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STRAPDOWN SYSTEM REDUNDANCY MANAGEMENT FLIGHT DEMONSTRATION

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Guidance and Control Systems division of Litton Systems, Inc. conducted a flight test of a tuned-rotor, two-degree-of-freedom gyro strapdown system to evaluate a redundancy management concept. This evaluation was performed under Langley Research Center contract NAS1-15155 in November 1977.

The redundancy management approach evolved from a series of analytical and experimental studies undertaken by Litton as part of an independent research and development program and under contracts to NASA, to McDonnell Douglas Corporation, and to the U.S. Air Force.

A comprehensive treatment of redundancy management using tuned-rotor gyros is given in report NASA CR-145305 entitled "Preliminary Design of a Redundant Strapped Down Inertial Navigation Unit Using Two-Degree-of-Freedom Tuned-Gimbal Gyroscopes" dated October 1976. This report describes the work performed by Litton under contract NAS1-13847 for the Langley Research Center. The purpose of this study was to determine the suitability of strapdown inertial systems in providing highly reliable short-term navigation for vertical take-off and landing (VTOL) aircraft operating in an intra-urban setting under all-weather conditions. A result of this program was a preliminary design configuration of a skewed sensor inertial reference system employing a redundancy management concept to achieve fail-operational, fail-operational performance.

The concept studied under the NASA program was continued under Litton IRAD sponsorship by building and testing a dual inertial measurement unit (IMU) system.

The basic system used was the LN-50 strapdown inertial navigation system (INS) developed and flight tested under IRAD in 1975-1976. The second IMU (skewed) was added in 1976, also under IRAD. Laboratory and road tests of this redundant system (RLN-50) were done as part of the USAF/McDonnell Douglas Multi-Function Inertial Reference Assembly (MIRA) program.

2.0 DESCRIPTION OF TEST PROGRAM

2.1 Objective

The purpose of the NASA/Langley Strapdown Redundancy Management Flight Demonstration was to provide information regarding the software redundancy management capabilities and the demonstration of failure detection and isolation techniques of the Litton RLN-50 System under flight conditions. A description of the RLN-50 System is given in Appendix A.

2.2 Summary of Results

The Litton Redundant Strapdown Inertial Navigator was evaluated in Litton's Merlin IV aircraft from November 11, 1977 through November 18, 1977. Figure 1 shows the test aircraft utilized for this demonstration. A total of five flights were performed along with one ground checkout run. The results obtained from the flight evaluation testing are as follows:

- a. The failure detection and isolation techniques of the RLN-50 software were verified in a flight environment by deliberate insertion of faults into the IMU No. 2 (skewed) solution.
- b. During the flight demonstration two "false alarms" occurred.
- c. The navigation performance of the level solution was approximately 1.0 nm/hr for all flights including the ground checkout run.

The false alarms mentioned above were subsequently determined to be due to the effect of a heading misalignment angle between IMU No. 1 and IMU No. 2. A discussion and analysis of this effect is given in section 4 of this report.

2.3 Conclusions

- a. The redundancy management scheme is effective in detecting and isolating failures introduced into the system under flight conditions.
- b. A sensitivity of redundant strapdown systems to initial heading misalignment was defined. This effect was determined from an analysis of false alarms observed during the flight test.



Figure 1. Merlin IV Test Aircraft

- c. Navigation performance was monitored continuously during flight with position and velocity recorded. The performance was consistent with earlier LN-50 flight tests results, approximately 1.0 nm/hr.

3.0 FLIGHT TEST

3.1 Test Data

Flight test results are summarized in the plotted data of figures 2 thru 7, which show radial position errors from the level IMU solution for each of the 5 flights, and for a static run.

Figure 8 shows the radial position error for the skewed solution for a typical flight (14 November north-south flight). The plots of the gyro and accelerometer parity equations for the same 14 November north-south flight are presented in Appendix B.

3.2 Test Procedures

The RLN-50 system was installed in the Litton Merlin IV aircraft on November 10, 1977. Figure 9 shows the RLN-50 system installation layout in the Merlin IV cargo area and figure 10 shows the installed system. The following day ground checkout was completed and the flight evaluation phase began. The test plan utilized for the ground checkout and flight tests is presented in table I.

Gyro and accelerometer failures were established to provide information using a combination of one gyro and three accelerometers from IMU No. 1 and one gyro from IMU No. 2.

The gyro fault levels were set at 2.4°/h and 0.9°/s while the accelerometer fault levels were set at 1.9 mg and 124 mg. The low level failures (2.4°/h) and 1.9 mg) demonstrated the ability to detect and isolate soft gyro/accelerometer failures which, over a period of time, will degrade navigation performance. The high level failures (0.9°/s and 124 mg), which will affect the performance of a flight control system, were inserted to demonstrate the system's ability to detect and isolate hard gyro/accelerometer failures. Table II summarizes the time to isolate the faults inserted during the test program.

Test flight operations were based at the Van Nuys, California airport. East-West flights were made between VOR stations at Van Nuys and Parker, Arizona. North-South flights were between Van Nuys and Big Sur, California. The box pattern flight was

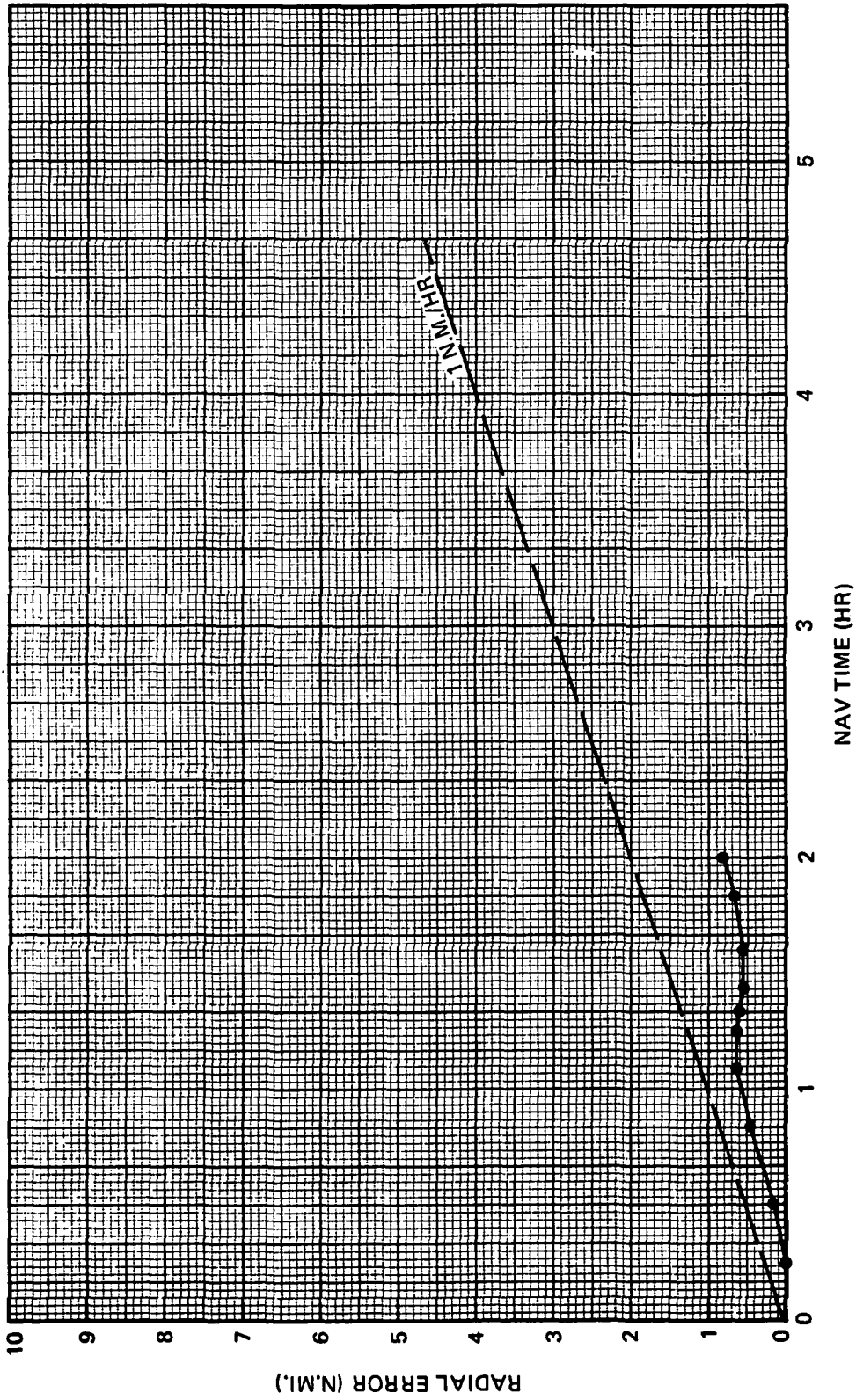


Figure 2. RLN-50 Static Navigation Test (11 November 1977)

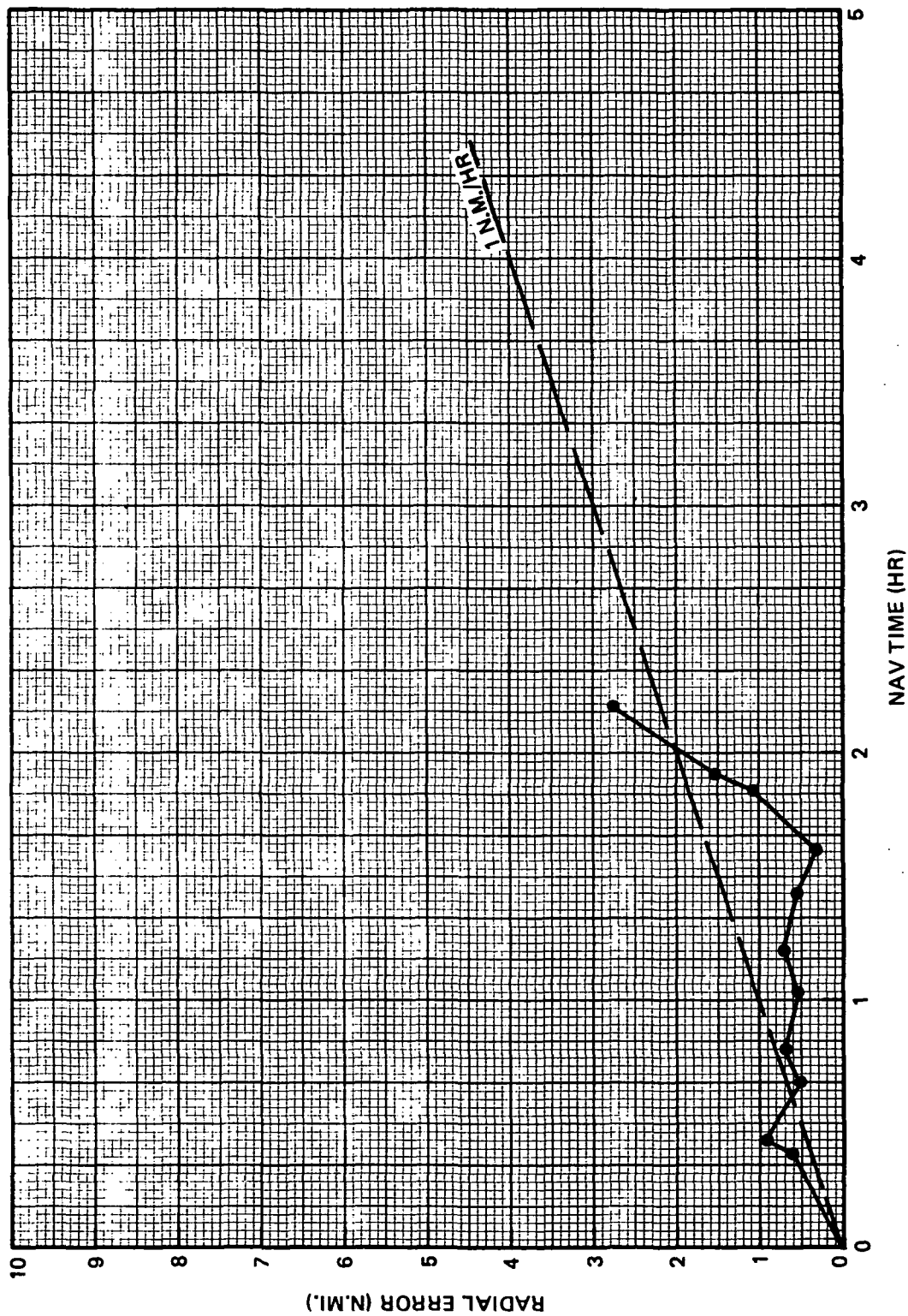


Figure 3. RLN-50 East-West Flight Test (11 November 1977)

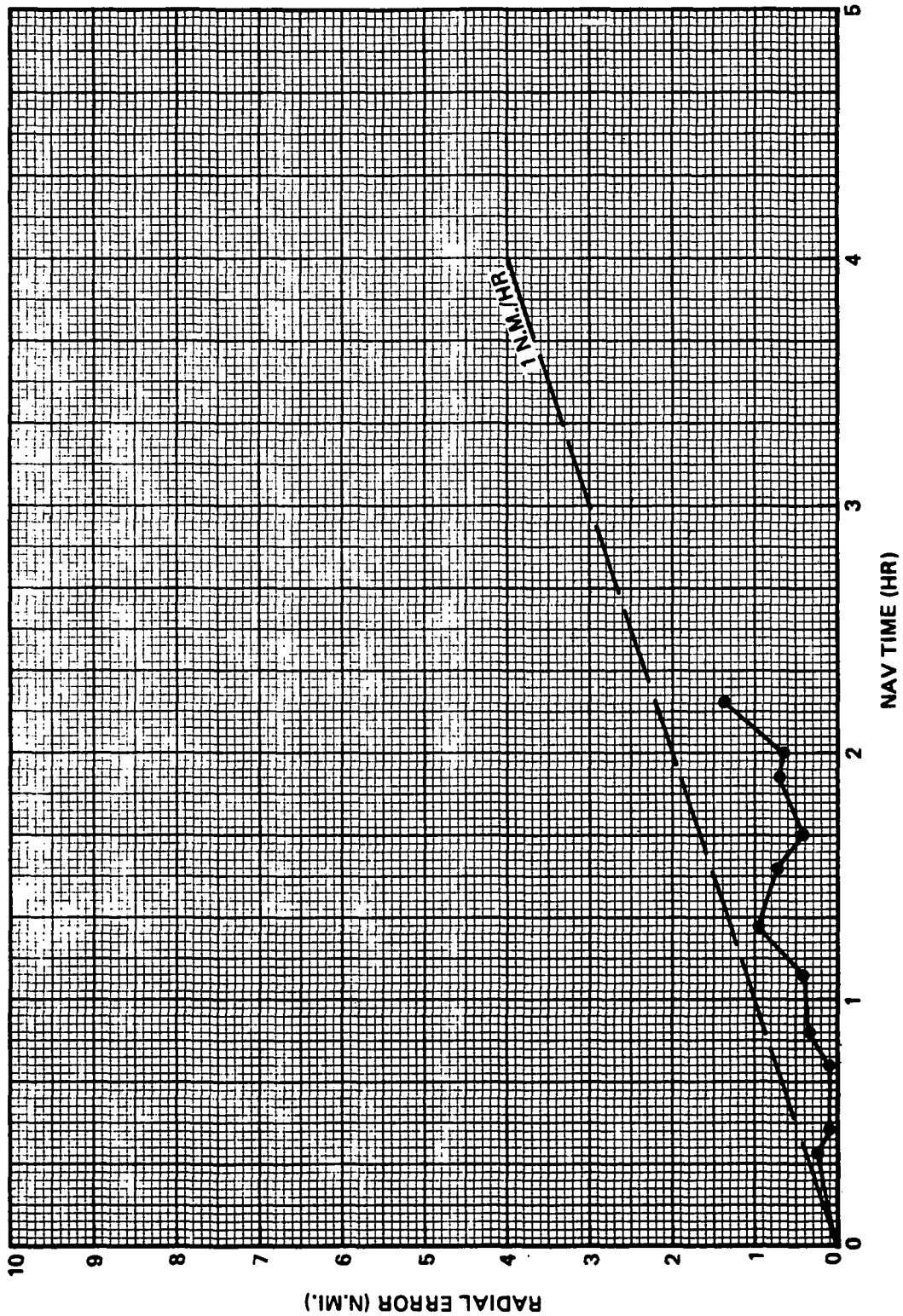


Figure 4. RLN-50 East-West Flight Test (14 November 1977)

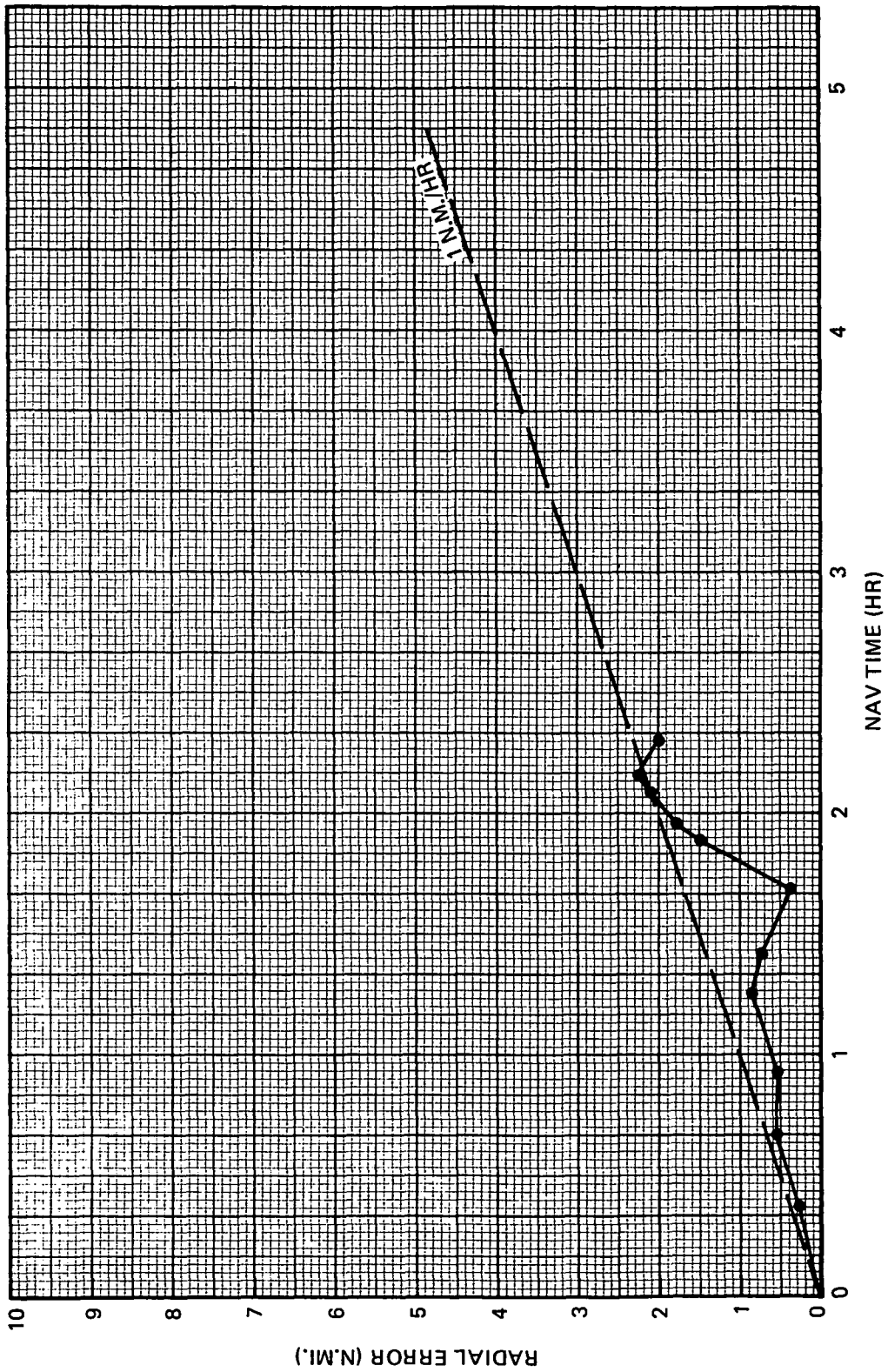


Figure 5. RLN-50 North-South Flight Test (14 November 1977)

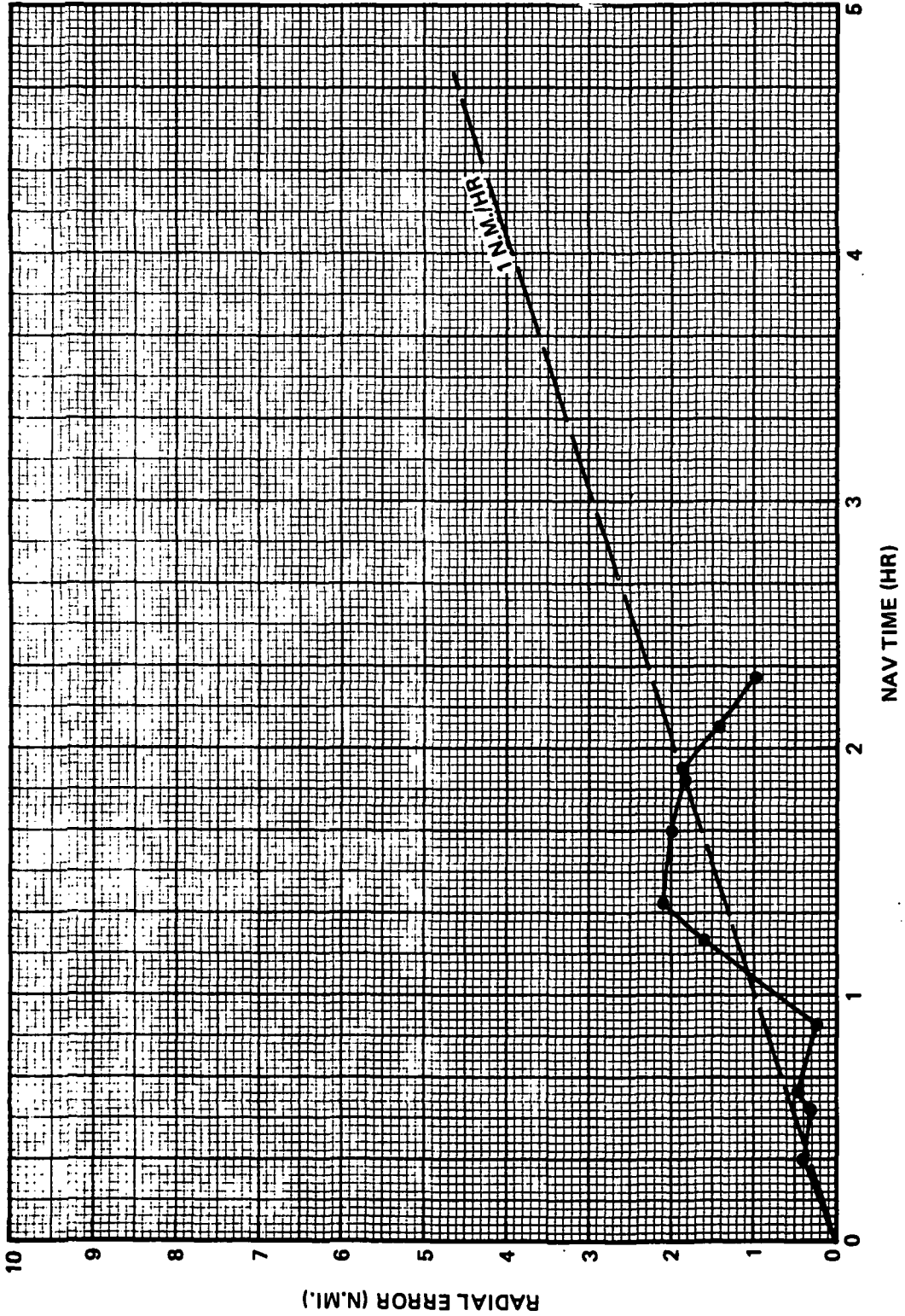


Figure 6. RLN-50 North-South Flight Test (15 November 1977)

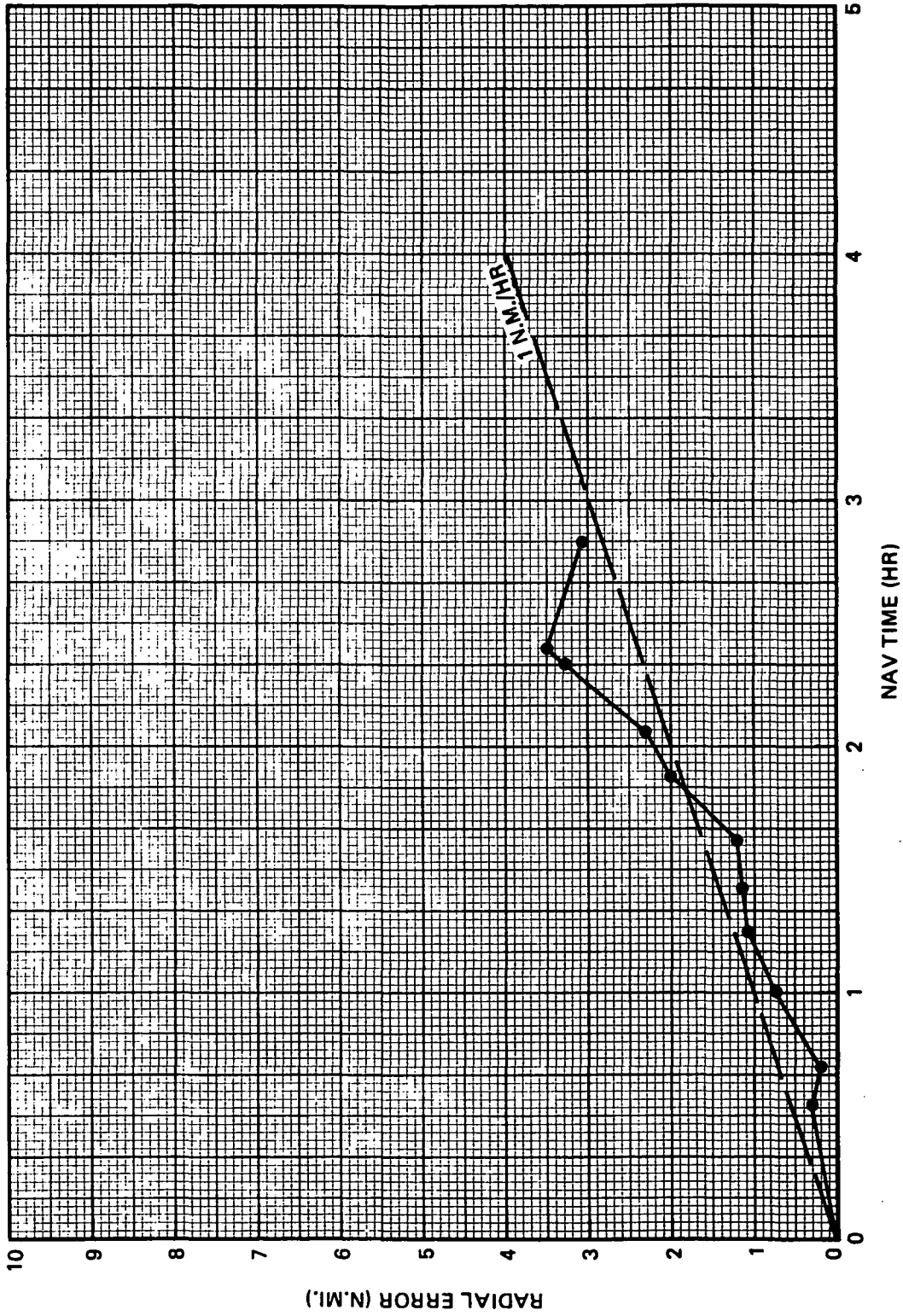


Figure 7. RLN-50 Box Pattern Flight Test (18 November 1977)

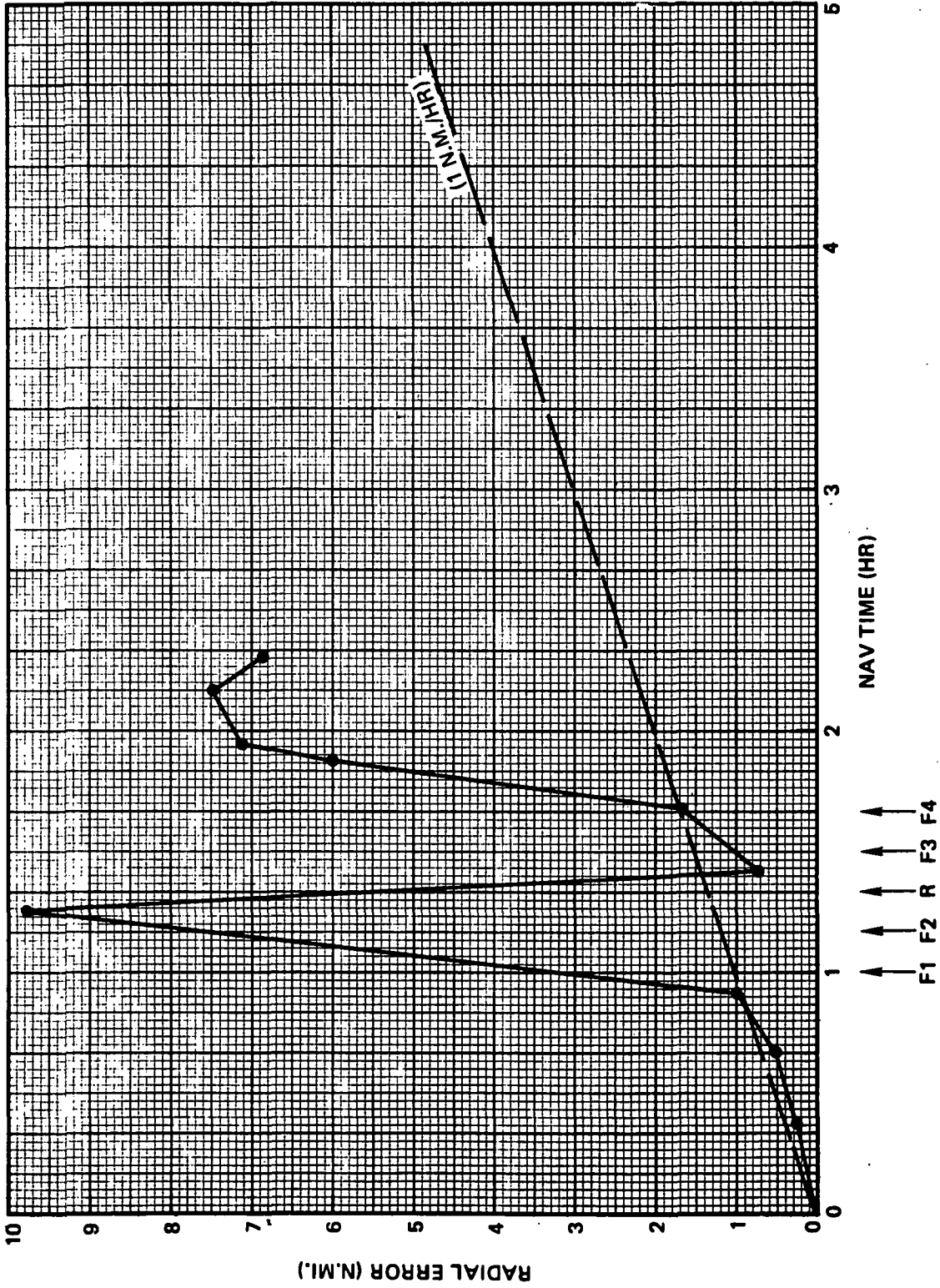


Figure 8. RLN-50 Skewed Solution North-South Flight Test (14 November 1977)

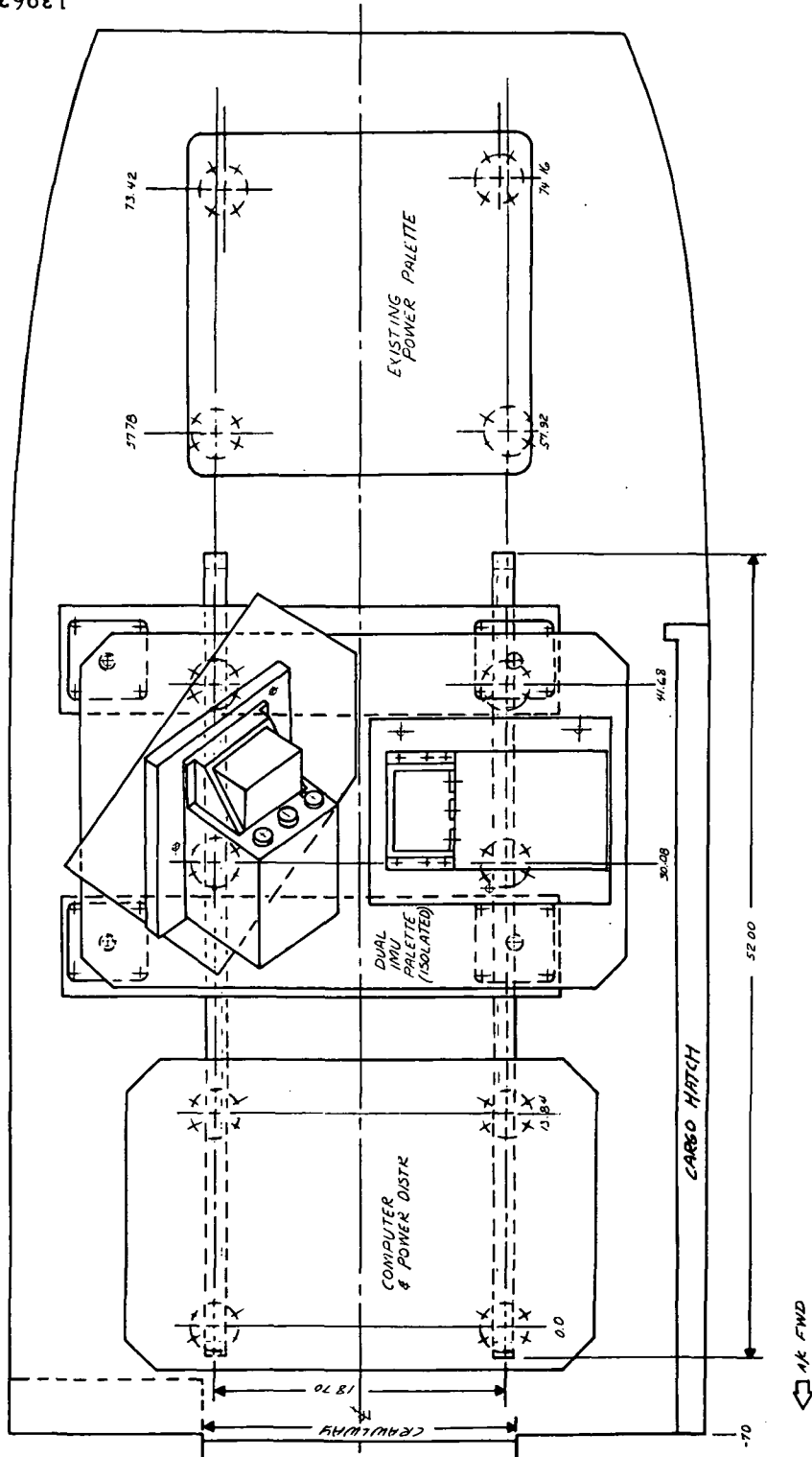


Figure 9. RLN-50 System Installation In Merlin IV Cargo Area

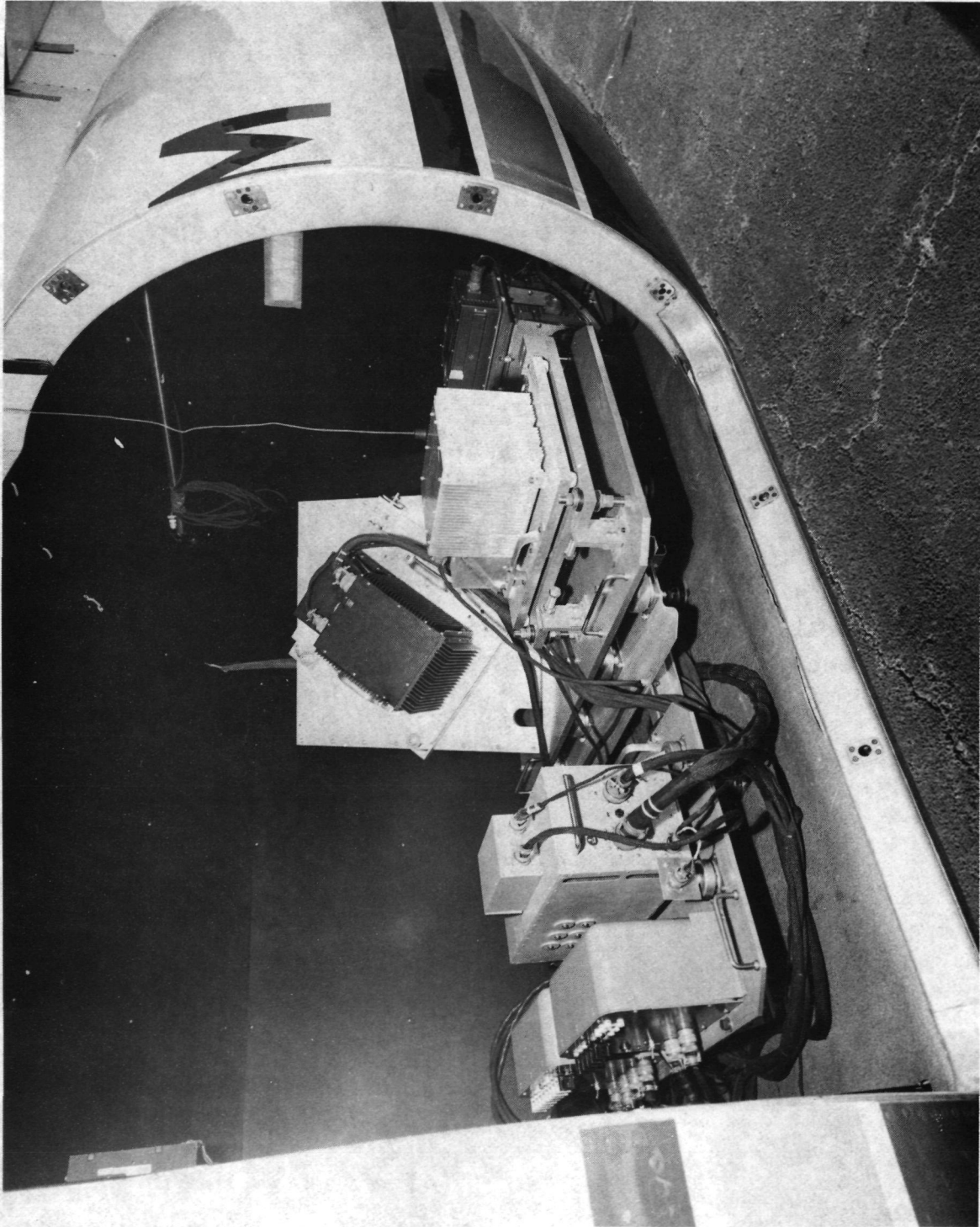
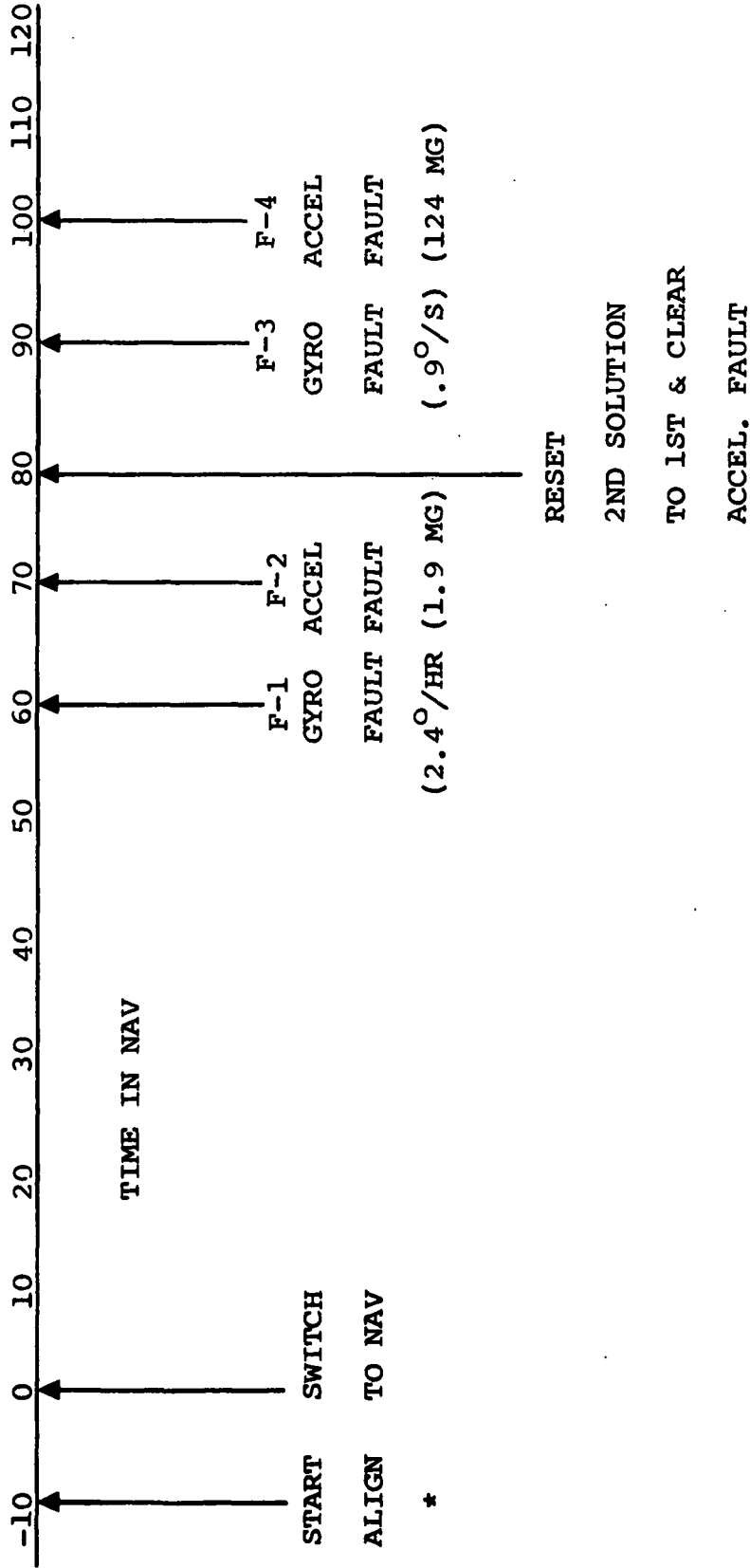


Figure 10. Two LN-50 IMUs on Test Pallet Installed in Test Aircraft

TABLE I. TEST PLAN FOR NASA/LANGLEY FLIGHT DEMONSTRATION



*NOTE: Alternate solution and auto select flags were set at the beginning of the ALIGN mode.

from Van Nuys to Parker to Goffs to Lake Hughes to Van Nuys. All flights were made at a speed of 408 km/hr (220 knots) and at an altitude of 3048 m. (10,000 ft.).

At the conclusion of each flight, the RLN-50 System was allowed to continue running in order to observe the velocity errors that had been generated during the flight. Table III lists the peak X and Y velocity errors generated from the level solution for all flights, including the ground checkout run.

Table IV contains the VOR station checkpoint coordinates for each flight pattern utilized for the RLN-50 demonstration. Table V shows the RLN-50 teletype printout format and table VI shows a sample of the teletype printout.

Testing was completed on November 18, 1977 and the RLN-50 system was removed from the Merlin aircraft.

4.0 ANALYSIS OF PARITY EQUATION FAILURES

During the first flight it was noted that gyro parity equation 1, 4 reached its upper limit, indicating a failure had occurred, while the aircraft was performing a 180 degree turn. The first theory proposed was that bending of the IMU flight pallet, due to g-loading effects during a turn, was causing the attitude adjustment between the IMUs to change, triggering the false alarm.

To minimize possible bending of the pallet, the roll angle of the aircraft was restricted to a maximum of 20 degrees whenever a turn was performed. This approach proved to be successful. One additional false alarm was noted during the final flight, and again, this occurred while the aircraft was executing a turn with a roll angle exceeding 20 degrees. These were the only two false alarms noted during the entire test period.

An investigation into the gyro parity failure which occurred during the test period was initiated following the flight demonstration. The original theory, bending of the flight pallet, was dismissed and another approach was considered. An error in the adjustment of the heading delta between IMU No. 1 and IMU No. 2 was considered as a possible source. The following analysis will show how this error source, coupled with a 180-degree turn and a roll angle of 20 degrees, will cause gyro parity equation 1,4 to fail. Figure 11 represents the input axis for gyro No. 1 (X_1 Y_1) and gyro No.2 (X_2 , Y_2) of the level IMU in the body frame. Assume IMU No. 1 is misaligned from IMU No. 2 in heading by an

TABLE II. ISOLATION TIME AFTER FAULT INSERTION

Flight/Date	Fault Isolation Time (Seconds)			
	F-1	F-2	F-3	F-4
Static 11/11/77	266.02	533.0	0.14	4.5
E-W 11/11/77	279.14	363.0	0.15	4.5
E-W 11/14/77	284.35	381.0	0.15	4.5
N-S 11/14/77	298.22	429.0	0.14	4.5
N-3 11/15/77	390.0	227.0	0.14	4.5
Box 11/18/77	300.0	271.0	0.14	4.5

TABLE III. RLN-50 FLIGHT TEST VELOCITY PEAKS
(REFERENCE SOLUTION)

Flight Pattern	X-Velocity	Y-Velocity
East-West	1.83 m/s (6.0 f/s)	-1.34 m/s (-4.4 f/s)
East-West	-0.98 m/s (-3.2 f/s)	-2.71 m/s (-8.9 f/s)
North-South	-0.64 m/s (-2.1 f/s)	-1.13 m/s (-3.7 f/s)
North-South	-2.23 m/s (-7.3 f/s)	1.25 m/s (4.1 f/s)
Box Pattern	-2.74 m/s (-9.0 f/s)	0.95 m/s (3.1 f/s)
Static	-0.03 m/s (-0.1 f/s)	0.49 m/s (1.6 f/s)

TABLE IV. FLIGHT TEST CHECKPOINT COORDINATES

East-West Flight Plan (2.5 Hr. Round Trip)		
VOR Station	Latitude	Longitude
Van Nuys (VNY)	N 34° -13.4'	W 118° -29.5'
Pomona (POM)	N 34° -04.7'	W 117° -47.2'
Ontario (ONT)	N 33° -55.1'	W 117° -31.7'
Palm Springs (PSP)	N 33° -52.2'	W 116° -25.7'
Twentynine Palms (TNP)	N 34° -06.7'	W 115° -46.2'
Parker (PKE)	N 34° -06.1'	W 114° -40.9'
North-South Flight Plan (2.5 Hr. Round Trip)		
VOR Station	Latitude	Longitude
Van Nuys (VNY)	N 34° -13.4'	W 118° -29.5'
Fillmore (FIM)	N 34° -21.4'	W 118° -52.8'
Santa Barbara (SBA)	N 34° -30.6'	W 119° -46.2'
Gaviota (GVO)	N 34° -31.9'	W 120° -05.6'
Santa Maria (SMX)	N 34° -57.2'	W 120° -31.2'
San Luis Obispo (SBP)	N 35° -15.1'	W 120° -45.5'
Big Sur (BSR)	N 36° -10.0'	W 121° -38.5'

TABLE IV.. FLIGHT TEST CHECKPOINT COORDINATES (cont)

Box Pattern (2.5 Hr. Round Trip)			
VOR Station		Latitude	Longitude
Lake Hughes	(LHS)	N 34° -41.1'	W 118° -34.6'
Palmdale	(PMD)	N 34° -37.9'	W 118° -03.8'
Hector	(HEC)	N 34° -47.8'	W 116° -27.7'
Goffs	(GFS)	N 35° -07.9'	W 115° -10.5'
Needles	(EED)	N 34° -46.0'	W 114° -28.4'
Parker	(PKE)	N 34° -06.1'	W 114° -40.9'
Twentynine Palms	(TNP)	N 34° -06.7'	W 115° -46.2'
Palm Springs	(PSP)	N 33° -52.2'	W 116° -25.7'
Ontario	(ONT)	N 33° -66.1'	W 117° -31.7'
Pomona	(POM)	N 34° -04.7'	W 117° -47.2'
Van Nuys	(VNY)	N 34° -13.4'	W 118° -29.5'

TABLE V. RLN-50 TTY PRINTOUT WITH DEFINITION OF TERMS

TIME (sec)	LAT	LONG	PIT	ROLL	HEAD	Δ LAT	Δ LONG
	← XXX.XXXX (DEG) →				XX.XXXXXX (N.M.)		
TIME	R LAT	R LONG	R PIT	R ROLL	R HEAD	R Δ LAT	R Δ LONG
TIME	VN	VE	VY	VX	F TIMER	GXY TEMP	GZR TEMP
	← XXXX.XXX (FT/SEC) →				XXXXX.XX (SEC)	XXX.XXXX (DEG F)	
TIME	R VN	R VE	R VY	R VX	D TIMER	R GXY TEMP	R GZR TEMP
TIME	T ₁₂	T ₁₃	T ₁₄	T ₂₃	T ₂₄	T ₃₄	T ₁
	← X.XXXXXXX (DEG) →						
TIME	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	T ₅	T ₆	T ₇	T ₈
	← XX.XXXXXX (FT/SEC) →						
TIME	T ₉	B.M.TAG	B.M.TIME	G PARITY	A PARITY	SEL.WORD	SYS STAT
		XXXXX.XX (SEC)		← XXXXXXXX (OCTAL) →			
TIME	Instantaneous record of time that system has been navigating or aligning.						
LAT	Latitude computer by the reference solution						
LONG	Longitude computed by the reference solution						
PIT	Pitch angle of reference solution						

TABLE V. RLN-50 TTY PRINTOUT WITH
DEFINITION OF TERMS (cont)

ROLL	Roll angle of reference solution
HEAD	Heading angle of reference solution
Δ LAT.	Latitude error reference solution
Δ LONG	Longitude error reference solution
R LAT	Latitude computed by the redundant solution
R LONG	Longitude computed by the redundant solution
R PIT	Pitch angle of redundant solution
R ROLL	Roll angle of redundant solution
R HEAD	Heading angle of redundant solution
R Δ LAT	Latitude error redundant solution
R Δ LONG	Longitude error redundant solution
VN	North velocity reference solution
VE	East velocity reference solution
VY	Y-Velocity reference solution
VX	X-Velocity reference solution
F TIMER	Fault insertion time
GXY TEMP	Temperature of X-Y gyro reference IMU
GZR TEMP	Temperature of Z-R gyro reference IMU
R VN	North velocity redundant solution
R VE	East velocity redundant solution
R VY	Y-Velocity redundant solution

TABLE V. RLN-50 TTY PRINTOUT WITH
DEFINITION OF TERMS (cont)

R VX	X-Velocity redundant solution
D TIMER	Fault detection time
R GXY TEMP	Temperature of X-Y gyro skewed IMU
R GZR TEMP	Temperature of Z-R gyro skewed IMU
$T_{12} - T_{34}$	Gyro parity equation responses
$T_1 - T_9$	Accelerometer parity equation responses
B.M. TAG	Tags each check point that aircraft flew over
B.M. TIME	Represents the time when each check point was flow over
G PARITY	Octal word from computer memory indicating which gyro parity equations have reached the upper limit
A PARITY	Octal word from computer memory indicating which accel. parity equations have reached the upper limit
SEL. WORD	Octal word indicating which design equations are being utilized for the redundant solution
SYS STAT	Octal word indicating system malfunctions if they should occur

TABLE VI. SAMPLE RLN-50 TTY PRINTOUT

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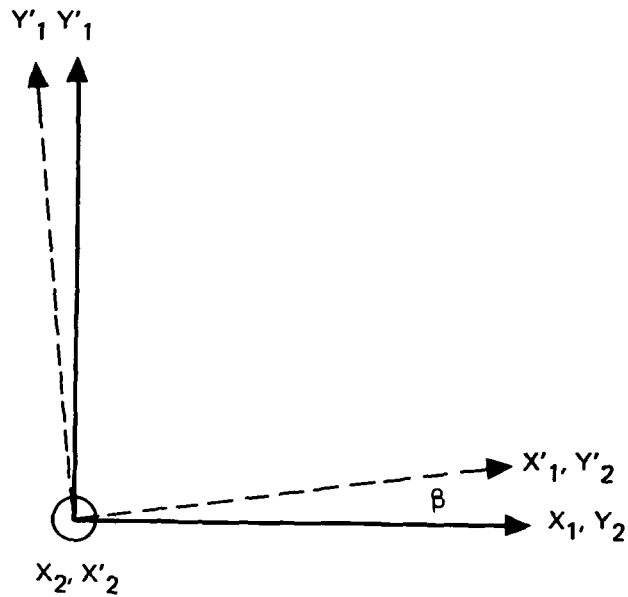
angle, β . Equation set (1) represents what each gyro will sense assuming β is equal to zero, while equation set (2) is an approximation of what each gyro will sense assuming an angle β . By substituting equation set (2) into the gyro parity equations (see Appendix A) equation set (3) is obtained. If we now assume a roll angle $-R$ and a heading change H and substitute these variables into equations T_{13} - T_{24} from set (3) the final result is obtained in equation set (4). Note that the greatest effect will be to gyro parity equation T_{14} . Using parity equation T_{14} , the value of β needed to cause a parity failure was found to be approximately 1.6×10^{-3} radians (0.092 deg.).

An experiment was performed in the laboratory using the RLN-50 system to verify the above analysis. IMU No. 1 was misaligned from IMU No. 2 in heading by a known angle (β). Gyro parity equations T_{13} , T_{14} were monitored while the IMU flight pallet was rotated in roll and then heading. The results of this experiment are tabulated in table VII.

The observed parity equation failures (false alarms) are thus explained as due to initial heading misalignment.

Only the heading misalignment angle between IMU No. 1 and IMU No. 2 was of sufficient magnitude to affect gyro parity equations. This misalignment had no significant effect on accelerometer parity equations as shown in Figures B-7 thru B-15 of Appendix B.

Flight path had no effect on parity equations, but turns did affect parity equations due to the previously discussed heading misalignment error.



$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad X_1 &= (1, 0, 0) X, Y, Z \\
 Y_1 &= (0, 1, 0) X, Y, Z \\
 X_2 &= (0, 0, 1) X, Y, Z \\
 Y_2 &= (1, 0, 0) X, Y, Z
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2) \quad X'_1 &= (1, B, 0) X, Y, Z \\
 Y'_1 &= (-B, 1, 0) X, Y, Z \\
 X'_2 &= (0, 0, 1) X, Y, Z \\
 Y'_2 &= (1, B, 0) X, Y, Z
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3) \quad T_{12} &= \text{NO EFFECT} \\
 T_{13} &= -B/\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{2}, 1, 0) \\
 T_{14} &= -B/\sqrt{3}(-\sqrt{2}, 1, 0) \\
 T_{23} &= B/\sqrt{3}(0, 1, 0) \\
 T_{24} &= B/\sqrt{3}(0, 1, 0) \\
 T_{34} &= \text{NO EFFECT}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4) \quad T_{13} &= -B/\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{2}) H \sin R + B/\sqrt{3}(R) \\
 T_{14} &= +B/\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{2}) H \sin R + B/\sqrt{3}(R) \\
 T_{23} &= -B/\sqrt{3}(R) \\
 T_{24} &= -B/\sqrt{3}(R)
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure 11. Input Axes for Level IMU Gyros No. 1 and No. 2

TABLE VII. SUMMARY OF RLN-50 LABORATORY TESTING

Roll Angle $R \cong 10^\circ$		
Gyro Parity Equation	Predicted Results	Test Results
T_{13}	$+.030^\circ$	$+.034^\circ$
T_{14}	$+.030^\circ$	$+.034^\circ$
Roll Angle $R \cong 10^\circ$ Heading Change $H \cong 90^\circ$		
Gyro Parity Equation	Predicted Results	Test Results
T_{13}	$-.036^\circ$	$-.049^\circ$
T_{14}	$+.096^\circ$	$+.096^\circ$

NOTE: Misalignment Angle $\beta \cong 0.3^\circ$

APPENDIX A
LITTON RLN-50 DEMONSTRATION
SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

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The Litton Strapdown Redundant Inertial Navigator utilizes two orthogonal inertial measurement units (IMU) and one computer, with suitable readout provisions. The hardware is Litton's LN-50 Demonstration Strapdown Inertial Navigation System, mechanized using two G-6 turned rotor gyros and three A-1000 accelerometers in each IMU.

A second IMU is added to the LN-50 to achieve the redundant system. This second IMU is skewed relative to the first so that full three-dimensional information is available with failures of one or two gyros or accelerometers.

Figure A-1 shows the installation of the two IMUs on the pallet. The skew angle is produced by a 90° rotation, as shown in figure A-2, such that the four gyro spin axis, Y, Z, Y', and Z' are equally spaced about a 90° cone.

The outputs of the two IMUs are input to the same LN-50 computer. The software in that computer is structured as shown in figure A-3. The predictable errors of each instrument are removed by compensation at an iteration rate of 64 Hz. Provision for simulating gyro or accelerometer errors is included. These simulated faults are manually injected by means of the LN-50 control display unit. The resulting redundant measurements are compared in failure detection and isolation equations to determine which measurement is in error. The form of these FDI equations, filtering, and logic, solved at a 64 Hz rate, are shown in figures A-4 and A-5 for gyro and accelerometer measurements, respectively.

Two completely separate strapdown solutions are then formed. One is a reference solution using the nonskewed IMU without instrument faults injected. The second solution is based on selectable (manual or automatic via FDI results) pairs of gyros and sets of accelerometers. Design equations perform coordinate transformations and account for the redundant measurement data contained in two two-degree-of-freedom gyros. Two separate sets of quaternion coordinate transformations and inertial navigation equations are then available for comparison. Transients induced into the second solution by manual fault insertion prior to FDI response are then directly observable.

Figures A-6 and A-7 define instrument geometry and coordinate systems.

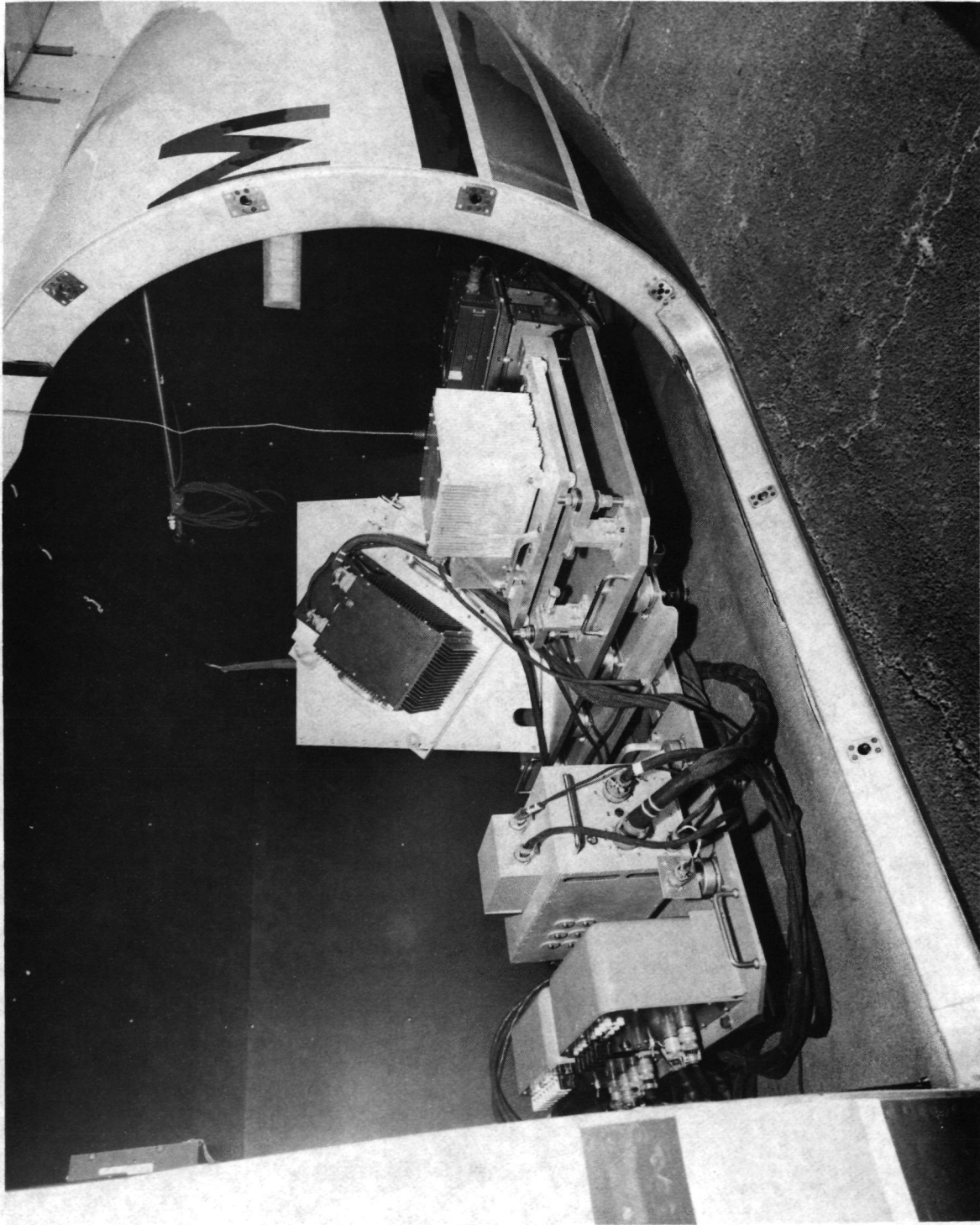


Figure A-1. Two Strapdown IMU's Attached to a Pallet
With One IMU Skewed

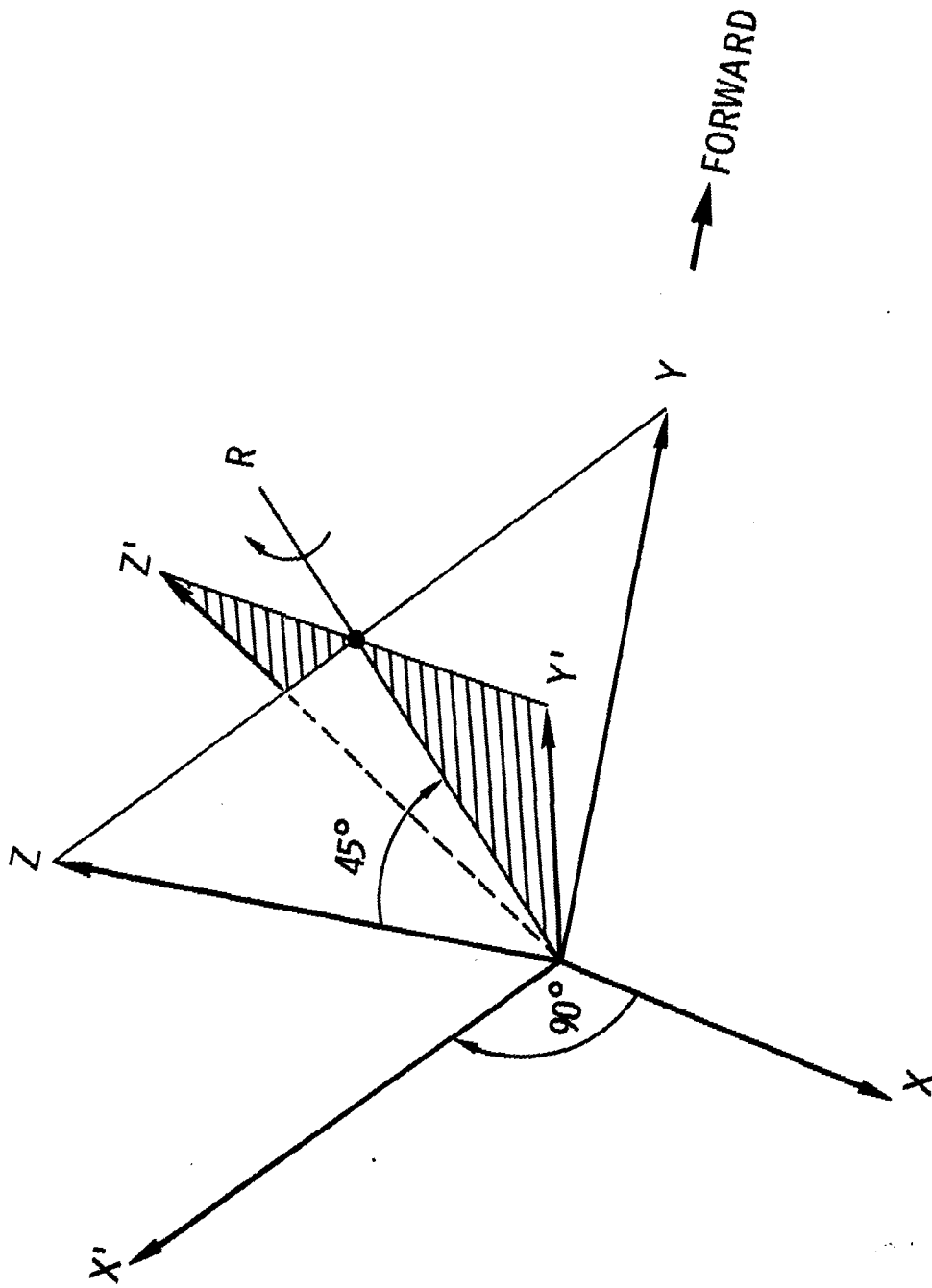


Figure A-2. Dual IMU Geometry

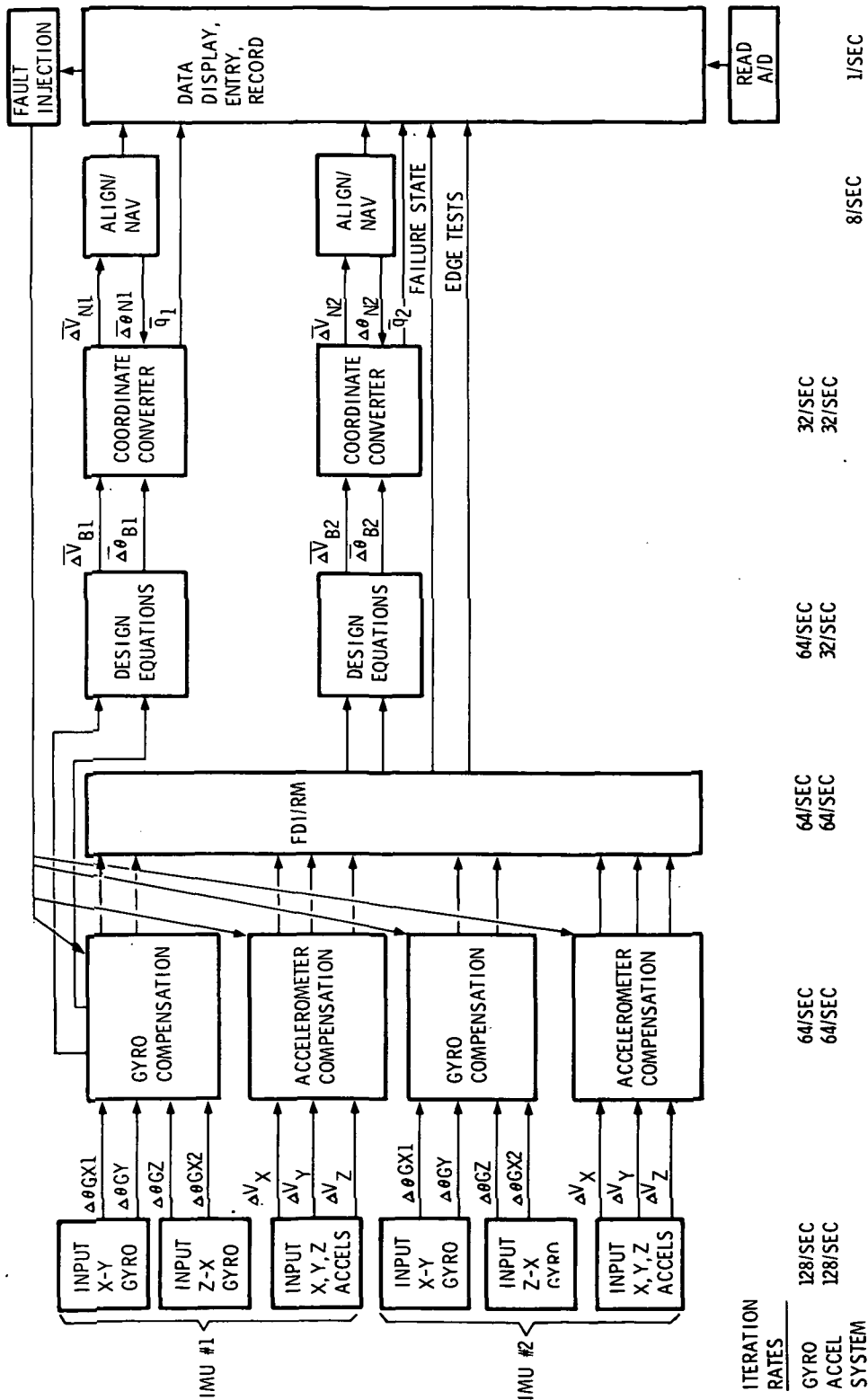


Figure A-3. Dual IMU Demonstration Software Mechanization

GYRO PARITY EQUATIONS - 64/SEC

$$T_{ij} = (\Delta\theta^j - \Delta\theta^i) \cdot \bar{e}_{ij}$$

$$T_{12} = (\Delta\theta_X^1 - \Delta\theta_Y^2)$$

$$T_{13} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [-(\Delta\theta_X^1 - \Delta\theta_Y^3) + \sqrt{2} (\Delta\theta_Y^1 - \Delta\theta_X^3)]$$

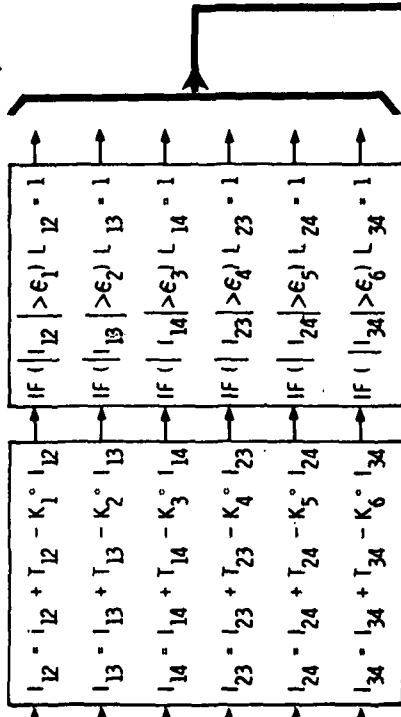
$$T_{14} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [-(\Delta\theta_X^1 + \Delta\theta_Y^4) - \sqrt{2} (\Delta\theta_Y^1 - \Delta\theta_X^4)]$$

$$T_{23} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [\Delta\theta_Y^2 + \Delta\theta_X^3 - \sqrt{2} (\Delta\theta_X^2 - \Delta\theta_Y^3)]$$

$$T_{24} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [\Delta\theta_Y^2 - \Delta\theta_X^4 + \sqrt{2} (\Delta\theta_X^2 - \Delta\theta_Y^4)]$$

$$T_{34} = \Delta\theta_Y^3 - \Delta\theta_X^4$$

FILTERING - 64/SEC THRESHOLD DETECT - 64/SEC



NOTE: SUPERSCRIPT DESIGNATES GYRO NUMBER

FAILURE ISOLATION - 64/SEC

$$L_1 = (L_{12} \cdot L_{13}) \cdot (L_2 \cdot L_3) + L_{12} \cdot L_{14} \cdot (L_2 \cdot L_4) + L_{13} \cdot L_{14} \cdot (L_3 \cdot L_4)$$

$$L_2 = (L_{12} \cdot L_{23}) \cdot (L_1 \cdot L_3) + (L_{12} \cdot L_{24}) \cdot (L_1 \cdot L_4) + (L_{23} \cdot L_{24}) \cdot (L_3 \cdot L_4)$$

$$L_3 = L_{23} \cdot L_{34} \cdot (L_2 \cdot L_4) + (L_{13} \cdot L_{34}) \cdot (L_1 \cdot L_4) + (L_{23} \cdot L_{13}) \cdot (L_1 \cdot L_2)$$

$$L_4 = (L_{14} \cdot L_{24}) \cdot (L_1 \cdot L_2) + (L_{14} \cdot L_{34}) \cdot (L_1 \cdot L_3) + (L_{24} \cdot L_{34}) \cdot (L_2 \cdot L_3)$$

$$L_A = L_{12} \cdot (L_1 \cdot L_2) + L_{13} \cdot (L_1 \cdot L_3) + L_{14} \cdot (L_1 \cdot L_4) + L_{23} \cdot (L_2 \cdot L_3) + L_{24} \cdot (L_2 \cdot L_4) + L_{34} \cdot (L_3 \cdot L_4)$$

NOTE: • = LOGICAL AND, + = LOGICAL OR

GYRO SELECT - 64/SEC

DES EON	L ₁	L ₂	L ₃	L ₄
34	0	0	0	0
34	1	0	0	0
34	0	1	0	0
14	0	0	1	0
13	0	0	0	1
34	1	1	0	0
24	1	0	1	0
23	1	0	0	1
14	0	1	1	0
13	0	1	0	1

Figure A-4. Gyro Failure Detection, Isolation and Selection Equations

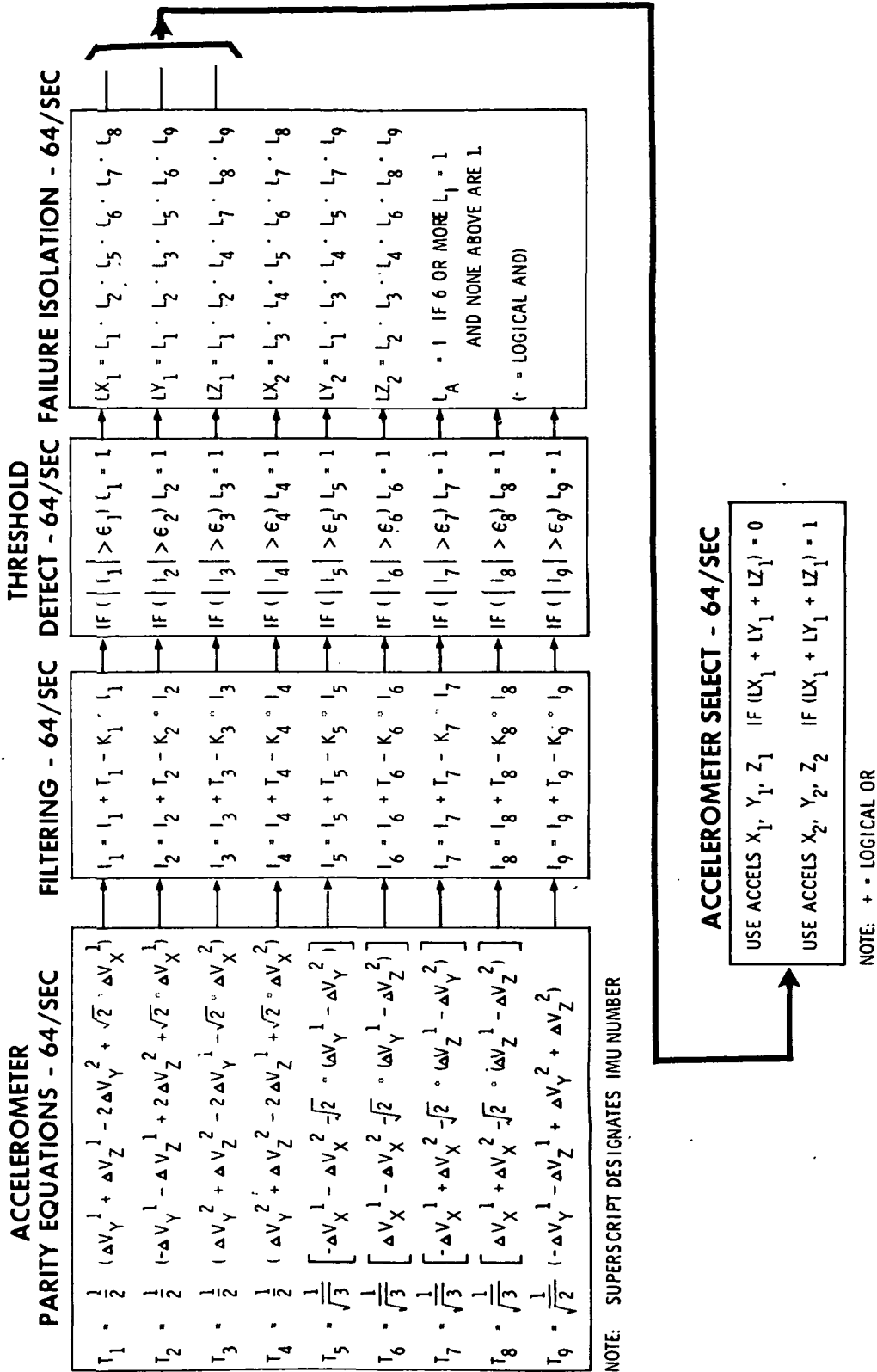
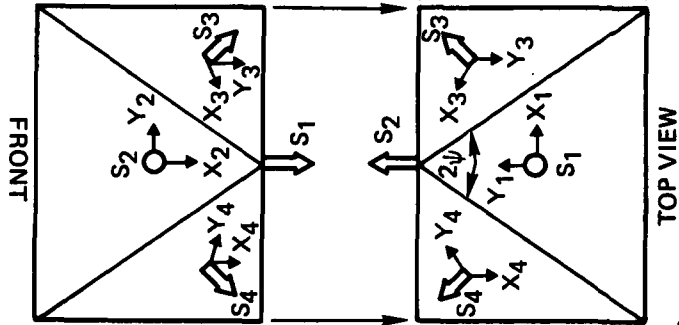
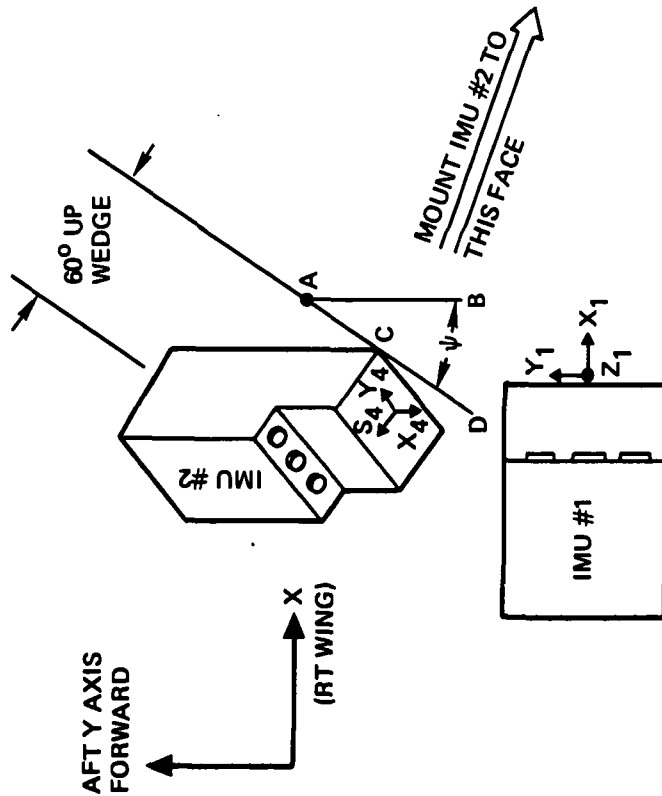


Figure A-5. Accelerometer Failure Detection, Isolation and Selection Equations

AXIS IDENTITIES		
GYRO	ACCELERO-METER	BODY
X ₁	Y ₂	X
Y ₁	S ₂	Y
S ₁	X ₂	Z
X ₄	Y ₃	X
Y ₄	S ₃	Y
S ₄	X ₃	Z

NON-REGULAR SEMIOCTAHEDRON

IMU INSTALLATION, TOP VIEW



NOTES:

AB || Y₁

CD || Y₄

∠DCE ON WEDGE

∠BAE ON HORIZONTAL

$$\psi = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = 35.264^\circ$$

S₄ IS IMU #2 "Z" AXIS

S₃ IS IMU #2 "Y" AXIS

Figure A-6. Dual IMU Axis Geometry

DUAL IMU AXIS DEFINITIONS

IMU	SPIN VECTOR	GYRO	SPIN AXIS	X GYRO INPUT AXIS	Y GYRO INPUT AXIS	Z ACCEL.	X ACCEL.	Y ACCEL.
1	S ₁	Z ₁	(0, 0, 1)	X ₁ = (1, 0, 0)	Y ₁ = (0, 1, 0)	Z ₁ = (0, 0, 1)	X ₁ = (1, 0, 0)	Y ₁ = (0, 1, 0)
	S ₂	Y ₁	(0, 1, 0)	X ₂ = (0, 0, 1)	Y ₂ = R ₁ = (1, 0, 0)			
2	S ₃	Y ₂	$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$	X ₃ = $\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$	Y ₃ = R ₂ = $\left(0, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$	Z ₂ = $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$	X ₂ = $\left(0, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$	Y ₂ = $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$
	S ₄	Z ₂	$\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$	X ₄ = $\left(0, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$	Y ₄ = $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$			

EDGE VECTORS

$$e_{ij} = (S_i \times S_j) / |S_i \times S_j|$$

$$e_{12} = (-1, 0, 0)$$

$$e_{13} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (-1, \sqrt{2}, 0)$$

$$e_{14} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (-1, -\sqrt{2}, 0)$$

$$e_{23} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (1, 0, -\sqrt{2})$$

$$e_{24} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (1, 0, \sqrt{2})$$

$$e_{34} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0, -1, 1)$$

PROJECTION MATRICES

$$[S_i] = [I - S_i S_i^T]$$

$$[S_1] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[S_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[S_3] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[S_4] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

Figure A-7. Dual IMU Axis Definitions

APPENDIX B
RLN-50 NORTH-SOUTH FLIGHT
TEST DATA
14 NOVEMBER 1977

RLN-50 NORTH-SOUTH FLIGHT
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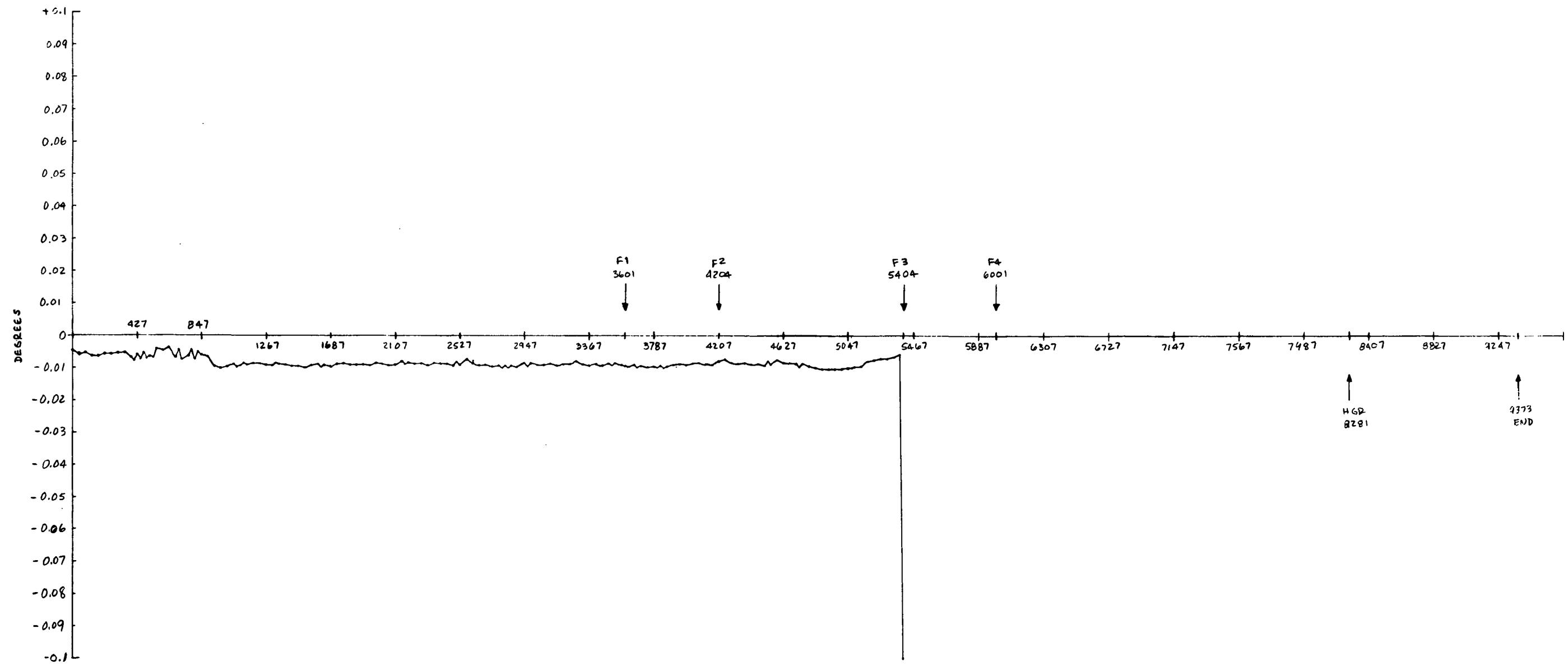


Figure B-1. Gyro Parity
Equation T_{12}

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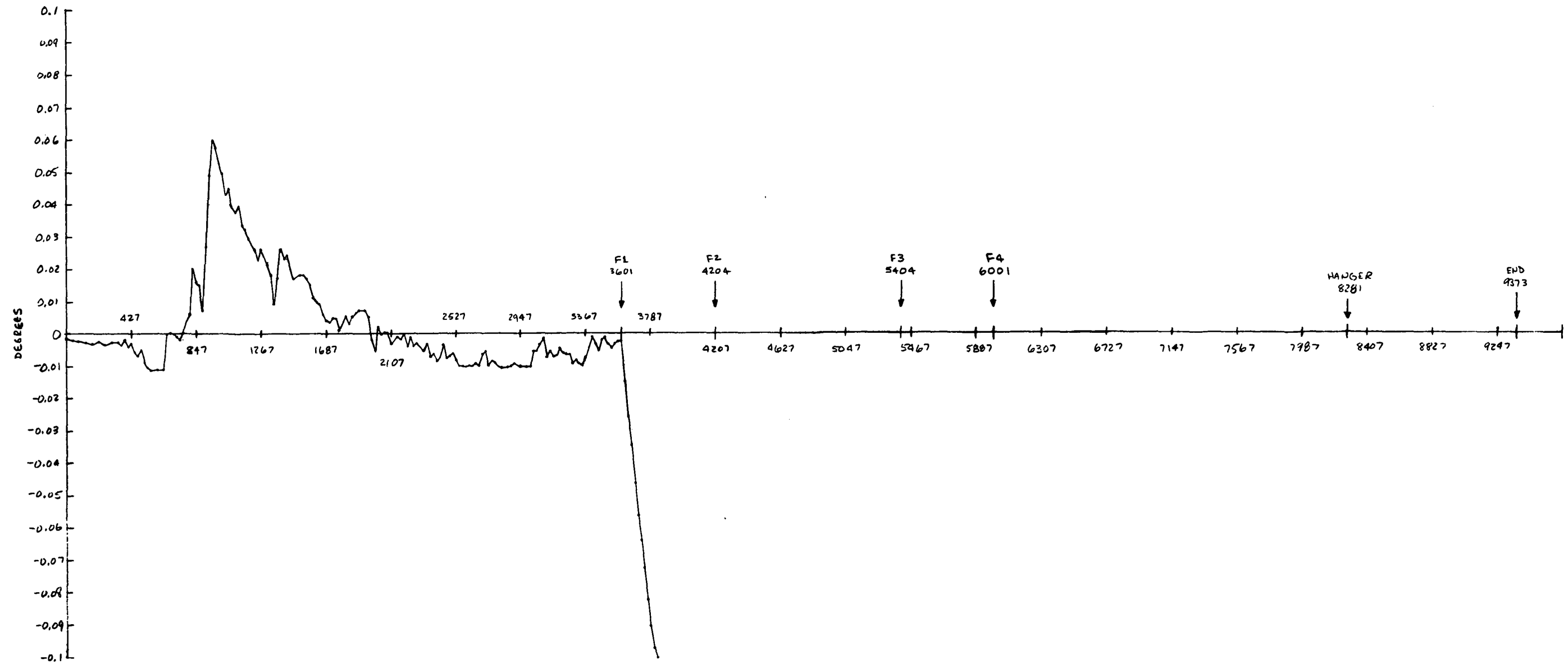


Figure B-2. Gyro Parity
Equation T_{13}

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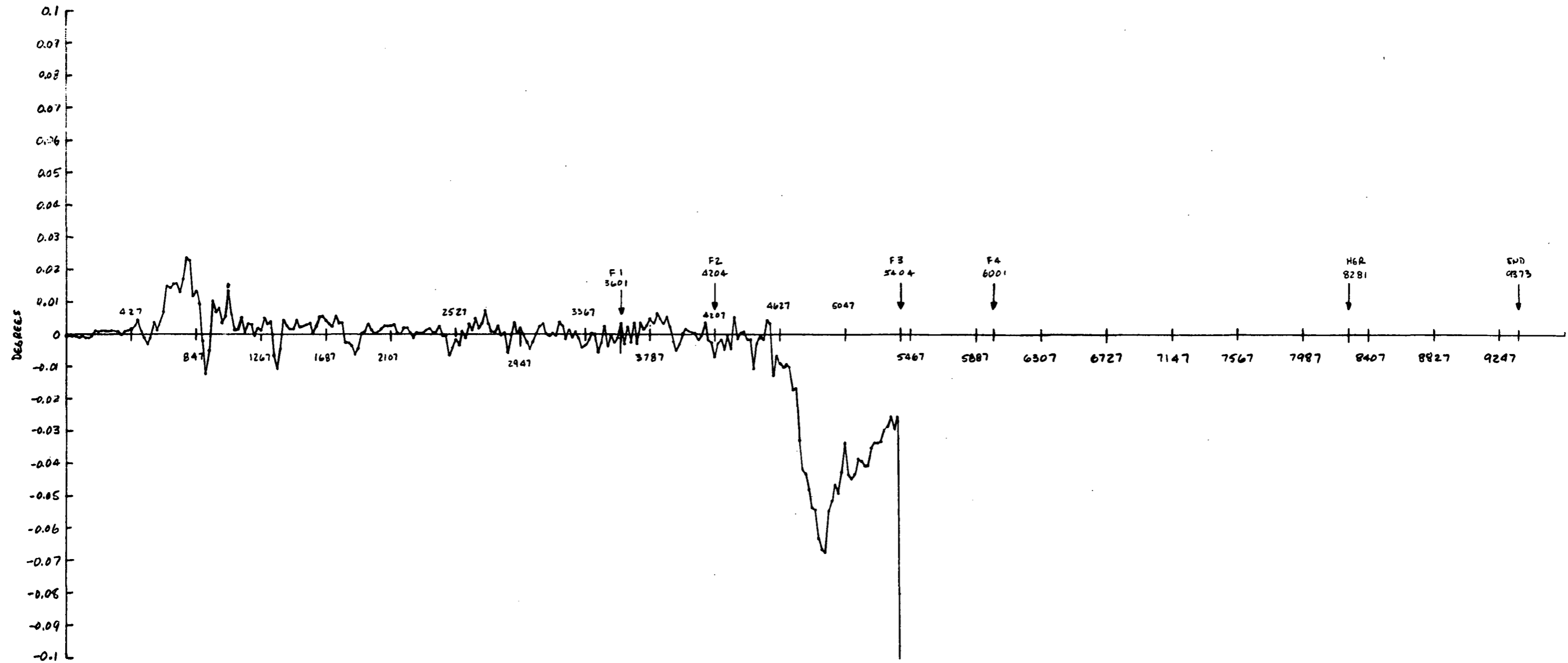


Figure B-3. Gyro Parity
Equation T₁₄

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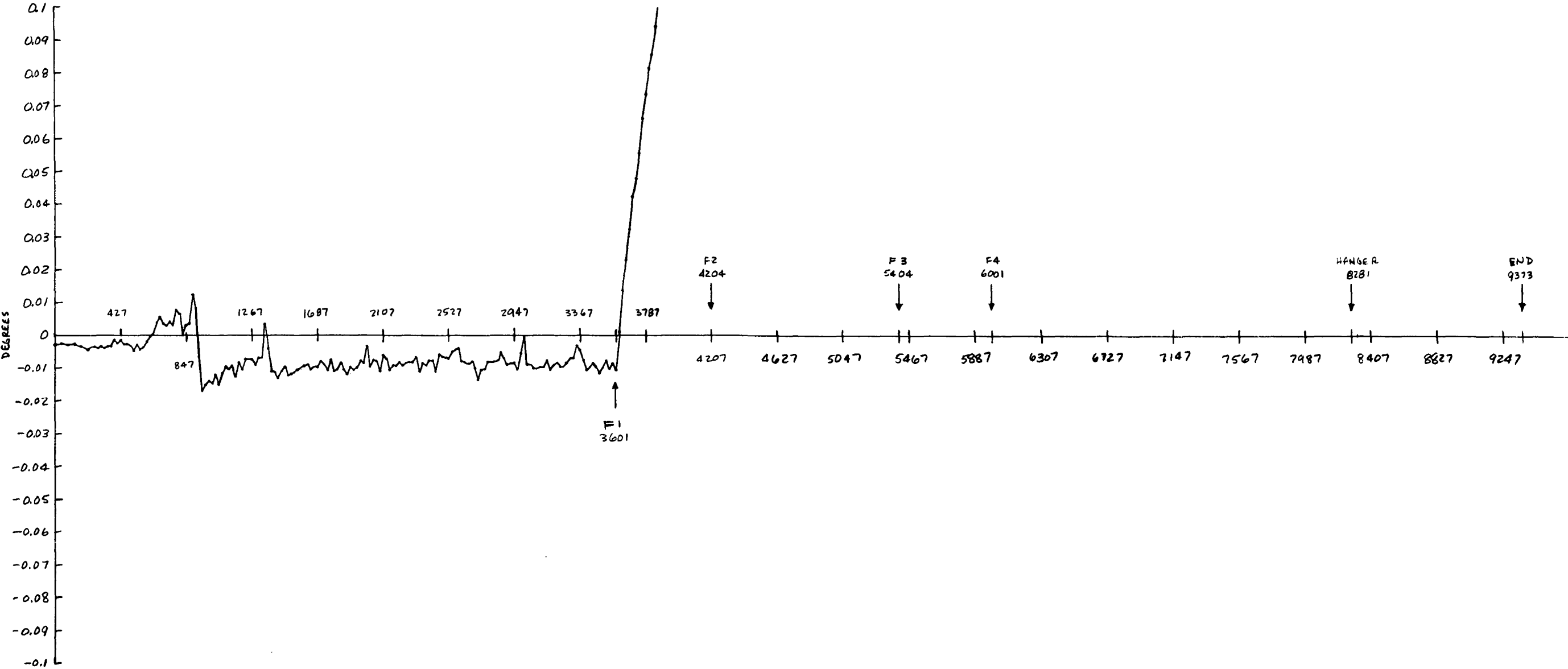


Figure B-4. Gyro Parity
Equation T_{23}

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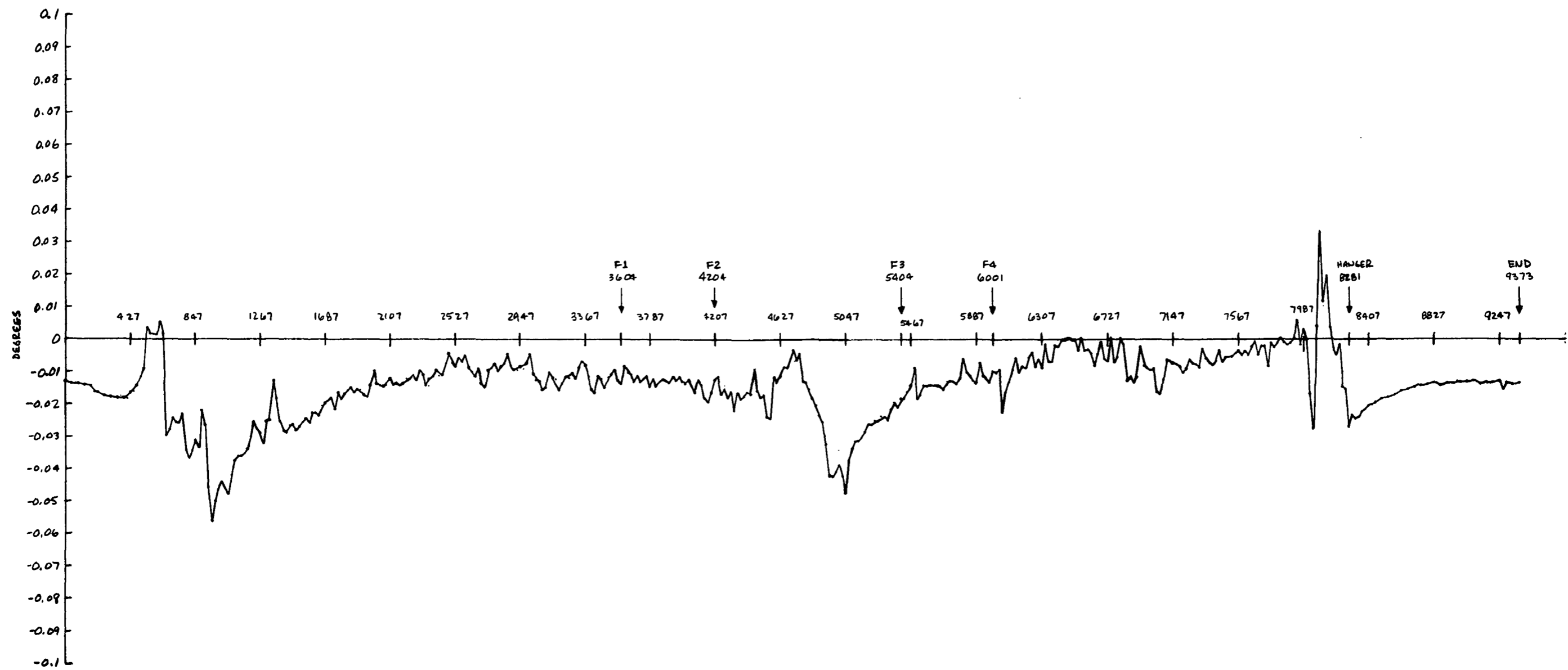


Figure B-5. Gyro Parity
Equation T_{24}

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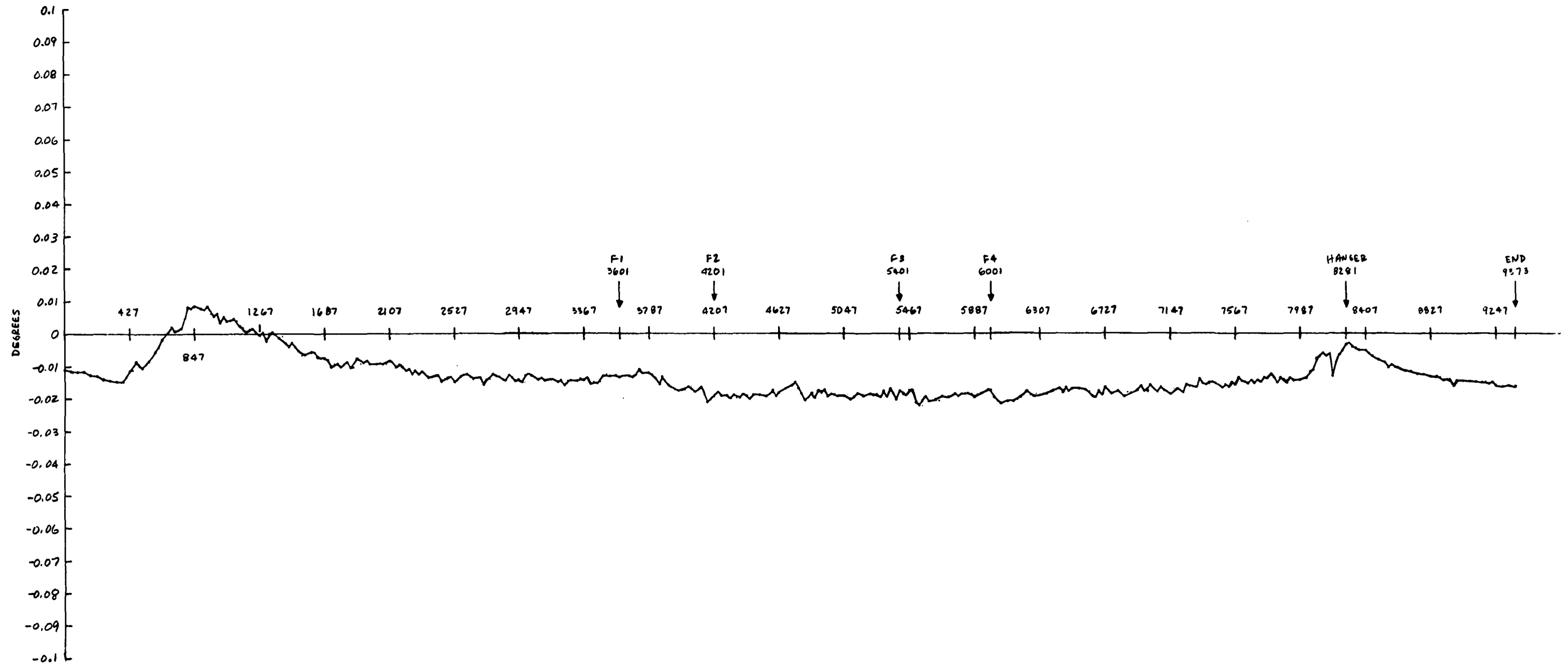


Figure B-6. Gyro Parity
Equation T_{34}

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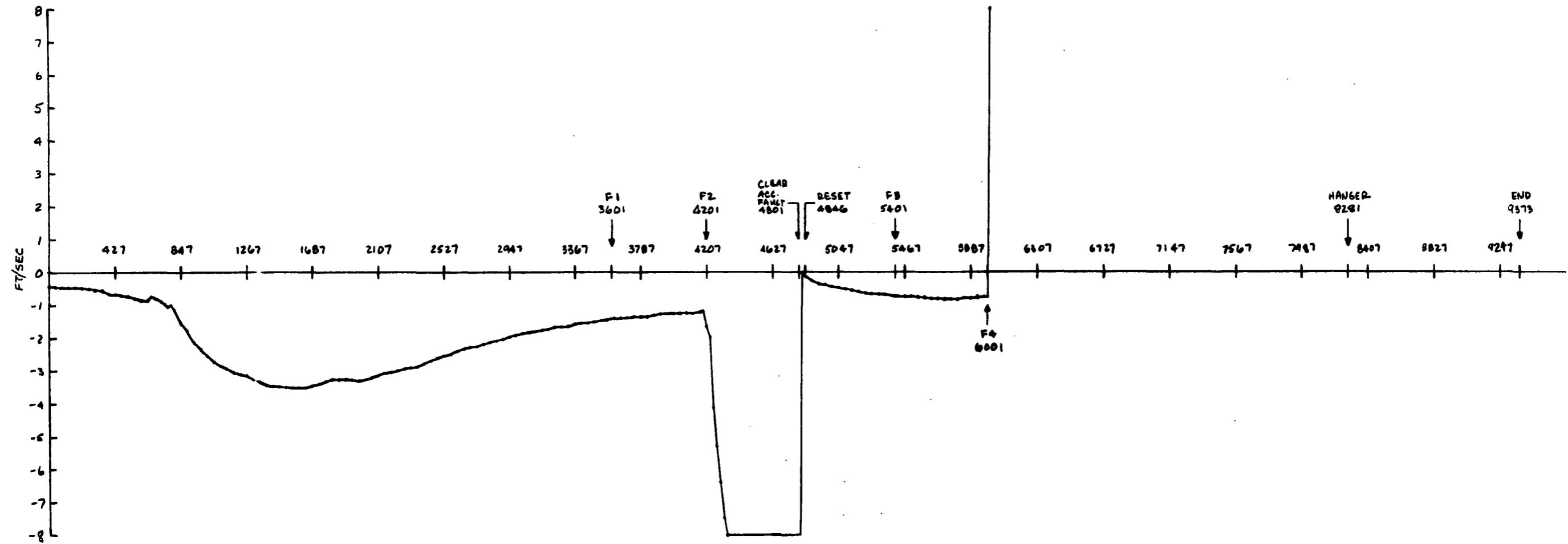


Figure B-7. Accelerometer Parity Equation T_1

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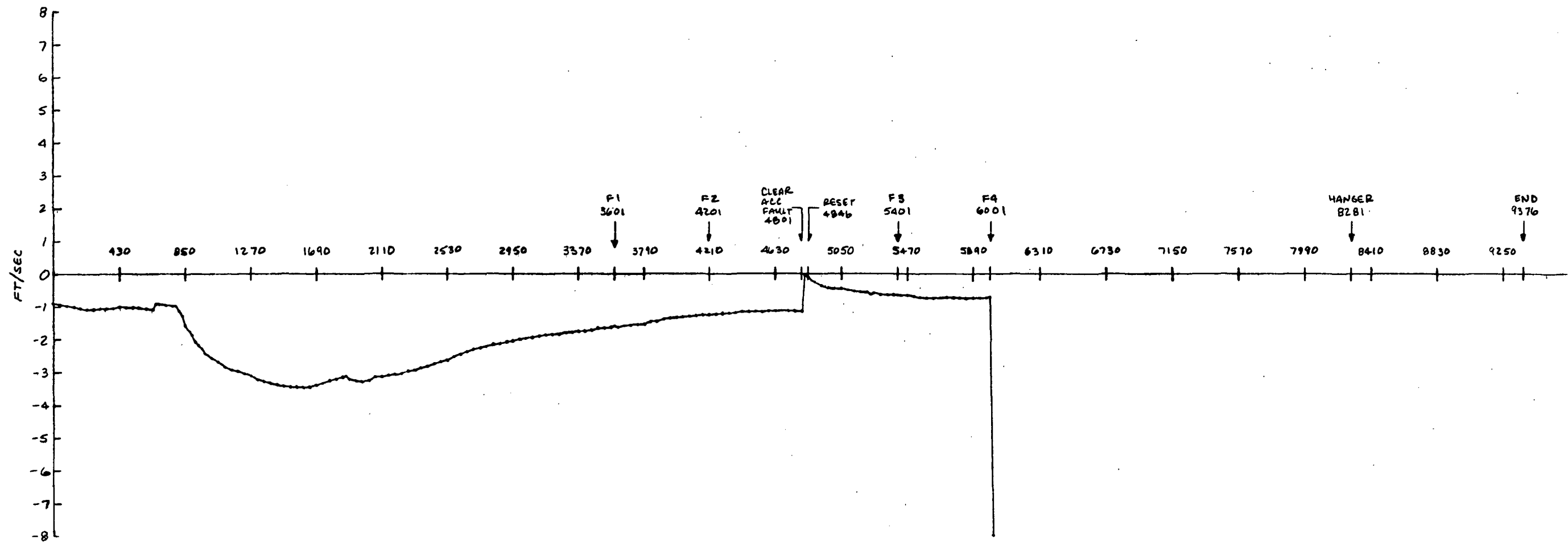


Figure B-8. Accelerometer
Parity Equation T₂

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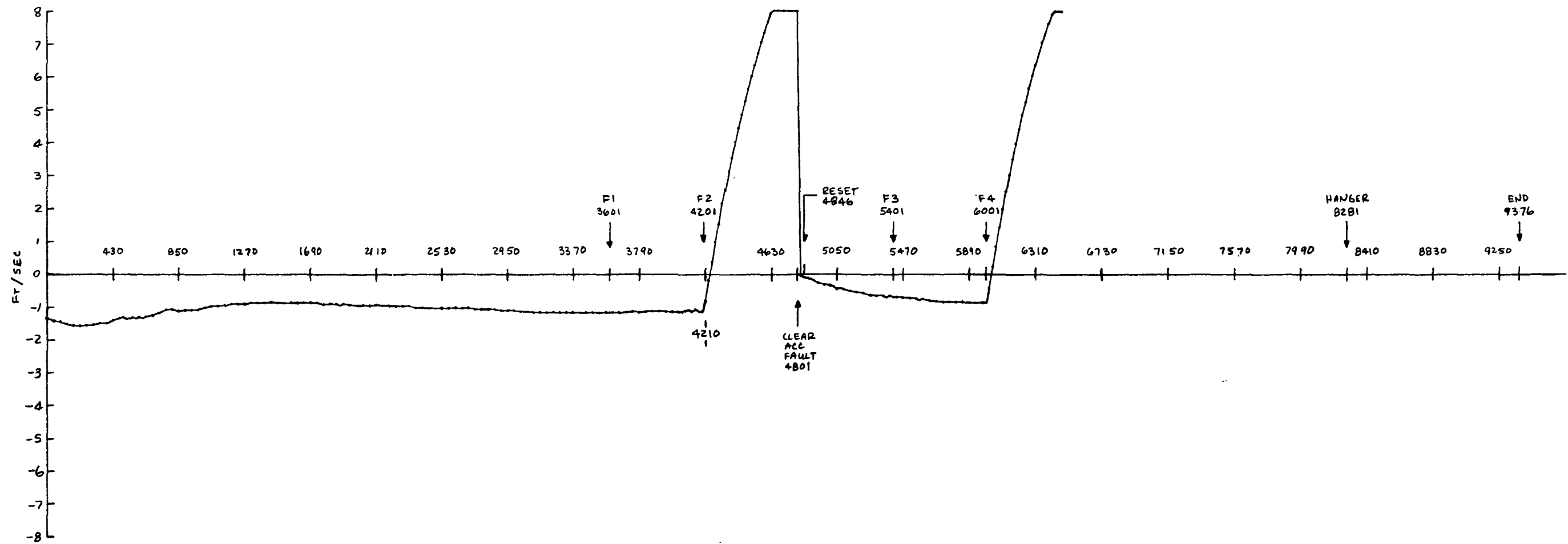


Figure B-9. Accelerometer
Parity Equation T₃

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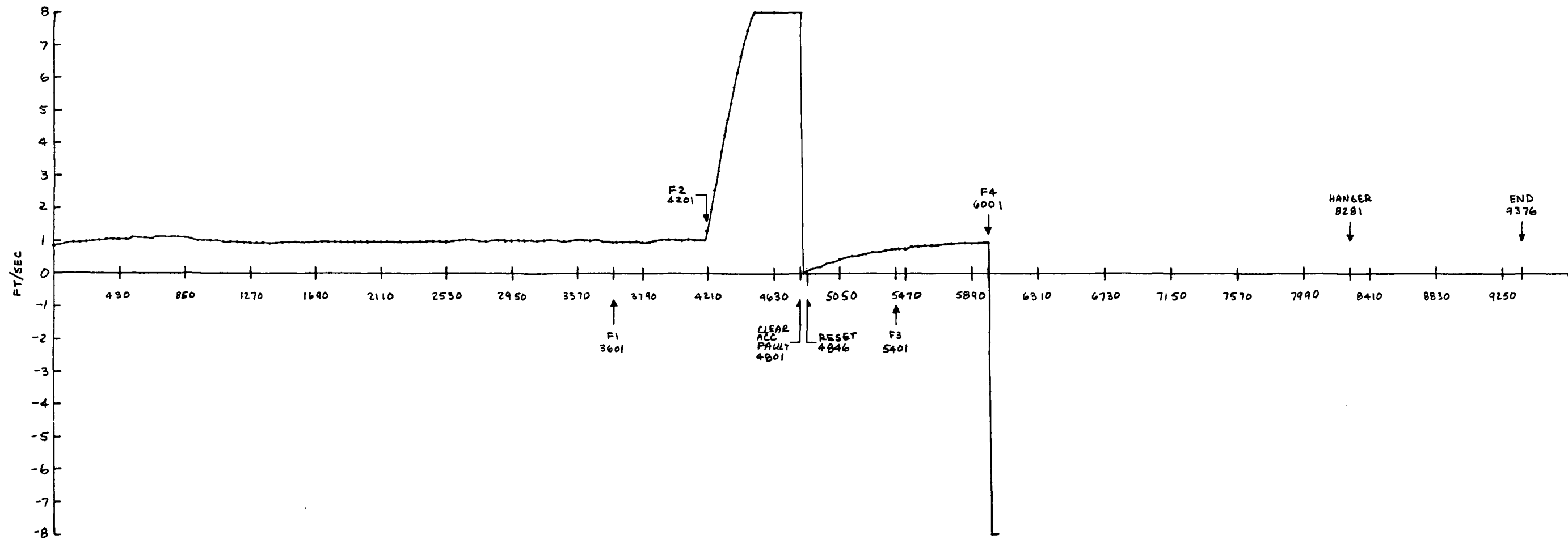


Figure B-10. Accelerometer
Parity Equation T_4

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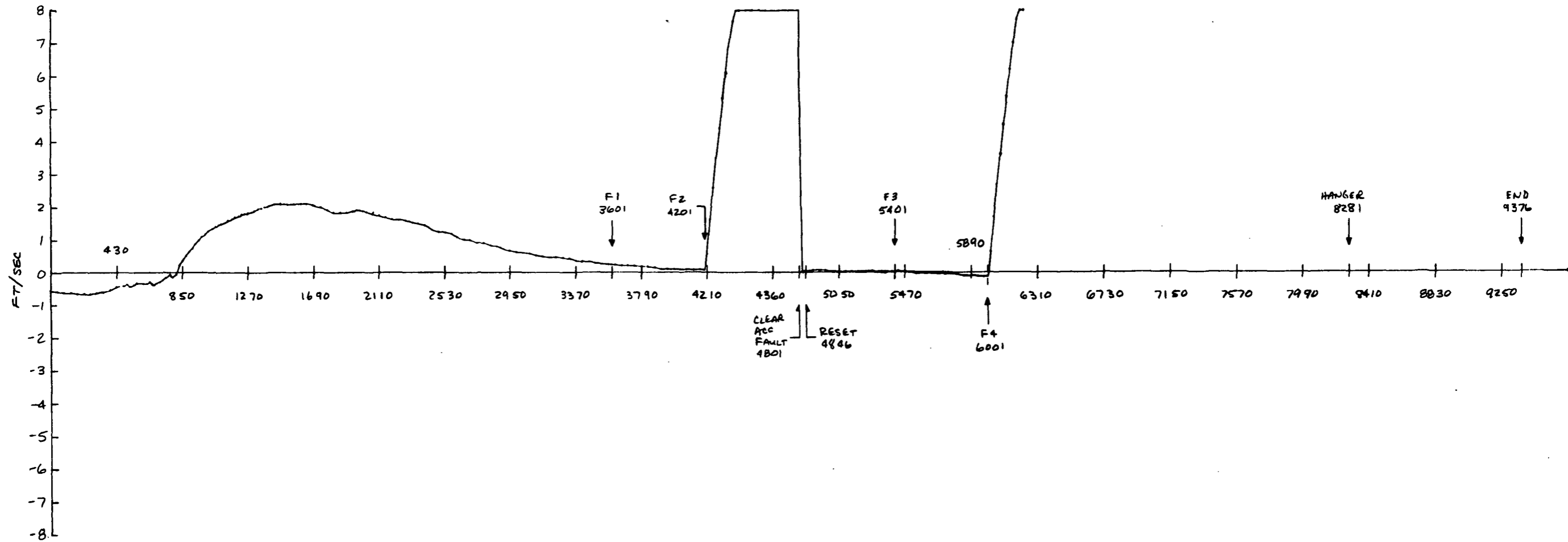


Figure B-11. Accelerometer
Parity Equation T₅

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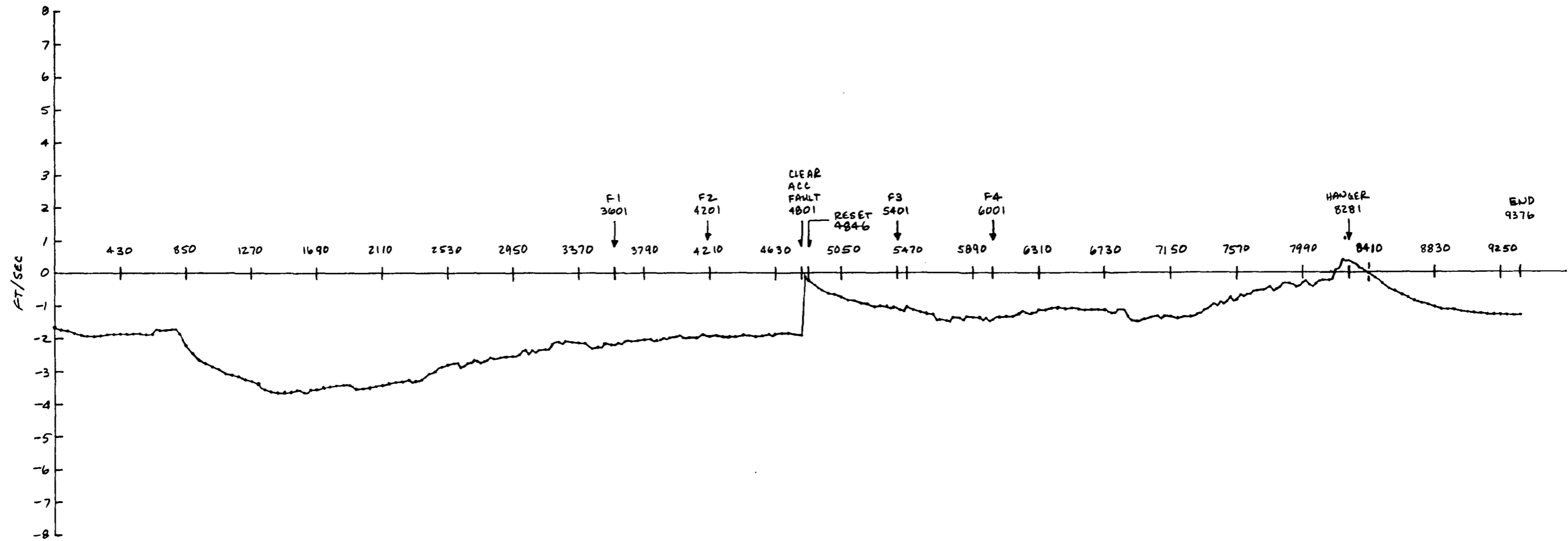


Figure B-12. Accelerometer Parity Equation T_6

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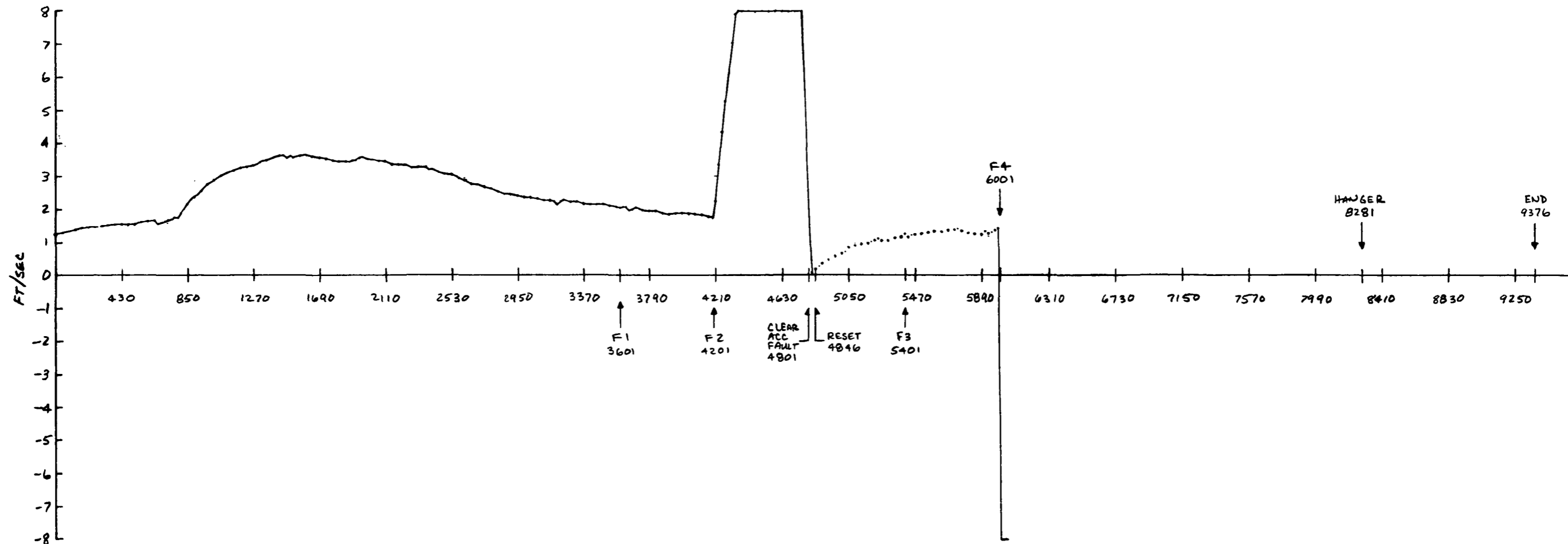


Figure B-13. Accelerometer Parity Equation T₇

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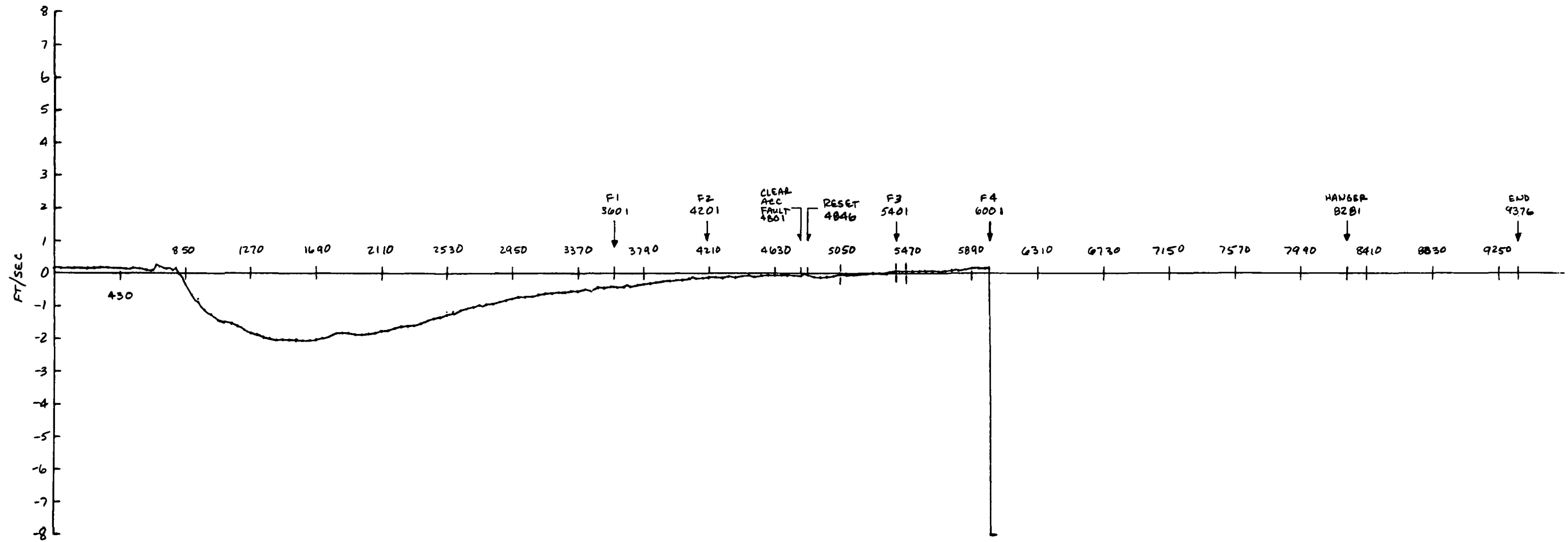


Figure B-14. Accelerometer
Parity Equation T_8

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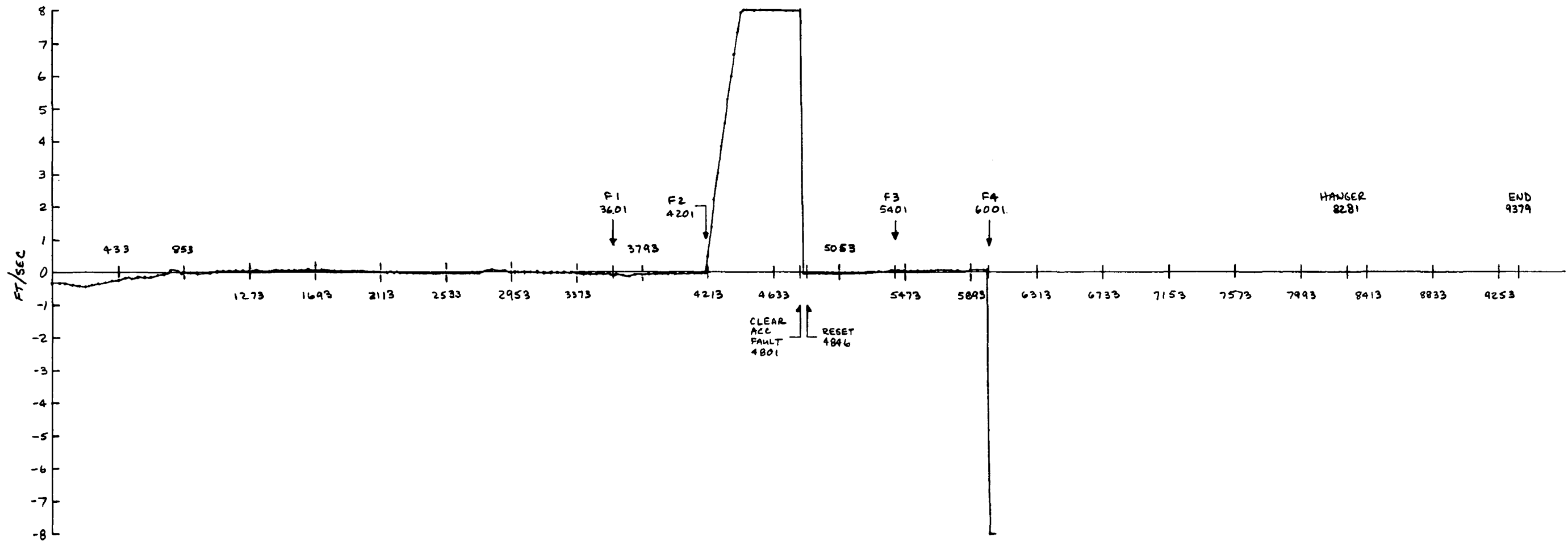
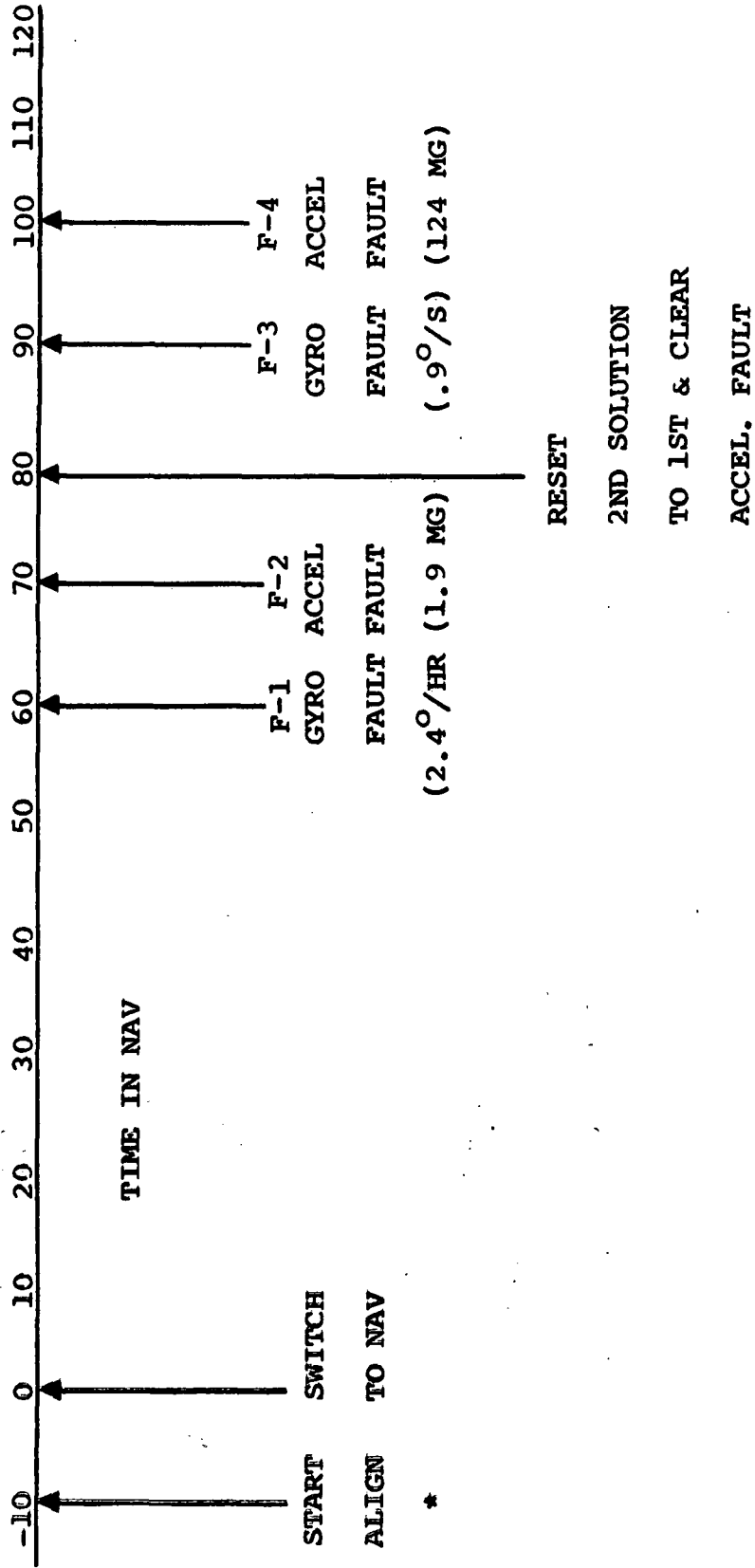


Figure B-15. Accelerometer
Parity Equation T₉

TABLE I. TEST PLAN FOR NASA/LANGLEY FLIGHT DEMONSTRATION



*NOTE: Alternate solution and auto select flags were set at the beginning of the ALIGN mode.