

OPTIMUM MIX OF PASSIVE AND OF SPACE STRUCTURES ACTIVE CONTROL

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PACOSS-RELSAT FUNDING PROFILE (\$K)

101.	3472	1190	1106	
FY88	154	I	I	
FY87	640	30	30	
<u>FY86</u>	1349	310	433	
<u>FY85</u>	518	450	194	
FY84	421	325	375	
FY83	390	75	74	
	PACOSS	RELSAT-GE	RELSAT-BOEING	



PACOSS - SIMPLIFIED FLOW DIAGRAM

LARGE GENERIC TEST ARTICLE



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The challenge: Vibration Suppression (settling time and Jitter) of a Structure characterized by Low Frequency High global modal density

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DEFINITION

FLEXIBLE STRUCTURE: STRUCTURES WHICH HAS NATURAL VIBRATION FREQUENCIES IN THE PASSBAND OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM



DEFINITION

PRECISION STRUCTURE: STRUCTURE CARRYING OBJECTS WHICH MUST FLY IN PRECISE FORMATION





SUMMARY OF FINAL DTA DIMENSIONS

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COMF	ONENT	DIMENSION (M)	MASS (KG)
1)	BOX TRUSS	2.59 x 2.59 x 0.324	146
2)	RING TRUSS	DIAMETER: 2.9	59.7
3)	TRIPOD	DIAMETER AT BASE: 2.59 HEIGHT: 2.59	29.4
(ħ	EQUIPMENT PLATFORM	LENGTH: 1.295	7.00
5)	ANTENNA	DIAMETER: 0.648	4.52
6.7) SOLAR ARRAYS	LENGTH: 2.59	12.0

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PACOSS DAMPING CONCEPTS

DAMPING CONCEPT	APPLICATION COMPONENTS
CONSTRAINED LAYER TREATMENT	antenna support tubes tripod legs
JOINT DAMPING	BOX TRUSS CORNER JOINTS BOX TRUSS / RING TRUSS INTERFACE
ELONGATIONAL DAMPING ELEMENT	TENSION MEMBERS
extensional shear damper	Equipment platforms support truss
TUNED MASS DAMPER	SOLAR ARRAYS





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Figure 3 Active Control Energy Expenditure



SYSTEM LIFE CYCLE OPTIMUM





SUMMARY

- ANALYZED, TESTED AND CORRELATED 5% PASSIVE DAMPING IN LARGE TRUSS
- **RSA RE-TARGET ANALYSIS SHOWS PAYOFF OF PASSIVE DAMPING**
- LSS MUST INCORPORATE PASSIVE DAMPING FROM THE OUTSET (RELATIVE STIFFNESSES MUST BE TAILORED)
- SYSTEM PERFORMANCE WILL NOT BE MET BY EITHER ACTIVE **OR PASSIVE ALONE**

2. In 1983, the Flight Dynamics Laboratory at Wright-Patterson AFB initiated three contracts in passive damping in space. The two RELSAT (Reliability for Satellite Equipment Under Vibration) contracts (GE Valley Forge and Boeing Aerospace) use integrally damped equipment support structure to suppress vibratory disturbances on equipment. Vibration levels have been reduced 50-70%. RELSAT technology would be useful to design passive damping into local modes, which may or may not be significant. A contract with LTV has designed, built, tested, and qualified for flight, damped laminated skin for an A7 aircraft leading edge flap, three of which are now flying.

3. The PACOSS contract examined future Air Force missions and systems for needed passive damping technology. The truss type construction is typical and a pair of free standing 60 foot tall truss towers were built and tested early in the contract. These tests established that five per cent viscous damping was very practical for these proper size of space type truss construction. High global modal density interacting with active control is judged to be the challenge. PACOSS will design, build, and test a Dynamic Test Article (DTA) which incorporates an active control system.

4. The Twin Towers were designed to have close natural frequencies and a range of modal damping for various modes.

5. The link dampers were carefully designed to have the correct stiffness relative to the rest of the structure. The design process is based on modal strain energy. The damping results from energy dissipation in the viscoelastic material (VEM).

6. Qualatively, the payoff of damping, whether passive or active, is self evident. Damping reduces settling time and jitter, which results in less system time per target.

7. The challenge is vibration suppression/settling time and line-of-sight [JOS] jitter) of a space structure which possesses low frequency, high density of global vibration modes.

8. "Flexible structure" is defined as any structure which has natural vibration frequencies in the passband of the control system. This includes all satellites, because low frequency appendage (solar arrays, antennas, equipment booms) modes interact with the "rigid borly" attitude control system.

9. "Precision structure" is defined as any structure carrying objects (e.g., mirrors) which must fly in precise formation. Note that the structure itself is not necessarily precise.

10. The Dynamic Test Article (DTA) has been carefully designed to have high density of global vibration modes appropriate to the vibration properties of a broad class of system. The ring truss, the box truss, the tripod, the solar arrays, the equipment boom, and the antenna have been sized. Sensors, actuators, and other control system components will be included.

11. The DTA dimensions and weights are carefully selected to fit the shuttle cargo bay. Launch of this particular DTA is not appropriate.

12. Five types of damping concepts, including the link of the 60' Twin Towers, will be integrally designed into the DTA.

13. Analysis of the Representative System Article (RSA), which is dynamically similar to the DTA, for a retargeting maneuver has shown that modest levels of passive damping dramatically reduce the control energy required.

14. More trade studies are needed for specific retargeting and/or LOS jitter due to dynamic disturbances. These studies should investigate control energy required as a function of percent of viscous passive damping over a range of 0.1 - 10.%. Ideally, a system level like cycle merit function could be developed, which properly weights all related effects.

15. In summary, the payoffs of passive damping and its synergism with active control is beginning to be understood.

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