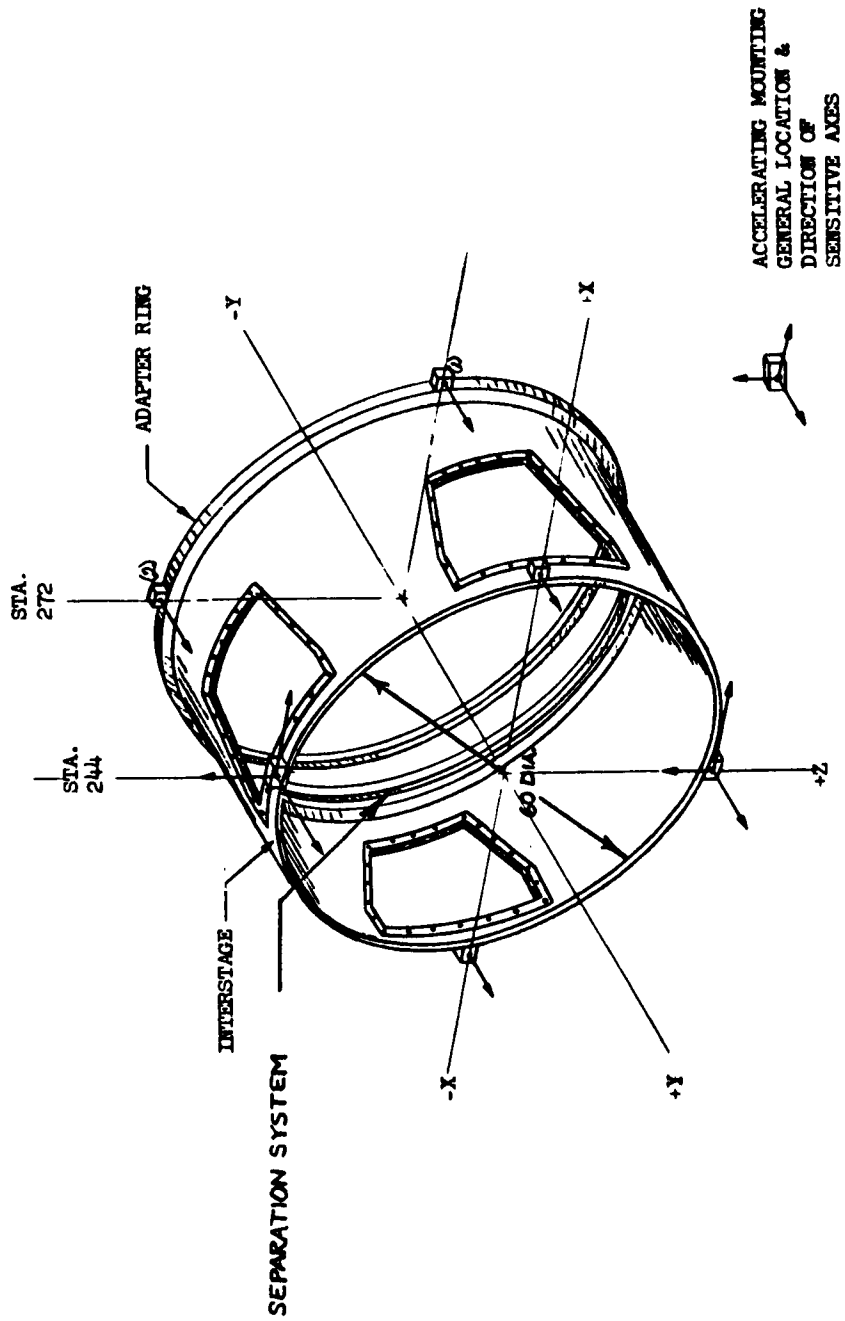


Figure 1. Interstage structure separation system

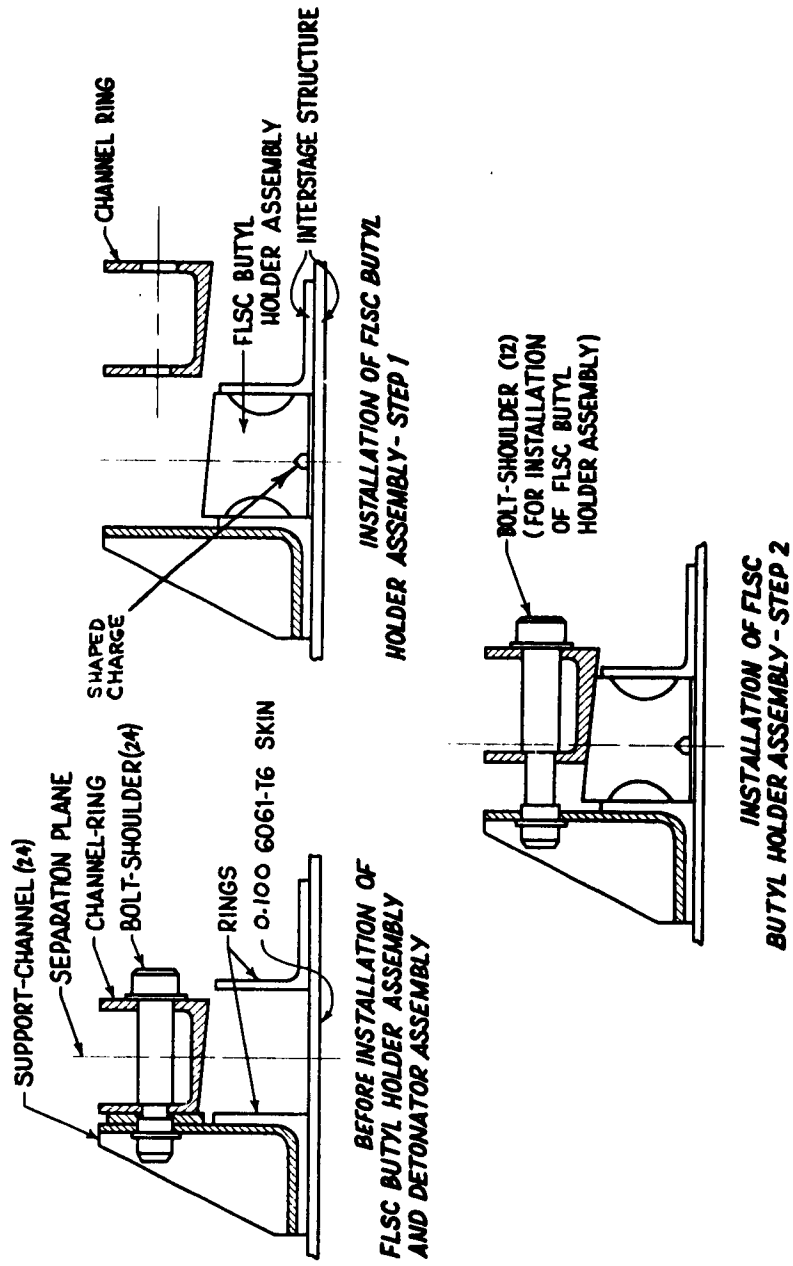
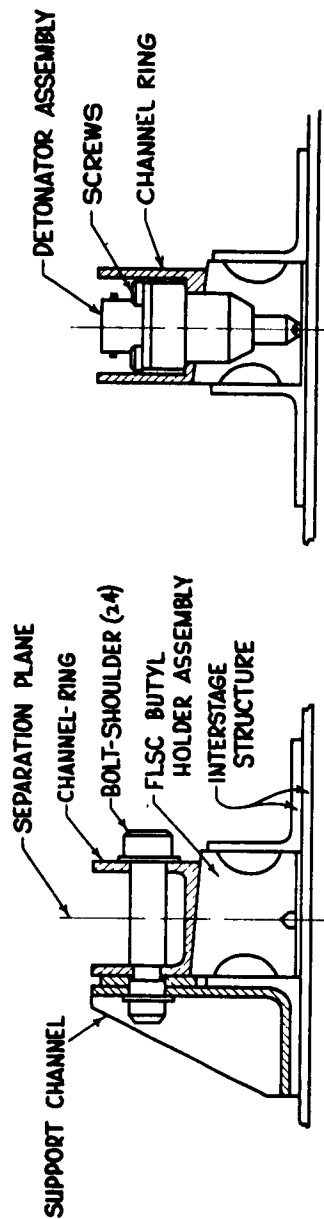
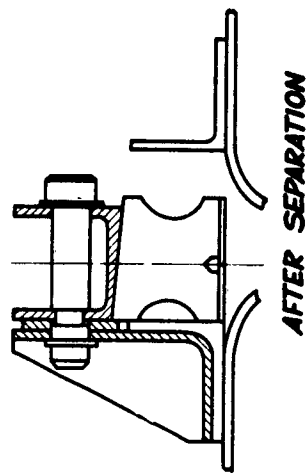


Figure 2. Separation system installation (A)



**AFTER INSTALLATION OF
FLSC BUTYL HOLDER ASSEMBLY**

DETONATOR ASSEMBLY INSTALLATION



AFTER SEPARATION

Figure 3. Separation system installation (B)

SUMMARY

The work accomplished this quarter was primarily in the area of test preparation. In particular the instrumentation technique study report was completed this quarter and describes in detail the instrumentation, sensor locations, the recording equipment to be used, and the data reduction technique to be employed. In the data reduction area the instrumentation report is enlarged by Section 1 of this quarterly report to include the further study made since the report was written.

Section 1.4 is a description of the reed group instrumentation to be used to determine shock response in the frequency range of 100 to 1000 cps.

A description of the fixtures which are to be used in this test program is contained in Section 1.5. Figure 4 shows a sketch of the special thermal fixture to be used.

Section 2 describes the acceptance tests performed on the linear shaped charge and the detonators used to ignite the charge. In Section 3 the work performed in developing the x-ray techniques to be used during this test program is presented.

Section 4 presents the conclusions drawn to date and the recommendations for additional tests to be performed in conjunction with the present shaped charge test program.

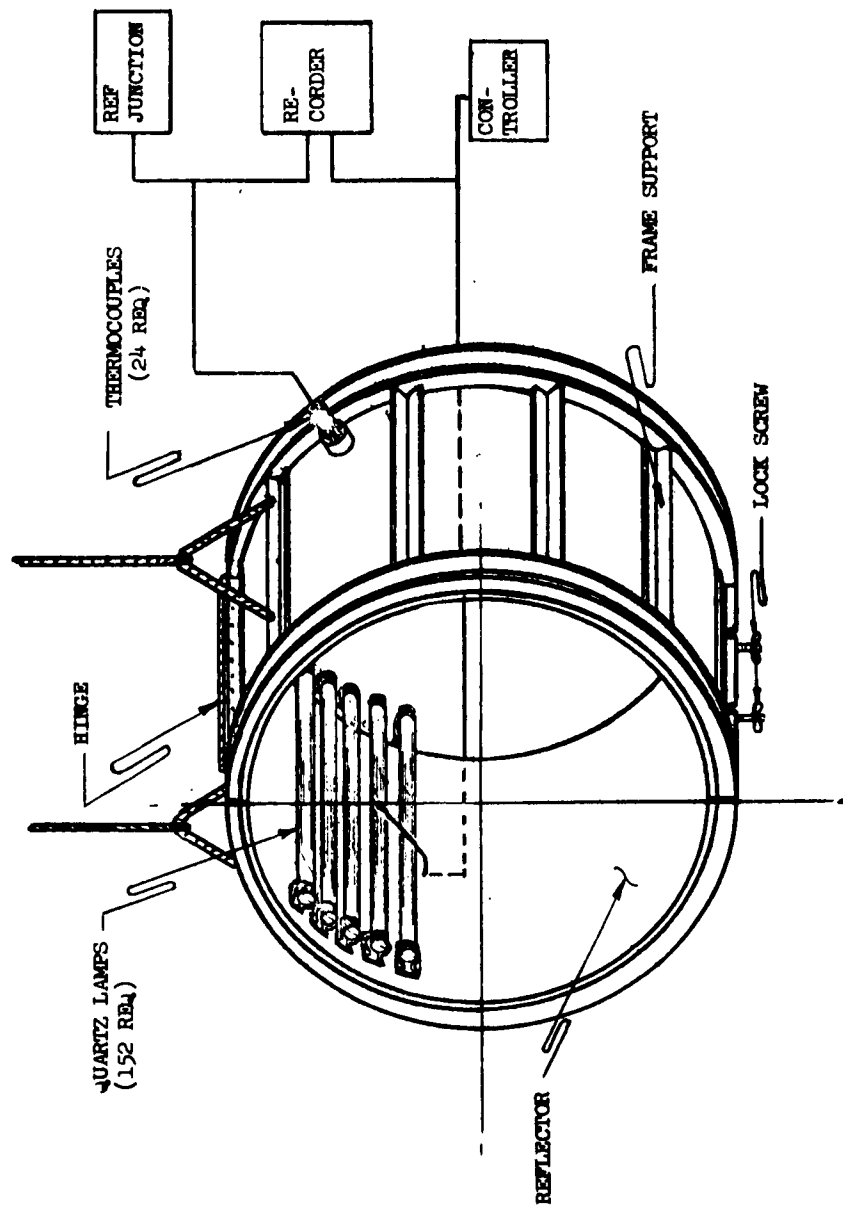


Figure 4. Plan-trajector furnace

SECTION 1

INSTRUMENTATION

1.1 THE CR-5 REPORT

RCA completed the Instrumentation Technique Study Report, CR-5, on 8 March 1963. This report contains a discussion of shock affects on structure, sensor and recorder selection, and sensor installation design. Fabrication of parts for the attachment of sensors to the FSV, and assembly of instrumentation as specified in the report are under-way.

1.2 SHOCK DATA

Shock data from a separation test on another vehicle have been made available to RCA by SSD; shock responses of the P706 FSV are expected to be similar to these data. Since decay of the sensor output signal amplitude is relatively rapid, spectral analysis of the signal by narrow band-pass filter is not useable because of the long response time of available filters. Fourier analysis of the output signal, however, will yield principal harmonic components of the signal which define points on the shock spectrum.

At frequencies below about one third that of the sensor installation primary mode, the resonant responses of an oscillator to the sensor output signal and to the true shock excitation will be approximately the same. Figure 1-1 is a comparison of oscillator response vs resonant frequency for the two cases of excitation by sensor output and shock pulse. As stated in the Instrumentation Report, the duration of the shock pulse is expected to be less than the period of the primary sensor installation mode.

1.3 DATA REDUCTION

Techniques of data reduction which have been considered are summarized in Table 1-1. RCA proposed the use of a digital computer program for both the Fourier and the response analysis of the sensor output signal.

RCA has initiated programming of a routine to perform the following operations:

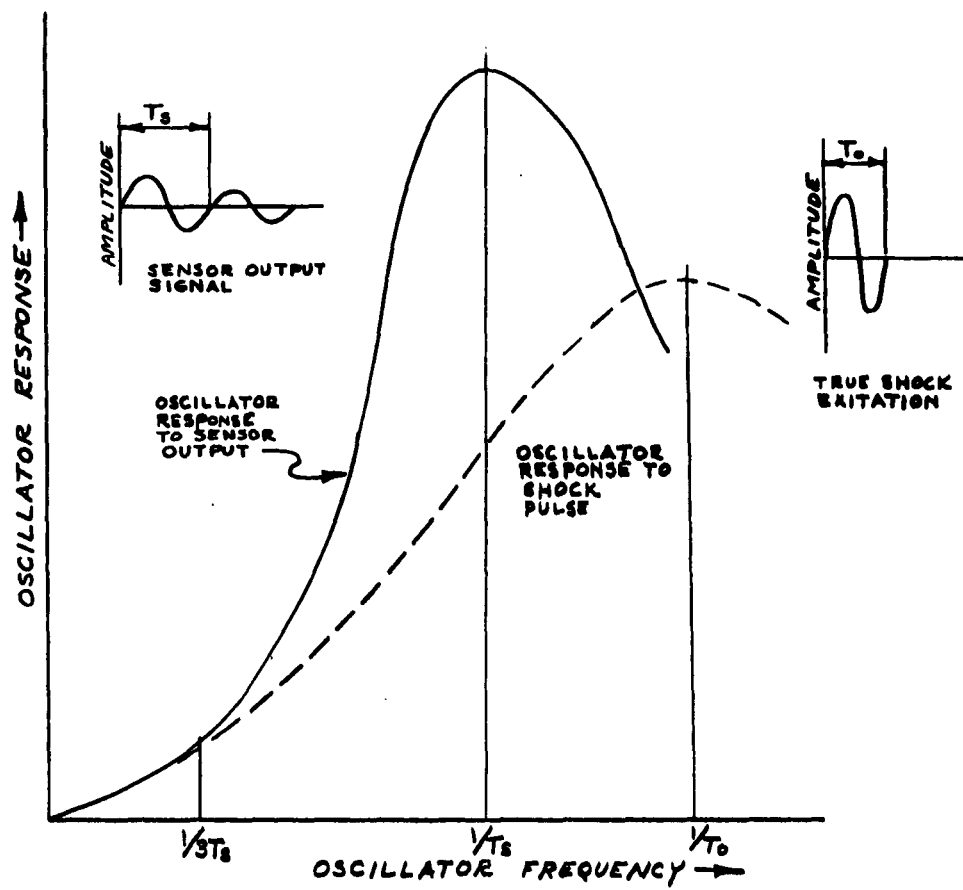


Figure 1-1. Generalized response of simple oscillator vs resonator frequency

Table 1-1. Data reduction technique

Analysis Mode	Equipment	Rec.	Budg.	Frequency Range	Major Limitation
Spectral (Fourier)	Visual	*	*	10 - 7000	Poor resolution of harmonics
	Tuned Reeds	*	*	100 - 1000	Discrete responses, many sensors
	Digital Comp. Tape/TP	*	*	100 - 2000	Requires A/D conversion
	Drum/TP	*	*	10 - 7000	Long response time (10 ms)
Response	Simoramic			120 - 7000	Ditto, equipment not available
				?	Characteristics not known
	Manual	*		10 - 500	Applicable to major harmonics only
	Digital comp.	*		10 - 500	Assumes sensor response $\approx$ excitation Requires A/D conversion
	Analog comp.			10 - 500	Assumes sensor response $\approx$ excitation

Given an acceleration function $a(t)$ described by arguments, a , at equal time intervals Δt ,

- (1) Determine the p largest amplitudes, A_m or B_n , of the harmonic components of the acceleration function and their frequencies in the bandwidth $\omega_A < \omega < \omega_B$. These amplitudes are coefficients of the Fourier representation of $a(t)$;

$$a(t) = \sum_{m=1}^m A_m \sin \omega_m t + \sum_{n=0}^n B_n \cos \omega_n t$$

- (2) Determine absolute maximum oscillator acceleration responses, $|X|$, at discrete frequencies ω in the bandwidth $\omega_1 < \omega < \omega_2$ from the equation

$$\ddot{X} + \omega^2 X = -a(t)$$

For the first separation test in the vacuum chamber, shock sensors are installed at three hard and four reed-mounted locations only. AVCO plans to record the sensor outputs on two magnetic tape recorders, leaving five channels un-used under current plans. RCA proposes to install an additional group of four reed-mounted sensors in the inter-stage to define the shock spectrum shape below 1000 cps more completely, provided the flat sample tests demonstrate effective performance of the reeds. Fabrication of two additional reed groups is underway.

1.4 REED GROUP

A group of cantilever reeds installed near the separation plane in all separation tests determines the magnitude (in g's) of the shock spectrum directly at discrete frequencies. RCA drawing 1672581 shows the group with reed design frequencies of 100, 200, 400 and 800 cps. One reed group has been machined, tuned, and heat treated; a spare group has been rough-machined only. RCA drawing 1672581 is part of report CR-5.

The reed design weights included one ounce for an Endevco model 2213 accelerometer. When tested under a steady sinusoidal load, the measured reed resonant frequencies were 10-20% below the design resonant frequencies, because of the relatively large rotatory inertia of the one ounce accelerometer mounted on the reed tip. Endevco type

2221 accelerometers are more compact and have been substituted on the reeds to provide higher resonant frequencies and more repeatable responses since the reed tip rotation in the primary mode is less. The relative characteristics of the accelerometers are tabulated below:

<u>accelerometer model</u>	<u>2221</u>	<u>2213</u>
weight (oz)	0.39	1.00
sensitivity (mv/g)	13	34
peak shock response (g)	2000	10,000
resonant frequency (cps)	30,000	35,000
mounting (screw thread)	No. 6-32	No. 10-32

The type 2221 accelerometer satisfies all reed instrumentation requirements as well as type 2213 does.

A second reed bank has been designed with resonant frequencies midway between those obtained from calibration tests of the first reed bank. The second bank is identical to the first, except for reed thicknesses. Fabrication of the second bank is complete, and calibration will be accomplished in time for installation of the bank on the first full-scale interstage prior to separation.

Reed parameters are summarized in Table 1-2. The first part of this table contains mode frequencies and transmissibilities obtained from the calibration test of the first reed bank at 4g steady sinusoidal input. In the test frequency bandwidth (10-3000 cps), the modes noted were the only peaks present in the output signal. The latter part of the table contains design frequencies in sequence for both reed groups. Frequencies of the first reed group have been adjusted to compensate for a special accelerometer mounting stud which will be used in shock tests, but which was not available during steady load calibration tests. The special stud will not appreciably change the reed resonant frequency, but it will provide assurance that the accelerometers are firmly mounted and that the calibration is repeatable.

Note that the importance of the data in Table 1-2 lies in two areas:

- (1) The transmissibility (Q) must be high enough so that the reed response to an impulse shock is essentially the same as the response of an undamped resonator. If Q is greater than 10, the reed shock response differs by less than 10% from the undamped response.
- (2) Design frequencies are chosen to give a uniform spread of data points in the bandwidth of interest. Frequency of the

Table 1-2. Reed bank resonance data

Reed bank I, tested at 4g input

First mode		Second mode	
f	Q	f	Q
140	17	1170	14
270	19	1920	9
550	12	1630	2
1010	30	not measured	

Summary of calculated resonant frequencies

Reed bank I	Reed bank II
125	185
245	370
495	710
920	1350

resonant response to shock will be obtained from the recorded shock response output signal.

1.5 FIXTURE DESIGN

The test program requires the following special fixtures:

- (1) Ballistic pendulum reaction mass
- (2) Thermal element support frame
- (3) FSV bracket supports
- (4) Accelerometer hard mounts

The interstage is suspended between two reaction masses in a ballistic pendulum arrangement. Each pendulum reaction mass consists of a weighted steel frame which is attached to a steel plate that is bolted to one end of the interstage around its circumference. The pendulum masses weigh approximately 1200 pounds each and simulate the two stages of the P706 space vehicle that are attached to the ends of the interstage. During the vacuum test both reaction masses are used. For the other two separation tests one of the reaction masses is replaced with the weighted P706 satellite structure which is instrumented to measure shock transmission. The pendulum fixtures were fabricated during this reporting period.

The thermal support frame is a hinged split ring, 72 inch diameter, cylindrical, and 14 inches long, that surrounds the interstage during the thermal trajectory simulation. The inside of the cylinder is lined with asbestos over which is an Alzac aluminum reflector. The thermal source consists of 152 high performance quartz lamps positioned 1.5 inches on center adjacent to the reflective surface. Power for the lamps originates from a programmed 400 kw power supply. The design of the thermal fixture was approved and the drawings released for fabrication during this reporting period.

The P706 final stage structure (the test satellite) is supported as a ballistic pendulum by four simple brackets as shown in Figure 1-2. To this structure will be mounted dummy masses simulating the actual equipment weight. This equipment is available from P706 inventory. The support brackets were released for fabrication during this reporting period.

The accelerometer hard mounts are described in CR-5 by RCA drawings. Their specific locations are also indicated in CR-5. These supports have been fabricated during this reporting period.

SECTION 2

FLSC AND DETONATOR ACCEPTANCE TESTS

The purpose of the acceptance tests is to assure the compliance of detonator assemblies and flexible linear shaped charges (FLSC) with the procurement specifications, and especially to establish that the consistency of the core and sheath of FLSC is proper and that they are free of foreign matter, voids, and sheath intrusions. The acceptance tests are required by Test Procedure, RCA TP3-1, paragraphs 4.2.1 and 4.2.2.

The detonator acceptance tests consist of an inspection to insure compliance with AVCO drawing 400612, and with product marking, workmanship, and precautionary measures, such as proper installation of the shorting device on the electrical connector pins. Other detonator tests establish the bridge wire resistance, the insulation resistance, and the no-fire current. Detonator firing time is determined by firing four randomly selected detonators from a total of 25 detonators that have previously passed the other acceptance tests.

FLSC acceptance tests consist of an inspection for compliance with AVCO drawing 400618, and with product marking, workmanship, and an RF radiation susceptibility requirements. Additional tests of the detonating cord were previously performed by the manufacturer and included chemical analysis, tests for compliance with the specification MIL-R-00398B, measurement of velocity of detonation, core weight (per linear foot) determination, and radiographic examination.

The acceptance tests of detonator assemblies were conducted during this reporting period except for the firing of four detonators. Significant test results are within the specification limits. (See Appendix I; two AVCO test data sheets of 3/20/63 and 3/21/63.)

Twelve specimens of FLSC were selected for tests consisting of shock (20 foot drops, and 1 inch diameter 5 pound rod drop from 30 inch height), high temperature, and RF susceptibility. Test results are within the acceptable specification limits. (See Appendix II; six AVCO test data sheets of 3/18/63 and 3/19/63.) The accepted articles will be used in the three interstage tests to be conducted subsequently.

SECTION 3

X-RAY TECHNIQUES

The purpose of the x-ray examination of the assembled separation system is to assure proper FLSC alignment prior to environmental tests and to determine after the vibration test if there was any change in the position of the FLSC. Radiographic examination of the components, where applicable, are part of the acceptance tests and therefore, only x-rays of the assemblies are taken.

Two x-ray techniques are used. One consists of placing a dense metal wire marker on the outside of the interstage skin. Then, by taking radiographs in the longitudinal direction at discrete points about the circumference of the interstage, a cross section of the lead sheath of the FLSC and the wire marker will appear on the radiograph. Comparison of the distance between the two is made on the radiograph to establish the relative deviations.

A 360° circumferential x-ray exposure of the interstage will be made in the radial direction to establish that the FLSC is free from breaks and kinks. An indexing and positioning system during the x-raying will insure the proper identification of the radiographs.

During the report period, the x-ray techniques were developed for the examination of the (FLSC) detonating cord while it is assembled in the interstage structure. Radial (full 360°) exposures to show the necessary detail of the FLSC while assembled in the interstage required no special techniques. Using a rod anode x-ray tube (see Figure 3-1), acceptable radiographs were obtained. Longitudinal shots that show the stand-off distance of FLSC to interstage skin were tried in various combinations of exposure times, current intensities, and film sensitivities. For x-ray shots parallel to interstage skin thickness, the quality of film plate detail and definition was poor, being severely hampered by the heavy rings at the ends of structure and rings immediately adjacent to the FLSC holder assembly. To overcome this, the interstage structure was tilted in increments of 1 inch (see Figure 3-2) and again x-rayed at combination of current intensities, exposure time, and film sensitivities to bring out the required detail. When the tilt was great enough (approximately 5 inches) for x-ray beams to pass by major aluminum obstructions a more detailed film plate could be made. The tilt method will give a good comparative picture of the

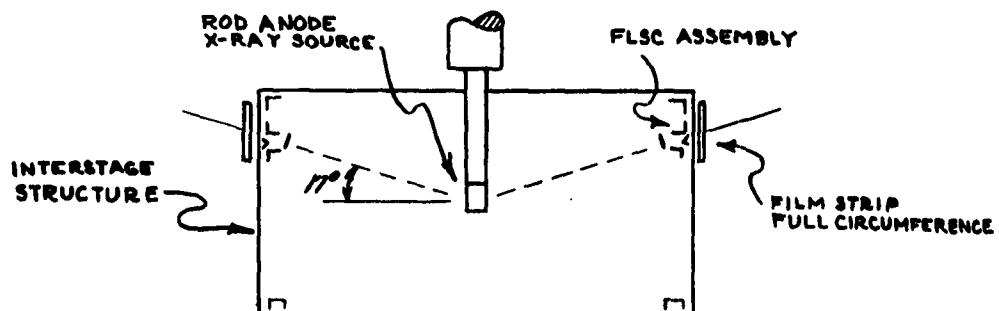


Figure 3-1. FLSC/interstage x-ray methods,
radial (360°) exposure

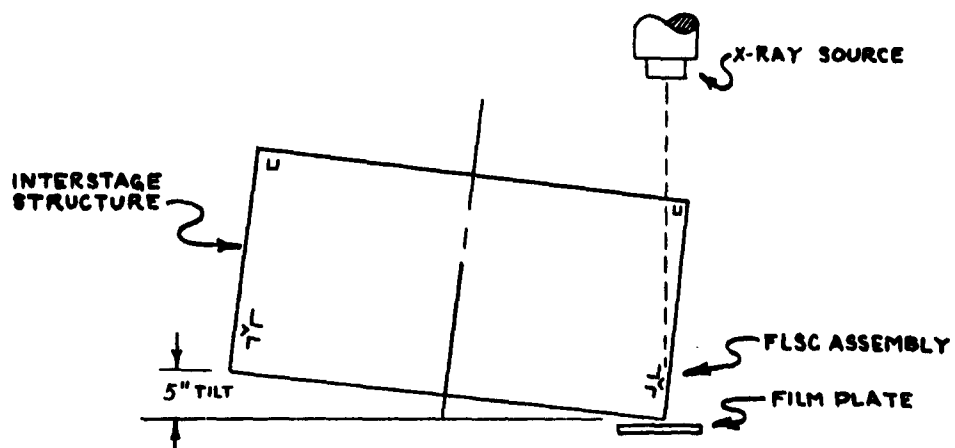


Figure 3-2. FLSC/interstage x-ray methods,
longitudinal exposure

condition of the FLSC and of dimensional changes that could result from the environmental testing. The following is a tabulation of radiographic exposure data arrived at for the radial and longitudinal exposures that will be taken on FLSC-Interstage Assembly:

Description	Radial (360°) Rod Anode Tube	Longitudinal 5 inch Tilt
Kilovoltage	100	110
M.A. Minutes	5 M.A. 1-1/2 Minutes	10 M.A. Minutes
Film Type	Dupont No. 510	Dupont No. 510
Screens	None	None
F. F. Distance	30 inches	36 inches
Tube/Focal Spot	.4 mm	.4 mm
Film Density	2.0	2.0
Remarks	Develop 5 min. at 68°F	Develop 5 min. at 68°F

SECTION 4

CONCLUSIONS

Although no final conclusions can be drawn at this time, initial indications are that the techniques to be employed in obtaining the test data will be adequate, and that facilities and ancillary equipment will be sufficient to achieve a successful test program. Further, the acceptance tests assured successful firing of the shaped charge system. In addition, the x-ray methods will assist in the examination of the separation system.

APPENDIX I
AVCO DATA SHEETS, DETONATOR ASSEMBLY



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LABORATORY DATA SHEET

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TITLE OF TEST 400 623 (capacitors)
DI TONATOR Assembly PT. NO. 400 612-1

TEST WORK ORDER NO. G 310-010-0002 LABORATORY TEST PLAN NO. RESISTANCE & INSULATION RESISTANCE DATA SECURITY CLASS

S/N	MILLIVOLT DROP	RESISTANCE	INSULATION RESISTANCE			
1	4.7 mV	.470 Ω	>100K MΩ			
2	4.45	.445 Ω				
3	4.35	.435 Ω				
4	4.80	.480 Ω				
5	5.00	.500 Ω				
6	4.80	.480 Ω				
7	4.60	.460 Ω				
8	4.80	.480 Ω			CALIBRATION CURRENT	10 mA
9	4.60	.460 Ω				
10	4.45	.445 Ω				
11	4.90	.490 Ω				
12	4.95	.495 Ω				
13	4.45	.445 Ω				
14	4.70	.470 Ω				
15	4.35	.435 Ω				
17	4.70	.470 Ω				
18	4.50	.450 Ω				
(19)	4.20	.420 Ω				
19	4.50	.450 Ω				
20	5.00	.500 Ω				
21	4.90	.490 Ω				
(21)	4.65	.465 Ω				
45	4.70	.470 Ω				
46	4.75	.475 Ω				
47	4.40	.440 Ω				
48	4.50	.450 Ω	>100K MΩ			

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MILLIVOLTMETER GENERAL RADIO R315 9-62

TEST ENGINEER <u>A. P. L.</u>	DATE	TEST WITNESS <u>R. Markussen</u>	DATE <u>5/20/63</u>	TEST WITNESS	DATE
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TITLE OF TEST

400623 (Connectors installed)

DETROIT 1538111111 PT NO 400612-1

TEST WORK ORDER NO.

LABORATORY TEST PLAN NO.

DATA SECURITY CLASS

G 310-010-0002

NO-FIRE CURRENT

S/N	CURRENT	TIME	RESULTS				
1	1 AMP	15 SEC	NO FIRE				
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							
7							
8							
9							
10							
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46	1.6 AMPS	0	FIRE	*			
47	1 AMP	15 SEC	NO FIRE				
48	↓	↓	↓				

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APPENDIX II
AVCO DATA SHEETS: DETONATOR CORD

LABORATORY DATA SHEET

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TITLE OF TEST

DETONATING CORD PT NO. 400618

TEST WORK ORDER NO.

LABORATORY TEST PLAN NO.

DATA SECURITY CLASS

G310-010-0002

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Detail Equipment Spec AAP-A 55105 B

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TITLE OF TEST

IDENTIFYING CARD PT NO 740615

TEST WORK ORDER NO.

LABORATORY TEST PLAN NO.

DATA SECURITY CLASS

G-310-C10-0002

SHOCK TEST

THREE DETONATOR CORDS DESIGNATED AS A, B, LC,

WERE SUBJECTED TO A SHOCK TEST, WHICH CONSISTED

[illegible]

THIS TEST WAS CONDUCTED ACCORDING TO SPEC.

18 Dec

RAD-11551058

REMARKS:

TEST ENGINEER

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TEST WITNESS

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TITLE OF TEST

DETONATING CORD PT NO 400618

TEST WORK ORDER NO.

LABORATORY TEST PLAN NO.

DATA SECURITY CLASS

G-310-010-0002

IMPACT TEST

THREE DETONATING CORDS DESIGNATED AS
D4, E4, & F4 WERE SUBJECTED TO HIT IMPACT
TEST WHICH CONSISTED OF DROPPING A ONE INCH
DIAMETER BAR WEIGHING FIVE POUNDS FROM A
HEIGHT OF THIRTY INCHES INTO THE MIDDLE OF
THE CORD

THIS TEST WAS CONDUCTED ACCORDING TO
SPEC RAD-A 35105X

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DETONATING CORD PT No. 400618

TEST WORK ORDER NO.

LABORATORY TEST PLAN NO.

DATA SECURITY CLASS

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TEMPERATURE TEST

THREE DETONATOR CORDS DESIGNATED AS D, E, + F

WERE SUBJECTED TO A TEMPERATURE OF 300°F FOR

SIX HOURS.

NO DEFECTS WERE OBSERVED AFTER THE COMPLETION

OF THIS TEST

THIS TEST WAS CONDUCTED ACCORDING TO SPEC

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DATA SECURITY CLASS

G-310-010-0002

SHOCK TEST

THREE DETONATING CORDS DESIGNATED AS
D, E, & F WERE SUBJECTED TO A SHOCK TEST,
WHICH CONSISTED OF THREE TWENTY FOOT
DROPS IN THE VERTICAL + HORIZONTAL POSITION
THIS TEST WAS CONDUCTED ACCORDING
TO SPEC RMD-H 55/058.^B
THIS TEST WAS PERFORMED AFTER
THE 300°F TEMPERATURE TEST

REMARKS:

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TITLE OF TEST

Susceptibility tests of Primers A, B, & C

TEST WORK ORDER NO.

LABORATORY TEST PLAN NO

DATA SECURITY CLASS

[illegible]

1. NAME

MIL-I-26600

Interference Control Equipment

[illegible]

DATE

TEST WINS!

DATE

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