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BLAST CHARACTERISTICS OF 20 and 100 TON HEMISPHERICAL AN/FO CHARGES, NOL DATA REPORT

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ABSTRACT: Two twenty-ton and one 100-ton hemispherical AN/FO (ammonium nitrate/fuel oil) charges were detonated on the surface at the Defence Research Establishment Suffield, Ralston, Alberta, Canada. The tests were conducted during August 1969 as a cooperative U.S./Canadian effort.

The major results were:

1. AN/FO has been demonstrated to be a highly suitable explosion source for nuclear airblast simulation.

2. Over the 1-200 psi region, there was no significant difference in the pressure-distance characteristics between AN/FO and TNT.

3. The impulse characteristics of the AN/FO system were found to be slightly lower than those of TNT.

4. No self heating of AN/FO was observed.

5. Conventional cube root scaling applies for AN/FO over a 10^3 range in explosive weight, once a charge weight of 200 pounds is exceeded.
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This is a data report which presents the results of the Naval Ordnance Laboratory (NOL) blast measurements on the recently completed AN/FO tests. AN/FO is an explosive mixture of ammonium nitrate and fuel oil. It is being developed as a TNT replacement for large scale nuclear airblast simulation.

The tests were conducted in cooperation with the Defence Research Establishment Suffield, at Ralston, Alberta, Canada, during August 1969. Several other U.S. agencies also participated in this program.

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1. Introduction

1.1 Background

There is a continuing requirement for the development of a large scale field source for generating an airblast environment that simulates that of a nuclear explosion. The need arises from programs designed to test the vulnerability and blast hardness of military hardware and strategic structures. For example, as part of its ship blast-hardening program the Navy has exposed special structures e.g., radar masts, deck houses, and fully operational ships to particular blast environments.

Large scale simulation techniques with charge weights up to 500 tons, usually involve the use of chemical explosives. The explosive for such a source should be inexpensive, easily handled, and safe to use. In the past, multiton simulant charges have been constructed from cast TNT blocks. Some work has been done using balloons filled with detonable gases (ref. (1)).

During 1967, NOL proposed the use of ammonium nitrate/fuel oil (AN/FO), a commercial blasting agent, as a replacement for the TNT used in large blast trials. Among the expected advantages of the AN/FO system were:

1. Increased economy. AN/FO costs about seven cents per pound in place at ground zero compared to about 11¢ to $1.00 per pound for TNT in place—depending upon whether reclaimed or new TNT is used.

2. The availability of AN/FO in large quantities and at convenient locations; the TNT supply is limited and is greatly affected by munitions requirements.

3. Fewer blast anomalies (e.g., jetting and asymmetrical blast fronts) would be expected from a homogeneous charge in contrast to the block-built TNT charges.

4. Improved safety. The ammonium nitrate and fuel oil are non-explosive until mixed. Fully mechanized mixing and delivery systems are already developed for charge preparation at ground zero.

After a pioneering effort conducted by NOL in Nevada during 1966 which established the detonability of unconfined AN/FO and which determined its airblast characteristics (ref. (2)), the way was paved for a larger scale study. In the fall of 1966 NOL proposed a program which culminated in these AN/FO trials of August 1969.

1.2 Objectives

The general objective of this program was to demonstrate the feasibility of using AN/FO as the explosion source in the Department of Defense's nuclear airblast-vulnerability and hardening program. This objective was an outgrowth of
the original intent to satisfy the more limited blast requirements for the Navy's airblast-ship hardening program.

A number of specific objectives were investigated by NOL and other participating agencies during the course of this effort. The major objective was to determine the airblast characteristics of AN/FO. Since some test structures were available from earlier tests at the site, a secondary objective was to measure their blast response.

The primary objectives were:

1. To verify the detonability, scaling, and reproducibility of AN/FO for charge weights up to 100 tons.
2. To extend existing AN/FO airblast pressure-time-distance data by including measurements from close to the charge surface out to the 1 psi level.
3. To study fireball growth and observe blast anomalies.
4. To study the engineering aspects of preparing and firing bagged and bulk AN/FO charges.
5. To compare the airblast performance of AN/FO with TNT.
6. To compare the blast characteristics of bagged and bulk 20 ton AN/FO hemispheres.
7. To determine the temperature stability of the AN/FO explosive prior to firing for charge weights up to 100 tons.
8. To study the cratering of 20 and 100 ton AN/FO hemispheres.

The secondary objectives were:

1. To blast load a full scale frame house at the 1.5 psi level from the 100 ton AN/FO test (Event III).
2. To blast load an underground model silo and buried rock inclusions on Event III.

This report deals with NOL's efforts on primary objectives 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, and 7. The other agencies participating on these trials will report their project results separately.

1.3 Experimental Program

The experimental phase of this program was carried out with the cooperation of the Defence Research Establishment Suffield (DRES), at Ralston, Alberta, Canada (ref. (3)). In addition to the field support they provided, DRES made shock time-of-arrival and crater measurements as well as high speed photographic observations on all three AN/FO tests. These data already have been reported in reference (4) and will be included in a comprehensive DASA report to be prepared by NOL covering all aspects of these AN/FO trials.
Other U. S. Agencies participating in these trials included the Ballistic Research Laboratories (BRL), Naval Civil Engineering Laboratory (NCEL), Naval Weapons Center (NWC) and the U. S. Geological Survey (USGS). BRL provided pressure measurements in the predicted 3000 to 30 psi overpressure range. NCEL made studies of the response of rock inclusions and made body motion observations of a model silo exposed to the blast loading of the 100 ton AN/FO test. NWC made observations on a two story frame house exposed at the 1.5 psi level from the 100 ton AN/FO test. The Geological Survey and DRES made crater studies. NOL was responsible for the explosives phase of these trials and made pressure measurements from 200 down to 1 psi.

The three tests conducted during the AN/FO trials at DRES during August 1969 were as follows:


2. **Experiment and Procedures**

2.1 **Test Site and Field Arrangement**

The trials described in this report were conducted at the Watchung Hill Blast Range of the Defence Research Establishment, Suffield, at Halton, Alberta, Canada. Figure 1 shows the range area of DRES.

This site was selected for reasons of logistics and because it enabled direct comparisons to be made with the earlier work on detonations of multiton TNT hemispheres (ref. (5) and (6)). The physical characteristics of this site have been fully described in the Operation Prairie Flat Operations Plan (ref. (7)).

The general layout of the ground zeroes, NOL cable lines, bunkers and camera positions for all 3 events is illustrated in Figure 2. In order to accommodate the secondary objectives of these trials, the ground zero for Event III (100 tons of AN/FO) was selected so that the model silo, instrumented on an earlier NEST test, could be blast loaded again. The frame house 1700 feet northeast of GZ III was therefore exposed at the 1.5 psi level. This house was repaired after being exposed at the 1 psi level on Operation Prairie Flat. The ground zero for Events I and II were placed along a NE-SW line with GZI 300 feet from GZIII, and GZ's I and II being 150 feet apart.

NOL had 8 gage stations on each event, with 2 pressure gages at each station. (This instrumentation is described in Appendix A of this report). For Events I and I
the NOL gage line was perpendicular to the line between ground zeroes. This arrangement permitted an easy reorientation of the gages at each station without establishing new stations. The 200, 100, 50 and 20 psi gage stations were baffled flush with the ground. The 10, 5, 2 and 1 psi gage stations were above the surface and used disc type baffles. Photos of both types of gage stations are presented in Figure 3.

All gage cables were placed in a trench 12-18 inches deep. The cable trenches connected each gage station to a common NOL cable trench which ran to the NOL instrumentation trailer some 3000 feet distant.

Most of the ammonium nitrate for the AN/FO was delivered to the Suffield, Alberta, Canadian Pacific Railroad (CPR) siding in a 70 ton hopper car. The siding was about 35 miles from the test site. The remainder of the AN was trucked directly to the range in 22 ton capacity TRIMAC tanker trucks from the supplier in Calgary, Alberta.1 Further details on charge construction are provided in Section 2.2 of this report.

2.2 Explosives and Charge Construction

2.2.1 AN/FO Main Charge

The main charge for these trials was a 94/6 by weight AN/FO mixture [94% ammonium nitrate and 6% fuel oil]. The AN itself was a commercial fertilizer and was basically the same type of prills2 used in our 1966 Nevada tests (ref.29). The FO was summer grade No. 2 diesel fuel. A red dye was added to the fuel oil to permit a ready visual check on the AN/FO mixing proportions.

The 20 tons of bagged AN/FO for Event I were prepared at the GZ area. The AN was transported from the 70 ton hopper car at the Suffield CPR siding by the AN/FO mixing truck. The truck had a capacity of about 7 tons of mixed product (AN/FO). Thus, three loads were required per 20 ton event. A bagging unit3 was

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1 The explosives contractor to NOL was Ace Explosives Ltd of Calgary, Alberta. The AN used was manufactured by Cominco Ltd also of Calgary, Alberta.

2 Prills are porous, spherical particles. They are formed by dropping molten AN in a prilling tower and are much like lead shot in size and shape. They have a density of about 1.4 gm/cc compared to the crystal density of AN which is 1.725 gm/cc.

3 The bagging unit was designed and built by Mr. G. R. Rintoul of Ace Explosives, Ltd.
located at the site during Event I charge placement. The arrangement of the mixer truck and bagging unit at the GZ location is shown in Figure 4.

A total of 800-50 pound bags was prepared for this first 20 ton charge. Six hundred and fifty 50-lb bags were used in the layered arrangement illustrated in Figure 4. Loose AN/FO from 150 of the bags was poured into the spaces between bags to form a charge with uniform density, i.e., no airspaces. The bag dimensions were 21 x 13.5 x 5.6 inches.

The AN/FO mixer truck used a system of augers to feed the AN from the bins to the fuel metering point. At this point the red-dyed fuel oil was mixed with the AN. The mixed AN/FO was then fed through a vertical auger and out a swinging horizontal auger to place the AN/FO where it was needed, i.e., into the bagging unit for Event I and into the charge cases for Events II and III.

Changes in the fuel oil content of the AN/FO were detected very quickly by visual means because of the red-dyed fuel oil used. The fuel oil content was also monitored quantitatively throughout the explosives placement operation by chemical analysis (ref. (3)). Table 1 contains data on AN/FO charge dimensions, weight, density and fuel content for all three events.

Events II and III were charges of bulk AN/FO placed into thin walled fiberglass / polyester resin containers. The fiberglass/polyester resin shell was made of sections having full compound spherical curvature.

The 20 ton size container for Event II was 14.0 feet in base diameter and was made of 11 sections each 3/16 inch thick. The 100 ton size container was 24.2 feet in base diameter and had 22 sections, each 1/4 inch thick. The sections were joined together by nylon bolts and epoxy resin adhesive.

To fill the fiberglass shells the mixer truck was backed up to the container for AN/FO placement. The time required for each mixing and placement cycle (i.e., each 7 tons of AN/FO) was about three hours. To reduce the loading time on the 100 ton AN/FO charge most of the AN was trucked from the Cominco fertilizer plant in Calgary to the GZ via 22 ton capacity TRIMAC tanker trucks. The AN was

1 The sections for the two containers were manufactured by Rogay Models of Bethesda, Maryland.

2 Before the field operation, we conducted high speed camera tests on samples of the shell material to determine their behavior when in contact with detonating explosives. The high speed photographs indicated break-up of the fiberglass within a few inches of the charge.
fed into the mixer truck and the AN/FO into the container in a continuous operation. Using this loading system, about 23 tons of AN/FO were mixed and placed in a four hour period. A photograph illustrating the arrangement of the TRIMAC tanker and AN/FO mixer trucks at the 100 ton GZ is presented in Figure 6. The completed 20 ton and 100 ton bulk AN/FO charges are shown in Figures 7 and 8.

2.2.2 Booster and Primacord Initiation Method

The hemispherical boosters used for all three events were prepared by the U. S. Naval Ammunition Depot, Hawthorne, Nevada (ref. (8)). The boosters were a nominal 250 pounds each total weight and consisted of a 16 pound hemispherical 50/50 pentolite primer with about 234 pounds of TNT cast over it.

NOL developed a primacord initiation method (ref. (2)) which was used for each event. In this method a strand of 100 grains per foot primacord is placed in a shallow, radial trench beneath the charge, leading from the GZ to beyond the outer edge of the AN/FO charge. The GZ end of the primacord is fed through a radial hole in the booster and a small knot is tied at the top to secure it. This method greatly simplified the arming procedure, as the electric detonator is simply attached to the other end of the primacord still exposed after the charge has been completed. The explosive train is: electric detonator → primacord → pentolite primer → TNT booster → main charge (AN/FO). This is all illustrated schematically in Figure 9.

2.3 NOL Instrumentation

Airblast pressure histories were measured with variable reluctance transducers and recorded on magnetic tape recorders. The temperature within the AN/FO charge was monitored with thermistors on each event. The instrumentation system is described in detail in Appendix A.

Before each event, both the pressure gages and the thermistors were statically calibrated. The calibration of the thermistor took into account the resistance of the cable between ground zero and the instrumentation trailer.

2.4 Data Analysis Procedures

The pressure-time records were digitized and then analyzed using techniques which are described in detail in Appendix B. The parameters computed include peak pressure, positive duration and positive impulse. Extrapolations to peak pressure and positive duration were made using techniques described by Ethridge (ref. (10)). These extrapolation techniques were used to take into account both the finite rise-time of the observed signal incurred because of instrumentation
system limitations and also any early-time gage malfunctions. Gage malfunctions were noted on several signals from each event—namely, at those stations in the 50 psi region and above. These malfunctions were manifested by a loss of FM carrier amplitude for several milliseconds upon the arrival of the airblast wave. This loss of carrier exhibited itself as spurious peaks on the discriminated signal. To handle this, only that portion of the record that occurred after the gage resumed normal operation was used in the computations.

A comparison between the procedure described in Appendix B for determining impulse and a direct measurement with a planimeter on several pressure-time records showed excellent agreement (within a few percent).

Time of arrival data were measured directly from the tape recordings, using an electronic counter operating in the time interval mode.

3. Airblast Results

3.1 The Data and Scaling Procedures

The unscaled data obtained on all three events are presented in Tables 2, 3, and 4. The data presented in these tables are for the ambient conditions at DRES as shown in Table 5. To make for a useful comparison with previously published TNT data (ref. (5) and (6)), the AN/FO data were cube root and Sachs' Scaled (ref. (11)) to standard sea-level conditions of pressure and temperature.

To do this scaling, the following equations were used:

For Pressure:

\[ P_1 = P_2 \left( \frac{P_{01}}{P_{02}} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}, \tag{1} \]

For Distance:

\[ \lambda = \frac{R}{W^{1/3} \left( \frac{P_{01}}{P_{02}} \right)^{1/3}}, \tag{2} \]

For Times:

\[ \begin{align*}
&\text{TOA}_1' \quad \text{or} \quad \tau_2' \\
&\text{or} \quad \tau_1' = \frac{\text{TOA}_2}{W^{1/3} \left( \frac{P_{01}}{P_{02}} \right)^{1/3} \left( \frac{\tau_{01}}{\tau_{02}} \right)^{1/2}}, \tag{3}
\end{align*} \]

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And for Impulse:

\[ I_1' = \frac{I_2}{w^{1/3} \left( \frac{P_{02}}{P_{01}} \right)^{2/3} \left( \frac{\rho_{01}}{\rho_{02}} \right)^{1/2}} \]  

(4)

The scaling factors for all three events are presented in Table 5.

The data for each station of Tables 2, 3 and 4 were averaged and the scaling equations (Equations 1 through 4) were applied. The resulting scaled averaged data are presented in Tables 6, 7 and 8 for Events I, II and III respectively. All tabulated data are given to three significant figures.

The peak pressure versus scaled distance data \((P_{lm} vs \lambda)\) for all three events are shown graphically in Figure 10. The TNT standard curve (ref. (5)) is also plotted in this figure to enable the making of direct comparisons between AN/FO and TNT.

A 5th degree polynomial was fitted to a composite of all of the pressure \((P_{lm})\)-scaled distance \((\lambda)\) data of Tables 6, 7 and 8. The form of the equation was:

\[
\ln P_{lm} = 10.4781 - 9.01448 (\ln \lambda) + 5.55124 (\ln \lambda)^2 - 2.33879 (\ln \lambda)^3 + .514723 (\ln \lambda)^4 - .0447655 (\ln \lambda)^5
\]

(5)

This equation is valid over the 1 to 200 psi region and is represented by the solid line in Figure 10.

Figure 11 is a plot of the scaled positive duration and scaled distance \((\tau_{lm} vs \lambda)\) data. The scaled positive impulse -- scaled distance data \((I_{1'} vs \lambda)\) are plotted in Figure 12. A TNT standard curve from ref. (6) is also plotted in Fig. 12.

3.2 Secondary Shock Measurements

A late secondary shock wave was measured on the 20 psi and below pressure records on all three events. This distinct secondary shock occurred during the negative phase portion of the pressure-time curves (see Appendix C).

Information on the secondary shock is seldom reported, although a review of earlier work reveals its presence on a majority of the data records (e.g., ref. (12)). Because of its hydrodynamic interest and its possible significance for response test applications, secondary shock information is included in this report. The wave shapes can be observed on the records reproduced in Appendix C. The secondary shock amplitudes and times of arrival with respect to the detonation zero pulse are presented in Tables 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8. Figure 13 is a plot of all the
time of arrival data (main shock and secondary shock) as a function of scaled distance. The scaled peak secondary shock pressure is plotted versus scaled distance for all 3 events in Figure 14.

3.3 Temperature Measurements in the AN/FO

The temperature within the AN/FO explosive was monitored with a thermistor. For each event, the thermistor was placed at the center of mass of the hemisphere. It was felt that this location would be warmest if any self heating was to take place in the AN/FO. For the 20 ton charges the thermistor was located 3 feet above the base of the hemisphere. Similarly, for the 100 ton charge the thermistor was located at 5 feet above the base of the hemisphere. In addition, as a second check, another thermistor was placed at the top of the booster on Event III.

The temperature change in the AN/FO mass was of negligible magnitude. The temperature-time data are plotted in Figures 15, 16 and 17 for Events I, II and III respectively. Note the cooling down of the explosive at times. At no time did the recorded temperatures exceed 87°F. The initial temperature of the AN in the hopper car and in the tanker trucks was about 88°F. The ambient air temperature reached a maximum of 109°F during the loading of the 100 ton AN/FO charge for Event III.

4. Discussion and Conclusions

4.1 General

All three charges detonated properly and high order. This is evidenced by the following observations:

a. The pressure-time records show the familiar and classical wave shapes (see Appendix C).

b. The results of the 20 ton shots scale well with the 100 ton data (see Figures 10-12). The extent of data scatter is of the same order as for TNT fired under the same conditions and is attributed to a large extent to the accuracy of the instrumentation and to vagaries of field operation.

c. The results of these large scale trials scale well with the earlier 260 lb to 4000 lb AN/FO results (ref. (2)).

From these observations it can be deduced that:

a. Over the pressure range measured by this project, there is no significant difference between the tagged and bulk-loaded AN/FO charges.
b. The fuel-oil does not settle out of the AN/FO mixture; if this had occurred, it could be expected that the two 20 ton shots would have given different results and would not have scaled to the 100 ton and small size charge results. (Indeed, visual observation during charge preparations and prior to firing time did not show any evidence of oil seepage.)

c. From Figures 10-12, it is evident that there is no significant difference between the pressure-distance characteristics of AN/FO and TNT.

A single frame from one of the Canadian high speed camera films on Event I is shown in Figure 18. This photograph shows the smoothness and symmetry of the shock wave (at 42.9 milliseconds after detonation) produced by the 20 ton bagged AN/FO hemisphère.

Porzel (ref. (15); and Lehto (ref. (16)) have independently made calculations of the pressure-distance characteristics of the AN/FO system. Both sets of analyses show good agreement with our experimental results in the 1-200 psi region.

The secondary shock (described in section 3.2) which occurs near the minimum of the negative phase in large explosion trials deserves further attention. For structural elements exposed at low pressures, the secondary shock could be very important. This is because, as the main shock propagates and decays, the ratio of its amplitude to the secondary shock amplitude tends to approach a value of one.

4.2 Equivalent Weight of AN/FO

Long standard NOL procedures for evaluating the peak pressure and impulse TNT equivalent weights (EW_p and EW_I) (ref. (12) and (14); were used on the present data. A composite of the data presented in Tables 6, 7 and 8 was used in this analysis.

The pressure and impulse versus distance curves for any set of test and standard explosives are seldom parallel. Thus, the single value of average equivalent weight usually given for a test explosive may be misleading because it cannot indicate how it varies as a function of side-on overpressure. To illustrate this functional variation, the EW_p and EW_I for AN/FO are plotted as a function of pressure in Figure 19.

It is interesting to note that although EW_p varies from 0.77 to 1.17, the magnitude of variation in yield is hardly suspected when viewing the pressure-distance curves of Figure 10. Figure 10 shows a scatter of data around either the TNT or AN/FO curves no greater than that usually observed on large scale field trials.
Equivalent weight determinations are an exceedingly sensitive measure of the merits of one explosive compared to another; for some applications it may be too sensitive and hence of little practical significance. And of even lesser practical significance may be the averaged, single-value equivalent weight -- particularly if the average is taken over a large pressure range. The concept of averaged, single-valued equivalent weights is so rooted in the explosives field, however, that although it is with trepidation, we present these values. The user must observe the pressure range over which the averages are taken and be aware of the limitations of these average values.

The average \( EW_p \) for AN/FO over the 1 to 200 psi range is 0.94 ± .06\(^1\) relative to TNT using a logarithmic weighting method.\(^2\) Similarly, the average \( EW_I \) for AN/FO is 0.71 ± .05. Using logarithmic averaging over the 1-30 psi range (the data range earlier AN/FO work (ref. (2))), the average \( EW_p \) is 0.86 ± .03. In reference (2) we used a linear weighting method when we averaged the equivalent weights and arrived at a figure of 0.82 for the \( EW_p \). The linear weighting gives greater emphasis to the \( EW_p \) at the higher pressure levels. Using the present logarithmic method on the Phase I AN/FO Data of reference (2), an average \( EW_p \) of 0.87 is obtained over the 1-30 psi range.

4.3 Thermal Stability

The AN/FO temperature data, as presented in Figures 15, 16, and 17, indicate that massive AN/FO has good thermal stability. In the Event I data there is a definite cooling trend. In the case of the Event II and III data there is some evidence of a very slight general warming trend among the cooling and warming cycles. It is on the order of about 1°F per day (the measurements are accurate to within ±1°F). At this point it would appear to be not self heating of the AN/FO but rather external heating from the sun. During the loading of the Event III charge the outside temperature reached about 105°F. AN/FO is a good insulator. The initial temperature of the AN was about 88°F.

It can be concluded that the AN/FO did not exhibit any self heating. No self heating is expected for 500 ton AN/FO charges.

4.4 Concluding Statement.

The results of these AN/FO trials in conjunction with NOL's earlier work on AN/FO have built up a now formidable portfolio of data on the airblast performance

\(^1\) The standard deviation of the mean.

\(^2\) Averaging the values of equivalent weight at logarithmic pressure intervals (i.e., 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 and 200 psi).
of this explosive. AN/FO offers advantages of economy, safety, ease of handling, availability and reproducibility over TNT, slurried explosives, or any other system presently in use for large scale simulation of nuclear air blast.

With these advantages, AN/FO can be seriously considered as a candidate explosive for future large chemical explosive trials.

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FIG. 1 THE DEFENCE RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT, SUFFIELD RALSTON, ALBERTA, CANADA
FIG. 2 AN/FO TRIALS LAYOUT
(a) FLUSH BAFFLE. NOL GAGE ON LEFT, BRL GAGE ON RIGHT.

(b) STANDOFF BAFFLE

FIG. 3 AIRBLAST GAGE MOUNTS
FIG. 4 AN'FO MIXING AND BAGGING OPERATION FOR EVENT I. MIXING TRUCK IS ON RIGHT; BAGGING UNIT IS ON LEFT.
FIG. 6  TANKER TRUCK ON LEFT FEEDING AN INTO AN/FO MIXER TRUCK. AN/FO ENTERING CONTAINER FOR EVENT III.
FIG. 7 COMPLETE CHARGE FOR EVENT II. AN/FO WEIGHT: 18.8 TONS

FIG. 8 COMPLETE CHARGE FOR EVENT III. AN/FO WEIGHT: 200 TONS
FIG. 9 SCHEMATIC ARRANGEMENT OF THE AN/FO CHARGES OF EVENTS II AND III
FIG. 10 PEAK PRESSURE VERSUS SCALED DISTANCE FOR AN/FO AT DRES. SCALED TO SEA LEVEL CONDITIONS.
FIG. 11 SCALED POSITIVE DURATION VERSUS SCALED DISTANCE FOR AN/FO AT DRES. SCALED TO SEA LEVEL CONDITIONS.
FIG. 12 SCALED IMPULSE VERSUS SCALED DISTANCE FOR AN/FO AT DRES. SCALED TO SEA LEVEL CONDITIONS.
FIG. 13  SCALED TIMES OF ARRIVAL VERSUS SCALED DISTANCE FOR AN/FO AT DRES.
SCALED TO SEA LEVEL CONDITIONS.
FIG. 14 PEAK SECONDARY SHOCK PRESSURE VERSUS SCALED DISTANCE. AN/FO TRIALS, DRES, AUGUST 1969
FIG. 17 TEMPERATURE-TIME HISTORY IN AN/FO, EVENT III

\( \Delta \) AT BOOSTER
\( \circ \) AT CENTER OF MASS
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**TABLE 1**

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NOL AIRBLAST MEASUREMENTS, EVENT I, UNSCALED DATA
W = 40,170 LBS

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1. **METHOD OF REFERENCE 9**
2. **NOL ESTIMATE, TOTAL VOLUME NOT CONTROLLABLE**
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* NO SIGNALSRecorded

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AMBIENT CONDITIONS AND SCALING FACTORS for AN/FO TRIALS at DRES, AUGUST 1969

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1 TO SEA LEVEL CONDITIONS: $P_o = 14.7$ PSI and $T_o = 519° R$

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NOL SCALED AIRBLAST MEASUREMENTS, AN/FO EVENT III, W = 200,900 LBS

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<tr>
<th>$\lambda$ (FT/LB$^{1/3}$)</th>
<th>TOA$'^{1}$ MSEC/LB$^{1/3}$</th>
<th>$P_m$ (PSI)</th>
<th>$\tau_m$ MSEC/LB$^{1/3}$</th>
<th>$I'$</th>
<th>TOA$'^{1}$ MSEC/LB$^{2/3}$</th>
<th>$P'_m$ (PSI)</th>
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<td>3.99</td>
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<td>13.2</td>
<td>7.22</td>
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The pressure gages used in these tests were variable reluctance transducers manufactured by Consolidated Controls Corporation. These are frequency modulated (FM) gages which operate in the standard IRIG 13 and IRIG 14 frequency bands, 14.5 kHz and 22.0 kHz respectively.

The gage signals were transmitted to the instrumentation trailer, some 3000 feet from the G. Z.'s, over WDL/TT field telephone wire. The signal cables were terminated by United Transformer company model UTC A-12 transformers and the signals then recorded on magnetic tape recorders. Three 14-track recorders were used: 1) Ampex FR 1800L, 2) Consolidated Electrodynamics Corporation VR 3300, and 3) Sangamo 4700. The FM signals were all recorded in the direct record (amplitude modulated) mode.

Pressures were measured at eight distances on each event, with two pressure transducers at each distance. A time zero pulse, provided by the DRES control bunker, was also recorded on each shot. Thus, 17 channels of information were recorded on each event. The incoming signals were divided in such a way that any two of the three recorders contained a complete set of records.

On playback, the signals were played through a tunable discriminator manufactured by Electro-Mechanical Research Corporation and recorded on a Midwestern oscillograph. The oscillograph records of pressure versus time were digitized using the NOL Telereader system.

The system frequency response was flat from D.C. to 1 kHz, the gages being the response-limiting element. This relatively low upper frequency response was sufficient for the long duration signals expected and observed on these trials. This low upper frequency response manifests itself as a finite rise-time and a reduction in the apparent peak amplitude of the observed gage signals. Using the extrapolation techniques described in Appendix B, the observed signals are extrapolated back to zero time (shock arrival). This procedure corrects for the upper frequency limitations of the system.
The temperature of the explosive in each charge was monitored by thermistors. A General Radio Type 1650-A Impedance Bridge was used to read the thermistor resistance. The accuracy of this measuring system was ±1°F.
A least squares fit of the form

$$P = A(\Delta t) + B(\Delta t)^2 + C(\Delta t)^3 + D(\Delta t)^4 + E(\Delta t)^5,$$  \hspace{1cm} (B-1)

was made to the calibration data for each gage for each event. A 3rd, 4th or 5th degree polynomial was chosen for each set of calibration data. The smallest degree of fit for optimum accuracy was selected for each set of calibration data.

The digitized data for each P-t record, along with the coefficients of the gage calibration data (Equation (B-1)) was analyzed using the IBM 7090/7094 computer. The calculational methods used and a listing of the computer program are presented herewith on pages B-3 to B-6.

Extrapolated positive duration was determined by fitting an equation of the form:

$$t = \tau_{2m} e^{\frac{f}{2\tau}}$$

(B-2)

to the pressure-time data in the last quarter of the apparent positive phase. The value of $\tau_{2m}$ is the extrapolated positive duration.

Extrapolated peak pressure was determined by fitting an equation of the form:

$$p = P_{2m} e^{\alpha t}$$ \hspace{1cm} (B-3)

to the pressure-time data in the first half of the apparent positive phase. The value of $P_{2m}$ is the extrapolated peak pressure.

Positive Impulse is defined by the equation:

$$I = \int_0^{\tau^2} p(t) \, dt.$$ \hspace{1cm} (B-4A)

In these calculations, the impulse was determined in two parts. Over most of the positive phase, after some initial time interval $\Delta t$, the impulse was determined by the equation:

$$I = \int_{\Delta t}^{\tau^2} p(t) \, dt,$$ \hspace{1cm} (B-4B)

where $\Delta t$ is a small value of time, which accounts for both the rise-time of the observed signal and any observed early-time gage malfunctions. Over this range ($\Delta t$ to $\tau^2$), the impulse was determined by the use of the trapezoid rule -- that is, a numerical integration of the pressure-time data.

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The impulse in the time increment ($\Delta t$) between shock arrival and the first pressure point was determined in the following way.

\[ p = P_2 e^{\alpha t}, \quad (B-3) \]

\[ \Delta I = \int_0^{\Delta t} p(t) \, dt, \quad (B-4C) \]

\[ \Delta I = P_2 a \int_0^{\Delta t} e^{\alpha t} \, dt, \quad (B-4D) \]

\[ \Delta I = \frac{P_2 a}{\alpha} \left( e^{\alpha \Delta t} - 1 \right). \quad (B-4E) \]

This impulse increment (Equation (B-4E)) was then added to the impulse determined for the remainder of the positive phase to arrive at the total positive impulse (that is $I_2 = I + \Delta I$).
COMMON  X(4,500),A(10),P(500),LL(50),TL(500),PT(500),T(500),U(500),TITLE(24),DIG(500)

JCASE IS THE NUMBER OF RECORDS BEING PROCESSED
READ(5,5000) JCASE
DO 999 KIK=1,JCASE
READ(5,5100)(TITLE(I),I=1,4)
WRITE(6,5100)(TITLE(I),I=1,4)
IDEG IS THE DEGREE OF THE POLYNOMIAL USED TO FIT THE CALIBRATION DATA FOR THAT GAGE AND SHOT
READ(5,5000) IDEG
XCAL AND YCAL ARE THE SIZE OF THE X AND Y CALIBRATION STEPS.
READ(5,5140) XCAL,YCAL
XCAL IS IN MILLISECS AND YCAL IS IN HERTZ.
IXSCA AND IYSCA ARE TELEREADER CALIBRATIONS
READ(5,5130) IXSCA,IYSCA
XSCA=IXSCA
YSCA=IYSCA
ITOA IS THE SHOCK TIME OF ARRIVAL OBTAINED FROM THE RECORD
IDUM IS A DUMMY VARIABLE
READ(5,5130) ITOA, IDUM
TOA=ITOA
DUMMY=IDUM
THE A(J) ARE THE COEFFICIENTS OF THE CALIBRATION CURVE FIT
DO 10 J=1,IDEG
10 READ(5,5150) A(J)
M=0
IX(1,L) AND IX(2,L) ARE THE POINTS PUNCHED BY THE TELEREADER SYSTEM
DO 20 L=1,500
READ(5,5130) IX(1,L),IX(2,L)
X(1,L)=IX(1,L)
X(2,L)=IX(2,L)
IF(X(1,L)*EQ.999999.)GO TO 25
M=M+1
20 CONTINUE
25 MN=M
WRITE(6,5200) MN
XS1=ABS(XSCA)
XS2=ABS(XCAL)
YS1=ABS(YSCA)
YS2=ABS(YCAL)
DO 40 JJ=1,MN
X(3,JJ) IS THE TIME CALCULATED FOR EACH POINT
X(3,JJ)=(X1,JJ)/XS1*XS2
X(4,JJ) IS THE FREQUENCY DEVIATION CALCULATED FOR EACH POINT
X(4,JJ)=(X2,JJ)/YS1*YS2
T(JJ)=X(3,JJ)
U(JJ)=X(4,JJ)
40 CONTINUE
WRITE(6,5210)
DO 90 K=1,MN
P(K) IS THE OVERPRESSURE CALCULATED FROM EACH FREQUENCY DEVIATION
P(K)=0.
DO 80 KK=1,IDEG
P(K)=P(K)+A(KK)*X(4,K)**KK
80 CONTINUE
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90 CONTINUE
G(1) = 0.
NNN = MM - 1

C THIS SECTION CALCULATES IMPULSE BY THE TRAPEZOID RULE
DO 200 LK = 1, MM
IN = LK - 1
DELT = ABS(T(LK+1) - T(LK))
IF(P(LK) .EQ. 0.) GO TO 150

GO TO 155
150 G(LK) = 0.
GO TO 160
155 G(LK) = G(IN) + 5*(P(LK) + P(LK+1)) * DELT
160 WRITE(6, 5220) T(LK), P(LK), G(LK)
200 CONTINUE

C CALL DURAT(T, U, P, MM)
C DURAT DETERMINES BOTH THE ACTUAL CROSSING TIME OF THE SIGNAL AND
C ALSO THE EXTRAPOLATED DURATION
C
C CALL PRES1(D1, T, P, MM)
C PRES1 CALCULATES THE EXTRAPOLATED PEAK PRESSURE
C
999 CONTINUE

5000 FORMAT(1I5)
5100 FORMAT(4A6)
5110 FORMAT(1H194A6)
5130 FORMAT(1I7, 1I90)
5140 FORMAT(2EI0, 4)
5150 FORMAT(E14.5|
5200 FORMAT(1HO*ZHM14315)
5210 FORMAT(1HOo44HTIME(MSEC) PRESSURE(PSI) IMPULSE(PSI-MSEC)://)
5220 FORMAT(3F10.4)
STOP
END

$1BFTC SDURA

SUBROUTINE DURAT(T, U, P, MM)
COMMON X(4, 500), A(100), P(500), LL(50), TL(500), PT(500), TPLOT(500),
1PL(500), PUMHY(50), IX(2, 500), T(500), U(500), TITLE(24), U1, U2(500)
DO 30 NN = 1, 50
LL(NN) = 0
30 CONTINUE
K = 1
KI = 0
DO 430 I = 1, MM
IF(U(I)) 430, 420, 430
420 LL(K) = I
X = K + 1
KI = KI + 1
430 CONTINUE
IF(LL(2) - KI) 500, 440, 440
440 LZ2 = LL(2)
T2 = T(LZ2)
445 IF(LL(3) - KI) 510, 450, 450
450 LZ3 = LL(3)
T3 = T(LZ3)
455 IF(LL(4) - KI) 520, 460, 460
460 LZ4 = LL(4)
T4 = T(LZ4)
465 IF(LL(5) - KI) 530, 470, 470
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470 LZ5=LL(5)
T5=T(LZ5)
475 IF(LL(6)-K1)1540,480,480
480 LZ6=LL(6)
T6=T(LZ6)
     GO TO 600
500 T2=1.E4
     GO TO 445
510 T3=1.E4
     GO TO 455
520 T4=1.E4
     GO TO 465
530 T5=1.E4
     GO TO 475
540 T6=1.E4
600 D1=AMIN1(T2,T3,T4,T5,T6)
D2=.75*D1
     KK=0
     TX=0.*
     PT=0.*
     TX2=0.*
     TXPT=0.*
     P2=0.*
     DO 700 N=1,500
620 IF(D2-T(N))620*620*700
630 TL(N)=ALOG(T(N))
     TX=TX+TL(N)
     PT=PT+P(N)
     P2=P2+P(N)**2
     TXPT=TXPT+TL(N)*P(N)
     KK=KK+1
700 CONTINUE
     XKK=KK
     BD=(XKK*TXPT-TX*PT)/(XKK*P2-PT**2)
     AD=(TX-BD*PT)/XKK
710 D3=EXP(AD)
D6=6.*D1
     WRITE(6,2220) D1
     WRITE(6,2230) D3
2220 FORMAT(IHO*10X,APPARENT POSITIVE DURATION(MSEC)=,IF10.4/)
2230 FORMAT(IHO*10X,EXTRAPOLATED POSITIVE DUR:RATION(MSEC)=,IF10.4)
RETURN
END
$IBFTC SPRES
SUBROUTINE PRE’PID1(T,PP,MM)
COMMON X(4,500),A(10),P(500),LL(50),T(500),PT(500),TPTLOT(500)
TIP(500),DUMMY(50),X(3,500),T(500),U(500),TITLE(24),D1,G(500)
DIP=5.*D1
MI=0
XT=0.*
YP=0.*
XT2=0.*
CROS=0.*
DO 700 NN=2,MM
     IF(T(NN)>CT*DP)GO TO 700
     PL(NN)=ALOG(P(NN))
     XT=XT+T(NN)
     YP=YP+PL(NN)
     XT2=XT2+T(NN)**2
CROS=CROS+T(NN)*PL(NN)
MI=MI+1
700 CONTINUE
XMI=MI
BP=(XMI*CROS-XT*YP)/(XMI*XT2-XT**2)
AP=(YP-BP*XT)/XMI
WRITE(6,2980)XMI,BP,AP
PME=EXP(AP)
WRITE(6,3000)PME
2980 FORMAT(1HO,1OHXMIBPAP=3F10.4)
3000 FORMAT(1HO,1OH32HEXTRAPOLATED PEAK PRESSURE(PSI)=1F10.4)
RETURN
*$DATA
APPENDIX C

The Pressure-Time Curves
EVENT III
R = 136 FT

EVENT III
R = 184 FT

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TIME (MSEC)
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Over the 1-200 psi region, there was no significant difference in the pressure-distance characteristics between AN/FO and TNT.

The impulse characteristics of the AN/FO system were found to be slightly lower than those of TNT.

No self heating of AN/FO was observed.

Conventional cube root scaling applies for AN/FO over a $10^3$ range in explosive weight, once a charge weight of 200 pounds is exceeded.
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