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## ABSTRACT

The effects of gravity-gradient torques during boom deployment maneuvers of a spinning spacecraft are examined. Two different configurations are considered:
(1) where the booms extend only along the hub principal axes.
(2) where one or two booms are offset from the principal axes. For the special case of symmetric deployment (principal axes booms) the stability boundaries are determined and a stability chart is used to study the system behavior. Possible cases of instability during this type of maneuver are identified. In the second configuration an expression for gravity torque about the hub center of mass has been developed. The non-linear equations of motion are solved numerically and the substantial influence of the gravity torque during asymmetric deploynent maneuvers is indicated.

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| $A_{1}, A_{2}$ | $=$ Time varying coefficients in the equations of motion for small out of plane Euler angles |
| :---: | :---: |
| a | $=$ Offset of the control boom with end wass $\mathrm{m}_{1}$ from the $d_{2}, d_{3}$ plane |
| $a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}$ | $=$ Unit vectors in the orbiting reference frame |
| $\hat{a}_{1}$ | $=$ Unit vector along the geocentric position vector to the hub center of mass for asymmetric deployment |
| B | $=$ Coefficient in the system characteristic equation for a rigid spinning spacecraft |
| $b$ | $=$ Offiset of control boom with end mass $m_{1}$ from the $d_{3}, d_{1}$ plane |
| $b(t)$ | $=$ Time varying coefficients in the equation for $\mathrm{h}_{1}, \mathrm{~h}_{2}$ for symmetric deployment |
| $\hat{b}_{1}, \hat{b}_{2}, \hat{b}_{3}$ | $=$ Vector basis defined after the first Euler angle $\left(\theta_{1}\right)$ rotation |
| C C | $=$ Coefficient in the system characteristic equation for a rigid spinning spacecraft <br> $=\left[\begin{array}{l}C_{1} \\ C_{2}\end{array}\right]=$ Constant vector appearing in the analytical solution for the Euler angles without gravitygradient for symmetric deployment |
| $\hat{c}_{1}, \hat{c}_{2}, \hat{c}_{3}$ | = Vector basis defined after the second Euler angle $\left(\theta_{2}\right)$ rotation |
| $c_{1}, c_{2}, c_{3}$ | = Extension rates along 1,2,3 principal axes, respectively |
| $c$ | $=$ Extension rate along 1,2 axes when inertia symmetry about spin axis is maintained and extension rate along all the three axes when they are equal |
| $\mathrm{d}_{1}, \mathrm{~d}_{2}, \mathrm{~d}_{3}$ | $=$ Principal axes of the spacecraft |
| $\hat{d}_{1}, \hat{d}_{2}, \tilde{d}_{3}$ | $=$ Unit vectors along the body principal axes |


dm $=$ Elemental mass
$F_{1}=B / 2 \Omega^{2}$
$\mathrm{F}_{2}=\mathrm{C} / \Omega^{4}$
$f(t) \quad=I(t) / I(t)$
$g$
$h_{1}, h_{2}, h_{3}=$ Angular momentum components in the body axes
$I_{1}, I_{2}, I_{3}=$ Instantanious values of principal moments of inertia
$I_{1} *, I_{2}{ }^{*}, I_{3}{ }^{*}=$ Eub principal moments of inertia
I
K
$k$
$\overline{\mathrm{I}}$
$\begin{aligned} \bar{E}_{m_{1}} / Q \quad= & \begin{array}{l}\text { Angular momentum of control mass with respe } \\ \\ \text { point } Q\end{array} \\ \ell_{1}, \ell_{2}, \ell_{3}= & \begin{array}{c}\text { Boom Iengths along the principal axes } 1,2,3 \\ \\ \text { respectively }\end{array}\end{aligned}$
M $\quad=$ Mass of main part of spacecraft
II $=$ Boom end mass
$\mathrm{m}_{1}, \mathrm{~m}_{2}, \mathrm{~m}_{3}=$ Boom end masses along $1,2,3$ principal axes respectively
$m_{1}, \mathrm{~m}_{2} \quad=$ Control masses for asymmetric deployment
$\overline{\mathrm{N}} \quad=$ Gravity torque
$\mathrm{N}_{1}, \mathrm{~N}_{2}, \mathrm{~N}_{3}=$ Gravity-Gradient torque components
p

$$
=2 m c^{2}+2 m_{3} c_{3}^{2}
$$

$P_{1}$

$$
=2 m c^{2}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{q}_{0}^{*} \quad=\text { Constant appearing in the solution for angular } \\
& \text { momentum for torque free system } \\
& =\text { Geocentric position vector to hub center of mass } \\
& =|\bar{R}|=\text { Radius of orbit for symmetric deployment } \\
& =\text { Geocentric position vector of composite center of } \\
& \text { mass } \\
& =\text { Position vector of control mass } m_{1} \text { referenced to } \\
& \text { point Q } \\
& =\text { Position vector of control mass } \mathrm{m}_{2} \text { referenced to } \\
& \text { point } \mathrm{Q} \text {. } \\
& \bar{r}_{c} \\
& \vec{r} \quad=\text { Position vector to elemental mass dm referenced to } \\
& \text { point Q } \\
& =\text { Laplace Transform variable } \\
& =\text { Time } \\
& =\text { Coordinate of the control boom end mass } m_{2} \text { along the } \\
& \mathrm{d}_{1} \text { axis } \\
& \begin{array}{l}
=\text { Coordinate of the control boom and mass } m_{1} \text { along the } \\
\mathrm{d}_{3} \text { axis }
\end{array} \\
& =\left(\omega_{3}-\Omega\right) / \Omega \text { (spin factor) } \\
& =\text { Nutation angle } \\
& =\text { Angular velocities about } 1,2,3 \text { axes respectively } \\
& \text { ( } i=1,2,3 \text { ) } \\
& \text { = Orbital angular rate } \\
& =\text { Constant appearing in the solution for angular } \\
& \text { momentum for torque free system } \\
& \phi \quad=\psi_{0}^{*+\theta_{3}(0)}
\end{aligned}
$$



## I. INTRODUCTION

A number of spacecraft have long telescoping appendages. These appendages might be on-board antennas which must be extended in orbit after the initial injection sequence. The dynamics of such spacecraft has been discussed in the recent literature in the absence of external disturbance torques. ${ }^{1}$ The purpose of this study is to determine the effects of gravity-gradient torques during the boom deployment maneuver.

The first part of the current study will examine the effect of the gravity-gradient torque when the telescoping booms are deployed in pairs along the spacecraft principal axes. Possible use of such a deployment maneuver for detumbling a spacecraft has been examined in a recent paper. ${ }^{2}$ From an application of Lyapunov's second method (using modified forms of the rotational kinetic energy as a Lyapunov function) sequences of boon extension maneuvers can be determined so that the spacecraft will approach either of the two desired final states: close to a zero inertial angular velocity state, or a final spin rate about only one of the principal axes. This study did not consider the effects of external torques.

For the special case of a gravitationally stabilized satellite librating in the orb:.t plane, the effect of gravity-gradient during the deploymert maneuver has been studied previously. ${ }^{3}$ An approximate series solution has been obtained to simulate the dynamics and the results compared with those of numerical integration.

In the current study the non-linear equations of motion for a spinning spacecraft iniluding the effects of gravity-gradient torques are developed and these are solved numerically. For the special case of a symmetric spinning rigid spacecraft the stability chart previously developed can be used to study the system behavior. 4,5

In the second configuration studied here, the system is assumed to consist of a central hub and one of two control messes offset from the principal axes. The dynamics of such spacecraft, in torque free space, has been discussed in the recent literature. ${ }^{6-7}$ Reference 6 has examined the feasibility of a movable mass control device, for detumbling a large space station where a single internal mass is constrafned to move along a linear track. In Ref. 7 a control law for the boom mass position is obtained such that a quadratic cost functiomal involving the weighted components of the angular velocity plus the control is minimized when the final time is unspecified. In order to evaluate the gravity torque effects an expression for the torque based on asimilar procedure adopted in Ref. 8 is developed. The complete non-linear equations of motion with the gravity torque are obtained and the influence of the gravity torque due to asymetry is illustrated.

## II. SYMMETRIC DEPLOYMENT

## A. Eulers Equations

In the first configuration the booms extend along the principal axes of the spacecraft as shown in Fig. 1. It is assumed that the booms are massless and perfectly rigid. Using vector components in the $d_{1}, d_{2}, d_{3}$ reference frame the Euler's moment equations with time varying moments of inertia are

$$
\begin{align*}
& \dot{h}_{1}-\omega_{3} \omega_{2}\left(I_{2}-I_{3}\right)=N_{1} \\
& \dot{h}_{2}-\omega_{1} \omega_{3}\left(I_{3}-I_{1}\right)=N_{2}  \tag{1}\\
& \dot{h_{3}}-\omega_{2} \omega_{1}\left(I_{1}-I_{2}\right)=N_{3}
\end{align*}
$$

where $h_{i}=I_{i} \omega_{i}(i=1,2,3) \cdot I_{i}=I_{i}(t)$ are the principal moments of inertia, $\omega_{i}$ are the components of the inertial angular velocity In the $d_{1}, d_{2}, d_{3}$ frame and $N_{i}$ are the external torque components about the center of mass. In this analysis all the external torques of the system except the gravity-gradient torque are neglected so that $N_{i}$ represent the gravity -gradient torque components.

## B. Reference Frames

Equations (I) will be expanded here in terms of the coordinates and unit vectors defined by Figs. 2. and 3., which together establish an orbiting reference frame and three attitude angles $\theta_{1}, \theta_{2}, \theta_{3}$ relating body-fixed unit vectors $\hat{d}_{1}, \hat{d}_{2}, \hat{d}_{3}$ to the unit vectors fixed in the orbiting reference frame $\hat{a}_{1}, \hat{a}_{2}, \hat{a}_{3}, \theta_{1}, \theta_{2}, \theta_{3}$
correspond to three successive positive rotations about the vectors: $\hat{a}_{1}, \hat{b}_{2}, \hat{c}_{3}$, respectively. Specifically, unit vector $\hat{a}_{1}$ is directed along the radial line from the earth to the satellite mass center 0 (local vertical), unit vector $\hat{a}_{3}$ is directed along the trajectory binormal (normal to the plane of orbit) and $\hat{a}_{2}$ is defined to make $\hat{a}_{1}, \hat{a}_{2}, \hat{a}_{3}$ a right-handed orthogonal triad. We further assume that the center of mass of the syster moves in a circular orbit, so that $\hat{a}_{2}$ is along the path of the trajectory.

The transformation from the principal body axes reference frame to the orbiting reference frame with the chosen $\theta_{1}, \theta_{2}, \theta_{3}$ Euler angle sequence, becomes, after combining the three rotational matrices:

$$
\left[\begin{array}{l}
\hat{a}_{1}  \tag{2}\\
\hat{a}_{2} \\
\hat{a}_{3}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{cc:c}
c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3} & & s \theta_{2} s \theta_{3} \\
c \theta_{1} s \theta_{3}+s \theta_{1} s \theta_{2} c \theta_{3} & c \theta_{1} c \theta_{3}-s \theta_{1} s \theta_{2} s \theta_{3} & -s \theta_{1} c \theta_{2} \\
s \theta_{1} s \theta_{3}-c \theta_{1} s \theta_{2} c \theta_{3} & s \theta_{1} c \theta_{3}+c \theta_{1} s \theta_{2} s \theta_{3} & c \theta_{1} c \theta_{2}
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
\hat{d}_{1} \\
\hat{d}_{2} \\
\hat{d}_{3}
\end{array}\right]
$$

where positive angles correspond to rotations in the positive right-hand sense as illustrated in Fig. 3. "s" represents the sine function and "c" represents the cosine function.

By examination of Fig. 3, the expression for the inertial angular velocity, $\bar{w}$, of the satellite $f \pi$ a circular orbit, can be written down as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{\omega}=\dot{\theta}_{3} \hat{c}_{3}+\dot{\theta}_{2} \hat{b}_{2}+\dot{\theta}_{1} \hat{a}_{1}+\hat{s}_{3} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\Omega$ is the orbital angular rate. From consideration of the
individual Euler angle rotations and Eq. (2) the following relationships between the various unit vectors can be developed:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \hat{c}_{3}=\hat{a}_{3} \\
& \hat{b}_{2}=s \hat{\theta}_{3}+c \hat{\theta}_{3} \hat{d}_{2} \\
& \hat{a}_{1}=c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3} \hat{d}_{1}-c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3} \hat{a}_{2}+s \theta_{2} \hat{d}_{3} \\
& \hat{a}_{3}=\left(s \theta_{1} s \theta_{3}-c \theta_{1} s \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}\right) \hat{d}_{1}+\left(s \theta_{1} c \theta_{3}+c \theta_{1} s \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right) \hat{d}_{2}+c \theta_{1} c \theta_{2} \hat{d}_{3} \tag{4}
\end{align*}
$$

After substitution of Eqs. (4) into Eq. (3) the inertial angular velocity components fn the body axes can be expressed as follows:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \omega_{1}=\dot{\theta}_{2} s \theta_{3}+\Omega\left(s \theta_{1} s \theta_{3}-c \theta_{1} s \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}\right)+\dot{\theta}_{1} c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3} \\
& \omega_{2}=\dot{\theta}_{2} c \theta_{3}+\Omega\left(s \theta_{1} c \theta_{3}+c \theta_{1} s \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right)-\dot{\theta}_{1} c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3} \\
& \omega_{3}=\dot{\theta}_{3}+\Omega 4 c \theta_{1} c \theta_{2}-\dot{\theta}_{1} s \theta_{2} \tag{5}
\end{align*}
$$

## C. Gravity-Gradient Torque

The gravity-gradient torque $\bar{N}$ about the satellite mass center 0 is given by ${ }^{8}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{N}=\frac{3 k}{R^{3}} \hat{a}_{1} \times \square \cdot \hat{a}_{1} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
k=g_{0} R_{0}^{2}
$$

with $g_{0}$ the gravitational acceleration at the earth's surface and $R_{0}$ the radius of the earth. $\hat{a}_{I}$ is the unit vector along the local vertical, $\square$ is the inertia dyadic about the satellite mass center and $R$ is the orbit radius. For a satellite in a circular orbit,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{k}{R^{3}}=\Omega^{2} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

The expression for $\hat{a}_{1}$ from Eq. (4) is substituted into Eq. (6) and the body reference frame is chosen as a set of principal axes so that $\square$ is diagonal. Then the components of the gravity-gradient torque in the body frame are:

$$
\begin{align*}
& N_{I}=\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left(I_{2}-I_{3}\right) c \theta_{2} s \theta_{2} s \theta_{3} \\
& N_{2}=\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left(I_{1}-I_{3}\right) c \theta_{2} s \theta_{2} c \theta_{3} \\
& N_{3}=\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left(I_{1}-I_{2}\right)\left(c \theta_{2}\right)^{2} c \theta_{3} s \theta_{3} \tag{8}
\end{align*}
$$

## D. Non-Linear Equations of Motion

Equations(5) can be solved as a set of three simultaneous equations for $\dot{\theta}_{1}, \dot{\theta}_{2}$ and $\dot{\theta}_{3}$ to yield:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \dot{\theta}_{1}=\left(\omega_{1} c \theta_{3}-\omega_{2} s \theta_{3}+\Omega c \theta_{1} s \theta_{2}\right) / c \theta_{2} \\
& \dot{\theta}_{2}=\left(\omega_{1} s \theta_{3}+\omega_{2} c \theta_{3}-\Omega s \theta_{1}\right) \\
& \dot{\theta}_{3}=\left(\omega_{3} c \theta_{2}+\omega_{2} s \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}-\omega_{1} c \theta_{3} s \theta_{2}-\Omega c \theta_{1}\right) / c \theta_{2} \tag{9}
\end{align*}
$$

After substitution of Eq. (8) into Eq. (1) the following nonlinear equations of motion result.

$$
\dot{\omega}_{1}=\left\{\omega_{3} \omega_{2}\left(I_{2}-I_{3}\right)-\dot{I}_{1} \omega_{1}+\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left(I_{2}-I_{3}\right) c \theta_{2} s \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right\} / I_{1}
$$

$$
\begin{align*}
& \dot{\omega}_{2}=\left\{\omega_{1} \omega_{3}\left(I_{3}-I_{1}\right)-\dot{I}_{2} \omega_{2}+\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left(I_{1}-I_{3}\right) c \theta_{2} s \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}\right\} / I_{2} \\
& \dot{\omega}_{3}=\left\{\omega_{2} \omega_{1}\left(I_{1}-I_{2}\right)-\dot{I}_{3} \omega_{3}+\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left(I_{1}-I_{2}\right)\left(c \theta_{2}\right)^{2} c \theta_{3} s \theta_{3}\right\} / I_{3} \tag{10}
\end{align*}
$$

Equations (9) and (10) are the complete non-linear equations of motion for the system. These are solved numerically as a system of six first order differential equations.

## E. Motion for Small Out of Plane Euler Angles

For an initially symetric satellite, if the mass symetry (about the spin axis) is maintained during deployment, the equations of motion reduce to:

$$
\begin{align*}
{\dot{h_{1}}}_{1}+b(t) h_{2} & =-\frac{\dot{\Omega}^{2}}{h_{0}} b(t) I I_{3} c \theta_{2} s \theta_{2} s \theta_{3} \\
\dot{h}_{2}-b(t) h_{1} & =-\frac{3 \Omega^{2}}{h_{0}} b(t) I I_{3} c \theta_{2} s \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}  \tag{11}\\
h_{3} & =h_{0}=\text { constant }
\end{align*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{align*}
& I_{1}(t)=I_{2}(t)=I(t) \\
& b(t)=\frac{I_{3}-I}{I_{3} I} h_{0} \tag{12}
\end{align*}
$$

To study the stability of the system for small perturbations about the spin axis we examine the equations of motion assuming that $\left|\theta_{1}\right|,\left|\theta_{2}\right|$ are small (but not $\theta_{3}$ which reflects the spin). It
should be noted that the angle between the normal to the orbit plane and the body 3 axis is a function of $\theta_{1}$ and $\theta_{2}$ (see Fig. 3). Under these assumptions, the expressions for the inertial angular velocity components, Eqs. (5), become:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \omega_{1}=\left(\dot{\theta}_{2}+\Omega \theta_{1}\right) s \theta_{3}+\left(\dot{\theta}_{1}-\Omega \theta_{2}\right) c \theta_{3} \\
& \omega_{2}=\left(\hat{\theta}_{2}+\Omega \theta_{1}\right) c \theta_{3}-\left(\dot{\theta}_{1}-\Omega \theta_{2}\right) s \theta_{3} \\
& \omega_{3}=\dot{\theta}_{3}+\Omega \tag{is}
\end{align*}
$$

and the corresponding components of inertial angular acceleration:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left.\dot{\omega}_{1}=\left(\ddot{\theta}_{2}+\Omega \dot{\theta}_{1}-\dot{\theta}_{3} \dot{\theta}_{1}+\Omega \dot{\theta}_{2} \dot{\theta}_{3}\right) s \theta_{3}+\ddot{\theta}_{1}-\Omega \dot{\theta}_{2}+\dot{\theta}_{3} \dot{\theta}_{2}+\Omega \theta_{1} \dot{\theta}_{3}\right) c \theta_{3} \\
& \dot{\omega}_{2}=\left(\ddot{\theta}_{2}+\Omega \dot{\theta}_{1}-\dot{\theta}_{3} \dot{\theta}_{1}+\Omega \dot{\theta}_{2} \dot{\theta}_{3}\right) s \theta_{3}-\left(\ddot{\theta}_{1}-\Omega \dot{\theta}_{2}+\dot{\theta}_{3} \dot{\theta}_{2}+\Omega \dot{\theta}_{1} \dot{\theta}_{3}\right) s \dot{\theta}_{3} \\
& \dot{\omega}_{3}=\ddot{\theta}_{3} \tag{14}
\end{align*}
$$

Substitution of Eqs. (12), (13), (14) into Eq. (11) yields the equations governing the motion in which $\left|\theta_{1}\right|,\left|\theta_{2}\right|$ remain small as:

$$
\begin{align*}
& A_{1} \cos \theta_{3}+A_{2} \sin \theta_{3}=0 \\
& A_{1} \sin \theta_{3}-A_{2} \cos \theta_{3}=0 \tag{15}
\end{align*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{align*}
A_{1}= & \ddot{\theta}_{1}-\left\{\Omega-\dot{\theta}_{3}-b(t)\right\} \dot{\theta}_{2}+f(t)\left(\dot{\theta}_{1}-\Omega \theta_{2}\right)+\Omega \theta_{1}\left\{\dot{\theta}_{3}+b(t)\right\} \\
A_{2}= & \ddot{\theta}_{2}+\left\{\Omega-\dot{\theta}_{3}-b(t)\right\} \dot{\theta}_{1}+£(t)\left(\dot{\theta}_{2}+\Omega \theta_{1}\right)+\Omega \theta_{2}\left\{\dot{\theta}_{3}+b(t)\right\} \\
& +\frac{3 \Omega^{2}}{\omega_{3}} b(t) \theta_{2} \tag{16}
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
f(t)=\dot{I}(t) / I(t)
$$

In general these coupled equations cannot be solved in closed form. However the system behavior can be studied with the aid of the stability chart previously developed for a symmetrical spinning, satellite. ${ }^{4,5}$

## F. Stability Chart

Since Eqs. (15) and (16) represent the equations of motion for a spinning spacecraft for which the principal moments of inertias are functions of time, these equations would also represent the equations of motion for a spinning spacecraft when the principal inertias are not functions of time, provided the terms due to time varying moments of inertia are modified so that:

$$
f(t)=0, b(t)=b=\frac{I_{3}-I}{I_{3} I} h_{0}=\text { constant }
$$

The modifled equations are (under the requirement that $A_{1}=A_{2}=0$ ):

$$
\begin{align*}
& \ddot{\theta}_{1}+\left(b+\dot{\theta}_{3}-\Omega\right) \dot{\theta}_{2}+\Omega\left(b+\dot{\theta}_{3}\right) \theta_{1}=0 \\
& \ddot{\theta}_{2}-\left(b+\dot{\theta}_{3}-\Omega\right) \dot{\theta}_{1}+\Omega\left(b+\dot{\theta}_{3}\right) \theta_{2}+\frac{3 \Omega^{2}}{\omega_{3}} b \theta_{2}=0 \tag{17}
\end{align*}
$$

Observe that $\dot{\theta}_{3}$ is also a constant. We now define two important parameters, K , an inertia ratio and , a, a spin factor as follows:

$$
\begin{align*}
& K=\left(I_{3}-I\right) / I \\
& \alpha=\dot{\theta}_{3} / \Omega=\left(\omega_{3}-\Omega\right) / \Omega \tag{18}
\end{align*}
$$

With the aid of Eqs. (18), the parameter $b$ can be written as

$$
b=K \omega_{3}=K \Omega(\alpha+1)
$$

After introduction of these parameters Eqs. (17) become

$$
\begin{align*}
& \ddot{\theta}_{1}+\Omega\{K(\alpha+1)+(\alpha-1)\} \dot{\theta}_{2}+\Omega^{2}\{K(\alpha+1)+\alpha\} \theta_{1}=0 \\
& \ddot{\theta}_{2}-\Omega\{K(\alpha+1)+(\alpha-1)\} \dot{\theta}_{1}+\Omega^{2}\{K(\alpha+1)+\alpha\} \theta_{2}+3 K \Omega^{2} \theta_{2}=0 \tag{19}
\end{align*}
$$

If we take the Laplace Transforms of these two equations, the subsidiary equation can be arranged as follows:

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ll}
s^{2}+\Omega^{2}\{K(\alpha+1)+\alpha\} & \Omega\{K(\alpha+1)+(\alpha-1)\} s \\
-\Omega\{K(\alpha+1)+(\alpha-1)\} s & s^{2}+\Omega^{2}\{K(\alpha+1)+\alpha\}+3 K \Omega^{2}
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
\bar{\theta}_{1}(s)  \tag{20}\\
\bar{\theta}_{2}(s)
\end{array}\right]
$$

where $\bar{\theta}_{1}(s), \bar{\theta}_{2}(s)$ represent the Laplace Transforms of $\theta_{1}$ and $\theta_{2}$, respectively, and $\theta_{1}(0), \theta_{2}(0), \dot{\theta}_{1}(0), \dot{\theta}_{2}(0)$ are the initial conditions.

The stability of the system can be established by examining the characteristic equation associated with Eq. (20) which is of the form:

$$
s^{4}-B s^{2}+C=0
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{B}{2 \Omega^{2}}=-\left[\{K(\alpha+1)+\alpha\}+\frac{1}{2}\{K(\alpha+1)+(\alpha-1)\}^{2}+\frac{3}{2} K\right] \\
& \frac{C}{\Omega^{4}}=\{K(\alpha+1)+\alpha\}^{2}+3 K\{K(\alpha+1)+\alpha\}
\end{aligned}
$$

For stability, the roots of the characteristic equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
s= \pm \sqrt{\frac{B}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{B}{2}\right)^{2}-C}}, \tag{21}
\end{equation*}
$$

. ${ }^{\text {unst }}$ not have a positive real part. Two symbols $F_{1}$ and $F_{2}$ are definted as:

$$
\begin{align*}
& F_{1}=\frac{B}{2 \Omega^{2}}  \tag{22}\\
& F_{2}=\frac{C}{\Omega^{4}}
\end{align*}
$$

A brief study of Eq. (2I) indicates that the condftion under which there will be no positive real parts are:
(I) $F_{1}<0$
(2) $F_{2}>0$
(3) $\left(F_{1}\right)^{2}-F_{2}>0$

To obtain numerical results, the variation of the quantities $F_{1}, F_{2},\left(F_{1}\right)^{2}-F_{2}$ were plotted in the $\alpha, K$ plane. The boundary of the stable and unstable regions is established and the results are illustrated in Fig. 4. The unstable regions are indicated by the cross-hatch marks. This stability chart has been previously
obtained by Thomson (Ref. 4) and Kane (Ref. 5).

## G. Analytical Solution for Euler Angies for Symmetric Extension Without Gravity-Gradient Torques

The equations of motion for a spinning symmetric satellite with telescoping appendages in torque free space under the assumption that $\left|\theta_{1}\right|,\left|\theta_{2}\right|$ are small are obtained from Eqs. (9) and (11) as:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \dot{h}_{1}+b(t) h_{2}=0  \tag{23.a}\\
& \dot{h}_{2}-b(t) h_{1}=0  \tag{23.b}\\
& \dot{\theta}_{1}-\Omega \theta_{2}=\frac{h_{1}}{I(t)} \cos \theta_{3}-\frac{h_{2}}{I(t)} \sin \theta_{3}  \tag{23,c}\\
& \dot{\theta}_{2}+\Omega \theta_{I}=\frac{h_{1}}{I(t)} \sin \theta_{3}+\frac{h_{2}}{I(t)} \cos \theta_{3}  \tag{23.d}\\
& \dot{\theta}_{3}=\omega_{3}-\Omega \tag{23.e}
\end{align*}
$$

The solution to the first two of the above equations has been previously obtained as: ${ }^{1}$

$$
\begin{align*}
& \mathrm{h}_{1}=q_{0}^{*} \cos \left(\int_{0}^{\mathrm{t}} \mathrm{~b}(\mathrm{t}) \mathrm{dt}+\psi_{0}^{*}\right) \\
& \mathrm{h}_{2}=q_{0}^{*} \sin \left(\int_{0}^{\mathrm{t}} \mathrm{~b}(\mathrm{t}) \mathrm{dt}+\psi_{0}^{*}\right) \tag{24}
\end{align*}
$$

where $q_{0}{ }^{*}$ and $\psi_{0}^{*}$ are constants depending on the initial conditions. For linear extension rates and under the assumption that the masses
emanate from the center of mass of the spacecraft, the instantanious moments of inertia for symetrical deployment become (see Fig. 1):

$$
\begin{align*}
& I_{1}=I_{2}=I(t)=I^{*}+2 m c^{2} t^{2}+2 m_{3} c_{3}^{2} t^{2} \\
& I_{3}(t)=I_{3}^{*}+4 m c^{2} t^{2} \tag{25}
\end{align*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{align*}
& \ell_{1}=\ell_{2}=c t, m_{1}=m_{2}=m \\
& \ell_{3}=c_{3} t \tag{26}
\end{align*}
$$

$\ell_{1}, \ell_{2}, \ell_{3}$ are the distances of the end masses $m_{1}, m_{2}, m_{3}$ from the satellite: mass center 0 , respectively, $c$ the extension rate along the 1,2 symmetry axes, and $c_{3}$ the extension rate along the 3 axis. Let

$$
\begin{align*}
& \mu=4 m c^{2} \\
& p=2 m c^{2}+2 m_{3} c_{3}^{2} \tag{27}
\end{align*}
$$

so that

$$
\begin{align*}
& I(t)=I^{*}+p t^{2} \\
& I_{3}(t)=I_{3}^{*}+\mu t^{2}  \tag{28}\\
& t \\
& \int_{0}^{t} b(t) d t=\int_{0} \frac{I_{3}(t)-I(t)}{I_{3}(t) I(t)} h_{0} d t \\
& \text { Equation (24) can be written: }
\end{align*}
$$

$$
\begin{align*}
& h_{1}(t)=q_{0}^{*} \cos \left[\frac{h_{0}}{\sqrt{I^{*} p}} \tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{I^{*} / p}}\right)-\frac{h_{0}}{\sqrt{I_{3}^{*}{ }^{*}}} \tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{I_{3}^{* / \mu}}}\right)+\psi_{0}^{*}\right] \\
& h_{2}(t)=q_{0}^{*} \sin \left[\frac{h_{0}}{\sqrt{I^{*} p}} \tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{I^{*} / \mathrm{p}}}\right)-\frac{h_{0}}{\sqrt{I_{3}^{*} \alpha_{1}}} \tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{I_{3} / \mu}}\right)+\psi_{0}^{*}\right]^{(25} \tag{29}
\end{align*}
$$

where the constants $q_{0}$ * and $\psi_{0}{ }^{*}$ are related to the initial conditions as follows:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \mathrm{q}_{0}^{*}=\sqrt{\mathrm{h}_{1}^{2}(0)+\mathrm{h}_{2}^{2}(0)} \\
& \psi_{0}^{*}=\tan ^{-1} \frac{\mathrm{~h}_{2}(0)}{\mathrm{h}_{1}(0)} \tag{30}
\end{align*}
$$

After integration of Eq. (23.c),

$$
\begin{equation*}
\theta_{3}(t)=\frac{h_{0}}{\sqrt{I_{3}{ }^{*} \mu}} \tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{I_{3} / \mu}}\right)-\Omega t+\theta_{3}(0) \tag{3I}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\theta_{3}(0)$ is the initial condition at $t=0$. Equations (31) and (29) are then substituted into Eqs. (23.c) and (23.d) with the result:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \dot{\theta}_{I}-\Omega \theta_{2}=\frac{q_{0}^{*}}{I *+p t^{2}}\left[\cos \left\{\frac{h_{0}}{\sqrt{I * p}} \tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{I * / p}}\right)-\Omega t+\psi_{0}^{*}+\theta_{3}(0)\right\}\right] \\
& \dot{\theta}_{2}+\Omega \theta_{1}=\frac{q_{0}^{*}}{I *+p t^{2}}\left[\sin \left\{\frac{h_{0}}{\sqrt{I^{*} p}} \tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{I * / p}}\right)-\Omega t+\psi_{0}^{*+\theta_{3}(0)}\right\}\right] \tag{32}
\end{align*}
$$

The variation of parameter technique for solving a system of
first order differential equations is now applied to solve Eqs. (32). We seek a solution of the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
\underline{\theta}(t)=\underline{\psi}(t) \underline{u}(t) \tag{33}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the fundamental matrix, $\psi(t)$, is given by:

$$
\Psi(t)=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
\cos \Omega t & \sin \Omega t  \tag{34}\\
-\sin \Omega t & \cos \Omega t
\end{array}\right]
$$

and the vectors $\underline{\mu}(t)$ and $\underline{\theta}(t)$ are

$$
\begin{align*}
& \underline{u}(t)=\int_{0}^{t} \Psi^{-1}(s) \underline{g}(s) d s+\underline{c}  \tag{35}\\
& \underline{\theta}(t)=\left[\begin{array}{l}
\theta_{1} \\
\theta_{2}
\end{array}\right]
\end{align*}
$$

In Eq. (35), $g(t)$ represents the right-hand side of Eq. (32) and $\underline{\mathcal{C}}$ is a constant vector.

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
\phi=\psi_{0}^{*}+\theta_{3}(0) \tag{37}
\end{equation*}
$$

The solution for $\theta_{1}, \theta_{2}$ can be obtained by first evaluating the integral in Eq. (36) and then substituting this result into Eq. (33).

$$
\left.\begin{array}{rl}
{\left[\begin{array}{l}
\theta_{1} \\
\theta_{2}
\end{array}\right]=} & {\left[\begin{array}{ll}
\cos \Omega t & \sin \Omega t \\
-\sin \Omega t & \cos \Omega t
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
\frac{q_{0}^{*}}{h_{0}}\left[\sin \left\{\frac{h_{0}}{\sqrt{I^{*} p}} \tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{I * / p}}\right)+\phi\right\}\right. \\
\frac{q_{0}^{*}}{h_{0}}\left[\cos \left\{\frac{h_{0}}{\sqrt{I^{*} p}} \tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{I * / p}}\right)+\phi\right\}\right.
\end{array}\right.} \\
& \left.-\sin \phi]+C_{I}\right]  \tag{38}\\
& -\cos \phi]+C_{2}
\end{array}\right] \quad .
$$

$C_{1}, C_{2}$ are constants which can be related to the initial conditions by

$$
\begin{align*}
& c_{1}=\theta_{1}(0)  \tag{39}\\
& c_{2}=\theta_{2}(0)
\end{align*}
$$

From consideration of Eq. (38), the following conclusions can be drawn:
(1) For sinall $t / \sqrt{I^{*} / p}, \tan ^{-1}\left(\mathrm{t} / \sqrt{I^{*} / \mathrm{p}}\right)$ can be approximated by: $\mathrm{t} / \sqrt{I^{*} / \mathrm{p}}$, so that the frequency of oscillation is given by $h_{0} / I^{*}=I_{3}{ }^{*} \omega_{3}(0) / I^{*}$. This indicates that for high initial spin rates oscillations will be characterized by a high frequency rode.
(2) For $t$ sufficiently large, $\frac{h_{0}}{\sqrt{I^{*} p}} \tan ^{-1} \frac{t}{\sqrt{I^{*} / \mathrm{p}}}$ can be approximated by a constant: $\frac{h_{0}}{\sqrt{I^{*} p}} \frac{\pi}{2} . \theta_{1}$ and $\theta_{2}$ are then periodic with a frequency of $\Omega$ (the orbital frequency).

The analytical solution developed is plotted in Fig. 5.a and is compared with numerical integration including the effect of gravity-gradient, for an initial spir rate of $3 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}$. The behavior observed is a confirmation of the above two conclusions. As time increases the analytical solution becomes less valid due to the accumulated effacts of the gravity-gradient torques.

## H. Numerical Results

The non-linear equations of motion (9), (10) are solved numerically. The numerical integration is carried out using a NOVA-840 computer, with RKGS subroutine. ${ }^{9}$ The subroutine RKGS solves the initial-value problem by means of a fourth-order Runge-Kutta formula using the modification due to Gill. The integration procedure is stable and self-starting; that is, only the functional value at a single pravious point is required to obtain the functional values ahead. For this reason it is easy to change the step size at any step in the calculation. The entire input of the procedure is: (1) Iower and upper bound of the integration interval, initial increment of the independent variable, upper bound for the local truncation error; (2) initial values for the dependent variable and weights for local truncation
errors in each component of the dependent variables; (3) the number of differential equitions in the system; (4) as external subroutine sub-programs, the computation of the right-hand side of the system of differential equations; for flexibility in output an output subroutine.

To study the system for which $\left|\theta_{1}\right|,\left|\theta_{2}\right|$ remain small the stability chart developed (Fig. 4) can be employed to analyze the following cases of interest:
(1) Extension only along the '3' principal axis: A previous study ${ }^{2}$ in the application of telescoping booms for detumbling a spacecraft, to achieve a desired spin about one of the principal axes has suggested (based on a modified form of kinetic energy as a Lyapunov function) extension of booms along all three principal axes until the final desired spin rate is reached and then continuing the extension of the set of booms along the nominal spin axis until the transverse components of the angular velocity reach an acceptably small amplitude. ${ }^{2}$ For extension of booms along the spin axis only and for a symmetrical spacecraft it is clear that in the stability chart the spin parameter, $a$, will remain constant during deployment, while the moment of inertia ratio, $K$, decreases. The value of $K$ at any instant of time for this case is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
K=\frac{\left(I_{3}^{*}-I^{*}-p_{1} t^{2}\right)}{I^{*}+p_{1} t^{2}} \tag{40}
\end{equation*}
$$

where starred quantities represent the initial values and
$P_{1}=2 m c^{2}$
in $=$ end mass
$c=$ extension rate
From consideration of Eq. (40) as $t$ becomes large, $K$, tends towards -1. In the upper-half of the stability chart, the stability boundary, $F_{2}=0$, tends toward $K=-1.0$ asymptotically. This implies that for a wide range of spin rates commonly used, extension only along the ' 3 ' axis could result in the system eventually being driven to an unstable state. Typical examples of such deployment maneuvers have been simulated and the responses shown in Figs. 5.b,c; 6.a,b; 7.a,b; 9.a,b; and 10.a,b.

In Fig. 5.b the response of the $\omega_{1}$ and $\omega_{2}$ components of the angular velocity with and without the gravity-gradient torque are compared. The initial conditions, end masses, extension rate and initial principal inertias are indicated in the figure. For this case an fnitiel (high) spin rate of $3.0 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}$ is assumed. Clearly, the envelope of $\omega_{I}$ and $\omega_{2}$ with gravity-gradient torque present shows the growth in amplitude after 250 secs. For this case the response of the nutation angle (Fig. 5.c) indicates the potential instability during extension after 250 seconds. Since $a=2.9 \times 10^{3}$ here, this case can not be indicated in the regions of the stability chart as ploted. However use of Eq. (40) shows that for $t>12$ secs, the value of K becomes less than -0.8 .

Figures 6.a,b and $7 . a, b$ illustrate the responses of $\omega_{1}, \omega_{2}$ and nutation angle for two different extension rates: $c_{3}=4.0$ $\mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$ and $c_{3}=0.5 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$, respectively, both with the same fnitial conditions. " In either case, $a=1.0$, and is a constant during the extension maneuver. Initially $\mathbb{R}=1.0$. Figs. 6.a and 7.a show that with the gravitational torque included, the $\omega_{2}$ component increases in amplitude after an initial tendency to decrease. After 60 secs for the first case (Fig. 6.b) and 250 secs for the second case (Fig. 7.b), the nutation angle increases and almost doubles tits initial value within 280 secs and 500 sacs, respectively. The time history of the slower extension case ( $0.5 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$ ) is tadicated on a redrawn version of the stablility chart in Fig. 8. In this chart the horizontal dotted line parallel to the $K$ axis passing through $\alpha=1.0$ corresponds to the $0.5 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$ extenston rate discussed earlier in Figs. 7.a,b. The system crossed the stability boundary at $t=39 \mathrm{sec}$, which corresponds to approximately 20 feet of boom extension. It can be concluded from Fig. 7.b that although the system crosses the stability boundary at $t=39$ secs, the instability is not exhibited in the form of the growth of the nutation angle during the extension maneuver, until about 250 secs, when the nutation angle begins to grow in an exponential fashion.

Two more cases of extension only along the ${ }^{\prime} 3$ ' axis were simulated, beginning in the unstable region in the right-half of
the stability chart, that is the unstable region for positive $K$. The responses for the two cases with extension rates of $4 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$ and $0.5 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$ are shown in Figs. $9 . \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ and Figs. $10 . \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ respectively. The responses are similar to the cases of Figs. 6 and 7. Even for the slower extension rate of $0.5 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$, no appreciable Increase in the nutation angle was observed as the system passes through the unstable region for $K>0$.
(2) Extension maneuver along all three axes

A previous study ${ }^{2}$ on detumbling a randonly spinning spacecraft using telescoping appendages had considered zero inertial angular velocity as a final desired state of the system. The authors using the rotational kinetic energy as a Lyapunov function had concluded that the necessary conditions for asymptotic stability in torque free space are satisfied for positive constant boom extension rates. When the dynamics for symetric extension with the gravity-gradient torque is considered, it is observed that the parameter $\alpha=\left(\omega_{3}-\Omega\right) / \Omega$ eventually tends towards -1.0 for sufficiently large time. If the same end masses and extension rates were employed along all three principal axes, the inertia ratio $K$ at any instant of time would be given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
K=\frac{I_{3}^{*}-I^{*}}{I^{*}+\mu t^{2}} \tag{41}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\mu=4 m c^{2} ; m=\text { end mass } ; c=\text { extension rate }
$$

Equation (41) suggests that for sufficiently large time, $K$ tends towards 0 . Although the point ( $0,-1$ ) in the stability chart is a boundary point, in practice, extension along all three axes with the same end masses and exrension rates could never result in the system actually reaching this point.

Typical examples of such deployment maneuvers have been simulated and the responses shown in Figs. 11 and 12.a,b. In Fig. 11 the system is fnitially in the stable region with $\alpha(0)=5.0$ and $K(0)=0.6$. The initial conditions are indicated in the figure. For this case the responses of the components of the angular velocity and the nutation angle show negligible difference with gravity-gradient present or absent. The nutation angle is observed to be a constant. The time history for this case has been indicated in Fig. 8. by the dash-double dot curve beginning at the point ( $0.6,5$ ). With the assumed extension rate of $4 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$ and end mass of 0.01 slugs, the system moves rapidly down the stability chart. It enters the unsteble region for positive K , at about 8 secs which corresponds to 32 feet of boom length. However it stays only very briefly in this unstable region reentering the stable region again in about 10 seconds. Clearly any such deployment strategy should ensure that the extension of booms is nor terminated in this unstable region.

Figs. 12.a,b show the response of a system initially in the unstable region with $\alpha(0)=5.0$ and $K(0)=-0.6$. Here a small
difference in the response of $\omega_{1}, \omega_{2}, \omega_{3}$ was observed with gravitygradient present and then absent. Within 630 secs of response time this difference is not noticeable within the scale show in the figure. However the response of the nutation angle (Fig. 12.b) shows a slight growth for the case with gravity-gradient present after about 430 seconds. The time history for this case is indicated by the dash-dot curve beginning at the point $(-0.6,5)$ in Fig. 8. It is observed that the system tends to the point $(0,-1)$ from the left. The system briefly passes through the narrow strip of the stable region close to the K axis in the left-half of the stability chart, although never entering the stable region elsewhere even for the slow extension rate of $0.1 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$ used.
(3) Extension along the 1,2 principal axes

A number of spin-stabilized satellites have long appendages in the plane of rotation. Hughes ${ }^{10}$ has studied the dymamics of the satellite during the deployment maneuver assuming torque free conditions. For symmetric extension along the 1,2 principal axis only the spin parameter, $\alpha=\left(\omega_{-3}-\Omega\right) / \Omega$, tends towards -1.0 for sufficiently large time. The inertia factor $K$ at any instant of time during the deployment maneuver is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
K=\frac{I_{3}^{*}+\mu t^{2}-I^{*}-\frac{\mu}{2} t^{2}}{I^{*}+\frac{\mu}{2} t^{2}} \tag{42}
\end{equation*}
$$

where
$\mu=4 \mathrm{mc}^{2} ; \mathrm{m}=$ end mass; $c=$ extension rate.
From Eq. (42) it can be concluded that, given sufficiently large time the factor $K$ tends towards 1.0 . So one can expect that under suitable conditions extension only along the 1,2 principal axes would eventually drive the system to the point $(1,-1)$, which lies in the unstable region for positive $K$ in the stability chart (see Fig. 4).

Two typical extension maneuvers for this case have been simulated and the responses presented in Figs. 13.a,b and 14, a,b. Fig 13.a shows the response of the transverse components of the angular velocity, for a system initially in the stable region; $K(0)=0.4$ and $\alpha(0)=5.0$. The initial conditions are indicated In the figure. It is seen that the $\omega_{2}$ component for the case with gravity-gradient torque, begins to increase after about 270 secs. The nutation angle (Fig. 13.b) likewise begins an exponential type growth at about the same time. The spin, $\omega_{3}$, is not affected since the gravity-gradient torque about the spin axis vanishes for symmetric deployment and the responses with or without the gravitygradient torque are identical. The time history trajectory for this case has been indicated in Fig. 15 by the dash-double cross curve beginning at the paint ( $0,4,5$ ) . For the assumed extension rate of $0.5 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$ and an end mass of 0.01 slugs the system crosses into the unstable region for positive $K$ after 87 secs which corresponds to about 44 feet of extended boom. Although the
system enters the unstable region after 87 secs, instability is not exhibited in the form of growth in the nutation angle until about 270 seconds.

Another case of deployment along the 1,2 axes beginning in the unstable region $(\alpha(0)=5.0, K(0)=-0.6)$ has been simulated and the resules presented in Figs. 14.a,b. A slow extension rate of $0.1 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$ has been assumed for this case. Fig. 14.a shows that with the gravity-gradient present the $\omega_{2}$ component becomes positive at about 500 secs and continues to grow further, whereas the response without gravity-gradient torque shows that $\omega_{2}$ tends towards zero. Fig. 14.b shows that with the gravity-gradient torque the nutation angle begins to grow after 360 seconds. The time history for this case is indicated in Fig. 15. by the dash-cross curve beginning at the point $(-0.6,5)$. The system enters the stable region at $t=74$ secs, leaves it again and reenters the unstable region for positive $\mathbb{K}$ at $\mathrm{t}=179$ secs. Although the system is moving through the unstable region for $t>179$ secs, it takes about 360 secs before the instability is indicated as a pronounced growth in the nutation angle.

## III. ASYMMETRIC DEPLOYMENT

## A. Configuration

The system is assumed to consist of a rigid central hub (Fig. 16.a) with center of mass at point $Q$ and one or two extendible telescoping booms with end masses $m_{1}$ and $m_{2}$, respectively. The mass along the boom lengths is assumed negligible in comparison with the end masses. It is assumed that, in general, the two booms will be offset from the hub principal axes with the coordinates $a, b, c, d$ indicating the amount of offset. Previous studies have considered this type of configuration for detumbling a spacecraft. ${ }^{6,7}$ It has been pointed out that for three axis optimal control more than one offset boom (orthogonal to each other) is required and that for two axis optimal control a single offset boom is sufficient. ${ }^{7}$
B. Development of Gravity Torque Components.

The general configuration of the two mass offset system is shown in Fig. 16.b. Whenever there is an asymmetric (internal) mass motion in a spacecraft system, the position of the composite center of mass and the orientation of the system principal axes will vary with time. The choice of the composite center of mass of the system as the reference point in the body, leads to time varying moments of inertia in the rotational equations of motion. This problem can be circumvented by choosing the vehicle (hub) center of mass as the reference point and the hub principal axes as the body reference frame. In Fig. $16 . \mathrm{b}_{\mathrm{s}} \mathrm{d}_{1}, \mathrm{~d}_{2}, \mathrm{~d}_{3}$ represent the
hub principal axes; $Q$, the hub center of mass; $\overline{\mathrm{R}}$, the geocentric position vector of the hub center of mass; $\bar{R}_{c}$ the geocentric position vector of the composite center of mass, $C ; m_{1}$ and $m_{2}$ are the control miasses whose position vectors relative to point $Q$ are indicated by $\bar{\Gamma}_{1}$ and $\bar{\Gamma}_{2}$, respectively. $\bar{r}_{c}$ is the position vector of the composite center of mass referenced to point $Q$.

If $\overline{\mathrm{r}}$ represents the vector from point $Q$ to an elemental mass dm, then the torque applied by gravity about the hub center of mass is ${ }^{8}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\overline{\mathbb{N}}_{\mathrm{Q}}=\sqrt{\mathrm{r}} \times\left[-\frac{\mathrm{k}(\overline{\mathrm{R}}+\overline{\mathrm{r}})}{|\overline{\mathrm{R}}+\overline{\mathrm{r}}|^{3}}\right] \mathrm{dm} \tag{43}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $k=g_{0} R_{0}{ }^{2}$ with $g_{0}$ the gravitational acceleration at the earth's surface and $R_{0}$ the radius of the earth. Eq. (43) can be expressed as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{N}_{Q}=\frac{\mathrm{k} \overline{\mathrm{R}}}{\mathrm{R}^{3}} \times \sqrt{\left[1+\frac{\overline{\mathrm{r}} \cdot \mathrm{dm}}{\mathrm{R}^{2}}\right]^{3}} \tag{44}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathrm{A}=|\overrightarrow{\mathrm{R}}|$ and the integration is taken over the total mass. Expanding the denominator of the integrand in a binomial series provides the approximation ${ }^{8}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{N}_{Q}=\frac{k \bar{R}}{R^{3}} \times \sqrt{\mathrm{I}}\left[1-\frac{3 \bar{I} \cdot \overline{\mathrm{R}}}{\mathrm{R}^{2}}\right] \mathrm{dm} \tag{45}
\end{equation*}
$$

in which terms above the first degree in ( $\bar{R} \cdot \bar{r} / R^{2}$ ) have been neglected in comparison with first degree terms. This approximation is justified by the observation that the satellite dimensions are small in comparison with the orbital radius. The main body can be treated as a continuum and the offiset masses treated as discrete particles so that the integral in Eq. (45) cen be divided into an integral over the main body and a sumation for the end masses. Equation (45) can then be written as:

$$
\begin{gather*}
\bar{N}_{Q}=\frac{k \bar{R}}{R^{3}} \times \underset{\substack{\text { boin } \\
\text { body }}}{ }\left[I-\frac{3 \bar{r} \cdot \bar{R}}{R^{2}}\right] \operatorname{dm}+\frac{\mathrm{k} \bar{R}}{R^{3}} \\
\quad \sum_{i=1}^{2} \bar{I}_{i}\left[1-\frac{3 \bar{r}_{i} \cdot \bar{R}}{R^{2}}\right] \mathrm{m}_{i} \tag{46}
\end{gather*}
$$

By definition of the center of mass of the hub $\sqrt{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{dm}$ is zero.
Eq. (46) then becomes

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{N}_{Q}=\frac{3 k}{R^{3}} \hat{a}_{I} \times \square_{m} \cdot \hat{a}_{I}+\frac{k}{R^{2}} \hat{a}_{I} \times \sum_{i=1}^{2} m_{i} \bar{r}_{i}\left[I-\frac{3}{R} \bar{r}_{i} \cdot \hat{a}_{I}\right] \tag{47}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \hat{a}_{1} \text { - unit vector along the geocentric position vector of the } \\
& \text { main body center of mass. } \\
& R \text { - distence of the main body center of mass from the center } \\
& \text { of the earth. }
\end{aligned}
$$

$\square_{\text {m }}$ - moment of inertia dyadic of the main body. Here it is important to observe that in general the factor $\sum_{i} m_{i} \bar{r}_{i}$ does not vanish. Equation (47) is an expression for the gravity torque about the hub center of mess for a system with two offset control masses. Here it will be expanded to yield the gravity torque components in the hub reference frame for the specific configuration shown in Fig. 16.a.

We now make the assumptions that the unit vector $a_{I}$ defined above can be considered equivalent to the unit vector along the composite system local vertical and that the distance, $R$, as defined above is equivalent to the orbital radius. These assumptions are justified by the fact that for the choice of control masses as one percent of the satellite mass, ${ }^{6}$ the displacement between the hub center'of mass and the composite center of mass would be extremely small in comparison with the orbit radius. It is then possible to make use of the same set of Euler angles (Fig. 3) as defined for the symmetric deployment in Section II, now relating the orbiting reference frame (Fig. 2) to the hub principal axes reference frame, $d_{1}, d_{2}, d_{3}$. The transformation between these two reference frames is given by Eq. (2) and the vector $\hat{a}_{1}$ is obtained from Eq. (4) and is given as follows:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{a}_{1}=c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3} \hat{d}_{1}-c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3} \hat{\mathrm{a}}_{2}+s \theta_{2} \hat{\mathrm{~d}}_{3} \tag{48}
\end{equation*}
$$

For the two mass system shown in Fig. 15 the control mass position vectors are given by:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \bar{r}_{1}=a \hat{d}_{1}+b \hat{d}_{2}+z \hat{d}_{3} \\
& \bar{r}_{2}=x \hat{d}_{1}+c \hat{d}_{2}+a \hat{d}_{3} \tag{49}
\end{align*}
$$

Equations (48) and (49) are substituted into Eq. (47), resulting in the following gravity torque components

$$
\begin{align*}
N_{I}= & \frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left(I_{2}-I_{3}\right) c \theta_{2} s \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}+\frac{k}{R^{2}}\left[m_{1}\left\{-z c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}-b s \theta_{2}\right\}\right. \\
& \left.+m_{2}\left\{-d c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}-c s \theta_{2}\right\}\right]-\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left[m _ { 1 } \left(a c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}-b c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right.\right. \\
& \left.+z s \theta_{2}\right)\left(-z c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}-b s \theta_{2}\right)+m_{2}\left(x c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}-c c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right. \\
& \left.\left.+d s \theta_{2}\right)\left(-d c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}-c s \theta_{2}\right)\right]  \tag{50.a}\\
N_{2}= & \frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left(I_{1}-I_{3}\right) c \theta_{2} s \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}+\frac{k}{R^{2}}\left[I_{1}\left\{-z c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}+a s \theta_{2}\right\}\right. \\
& \left.+\|_{2}\left\{-d c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}+x s \theta_{2}\right\}\right]-\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left[m _ { 1 } \left(a c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}-b c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right.\right. \\
& \left.+z s \theta_{2}\right)\left(a s \theta_{2}-z c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}\right)+m_{2}\left(x c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}-c c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right. \\
& \left.\left.+d s \theta_{2}\right)\left(x s \theta_{2}-d c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}\right)\right] \tag{50.b}
\end{align*}
$$

$$
\begin{align*}
& N_{3}=\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left(I_{1}-I_{2}\right)\left(c \theta_{2}\right)^{2} \operatorname{c\theta }_{3} s \theta_{3}+\frac{k}{R^{2}}\left[m_{1}\left\{b c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}+\operatorname{tac} \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right\}\right. \\
& \left.+m_{2}\left\{\cos \theta_{2} \operatorname{co}_{3}+x \operatorname{co} \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right\}\right]-\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left[m _ { 2 } \left(a \log 2 \theta_{3}-b c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right.\right. \\
& \left.+z s \theta_{2}\right)\left(b c \theta_{2} \operatorname{c\theta _{3}} \operatorname{tac}_{2} s \theta_{3}\right)+\operatorname{m}_{2}\left(x \operatorname{co} \theta_{2} \operatorname{c\theta } \theta_{3}-\operatorname{cc} \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right. \\
& \left.\left.+\operatorname{ds} \theta_{2}\right)\left(\operatorname{cc\theta }_{2} \operatorname{c\theta }_{3}+\mathrm{xc} \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right)\right] \tag{50.c}
\end{align*}
$$

## C. Equations of Motion

The complete equations of motion with telescoping type control booms in the presence of gravity torque are developed. The torque free equations of motion for the system have been previously developed ${ }^{7}$ and this development is briefly reproduced here, after modification to include the gravity torque.

The generalized vector equation of motion for such a system contafning a central hub and moving connected masses can be written: ${ }^{11}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{N}_{Q}=\dot{\bar{L}}_{Q}+\sum_{i=1}^{n} m_{i}\left(\bar{r}_{i / Q}\right) \times \ddot{\ddot{R}} \tag{51}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\bar{N}_{Q}$ refers to the gravity torque, $Q$ refers to the reference point which is assumed to be at the center of mass of the hub, $\frac{\ddot{R}}{R}$ is the inertial acceleration of the reference poine and $\bar{T}_{i / Q}$ is the position vector of mass, $m_{j}$, with respect to point $Q$ (Fig. 16.b.) It should also be noted that $\bar{R}_{c}$ is the position vector of the composite system center of mass whose position will change with the movement of $m_{1}$ and $m_{2}$. The composite $c . m$. is assumed to move
in a circular orbit, and it is assumed that coupling between orbital (translational) motion and the attitude dynamics is a higher order effect.

The angular womentum of the system measured with respect to point, $Q$, has three components,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{I}_{Q}=\bar{I}_{b / Q}+\bar{L}_{m_{1} / Q}+\bar{I}_{m_{2}} / Q \tag{52}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\bar{I}_{b} / Q$ describes the momentum of the hub, and $\bar{L}_{m_{i}} / Q$ describes the momentum oi mass $m_{1}$. The hub momentum may be expressed in terms of the hub principal moments of inertia and angular velocity components as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\overline{\mathrm{L}}_{\mathrm{b} / Q}=I_{1} \omega_{1} \hat{\mathrm{~d}}_{1}+I_{2} \omega_{2} \hat{\mathrm{~d}}_{2}+I_{3} \omega_{3} \hat{\mathrm{a}}_{3} \tag{53}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\hat{d}_{1}, \hat{\mathrm{~d}}_{2}, \hat{\mathrm{~d}}_{3}$ are unit vectors along the hub principal axes, and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\bar{I}_{m_{i}} / Q=m_{i}\left(\bar{r}_{i} \times{\overline{r_{i}}}_{i}\right) ; \quad i=1,2 \tag{54}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\vec{I}_{i}$ describes the position of $m_{i}$ relative to $Q\left(\bar{r}_{i / Q}\right)$.
We will now consider the inertial acceleration of the reference point (Fig. 16).

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\ddot{\pi}}{\mathrm{R}}=\ddot{\ddot{R}}_{c}-\ddot{I}_{c} \tag{55}
\end{equation*}
$$

Linder the assumption that coupling between translational and rotational motion can be neglected, $\frac{\pi_{c}}{R_{c}}=0$, and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\ddot{\bar{R}}}{}=-\ddot{\bar{r}}_{\mathrm{c}} \tag{56}
\end{equation*}
$$

From the definition of the system center of mass we can relate

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ddot{\bar{R}}=-\frac{m_{1} \ddot{\bar{I}}_{1}+m_{2} \ddot{\bar{r}}_{2}}{M+\varepsilon_{m}} \tag{57}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $M$ represents the hub mass and

$$
\Sigma m=m_{1}+m_{2}
$$

After substituting Eqs. (53), (54) and (57) into Eq. (51) the following rotational equation results: ${ }^{7}$

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\dot{\overline{\mathrm{L}}}_{\mathrm{b} / Q}+\mu_{1}\left({\overline{r_{1}}}_{1}{\ddot{\overline{r_{1}^{1}}}}\right)+\bar{\mu}_{2}\left({\overline{r_{2}}}_{2} \times \ddot{\bar{r}}_{2}\right) \\
+\mu_{3}\left(\bar{r}_{1} \times \ddot{\bar{r}}_{2}+{\overline{r_{2}}}_{2} \times \ddot{\bar{r}}_{1}\right)=\overline{\mathbb{N}}_{Q} \tag{58}
\end{array}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mu_{1}=m_{1}\left(M+m_{2}\right) /(M+\Sigma m) \\
& \mu_{2}=m_{2}\left(M+m_{1}\right) /(M+\Sigma m) \\
& \mu_{3}=-m_{1} m_{2} /(M+\Sigma m)
\end{aligned}
$$

Eq. (58) is then expanded using the familiar relationship,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{\bar{L}}_{\mathrm{L} / \mathrm{Q}}=\left.\frac{\overline{\mathrm{d}}_{\mathrm{b}}}{\mathrm{dt}}\right|_{\text {body }}+\bar{\omega} x \overline{\mathrm{I}}_{\mathrm{b}} / \mathrm{Q} \tag{59}
\end{equation*}
$$

and for the specific geometry of Fig. 16.a,

$$
\begin{align*}
& \bar{r}_{1}=a \hat{d}_{1}+b \hat{d}_{2}+z \hat{d}_{3}  \tag{60}\\
& \bar{r}_{2}=x \hat{d}_{1}+c \hat{d}_{2}+a \hat{d}_{3} \tag{61}
\end{align*}
$$

The acceleration terms $\ddot{\bar{r}}_{i}(i=1,2)$ may be calculated by using

$$
\begin{aligned}
\ddot{\bar{r}}_{i}= & \bar{\omega} \times\left(\bar{\omega} \times \bar{r}_{i}\right)+\dot{\bar{\omega}} \times{\overline{r_{i}}}_{i}+2 \bar{\omega} \times\left[\dot{\bar{r}}_{i}\right]_{b o d y} \\
& +\left[\ddot{\bar{r}}_{i}\right]_{b o d y}
\end{aligned}
$$

together with Eqs. (60) and (61). The complete nonlinear equations of morion are obtained by expansion of Eq. (58) and substitution for the gravity torque components from Eqs. (50.a), (50.b), and (50.c).

$$
\begin{align*}
& I_{1} \dot{\omega}_{I}+\left(I_{3}-I_{2}\right) \omega_{2} \omega_{3}+\mu_{1}\left[\left(b^{2}+z^{2}\right) \dot{\omega}_{1}-a b \dot{\omega}_{2}-a z \dot{\omega}_{3}-a z \omega_{1} \omega_{2}\right. \\
& \left.+\left(b^{2}-z^{2}\right) \omega_{2} \omega_{3}+a b \omega_{1} \omega_{3}+2 z \dot{z} \omega_{1}+b z\left(\omega_{3}{ }^{2}-\omega_{2}{ }^{2}\right)+\ddot{b z}\right] \\
& +\mu_{2}\left[c^{2}+d^{2}\right) \dot{\omega}_{1}-c \times \omega_{2}-d \dot{d x}_{3}-\mathrm{dxx}_{1} \omega_{2}+\left(c^{2}-\mathrm{d}^{2}\right) w_{2} \omega_{3} \\
& \left.+c x \omega_{1} \omega_{3}-2 \cdot \dot{c i}_{2}-2 \dot{d x}_{3}+c d\left(\omega_{3}{ }^{2}-\omega_{2}{ }^{2}\right)\right]+\mu_{3}\left[2(b c+d z) \dot{\omega}_{1}\right. \\
& -(a c+b x) \dot{\omega}_{2}-(a d+x z) \dot{\omega}_{3}-(a d+z x) \omega_{1} \omega_{2}+2(b c-d z) \omega_{2} \omega_{3} \\
& +(a c+b x) \omega_{1} \omega_{3}+2 \dot{d} \dot{z} \omega_{1}-2 \dot{b} x \omega_{2}-\dot{x} z \omega_{3}+(b d+c z)\left(\omega_{3}{ }^{2}-\omega_{2}{ }^{2}\right) \\
& +\ddot{c z}]=\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left(I_{2}-I_{3}\right) c \theta_{2} s \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}+\frac{k}{R^{2}}\left[I_{1} \quad\left\{-2 c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}-b s \theta_{2}\right\}\right. \\
& \left.+\mathrm{m}_{2}\left\{-\mathrm{dc} \theta_{2} \mathrm{~s} \mathrm{\theta}_{3}-\mathrm{cs} \theta_{2}\right\}\right]-\frac{3 \mathrm{k}}{\mathrm{R}^{3}}\left[\mathrm { m } _ { 1 } \left(\mathrm{ac} \theta_{2} \mathrm{c} \mathrm{\theta} \theta_{3}-\mathrm{bc} \theta_{2} \mathrm{~s} \mathrm{\theta} \theta_{3}\right.\right. \\
& \left.+z s \theta_{2}\right)\left(-z c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}-b s \theta_{2}\right)+m_{2}\left(x c \theta_{2} \mathrm{c} \mathrm{\theta}_{3}-\mathrm{cc} \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right. \\
& \left.\left.+d s \theta_{2}\right)\left(-d c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}-\operatorname{cs} \theta_{2}\right)\right] \tag{63.a}
\end{align*}
$$

$$
\begin{align*}
& I_{2} \dot{\omega}_{2}+\left(I_{1}-I_{3}\right) \omega_{3} \omega_{1}-\mu_{1}\left[a b \dot{\dot{\omega}_{1}}-\left(a^{2}+z^{2}\right) \dot{\omega}_{2}+b z \dot{山}_{3}-b z \omega_{1} \omega_{2}\right. \\
& \left.+a b \omega_{2} \omega_{3}+\left(a^{2}-z^{2}\right) \omega_{3} \omega_{1}-2 z \dot{z} \omega_{2}+a z\left(\omega_{3}{ }^{2}-\omega_{1}{ }^{2}\right)+a \ddot{z}\right]-\mu_{2}\left[c x \omega_{1}\right. \\
& -\left(d^{2}+x^{2}\right) \dot{\omega}_{2}+c d \dot{\omega}_{3}-c d \omega_{1} \omega_{2}+c x \omega_{2} \omega_{3}+\left(x^{2}-d^{2}\right) \omega_{3} \omega_{1} \\
& \left.-2 x x \dot{\omega}_{2}+d x\left(\omega_{3}^{2}-\omega_{1}^{2}\right)-d x\right]-\mu_{3}[a c+b x) \dot{\omega}_{1}-2(a x+d z) \dot{\omega}_{2} \\
& +(b d+c z) \dot{\omega}_{3}-(b d+c z) \omega_{1} \omega_{2}+(a c+b x) \omega_{2} \omega_{3}+2(a x-d z) \omega_{3} \omega_{1} \\
& \left.-2(a \dot{x}+d \dot{z}) \omega_{2}+(a d+x z)\left(\omega_{3}^{2}-\omega_{1}^{2}\right)+\ddot{x} z-z \ddot{x}\right] \\
& =\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left(I_{1}-I_{3}\right) c \theta_{2} s \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}+\frac{k}{R^{2}}[]_{1}\left\{-z c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}+a s \theta_{2}\right\} \\
& \left.+\mathrm{I}_{2}\left\{-\mathrm{dc} \mathrm{\theta}{ }_{2} \mathrm{c} \mathrm{\theta} 3+\mathrm{xs} \theta_{2}\right\}\right]-\frac{3 \mathrm{k}}{\mathrm{R}^{3}}\left[\mathrm { m } _ { 1 } \left(\mathrm{ac} \theta_{2} \mathrm{c} \mathrm{\theta} \theta_{3}-\mathrm{bc} \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right.\right. \\
& \left.+\mathrm{zs} \theta_{2}\right)\left(\mathrm{as} \mathrm{\theta}_{2}-\mathrm{zc} \mathrm{\theta} \theta_{2} \mathrm{ce}_{3}\right)+\mathrm{m}_{2}\left(\mathrm{xc} \mathrm{\theta} \theta_{2} \mathrm{c} \mathrm{\theta}_{3}-\operatorname{cc} \theta_{2} \mathrm{~s} \theta_{3}\right. \\
& \left.+\mathrm{ds} \theta_{2}\right)\left(\mathrm{xse}_{2}-\mathrm{de} \mathrm{\theta}_{2} \mathrm{c} \mathrm{\theta}_{3}\right) \mathrm{J}  \tag{63.b}\\
& I_{3} \dot{\omega}_{3}+\left(I_{2}-I_{1}\right) \omega_{1} \omega_{2}-\mu_{1}\left[a z \dot{\omega}_{1}+b z \dot{\omega}_{2}-\left(a^{2}+b^{2}\right) \dot{\omega}_{3}\right. \\
& \left.+\left(b^{2}-a^{2}\right) \omega_{1} \omega_{2}-a z \omega_{2} \omega_{3}+b z \omega_{3} \omega_{1}+2 a \dot{z} \omega_{1}+2 b \dot{z} \omega_{2}+a b\left(\omega_{1}^{2}-\omega_{2}^{2}\right)\right] \\
& -\mu_{2}\left[\mathrm{dxd} \dot{\omega}_{1}+c d \dot{\omega}_{2}-\left(c^{2}+x^{2}\right) \dot{\omega}_{3}+\left(c^{2}-x^{2}\right) \omega_{1} \omega_{2}-d x \omega_{2} \omega_{3}\right. \\
& \left.+c d \omega_{3} \omega_{1}-2 x \dot{x}_{3}+c x\left(\omega_{1}^{2}-\omega_{2}^{2}\right)+\operatorname{cx}\right]-\mu_{3}\left[(a d+x z) \dot{\omega}_{1}\right. \\
& +(b d+c z) \dot{\omega}_{2}-2(b c+a x) \dot{\omega}_{3}+2(b c-a x) \omega_{1} \omega_{2}-(a d+x z) \omega_{2} \omega_{3} \\
& +(b d+c z) \omega_{3} \omega_{1}+2 x \dot{z} \omega_{1}+2 c \dot{z} \omega_{2}-2 a \dot{x} \omega_{3}+(a c+b x)\left(\omega_{1}{ }^{2}-\omega_{2}{ }^{2}\right) \\
& +\dot{\mathrm{bx}}]=\frac{3 \mathrm{k}}{\mathrm{R}^{3}}\left(\mathrm{I}_{1}-\mathrm{I}_{2}\right)\left(\mathrm{c} \theta_{2}\right)^{2} \mathrm{c} \theta_{3} s \theta_{3}+\frac{\mathrm{k}}{\mathrm{R}^{2}}\left[\mathrm { m } _ { 1 } \left[\mathrm{bc} \theta_{2} \mathrm{c} \mathrm{\theta} \theta_{3}\right.\right. \\
& \left.\left.+a c \theta_{2} \operatorname{se} \theta_{3}\right\}+m_{2}\left\{c c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}+x c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right\}\right]-\frac{3 k}{R^{3}}\left[\mathrm { m } _ { 1 } \left(\mathrm{ac⿻} \theta_{2} \mathrm{c} \mathrm{\theta} \theta_{3}\right.\right. \\
& \left.-b c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}+2 s \theta_{2}\right)\left(b c \theta_{2} c \theta_{3}+a c \theta_{2} s \theta_{3}\right)+m_{2}\left(\mathrm{xc⿻}_{2} c \theta_{3}\right. \\
& \left.\left.-\operatorname{cc\theta }_{2} s \theta_{3}+d s \theta_{2}\right)\left(\operatorname{cc⿻}_{2} \mathrm{c} \mathrm{\theta} \theta_{3}+\mathrm{xc} \mathrm{\theta}_{2} \mathrm{~s} \theta_{3}\right)\right] \tag{63.c}
\end{align*}
$$

Equations (9), which relate the Euler angular rates to the angular velocity components, together with the above Eqs. (63.a), (63.b) and (63.c) are the complete non-linear equations of motion for the two mass asymetric system. Due to their complexity, no attempt has been made to obtain an analytical solution.
D. Numerical Results

The equations of motion developed are solved numerically using the RKGS subroutine outlined earlier in section II. In Ref. 7 a control law has been obtained for the boom end mass position such that a quadratic cost functional involving the weighted components of angular velocity plus the control is minimized when the final time is unspecified, assuming torque free conditions.

As an illustrative example the system parameters and initial conditions are selected from Ref. 7 for a large space station. It is to be noted that the satellite mass and the control mass here are 32 times larger when compared with those used in Ref. 6 .

$$
\begin{aligned}
& I_{1}=I_{2}=I=10.5 \times 10^{6} \mathrm{sIug}-\mathrm{ft}^{2} \quad\left(1.42 \times 10^{7} \mathrm{~kg}-\mathrm{m}^{2}\right) \\
& I_{3}=15 \times 10^{6} \mathrm{slug}-\mathrm{ft}^{2}\left(2.03 \times 10^{7} \mathrm{~kg}-\mathrm{m}^{2}\right) \\
& M=1.37 \times 10^{5} \mathrm{slugs}\left(6.21 \times 10^{4} \mathrm{~kg}\right) \\
& M_{3}=1800 \mathrm{slugs}(261121 \mathrm{bu}) \\
& a=65 \mathrm{ft}(19.8 \mathrm{~m}), b=0 \mathrm{ft}(0 \mathrm{~m}) \\
& \omega_{1}(0)=0.391 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}, \omega_{2}(0)=0.0 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}, \omega_{3}(0)=0.314 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec} .
\end{aligned}
$$

In all the cases in this study only a single boom ( $Z$ boom) offset from the spin axis has been considered. A specific example has been chosen from Ref. 7 for which the $Z$ boom control law is stated as follows:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ddot{z}+(0.314)^{2} z=-0.314 \times 17.72\left\{k c_{1} \omega_{1}+k c_{2} \omega_{2}\right\} \tag{64}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $k c_{1}$ and $k c_{2}$ are constants chosen based on optimal control theory. ${ }^{7}$ In this case:

$$
k c_{1}=-3.92, \mathrm{kc}_{2}=9.56
$$

The solution to Eq. (64) with the initial conditions $z(0)=0$, $\dot{z}(0)=0$ for the torque free case is given in Ref. 7 as:
$z(t)=17.72\{0.655 \sin 0.314 t+0.417 \cos 0.314 t$
$\left.-e^{-0.54 \times 0.314 t}(0.417 \cos 0.428 \times 0.314 t+2.056 \sin 0.428 \times 0.314 t)\right\}$
In the first part of the numerical study the effectiveness of the above control law in the presence of gravity torque is determined. Two cases of interest have been identified and the system behavior for these two cases are compared with the behavior for the torque free system.

Case.1: where the control haw as given by Eq. (64) employs the actual components of the angular velocity $\omega_{1}, \omega_{2}, \omega_{3}$, in the presence of gravity torque.

Case. 2: where the $Z$ bocm motion is according to the idealized control, the controller using the angular velocity components for
the torque free system. For this hypothetical case the Z boom motion is input into the program as given by Eq. (65).
Figure 17.a shows the $Z$ boom motion for Case. 1 by the dashcross curve, and for Case. 2 by the solid Inne. It is seen from Eq. (65) that the boom will experience a steady state oscillation after the fnitial transient for Case. 2 . Observe that for this case within 10-15 seconds the transient part of this motion is removed leaving a remaining steady state oscillation. For Case. 1 the $Z$ boom motion amplitude increases after 40 secs and would reach displacements of nearly 300 feet in 60 seconds (assuming that much boom length could be extended).
Fig. $17 . b$ shows the response of the $\omega_{1}$ component of the angular velocity, When gravity torque is neglected the amplitude of $\omega_{1}$ decreases with time and becomes close to zero in about 20 seconds of response time, whereas for Case.1. and 2. the response shows a markedly different varlation with $\omega_{1}$ becoming as high as $-0.12 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}$ and $-1.5 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}$ respectively within 60 seconds of response. Figs. $17 . c$ shows a similar behavior for the $w_{2}$ component. For the case without the gravity torque $\left|\omega_{2}\right|$ becomes close to zero as opposed to the large amplitude motion for Case. 1 and Case.2. Figure 17. d indicates that $\omega_{3}$ is constant when gravity torque is neglected, whereas for Case. 2 the motion is periodic over a mean value of $0.6 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}$. For Case. 1 , corresponding to the actual $Z$ boom motion, the $\omega_{3}$ response is somewhat
similar to Case. 2 until about 40 seconds after which it suddenly increases rapidly. This sudden increase corresponds to the high amplitudes of the $Z$ boom motion. Fig. 17.e. shows the response of the nutation angle. For all cases there is an initial tendency to reduce this angle. However after 8 secs, with gravity-gradient present there is a definite tendency to exceed the initial value.

For a single boom offset system in Eq. (58) the term $\mu_{1}\left(\bar{x}_{1} \mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{F}}^{\ddot{\bar{r}}_{1}}\right)$ can be identified as the reaction torque due to the control, whilé $\bar{N}_{Q}$ is the gravity torque. The magnitude of the reaction torque for the actual $Z$ boom motion in the presence of gravity torque is compared with the magnitude of the gravity torque in Fig. I7.f.

From these responses it can be concluded that the gravity torque has a profound influence on the system behavior. If the controller senses the actual angular velocities with the gravity torque present the very high amplitudes of the $Z$ boom motion would force the spacecraft to a larger amplitude nutational state. If the idealized control is used even though the response is a little better than the previous case the results are clearly undesirable. These results indicate that with gravity-gradient present this method of control could be used for only a very limited time period, after which the $Z$ boom motion would have to be terminated.

It was thought that the presence of a counter mass, such that the composite center of mass would coincide with the hub center of mass for the zero position of the $Z$ boom, might improve the system response. To study this configuration the $X$ boom mass, $m_{2}$, was chosen equivalent to the $Z$ boom mass and placed so as to maintain the symmetry of the spacecraft initially when $z=0$ (see Fig. 16.a).

Identical initial conditions and satellite parameters as used in Fig. 17 were employed. The z boom motion was assumed to be the ideal motion based on the control law for the torque free system.

The $Z$ boom motion and the mutation angle response are snown in Fig. 18.a. It is observed that with gravity torque even in the presence of a counter mass the satelifte would achieve a very large nutation angle reaching as high as 80 degrees after 39 seconds. When the gravity torque is neglected the nucation angle decreases initially and has almost a constant value of 2 degrees. after 20 seconds. Fig. 18.b shows the response of the components of angular velocity. The decrease in the magnitude of the $\omega_{3}$ component and increases in the magnitudes of the $\omega_{1}$ and $\omega_{2}$ components explain the high value of nutation angle at 39 seconds observed with the gravity torque. The responses without the gravity torque show a periodic motion for $\omega_{1}$ and $\omega_{2}$ after the inftial transient, while $\omega_{3}$ remains nearly constant. This example with a counter mass points out the undesirable response in the presence of gravity gradient for the choice of parameters and initial conditions used.

It has been pointed out in Ref. 7 that there is a residual oscillation in the $Z$ boom after the spacecraft has been detumbled using the control sequence. To study the response of the system in the presence of gravity torque, when the $Z$ boom executes a sinusoidal motion the following equation is chosen to represent the
motion of the $Z$ boom:
$z=4 \sin 0.314 t$
The responses with and without the gravity torque are shown in Fig. 19.a,b. In Fig. 19. a we see the $Z$ boom motion and the corresponding nutation angle response. The initial conditions are indicated. The mutation angle response with the gravity torque shows periodic peaks reaching a maximum value of 9 degrees, while intermittently reaching a minimum value of about 2 degrees. When the gravity torque is absent the nutation angle is periodic over a mean value of 5.5 degrees. The corresponding responses of the angular velocity components are shown in Fig. 19.b. In the presence of the gravity torque $\omega_{1}$ and $\omega_{2}$ have intermittent peaks and troughs while $\omega_{3}$ is oscillatory over a mean value of 0.55 rad/sec. The responses without the gravity torque show that $\omega_{1}$ and $\omega_{2}$ are sinusofdal while $\omega_{3}$ remains a constant. The adverse effect of the gravity torque during the boom motion is clearly seen.

A close study of Eq. (47) explains the substantial effect of the gravity torque observed in all the cases described above. The presence of the term $\sum_{m_{i}} \bar{F}_{i}$ results in the gravity force on each control mass exerting a torque about the hum mass center. Clearly the torque resulting from this is an order of magaitude in $r / R$ larger, than that which would result if the torque were taken about the composite center of mass. Here it would be inappropriate to call the torque as gravity-gradient torque since it is usually
understood to mean the torque about the satellite composite mass center due to differential gravity force acting on each element of the body.

In Eq. (47) if we isolate the term

$$
\frac{m_{1}^{k}}{R^{2}} \hat{a}_{1} \times \bar{r}_{1}+\frac{m_{2} k}{R^{2}} \hat{a}_{1}-x \bar{r}_{2}
$$

we see that even in the presence of the counter mass the vector addition of $\bar{r}_{1}$ and $\bar{r}_{2}$ (if $\bar{r}_{1}$ represents the position of the $Z$ boom rass and $\bar{r}_{2}$ the position of the counter mass) for the maximum $z$ displacement would be such as to make the above mentioned term quite appreciable. This explains the undesirable response in the presence of the counter mass.

From the previous cases studied it was concluded that to improve the performance of the system in the environment of the earths' gravity either the control mass and/or the amplitude of the $Z$ boom oscillations have to be smaller. Further, the initial tendency of the mutation angle to decrease even in the presence of the gravity torque suggests that the presence of suitable damping in the boom mechanism would serve to diminish the undesirable large amplitude residual oscillations of the $Z$ boom, while maintaining the initial beneficial effect of the control. Consequently two changes were made in the satellite parameters listed on page 36 ; the new mass of the satellite $M=4258$ slugs ( $6.21 \times 10^{4} \mathrm{~kg}$ ) and the new Z boom control mass m $=55.95$ slugs ( 816 kg ). Introduction of damping in the boom motion would result in the control Equation (64) being modified as:
$\bar{z}+c(0.314) \dot{z}+(0.314)^{2} z=-0.314 \times 17.72\left\{\mathrm{kc}_{1} \omega_{1}+\mathrm{kc}_{2}{ }_{2}{ }_{2}\right\}$ where $c$ is the damping constant. The constants $\mathrm{kc}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{kc}_{2}$ can be determined for the modified satellite parameters as suggested in Ref. 7. They were calculated to be:

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k c_{1}=-3.3188, k c_{2}=31.366
$$

The response of the system for this case has been plotted in Figs. $20 . a$ and $20 . b$ under the same set of initial conditions and boom offset coordinates as used in Figs. 17. Figure 20.a shows $Z$ boom motion for three different cases. The $Z$ boom motion is indicated by the solid Inne in the absence of gravity torque and damping; by the dash-dot line in the presence of the gravity torque but no damping; by the dash-cross Ifne in the presence of the gravity torque and in the presence of boom damping. The damping constant for this example was chosen to be, $c=0.4$, which represents less than critical damping in the absence of control. The corresponding response of the nutation angle is shown in Fig, 20.b. In the absence of gravity torque and damping the nutation angle approaches zero within 175 sec . With damping in the boom motion the improvement in the response of the system in the presence of gravity torque is clearly seen. It should be mentioned here that the camping constant, $c$, must be chosen carefully to obtain the best results.

Figures $21 . a$ and 21.6 show the response of the system for sinusoidal $Z$ boom motion with the reduced mass. A comparison of this with the responses shown in Figs. 19.a and 19.b clearly points out the diminished effect of the gravity torque when smaller masses are employed.
IV. CONCLUSIONS

1. For deployment maneuvers during which the inertia symmetry about the spin axis is maintained the stability chart for symmetrical spinning bodies can be used to study the system behavior.
2. For various extension maneuvers the bounds for boom lengths can be determined so that the system does not enter an unstable region.
3. For extension along all three axes with the same end masses and extension rates, if the satellite is initially stable, there is negligible difference in the response of the system with gravity-gradient present or absent.
4. For all the cases where the extension maneuver is performed through an unstable region although the nutation angle does not increase as soon as the system enters the unstable region, there is an exponential type growth in the nutation angle after a certain length of boom has beer extended.
5. The analytical solution obtained for the out of plane E'uler angles for symmetric extension in torque free space can be used to study the system behavior with gravity torque for a limited time period.
6. For the asymmetric deployment the expression for the gravity torque developed shows that a first order gravity force on the asymetric mass exerts a torque about the
hub mass center. This torque is an order of magnitude in ( $r / R$ ) larger than the gravity-gradient torque for the symmetric deployment.
7. For smaller control masses the controlled (asymmetric) offset boom system may be used effectively in the presence of the gravity-torque to reduce nutational motion when there is damping present in the offset boom system. The amount of boom damping required must be carefully selected for best results.
8. For large control masses with gravity torque present the offset (asymmetric) system can be controlled so as to reduce the nutation angle only for the first few seconds, suggesting that the control should be terminated after that.
9. The effect of other perturbations such as due to solar radiation pressure, aerodynamic effects etc., have not been considered here but should be investigated especially for the case of large boom lengths.

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FIG. 1. SYSTEM GEOMETRY FOR SYMMETRIC DEPLOYMENT


FIG. 3. COORDINATE SYSTEM


FIG. 4. STABILITY CHART FOR SYMMETRICAL BODIES


FIG. 5.a. COMPARISON OF RESPONSE OF OU'T OF PLANE EULER ANGLES



PIG. 5.c. RESPONSE OF NUTATION ANGLE EXTENSION, ALONG '3' AXIS ONLY $\alpha=2.9 \times 10^{-3} ; \mathrm{K}(0)=0.6$


FIG. 6.a. RESPONSE of transverine components of angular velocity EXTENSION ALONG '3' AXIS ONLY . $\alpha=1.0, \mathrm{~K}(0)=1.0$


FIG. 6.b. RESPONSE OF NUTATION ANGLE, EXTENSION ALONG '3' aXIS ONLY $\alpha=1.0, \mathrm{~K}(0)=1.0$

fig. 7.a. response of transverse components of angular velocity extension along ' 3 ' AXIS ONLy, $\alpha=1.0, \mathrm{~K}(0)=1.0$

fig. 7.b. ReSponse of nutation angle, extension along '3' axis only

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\alpha=1.0 \quad K(0)=1.0
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FIG. 8. TIME HISTORIES OF DEPLOYMENT CASES ON THE STABILITY CHART

fig. 9.a. response of transverse components of angular velocity EXTENSION ALONG ' $3^{\prime}$ AXIS ONLY, $\alpha=-0.5, \mathrm{~K}(0)=1.0$

fig. 9.b. response of nutation angle, extension along '3' axts only $\alpha=-0.5, K(0)=1.0$


FIG. 10.a. RESPONSE OF TRANSVERSE COMPONENTS OF ANGULAR VELOCITY EXTENSION ALONG ' 3 ' AXIS ONLY, $\alpha=-0,5, K(0)=1.0$


FIG. 10.b. RESPONSE OF NUTATTON ANGLE, EXTENSION ALONG '3' axis ONLY

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\alpha^{\infty=-0.5, ~} K(0)=1.0
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FIG. 11. RESPONSE OF COMPONENTS OF ANGULAR VELOCITY AND NUTATION ANGLE DURING EXTENSICN MANEUVER ALONG ATI. THREE AXES WITH GRAVITY-GRADIENT, $\alpha(0)=5.0, K(0)=0.6$



FIG. 12.a. RESPONSE OF TRANSVERSE COMPONENTS OF ANGULAR VELOCITY WITH GRAVITY-GRadIENT EXTENSTON ALONG ALL THREE AXES, $\alpha(0)=5.0, K(0)=-0.6$



FIG. 12.b, RESPONSE OF SPIN AND NUTATION ANGLE, EXTENSION ALONG ALL THREE AKES

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\alpha(0)=5.0 \quad K(0)=-0.6
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FIG. 14.a. RESPONSE OF TRANSVERSE COMPONENTS OF ANGULAR VELOCITY EXTENSION ALONG ' 1 ', '2' AXES ONLY. $\alpha(0)=5.0, \mathrm{~K}(0)=-0.6$


PIG. 14.b. RESPONSE OP SPIN AND NUTATION ANGLE, EXTENSTON ALONG '1', '2' AXES ONLY. $\alpha(0)=5.0, K(0)=-0.6$


$x \neq-x$ - EXIENSION 'I', ' 2 ' AXES BEGINNING IN STABLE. REG. (FIG 13)<br>$\times-x$ - EXTENSION ' 1 ', ' 2 ' AXES BEGINNING IN UNSTABLE. REG. (FIG. 14)

FIG. 15. TTME HISTORIES OF DEPLOMENT CASES ON THE STABILITY CHART



FIG。 16.a. TWO BOOM OFFSET ORIEMTATION STSTEM




FJG. 17.a. DVNAMTC RESPONSE OF SYSTEM - Z BOOM MOTION


FIG. 17.k. DYNAMIC RESPONSE OF SYSTEM - $\mathrm{w}_{1}$ COMPONENT


FIG. 17.c. DYNAMIC RESPONSE OF SYSTEM - $\omega_{2}$ COMPONENT


FIG. 17.d. DYNAMIC RESPONSE $\overline{-}$ OF SYSTEM $-\omega_{3}$ COMPONENT


FIG. 17.e. DYNAMIC RESPONSE OF NUTATION ANGLE

## .- :- Magnitude of Gravity Torque (actual Z boom motion)

—— Magnitude of Reaction Torque


FIG. 17.f. COMPARISON OF GRAVITY TORQUE AND REACTION TORQUE MAGNITUDES


FIG. 18.a. DYNAMIC RESPONSE OF SYSTEM WETU COUNTER MASS RESPONSE OF NUTATION ANGLE FOR SHOWN $Z$ BOOM MOTION


FIG. 18.b. DYNAMIC RESPONSE OF ANGULAR VELOCITY COMPONENTS WITH COUNTER MASS
———Without Gravity-Torque
—. -. With Gravity-Torque
I.C: $\omega_{1}(0)=0.0391 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}$ $\omega_{2}(0)=0.0 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}$ $\omega_{3}(0)=0.314 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}$ Altitude - 500 naut. miles
$a=65 \mathrm{ft}$. $b=0 \mathrm{ft}$.

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\begin{aligned}
& \theta_{1}(0)=0.1 \mathrm{rad} \\
& \theta_{2}(0)=\theta_{3}(0)=0.0 \mathrm{rad} \\
& \quad M=1.37 \times 10^{5} \mathrm{slugs} \\
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\end{array} \mathrm{~m}=1800 \mathrm{slugs} \\
& \mathrm{~m}_{2}=0.0 \mathrm{slugs}
\end{aligned}
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FIG. 19.a. DYNAMIC RESPONSE OF SYSTEM WITH SINUSOIDAL $Z$-BOOM MOTION. $z=4 \sin 0.314 t$

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\begin{aligned}
& M=1.37 \times 10^{5} \mathrm{slugs} \\
& \mathrm{~m}_{1}=1800 \mathrm{slugs} \\
& \mathrm{~m}_{2}=0.0 \mathrm{slugs}
\end{aligned}
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FIG. 19.b. DYNAMIC RESPONSE OF AMGULAR VELOCITY COMPONENTS WITE SINTISOIDAL Z-BOOM MOTION

> I.c: $\quad \omega_{1}(0)=0.0391 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}$ $\omega_{2}(0)=0.0 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}$ $\omega_{3}^{2}(0)=0.314 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec}$
> $\theta_{1}(0)=0.1 \mathrm{rad}$
> $\theta_{2}(0)=\theta_{3}(0)=0.0 \mathrm{rad}$
> $\mathrm{a}=65 \mathrm{ft}$
> $\mathrm{b}=0 \mathrm{ft}$
> $z(0)=0 \mathrm{ft}$
> $\dot{z}(0)=0 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{sec}$
> $\mathrm{M}=4258 \mathrm{slugs}$
> $\mathrm{m}_{\mathrm{I}}=55.95$ slugs
> $\mathrm{m}_{2}=0.0$ slugs


FIG. 20.a. DYNAMIC RESPONSE OF SYSTEM -Z BOOM MOTION


FIG. 20.b. DYNAMIC RESPONSE OF NUTATION ANGLE
-. . . With Gravity-Torque
—....Without Gravity-Torque

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\text { I.C: } \begin{array}{lll}
\omega_{1}(0)=0.0391 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec} & M=4258 \mathrm{slugs} \\
& \omega_{2}(0)=0.0 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec} & \mathrm{~m}_{1}=55.95 \mathrm{slugs} \\
& \omega_{3}(0)=0.314 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{sec} & \mathrm{~m}_{2}=0.0 \mathrm{slugs} \\
& \theta_{1}(0)=0.1 \mathrm{rad} & \\
& \theta_{2}(0)=\theta_{3}(0)=0.0 \mathrm{rad} & \\
& \mathrm{a}^{2}=65 \mathrm{ft} \mathrm{~b}=0 \mathrm{ft} &
\end{array}
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FIG. 21.a. DYNAMIC RESPONSE OF SYSTEM WITH SINUSOIDAI Z BOOM MOTION: $z=4 \mathrm{Sin} 0.314 \mathrm{t}$




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