# GROUND-BASED NAVIGATION AND DISPERSION ANALYSIS FOR THE ORION EXPLORATION MISSION 1 

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#### Abstract

This paper presents the Orion Exploration Mission 1 Linear Covariance Analysis for the DRO mission using ground-based navigation. The $|\Delta \mathbf{V}|$ statistics for each maneuver are presented. In particular, the statistics of the lunar encounters and the Entry Interface are presented.


## INTRODUCTION

This paper presents the navigation and dispersion analysis for the Orion Exploration Mission 1 (EM-1) Distant Retrograde Orbit (DRO) mission with ground-based navigation. It is based upon the theory presented in Maybeck. ${ }^{1}$ This is a further analysis of the DRO trajectory along the lines of what was presented by D'Souza and Zanetti. ${ }^{2}$

The accuracy of the flight-path angle at Entry Interface ${ }^{\dagger \dagger}$ (EI) is driven by several factors including the navigation, targeting, and burn execution errors at the time of the last mid-course maneuver, and unaccounted trajectory perturbations between the last mid-course maneuver and EI. Apollo missions tolerated a maximum flight path angle error at EI of $\pm 1$ degree, with half of this error allocated to navigation. A similar criterion is employed in this study.

Perturbations are a major source of errors in the cislunar navigation performance of Orion. In a perfect world all the sources of perturbations would be modeled in the filter dynamics. However, computational limitations (and fundamental knowledge) preclude such extensive modeling. Therefore, the primary sources of perturbations are characterized. In particular there are three categories of unmodeled acceleration: propulsive sources, gravitational perturbations, and solar radiation pressure. Only propulsive errors are included in this analysis; the gravitational and solar radiation pressure are not included; they will be included in a future study. For EM-1, the gravitational and solar radiation pressure errors are several orders of magnitude below the thrusting sources. The propulsive sources considered are: attitude deadbands, attitude slews, $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ venting, and sublimator venting.

Linear covariance techniques are used to perform the analysis for the Orion Cislunar missions. This comports well for the navigation system design since the cislunar navigation system on Orion will be an Extended Kalman Filter. Many of the same states and dynamics used in the linear covariance analysis will be used in the on-board cislunar navigation system. A preliminary design of

[^0]the cislunar navigation system is presented. This is supported by linear covariance analyses which provides navigation performance, trajectory dispersion performance and $|\Delta \mathbf{V}|$ usage.

The paper is organized as follows: Section 2 will contain a brief description of linear covariance analysis. In Section 3, the navigation system will be described, both the filter dynamics as well as the measurement. Section 4 will contain results of this analysis. Finally, a few concluding comments are made in Section 5.

## LINEAR COVARIANCE ANALYSIS

This investigation is performed using linear covariance (LinCov) analysis techniques. ${ }^{1,3}$ The state vector is

$$
\mathbf{x}=\left\{\begin{array}{lllllll}
\mathbf{r}^{\mathrm{T}} & \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}} & \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} & \mathbf{m}_{o p}^{\mathrm{T}} & \mathbf{m}_{t r}^{\mathrm{T}} & \mathbf{b}_{c e n t}^{\mathrm{T}} & b_{p d} \tag{1}
\end{array}\right\}^{\mathrm{T}}
$$

where $\mathbf{r}$ is the inertial position of the vehicle with respect to the primary body, $\mathbf{v}$ is the corresponding inertial velocity with respect to the primary, $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is the attitude error, $\boldsymbol{m}_{o p}$ is the misalignment of the optical instrument, $\mathbf{b}_{t r}$ is the bias position of the instrument with respect to the navigation base, $\mathbf{b}_{\text {cent }}$ is the bias of the planetary centroid measurement, and $b_{p d}$ is the bias of the planetary diameter measurement.

The nominal trajectory is obtained by integrating the nominal dynamics model with an EnckeNystrom method. ${ }^{4}$ Neither the attitude error $\delta \boldsymbol{\theta}$ nor its uncertainty are integrated in this analysis. The nominal attitude is known at any time and it does not need to be calculated. The attitude estimation error covariance is constant and is driven by the star tracker accuracy. The attitude navigation dispersion covariance is constant and is given by the attitude control dead-band. Before the star elevation is determined, the vehicle slews in preparation for measurement acquisition. This attitude maneuver is performed by the on-board thrusters and is assumed to be instantaneous. Due to thruster misalignment, this maneuver adds uncertainty to the translational states. After the batch of measurements is available, the vehicle returns to its nominal attitude. In linear covariance analysis, the difference between the true state and the nominal state is defined as the environment dispersion

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta \mathrm{x} \triangleq \mathrm{x}-\overline{\mathrm{x}} . \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

The difference between the estimated state and the nominal state is defined as the navigation dispersion

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta \hat{\mathbf{x}} \triangleq \hat{\mathbf{x}}-\overline{\mathbf{x}} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Finally, the difference between the true state and the estimated state, is defined as the estimation error, sometimes referred to as the on-board navigation error

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{e} \triangleq \mathbf{x}-\hat{\mathbf{x}} . \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Following the standard Kalman filter assumptions, the difference between the nominal and estimated models is represented with zero-mean, white noise. The estimated state evolves as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}=\mathbf{f}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}), \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathbf{f}$ is a nonlinear function representing the system dynamics as modeled by the filter. The evolution of the nominal state is modeled as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{\overline{\mathbf{x}}}=\overline{\mathbf{f}}(\overline{\mathbf{x}})=\mathbf{f}(\overline{\mathbf{x}})+\boldsymbol{v}, \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\bar{f}$ is a nonlinear function representing the state dynamics as modeled in designing the nominal trajectory. The nominal dynamics $\bar{f}$ may be higher fidelity than the filter's dynamics $f$. The vector $\boldsymbol{v}$ represents the dynamics modeled in the nominal trajectory but neglected in the filter models. In Kalman filtering, the difference between the true dynamics and the filter's dynamics is called process noise. While these unmodeled dynamics are not actually white noise, they are modeled as such. The power spectral density of process noise is then tuned to achieve good performance. The same procedure is used here. In order to capture the difference between the two dynamical models, $\boldsymbol{v}$ is modeled as a zero-mean white noise process with power spectral density $\hat{\mathbf{Q}}$. The goal is to represent the increased value of the navigation dispersion during propagation due to the difference between the nominal and filter's dynamical models.

The evolution of the navigation dispersion can be approximated to first-order as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta \dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}=\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}-\dot{\overline{\mathbf{x}}}=\mathbf{f}(\overline{\mathbf{x}}+\delta \hat{\mathbf{x}})-\mathbf{f}(\overline{\mathbf{x}})-\boldsymbol{v} \simeq \mathbf{F}(\overline{\mathbf{x}}) \delta \hat{\mathbf{x}}-\boldsymbol{v} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

The evolution of the navigation dispersion covariance is governed by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{\hat{\mathbf{P}}}=\mathbf{F}(\overline{\mathbf{x}}) \hat{\mathbf{P}}+\hat{\mathbf{P}} \mathbf{F}(\overline{\mathbf{x}})^{\mathrm{T}}+\hat{\mathbf{Q}} . \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

Similarly, the true state is modeled to evolve as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{\mathbf{x}}=\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})+\boldsymbol{\nu} \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

The evolution of the estimation error is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{\mathbf{e}}=\dot{\mathrm{x}}-\dot{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} \simeq \mathbf{f}(\overline{\mathbf{x}})+\mathbf{F}(\overline{\mathrm{x}})(\mathbf{x}-\overline{\mathbf{x}})+\boldsymbol{\nu}-\mathbf{f}(\overline{\mathbf{x}})-\mathbf{F}(\overline{\mathrm{x}})(\hat{\mathbf{x}}-\overline{\mathbf{x}})=\mathbf{F}(\overline{\mathrm{x}}) \mathbf{e}+\boldsymbol{\nu} \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

Vector $\boldsymbol{\nu}$ is modeled as zero mean white noise with power spectral density $\mathbf{Q}$. The on-board covariance $\mathbf{P}$ evolves as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{\mathbf{P}}=\mathbf{F}(\overline{\mathbf{x}}) \mathbf{P}+\mathbf{P F}(\overline{\mathbf{x}})+\mathbf{Q} . \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

Notice that the Jacobian $\mathbf{F}$ could be evaluated at the estimated state $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ instead of the nominal state $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$, as in the extended Kalman filter.

Finally

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta \dot{\mathbf{x}}=\dot{\mathbf{x}}-\dot{\overline{\mathbf{x}}} \simeq \mathbf{F}(\overline{\mathbf{x}}) \delta \mathbf{x}+\boldsymbol{\nu}-\boldsymbol{v} \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

and $\overline{\mathbf{P}}$ evolves as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{\overline{\mathbf{P}}}=\mathbf{F}(\overline{\mathbf{x}}) \overline{\mathbf{P}}+\overline{\mathbf{P}} \mathbf{F}(\overline{\mathbf{x}})+\overline{\mathbf{Q}} . \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

Notice that $\overline{\mathbf{Q}}=\mathbf{Q}+\hat{\mathbf{Q}}$ if $\boldsymbol{\nu}$ and $\boldsymbol{v}$ are assumed to be uncorrelated.

## THE ORION CISLUNAR NAVIGATION FILTER

## The Filter States

The Orion on-board navigation filter will be required to estimate the position and velocity of the spacecraft. A decision has been made to separate out the attitude determination filter. It is important, however, to maintain an estimate of the attitude error of the vehicle since the measurements being taken are inherently angle measurements. Hence, navigation state vector is comprised of the following

$$
\mathbf{x}=\left\{\begin{array}{lll}
\mathbf{r}^{\mathrm{T}} & \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}} & \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \tag{14}
\end{array}\right\}^{\mathrm{T}} .
$$

where $\mathbf{r}$ is the inertial position of the vehicle with respect to the primary body, $\mathbf{v}$ is the corresponding inertial velocity with respect to the primary, and $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is the attitude error.

## The Filter Dynamics

Since this filter operates once Orion is away from Earth (and outside of GPS range), the primary forces governing the motion of the vehicle are the gravitational forces of the Earth, the Moon, and the Sun. The trajectory is designed taking into account all three of these bodies. Whereas the equations of motion are formulated with respect to a central body, this (central body) changes depending on which sphere of influence the vehicle is subject to.

The equations of motion for the Earth-Sun-Moon system are

$$
\begin{equation*}
\ddot{\mathbf{r}}_{P V}=-\frac{\mu_{P}}{r_{P V}^{3}} \mathbf{r}_{P V}-\mu_{Q}\left[\frac{\mathbf{r}_{Q V}}{r_{Q V}^{3}}+\frac{\mathbf{r}_{P Q}}{r_{P Q}^{3}}\right]-\mu_{S}\left[\frac{\mathbf{r}_{S V}}{r_{S V}^{3}}+\frac{\mathbf{r}_{P S}}{r_{P S}^{3}}\right] \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

where and $\mathbf{r}_{P V}$ is the position of the vehicle $(V)$ with respect to the primary body $(P), \mathbf{r}_{Q V}$ is the position of the vehicle with respect to the secondary body $(Q), \mathbf{r}_{P Q}$ is the position of the secondary body with respect to the primary body, $\mathbf{r}_{S V}$ is the position of the vehicle with respect to the Sun $(S)$, and $\mathbf{r}_{P S}$ is the position of the Sun with respect to the primary body. The geometry is shown in Figure 1. In many applications, these equations are integrated by a Runge-Kutta or Runge-Kutta-Fehlberg fixed-step or variable-step algorithms.


Figure 1. The Earth-Sun-Moon-Vehicle Geometry

## The Measurements

Both 3-station and 6-station range and doppler measurement passes were used to construct a navigation translation state (position and velocity) solution (and covariance) which was then transmitted to the vehicle which then performed the maneuvers based upon these ground navigation updates.

## System Model Parameters

Table 1 contains the data for the injection covariance matrix used in this analysis. Table 2 contains the model for the process noise used during the mission, both quiescent and active. Finally, Table 3 contains the maneuver execution errors for this case.

| Error | Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| U (Radial) Position | 30984.0 ft |
| V Position | 196002.0 ft |
| W (Out-of-Plane) Position | 10981.8 ft |
| U (Radial) Velocity | $170.820 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s}$ |
| V Velocity | $29.250 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s}$ |
| W (Out-of-Plane) Velocity | $42.510 \mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s}$ |

Table 1. Translunar Injection Accuracy (3 $\sigma$ )

| Type | Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| Quiescent | $3.801 \times 10^{-8} \mathrm{ft}^{2} / \mathrm{s}^{3}$ |
| Active (CM/SM) | $1.410 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{ft}^{2} / \mathrm{s}^{3}$ |
| Active (CM only) | $8.479 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{ft}^{2} / \mathrm{s}^{3}$ |

Table 2. Vehicle Translation Process Noise Characteristics

## Concept of Operations of Maneuvers and Ground Navigation Passes

Four outbound trajectory correction (OTC) maneuvers will be performed on the leg from the Earth to the Moon, a single Outbound Powered Flyby (OPF) maneuver targeting for the DRO insertion point, two outbound correction maneuvers between the OPF and the DRO Insertion (DRO-I) point. Once on the DRO, three (DRO) Orbit Maneuvers (OM) spaced approximately equally, all targeting the DRO Departure maneuver point are performed. After the DRO Departure (DRO-D) maneuver, there are two correction maneuvers targeting the perilune conditions of the Return Powered Flyby (RPF) maneuver. Finally, at after RPF, there are three correction maneuvers (RTC 4-6). These maneuvers and their TIGs are outlined in Table 4.

The nominal ground navigation network was assumed to be a 6 -station configuration (Goldstone, Madrid, Canberra, Hartebeestoek, Santiago, Usuda). The ground navigation passes were chosen so as to upload the state to the vehicle 1 hour before each maneuver. This was to allow for the final targeting of the maneuver as well as time to perform an attitude maneuver to get to the maneuver attitude. During those epochs when the maneuvers occured more than 24 hours apart, ground navigation passes were scheduled so as to ensure that the on-board state remained reasonable.

## THE NAVIGATION ERRORS AND TRAJECTORY DISPERSIONS

The EM-1 Mission is divided into five phases: the Earth-Moon (TransLunar) Phase, the Moon-to-DRO phase, the DRO-orbit phase, the DRO-to-Moon phase and the Moon-to-Earth (transEarth) phase. Whereas the navigation errors and trajectory dispersions are important in each phase, of particular importance are the Earth-to-Moon, DRO-to-Moon and the Moon-to-Earth phases. Of ultimate importance is the Moon-to-Earth Phase because that determines whether the crew can return safely to Earth. Of course, the epoch of concern in this phase is the Entry Interface (EI) condition. In what follows the trajectory dispersions and navigation errors in each of these three

| Maneuver Execution Error | $3 \sigma$ Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| Noise (ft/s) | 0.027 |
| Bias $(\mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s})$ | 0.009 |
| Scale Factor $(\mathrm{ppm})$ | 450.0 |
| Misalignment $(\mathrm{deg})$ | 0.03 |

Table 3. The Maneuver Execution Error Model
phases will be detailed.

## Translunar Phase

The navigation errors and trajectory dispersions mapped to the B-plane are presented in Figures 2-3. The time history of the linearized time of flight of the navigation errors and the trajectory dispersions are presented in Figures 4-5. The trajectory dispersions at the time of the OPF maneuver are presented in Table 5. The B-plane trajectory dispersions at the time of the OPF maneuver are presented in Table 6.


Figure 2. Translunar Navigation Errors mapped to the B-plane

## The Trans-DRO Orbit Phase

The navigation errors mapped to the time of the DRO Insertion Maneuver are presented in Figures 6-7. The trajectory dispersions mapped to the time of the DRO Insertion Maneuver are presented in Figures $8-9$. We have displayed the navigation errors and the trajectory dispersions mapped to this epoch because these are the quantities that are being targeted.

## The DRO Orbit Phase

The navigation errors mapped to the time of the DRO Departure Maneuver are presented in Figures 10-11. The trajectory dispersions mapped to the time of the DRO Departure Maneuver are

| Maneuver \# | Type | $t_{i g}$ (hrs) | $\left\|\Delta \mathrm{V}_{\text {nom }}\right\|(\mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | OTC-1 | 6.81 | 0.000 |
| 2 | OTC-2 | 25.81 | 0.000 |
| 3 | OTC-3 | 81.60 | 0.000 |
| 4 | OTC-4 | 97.60 | 0.000 |
| 5 | OPF | 103.60 | 572.627 |
| 6 | OTC-5 | 122.41 | 0.000 |
| 7 | OTC-6 | 144.00 | 0.000 |
| 8 | DRI | 169.21 | 797.479 |
| 9 | OM-1 | 204.00 | 0.000 |
| 10 | OM-2 | 240.00 | 0.000 |
| 11 | OM-3 | 276.00 | 0.000 |
| 12 | DRD | 316.80 | 278.567 |
| 13 | RTC-1 | 372.01 | 0.000 |
| 14 | RTC-2 | 426.01 | 0.000 |
| 15 | RTC-3 | 477.62 | 0.000 |
| 16 | RPF | 483.62 | 827.866 |
| 17 | RTC-4 | 501.61 | 0.000 |
| 18 | RTC-5 | 591.04 | 0.000 |
| 19 | RTC-6 | 607.04 | 0.000 |
| Total |  |  | $\mathbf{2 4 7 6 . 5 3 9}$ |

Table 4. The Maneuver Plan
presented in Figures 12-13. As in the trans-DRO phase, the navigation errors and the trajectory dispersions are mapped to this epoch because these are the quantities that are being targeted.

## The DRO-to-Moon Phase

The navigation errors and trajectory dispersions mapped to the B-plane are presented in Figures 14-15. For a sense of scale, these navigation errors and trajectory dispersions mapped to the B-plane with the (radius of the) Moon plotted for scale are presented in Figures 16-17. The navigation errors at the time of the RPF maneuver are presented in Table 7. The trajectory dispersions at the time of the RPF maneuver are presented in Table 8.

## The Trans-Earth Phase

The navigation errors mapped to Entry Interface flight path angle errors are presented in Figures 18. The trajectory dispersions mapped to Entry Interface flight path angle trajectory dispersions are presented in Figures 19. Figures 20-22 contain the trajectory dispersion ellipses mapped to EI so that the correlations between the components (Downrange Position and Flight Path Angle, Velocity Magnitude and Flight Path Angle, and Crossrange Position and Crossrange Velocity) are observedThese plots also have the EI requirement displayed. One can see that that the requirement for Velocity Magnitude and Flight Path Angle is violated. The major contributor to this violation is the late ammonia sublimator vent that occurs 0.5 hour before EI.


Figure 3. Translunar Trajectory Dispersion mapped to the B-plane


Figure 4. Translunar Navigation Errors mapped to the B-plane Linearized Time-of-Flight ( $T_{L}$ )

## Summary Statistics for the EM-1 (DRO) Mission

Table 9 contains the $|\Delta \mathrm{V}|$ statistics for this Maneuver Profile. The quantity $|\Delta \mathbf{V}|_{99.73}$ represents the $|\Delta \mathbf{V}|$ values, $99.73 \%$ of samples of which are below this value (for a univariate Gaussian distribution $\operatorname{Pr}(\mu-3 \sigma \leq x \leq \mu+3 \sigma) \approx .9973)$. In order to determine this, the covariance was sampled 10,000 times and from this the $|\Delta \mathbf{V}|_{99.73}$ and the other statistics ( $\mu$ and $\sigma$ of the $|\Delta \mathbf{V}|$ ) were computed. ${ }^{5}$

Table 14 contains the delivery statistics at the EI point.
Finally, Table 15 determines whether the dispersion ellipse EI requirements ${ }^{6}$ are satisfied the EI point. The partials of these quantities are somewhat involved. ${ }^{7}$ Margin is defined in terms of the following equation

$$
\operatorname{Margin}= \begin{cases}(\sqrt{N}-1) * 100, & N \geq 1  \tag{16}\\ \left(1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\right) * 100, & N<1\end{cases}
$$



Figure 5. Translunar Trajectory Dispersion mapped to the B-plane Linearized Time-of-Flight ( $T_{L}$ )

| Type | Pericynthion $3 \sigma$ Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| Periapsis Altitude | $1.0077 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$. |
| Inclination | 0.0162 deg |
| Argument of Periapsis | 0.1168 deg |
| $C_{3}$ | $26307.2755 \mathrm{ft}^{2} / \mathrm{s}^{2}$ |

Table 5. The Trans-Lunar Delivery $3 \sigma$ Statistics at OPF
where $N$ is the multiplier on the Dispersion covariance such that it is tangential to the requirement.
One can see from the Table and (particularly) from the Figures (40-42) that with respect to the Velocity Magnitude Vs Flight Path Angle, that the requirement is violated in the velocity magnitude component, but only in terms of the orientation of the ellipse. There is adequate margin in the Flight Path Angle component of the requirement.

## STATISTICS FOR THE VARIATION IN THE NUMBER OF GROUND STATIONS

This section presents the analysis when the ground stations were varied from 3 to 9 , in increments of 3 . The 3 station configuration contains the 3 DSN stations: Goldstone, Madrid, and Canberra. The 9 station configuration includes the sites in the 6 station network and includes Diego Gracia, Hawaii and Ascencion Island. Table 12 contains the $|\Delta \mathbf{V}|$ statistics for when the number of ground stations is varied.

Finally, Table 13 contains the delivery statistics at the EI point for each of these cases when the number of ground stations is varied.

## Statistics for the Variation in the Ammonia Sublimator Noise

The Ammonia Sublimator is a major contributor to the EI delivery accuracy. The final vent occurs $1 / 2$ hour before EI and continues until EI. To that end, the sublimator noise is varied. The nominal maneuver noise is $8.479 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{ft}^{2} / \mathrm{s}^{3}(1 \sigma)$. From this, the maneuver noise is varied between the

| Type | Pericynthion $3 \sigma$ Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| B•T | 5.4367 n.m. |
| B•R | $1.8584 \mathrm{n} . \mathrm{m}$. |
| Linearized Time-of-Flight | 0.8421 sec |

Table 6. The Trans-Lunar Delivery $3 \sigma$ B-plane Statistics at OPF


Figure 6. The Trans-DRO Orbit on-board Navigation Error Mapped to DRO Insertion Position Error

CM/SM strength of $8.479 \times 10^{-4} \mathrm{ft}^{2} / \mathrm{s}^{3}$ and its quiscent strength of $3.801 \times 10^{-8} \mathrm{ft}^{2} / \mathrm{s}^{3}(1 \sigma)$. Table 15 contains the delivery statistics at the EI point for each of these cases when the maneuver noise is varied. Finally, the margin for each of these cases is tabulated in Table 16.

## CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This paper details the linear covariance analysis for the EM-1 DRO mission with ground-based navigation updates. The sensitivity analysis shows that having 6 ground stations available for navigation tracking improves the trajectory dispersions at EI (as compared to 3 stations), not to mention the $|\Delta \mathbf{V}|$ dispersions. The major contributor to EI delivery accuracy is the sublimator vent just prior to EI. Were the strength of that vent reduced, the EI accuracy requirements would be satisfied.

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Figure 7. The Trans-DRO Orbit on-board Navigation Error Mapped to DRO Insertion Velocity Error

| Type | RPF $3 \sigma$ Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| Periapsis Altitude | 0.1675 n.m. |
| Inclination | 0.0060 deg |
| Argument of Periapsis | 0.1227 deg |

Table 7. The DRO-to-Moon Navigation Error $3 \sigma$ Statistics at RPF

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Figure 8. The Trans-DRO Orbit Trajectory Dispersions Mapped to DRO Insertion Position Dispersion

| Type | RPF $3 \sigma$ Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| Periapsis Altitude | $0.8527 \mathrm{n.m}$. |
| Inclination | 0.0107 deg |
| Argument of Periapsis | 0.2721 deg |

Table 8. The DRO-to-Moon Delivery $3 \sigma$ Statistics at RPF


Figure 9. The Trans-DRO Orbit Trajectory Dispersions Error Mapped to DRO Insertion Velocity Dispersion


Figure 10. The DRO Orbit on-board Navigation Error Mapped to DRO Departure Position Error


Figure 11. The DRO Orbit on-board Navigation Error Mapped to DRO Departure Velocity Error


Figure 12. The DRO Orbit Trajectory Dispersions Mapped to DRO Departure Position Dispersion


Figure 13. The DRO Orbit Trajectory Dispersions Error Mapped to DRO Departure Velocity Dispersion


Figure 14. DRO-to-Moon Navigation Errors Mapped to the Errors in Pericynthion Radius


Figure 15. DRO-to-Moon Trajectory Dispersion Mapped to the Errors in Pericynthion Radius


Figure 16. DRO-to-Moon Navigation Errors mapped to the Errors in Pericynthion Inclination


Figure 17. DRO-to-Moon Trajectory Dispersion mapped to Errors in Pericynthion Inclination)


Figure 18. The on-board Navigation Errors Mapped to Entry Interface Flight Path Angle Errors


Figure 19. The Trans-Earth Trajectory Dispersions Mapped to Entry Interface Flight Path Angle Dispersions


Figure 20. The Trans-Earth Entry Interface Conditions Mapped Downrange vs Flight Path Angle Trajectory Dispersion Ellipses


Figure 21. The Trans-Earth Entry Interface Conditions Mapped Velocity Magnitude vs Flight Path Angle Trajectory Dispersion Ellipses


Figure 22. The Trans-Earth Entry Interface Conditions Mapped Crossrange Positon vs Crossrange Velocity Trajectory Dispersion Ellipses

| Maneuver \# | Type | $t_{\text {ig }}(\mathrm{hrs})$ | $\|\Delta \mathbf{V}\|_{\text {nom }}(\mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s})$ | $\mu_{\|\Delta \mathbf{V}\|}(\mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s})$ | $\sigma_{\|\Delta \mathbf{V}\|}(\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{s})$ | $\|\Delta \mathbf{V}\|_{99.73}(\mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | OTC-1 | 6.81 | 0.000 | 13.357 | 8.811 | 46.666 |
| 2 | OTC-2 | 25.81 | 0.000 | 0.208 | 0.107 | 0.574 |
| 3 | OTC-3 | 81.60 | 0.000 | 0.463 | 0.207 | 1.170 |
| 4 | OTC-4 | 97.60 | 0.000 | 0.791 | 0.376 | 2.133 |
| 5 | OPF | 103.60 | 572.627 | 572.714 | 1.888 | 578.728 |
| 6 | OTC-5 | 122.41 | 0.000 | 4.214 | 3.084 | 15.377 |
| 7 | OTC-6 | 144.00 | 0.000 | 1.680 | 1.070 | 5.533 |
| 8 | DRI | 169.21 | 797.479 | 797.478 | 0.122 | 797.805 |
| 9 | OM-1 | 204.00 | 0.000 | 1.312 | 0.660 | 3.616 |
| 10 | OM-2 | 240.00 | 0.000 | 0.688 | 0.332 | 1.870 |
| 11 | OM-3 | 276.00 | 0.000 | 0.222 | 0.094 | 0.551 |
| 12 | DRD | 316.80 | 278.567 | 278.567 | 0.106 | 278.849 |
| 13 | RTC-1 | 372.01 | 0.000 | 0.446 | 0.233 | 1.333 |
| 14 | RTC-2 | 426.01 | 0.000 | 0.259 | 0.112 | 0.647 |
| 15 | RTC-3 | 477.62 | 0.000 | 1.209 | 0.814 | 4.302 |
| 16 | RPF | 483.62 | 827.866 | 827.869 | 0.471 | 829.190 |
| 17 | RTC-4 | 501.61 | 0.000 | 1.741 | 1.078 | 5.938 |
| 18 | RTC-5 | 591.04 | 0.000 | 0.862 | 0.492 | 2.634 |
| 19 | RTC-6 | 607.04 | 0.000 | 0.523 | 0.252 | 1.382 |
| Total |  |  | $\mathbf{2 4 7 6 . 5 3 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 0 4 . 6 0 4}$ |  | $\mathbf{2 5 7 8 . 3 0 0}$ |

Table 9. The $|\Delta V|$ Statistics

| Type | Entry Interface $3 \sigma$ Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| Latitude | 0.0444 deg |
| Longitude | 0.0097 deg |
| Flight Path Angle | 0.0199 deg |
| Heading Angle | 0.0286 deg |

Table 10. The Final Delivery $3 \sigma$ Statistics

| Type | PASS / FAIL | Margin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Downrange Position Vs Flight Path Angle | PASS | 220.8044 |
| Velocity Magnitude Vs Flight Path Angle | FAIL | -15.5571 |
| Velocity Magnitude Vs Downrange Position | FAIL | -20.0120 |
| Velocity Magnitude Vs Flight Path Angle | PASS | 621.5096 |

Table 11. The EI Requirement Satisfaction

|  |  |  |  | 6 Ground Stations | 3 Ground Stations | 9 Ground Stations <br> Man \# |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Type | $t_{i g}$ <br> $(\mathrm{hrs})$ | $\|\Delta \mathbf{V}\|_{\text {nom }}$ <br> $(\mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s})$ | $\|\Delta \mathbf{V}\|_{99.73}$ <br> $(\mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s})$ | $\|\Delta \mathbf{V}\|_{99.73}$ <br> $(\mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s})$ | $\|\Delta \mathbf{V}\|_{99.73}$ <br> $(\mathrm{ft} / \mathrm{s})$ |  |
| 1 | OTC-1 | 6.81 | 0.000 | 46.666 | 46.666 | 46.666 |
| 2 | OTC-2 | 25.81 | 0.000 | 0.574 | 0.574 | 0.574 |
| 3 | OTC-3 | 81.60 | 0.000 | 1.170 | 1.171 | 1.169 |
| 4 | OTC-4 | 97.60 | 0.000 | 2.133 | 2.128 | 2.128 |
| 5 | OPF | 103.60 | 572.627 | 578.728 | 578.638 | 578.361 |
| 6 | OTC-5 | 122.41 | 0.000 | 15.377 | 15.804 | 15.089 |
| 7 | OTC-6 | 144.00 | 0.000 | 5.533 | 5.723 | 5.400 |
| 8 | DRI | 169.21 | 797.479 | 797.805 | 797.811 | 797.804 |
| 9 | OM-1 | 204.00 | 0.000 | 3.616 | 3.618 | 3.616 |
| 10 | OM-2 | 240.00 | 0.000 | 1.870 | 1.875 | 1.870 |
| 11 | OM-3 | 276.00 | 0.000 | 0.551 | 0.553 | 0.544 |
| 12 | DRD | 316.80 | 278.567 | 278.849 | 278.850 | 278.848 |
| 13 | RTC-1 | 372.01 | 0.000 | 1.333 | 1.332 | 1.334 |
| 14 | RTC-2 | 426.01 | 0.000 | 0.647 | 0.666 | 0.639 |
| 15 | RTC-3 | 477.62 | 0.000 | 4.302 | 4.322 | 4.291 |
| 16 | RPF | 483.62 | 827.866 | 829.190 | 829.189 | 829.190 |
| 17 | RTC-4 | 501.61 | 0.000 | 5.938 | 5.938 | 5.939 |
| 18 | RTC-5 | 591.04 | 0.000 | 2.634 | 2.638 | 2.633 |
| 19 | RTC-6 | 607.04 | 0.000 | 1.382 | 1.393 | 1.378 |
| Total |  |  | $\mathbf{2 4 7 6 . 5 3 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 7 8 . 3 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 7 8 . 8 8 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 7 7 . 4 7 2}$ |

Table 12. $|\Delta \mathrm{V}|$ Statistics for the Variation of the Number of Ground Stations

| EI Delivery Error | Nominal | Case 1 | Case 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Latitude $(3 \sigma)$ | $0.044^{\circ}$ | $0.047^{\circ}$ | $0.044^{\circ}$ |
| Longitude $(3 \sigma)$ | $0.010^{\circ}$ | $0.010^{\circ}$ | $0.010^{\circ}$ |
| Flight Path Angle $(3 \sigma)$ | $0.020^{\circ}$ | $0.021^{\circ}$ | $0.020^{\circ}$ |
| Heading Angle $(3 \sigma)$ | $0.029^{\circ}$ | $0.030^{\circ}$ | $0.028^{\circ}$ |

Table 13. The Final Entry Interface $3 \sigma$ Delivery Statistics as a Function of the Variation of the Number of Ground Stations

| Type | Nominal Case | 3 Ground Stations | 9 Ground Stations |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Downrange Position Vs Flight Path Angle | 220.804 | 209.520 | 222.977 |
| Velocity Magnitude Vs Flight Path Angle | -15.557 | -23.512 | -14.523 |
| Velocity Magnitude Vs Downrange Position | -20.012 | -28.823 | -18.849 |
| Crossrange Positon Vs Crossrange Velocity | 621.510 | 598.443 | 625.797 |

Table 14. Requirement Satisfaction for the Variation of the Number of Ground Stations

| EI Delivery Error | Nominal | SM/CM Sublimator Noise | Quiescent Sublimator Noise |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Latitude $(3 \sigma)$ | $0.044^{\circ}$ | $0.043^{\circ}$ | $0.042^{\circ}$ |
| Longitude $(3 \sigma)$ | $0.010^{\circ}$ | $0.004^{\circ}$ | $0.002^{\circ}$ |
| Flight Path Angle $(3 \sigma)$ | $0.020^{\circ}$ | $0.017^{\circ}$ | $0.016^{\circ}$ |
| Heading Angle $(3 \sigma)$ | $0.029^{\circ}$ | $0.026^{\circ}$ | $0.026^{\circ}$ |

Table 15. The Final Entry Interface $3 \sigma$ Delivery Statistics as a Function of the Variation of Sublimator Noise

| Type | Nominal Case | SM/CM Noise | Quiescent Noise |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Downrange Position Vs Flight Path Angle | 220.804 | 419.469 | 499.159 |
| Velocity Magnitude Vs Flight Path Angle | -15.557 | 59.293 | 116.517 |
| Velocity Magnitude Vs Downrange Position | -20.012 | 51.533 | 103.562 |
| Crossrange Positon Vs Crossrange Velocity | 621.510 | 910.442 | 949.406 |

Table 16. Requirement Satisfaction for the Variation of the Sublimator Noise


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