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Standard

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3. REFERENCES.


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1. FAA Order 1600.2B, National Security Information.

j. DOT Order 1640.4C, Classification, Declassification, and Control of National Security Information, November 22, 1983.

k. DOD 5220.22M, Department of Defense Industrial Security Manual for Safeguarding Classified Information.

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(1) Avoid the appearance of endorsing or favoring a commercial product, commodity, or service. Trade names or names of manufacturers will not be given unless the report will not contain meaningful information without them.

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Technical Report Documentation Page (DOT F 1700.7)
Preface, Table of Contents, List of Figures
List of Tables, List of Abbreviations, List of Symbols
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Scanning Strategies for Next Generation Weather Radars

A Study Based on Lifetimes of Convective Atmospheric Phenomena Hazardous to Aviation

P.R. Mahapatra and D.S. Zrnic

U.S. Department of Commerce
National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration
National Severe Storms Laboratory
Norman, OK 73069

April 1984

Revision 1, Supersedes Report No. DOT/FAA/PM-82/40

Final Report

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Characteristics of Medically Disqualified Airline Pilots

Shirley J. Dark

Civil Aeromedical Institute
Federal Aviation Administration
Oklahoma City, OK 73125

April 1984

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FIGURE 1B. SAMPLE REPORT COVER PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF AVIATION MEDICINE
Application of Thermochemical Modeling to Aircraft Interior Polymeric Materials

Won Dokko
Kumar Ramohalli
Jet Propulsion Laboratory
California Institute of Technology
Pasadena, CA 91109

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(5) List of Tables. Furnish a list of tables. List table number, caption, and page number of each table. Abbreviate lengthy captions.

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(2) Introduction. The introduction should orient and prepare the reader to understand the information in the report. The introduction should define the problem, tell the objectives of the investigation, and give historical background in the area of investigation, important dates, period covered, difficulties encountered, etc.
This report contains the description and results of a Loran-C flight test program conducted in the continental United States (CONUS). The data collection period was during July 1983. The purpose of the program was to collect Loran-C signal coverage and accuracy data representative of low altitude, low speed operations typical of helicopters and general aviation aircraft.

The test aircraft used was a Beechcraft Queen Air, Model 65. The aircraft was configured with a data collection pallet and multipin electrical connectors located in the aircraft cabin. A Teledyne TDL-711 navigation receiver was used in the test, utilizing an E-field antenna mounted on the top of the fuselage. A microprocessor controlled data collection system, utilizing a scanning DME and other aircraft navigation instruments, was used to record data and establish aircraft reference position.

Route segments, totaling over 9500 nm covering much of CONUS, were flown during the project. Data were recorded on all route segments. Over 12,000 data points were used in the accuracy analysis. Calibration procedures, used at five locations, reduced errors throughout an area within a 75 nm radius of the calibration point.
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING TECHNICAL REPORT DOCUMENTATION PAGE

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(6) References, Bibliography, and Footnotes. Include complete identification of references as footnotes on bottom of page where first cited to aid in reading from microform. The reference or footnote is noted in the text by a number set sightly superior to the line of type (example 1). When references and footnotes are numerous, they should be included in a list in the back of the report. Entries should be presented in a uniform style, with complete identifying data, in accepted bibliographic form. Each entry should include authors, title sources, identifying numbers, pagination and dates. Abbreviations are not recommended and should be used sparingly.

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CONCLUSIONS

1. Fiber optics technology can be used to remote all airport surveillance radar (ASR) and beacon video, control azimuth, and audio signals required.

2. The required fiber optic hardware can be obtained off-the-shelf.

3. All control, azimuth, and audio signals can be multiplexed on one video grade channel.

4. Video and trigger signals should be multiplexed onto one video channel.

5. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Technical Center can build all interface and control multiplexing hardware required.

6. The recommended test bed will cost approximately $130,000.00.

7. All of the system tests, including reliability testing, can be completed and a report prepared in 18 months after system acceptance by the Technical Center.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Both multiplexed and nonmultiplexed video systems should be installed at the Technical Center so that a comparison of the two systems can be obtained.

2. A repeater should be implemented by echoing signals back to the radar site using the control link hardware.

3. All hardware should be purchased off-the-shelf, preferably from a single manufacturer as a turn key operation, with the exception of the low frequency and control/readback multiplexers which should be built by the Technical Center.

4. The hardware described should be installed at the Technical Center and all system tests described should be performed.

FIGURE 3. SAMPLE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS PAGE
(2) **Index.** If an index is included for a lengthy report consider a simple one-page list and make it as complete as the nature of the report and its probable usage requires.

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**Figure 4. Sample Placement of Callouts (Labels)**
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**FIGURE 5. SAMPLE SCREENING USED AS SUBSTITUTES FOR COLOR**

**FIGURE 6. SAMPLE CODING USED AS SUBSTITUTES FOR COLOR**
(5) **Fold-Ins.** Wherever possible, avoid the use of oversize illustrations that must be folded. Often large illustrations can be planned for facing pages or optically reduced to fit this format. Where oversize illustrations cannot be reduced without sacrificing legibility, use facing pages where feasible.

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(b) All fold-in items may be gathered following the references to them, or at the end of each volume and assigned figures or table numbers in sequence according to their location in the volume. Each fold-in with a blank reverse page, shall be assigned two consecutive numbers in the main page sequence, with the first to be odd, e.g., 151/152.

(c) Each page shall be folded so that page numbers and caption shall be immediately visible to the reader, without its being necessary for the reader to unfold the page.

(d) When necessary for readability, fold-ins may be printed with a blank apron to the left, so that with the book closed the entire unfolded printed surface can be read.

(e) Where fold-ins are numerous and cannot be split, consideration should be given to folding and inserting these into an envelope pasted to inside back cover.

(6) **Numbering.** Number each illustration to which reference is made in the text. Illustrations without text reference are undesirable and should be used only in exceptionally rare cases. An example would be a simple sketch comprising part of an elaborate table. Number all illustrations in a volume (in body of report only) consecutively with numerals in a single series starting with 1, preceded by the word FIGURE. In any report, this usage must be consistent. Where an illustration covers several pages, repeat the caption, including figure number on each page (example: sheet 1 of 3, 2 of 3, etc.). Number illustrations within appendixes in a manner consistent with the appendix letter, such as figure A-1, B-2, etc. Figure captions appear under the illustrations.

h. **Formulas and Equations.**

(1) **General.** Prepare mathematical matter with extreme care. Use machine or transfer-type composition when available. Identify symbols after first use or in a separate list to aid in reading from microform. Make opening and closing parentheses, brackets, and braces the same height as the tallest expression they enclose. Separate numerator from denominator with a line as long as the longer of the two. Center both numerator and denominator on the line.

(2) **Placement.** Indent or center a displayed equation in the line immediately following the first text reference made to it. Break equations before an equal, plus, or multiplication sign. Align a group of separate but related equations by the equal signs and indent or center the groups as a whole. Short equations, not part of a series, may be placed in the text rather than displayed separately.
(3) **Numbering.** Number equations which are part of a series or which are referred to in the text consecutively in Arabic numerals. Enclose each number in parentheses at the right margin on the last line of the equation numbers. Number equations within appendixes in manner consistent with the appendix letter, such as (A-1), (B-2), etc.

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Footnote reference: Recrystallized at 2370 K for 1/2 hour in vacuum.

**FIGURE 7. SAMPLE TYPICAL TABLE LAYOUT.** For more complete information on tables, see the Government Printing Office Style Manual.

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